

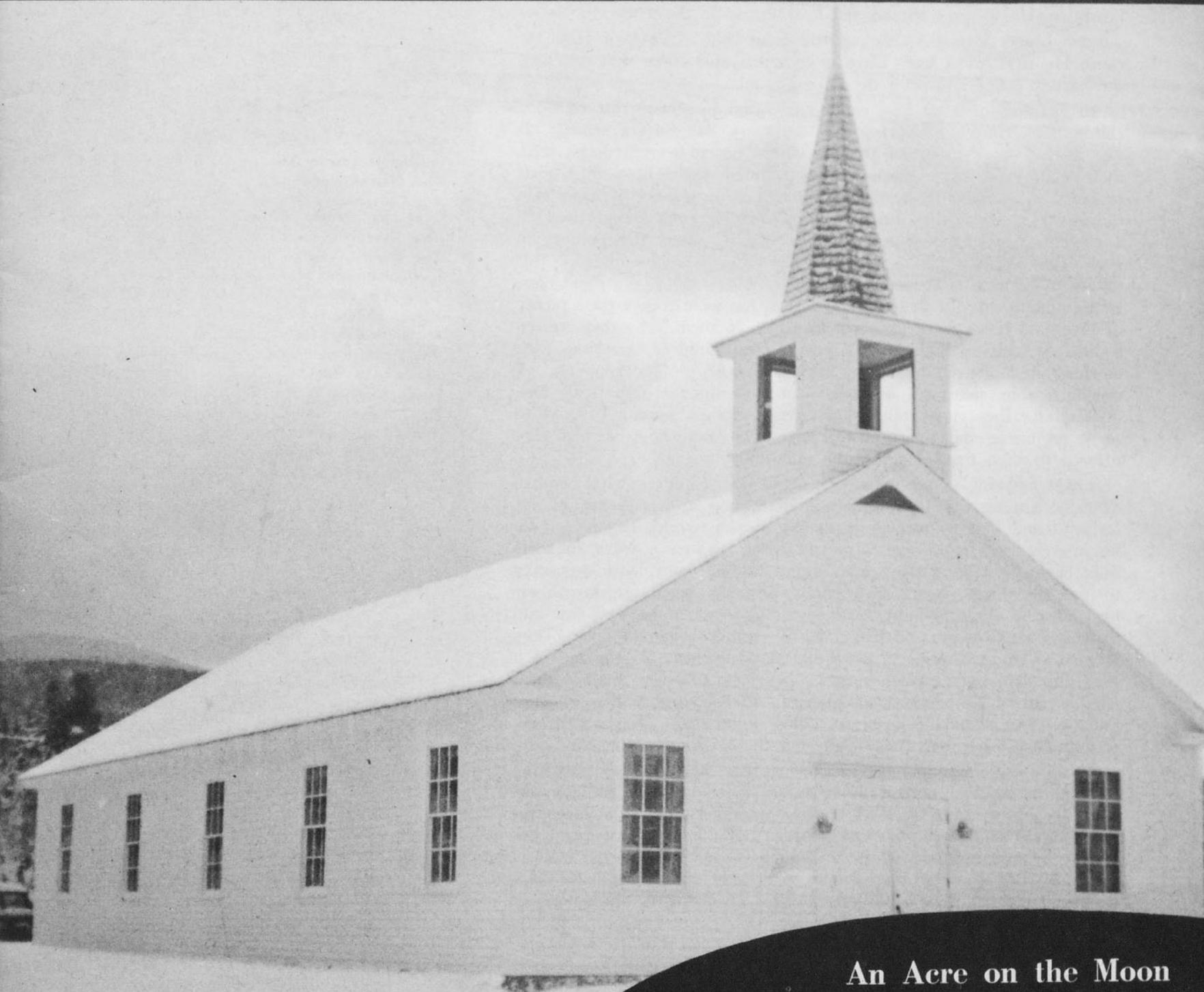
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What Love Can Do

Whatever lack of love there may be in the world today, it is not God's fault. God's nature is pure love and He has lavished loving gifts upon us all. He has also shed His love abroad in our hearts so that we may spread that love abroad in the world.

Love begets love. As the apostle John said, "We love Him because He first loved us." Love is an irresistible force that can melt the hardest heart and open the dullest mind.

An example of what love can do is found in schools for retarded children. A church in Springfield, Missouri, has such a school. It was started by a group of parents whose hearts were crushed with their children's helplessness. They wanted their boys and girls to go to school and be normal children, but the school officials said they had no capacity to learn. They wouldn't even accept them in a class for the handicapped. The doctors advised the parents to send their children to the state school for the feeble-minded. But they refused to send their children away. They said, "We don't have enough money to give them private tutors, but we can give them plenty of love, and if we work together we can help them." So they started a little school of their own. Just eleven children, meeting each morning in a church basement, with the most meager supplies. A school teacher came out of retirement to assume the difficult task of teaching these unpromising children. Another woman offered to serve as nurse and assistant teacher. The mothers who had cars offered to take turns hauling the children.

It was amazing to see what love could do. Children who, because of relentless teasing from other children, had a deep sense of inferiority and had withdrawn from the outside world, began to take an interest in life. Some who had never spoken a word in their lives began to talk. Others who lacked the self-confidence necessary to use their legs, arms, and hands properly began to lose their nervousness. Bit by bit the apathy built by years of pent-up fear and distrust melted away, and the children's minds began to open. They learned to read, to write, to work and play together. At the end of a year, four had made enough mental progress to pass tests making them eligible for public school acceptance. Painstaking work, immense patience, and abundant love was doing wonders in all the children, confounding the experts who had said there was no hope for them.

The joy these parents experience when they see their children rising toward the level of normal living is surpassed only by the joy our heavenly Father must feel when He sees His backward children responding to His love. We are all so selfish, inconsiderate, and unloving by nature; but when the sunlight of His love shines in, our cold hearts grow warm and our dull minds begin to comprehend spiritual things. What miracles He performs in our lives. Behold what love can do!

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A dream castle on the moon is a poor substitute for a palace in paradise.

An Acre On the Moon

BY RAYMOND COX

A YOUNG COUPLE APPEARED AT THE Benton County Clerk's office in Corvallis, Oregon, and astounded the officials by announcing, "We want to record our deed to an acre of land on the moon!"

"You what?" exclaimed the startled auditor.

"We want to record the deed to property we have purchased on the moon. This is the proper place for filing of deeds, isn't it?"

"We do record property deeds here," the clerk commented cautiously, wondering whether this was a practical joke, "but on the moon? We never have been approached about property there!"

The lunar landlord had documents to dispel any suspicion of a prank. He presented a deed to an acre of land on the northeast quadrant of the moon—facing the earth. This general quitclaim deed reserved to the seller one half of the mineral rights of the land, but guaranteed the buyer beach rights and access to the Sea of Tranquility plus prospecting privileges in the Lunar Apennines.

Lest any suppose this deed was inveigled from a space visitor to earth via flying saucer, let it be known that the Corvallis buyer purchased his real estate on the moon from a business operated in New York City under the name, Interplanetary Development Corporation. Anyone willing to risk a dollar in space speculation can purchase an acre for himself.

After some consideration of the Cor-

vallis couple's strange request, the Benton County Clerk authorized filing of the deeds "just in case..."

People who purchase lunar real estate are somewhat unlikely to derive much benefit from the investment, save for the venture's value as a conversation topic. The remote inaccessibility of the acreage, the question of clear title, and the probability that the land would prove worthless even if it were visited, all combine to render the deeds of dubious worth.

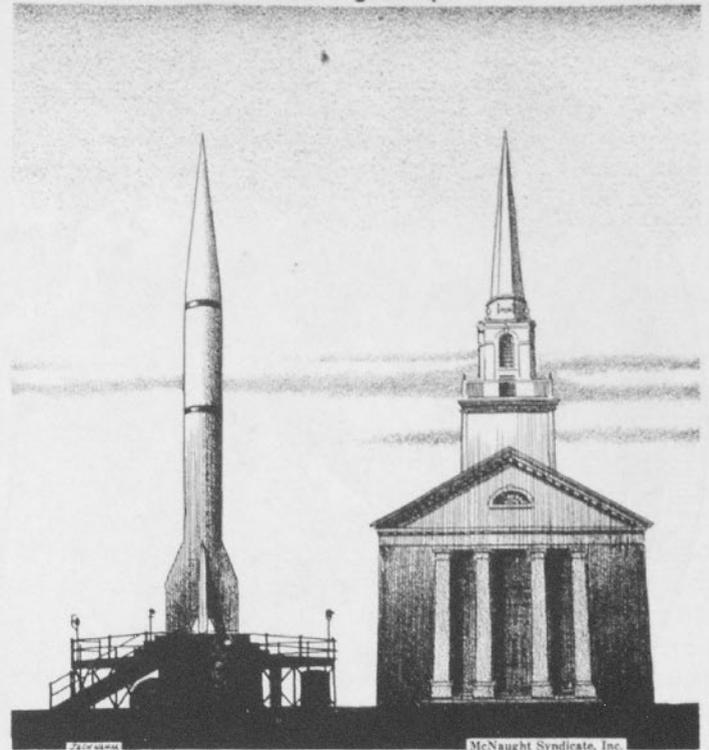
Christians can cherish little hope of benefiting from the moon's rural real estate. But Christians do have strong claims on real estate in space. And the property to which believers hold title is far more valuable than any acreage on the moon.

Where is the redeemed Christians' real estate in space?

Let the answer appear from the thrilling words of T. DeWitt Talmadge: "There is a great world swung somewhere, vast beyond imagination... It is the headquarters of the universe, and the metropolis of immensity, and has a population in numbers vast beyond all statistics, and appointments of splendor beyond the capacity of canvas or poem or angel to describe... We spell it with six letters, and pronounce it—Heaven."

Some there be who scoff in derision that heaven is a hoax—an enchanting

Contending Steeples



never never land with candy trees and lakes of lemonade. Many sneer that paradise is only "pie in the sky." Others arbitrarily assert that the only heaven man will ever experience is whatever "heaven on earth" he is able to achieve.

But Jesus set the record straight when He promised, "In my Father's house are many mansions. If it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you" (John 14:2-3). And Paul exulted in defiance of death, "We have an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens" (2 Cor. 5:1). Those concepts represent the Christian's real estate in space.

If a man today were able to stand upon lunar acreage, he would view one vast scene of desolation. His property would not only be unimproved, it would be well-nigh unimprovable!

Not so the Christian's celestial holdings. For heavenly real estate has been improved by a peerless contractor, the Carpenter of Nazareth, even Christ, the divine agent of universal creation. He has prepared the place. He has developed heaven's housing of many mansions. The streets are paved. The light is shining. Nothing that can be desired is unprovided.

But what of the cost of this celestial real estate?

People who cannot possibly afford to purchase an acre on the moon for a

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A Temple Tax for Two

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MATTHEW, THE CONVERTED PUBLICAN, tells of a time when Peter was asked by the tax-collectors, "Doth not your master pay tribute?" The impulsive Peter answered, "Yes," but later found that the group's treasury was empty. But Christ, in order not to offend them, instructed Peter to go catch a fish from the sea. "And when thou hast opened his mouth, thou shalt find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and thee."

This little fragment of Scripture in Matthew 17 is as sweet as honey right out of the comb; it refreshes the spirit like a fragrant breath from the "hill of frankincense." Here is a master theme, one to absorb our profound reflections. The theme is Jesus the Redeemer—and the ransom He paid for man's salvation. Let us notice three points of interest in the text.

1. CONDESCENSION

This passage reveals the tremendous downward step Jesus took when He came to earth and "dwelt among us." How low He stooped to become our Saviour! He, the King of kings, paid taxes to an earthly governor and was concerned with earthly affairs.

His was the condescension of com-

passion. The good Samaritan "came" where the wounded victim lay and had "compassion on him . . . and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine." Likewise, Jesus came down to the lowest level of human need and suffering.

Christ came to a universal "Bethesda," or *house of mercy*. And the "five porches" on the house of man's habitation were teeming with vast throngs of helpless victims, slaves of sin and sickness, impotent physically and spiritually. But Christ laid aside His vestments of glory and donned the apron of the bond slave and went to work. He came not to be ministered to, but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many.

When Seneca, the Roman solon, was asked why he ate with his slaves, he replied that he did so because some of them were worthy that he should and in order that the others might become worthy. But who among the rebels of earth was worthy of Christ's fellowship? Nevertheless, He identified Himself with man in his depravity and unworthiness, in order that the worst of men might become worthy of His society here and in the world to come—not merely by association,

but by transformation; not by the example of His life alone, but by the power of His cleansing blood.

The Son of Man "made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant. . . . And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself." Glorious condescension! He was "meek and lowly," and "they came to him from every quarter." They came because He was one of them; He spoke their language, bringing hope to the hopeless and light to those who sat in darkness and in the shadow of death.

"Many publicans and sinners came and sat down with him" (Matthew 9:10). How easy it was for the poor and underprivileged to sit in His presence and talk with Him! It isn't quite so easy to get an audience with some of His representatives today. But the lowly Nazarene had time for the lowliest and most sinful of men. Wonderful Saviour!

2. COMRADESHIP

"Take and give them, *for me and thee.*" How precious is this thought! In uttering these words it was as if Jesus were laying His hand on the shoulder of Peter, as a representative of all the fallen men of Adam's race,

and saying, "Peter, I am your brother, your comrade; I took not upon Me the nature of angels; I partook, rather, of the seed of Abraham, that you might be a partaker of the divine nature."

It is interesting to notice the singular comparison between the two. There is Peter—a rugged, untutored fisherman who had but yesterday left his boat and nets, an Israelite of humble origin. And behold the Creator fraternizing with the creature, the Prince of heaven making common cause with the peasant. Here we see Peter the "less" being blessed by Christ, the anti-type of that mysterious Melchisedec, the "better." A vast gulf separated them, but the eternal Word had bridged that gulf to become Immanuel—"God with us."

Christ gave Peter detailed instructions as to how he might obtain the tax money, which he was to give the temple officers for Jesus and himself. For there was no money in the treasury—the bag was empty! Observe this amazing fact! The Lord, who owned all the gold and silver under a thousand hills, and placed that grand galaxy of stars to glow like gigantic diamonds in the night sky, did not have forty cents with which to pay His temple tax.

There is a parallel between the financial insolvency of Peter and the spiritual insolvency of the human race. There was a tax of divine justice due, a tax for sin and disobedience. And man stood penniless before that bar of justice, bankrupt, unable to pay, even as Peter was unable to pay. But He who was to pay Peter's tax would also pay the ransom for a lost world.

