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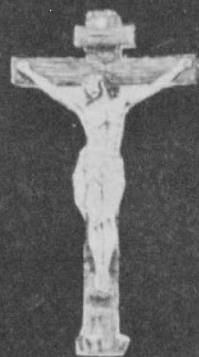
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TODAY IS PENTECOST SUNDAY

Filled With the Spirit

Drunkenness is going to keep many people out of heaven. Gullible souls, deceived by alluring ads, are turning to drink by the hundreds and the Bible says repeatedly that drunkards shall not inherit the kingdom of God. It is a sin to imbibe much wine; but there is no divine law against imbibing the wine of the Holy Spirit. The apostle wrote, "Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit" (Ephesians 5:18).

There are reasons why the Scriptures link the imbibing of wine with the imbibing of the Spirit of God. There are similarities between the two. They both offer stimulation, exhilaration, and a sense of abandonment that gives liberty of expression to that which is within the heart. Satan would have us seek this sense of freedom in beer, wine, and liquors which actually bring bondage instead of liberty. God would have us find this bliss in partaking of His Spirit. "If any man thirst, let him come unto Me, and drink," Jesus said. To quote Phillips' translation of Ephesians 5:18—"Don't get your stimulus from wine (for there is always the danger of excessive drinking), but let the Spirit stimulate your souls."

On the day of Pentecost the disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ were acting very strangely. They were exuberant, talkative, and excited in a manner quite different from the usual decorum with which they worshiped in the Temple or synagogue. Some of the onlookers, seeing their strange behavior, were dumbfounded; others mocked and said, "These men are full of new wine." But Peter, standing up with the other disciples, denied they were drunken. He said they were not under the influence of poured-out wine at all but were under the influence of the poured-out Spirit of the living God (see Acts 2:12-18).

God is still pouring out His Spirit today wherever hungry hearts wait on Him in prayer and yield to His mighty influence. The Spirit is given to those who come to Jesus and drink. Some people will not drink, however, because they do not want to lose their decorum. Some will drink a little but they will not drink enough to be filled. They forfeit the blessing of being inebriated with the Holy Ghost, intoxicated with the love of Christ, abandoned to the will of God.

We place no premium on physical demonstrations; we realize that when God pours His Spirit upon human beings there may be some manifestations of the human spirit mixed in with the manifestations of the Holy Spirit; but we do contend for a New Testament experience. Being "filled with the Spirit" should mean as much to us as it meant to the Ephesians. The believers at Ephesus received their first outpouring of the Spirit some twenty-three years after the initial outpouring at Jerusalem, but they received a similar experience: the same heavenly ecstasy, the same speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance (Acts 19:6). If you are not sure that you have a New Testament experience, ask yourself the question that the Ephesians were asked: "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?"

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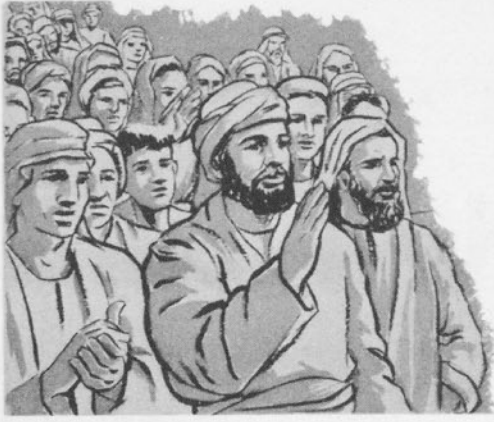
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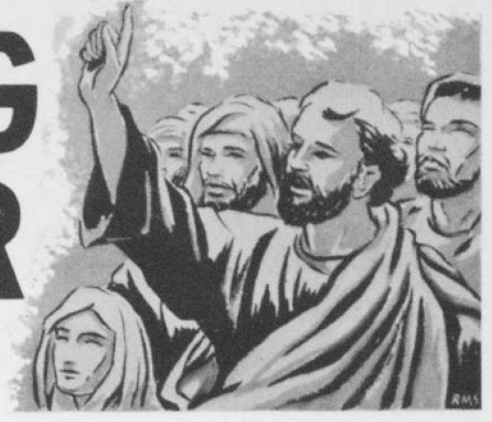
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STANDING TOGETHER

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When Peter stood up to preach on the day of Pentecost he did not stand alone. The great harvest of souls that was gathered that day was the result of united action.

THREE THOUSAND SOULS WERE added to the Church on the day of Pentecost. One reason for this great harvest, I believe, is found in Acts 2:14 which is a fitting text for this Pentecost Sunday—"But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice..."

Peter stood up for what he felt was right. All of us need the kind of conviction he showed that day. Peter had not been standing up for anything in particular during the previous few weeks. When Jesus was on trial, you remember, he followed afar off and failed to take a stand for his Lord. In fact, he denied that he knew Him. When Jesus was agonizing in prayer in Gethsemane he likewise failed the Master. Jesus took Peter, James, and John to the garden with Him because He needed their support, but while He was travailing in prayer under such a burden that the life was nearly crushed from Him, the three disciples were slumbering!

But now Peter was different. He had received the power of the Holy Spirit coming upon him and he was taking a stand. As someone has said, three secrets of good preaching are: have courage to *stand up*, remember to *speak up*, and know when to *shut up*.

Peter stood up before that crowd of curious Jews at Jerusalem and lifted up his voice—and he did not stand alone. The eleven stood with him. I am thankful for my brethren who stand with me in this Pentecostal movement. I like Christian fellowship; that is why I belong to the Assemblies of God. I am thankful for our laymen. I like to see the new converts standing with us, raising their hands and praising the Lord. My heart has been cheered as I have seen the children standing with their parents to pray and worship

and witness for Christ. Something wonderful takes place when people unite in a common purpose and stand up together for the Lord.

This company that was standing before the people on the day of Pentecost was newly baptized with Holy Ghost power. They were literally dripping with the anointing after spending days in prayer waiting in the presence of God. When they stood up something was bound to happen. The atmosphere was charged with tremendous power. Pentecost had come. The promise was fulfilled. God had poured out His Spirit and this newly baptized group of people, standing up before the multitude, had something to tell.

Peter became the voice of a company of people who for ten days had waited and prayed in unity and in accord. No wonder he spoke with authority and confidence. Any preacher is strengthened by the knowledge that his congregation is standing with him instead of sitting by neutrally, or even opposing him.

So, when your minister gets up to preach, stand up with him in the Spirit, and say, "Lord, bless him, use him, give him words to speak." If you do that, you will see the minister lifted above oratory into the heights of prophecy where he becomes supernaturally clothed with power from on high, and his ministry will change men's lives. We need to give the same kind of backing to our choirs and to those who minister to us in special singing and other ways. They will feel our good will and the blessing and anointing of the Holy Spirit upon them, and the result will be that God will make them a greater blessing to us and to others than they ever could be otherwise.

Aaron and Hur held up the arms of Moses on top of the hill while

Israel fought the Amalekites in the valley, and thus Israel prevailed. It is a marvelous thing when the people of the church can back up the leaders and hold up their hands until the whole church prevails.

Stephen was practically alone when he spoke before the council of Jerusalem. No one else stood up for him, but the power of the Holy Ghost was with him. He spoke fearlessly, and they made a martyr out of him. But even as they reviled him, he said, "I see *Jesus standing* on the right hand of God." Jesus had been seated, but He stood up for Stephen. He never fails His children. He is ready to stand up with us also when we go through the fire.

The people accused Peter and the others who had been filled with the Spirit of being drunk. G. Campbell Morgan comments that the disciples made a threefold impression on Jerusalem—amazement, perplexity, and criticism. If these impressions are not produced by the Church today, it is because the Church is not Spirit-filled. It operates too much in the sphere of the natural. The mission of the Church is to be Spirit-filled, and thus to amaze, perplex, and make the city listen. Are we doing it?