This tax was the half shekel, which every Israelite over twenty years of age was expected to pay as a "ransom for his soul." "And the Lord spake unto Moses, saying, When thou takest the sum of the children of Israel after their number, then shall they give every man a ransom for his soul. . . . This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel after the shekel of the sanctuary" (Exodus 30:11-13). This passage invests the words of the verse—"That take, and give unto them for me and thee"—with deeper significance, since it involved "ransom money."

3. A COIN FROM THE SEA

Peter obeyed the Lord, and secured the coin from the mouth of the fish he had taken from the sea. The King

James version says the coin was "a piece of money." The A.S.V. renders the term "shekel." And the Greek New Testament has it "stater." However, the Roman *stater* was a silver piece and was the equivalent of the Hebrew *shekel*. The coin was one—not two half shekels, but a full shekel—the exact amount received for the temple tax for two. This shows again how closely Christ is associated with the children of men in His atoning work. It is significant that the silver piece came from the *sea*. The redemption of man had its origin in the eternal love of God; and what is more representative of that love than the sea in its length, breadth, and depth?

The coin was silver, and silver in the Scripture is generally associated with redemption. And remember that this was one of the very few miracles, if not the only one, Jesus performed in which He became a direct partaker. It had to be thus; in the atonement, in order to redeem man, Jesus must become the Son of man. Therefore, Christ "our passover is sacrificed for us." And, as the Lamb of God, He tasted death for every man.

Another striking feature in the les-

son is the fact that the coin came from the mouth of a fish. Some scholars have pointed out the unusual construction of the word *fish*. In the Greek it is *ichthus*, and in its composition the term includes almost all of the initial characters in the names of each of the members of the Trinity.

Perhaps Peter saw nothing extraordinary in this, and speculation is useless. Nevertheless, the whole event was indeed unusual. Most certainly, Jesus could have produced a few pennies of tax money in a much simpler manner and with less detail than the method He employed here. It all seems to point up the truth that man's redemption had its motive in the unchangeable love of God and was paid for with the blood of His Son, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself on the cross. So the salvation of man was accomplished by and through each member of the blessed Trinity.

Sixteen centuries before the birth of Christ Elihu had said, no doubt prophetically, "I have found a ransom" (Job 33:24). When the Judean shepherds stood and looked upon the Christ child they also could have said, "We indeed

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Excel ...

in this work ALSO:

When he was young he preached in tents, in missions and cottage meetings. He was sent forth with the

call of God upon his life to minister in foreign

lands. Because God's people contributed

to his material support, he was able to give

his full life in the work of the Lord. Now that he

is old the church he served so faithfully in years

past must not forget him. The Bible says,

"As you excel in everything . . . see that you excel

in this gracious work also." (2 Cor. 8:7)



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THIS PRESENT WORLD

Temperance

ALCOHOL PRESENTS SERIOUS PROBLEMS TO COMMUNISTS IN HUNGARY

Communist officials in Vienna report that Hungary has a very serious problem with alcohol. Seventy per cent of all accidents arise from drinking. Some 20,000 cases of alcoholic poisoning have been recorded. The government is alarmed over the fact that one and a half million work days are lost each year through drunkenness. As a result, the number of shops permitted to sell hard liquor is being reduced, and an anti-alcohol propaganda program is being launched.

INDIAN EMBASSIES SERVE NO LIQUOR, NEHRU SAYS

The notion held by the U.S. and other leading countries of the world that affairs of state are not complete without liquor was recently blasted by Prime Minister Nehru of India.

Some members of Parliament asked whether it would not be well to serve liquor at embassies in many parts of the world "to attract more guests."

Nehru retorted, "If people are attracted only by our drinks, they had better stay away." Then he added, smiling, "You know, some officials tend to get loose-tongued under the influence of drinks, and leak secrets."

The U.S. would do well to emulate India's sane attitude in this regard.

Foreign

ARGENTINE POLICE BREAK UP JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES CONVENTION

Police broke up a national convention of the Jehovah's Witnesses sect at Buenos Aires last month and arrested four of the participants. The police arrived just as some 1,000 men, women and children had sat down to lunch in a fashionable restaurant. They had come from various parts of Uruguay, as well as Argentina, for the four-day convention.

It was reported that the reason for the police action to end the convention so abruptly was that the sect is without legal status in Argentina.

AFRICA CALLED KEY TO WESTERN WORLD'S FREEDOM

Methodist Bishop Glenn R. Phillips of Denver, recently returned from a four-month tour of Africa, reports that that continent "now is where China was 25 years ago." Emphasizing the importance of Africa to the western world, he stated, "As Africa goes, so goes the free world."

Another Methodist bishop, Paul E. Martin of Little Rock, returning from a similar tour, agreed that the coming years will be filled with explosive problems. He sees Communism, rising nationalism, and the spread of the Moslem religion putting strong pressures on Christian missionaries.

REDS ATTACK EAST GERMAN CLERGYMEN

Communists in Eastern Germany have stepped up their attacks on religious work. Their latest move is to censure the afterschool religious instruction classes that are conducted by the churches. Local Communist publications and officials have denounced the churches for "increased attempts to infect the children with the poison of religion."

The most effective measures taken by the Reds, however, seem to be the direct personal attacks being made against individual clergymen and individual church members. An increasing number of Christians are fleeing to Western Germany to escape persecution and arrest for their faith.

Pastor Siegfried Schmutzler, 42-year-old chaplain to Evangelical students at Leipzig University, has been sentenced to five years of hard labor by the district court in East Berlin on charges of counter-revolutionary activities. Lutheran Bishop Hanns Lilje denounced the sentence as another "grave assault" in a concentrated campaign by the Reds against the evangelical churches in the Soviet Zone.

BABY BORN TO THE BOLTONS, MISSIONARIES IN FORMOSA

Many prayers were answered when a baby girl, Marvel Joy, was born to Brother and Sister Robert Bolton at Taipei on December 22, 1957.

As mentioned in the *Evangel* of Jan-

uary 12, 1958, a darling baby girl was born to the Boltons on August 12, 1956, but she did not live—due to the mother's blood type and the inability of the doctors in Formosa to cope with the situation. (See the article on page 22, issue of January 12.) The parents were not bitter: they took it as God's will and thanked Him for the test.

After the January 12 issue had been printed we received word that another child had been born to this young couple. As of December 28, "both mother and daughter are doing well." The prayers of many friends have been answered.

The Boltons have another child, Sharon Joan, who will be four years old on February 11.

Miscellaneous

PASTORS ASK PEOPLE TO BOYCOTT STORES OPEN ON SUNDAYS

A boycott of merchants who stay open on Sundays was urged by many of the Protestant pastors of Camden, N. J. A growing practice of violating local Sunday closing ordinances brought a loud protest from the local Council of Churches and a demand that the state legislature put a stop to unessential Sunday business.

LAY PLANS FOR GRAHAM CRUSADE IN SAN FRANCISCO IN APRIL, 1958

Evangelist Billy Graham, on a recent visit to San Francisco, said a giant crusade was being planned for that city because a "spiritual torch in this strategic city... could have a tremendous impact on the world." Mr. Graham went to San Francisco with his aides to prepare for a six-week crusade in the huge Cow Palace arena, scheduled to start April 27. A crusade headquarters has already been opened in San Francisco, and a full-time staff of eight persons is busy working on the program.

SMOKERS WARNED OF LUNG CANCER

Dr. Alton Ochsner, New Orleans surgeon, said that the person who smokes, if he lives long enough and doesn't die of something else before, will develop cancer of the lung.

Speaking at a scientific meeting of the Fort Wayne Medical Society, Dr. Ochsner said: "I'm frightened about it. My only interest is in the health of the people. The percentage is increasing. In 1953, 10 per cent of the deaths in the 45-55 age group resulted from cancer of the lung. In another 15 years, that per cent will be 25.... Filters do help—to sell more cigarettes. That's all."

CHAIN STORE OPERATOR GIVES MINISTERIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

Herman Page, owner of the Big Star chain of grocery stores in Mississippi, has announced that his stores will give scholarships to deserving young ministerial students. They will receive \$100 the first month and \$50 a month thereafter for the remainder of the term. There are two requirements: (1) the applicant must be financially unable to attend school; (2) when he begins to preach, he must give another deserving potential minister a sum equal to the amount he received. Seven young men in the Tupelo, West Point, and Meridian area received scholarships last fall. The goal for the Big Star chain is to grant twenty-five scholarships each year.

MISSIONARY-MINDED MEMBERS PLAN MASS FLIGHT TO CENTRAL AMERICA

A number of small airplanes owned and operated by missionary-minded members of the Assemblies of God will fly to Latin America during the first two weeks in March. According to Bert Webb, Assistant General Superintendent of the denomination, the flyers will visit mission stations and schools in Mexico, Guatemala, Nicaragua, and El Salvador.

Aircraft owners with planes capable of air speeds of 120 or more miles per hour may participate in this "fly in" to Central America. Each person must have a passport. In addition, a certificate of smallpox vaccination must have been issued within the past three years. All interested persons should apply for passports immediately, and should correspond with Bert Webb, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield 1, Missouri, for additional information.

This flight is an outgrowth of a meeting of aircraft owners and pilots that took place in Cleveland, Ohio, during the General Council at which time an Aviation Fellowship was formed. The Aviation Fellowship invites all Assemblies of God aircraft owners and pilots to add their names to its roster.

EVANGEL DEADLINE

... LATE NEWS AT PRESS TIME

THE BAN ON SUNDAY REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS at Detroit, Michigan was reversed by the Common Council by a 5-3 vote before the Mayor signed it into law. Earlier the Council had voted for an ordinance to ban the Sunday real estate business at the insistence of church groups and other citizens, but home builders fought back and prevailed upon the Council to reverse itself until it can give the ordinance further study.

THE PENTECOSTAL MOVEMENT is featured in an article entitled, "That Old-Time Religion Comes Back," appearing (we are told) in the February issue of Coronet Magazine.

A NATIONAL YOUTH RALLY will be held at the new Central Assembly in Springfield, Missouri, on February 25 as part of the annual conference of youth leaders from all parts of the country. There will be a strong "teen" emphasis in the rally. An eighty-voice "teen choir" will sing and there will be a teen song-leading contest. The speaker will be fourteen-year-old Dean Baker, son of Pastor Kenneth D. Baker of Sioux City, Iowa. Dean won the Youth for Christ International annual "boy preacher" contest at Winona Lake, Indiana, last July.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS officially expanded into entirely new territory with the organization last month of the Manhattan Baptist Church, New York. It was formed out of 100 charter members who had been meeting at a YMCA branch since last May.

CUMBERLAND PRESBYTERIANS have launched a year-long evangelistic campaign. The 977 Cumberland Presbyterian churches across the nation will hold revival services and promote special youth and Sunday School efforts in the hope of recapturing some of the "old-time revival spirit" that gave the 86,000-member denomination its start in Tennessee in 1810.

BILLY GRAHAM has received a formal invitation from the National Council of Churches of New Zealand to conduct a gospel crusade there in 1959. The Council is said to represent eighty per cent of the Protestants in that land.

AFTER VISITING HUNGARY for five days in December, Dr. John A. Mackay (president of Princeton Theological Seminary) said that the churches in that land are "free to carry on the preaching of the gospel, and the life of the congregations is very vigorous. Religion, moreover, can now be taught in the public schools." However, he said that relations between Church and State are "exceedingly delicate" and he predicted that contacts between the Hungarian churches and those of the West "may become increasingly difficult."

ENROLLMENT IN INDEPENDENT THEOLOGICAL SEMINARIES and religious training colleges in the U. S. increased only one per cent last year, as compared with an over-all enrollment increase of 4.1 per cent in all institutions of higher learning. The seminaries have 29,284 men (an increase of 463) and 6,270 women (a decrease of 99).

GOSHEN COLLEGE AND BIBLICAL SEMINARY at Goshen, Indiana, has applied for a non-commercial educational F. M. radio station to train students in radio evangelism. The institution is operated by the Mennonite Church.

The story of how the Billy Graham Crusade in London caused a famous British actor to lose his fiancée and find his Saviour.

The Conversion of John French

BY W. T. H. RICHARDS



John French

“AS SOON AS BILLY GRAHAM finished talking to the Bishop of Barking, I went up to him to strike him, but as my hand came up to deliver the blow the evangelist grasped it firmly in his and started shaking it in the most friendly fashion—much to my consternation and confusion.”

And this, according to John French himself, as I learned in my interview with him, was the commencement of the conviction of the Holy Spirit in his life. Ultimately it led to the conversion of one of the best-known personalities in Britain who, I believe, will be used of God in the evangelistic field to win thousands to Christ.

John French found Christ as his Saviour when he had the “world at his feet,” so to speak. He is an actor, playwright, and producer. He acted in forty films with many of the biggest stars of Hollywood, and played before all the crowned heads of Europe. Although he had attained these heights he was not satisfied. All through his life he had been seeking inward peace and could not find it.

How restless he was can be seen by taking a glimpse into his early days. He left school at the age of 13½ years and went to work in a grocer’s shop, but “I got the sack for smashing five hundred eggs,” he told me. Then he went to a mattress factory. After a while he left to be a stable-boy. From the stables he went to sea, but being a poor sailor he returned to land and took a milk route. After this he delivered medicines for a doctor. All seemed to go well until he got the medicines mixed up!

In his desperate search for soul-satisfaction he joined the Army and served abroad for 5½ years. He became captain of a cavalry mountain warfare unit, going to France, Abyssinia, Eritrea and Italy, but still he was no nearer finding peace of mind and soul.

After that it was films and the theater. This work proved to be lucrative, and, to use his own words, “I was kidding myself that I was sublimely happy and blissfully contented in a world of my own making.” Actually, however, he was staggering under the burdens and frustrations of life. There were countless disappointments, sometimes bitter results, and many blind alleys. The bright lights failed to pierce the gloom in his dark soul.

Then one day his fiancée, Joan Winmill, was converted. (She is now well known for playing the lead in the Billy

Graham film, “Souls in Conflict.”) Referring to Joan’s conversion, John French had this to say:

“Her new invigorating personality and her sudden confidence in life and in herself quickly shattered me. It annoyed me that she was able to sit and read the Bible so frequently, and that she went to religious discussions. It was plain to see that we were drifting apart.”

It was in this period of his life that the actor was to plunge into gross mental and spiritual darkness before emerging into the full blaze of the revelation of the New Birth.

The engagement broken, Joan Winmill fell in love with an American—a Christian—and married him. This so incensed John French against Billy Graham and his crusade that he was “fighting mad.” He enlisted the support of the press which was only too ready to help. The story of the broken engagement appeared in paper after paper until it became “sizzling hot” with international interest.

Said John French: “I continued to pump the press with ‘ammunition’ until the story became headlines in New York, and a complete front page in Rome and places like Stockholm and Budapest.”

Days of darkness and bitterness were spent alone in his beautiful old-world cottage that nestles in the heart of the Surrey countryside, surrounded by the wealthy and the famous. It was here he and Joan had planned to spend their lives together. He struggled in vain to find God. The more he sought, the darker everything seemed. He opened the Bible to seek knowledge, only to fling it to the ground in disgust because no voice spoke to him from its pages.

Then the opportunity presented itself to meet the man who was “the cause of it all—Billy Graham.”

A friend at the theater said, “Your ‘pal’ is in town.”

“Who’s that?” asked John.

“Billy Graham—he’s next door, in the hotel,” was the reply.

So he decided on a plan of action. He would punch the evangelist and humiliate him. John French would show them! Instead, he was stricken by the Holy Spirit, he himself was humiliated, and he found himself asking help from the last man on earth from whom he wanted help—Billy Graham!

The press photographer who had been

hired to take a picture of John French hitting Billy Graham took an excellent picture of the evangelist shaking hands with his would-be assailant!

The evangelist was calm when John French shouted and raved at him. "If I am such a sinner," the actor screamed, "why hasn't anyone of you offered your help?"

Graham quietly replied, "I will help you, John," and French found himself beginning to weaken, his spirit to melt.

They met and prayed together several times after that first meeting, and, as John French put it, "Something was happening to me. I knew I was being drawn closer to God. I could sense it and feel it. Gone was my former bravado and hate. Gone was the struggling within."

As he sat in the dressing room of the theater one day, thinking it all over, his fingers idled through a copy of a *Gospel of John* which a friend had sent him. He started to read. On and on he read until suddenly, realizing it all made sense, he raced to a telephone, thrilled with excitement, and shouted to a friend, "I can understand it!"

"It's a miracle!" his friend replied.

John French was moved by the Spirit of God. He had a new experience: he had become "a new creature." Describing this experience he said, "It completely changed my life, my outlook, my thoughts, my vision, my soul, my heart. I felt as if I was impregnated with the Holy Spirit of God. I was changed and becoming a new person. I was reborn and it was a reality!"

What of the future? John French has decided to turn his back forever upon the bright lights and material prosperity, and to use his talents to promote the gospel of Christ. He is like Moses who "esteemed the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt."

When a man finds Christ in all His revealed fulness, he discovers "the Pearl of greatest price," for whom he is willing to part with all else.

John said to me, "The greatest experience of my life was finding Christ," and he added, "I am going to devote the rest of my life in helping others to find Him too!"

(The foregoing article is reprinted from *Redemption Tidings*, the official magazine of the Assemblies of God in Great Britain and Ireland. John French plans to visit the U.S.A. this month. He is scheduled to give his testimony in a number of our American Assemblies of God churches.)



Your Questions

ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Who was the first man ever to be saved by grace?

It was Adam. All salvation is because of the grace, or undeserved mercy and kindness, of God.

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The Bible teaches salvation by grace. Then why do preachers say that restitution must be made? Is not such teaching a doctrine of salvation by works? Is not this doctrine likely to discourage those who are unable to make amends for their past wrongdoings?

Salvation makes a believer honest, so that he should want to make restitution. Zaccheus understood this and said, "If I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold" (Luke 19:8). If a person is unable to make restitution for some wrong, "if there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not" (2 Corinthians 8:12). None who have lived in sin could correct all the wrongs they have done. Let them thank God for salvation through grace. The Holy Spirit will then remind them of things which they ought to, and can, make amends for.

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If we must be born of the Spirit to be saved, how then can a little child be saved?

Salvation is by means of the Atonement made by Christ. Can God not impute the benefits of the Atonement to the innocents? In salvation we are saved from our sins. The innocents have no consciousness of sin, for "where no law is, there is no transgression." Their salvation is implied in the words of Jesus, "Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven."

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Were the disciples actually saved before the Day of Pentecost?

We may consider those before Pentecost who exercised faith in Christ as being saved. Certainly the disciples were saved, for Christ told them to rejoice that their names were written in heaven. I believe also that the ex-

perience received by the Samaritans indicates that they were saved before they received the fullness of the Spirit. A beautiful example of salvation and spiritual life is that of Simeon, who took the baby Jesus in his arms and prophesied (Luke 2:25-35). I do not object to looking on such experiences as the equivalent of the new birth. The meaning of the new birth is that the life of God, by the Holy Spirit, has been imparted to the human spirit, by which he who receives is enabled to live "not after the flesh, but after the Spirit."

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Is it true that once a person has accepted Christ and been baptized he can never be lost thereafter?

God has made provision whereby no soul once saved need ever be lost. But we are warned that we have responsibility for our conduct after we are saved and that to abuse the grace of God may lead to our damnation. We are "made partakers of Christ, IF we hold the beginning of our confidence stedfast unto the end" (Hebrews 3:14).

A list of the works of the flesh is given in Galatians 5 and the conclusion is, "They which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God." Full provision has been made for our eternal security in Christ Jesus, but I see no hope for any persons who choose to live in sin, even though they may have been saved at one time.

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Was Elijah taken up in the whirlwind, or in the chariot? 2 Kings 2:11

I think there is no doubt that it was the chariot which bore him to heaven. The wind was probably the presence of the Divine Spirit accompanying and bearing the chariot upward.

If you wish Brother Williams to answer a question, send it to "Your Questions," *The Pentecostal Evangel*, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield 1, Mo. He will answer either in this column or by personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).

BY GERTRUDE PERLIS KAGAN

"I CAN'T WAIT TILL I GROW UP AND get married," says Janie.

"Why?" asks her mother.

"Cause I want to boss my children, the way you boss me," she answers sincerely. "You're always saying, 'Hang up your coat! Put your toys away! Wash your face!'"

And this is exactly what Janie's mother is saying from time to time. Yet she has no idea that she is being bossy, snapping constantly at Janie.

"I'm only trying to teach you what is right," she explains.

A mother's tone of voice, the way she words a phrase, and the expression on her face, are a strong influence in molding her child's personality. If she is domineering, complaining, irritable, and generally disagreeable, an under-current of resentment will show itself in her child in a number of ways.

It may be reflected in her child by a bossy attitude on his part when



Don't Snap at Your "Small Fry"



around other children. Take Billy for example. His mother wondered why he had so much difficulty in getting along with other children. They shied away from him. He had few friends.

When discussing this situation with a neighbor, his mother was tactfully informed that the other children preferred not to play with him because he was too bossy. She had overheard them say this when Billy wanted to play ball with them. When Billy's mother asked him why he was so bossy, he replied, "But you're bossy to me!"

A mother may succeed in gaining her child's obedience through force, but if she relies mainly on force, the fear complex which she instills in him will make her child undependable, and compliant only when under close supervision.

Judy is a perfect illustration. She always hangs up her clothes when her mother is there to remind and direct her.

"I can't understand it," her mother relates. "Judy takes advantage of me

every time I'm not standing right over her to say, 'Hang up your clothes!'"

Judy's mother does not realize that she has gained her child's obedience only through fear and a commanding tone of voice, not through love. If she would word her phrases differently and speak gently, perhaps saying, "Judy dear, where do your clothes go?" she would succeed in gaining her daughter's co-operation willingly.

There are ways of gaining your child's co-operation without force, without snapping at him and irritably commanding, "You do this, or else..."

Praising a child for keeping his room neat is just as important as teaching him how to keep it neat. A few kindly spoken words such as, "My, but your room looks nice today, Douglas," will accomplish much toward gaining your child's co-operation.

You need not make too strong an issue of neatness, but merely explain to your child that it is his house too. You hope he will be proud of his room when he brings his friends to visit.

If you over-emphasize the point of orderliness, and constantly nag and criticize your child for failing to put things in place properly, you are apt to convey to him the idea that housework is distasteful to you. You will reveal that you are rebelling at the extra duties imposed on you in keeping your house tidy. The instant this attitude is communicated to your child, he too will resent doing the tasks which are obviously unpleasant and undesirable to you.

Your facial expression, too, is being watched. Often a child can sense your irritability more quickly through your

facial aspect, than through what you might say to him.

On the other hand, the co-operation of your child can more readily be enlisted if you are cheerful and good-natured in your suggestions. Then he will feel that it is a privilege to be included in the scheme of family planning. He will feel that he is a partner in the satisfying experience of family life.

Your child will conform more readily if you assume a matter-of-fact attitude. He will accept your suggestions as casually as he accepts the daily routine of brushing his teeth and dressing himself neatly.

It is easier to gain the co-operation of the very young child by suggesting that you pick things up together.

"Let's see who can put the most blocks back in the box, you or mother," will be an incentive and gain an enthusiastic response from your child.

Family co-operation and self-reliance are not built on threats or fear. Why snap at your small fry? You can accomplish more by keeping pleasant, speaking gently, and showing enthusiasm for the tasks you would like to have your child accomplish.

—The Christian Parent

For the Junior Reader

What Book Is It In?

Below are some verses taken from the Bible. Can you tell from which book of the Bible each verse is taken?

1. "The name of the Lord is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe."
2. "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."
3. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."
4. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth."
5. "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed..."
6. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service."
7. "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want."
8. "...he that winneth souls is wise."
9. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

ANSWERS

1. Proverbs (18:10); 2. Jeremiah (33:3); 3. John (3:16); 4. Genesis (1:1); 5. 2 Timothy (2:15); 6. Romans (12:1); 7. Psalms (23:1); 8. Proverbs (11:30); 9. Philippians (4:13).

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Family Altar

DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

Monday, February 3

Read: Philippians 4:1-9

Learn: "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice" (Philippians 4:4).

For the Parent: Paul here offers some suggestions to the believer for a happy Christian life. These are: (1) stand fast in God, v. 1; (2) strive for unity, v. 2; (3) rejoice in the Lord, v. 4; (4) be moderate, v. 5; (5) don't worry, but pray, v. 6; (6) keep God's peace in your soul, v. 7; (7) guard your thoughts, v. 8.

Question Time: What are the things which Paul tells the believer to think about? (v. 8) What are the suggestions he makes for a happy Christian life? (See above)

Tuesday, February 4

Read: Philippians 4:10-23

Learn: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me" (Philippians 4:13).

For the Parent: Paul continues with some further admonitions which go to make up a happy Christian life. Point out: (1) we should be content with what God gives us, because He knows what is best for us, vv. 10-12. (2) We must realize that our strength comes from God, and through Him we can do all things, v. 13. (3) As we give faithfully to God we can expect Him to supply our needs, vv. 14-19.

Question Time: What three important truths are brought out in this passage? (See above)

Wednesday, February 5

Read: Psalm 95

Learn: "O come, let us worship and bow down: let us kneel before the Lord our maker" (Psalm 95:6).

For the Parent: Occasionally we need to be reminded that God is not only our heavenly Father, but also our King. As our King He deserves our praise and worship. From this psalm point out: (1) the necessity of praising God for all His blessings, vv. 1-5; (2) the need of worshiping, reverencing, and honoring Him, vv. 6, 7; (3) the need of obeying Him, vv. 7-11.

Question Time: How does this psalm present God? What does this mean?

Thursday, February 6

Read: Matthew 13:36-43; 18:10; Luke 12:8, 9; 15:10.

Learn: "There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth" (Luke 15:10).

For the Parent: (Additional material on "Christ Teaches About Angels" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) From the scriptures above point out some of the things Christ told about angels—such as how they serve God, how they serve those who have accepted Christ, etc.

Question Time: In the parable of the tares, how were the angels represented? (Matthew 13:39) What important truths do Matthew 18:10 and Luke 15:10 teach?

Friday, February 7

Read: Mark 2:1-12 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

Learn: "When Jesus saw their faith, he said unto the sick of the palsy, Son, thy sins be forgiven thee" (Mark 2:5).

For the Parent: Review the story of how this sick man was both saved and healed, pointing out: (1) the persistence and faith of his friends; (2) the fact that Jesus forgave the man's sins before He healed him, showing the greater importance of salvation.

Question Time: How did the friends get the sick man to Jesus? (v. 4) Why did they do this? (v. 4).

Saturday, February 8

Read: 1 Kings 21:1-20 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

Learn: "Thou shalt not steal" (Exodus 20:15).

For the Parent: Have the group review the story of how Ahab desired a vineyard that belonged to someone else and the evil things he did to get it. Emphasize: (1) one sin leads to another; (2) God will not allow sin to go unpunished. For the fulfillment of v. 19, see 1 Kings 22:29-38.

Question Time: Who was Ahab? (v. 1) Who was Jezebel? (v. 5) What means did they use to gain Naboth's vineyard? (vv. 7-16) What prophet did God send to meet Ahab? (v. 17) What did he tell Ahab?



Students inviting passersby into the tent meeting



Tent campaign workers wearing Scripture slogans

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Formosan Students Keep Busy

BY JAMES AND MARJORIE BAKER

The large gospel tent given by C.B.I. students was erected in the heart of the city of San Chung Pu. From the very commencement of the services last summer the blessing of the Lord was apparent. The students and teachers of Taikung Bible Institute worked very hard and prayed much that the series of services might be a success.

As a result of these meetings a number of new families have been added to the San Chung Pu Assembly. Youngsters were contacted in children's meetings. Students conducted the serv-

ices with great ingenuity, and the results were wonderful.

The next tent campaign was held in Chung Li, a city about twenty miles away. Preaching was in two languages, Formosan and Mandarin. The response to the gospel was excellent and as a result a new church has been started. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kao, last year's graduates of the Taikung Bible Institute, are the workers in this new church.

The All-Formosa Pentecostal Conference was held at the Bible School a few months ago, with Brother Har-

vey McAlister speaking twice each day. It was well attended by missionaries and Chinese Christians from many parts of the island. Over sixty were filled with the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. The ministry of Brother McAlister was very fruitful.

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Children's campaign conducted by students



Taikung Bible Institute students at commencement

Brazil Work Going Ahead

BY GUSTAV BERGSTROM

A highway is under construction from the state capital to Sao Paulo, and a number of construction workers on this project have been contacted and won for Christ. These have been in the vicinity of Porteiras, a small town.