Dr. Morgan says, "With much truth it might be added that there is only one criticism that is worth anything. The only criticism that is of any value is the criticism that the Church is drunk." And again, "Has anyone ever charged you with being drunk with your Christianity? Oh, how seldom have men thought us drunk. We lack the flashing eye, the pulsating song, the tremendous enthusiasm of an overwhelming conviction. That is what the city needs—to produce amazement, per-

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Why The Revolutionary Step?

by Alice Lemon
Seattle, Washington

MY FAMILY AND I ARE ENJOYING the blessings of Pentecost after over thirty years with a fundamental, non-Pentecostal group. A friend recently wrote and requested "a long letter, going way back," explaining how we came to take "this revolutionary step," so here is the story.

It all began several years ago when an elderly neighbor lady brought us her *Pentecostal Evangels* to read. Often we wept for joy as we read of the mighty movings of God's Spirit among the Assemblies people. We read of people receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit, speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. This, of course, seemed strange to us, having been taught against it, yet it always seemed to be such a glorious experience for the recipient.

We read of many in a single service receiving, and in some instances nearly whole congregations. In spite of past teaching, we received great blessings as we read these reports.

Gradually it dawned upon us that a Pentecostal revival had been sweeping the world since the turn of the century, and we had not been aware of it. We realized for the first time that there was a church on earth that was actually experiencing such mighty signs and wonders as are recorded in the Book of Acts. We prayed more earnestly that God would direct our steps into His perfect will. About that time I heard this little chorus:

*"Oh, deeper yet, I pray dear Lord,
Oh, take me deeper still,
Till I am lost in Thee, dear Lord,
And know Thy blessed, perfect
will..."*

I sang it over and over, and meant it from the depths of my heart, but little did I realize the spiritual conflict that lay ahead. As God began to direct our steps into His will, we



found Satan alert to keep us from the blessing if possible.

We diligently studied God's Word with an open mind and began to discover new truths—but we also learned that it was not easy to let go of man-made traditions. Finally we determined to investigate the Pentecostal movement for ourselves. Just as the spies in Canaan discovered giants, so did we, for Satan saw to it that we heard many strange tales about these people.

In spite of all we heard, we found a people who worshiped God in spirit and in truth. We attended prayer meetings where tears flowed freely for lost souls, and where saints were crying to God for revival in deep sincerity.

We listened to testimonies of signs and wonders wrought by the hand of God, and the faces of the saints were radiant with the joy of the Lord as they testified. We were convinced that this Pentecostal power was not "of the devil," as some had said. There was an answer in the Word to all we saw. For instance, Psalm 47:1 says, "O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph," so we joined in the clapping of hands. We found many scriptures concerning the raising of hands and giving audible praise to God. In Psalm 28:2 we read, "Hear the voice of my supplications, when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle." And in Psalm 134:2, "Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the Lord."

In our searching we also read 2 Chronicles 5:13, "It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one, to make one sound to be heard in praising and thanking the Lord... that then the house was filled with a cloud, even the house of the Lord; so that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud."

In Ezra 3:11, we found this written:

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LED BY

By W.

General Superintendent

SHOULD OUR PENTECOSTAL SERVICES be different from those of other Christian churches? If so, how should they differ?

We should always bear in mind that as Pentecostal people, God has given to us a distinctive message; and in this Pentecostal revival throughout the world God has a definite purpose for these last days. We are not simply another group of Christians. There must be some adequate reason for our existence as a separate organization within the Christian church. Unless this is so, it would seem to me that there is no excuse for our existence as a Pentecostal church.

It is true that we emphasize the initial Christian experience of the new birth; and we preach that men and women must be born again to enter into the Kingdom of God. We also preach the message of divine healing for the body, and the blessed hope of the Church which is the second coming of our Lord. However, it is agreed that our distinctive Pentecostal testimony centers around the person and work of the Holy Spirit, and especially the baptism with the Holy Ghost, accompanied by the initial, physical sign of speaking with other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. We emphasize the Pentecostal experience of the infilling of the Holy Spirit, as received by the Early Church on the day of Pentecost, and we believe that this experience is for every one of God's people today. This Pentecostal testimony is the distinguishing feature of the message we preach, and it sets us apart from other groups of believers within the general framework of the Christian church.

With this thought in mind, we again ask the question, should our Pentecostal services be "different"? In an-

THE HOLY GHOST

E. McAlister

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answering this question we would recognize the fact that our Sunday evening services are usually of an evangelistic nature, while the Sunday morning service is a service of worship. The mid-week prayer service is devoted to prayer and testimony, and a suitable message from the Word of God. Thus we have variety, but even beyond this classification we should expect variety in all of our services. If we come with expectation that we are going to meet with God, no service will be simply a repetition of others that have gone before. God will have something special for us, according to the need of those who are present, and according to His thought for that hour.

I believe that in all of our Pentecostal services we should enjoy the ministry of the Holy Spirit. We can expect the anointing of the Spirit to rest upon the congregational singing, the special musical numbers, prayer and testimony, and the giving forth of God's Word. This should be a regular and fascinating feature of all our Pentecostal services. However, we should not consider it as a "hobby," but rather as a healthy, spiritual atmosphere in every Assembly where God's people gather together to worship Him, and to proclaim the message of His Word.

The Scripture tells us that where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. Jesus said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel." In Luke 5:17 we read, "The power of the Lord was present to heal them." Can we not prayerfully expect that the power of the Lord will be present in every one of our services? In Acts 4:31 we read, "And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost,

and they spake the word of God with boldness."

How can we have this spiritual anointing and freedom in our services? Some have tried to attain spiritual liberty by simply changing the program of service from the regular order, so as to introduce the unexpected. Others have sought to secure the desired result by a time of shouting the praises of the Lord. And yet we must admit that many times the Lord is not in the shout. I do not say these things in a critical spirit, but rather from a sympathetic standpoint. I appreciate every effort that is made to welcome the ministry of the Holy Spirit in our services. However, I think we can humbly say that there are times when we feel that our efforts are quite mechanical, and that they lack the quality of divine unction, and of divine anointing.

We should always avoid that which is artificial and which does not have the ring of sincerity. If a season of worship and praise is spontaneous, without the necessity of an exhortation from the leader for everyone to praise the Lord, it seems to me that it is more usually accompanied by divine anointing. We should come together with a prayer that God will manifest His presence in the meeting. We should expect this to take place in the congregational singing, in the offering up of prayer, in the giving forth of the Word, and in any and every part of the service. If we are not conscious of God's manifested presence at the beginning, we should look to Him with faith and expectancy as the service progresses, believing that as we draw near to God He will draw near to us.

Let us always remember that it is the anointing and the ministry of the

Holy Spirit in Pentecostal services, that will make them most worthwhile. People will be eager to attend, especially if their hearts are hungry for God.

May the Lord save us from dead formality, and from services that are simply travelling in a "rut." The presence of the Holy Spirit will bring a freshness and an inspiration that will give us new strength and courage for the business of living for God.

—Pentecostal Testimony



This Bible...

This Bible provided the text for many a sermon, help through many a trial. Its commissions moved to action. Its psalms brought rest at close of day. It was opened at weddings and funerals, and at the family table. To the aged minister who used it so many years, it says still, "He careth for you."

To us it says, "But if any provide not for his own . . . he hath denied the faith." And surely the aged ministers and missionaries are our own—our fathers and mothers in the gospel. On May 24, the Sunday before Memorial Day, our churches will be receiving an offering to assist our aged ministers and missionaries. It is our solemn duty—and our joy—to give generously.

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Lessons From the

CUBAN REVIVAL

BY HUGH JETER

ONE OF THE GREATEST MOVES OF God's Spirit in our generation took place in the island of Cuba in 1950 and 1951. It was a common occurrence in many Cuban cities for crowds of 10,000 to 15,000 people to fill a baseball stadium or city park night after night to hear the gospel and to be prayed for.

Thriving congregations suddenly came into existence in places where previously we had had no work at all. The entire stock of the Bible Society was quickly sold out. The miraculous was continually in evidence and people were convinced that of a truth God was in our midst.

Since some years have now elapsed, it is perhaps time for a new evaluation of the Cuban revival. What practical lessons does it hold for us today?