The work in this town was started some months ago and has steadily grown both in size and in enthusiasm. Members have furnished materials, and we have been able to build a large brick church. One member gave the lot, another donated bricks, and others brought lumber. At the recent dedication service a number were saved and some were baptized in water.

Near the town is the city of Carmopolis, where we suffered persecution some months ago. We visited the city again, this time without opposition. The antagonism had abated because of the influence of a state senator who is a Baptist preacher. A successful street meeting was held, and doors were opened to the preaching of the gospel here.

We conducted Bible studies in Divinopolis, with street meetings and evangelistic services at night. During this week of meetings many were saved

and twelve were baptized in water.

Missionary Virgil Smith continues his tent meetings with great success. He is in Santos. There are three tents in operation.

In Sao Paulo we have rented two halls to take care of the new converts from tent meetings held here by Virgil Smith. Although the tent used was small and the location left much to be desired, the results were good. Extension work is being carried on in many nearby districts, and churches are being established.

I had the privilege of baptizing sixteen of the firstfruits of the new work in Sao Paulo. Many from Santos attended the service, accompanied by Brother Smith. The singing and testimonies were a real blessing, and the service was filled with good things from the Lord.

It is essential that a long-term Bible School be conducted in the Sao Paulo. This is a large city with good prospects of employment for the students. The nationals need efficient training, and only a long-term school will accomplish this. We invite your prayers regarding this school; pray that Missionary Julius Olson and his wife may be able to return to teach. They know the language and are excellent teachers. At present the illness of their youngest son prevents their return. Will you make this a matter of urgent prayer?

Work has been strenuous, and we feel the need of a furlough, but finances are insufficient just now. Your intercession on our behalf will be greatly appreciated.

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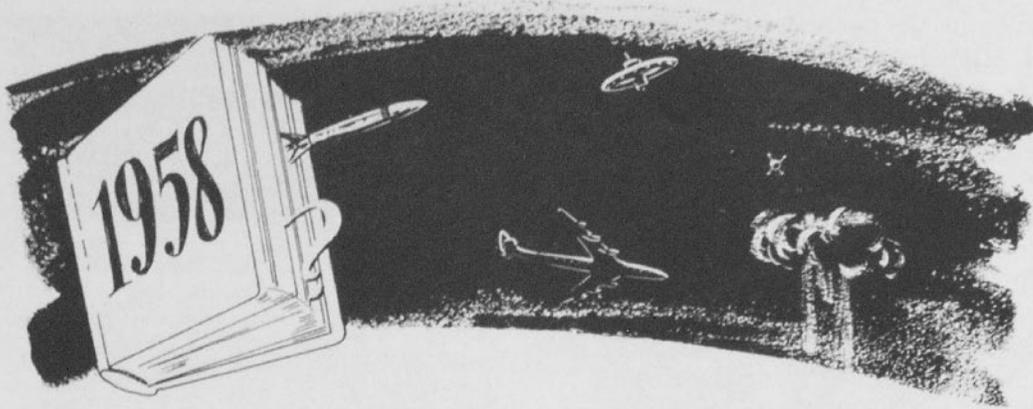
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42. Arkansas	441	203	46%
43. Mississippi	92	41	45%
44. S. Carolina	51	21	41%

American Representatives Meet in Europe

Representatives of the American Assemblies of God laboring in Europe, as well as several Assemblies of God chaplains stationed there, gathered in Mariager, Denmark, on October 15 to have a time of fellowship and to become better acquainted with the spiritual needs of the continent. A warm welcome was extended to the group by the Danish brethren, and everyone enjoyed a time of rich blessing. A Fellowship was organized, of which Victor G. Greisen was elected chairman, and John P. Kolenda secretary-treasurer.



Assemblies of God workers gathered in Denmark for conference



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Immediately I thought of the great cry which Jesus made—a cry of one of the greatest promises for the future, recorded in John 7:37-39. "In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)"

In my mind I could not help but make some comparisons between the river before me and the blessed experience of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

When the Spirit comes upon mankind in His fulness, He certainly bestows a ministry. Therefore every man should be a blessing in this world. Jesus has likened this blessing to a rushing, flowing river. Certainly the beginning of this river of blessing is the Baptism in the Spirit.

I thought of the river before me—its source was in the mountain snow. Then I thought of the experience of the Baptism in the Spirit. Its source is from heaven and from Jesus—a source of unlimited supply.

Words cannot express the feelings of the newly-filled believer. His thoughts are pure; he has joy which is sparkling clear and bubbling within. The experience is overflowing and the believer longs to carry the good news to everyone.

Then as I stood looking at Falls River, my eyes followed its course. The crooks and bends in that river were innumerable, but the water made its way around any barrier that seemed to hinder its flow. But soon, I knew, the stream was joined by other tributaries, and it followed a more direct course.

I thought of my early days of liv-

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Streams of Blessing

BY JESTON S. BLEWITT

ing a Christian life when we were taught to avoid anything that was questionable—both those things that were wrong in themselves and those that weren't except for someone's idea that they were bad. Many a Christian's early experience is that of separation even to the extent of isolation. The river before me did not continue on alone—it was joined by others, following a more direct course toward its goal.

My gaze followed the stream farther to a swift flow where some of its contents leaped the banks and became stagnant pools. What a picture of some Christians; how heart-breaking it is

that they are not teachable. They get out of God's current and, with others like themselves, form a stagnant pool.

One person said to me, "No one but God has the right to tell me what to do!" Have we forgotten that God uses man as an instrument of instruction to others? Usually a person with such an attitude is not living in the place where he can hear God's voice.

Some have failed to follow the course God has planned for them. When water does not flow, it becomes stale and stagnant and is an excellent place for breeding wigglers and mosquitoes. Why are some lives unfruitful? Instead of following God's plan,

they are following their own. It is little wonder that they have an unwholesome outlook on life and little faith for the future. They become "breeding places" for discontent and sin. Christian, when God baptizes you, He expects you to follow His leading, so stay on course.

Following the stream a little further I saw an eddy where leaves and debris were constantly whirling in a circle. And this brought to my memory a dear saint who once had a wonderful experience with God. But now, every time she attended church she thought she must have an identical experience; she felt that God had not met her unless she did. Poor untaught soul! Her experience had been wonderful and genuine; but now it was a snare to her. Instead of progressing in the things of God, she became primarily concerned about the physical manifestation. She needed to get her eyes on Christ again—to get back into the current of the river and go on in God.

Then I thought of the force of the stream—a force that can hardly be calculated. When the stream was small, it coursed its way around objects. But when it became larger, rocks, boulders, and objects of great size were forced out of its way. Truly a rushing stream of water is a mighty force.

Over a period of little more than fifty years, the number of Spirit-filled believers has grown from a handful to an estimated eight million, but I wonder if we are the force for God that we should be? If we would only maintain this glorious experience in our lives daily and stay on the course God has planned for us, what a force we would be for the Lord and His kingdom! Spirit-filled lives should produce a great influence on those we meet, *and they will, if we allow the Holy Spirit to flow in and through us.*

The Holy Spirit will help us present a positive message of salvation and power. In some places we are known only for the things we are against. How much better it would be for us to especially emphasize what we are for!

In recent years within the ranks of Protestantism there has been much discussion about the doctrine of divine healing. This has certainly brought a change in the attitude of many. We welcome it; we are glad that others are accepting the miracle-working pow-

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or action?

Our fathers would cry out "Shame!" if we were to stop blazing trails and start building monuments. The spirit of our movement has been the pioneer spirit. The fact that a community exists which has not been evangelized has always been sufficient incentive to press on!

Our modern pioneers have been opening churches at the rate of more than one new church a day for the last six years.

Often these churches have been opened by the personal sacrifice of a few individuals. Their sacrifice has built the record to which we *all* so proudly point. But this phenomenal growth has brought us face to face with a problem which even the most sacrificing individuals find impossible to meet: financing pioneer church buildings. Present needs require a revolving loan fund of at least \$500,000. The foundations of such a fund, administered solely to benefit pioneer churches, have been established in the PIONEER LOAN FUND—a share plan that gives every church, every individual, an opportunity to take part in perpetuating our pioneer approach.

At present the PIONEER LOAN FUND stands at about 10% of the amount needed. *Yet the entire amount can be in hand before this week is over* if you (that means every reader of *The Pentecostal Evangel*) will share.

We challenge you to surprise yourself by participating in a simple act of faith. Take an offering from your billfold. Now bow your head and ask God to use it to save souls in some pioneer church. Pray that others will be moved of God to be as generous as you have been. Then use the coupon below to send your offering.

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BY GRACE AND

When Grady L. Fannin, Superintendent of the New England District, preached at Eastern Bible Institute, he especially spoke of a town without a church of any kind. Both of us were students at the time and felt God's call to New Hampshire. After our marriage in June 1954 we went to Columbia, where we discovered that in this town of 300 people 90% were attending no church whatsoever. In surrounding towns, with 4,000 total population, 75% of the people attend no church. In all these towns ours is the only Assembly.

We were able to secure the town

Canadian Church Goes to the

BY J. M. WATTS

*Pastor of Pentecostal Tabernacle,
Calgary, Alberta, Canada.*

THE HISTORY OF PENTECOSTAL WORK in the western prairie city of Calgary goes back to 1918 when Dr. Lilian Yeomans began services in a home. As the years passed the work grew until in 1929, under the direction of the late Hugh McAlister, a lot was purchased near the heart of the city and a building was erected.

Through the years, the building has been enlarged several times to accommodate the growth of the church and the Sunday School. However, no additional property was purchased, and as the city grew the facilities of the

Church in New Hampshire

BY FRED WEIMAR

hall for our services, free of rent and electricity bills. This was fine, except for the winters. The town hall was not winterized and we found it almost impossible to heat the place, especially when the weather was 40 to 50 degrees below zero and there were freezing temperatures six months out of the year. In fact, Brother Fannin preached one cold Sunday morning with his overcoat on, while our people sat with overcoats and overshoes on to keep warm. But the church grew, and we had an average attendance of 35 at the end of the first year. We needed another place of worship because of

the cold winters and crowded conditions.

We felt God leading us to build, but lacked the means. Although we have people with a mind to work and a keen desire to see the work of God progress, they are able only to sacrifice time and energy, for none have the means to contribute much money. They are farmers and have little to offer their large families in the way of luxury.

While one of us worked to "hold the fort" at home, the other itinerated and raised over \$1,000. Many friends and relatives helped, and before long we had \$3,500.

Mike Reynolds, a contractor from Portland, Maine, came into our service and enjoyed it so much he volunteered to build the frame of the new church. Our people then banded together with one accord, and in four months the church was completed, all with volunteer labor. The church is appraised at \$24,000, but with the volunteer labor, veneer valued at \$1,200 donated by the factory where we are employed, and other considerations, the church was built for only \$7,500. The remaining debt is only \$4,000. The walls



District Superintendent Grady Fannin offered the dedicatory prayer at the new Assembly.

are beautifully finished in birch plywood (the lower half walnut stain, the remainder natural birch). There is fluorescent lighting, acoustical tile ceiling, five Sunday School rooms, and a furnace room at the rear. The outside is lighted in the evening with flood lights shining on the front of the church and a light in the steeple.

On September 22 the dedication service was held. Many prayed and 2,857 invitations were sent out to the surrounding towns. In answer to the many prayers, 165 people came and filled the new church to capacity. During

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Church for the People

Pentecostal Tabernacle were taxed to the limit.

Calgary is situated in the oil-rich province of Alberta. In the last ten years the population has grown from 80,000 to nearly 200,000. Such growth taxed not only the church, but also the municipality, with the tremendous problems of keeping up with the new developments as the city expanded northward, southward, and westward. As far as the eye can see, new homes are going up on the rolling foothill country around this prosperous city.

With such expansion the people of the church began to live farther and farther from the church, and it became increasingly difficult to get the children into the boys' and girls' groups that were sponsored by the church. We

also found it difficult to interest the unchurched children from the new housing developments. Parents were not interested in a downtown church. They preferred some nearby church to which the children could go on foot. There seemed to be but one solution—go where the people live and begin branch churches.

We took our first step in this direction in 1952 in Montgomery, a little community of a thousand homes, three

or four miles west of Calgary proper. We began by conducting a Sunday School in a private home. As the Sunday School began to outgrow the home we were able to purchase a schoolhouse near the heart of the community. We became, in this way, the first organized church in Montgomery. We began with a Sunday School of nearly a hundred, which rapidly grew to its present proportions

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Left to right:
Pastor and Mrs.
J. M. Watts of
Calgary, and
Associate
Pastor P. S.
Jones and Mrs.
Jones



New Church—

the service letters and telegrams of congratulations were read from: Governor Lane Dwinell and Congressman Perkins Bass, of New Hampshire; Glad Tidings Tabernacle of New York City; Ukrainian Assembly of God, Seventh Street, New York; Mr. and Mrs. Epstein of the Salvation Army; and M. T. Wells, President of Eastern Bible Institute.

Many visiting ministers were present, including Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dudash,

of New York City.

Grady L. Fannin, District Superintendent, was guest speaker. At the close of the service, which was marked with the presence of the Lord, Brother Fannin asked us to join him at the altar. Then he asked the people to come forward who felt this was their home church. We received a pleasant surprise when over 70 people stood with us. Brother Fannin prayed over us, and over the people, and dedicated the church "to the glory and honor of

God and to the furtherance of the gospel."

The Lord has been blessing in the new church, and people were wonderfully saved during our revival services with Clifford A. Browne. We were revived in our hearts; we pray this will be only the beginning of the blessings God has in store for us.

We invite EVANGEL readers, while en route to Canada, to visit us on U. S. Route 3, six miles north of North Stratford, New Hampshire.

Canadian Church—

of 150-175. The church membership grew proportionately until, within a year, the church became practically self-supporting. For the first two or three years it was necessary to send teachers from our downtown Sunday School to help instruct the young, but within three years the church was able to take over this responsibility also.

I might add at this point that Pastor H. W. Nettleton, the fine worker who started this work for us, has since left the church to begin another new church in Peace River. This is a frontier town a few hundred miles from Calgary. Our "mother church" and the Montgomery church, together with the district, have stood with him in his building program there, supplying work parties and finance to open up that work.