I

The Results of the Revival

Such mass movements can be genuine and heaven-sent, although when the move was on in Cuba many naturally questioned whether or not the results would be lasting, or even beneficial. Christ said: "By their fruits ye shall know them." Let me give you just a few samples of the fruits of these campaigns:

1. *Camagüey*—Lots worth some \$6,000 were secured through the efforts of the mayor of the city and donated for the erection of a tabernacle. We now have a steel-and-concrete-block tabernacle that will seat some 1,200 people on these lots. This is the strongest Assembly on the island.

2. *Ciego de Avila*—We had no church here before the campaign. Now there is a church seating some 800 people, as well as a parsonage. This splendid congregation has many branch works.

3. *Victoria de las Tunas*—Before the campaign we did not have a church

here. We obtained land at half price and on our own terms. A splendid building seating 500 has been erected, and the thriving congregation operates many outstations.

4. *Holguín*—Missionaries were starting to witness here, but there was no work in the city before the campaign. The people themselves raised \$5,000 during the campaign and purchased a building that could seat 600 or more. One year after the campaign this church had an average attendance of over 400 in the main Sunday School and had started some thirty branch Sunday Schools. They were reaching 2,000 each week with this method of teaching the Word of God. Now they have outstations in the entire surrounding area.

In many other towns, villages, and communities, lots were donated, materials were given, and churches and chapels were built.

5. *Our Bible School*, which one year had to close for lack of students, now faced the problem of housing and caring for around one hundred young people who had a burning desire to reach their fellow countrymen with the Good News. Year after year, the great ma-

majority of the Bible School students have come from those churches which were born in the revival. Those who have graduated are now proving to be invaluable workers, pioneering in new fields or pastoring new congregations.

Certainly no one today would try to deny the genuineness of the Cuban revival! Yet far more of the results of this mighty move of God could have been preserved if God's people had recognized the genuineness of the revival when it was taking place and had rallied to our aid.

II

Emphasis on the Bible

Evangelists come and evangelists go, but the Word of God goes on forever. Undoubtedly one of the greatest factors that contributed to the permanency of this revival was the fact that it centered around faith in God's eternal Word. It was faith in God's promises, and not in some particular evangelist, that brought the desired results. Our principal evangelist, Brother Osborn, did not claim to have any special gift or revelation that would set him in a class apart from the rest of us. He simply let us know what God had promised and inspired us to believe that God would keep His Word.

Faith rose to great heights and the mass prayers of the people were answered. Many of us workers were so inspired that we went out and held similar campaigns and had identical results. It was faith in God's Word of promise that did the work, and this is something that can be repeated anywhere. Let's have "Bible-centered" campaigns. Know what God has promised, claim the promises, and dare to believe for "great and mighty things."

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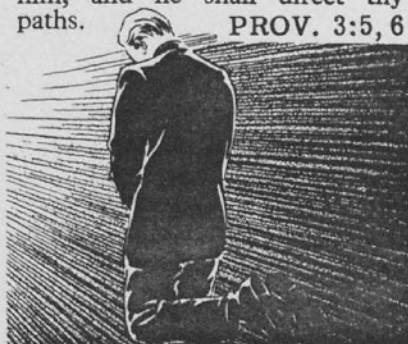
The Best Follow-Up

Where there is no follow-up, eighty to one hundred per cent of the visible

BIBLE VERSE

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. **PROV. 3:5, 6**



results can be lost. One of the most tragic things that can happen is to have a real move of God's Spirit which leaders of the work fail to recognize as such, and consequently do not cooperate with the meeting or make an all-out effort for a thorough follow-up in order to conserve the hard-earned victories achieved.

What is the best "follow-up"? This may surprise you, but experience has convinced me that the best possible follow-up is not a matter of systematic visitation of card-signers, but the continuation in the local Assembly of the signs and wonders seen during the campaign. Those who have been convinced and won to Christ by the manifestation of the supernatural power of God will gladly identify themselves with the Assembly and follow the leadership of the pastor where similar results are witnessed. Don't think that this cannot be done. It has been done in every one of our most successful Assemblies in Cuba and can be repeated anywhere in the world. Of course, the new-born babes in Christ must be fed, taught, and led into the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

IV

The Problem of Housing

What can you do if you have 15,000 people coming out to the meetings, and when the campaign is over and the evangelist leaves you have to invite them to your little hall that seats 200 or less? This kind of situation is a real emergency and requires quick and perhaps drastic action. It seems that emergency funds should be available for just such occasions. Any large business concern would certainly be prepared for such an event and would welcome the opportunity for expansion. An army would rejoice at such an advance and throw all available reserves into this breach in the enemy lines. But we simply say, "I'm sorry, there are no funds available for any kind of building," and let the new converts scatter and be lost. It would help some if the evangelist would raise his own support and if the offerings taken during the meeting would be dedicated to acquiring a building, but even this is usually insufficient to meet the urgent need.

V

The Importance of Radio

It is difficult to evaluate the great importance of radio work in connection with the revival in Cuba. Our
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Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Must we believe and practice all that is written in the New Testament?

We believe the New Testament to be inspired of God, given for our guidance. Therefore all the New Testament should be believed. There may be parts which we do not understand. For example, we may not understand all that is in the Book of Revelation. But we accept it as the Word of God. As to doing all that is written in the New Testament, this should be our purpose. It is possible that we may fail to do this perfectly, but there ought to be a willingness in our hearts to obey completely. "If we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).

Does 1 Corinthians 13:8 mean that tongues shall cease after completion of the Bible?

In my thinking it is a terrible distortion of the truth to say that prophecies shall fail (literally, *cease*), tongues shall cease, and knowledge shall vanish away when the New Testament Scriptures have come. To interpret the verse thus would mean that we are all destitute of knowledge. The true meaning is that when we have left this earthly life with its limitations, we will enter into the perfect life in which there will be no need of tongues, prophecies, or our present limited knowledge. We now know in part, and we prophesy in part. It is when the perfect state is come that these things will pass away.

Should a person seeking the baptism with the Holy Spirit keep himself entirely apart from sinners, that he might "keep himself unspotted from the world"?

He who cannot keep himself "unspotted from the world" is not a fit candidate for the baptism with the Holy Spirit. He needs to be born again. "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17, 18). Saved people should seek to win sinners, and may have to work where sinners are. Being "unspotted from the world" means that we are not partakers with sinners in their evil deeds. See Ephesians 5:1-8. We cannot avoid association with the unsaved, but we need not partake of their evil ways. See 1 Corinthians 5:9, 10.

At Pentecost the hundred and twenty spoke with other tongues when they received the Holy Spirit. Did they speak in tongues when they were refilled in Acts 4:31?

It is very probable that some of them spoke in tongues in the great prayer meeting of Acts 4, but the Bible does not mention this. The important point is that they were all filled anew with the Holy Spirit. Their objective was not that they might speak in other tongues, or have any other manifestation, but that the gospel work should not be hindered through persecution, and that God would give added power to the ministry of the apostles. On the other hand, they had not lost what they received at Pentecost. They were asking God for greater emphasis of the same anointing that they had received. Many fresh anointings of the Spirit may come to us after we have received the baptism with the Spirit.

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri. Brother Williams will answer either in this column or by a personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).



THIS PRESENT WORLD

Scriptures

SWISS HOTELS TO GET BIBLES

The Swiss Bible Society announced at its annual meeting in Lucerne that it is pushing ahead with plans to provide a copy of one of the Gospels in four languages for every hotel room in Switzerland.

FOUR GOSPELS PUBLISHED IN MODERN RUSSIAN

The British and Foreign Bible Society has published a modern colloquial Russian translation of the four Gospels, designed to appeal to the younger generation.

The new translation is the result of eight years work by Russian scholars in Paris. It includes accepted conclusions of modern scholars on the text of the Bible, and revisions of the old Slavic liturgical forms.

Although the Soviet government will not allow importation of the Scriptures in any appreciable quantity, micro-filmed copies of the documents upon which the new translation is based will be sent to Moscow.

Music

CHURCH MUSICIANS' INSTITUTE PLANNED

A national Church Musicians' Institute, with special appeal to music leaders in holiness and evangelical circles, will be held at the Indian Lake campgrounds near Vicksburg, Mich. July 7-10.