Our Montgomery church did siphon off many of our Tabernacle families, and we soon began to feel crowded in our mother church with a Sunday School that ran consistently about the 450 mark. After much deliberation and prayer it was decided to erect a tabernacle about the size of our downtown church in the Capitol Hill residential area where, it is estimated, nearly a third of the people of Calgary reside. The church was completed in 1956 at a cost of approximately \$55,000 and a pastor was called. From the very



Pentecostal Tabernacle in downtown Calgary, the mother church.

first the church was self-supporting. It drew away between 30 and 35 families from the downtown church and the Sunday School soon averaged about 150-160, with a record attendance last Easter of more than 200. One of the buses of the downtown church was turned over to the new church, along with its load, so that the congestion in the mother church should be entirely relieved. Now the mother church runs about 330-350, and the Capitol Hill church about 150-160.

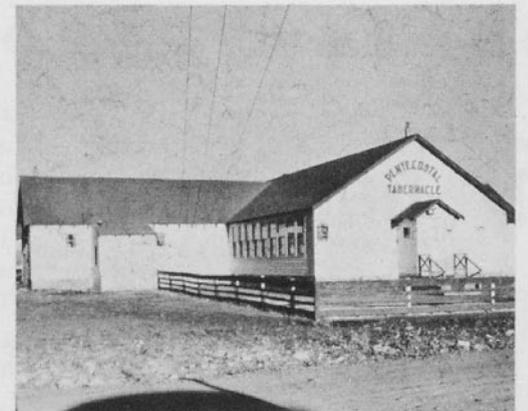
One thing that has encouraged us in both of these undertakings has been the way God has helped in the financing. An elderly gentleman in the downtown church remembered the Montgomery church in his will, and his gift contributed substantially toward the liquidation of the indebtedness on the new undertaking. In the matter of the Capitol Hill church, a similar provision was made by our God (although the gift in the second instance was not as large, in proportion to the need, as the first gift).

In addition to the two branch works, our church has opened Lighthouse Mission in the skidrow district of the city, where services are held four nights a week. On these nights a gospel serv-

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The church in the Capitol Hill residential area, started by the Mother Church.



Another branch church in Montgomery. Within a year it was practically self-supporting.



Lighthouse Mission, open four nights a week, is sponsored by the Pentecostal Tabernacle.



MISSION U. S. A. RALLIES

Listed below are Missions U.S.A. Rallies scheduled for February which have been reported to the Home Missions Department. Be sure to attend the rally in your section.

PLACE	DATE	SPEAKER	KANSAS	WILLARD	DATE	SPEAKER	
ALABAMA			Fredonia Feb. 10	Feb. 28	F. L. Jones		
Alexander City	Feb. 2	D. J. Paglia	Great Bend (1st) Feb. 11	Windsor (Jamesville) Feb. 10	C. F. Usher		
Andalusia (1st)	Feb. 2	W. W. Holder	Osborne Feb. 11	NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND			
Blue Mountain	Feb. 2	Arnice English	Ottawa Feb. 28	Brunswick, Maine			
Brewton	Feb. 2	A. L. Shell	Scott City Feb. 3	Feb. 3 Not given			
Decatur	Feb. 2	Melvin Byron	St. Francis Feb. 11	Dover, N. H. Feb. 3	Not given		
Enterprise	Feb. 2	H. P. Trawick	Wichita Feb. 17	Madison, Maine Feb. 3	Not given		
Gardendale (Sayreton)	Feb. 2	A. J. Pope	KENTUCKY				
Fayette	Feb. 2	Tom Bradford	Lexington Feb. 10	Feb. 10 Not given			
Midland (Mt. Zion)	Feb. 2	Elbert Jackson	MICHIGAN				
Montgomery (1st)	Feb. 2	J. P. Thompson	Berkley Feb. 10	Wesley Wibley	NORTHWEST DISTRICT		
Needham (Mt. Olive)	Feb. 2	Lyman Broadhead	Clio (Faith T.) Feb. 10	John H. Burgess	Planning eleven rallies in February in connection with regular fellowship meetings.		
Phenix City (Girard)	Feb. 2	Emory Andrews	Dearborn (Calvary) Feb. 10	Holland Edmundson	OREGON		
Whistler	Feb. 2	Jack Smith	Gaylord Feb. 3	Wm. Macfarlane	Ashland Feb. 24	Not given	
ARIZONA			Marshall Feb. 24	T. B. Thodeson	Clatskanie Feb. 17	N. D. Davidson	
Yuma (First)	Mar. 2	Sterling Stewart	Muskegon (Central) Feb. 3	L. A. Thompson	Coos Bay Feb. 3	George Davis	
ARKANSAS			Niles Feb. 24	Robert Rieben	Milton Freewater Feb. 3	Willis Geyer	
Amity (Culbert Spgs.)	Feb. 14	Not given	MISSISSIPPI			Ontario Feb. 2	Not given
Berryville	Feb. 11	Ray Wisheart	Hattiesburg (Victory) Feb. 3	J. C. Burks	Portland (St. Johns) Feb. 3	Kenneth Haystead	
El Dorado (1st)	Feb. 10	Fay Hutchinson	Laurel (1st) Feb. 17	E. E. Noland	Toledo Feb. 3	Not given	
Forrest City	Feb. 11	H. L. Barnett	MINNESOTA			ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT	
Houston	Feb. 11	Not given	All rallies will be planned for April.			Home Missions Emphasis will be in connection with the Ministers' Institutes in February.	
Kensett	Feb. 11	Billy Bray	MONTANA			SOUTH FLORIDA	
Luxora	Feb. 11	G. W. Harcastle	Browning Feb. 12	Not given	Avon Park (1st) Feb. 24	D. N. Asbury, Jr.	
Malvern	no date	L. C. Miller	Kalispell Feb. 5	Not given	Branford Feb. 24	C. C. Roberson	
Monticello	Feb. 11	B. O. Oslin	NEBRASKA			Coleman Feb. 3	D. T. Newman
Newport	Feb. 4	T. J. Gotcher	Ainsworth Feb. 11	A. C. Bates	Ft. Myers (1st) Feb. 3	Horace Booker	
N. Little Rock (G. T.)	Feb. 6	L. C. Miller	Broken Arrow Feb. 10	A. C. Bates	Ft. Pierce (1st) Feb. 3	Roy Harthern	
Pine Bluff (1st)	Feb. 11	Earling Saxelid	Holdredge Feb. 4	A. C. Bates	Jacksonville (G. T.) Feb. 24	Harold Schmitt	
So. Ft. Smith	Feb. 11	Edwin Burriss	Kearney Feb. 5	A. C. Bates	(G. T.) Feb. 24	Harold Schmitt	
Zinc	Feb. 11	G. W. Harcastle	Milford Feb. 14	A. C. Bates	Keysville Feb. 23	A. E. Newell	
EASTERN DISTRICT			North Platte Feb. 6	A. C. Bates	Miami (R. T.) Feb. 10	J. Billy McIntosh	
Dickson City	Feb. 10	Not given	Omaha (South Side) Feb. 12	A. C. Bates	Mulberry (1st) Feb. 3	Robert Raburn	
GEORGIA			Pender Feb. 12	A. C. Bates	Sanford (1st) Feb. 10	L. E. Ford	
Blakely	Feb. 12	Cyril Homer	Scottsbluff Feb. 7	A. C. Bates	Tampa (G. T.) Feb. 24	K. I. Wright	
Columbus (Wynnton Faith)	Feb. 11	Cyril Homer	NEW JERSEY			Winter Park (G. T.) Feb. 10	T. M. Shields
Decatur (Eastlake)	Feb. 10	Cyril Homer	All rallies will be planned for March.			SOUTHERN IDAHO	
Macon (Central)	Feb. 6	Cyril Homer	NEW MEXICO			Marsing Feb. 20	C. A. Slaughter
Moultrie (2nd)	Feb. 5	Cyril Homer	Albuquerque (1st) Feb. 6	Raymond Hudson	SOUTHERN MISSOURI		
Pearson	Feb. 4	Cyril Homer	Deming (1st) Feb. 27	Raymond Hudson	Cassville Feb. 10	Robert Cummings	
Sylvania	Feb. 3	Cyril Homer	Tucumcari Feb. 13	Raymond Hudson	Kansas City (Sheffield) Feb. 3	Victor Trimmer	
ILLINOIS			NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA			Lebanon Feb. 18	Bartlett Peterson
Abingdon	Feb. 20	J. C. Kofahl	District Home Missions Rally at District Council in Richmond, California, on February 25.			Malden Feb. 10	O. M. Montgomery
Bridgeport	Feb. 22	J. C. Kofahl	NORTH CAROLINA			Saint Clair Feb. 10	V. Trimmer
Chicago	Feb. 17	J. C. Kofahl	Edenton Feb. 3	C. F. Usher	St. Louis (South Side) Feb. 10	J. Newman	
Cottage Hills (1st)	Feb. 26	J. C. Kofahl	Elon College Feb. 14	F. L. Jones	Stockton Feb. 11	Leon Martin	
Madison	Feb. 24	J. C. Kofahl	Hatteras Feb. 6	Not given	SOUTH TEXAS		
Metropolis	Feb. 27	J. C. Kofahl	Morganton (1st) Feb. 14	Andrew Stirling	The night service of each sectional Convention during March will be a Home Missions Rally.		
Normal	Feb. 19	J. C. Kofahl	Newton Feb. 7	Charles Cookman	WYOMING		
Pittsfield	Feb. 21	J. C. Kofahl	Raleigh (1st) Feb. 10	Fenton Jones	Cheyenne Feb. 10	E. D. McClellan	
Rock Island	Feb. 18	J. C. Kofahl				Green River Feb. 11	R. G. McAllister
Springfield	Feb. 25	J. C. Kofahl					

Offering the Sacrifice of Praise

BY GEORGE COLLINS

San Pedro, California



SUPPOSE WE WERE PERMITTED TO stroll into heaven's Hall of Records and pull down the strangely small volume, "Prayer Closet Census." "This book," the preface might explain, "is a compilation of all the Christians who daily retire to a secret prayer closet and commune with God." The totals are given on the last page. *How would they compare with the 800 million "Christians" in the world today?*

In the Temple of Israel there were two altars. One stood in the Outer Court directly in front of the entrance to the Holy Place. The other stood before the veil of the Holy of Holies.

Many Christians believe that because the veil of the Holy of Holies was rent, the altars which stood at the approach of the Sanctuary were also removed. Not so! It is true that the supreme sacrifice, Christ, canceled the ritual, but the symbolism of the offerings forms the blueprint of the Christian's approach to God under grace.

Let us consider this blueprint for a moment. Three types of offerings were made on the Brazen Altar. One was the *burnt offering*, all of which was consumed by the fire of the altar. This signified the completeness of the offerer's dedication to God. Did not Paul, Christianity's greatest champion,

say "I die daily," expressing a day-by-day extinguishment of self, that all might be dedicated to God?

Another type of offering was the *sin and trespass offering*. The sin offering showed repentance for violation of the commandment of God Himself. The trespass offering asked God's forgiveness for the offerer's intrusion upon the rights of a fellow man. This offering was made only after complete restitution, when restitution was possible. This trespass offering was the gift which Christ said was to be left before the altar until full reconciliation was made with the offended brother (Matthew 5:24, 25). Isn't this strikingly symbolic, also, of Christ's answer to the lawyer's question concerning the greatest commandment: "...Love the Lord thy God with all thy heart...and thy neighbour as thyself"?

The third offering on the Brazen Altar was the *peace offering*. In the former two, the offerer was not permitted to eat of the offering, because it was made for an offense which separated him from communion with God. The peace offering, however, was a "thank you" offering made by one who was in complete fellowship with God, and he was allowed to eat part of the offering. The peace offer-

ing was made either in gratitude for unmerited blessing or out of a pure and irrepressible love for Jehovah. Is it not fitting for the Christian, who maintains daily communion with God, to present daily, even hourly, the peace offering of overflowing gratitude and irrepressible love to the Redeemer of our souls?

Thus we must come, denying self, penitent for our sins and trespasses, overflowing with gratitude and love, before we are admitted by the Door, Jesus Christ, into the Holy Place of constant fellowship with God.

Inside this Holy Place is the other altar so vital in everyday Christian life, the Golden Altar of Incense. No doubt the children would gather morning and evening on the leeward side of the Tabernacle to catch a whiff of the fragrant frankincense as the priest made daily sacrifices. In their tent that night their father would tell them that the incense was a symbol for praise, which is so pleasing to God. The incense offered here by the priest had a unique recipe. The ingredients were the purest available, in exact proportions. No one was allowed to use the recipe for any purpose other than burning on the Golden Altar unto God. Morning and evening the priest would carry a coal from the

Brazen Altar into the Holy Place and light the incense.

Some Christians seldom approach this Golden Altar of Praise. Do they not know that failure to acknowledge the blessings of God is simply self-brainwashing? Soon they will doubt God's ability to do anything for them because they have never given Him credit for what He has already done.

The very derivation of the word "praise" puts us to shame. It comes from the same root word as "appraisal," meaning estimated value or price. Your appraised value of God is shown by the amount you praise Him! Acknowledge Him in "all thy ways," and the world will know that He is priceless to you. If you reserve anything for your own boasting, the world's estimation of the God you serve will be cheapened proportionately.

Job admonishes, "Remember that thou magnify his work, which men behold." The Christian is a spyglass through which the world constantly peers. If we are not rigidly focused upon God, the world can get only a bewildering, distorted view.

David enjoins, "Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright." How long will we draw the filthy rags of self-righteousness about our shoulders? Let us shed those tatters and don Isaiah's shining white "garment of praise," which is indeed comely both to God and to men.

The voice from the throne (Revelation 19:5) thunders, "Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great." There is no one so great that he does not owe it all to God, and no one so small that God will not tender His special care to him.

Surely it is proper that the Christian should daily rededicate his life and total energy at the Brazen Altar, and then in full communion with God carry in his soul a firebrand of love to the Golden Altar of Praise and ignite a pure and odorous incense of adoration and worship to the "author and finisher" of his faith!

Repeatedly Paul wrote to the Church, "Ye are the temple of God." If this be true, then these altars must be considered in a quiet, sacred hour spent within the riven veil.

Friend, before which altar do you stand today? Have you yet to offer the burnt offering of complete dedication to your Redeemer? And how about the trespass offering? Has a

A Wonderful Father

When I was on the evangelistic field there was a homecoming service I wanted very much to attend. It was to be one of those two-days-of-heaven-on-earth fellowship meetings marking the twentieth anniversary of this church; and I looked forward with great delight to the opportunity to renew fellowship with the people and the former pastors.