Practical "refresher" courses in various phases of church music will be taught by a faculty whose members are quite widely known. The staff will include Bill Carle, Hollywood, Calif., James H. Boersma, Inglewood, Calif., and R. T. Williams, Pasadena, Calif.

PRESIDENT GETS FIRST COPY OF NEW ARMED FORCES HYMNAL

The chiefs of chaplains of the armed forces presented President Eisenhower with the first copy of the new Armed Services Hymnal. Later they presented

the second copy to Secretary of Defense Neil H. McElroy.

The hymnal, seven years in preparation, is the first new edition to be issued by the armed forces since the beginning of World War Two. It will replace the present edition of the Army-Navy Hymnal in military chapels throughout the world.

In three sections, the hymnal contains the best-known hymns of the Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish faiths. It also includes suggested orders of worship for religious services, Scripture readings, Psalms, and prayers.

Alcohol

AMERICANS SPEND OVER TEN BILLION DOLLARS ON ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

In a single year (1957) the American people spent \$10,700,000,000 for alcoholic beverages. According to the Department of Commerce, which released the preceding figure last month, this expenditure of \$10,700,000,000 for liquor compares with \$1,026,000,000 for "books and maps," \$2,123,000,000 for toilet articles and preparations, \$2,988,000,000 for radios and television receivers, records and musical instruments, \$6,074,000,000 for tobacco prod-

ucts, \$14,575,000,000 for new and used cars, \$16,399,000,000 for medical care and death expenses, and a total of \$3,607,000,000 for all religious and welfare activities.

Out of \$284,442,000,000 spent by the American people in 1957 for personal consumption, approximately 3.2% of the total was spent for alcoholic beverages, 1.3% for religious and welfare causes.

Taxes

OFFICIAL CHURCH DELEGATES MAY CLAIM TAX DEDUCTION

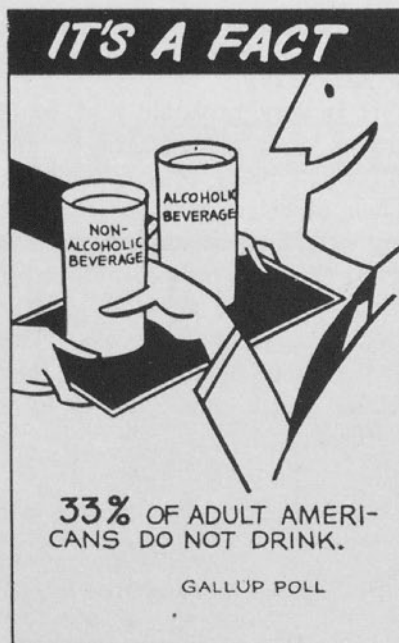
The Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D. C., has established a new deduction for laymen who serve without pay as official delegates to a church convention. Such delegates may report expenses incurred while serving in this capacity as a charitable contribution and claim them as a deduction.

AMISH REJECT TAX REFUNDS FROM HORSE SEIZURE SALE

Tax officials at the Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D. C., have a unique situation on their hands. For the first time in their memory, people are saying they are conscientiously opposed to receiving a tax refund!

The horses belonged to members of the Old Order Amish community in Wayne County, Ohio. The horses were valuable animals and when sold at auction they brought a very high price; in fact, the sale price was much higher than the tax claim. So the government asked the plainly dressed Amish people to fill out forms to apply for a tax refund. This they refused to do, basing their refusal on the words of Christ quoted from their German Bibles as follows: "Of him who takes away thy goods, do not demand or require them back again."

The tax officials are deeply impressed with the sincerity of the Amish people's religious principles which will not permit them to pay a Social Security tax and will not even permit them to accept a tax refund. "This demon-



strates the sincerity of their convictions," said one official. "It is the principle that counts with them, not the money involved." He predicted the excess money would eventually go to the Treasury Department's "conscience fund."

Foreign

ISRAELI GOVERNMENT BARS GAMBLING CASINO

Plans to establish a gambling casino in Israel were vetoed by the Israel government as being out of harmony with the sacred character of the Holy Land. The proposed casino would have been set up in one of the leading hotels at Shavei Zion, in northern Israel. Religious groups, however, strongly protested against any legalized gambling in the country.

DESERTS BLOOM WHEN IRRIGATED WITH SEA WATER

Over 200 varieties of plants have been successfully grown in desert regions by irrigation with sea water, according to Dr. Hugo Boyko, Israel scientist.

Experiments carried on since 1947 have shown that citrus fruits, dates, pomegranates, figs, cotton, sugar beets, cabbages, alfalfa, cereals, and many industrially important plants can be grown in this way.

The discovery is of world importance, since sea water is plentiful and several million square miles of the earth's surface are arid and heretofore unproductive.

RADIO AND TV STATION TO BE BUILT ON MOUNT ARARAT

The Moscow Radio announced that a radio and television station would be built this year on Mount Ararat, the famous spot where Noah's ark rested after the flood. It did not say under whose auspices the station was planned.

Mount Ararat is in Turkey, near the western border of Soviet Armenia. Radio Moscow said the new station would be erected at a height of 12,467 feet. It made no allusion to Mount Ararat's Biblical history.

MISSIONARY CHARGES CHINESE REDS TRANSFERRING OPIUM MENACE

A former missionary to China said the Communists are trying to transfer its opium menace to the United States in an effort to shatter American moral standards. He said the Chinese government now has a monopoly on raising opium. It has banned use of the drug in China and is encouraging smugglers to export it to the U.S. instead.

EVANGEL DEADLINE

... LATE NEWS AT PRESS TIME

GOVERNOR RALPH G. BROOKS of Nebraska has vetoed a bill which would have authorized non-profit groups to conduct bingo games.

CRIME COMIC BOOKS have been banned by a new ordinance in Sacramento County, California. A crime comic book is defined as any book, magazine or pamphlet containing a series of five or more drawings or photographs accompanied by narrative concerning virtually any major crime.

POSTMASTER GENERAL ARTHUR E. SUMMERFIELD, testifying before a Congressional committee that is exploring ways and means to curb the circulation of nude pictures and other pornographic materials, said the smut dealers do a half-billion-dollar business a year.

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL recently made the following comment: "The annual report of R. G. LeTourneau, Inc., disclosing a \$2,190,464 loss, eases the pain for stockholders with a quotation from the Scriptures: 'Come unto Me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.'"

THE LUTHERAN LAYMEN'S LEAGUE dedicated a new \$400,000 national headquarters building at St. Louis, Missouri, last month. The 42-year-old league with 102,000 members sponsors the Lutheran Hour on the radio and "This Is the Life" on television.

THE BACK-TO-THE-BIBLE BROADCAST of Theodore H. Epp, Lincoln, Nebraska, is celebrating its twentieth anniversary. Begun on a single station in May 1939 it is now heard over hundreds of stations throughout the earth. Recently it installed stereophonic equipment of the latest type for recording music in its broadcasting studios.

A PROTESTANT MISSIONARY NURSE was shot and killed by bandits in northern Thailand last month. She was Miss Lillian Hamer, 47, an English nurse who had served with the China Inland Mission for five years. Her body was found at the edge of a forest.

JAPANESE GIDEONS presented a special inscribed Bible to Crown Prince Akihito to mark the beginning of their drive for a second million copies of the Scriptures. Since 1950, when the Gideons began their work in Japan, the Japanese laymen have distributed a million copies of the Scriptures.

DISTRIBUTION OF JAPANESE SCRIPTURES by all agencies in the country totaled 75,284 Bibles, 391,039 New Testaments, and 1,425,161 Scripture portions during 1958. To commemorate the 100th anniversary of Protestantism in Japan the Japan Bible Society has published a special deluxe edition of the Bible in the celebrated "Kogotai" or colloquial version.

IN SPITE OF PROTESTS FROM THE BRITISH Protestant Truth Society, Princess Margaret and Britain's Queen Mother had a private audience with Pope John last month. The Queen Mother said they visited him as head of the Vatican State, not as head of the Roman Catholic Church. On meeting the pontiff the women offered a slight curtsy but did not kneel. They conversed in French for twenty-five minutes. The pope apologized for being unable to speak English but promised "it will be the next language that I will learn."



Do the Deaf Speak in Tongues?

By Twila Brown Edwards



at this same camp, Clifford Tonnessen, a young man from New Jersey, suddenly began to speak German very fluently. A hearing lady who knew the language understood every word perfectly. Imagine a deaf person who had never heard the German language speaking it fluently under the influence of the Holy Spirit! Clifford sat for many hours just praising the Lord in other tongues.

In a recent letter, Clifford said, "The Holy Spirit has helped me to live the Christian life and has given me power to resist temptation. I plan to attend camp again this summer. It is something that I look forward to throughout the whole year."

Camp directors are always very careful to choose counselors and teachers who are thoroughly Pentecostal. Bill Bingham, a deaf Bible school student who was a counselor last year, tells one of his experiences in helping a young girl seek God:

"Joyce Bryant, a camper from Erie, Pa., came to me the fourth day of camp and asked about the Holy Spirit. She had been praying but couldn't manage to receive. I opened my Bible and showed her that God had already promised to give her the Baptism, and that all she had to do was to accept and to praise God for it. 'If you sense a peculiar feeling on your tongue and cannot understand what you are saying, forget about it and keep your mind on the Lord Jesus. Let the Holy Spirit have control of your tongue,' I explained to her. That very night Joyce went to the altar and in a few minutes she began to speak in an unknown tongue!"

Bob Willis, evangelist for the hear-

ANYONE HAVING DOUBTS AS TO THE miraculous nature of speaking with other tongues would have his skepticism dissolved were he to hear a deaf person receiving the Pentecostal experience. For when a deaf person receives the baptism of the Holy Spirit, he speaks in tongues as fluently as any hearing person.

Certainly no one could accuse the Deaf of imitating the utterances of other people. They have never heard anyone speak the heavenly language; how then could they merely be "parrotting" someone else?

Summer camps have been of inestimable value to the Deaf in receiving this thrilling Pentecostal experience.

In the final service of the Michigan Camp last year I noticed a beautiful young girl praying at the altar. She was not saved before coming to camp.

Her home was a scene of drunkenness, strife, and contention. She had not been taught Christian principles and standards. But in the inspiring atmosphere of camp, where everyone was praising and worshiping God, the young girl found Christ as her personal Saviour. And now on this Saturday night, with her upturned face glowing radiantly, she was softly praising and adoring her Lord. Before long a heavenly language she had never learned nor heard flowed from her lips.

Tears trickled down the cheeks of hearing persons who stood nearby, some of whom were witnessing for the first time a deaf person speaking in tongues. This nineteen-year-old girl was one of eight deaf campers who received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

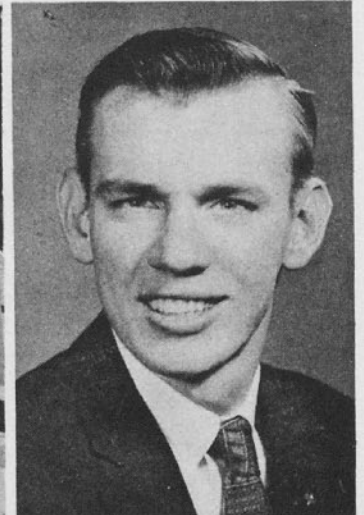
While praying and praising the Lord



Yvonne Jones was saved and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit at Deaf Camp.



The children's classes are a very important part of camp. Both hearing children and deaf children attended this class at the California Camp for the Deaf. One morning five children gave their hearts to the Lord.



Clifford Tonnessen spoke German fluently when he was baptized with the Holy Spirit.



Twila Edwards, National Supervisor of the Deaf and Blind Ministries.

ing camp that was conducted simultaneously, had asked that someone let him know immediately when a deaf person received the Holy Spirit. He wanted to witness this phenomenon for himself! When notified, Brother Willis came on the run! And you should have seen his face beam as he heard Joyce speaking in tongues!

Zene Reeves, a young boy from Lansing, Mich, had been longing for the Baptism for a long time. Before camp was over he too had been "filled to overflowing." God asked him to consecrate his life and enter the ministry.

Yes, at camp many deaf persons have realized that the Lord included them when He said, "The promise is unto YOU." Imitators? No! Their physical handicap has proved without doubt the reality of the Pentecostal experience.

Some deaf persons have also had beautiful visions. One lady saw Christ and when He spoke to her He used the sign language. She experienced a new feeling of belonging to God when she so forcefully realized that He was cognizant of *her* language.

Attendance at a summer camp for the Deaf has often meant the difference between a life of sin and one of devotion to God. The loving generosity of a ladies' missionary group in Muskegon, Mich., effected a transformation in the life of Dorothy Gagnon, a twenty-five-year-old deaf girl. Here is her story:

"Until 1954 I was very, very unhappy. I was living in sin and never went to church. I had tried many

worldly pleasures but none of them satisfied.

"In June I met Miss Maxine Strobbridge, an Assemblies of God missionary to the Deaf. I began to attend the services for the Deaf which she conducted in the Muskegon Heights Gospel Tabernacle. I was also told about the Deaf Camp at Fa-Ho-Lo Park. I wanted to go, but at that time I was unemployed so it seemed impossible. Then the young ladies' missionary group of the church said they would pay my way! I was so excited! I could hardly wait until camp time!

"At camp I found Jesus as my Saviour, and He has become my dearest Friend. I didn't know that the love of Jesus could be so wonderful. I left Fa-Ho-Lo Park a changed person. I had no desire to smoke, drink, or to return to the worldly pleasures. During the week at camp I hid God's Word in my heart. His Word is so precious!

"Since that first camp, I have faithfully attended church. Only Jesus can satisfy the hearts of deaf young people. I trust that many more young people will be able to attend a summer camp for the Deaf. Each year I anxiously wait for camp time. For the past three years I have been able to save my money so I can attend, but I am thankful for those who helped me the first year.

"In 1956 at Fa-Ho-Lo Park I met Stephen Houston from Eaton Rapids, Mich. We plan to be married May 23 and have a Christian home together."

Dorothy's story can be repeated many times in the deaf camps this summer IF you are as concerned as the ladies' missionary group in Muskegon Heights Tabernacle. The Assemblies of God will conduct three camps for the Deaf.

Missouri Deaf Camp, July 6-11
(Lake of the Ozarks Camp Grounds—13 miles southwest of Eldon, Mo.)

Michigan Deaf Camp, August 2-9
(Fa-Ho-Lo Park, Grass Lake, Mich.)

Southern California Deaf Camp, September 5-8
(Camp Pinecrest—18 miles north of San Bernardino on Highway 18)

Last week one of the camp directors wrote: "Already I know of seven who would like to attend this year, but they cannot unless their way is paid. Two of the girls are from an Indian family

of ten. The mother is a sweet Christian lady, but the father drinks. They live on Welfare at the present time. The girls are twelve and fourteen years of age. Four of the others are from one family. The mother and the father have been in church only one time since last year's camp. They too live on Welfare. I am sure there will be others who cannot pay."

Do you want a share in reaping a harvest of deaf souls for Christ? Your offering is needed now!

"Go your way, eat the fat, and drink the sweet, and send portions unto them for whom nothing is prepared" (Nehemiah 8:10).

Why not clip the coupon below and send your offering today to help some deaf person to attend camp?

HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT
434 West Pacific Street
Springfield, Missouri

Yes, I want to help some deaf person to enjoy spiritual blessings at camp this year. Enclosed is my offering

of \$.....
Name
Address
City
State
Church Name

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The Advanced Christian Training School is *the school for Sunday School leaders!* It convenes June 1-5 at Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Missouri. Cost for attending this five-day school (including everything — tuition, meals, room and insurance) is only \$21.

JUNE 1--5

The 1959 A.C.T.S. catalog, which contains complete information, is free upon request from the **NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.**

*** Reminder: Advanced Christian Training School ***



◀ The Alamo—shrine of Texas liberty

mand of General Santa Anna. The only survivors were sixteen women and children. Among those killed were David Crockett, William B. Travis and James Bowie. General Sam Houston used the battle cry, "Remember the Alamo," to spur the Texas army on to victory forty-six days later over the Mexican forces in the battle of San Jacinto. Both General Cos and Santa Anna were taken prisoners. Texas was free and a new nation born.