Brother Carey, one of the faithful members of the assembly in Perry, Iowa, had a four-passenger plane and he very kindly offered to fly Arnold Folden (his pastor) and me to Buffalo, S. Dak., on Monday morning following the close of our revival campaign.

We arose very early that Monday morning, in order to be at Brother Carey's farm in good time, but found that a considerable amount of snow had fallen during the night. A forty-mile wind was whipping it up and the outlook for our flight was very dim. We

prayed and waited for the storm to subside. When it did, we telephoned Brother Carey to see when he would be able to take off, but there was no answer. Later we learned that he had given up the thought of flying that day and had taken a trip with his family by car.

Our first impulse was to be very disappointed, but we consoled ourselves with the thought that we had prayed very earnestly about the matter and concluded that God did not want us to fly that day. Had He not said, "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose" (Romans 8:28)? So we gave thanks.

The next time I saw Brother Carey, he told me it was fortunate that we did not start on that 500-mile flight to Buffalo that stormy December morning, because on his very next flight the crank case sprang a leak and he had to make a forced landing! How grateful we were for God's loving care. God knew about the sparsely populated area we would be flying over, and how hazardous it would be to make a forced landing in the lonely snow-covered prairies of South Dakota. We have a wonderful Father!

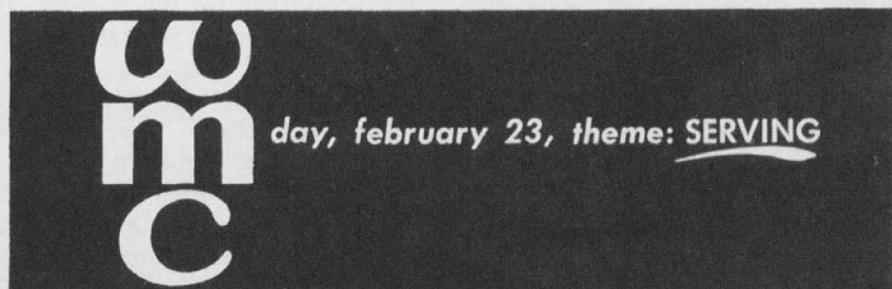
—A. M. Selness, Topeka, Kansas

brother anything against you? After you have made these very necessary sacrifices it is glorious to sit down with God in the secret place and share the peace offering together.

Perhaps you think you are too busy to enjoy rich communion with Christ; but remember, you will always find time for what you consider most important. So survey your daily schedule. Pick out the choicest hour of the day and build an impregnable wall around it against the myriad cares of this life. Tell God that you want an appointment with Him at this hour every day. Then kneel with Him in quiet solitude and share the communal peace offering. No longer will Satan's fowls

pluck the seeds of spiritual insight from your soul. The Holy Spirit will come and lead you into all truth. No longer will the scorching sun of persecution wither the seedlings of your spiritual life, for their roots will be deep in the Word of God. Neither will the choking cares of this world and the thorny deceitfulness of riches stifle your fruitfulness.

"By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name." Yes, a perpetual praise should arise from our lips, that all heaven and earth may know how dearly we treasure our relationship with God. ◀◀



May a Man

JUDGE

Another?

BY A. L. SHELL, JR.

Clearwater, Florida

IN HIS SERMON ON THE MOUNT Christ taught His disciples, "Judge not, that ye be not judged" (Matthew 7:1). The common interpretation of this scripture is that we are not to pass judgment on the deeds of a person who claims to follow Christ, even though he may do things we feel are wrong.

One denominational minister said recently, "Our church has no standard for membership. We believe that every man must work out his own salvation as he sees it." Perhaps this statement is an index to the thinking of the modern world of liberalism.

This scripture does not stand alone in its warning about judging; the cry is taken up by Paul in the Book of Romans as well: "Thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things" (Romans 2:1). And Matthew 7:2 shows that the penalty for judging is mainly that you will be judged by the same standards: "For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged." This part is overlooked by those who would close the mouths of godly men who take a stand for the right.

There stood before Jesus one day a woman caught in adultery. A group of men who demanded the death penalty had set themselves up as judge and jury. When confronted with the question, Jesus merely turned the spotlight of personal inspection upon these men and said, "He that is without sin among

you, let him first cast a stone at her." These men were made to retreat one by one from the judge's podium, for their lives would not stand the same judgment they would mete out to the woman. Judging will always bring personal inspection, and Romans 2:2 declares, "Thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them which do such things, and doest the same, that thou shalt escape the judgment of God?"

Romans 14 deals with several problems of Paul's day, in which there was a great amount of judging concerning such things as the keeping of the Sabbath, eating meat offered to idols, and the controlling of one's appetite. This judging became a real problem, for those with an attitude of super-spirituality caused hard feelings and made life miserable generally in the church at Rome.

In Romans 14:1 Paul called these "doubtful disputations," arguments which couldn't be settled by the Scripture and which do not affect our salvation. Paul did not intend to forbid the practice of deciphering right from wrong on the basis of Scripture, but wanted to stop disputes which could not be settled by the Word. To the church of Corinth he wrote, "But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for her hair is given her for a covering. But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God."

This situation was a delight to Satan; for how could the Church continue in "doubtful disputations" and

win souls at the same time? Paul continues by saying, "Now in this that I declare unto you I praise you not, that ye come together not for the better, but for the worse. For first of all, when ye come together in the church, I hear that there be divisions among you; and I partly believe it."

Paul and the Roman and Corinthian churches were not the only children of God bothered by this question of "doubtful disputations." The questions of television, coffee, tea, Coca-Cola, hair styles, dress, and other things have furnished the basis for many an argument and many a sermon. Usually nothing is settled, and the Church has only given the sinner over to Satan for a period while these matters are debated.

In our thinking of "doubtful disputations" let us not forget that God intended that there should be judges. Discipline is judgment, and a church without a standard and without discipline will speedily come to naught.

In deciding who should discipline the Church, God set a standard for the judges. First Timothy 3 deals with deacons and ministers; and the higher the seat of judgment the higher the standard for the judge.

The deacon is to be "grave, not doubletongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre; holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience." The bishop is to be "blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach; not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous; one that ruleth well his own house, . . . not a novice. . . . He must have a good report of them which are without."

Paul listed nine requirements for the deacon, while there are fifteen written into the standard for bishops. The reason is obvious: "For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged."

A city judge recently was convicted of injuring a man by striking him with his sports car and leaving the scene of the accident. He testified that he had been drinking, and that because he was a judge he didn't want to be involved. He was fined and also lost his position, because he could no longer command the respect of the people. He is an example of many today who are quick to judge, but whose lives will not bear the same judgment.

God intended that there be judges; however, He expects us to meet His

standard. Teaching is judging. The simple act of deciding right from wrong is judging and cannot be avoided. Without a definite stand for the right and against the wrong the church of today will fall; and no person is more aware of this fact than the Lord Himself. We must face the issues of the day with a firm conviction of right and wrong, based upon the Word of God. Our churches must maintain a spiritual standard equal to the Scriptural standard, and judge righteously.

Paul stood one day before a king and reasoned with him on "sin, righteousness, and judgment." He was able to point to his own life and say, "I would to God, that not only thou, but also all that hear me this day, were . . . altogether such as I am, except these bonds." Paul had to judge the king as lost because of his deeds; he was able to do this on the basis of the teachings of Jesus. Paul applied this same judgment to the early churches and thereby gave us a valuable set of rules to go by. He sent Titus to Crete to "set in order the things that are wanting." He instructed Timothy to "reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering."

I conclude that it is lawful for a man to judge—it is even required that God's people do so. But we must avoid "doubtful disputations" and strive to keep the law we administer, lest we bring reproach to the Kingdom of Christ. ◀ ▶

Streams of Blessing

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er of Christ. But there is more. These are the days of which the prophet Joel spoke when he said, "In the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh." I believe God is ready and waiting to do this, if redeemed men will only listen to His voice. The world needs the gospel; the return of our Saviour is at hand; and God is ready to do something on a larger scale than ever before. He has promised to pour out His Spirit on all flesh.

I feel the voice of the Spirit is awakening all Christians to the great possibilities that are theirs if only they will yield their all to Him. Those of us who have been filled with the Spirit need to furnish others with the spiritual leadership which will change

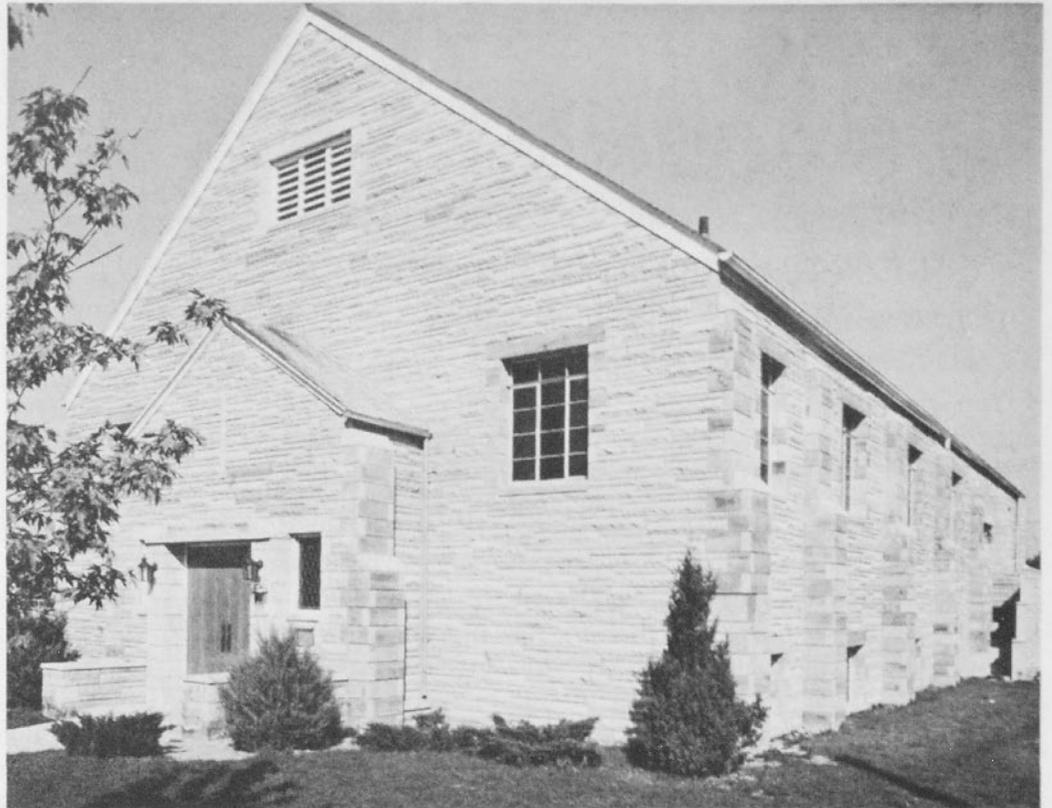


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Pastor Elvin D. Irwin and congregation of First Assembly in Delphos, Ohio, rejoiced at the rededication of their house of worship on October 14, 1957. Construction of the church had started in 1950 but was halted because of lack of funds. The goodness of the Lord made recent completion of the building possible. District Superintendent C. W. Hahn delivered the rededicatory message, and Assistant Superintendent Paul J. Emery offered the prayer of rededication.

the dryness of their lives into channels through which He can become a flowing river of blessing to this world. Everywhere Christians are becoming tired of cold formalism; they are hungry for more of the Spirit of God. If all Christians will join forces allowing God to pour out His Spirit upon them, they will tear down the forces of evil and bring blessing to all creation. They will become a force that Satan cannot hinder; and by taking the gospel to all men in the power of the Spirit, they will hasten the return of their Saviour.

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Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



CHRIST TEACHES ABOUT ANGELS

Sunday School Lesson for February 9, 1958

MATTHEW 13:36-43; 18:10; Luke 12:8, 9; 15:10

Though Jesus Himself gave little teaching concerning angels, much more is said about them in the Bible than many of us realize. Angels are beings created by God. They are spiritual beings, not limited by physical and natural conditions. They are not subject to death (Luke 20:34, 35). Though spirits they can assume human form to make themselves visible to men (Genesis 19:1-3).

The Scriptures also teach that though the angels were created perfect and blameless, they were given the power of choice. Under the leadership of Satan many of them sinned and were cast out of heaven. See John 8:44; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6. There are also wicked spirits or angels in the atmosphere around us who do the bidding of Satan and endeavor to hinder God's people and to lead them into evil. See Ephesians 6:12. However, we do well to remember that God's angelic hosts outnumber those of the adversary! See 2 Kings 6:13-17. Let us consider, then, the work of these "ministering spirits," who are "sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation," (Hebrews 1:14).

ANGELS PROTECT GOD'S PEOPLE. "Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father" (Matthew 18:10). Christ warns those who would do harm to children that each child has an angel which takes a personal interest in his welfare. The Psalmist further states that "the angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them" (Psalm 34:7). And further, "He shall give His angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." Most of us have given God thanks for those occasions when we have been helped and delivered from dangers of which we have been conscious. But have we thanked Him for the many times when, by angelic intervention, we have been saved from physical and spiritual harm of which we may not have been aware?

ANGELS DELIVER SOME FROM DEATH. The three Hebrew children were saved from perishing in the fire by the presence of an angelic being who was described by Nebuchadnezzar as being "like unto the Son of God" (Daniel 3). When thrown into the lions' den, Daniel slept peacefully and testified next morning to the king, "My God hath sent his angel, and hath shut the lions' mouths" (Daniel 6:22). When Peter would have been beheaded by Herod, an angel released him from prison. Acts 12:1-11. Unquestionably angels have delivered many a modern believer from peril and death.

"But why," the question arises, "are some miraculously delivered while others die?" The simplest answer is that for some, like James in Acts 12:2, their work is done; while God still has work for others, like Peter. Then again, some are granted to be delivered by faith; while

others, just as worthy, are called to die in faith. See Hebrews 11:32-39.

ANGELS BRING US HELP IN TIMES OF CRISIS AND TRIAL. After Christ's temptation by the devil, "the angels came and ministered unto him" (Matthew 4:11). During the awful agony of Jesus in Gethsemane "there appeared an angel...from heaven, strengthening him." When the apostle Paul en route to Rome was going through the terrible storm at sea, God encouraged him by sending an angel to stand by him with a heartening message. Acts 27:23. In like manner God will strengthen and sustain His children today by sending them angelic ministry. There are some today who are always sensing the powers of evil everywhere. And it is true that evil spirits surround us. But certainly God would not have us so devil-conscious that we miss the consciousness of His presence and the presence of His angelic hosts who serve Him in ministering to our needs!

ANGELS ARE MINISTERS OF JUDGMENT. Christ made this clear in the parable of the tares, recorded in Matthew 13. At the end of this age, it will be angels who will blow the trumpets and empty the vials of judgment of the Book of Revelation; it will be the angels who will separate the wicked from the righteous and cast them into the lake of fire.

ANGELS ARE INTERESTED IN THE LOST. Though the angels will assist God in the punishment of the wicked, yet they express great joy when sinners are saved. "There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth." Yet the privilege of winning the lost is denied them and reserved for us. Do we appreciate it?
—J. Bashford Bishop

GUARDIAN ANGEL



An Acre On the Moon

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dollar can afford a palace in Paradise. For the entrance qualification is without money and without price, because "Jesus paid it all." Fabulous appointments, like streets of gold, gates of pearl, and walls of jasper studded with gems flashing in all the colors of the rainbow, stagger the calculations of the financier, but such splendors are offered on the basis of "whosoever will may come."

The hope of heaven helps disarm death of its sting.

Henry Varley returned from an itinerary and noticed a house with a placard announcing, "This House For Rent." Varley accosted the caretaker

with the question, "Has the former tenant died?"

"Oh no, Sir," came the answer. "He has moved to a larger house in a better location."

So it is for the Christian when death removes him from this world. He has moved to a larger house in a better location. He has taken possession of his real estate in space. He has occupied his heavenly "house not made with hands."

Scientists seem certain that man in the present generation will commence the conquest of space and visit heavenly bodies. Yet only a few of earth's billions can aspire to interplanetary excursions. But a heavenly home for all eternity is available to anyone who will come to Christ.

I haven't registered a deed for an acre on the moon. But I have reserved one of the many mansions Christ has prepared. Have you? I hold title to enduring real estate in space. And so may you, if you will come to Jesus.

Canadian Church Goes to the People

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ice is conducted, after which coffee and sandwiches are served, and the men are dealt with while they eat. The mission has become a kind of home church for a number of pensioners residing in that area, who feel more at home there than in the downtown church. This work in the Lighthouse Mission is carried on by a group of Christian workers, mainly from the Pentecostal Tabernacle of Calgary.

With some indebtedness still to be liquidated on our existing branch churches we have been wondering what we can do toward opening other new churches. God has spoken to a number of us recently about helping in the development of some new churches opened by our district. Accordingly, groups go out from our church to assist in gospel work in these new churches once or twice a week.

Much still remains to be done in Alberta, but we believe that under the prompting of the Holy Spirit and with the faithful co-operation of His people we can open many new works throughout the city and the province.

Already we notice that other cities

are catching this same vision, and a kind of friendly competition seems to have begun. As an example, our Edmonton church, under the inspired leadership of the late Pastor D. N. Buntain and the present Pastor R. W. Taitinger, began to reach out just about the same time that our own operations began. Edmonton is a boom city of a quarter of a million that is growing even more rapidly than Calgary, and the two cities, competitors in everything else, are vying with each other in building branch works and opening branch Sunday Schools. We cannot speak highly enough of the Edmonton expansion. Already they have a number of large branch Sunday Schools, one branch church, and another almost ready to open its doors; "and the end is not yet, praise the Lord!"

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Fagots From the Torch of Evangelism

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► HUDSON FALLS, N. Y.—The Gospel Lighthouse Church here recently enjoyed a revival campaign with the Busse Evangelistic Team. God's presence was manifested in a wonderful manner. The attendance was excellent each night, and there were many who came to Christ. On the final afternoon of the campaign 13 individuals were baptized in water.

—R. A. Canterbury, Pastor

► GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—The Woodmere Gardens Tabernacle enjoyed a mighty move of the Spirit during the ministry of Evangelist Lonnie L. Osborn and party of Tulsa, Oklahoma. There were nine who received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, 19 were saved, and many testified to God's healing power. The soul-stirring ministry of Brother Osborn was greatly appreciated. The church has taken on new life as a result of the meeting.

—J. H. Meppelink, Pastor

► LEBANON, OREG.—In the recent evangelistic campaign with Watson Argue extra chairs had to be brought in on Sunday nights, and near capacity crowds were present on week nights. The attendance was the largest and the results the best the church has seen in several years. About 30 were saved, and some were filled with the Holy Spirit. Many new people attended the church for the first time. The last Sunday of the meetings a large number expressed a desire to follow the Lord in water baptism and to become members of the church.

—H. D. Robeson, Pastor

► GRAND PRAIRIE, TEX.—First Assembly just closed a very successful revival here with Evangelist and Mrs. C. W. Gregg of Dallas, Tex. The Holy Spirit moved in such a way that people made their way to the altar for salvation without an appeal. It was truly an old-fashioned revival. Ten were saved and fourteen received the Holy Spirit within two

weeks. Brother Gregg preached a straight gospel message, and everyone enjoyed his sermons and songs. Sister Gregg conducted a children's meeting each evening before the regular service, which proved a great blessing to the boys and girls.

—Artie L. Jones, Pastor

► SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.—One of the most spiritually successful revival meetings in the past few years has just been concluded here at First Assembly with Evangelist and Mrs. Wendell Reed. Prayer meetings were the secret to the spiritual blessings. These morning meetings, known as the "Hour of Power," were well attended. The music and message of these talented evangelists and their splendid co-operation with the pastor was commendable. Revival fires continue to burn as prayer meetings are still well attended, enthusiasm is high, and the saints are encouraged.

—Raymond P. Murray, Pastor

► DAYTON, OHIO — Evangelist Billy Wolfe recently held a three and one-half week revival at the El Bethel Assembly of God here. Some 49 sinners knelt at the altar for salvation, three received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and there were some definite healings. A number of visitors came and enjoyed the preaching of the Word. There was an increase in Sunday School attendance, and the church as a whole was blessed.

—Audrey Eliker, Pastor

► POMONA, CALIF.—Calvary Chapel just concluded a two-week revival with Evangelist Glen Shinn. A number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, and some testified to deliverance from evil habits. God revealed His miraculous power in several healings. There were outstanding crowds and a real growth in church attendance has been realized.

—Joe Trucks, Pastor

► CRESTVIEW, FLA.—A very successful revival was recently held at North Central Assembly by Evangelist T. E. Gilbreath. Several were saved, and there were some definite healings. A gentleman who was paralyzed and expected to die was marvelously healed and saved.

—J. D. McVickers, Pastor

► BAKERSFIELD, CALIF.—During the past year Calvary Full Gospel Church had some good revival meetings first with Evangelist and Mrs. Billy Guthrie of Pawnee, Okla. and later with the David Godwins of Dallas, Tex. Souls were saved, believers filled with the Holy Ghost, and some were healed. It was a successful year for the glory of God.

—O. D. Burkett, Pastor

► COFFEE SPRINGS, ALA.—A very successful revival has just been concluded here under the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Rogers of Eight Mile, Ala. Everyone enjoyed their Spirit-anointed preaching and singing. Fourteen prayed through to salvation, some were filled with the Holy Ghost, and many testified to healing. Attendance was the best in several years. Brother Rogers' co-operation with the pastor and his concern for the needs of the church was deeply appreciated.

—W. B. Johnson, Pastor

► WELLINGTON, TEX.—God moved in a most outstanding way in every service of an evangelistic campaign just concluded here with Evangelist and Mrs. Elbert Smart of Lufkin, Tex. Many were saved, reclaimed, and refilled during this revival. The preaching of Brother Smart and the singing and musical ministry of Sister Smart was a rich blessing to the church.

—Joe Calabrese, Pastor

► HATTIESBURG, MISS.—The state C. A. Convention held here on Thanksgiving Day was blessed of God in a very wonderful way. There was a great move of God in the lives of the young people. The ministry of Charles Harthern of the Glad Tidings Assembly in Norfolk, Va. was anointed, practical, and soul-searching. One lady received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and was also healed. In the final service approximately 21 young people came forward for salvation.

—Joe Bryant, District C. A. President

► VALLEY FALLS, KANS.—Calvary Assembly of God enjoyed an old-time Holy Ghost revival in a recent meeting with Evangelist Bob McCutchen of Austin, Tex. There was a heavy anointing of the Spirit of God upon the Word as it was delivered each night. Seventeen were saved, seventeen filled with the Holy Ghost, and many were healed of their afflictions. The church was blessed and built up in every way during these meetings.

—Max Manning, Pastor



Those who were saved, healed, and filled with the Holy Spirit during a revival at Calvary Assembly of God, Valley Falls, Kansas, are shown here (Bob McCutchen, evangelist).

Does It Cost You Something

BY JAMES E. ADAMS

WHEN TWO CHURCHES IN A SOUTHERN city advertised in the local newspaper that they were giving a free dinner for their congregation, almost invariably a "bunch of strangers" showed up. These uninvited guests tried to act as members of the church in order to get a free meal. The ministers were perplexed as they tried to recall when this man or that woman attended church. In time, they had to discontinue inserting notices in the paper because these uninvited guests added too much cost to the church dinners.

But people may receive things other than food to which they have contributed nothing. They can benefit from the success others have achieved. Let us examine ourselves and see if we partake of that to which we contribute too little.

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Do you love the Lord with all your heart? Give of your time in consistent church attendance.

Lot contributed very little in life but received so much. He accompanied his uncle Abraham who started on a journey not knowing whither he went. Lot was guided with Abraham into a

good land, not because of his faith but Abraham's. Lot received an inheritance in that land, not because of his worthiness but because of Abraham's unselfishness and love. Lot received these blessings—and deliverance later from Sodom—because of the faithful devotion and prayers of his uncle. Lot was always "on the receiving end."

But David was different. When he wanted Ornan's threshing floor to build there an altar to the Lord, he would not accept it as a gift. He said, "Nay; but I will surely buy it of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt-offerings unto the Lord my God of that which doth cost me nothing" (2 Samuel 24:24). And He who is greater than David gave His life on Calvary for our eternal redemption. Unto Him who loved us and bought us with His blood we owe our love, our lives, our all.

So then, let us not be content to bask in the recognition which rightfully belongs to Christians who are faithfully doing their part in the Women's Missionary Council, Men's Fellowship, Sunday School, and other departments of the church. Let us take advantage of fields of humble service which are available to us in our assemblies. Let us offer unto God that which costs us something. ◀ ◀

A Temple Tax

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have found *the ransom!*" For, there in the manger lay the divine "half shekel," the sin offering for every nation, kindred, tribe, and tongue.

In His prayer in the seventeenth chapter of John, Jesus prayed, "Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world" (John 17:24).

Very soon now the trump of God shall sound! The dead saints shall burst from their graves, and the living redeemed ones shall be transformed in the twinkling of an eye. Together they shall be caught upward to meet the Bridegroom, and redemption will be completed. He will escort the Bride through the gates into the celestial city. Then, pointing to the glittering mansions, the tree of life, the streets of gold, and a thousand other wonders, He will say, "Behold my glory. It is all for thee, my beloved, my redeemed ones." ◀ ◀

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STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Calif.	Compton	Trinity Temple	Feb. 2-9	John W. Follette	Paul C. Schoch
	Glendale	Bethel	Feb. 9—	Donnell-Holler	Arthur Slater
	Los Angeles	Bethel Temple	Jan. 26—	Gladys Pearson	Arne Vick
Fla.	Ontario	First	Feb. 9-23	J. F. Pepper & wife	Walter Hanneman
	Ft. Lauderdale	Evangel	Feb. 7-9	Watters Gospel Team	Jack Starbuck
	Lake Worth	Bethel Temple	Jan. 28-Feb. 9	Jimmie Mayo, Jr.	Ira Stanphill
	Miami	Central	Jan. 4-Feb. 16	Busse Evang. Team	James Buchanan
	Tallahassee	Southside	Jan. 28-Feb. 9	C. E. Simms	W. S. Bagwell
Ind.	Tavares	First	Jan. 28-Feb. 9	Eskelin Family	Clyde B. Wasdin
	Elkhart	Calvary	Jan. 26-Feb. 9	B. R. Minton	Dale C. Zink
Kans.	Indianapolis	Trinity	Feb. 11-23	James West & wife	W. F. Duncan
	Chanute	First	Feb. 2-16	H. Syvelle Phillips	L. Glen Ahlf
Minn.	Topeka	Highland Park	Feb. 2-16	Hildreth Ethridge	A. M. Selness
	Rochester	A of G	Jan. 29-Feb. 9	Tanner Team	O. E. Carter
Mo.	Malden	First	Feb. 11—	Geo. Hammett & wife	R. P. Woodruff
N. Mex.	Farmington	First	Jan. 26—	Ken George	Donald Stover
Ohio	Byesville	Full Gospel Tab.	Feb. 4-16	Chas. H. E. Duncombe	Frank L. Blessing
	Eaton	A of G	Feb. 4-16	Arnold Segesman & wife	W. W. Martin
Okla.	Stillwater	A of G	Feb. 9—	Jackie Pruitt	Joe Stumbaugh
	Sulphur	A of G	Jan. 26—	Jackie Pruitt	Keith Belknap
Pa.	Clearfield	A of G	Feb. 11-23	Eddie Lowmaster	Bob Rainbow
Tex.	Austin	East Austin	Jan. 30-Feb. 16	Bob McCutchen	J. Paul Joyner
	Corsicana	First	Feb. 9-23	L. R. & Willa Sturgis	Guy Phillips
	Edna	A of G	Feb. 2—	Charles Reed	W. F. Harrell
	Midland	First	Feb. 5—	R. Royal Fairchild	R. I. Stewart
Wash.	Seattle	Little Ch OTH	Jan. 19-Feb. 2	Norman Gardner	L. B. Dickson
	Yakima	Summitview	Feb. 11-23	Warren D. Combs	E. Judson Cornwall
Wisc.	Racine	A of G	Feb. 2—	Joseph DeGrado	James T. Hamann

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World Conference of Pentecostal Churches

Toronto, Canada, September 14-21

THE FIFTH WORLD CONFERENCE of Pentecostal Churches will be held in the Coliseum Arena at Exhibition Park, Toronto, Canada, September 14-21, 1958. The World Conference is held every three years. Previous Conferences were at Zurich, Switzerland; Paris, France; London, England; and Stockholm, Sweden. This is the first time such a Conference has been held in North America.