San Antonio still prides itself on many historic landmarks of yester-years. During free hours, delegates and visitors to General Council (August 26 to September 1) will be able to take several tours of the city and the surrounding area. Flights to Mexico, approximately 150 miles from San Antonio, can also be arranged. For information on flights and prices, write to the Springfield Travel Service, College Street, Springfield, Missouri. The travel

San Antonio—Host City to 1959 General Council

August 26—September 1

The city of San Antonio, Texas, location for the 28th General Council of the Assemblies of God, was named by the Spanish conquistadors who explored the area more than two and a half centuries ago. The area was a picturesque land for exploration. Winding through the heart of the modern city is the San Antonio River.

Along the banks of the river, where Indian villages once stood, are giant skyscrapers today. It's like a modern American Venice to glide down the river in a gondola or paddle your own cycleboat. Those who walk the winding course on the paved borders around the river may view the semi-tropical plants and flowers or pause at a sidewalk cafe for a tasty Mexican dinner.

Texas' fight for independence from Mexico also centered in San Antonio. "Remember the Alamo!" is one of the most significant battle cries of history—and it originated in San Antonio. The Alamo is located in the downtown area less than ten blocks from the Municipal Auditorium where the General Council will meet. It was at the Alamo, an old mission station, that an entire company of soldiers and citizens was destroyed in 1836.

The siege of the Alamo lasted thirteen days. On the morning of March 6, the Mexican forces stormed the walls of the mission and overwhelmed the weak and sick occupants. Following the slaughter, all of the bodies were burned at the com-

service is owned by the Assemblies of God and will provide prompt service.

San Antonio enjoys an equable climate. Situated at an average of 700 feet above sea level, it enjoys cooling summer breezes from the Gulf of Mexico. The annual mean temperature is 69.1 degrees with an average of 78.8 degrees for the summer. Rainfall averages 27.8 inches.

Further information on the city, tours, and facilities for General Council may be obtained by writing to: San Antonio Chamber of Commerce, P. O. Box 1628, San Antonio, Texas.

Housing information and reservation forms may be secured by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to: Clarence E. McNeely, 201 Sequoia Drive, San Antonio, Texas.

SOMETHING WORTH SHARING

A prominent man in the business world expressed to his friend his keen desire for something real in life.

"How about God?" asked his friend. "He is very real to some of us."

"Well," was the reply, "if He is, why don't all of you begin to make Him real to the rest of us? He can't be very real to most Christians, or they wouldn't succeed so well in keeping Him out of all their conversation."

If our religion is worth anything at all, it is worth sharing with others, and we can convince them best by living a genuinely Christian life.

"Cured by Faith"

THE PHYSICIAN WHO EXAMINED Mrs. Ferris Tande after God had healed her of a duodenal ulcer wrote on her medical record, "Cured by faith."

Mrs. Tande, who lives near Black River Falls, Wis., says: "I became ill with stomach trouble in January, 1953. I went to a clinic where X rays showed my trouble to be a duodenal ulcer. The doctor gave me a diet and told me to drink a lot of milk. He did not give me any hope of a cure, and the diet didn't seem to help very much.

"One Sunday night in October, 1957, I went forward for prayer in one of our regular church services. My pastor, Gordon M. Johnson, asked me if I was ready to receive my healing. I said 'Yes' rather hesitantly, and he laid hands on me and prayed. I had no special feeling then, but began to improve. Several days later I went back to the clinic and had X rays taken, and they showed no sign of an ulcer. I testified to my doctor that God had healed me. He said he wished more people had faith to be healed like that. It could not possibly have healed of itself, he said.

"I want to thank God for my pastor's prayer of faith for me, and I give God all the glory for my healing."
—Mrs. Ferris Tande, Rt. 4, Box 184, Black River Falls, Wis.

(Endorsed by Pastor Gordon M. Johnson, Assembly of God, Black River Falls, Wis.)

Rupture Healed

Edgar Hansen is a teen-age Christ's Ambassador who attends the Assembly of God in Newberg, Oregon. Before his healing Edgar was afflicted with a rupture. He had been advised by physicians that surgery was expedient, and was scheduled for a major operation.

On November 9, 1956, during a revival in the Newberg Assembly, Evangelist Don Gossett and Pastor Earl Hunt prayed for him. Four days later when the doctor examined Edgar, he marveled at what had happened. The rupture had vanished completely and all need of the operation to relieve his condition was gone. "They were quick

to acknowledge that a higher power had intervened, and recognized this was the Lord's doing," Edgar's mother says.

Edgar Hansen gives all glory to the Lord Jesus Christ for making him whole.

(Endorsed by Earl T. Hunt, former pastor at Newberg, Oregon, and now of Fresno, California.)

RADIO NEWS FLASH

The following stations have been added to the *Revivaltime* radio log:

IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN (WJMS)

630 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 7:45 a.m.

TUCSON, ARIZONA (KCNA)

580 kc.—5,000 watts
Sundays, 7:00 a.m.

CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA (WCGC)

1270 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 10:30 p.m.

DINUBA, CALIFORNIA (KRDU)

1240 kc.—250 watts
Sundays, 8:00 a.m.

KEENE, NEW HAMPSHIRE (WKNE)

1290 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 8:30 a.m.

EDENTON, NORTH CAROLINA (WCDS)

1260 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 2:30 p.m.

CORINTH, MISSISSIPPI (WCMA)

1230 kc.—250 watts

NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA (WYFE)

600 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 8:00 a.m.

CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA (KIGO)

1490 kc.—250 watts

PRYOR, OKLAHOMA (KOLS)

1570 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 7:30 a.m.

SONORA, CALIFORNIA (KROG)

1450 kc.—250 watts
Sundays, 11:00 a.m.

BATTLE CREEK, MICHIGAN (WBCK)

930 kc.—1,000 watts
Sundays, 8:30 a.m.

CHANGE OF TIME

IRONWOOD, MICHIGAN (WJMS)

Sundays, 7:30 a.m.

C. M. WARD'S ENGAGEMENTS

The *Revivaltime* speaker, C. M. Ward, may be heard in person in the following places:

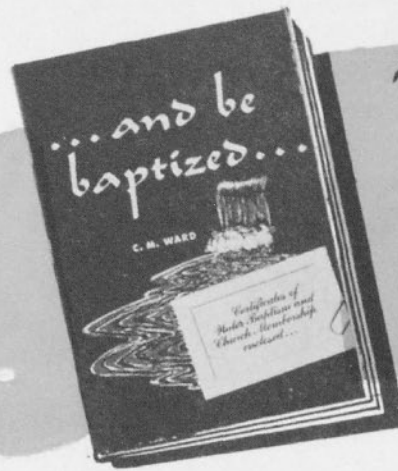
May 12-17: KINGSTON, PA.—Sectional meeting, Kingston Armory.

May 18: ROCK ISLAND, ILL.—Bethel Assembly of God.

May 19-22: JOLIET, ILL.—Richard Street Methodist Church.

May 26-29: HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—Revival at National Children's Home.

May 17, 1959



“...and be baptized...”

by C.M. WARD

BROTHER WARD SAYS:

“I have something *NEW* for you—and something I think is very, very important. From one of my most recent radio messages, I have pointed out from Scripture why water baptism is one of the most important steps a person must ever take in his or her life.

“This message has been beautifully inscribed in a specially selected gift folder for you. And within the folder is an *engraved certificate*—a beautiful certificate of baptism that can be framed and become a very important part of your group of documents and personal papers (or) you can leave it within the folder and add the entire folder to your file of personal effects—those things that you need to keep handy for proof and legal endorsements.

“Such a certificate needs to bear the authoritative signature of a proper minister of the gospel (your pastor by preference) and date and place of this New Testament command of ordinance of public confession of Christ before mankind.

“The fact is—Jesus Christ of Nazareth demands this step of obedience. I hope every pastor, evangelist and Sunday School teacher will take this matter as seriously as I now feel.

“Also included in this folder is a similar certificate of Membership, with my scriptural reasons why a Christian should belong to a church.