THOUSANDS TO BE PRESENT

Thousands of Pentecostal people who have never had the privilege of attending a World Conference are looking forward with keen anticipation, and making their plans to attend the Toronto Conference. It is very possible that, in some respects at least, this may prove to be the greatest Pentecostal gathering that has ever been held in North America. It is requested that the people of God everywhere unite in prayer that this great Pentecostal gathering shall prove to be a time of rich spiritual blessing, the results of which will be felt to the ends of the earth.

Usually we think of a Conference as a time to consider resolutions and transact business in connection with an organized body, in which accredited delegates have the privilege of casting their vote. The World Conference of Pentecostal Churches is something entirely different from this. It is not a Conference for the transaction of business but rather a spiritual conference for all people. The amount of business transacted is reduced to a bare minimum. Almost all of the time is given over to the spiritual exercises that will be of interest to everyone.

THREE SERVICES A DAY

There will be three services a day almost every day of the Conference. The Conference speakers will include Pentecostal leaders from various countries of the world. There will be special musical and vocal numbers; as

well as times of worship in congregational singing, in praise and in prayer.

The Conference Committee is planning for a great Communion Service on Sunday morning, September 21, when thousands of Pentecostal believers from many countries of the world will gather to remember the Lord's death till He come. Pastor Lewi Pethrus, of Stockholm, Sweden, has been invited to speak in this service. He is pastor of the Filadelfia Church, one of the largest Pentecostal churches in the world, and possibly the largest Protestant church auditorium on the continent of Europe.

OUTSTANDING SPEAKERS

Among those invited to speak in the evening services are P. S. Brewster, Pastor of the City Temple in Cardiff, Wales. Pastor Brewster has been used of God in the ministry of evangelism; and during recent months has conducted an evangelistic campaign in Newcastle, England, in which 1,700 people responded to the invitation to receive Christ as their Saviour. Another speaker will be Nicholas Bhengu, of South Africa. God has used Brother Bhengu in a great evangelistic ministry, in which thousands of souls have been saved. He has been instrumental in establishing great Pentecostal churches; and is considered one of the outstanding African Christian leaders of the present day.

Other invited evening speakers include R. O. Corvin, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, President of the Southwestern Bible College of the Pentecostal Holiness Church; L. Heroo, Pastor and Evangelist, of East Providence, Rhode Island; and H. H. Barber, Pastor of Calvary Temple, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. The congregation of Calvary Temple is possibly the largest congregation in the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada.

The Saturday evening speaker will be Bishop O. T. Jones, of the Church of God in Christ, Philadelphia, Penn-

sylvania. And for the closing Sunday evening service, the speaker will be Howard P. Courtney, Vice-President of the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, Los Angeles, California. For a great many years Dr. Courtney has been associated with Angelus Temple.

The Conference will open Sunday afternoon, September 14; and the speaker in that service will be C. R. Spain, State Overseer for the Church of God in Michigan. It is planned to have a Divine Healing service on Tuesday evening; and the speaker will be Evangelist Richard Vinyard, whose ministry God has richly blessed in prayer for the sick.

MASS MEETING SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The Grandstand in the Exhibition Grounds, seating 30,000 people, has been secured for the service on Sunday afternoon, September 21. The theme of this service will be "World Evangelism," and the speaker will be Willard T. Cantelon. Brother Cantelon was born in Western Canada, but has held great evangelistic services in many of the large cities of the United States. He has preached in about 25 different countries of the world; and has conducted great tent campaigns for six consecutive summers in Germany. This service promises to be an outstanding gathering of Pentecostal people.

Monday morning, September 15, we have set aside for registration. In the Monday afternoon service, J. A. Synan, General Superintendent of the Pentecostal Holiness Church, will bring a keynote message to the Conference. The theme chosen for this Conference is, "The Purpose of God in the Pentecostal Movement for this Hour." Bishop Synan in his message will introduce this subject, and various phases of the theme will be dealt with in the morning and afternoon services during the week.

Donald Gee, Principal of the Assemblies of God Bible School in Kenley, England, and editor of the magazine *Pentecost*, has been invited to speak on the subject, "The Pentecostal Experience." Pastor Luther Turner, of Detroit, Michigan, will speak on the subject, "The Blessed Hope." Pastor Alfred Webb, of Dagenham, England, will bring a message on Personal Evangelism. Harold Jefferies, Pastor of the Foursquare Church in Portland, Oregon, will speak on the subject of Mass Evangelism; and Oswald J. Smith,

Pastor of the People's Church in Toronto, known throughout the world as a great missionary statesman, will speak on Literature Evangelism. Douglas S. Quay, of Luton, England, who has been engaged in radio work for a number of years, will deal with the subject of Radio Evangelism.

"The Edifying of the Body of Christ" will be dealt with by Ralph M. Riggs, General Superintendent of The Assemblies of God, U.S.A.; and R. Bryant Mitchell, who is General Chairman of the Open Bible Standard Churches, with headquarters at Des Moines, Iowa, will speak on the subject, "The Unity of the Spirit."

Leonard Steiner, Pastor of the Pentecostal Church in Basel, Switzerland, and Secretary of the Swiss Pentecostal Assemblies and of the Swiss Pentecostal Missionary Society, has been invited to speak on the subject, "Divine Healing in God's Plan of Redemption." Harry Liddle, of India, has been invited to be the moderator of a panel that will discuss the Indigenous Church, which should be of great interest to all attending the Conference.

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Plans are being made for a great Saturday morning Men's Breakfast meeting; and the invited speaker is Honorable P. A. Gaglardi, Minister of Highways of the Provincial Government of British Columbia. Brother Gaglardi is pastor of the Pentecostal church in Kamloops, B.C. His congregation has just dedicated a beautiful new church, and they exert a powerful influence for God in that Western Canadian city.

Possibly never again will the people of the United States and Canada have the opportunity of hearing so many outstanding Pentecostal leaders from various parts of the world at any one time. This will indeed be a unique privilege. Some of these speakers by their writings are well known to many thousands of people, who have never had the privilege of meeting them, or of hearing them in person. Others who are not so well known, have an outstanding ministry in their own circle of fellowship, and have been mightily used of God.

It will be a thrilling experience to meet with Pentecostal people, not only from many different countries of the world, but also from a great variety of Pentecostal denominations on this continent. They will meet together in

an atmosphere of fellowship, unity and love. There will be a warm welcome to everyone to participate in this unusual gathering, and to enjoy the benefits of the ministry of outstanding Pentecostal leaders, and more especially the ministry of the Holy Spirit, who will be invited to take complete control of the entire gathering.

The Coliseum Arena has a seating capacity of 9,000 people. It was here that Billy Graham held his great Toronto Crusade. There will be a Prayer Room accommodating several thousand. A large restaurant right in the building will furnish appetizing meals at reasonable prices. There are unlimited, free parking facilities adjoining the building; and there will be street car service from the center of the city,

bringing a great throng of people to the services.

RESERVATIONS NOW BEING MADE

The local Conference Secretary is James Montgomery, 50 Euston Avenue, Toronto 6, Canada. He will be very happy to furnish any further information that is desired. He will also be pleased to make reservations for Conference visitors in hotels, motels or tourist homes.

The year of 1958 is World Conference year for the Pentecostal people of the United States and Canada. Everyone who can possibly do so should plan to attend this great Pentecostal gathering.

—Walter E. McAlister
Chairman, Advisory Committee

Eight Million Pentecostals

Recent World Survey Discloses Membership of Pentecostal Churches

David J. du Plessis, who is secretary of the Advisory Committee for the Fifth World Conference of Pentecostal Churches, has endeavored to learn the number of Pentecostal adherents in various countries. He has found it very difficult to obtain complete and accurate estimates of membership, due to the fact that he is continually learning of additional groups of Pentecostal believers of whom he had never heard before. The total, as of December, 1957, was 8,004,010.

North America	
U.S.A.	4,000,000
Canada	100,000
Mexico	100,000
Jamaica	40,000
Haiti	35,000
Panama	25,000
Puerto Rico	35,000
Other Lands	56,450
Total	4,391,450
South America	
Argentina	50,000
Brazil	600,000
Chile	300,000
Other Lands	60,000
Total	1,010,000
Africa	
Belgian Congo	100,000
Ghana	55,000
Kenya	36,000
Nigeria	200,000
South Africa	200,000
Tanganyika	30,000
Other Lands	67,600
Total	688,600

Europe	
Finland	30,000
France	30,000
Germany	60,000
Great Britain	60,000
Italy	100,000
Norway	35,000
Poland	20,000
Rumania	50,000
Sweden	120,000
Other Lands	45,560
Total	550,560
Asia and Far East	
China	100,000
India	100,000
Indonesia	500,000
Philippines	20,000
Other Lands	25,900
Total	745,900
Australia and N. Zealand	17,500
U.S.S.R. and other	
"Iron Curtain" Lands	600,000
Total	617,500
Grand Total	8,004,010

Brother du Plessis writes: "We hope to publish a World Dictionary of Pentecostal Movements, and have it ready for the World Conference in Toronto, September 14-21, 1958. It would assist us greatly if the brethren in all parts of the world would send me their latest reports and directories to verify the membership figures. My address is Post Office Box 8615, Dallas 16, Texas, U.S.A."

A BRIDE FOR ISAAC

BY RICHARD ORCHARD

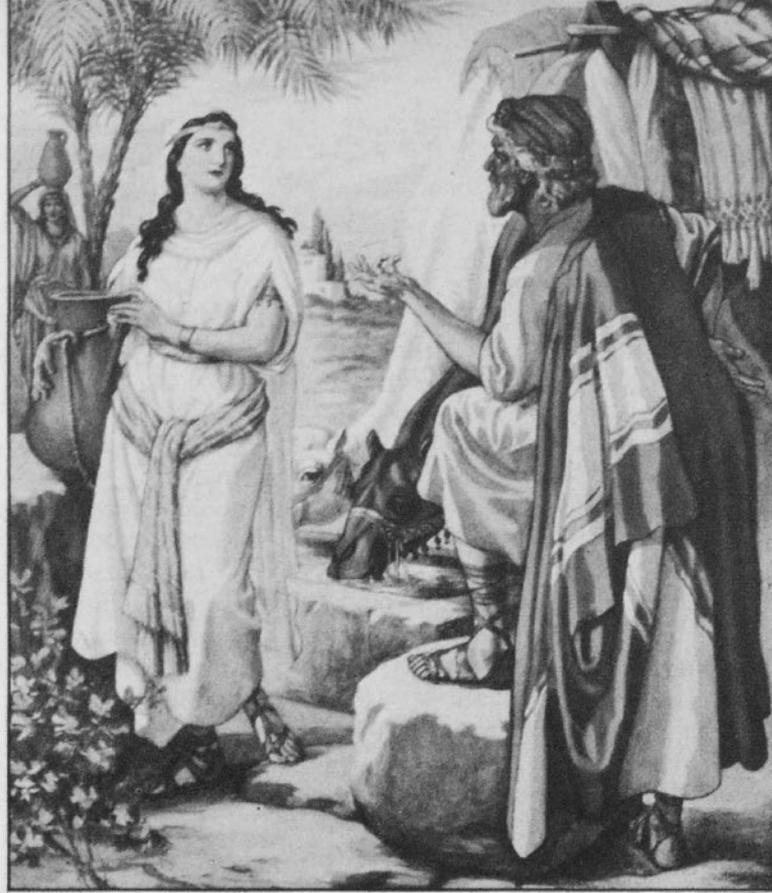
THERE IS A BEAUTIFUL LOVE STORY IN GENESIS 24, and the key words are, "I will go."

Abraham had conceived the plan of sending a servant to the Old Country to find a bride for his son Isaac. The servant, Eliezer, faithfully carried out his part of the plan by going to the right place and speaking the right words. His job could scarcely have been done with better efficiency and grace. In the tents of Abraham the prospective bridegroom waited, prayed, watched the horizon, and momentarily expected the return of the servant.

The Bible story is a beautiful picture of the great plan of salvation. At present the heavenly Servant, the Holy Spirit, is here on His divine errand of finding a bride. The Bridegroom is spending His time in the heavenly tabernacle, waiting, praying, looking forward to the return of the Holy Spirit with the bride.

But the over-all success of the servant's journey depended on the decision of Rebecca. Would she accept the idea of going away to marry a man whom she had never seen? Would she rebel against the long, toilsome journey? Could she be persuaded to break home ties, leave parents and friends, and start a brand new life? *No one else could answer this for her.* A member of her family said, "We will call the damsel, and enquire at her mouth." In the tense moments that followed, the question was put directly to her, "Wilt thou go with this man?" Without hesitation she replied, *"I will go."*

When an individual is asked by the Holy Spirit to leave the old pattern of life to start a new life, it is often a time of tremendous tension and soul-searching; for to be "born again" is an even greater drama than being born the first time. This decision took C. T. Studd from the English cricket fields to the Orient. For Livingstone it meant going through Africa's steaming jungles. Daniel's decision led through a lions' den and a king's banquet hall. The decision to go led Paul from the Damascus road to the block of a Roman executioner. What is the compelling force that has led millions to make this journey? What is it about God's plan of redemption that



causes men to take up the cross, reverse their present order of life, and follow the Holy Spirit into the unknown future?

Among the reasons for this we must consider first the work of the Holy Spirit. With each one of our hearts He has used the utmost tact, courtesy, and earnestness in persuading us to make the journey to the "tents of Isaac." He has faithfully carried out His mission of telling us about the Lord, and has not exalted Himself or sought any personal praise. His sole purpose has been to carry out the plan of the Father. And He has pledged to see us safely through if we will go with Him. This is the "earnest of our inheritance."

Another reason individuals decide to go is the enjoyment of the gifts and graces the Lord has sent as tokens of His love. We may enjoy these gifts while the journey progresses. Isaac had sent much jewelry and other beautiful things to Rebecca. Acceptance of these indicated her response to his love. Similarly, Jesus has instructed the Holy Spirit to adorn the bride with spiritual gifts, graces of character, fruits of righteousness, and all that is needed to prepare her for the mighty events at the end of the journey.

Finally, it is wise to remember that it is now evening. "And Isaac went out to meditate in the field at the eventide; and he lifted up his eyes, and saw, and behold, the camels were coming." The years are passing rapidly and every sign indicates that we are approaching the journey's end—we will soon be at the tents of our heavenly Isaac.

Remember this: the decision to go with the Holy Spirit is always a personal decision. No one can decide for another, and no one ever regretted making his decision for God.

*"The road behind was rugged and the road ahead seems long—
But it leads at last to life's eternal goal;
So I'll keep on pressing forward with a smile and with a song—
For just o'er the next horizon I'll see Jesus."*