“We think this folder is so important and attractively done that we are going to make this gift-certificate-folder available to you in quantities. Sunday School teachers, we want you to see that the members of your class have followed Christ in this important step! Parents, we want you to see that your children have followed Christ in this step of obedience! So that each member of your class, home or church may know in simple language what this eternal step involves, my Bible-study message of baptism has been inscribed (complete with Bible references) in this gift-certificate folder. Then the certificate can be authoritatively filled in and filed for future reference after that member has asked for and received water baptism.

“You ask, ‘Brother Ward, could I have enough for my Sunday school class or for my family?’ The answer is *yes*. Simply fill in the coupon below and send to me when you write, saying ‘Brother Ward, I am a part of your world-wide audience. I like the emphasis you always give to the old-fashioned gospel. Here is my gift to help you in this great work of missionary evangelism as you buy hundreds of hours of time and print tons of beautiful free gospel literature.’

“But by all means don't wait to get your order to me. Christ's commands are important enough not to be put off. I want to be of assistance to you in this wonderful step of obedience.”

Yours in Calvary's ties,

REVIVALTIME
Box 70, Springfield, Mo.

Here is my love gift for *Revivaltime's* missionary-evangelism ministry \$ _____ I shall continue to pray that souls will find Christ through this world-wide radio crusade. Please send me _____ copies of your gift-certificate folder, “... AND BE BAPTIZED . . .” I am a _____ S. S. teacher, pastor, parent.)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____

REPORT CARD DAY

by Margaret N. Freeman



ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR IS ALMOST over. All over the country boys and girls will be bringing home report cards, and fathers and mothers will examine them for progress or weaknesses. The students will be eager or loath to show them, depending upon what the card reveals. Our teen-ager and fourth-grader are among the lot.

Many moms will be wearing that special glow common to mothers when the report is good. Happily for us, our boys have so far realized the challenge of working for good grades, without being bribed. I feel they are striving to attain knowledge for itself.

All this has caused me to have a little report card day of my own, and I'm searching out my own learnings. I find I'm a little ashamed of the times I have dulled, even a little, the glow in bright eyes raised to mine with a, "Mommy! Look at my report card—"

"Later, son, I'm busy now."

Surely I should have known we'd never quite recapture that first: "Mommy-I-want-you-to-see-it-now glow."

And, when my older son has come home with a solitary *B* among three *A*'s, instead of genuinely rejoicing with him over the *A*'s I've been known to chide, "If you'd just worked a little harder you wouldn't be a borderline *B*—you could easily have made *A* in Latin too."

(Oh, dear God, forgive me! I who remember only bits of Latin such as *puer*, boy, and *puella*, girl.

If my boys should examine my life report card, they could really be critical, for questions like these are mine today. Am I—

Too busy to stop what I'm doing

and honestly rejoice with my child over some deep pleasure in his life?

Too preoccupied to see the problem shadowing the thoughts and actions of my adolescent?

Too cross to curb the impatient, "Why can't you ever, just once, hang up your coats?"

Too self-engrossed to realize that my child has natural logic and can't understand why I never fail to mention wrongs, but complacently accept without praise what to him is a big achievement in neatness?

Too fastidious to excuse the marks on the linoelum when my child dashes in delightedly to show me the baby

bird that has fallen from its nest?

Too closed-minded to see that my teen-ager might just have a point?

Too stubborn to give my child who asks, "Why?" a reason beyond my adamant: "Because I said so"?

Too dictatorial in forcing my ideas of tasteful dress (such as: "Wear your red jacket instead of that plaid"), on my buddy-conscious teen-ager?

Too foolish to see that certain television or radio programs, comics, or types of recreation are over-stimulating and will harm my child's character and emotions?

Too particular to allow my child to

CODE MESSAGE FOR JUNIOR READERS

Here is another important message for you, but it is coded. You will find the code listed at the left and the message at the right. To read the message, simply fill in the letter that corresponds with the code in the space provided.

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To check your answer, look up 1 John 3:22.

help roll out cookies or stir up a batch of fudge in my clean kitchen?

Too short-sighted to realize that time is fleeting, and that adult life is anything but a game, and that it is not fair to let my children grow up unprepared to take responsibility?

To complacent in accepting as my due the picked-up sweaters and toys put away unprompted, and the beds made in boyish haste? (Why haven't I said "Thank you" more often?)

Too unconcerned about the importance of my example today in moulding my children's actions tomorrow?

Too blind to see that Bible reading and family prayer are *musts* in maintaining serenity and strength for me and mine?

Ah, they are so forgiving, these two of mine, as children are the world over. They halt my stumbling apologies with an understanding, "Oh, that's okay, Mom. I know you're busy."

But while I scrutinize carefully the cards my boys bring home, I'm determining secretly to improve my own "grades," with God's help. ◀ ◀

True family worship is a vase of perfume that sheds fragrance over all. It softens harshness; it quiets anger; it quiets impatience; it settles differences; it subdues evil passions. Hearts that are drawn together at God's feet every day cannot wander far apart. The altar in the midst wonderfully hallows and sweetens the home fellowship. It smooths out the wrinkles of care. It keeps the fire burning on every heart's altar.

A Prayer for Family Love

Father, grant unto us true family love,
That we may belong more entirely to those
whom Thou hast given us,
Understanding each other, day by day, more
instinctively,
Forbearing each other, day by day, more
patiently,
Growing, day by day, more closely into one-
ness with each other.

Father, Thou too, art love;
Make us perfect in love for these our dear
ones
As knowing that without them we can never
be made perfect in Thee.

Father, bring to full fruit in us Thine own
nature—
That nature of humble redemptive devotion,
Which, out of two responsive souls,
Can create a new heaven and a new earth,
One eternal glory of divine self-sharing.



Family Altar

DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

Monday, May 18

Read: Psalm 25:1-11

Learn: "Show me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths. Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou art the God of my salvation" (Psalm 25:4, 5).

For the Parent: In this psalm David expresses: (1) his trust in God; (2) his request that God take care of him; (3) his desire for guidance in the right path—the path of truth; (4) his knowledge of God's mercy; (5) his request for forgiveness; (6) his assurance that God will teach those who keep His Word. Stress the importance of letting God guide us by His Word.

Question Time: To whom are God's paths "mercy and truth"? (v. 10) Why did David ask God for guidance? (v. 5)

Tuesday, May 19

Read: Psalm 25:12-22

Learn: "The secret of the Lord is with them that fear him; and he will show them his covenant" (Psalm 25:14).

For the Parent: From this passage point out the importance of fearing the Lord. Discuss what this "fear" means (reverential trust in God, recognizing His holiness) and how we may obtain it. Show also the benefits that come to us as we fear the Lord. The latter part of this passage is the Psalmist's request for help in a time of trouble. As we trust in God and fear Him, we can expect Him to deliver us out of our troubles.

Question Time: In this passage, what does the word "fear" mean? (see above)

Wednesday, May 20

Read: Psalm 26

Learn: "I have trusted also in the Lord; therefore I shall not slide" (Psalm 26:1).

For the Parent: We must meet certain conditions in order to receive many of God's blessings. In this psalm, David reminds the Lord of his faithfulness to Him. Discuss some of the things David did, showing how they apply to Christians today. If we want God's help, we must live in ways that are pleasing to Him—lives full of praise; lives that are a testimony to His goodness and power.

Question Time: What is the best way to keep from backsliding? (v. 1) What things had David refrained from doing? (vv. 4, 5) What had he done? (vv. 3, 7, 8, 11, 12)

Thursday, May 21

Read: Acts 12:25 to 13:5, 13; 15:36-41; 2 Timothy 4:11.

Learn: "But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not" (Luke 22:32).

For the Parent: (Additional material on "Mark, the Successful Failure" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) From the life of Mark point out: (1) his association with Paul and Barnabas; (2) his failure—leaving them during a missionary journey, 13:13; (3) the contention between Paul and Barnabas over Mark; (4) the outcome—Barnabas took Mark with him, Paul took Silas; (5) Paul's admission that Mark was "profitable," 2 Timothy 4:11.

Question Time: What is the important lesson of John Mark's life?

Friday, May 22

Read: Joshua 9:3-9, 12-16, 27 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

Learn: "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" (Proverbs 3:5).

For the Parent: The news of Israel's victories over Jericho and Ai quickly spread throughout Canaan. Discuss: (1) the deceit of the Gibeonites; (2) the success of their plan—Joshua and Israel believed they were from a far country; (3) Israel's discovery of the truth, v. 16; (4) the reason for this tragedy, v. 14. We need wisdom from God daily to guide our lives in the right way.

Question Time: How did the Gibeonites deceive Israel? Why did they succeed? (v. 14)

Saturday, May 23

Read: Luke 22:39-53 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

Learn: "Not my will, but thine, be done" (Luke 22:42).

For the Parent: From this passage emphasize: (1) Christ attached much importance to prayer, v. 40; (2) Christ prayed with an overwhelming desire to do God's will, vv. 41-44; (3) prayer brought divine help to Christ, v. 43; (4) Jesus was betrayed by Judas Iscariot, vv. 47, 48; (5) the disciples vainly tried to defend Jesus, v. 50; (6) Jesus would not accept this kind of help—He healed the man who was hurt, v. 51.

Question Time: What events were facing Christ at this time?

Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



MARK, THE SUCCESSFUL FAILURE

Sunday School Lesson for May 24, 1959

ACTS 12:25 TO 13:5, 13; 15:36-41; 2 TIMOTHY 4:11

Some very encouraging truth is illustrated in our lesson today. Temporary failure need not hinder us from ultimate success in our endeavors for the Lord. In the providence of God a man may fail in one type of work and become eminently more successful in another.

MARK'S INITIAL FAILURE (Acts 12:25 through 13:5, 13)

John Mark was evidently reared in a godly environment. His mother's home seems to have been a place where Christians met for prayer and worship (Acts 12:12). It is quite possible that the home was used for Christ's last supper with His disciples, and that John Mark was the unnamed young man who followed the Lord and His disciples to the Garden (Mark 14:51, 52). With such a background, Mark would have developed a deep love for Christ, for His followers, and for spiritual things.

Paul and Barnabas had been sent to Jerusalem by the church at Antioch with an offering for the needy Christians in Jerusalem (Acts 11:27-30). While they were there Barnabas introduced Paul to his cousin Mark who evidently expressed a desire to engage in ministry. Both men were sufficiently impressed with the young man that they took him with them on their return to Antioch.

Very soon after their return to Antioch, Paul and Barnabas were sent on their first missionary tour by the church after having been selected by the Holy Spirit. And they took young Mark with them! Surprisingly enough, by the time the party had crossed the Mediterranean Sea to Perga, in Pamphylia, Mark left them and returned home to Jerusalem. Was it homesickness? Did he perchance feel he was out of God's will simply because of some of the difficulties which they must have encountered? We cannot say. But whatever his reason, Mark was not the last to start out well and desert the work of the Lord!

MARK'S SECOND CHANCE (Acts 15:36-41)

When the time came for their second missionary tour a sharp difference of opinion arose between Paul and Barnabas. The latter with his kind, sympathetic, and generous nature wanted to take Mark along again. But Paul, feeling they could not jeopardize the Lord's work or reputation, refused to take Mark on the grounds of his past unreliability. The result of the argument was that Paul and Barnabas parted ways and each chose a new partner, Paul taking Silas, and Barnabas taking Mark with him. As was pointed out in a recent lesson, it is the opinion of this writer that neither Paul nor Barnabas are to be censured for this division, but that the matter was worked out according to the will of God and for the greater ultimate benefit of His kingdom.

MARK'S FINAL SUCCESS (2 Timothy 4:11)

Years have passed since young Mark's failure during

the first missionary tour of Paul and Barnabas. Paul is a prisoner in Rome awaiting execution. He writes a letter of encouragement to Timothy, his spiritual son, and the pastor of the church in Ephesus. And among his last requests are these words—"Only Luke is with me. Take Mark, and bring him with thee: for he is profitable to me for the ministry." The man who failed, eventually made good! Mark, over the years, had proved himself. The story is full of suggestive practical lessons:

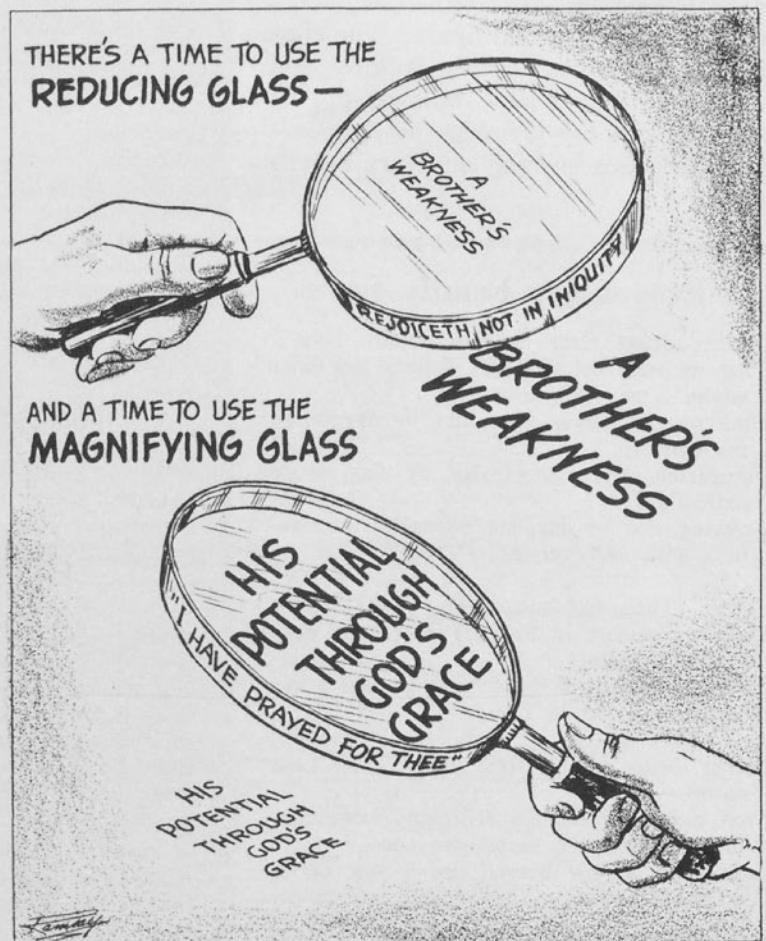
(1) *Reacting to failure.* The danger in failure is that it may take the heart out of a man, make him feel there is no use to try again. This is exactly as Satan would desire. Faith in the love and power of God is the antidote for the reaction of hopelessness, despair, or inertia!

(2) *Failure may be necessary to success.* We learn by doing. Many a great preacher was a stuttering, speechless failure on his first attempts in the pulpit. The call of God, the anointing of the Spirit, and faithful, diligent effort will take one through!

(3) *Mark failed with Paul, but succeeded when he teamed up with Barnabas and went to Cyprus.* Phillips Brooks was a miserable failure as a school teacher, but became one of the greatest preachers of the nineteenth century. Abraham Lincoln, by the time he was fifty, had failed twice in business and had been defeated time after time in elections for minor political offices. Then he became president of the United States. Our own Lillian Trasher wanted to be a missionary to other parts of Africa, but the Lord sent her to Egypt instead! God wills that we all succeed. We can make His will, and the doing of His will, our will. Then, in any case, success is assured.

—J. Bashford Bishop

USE THE PROPER GLASS



Why This Revolutionary Step

(Continued from page four)

"And they sang together by course in praising and giving thanks unto the Lord; . . . and all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the Lord."

From these and other verses I gathered that some services even in Old Testament times were greatly blessed of God so that the people showed great emotion. Then we read in the New Testament where Paul said, "But if the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious . . . how shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?" (2 Corinthians 3:7, 8)

This freedom of worship, though strange at first, soon became very sweet and precious to us.

God also helped us to see, in 1 Corinthians 12 to 14, how ALL the gifts of the Spirit that He set in the Church are necessary to the proper functioning of the body of Christ. I felt grieved that we had failed for so long to see that they are *all* supernatural in their manifestation.

In due time God showed us that we would have to take our stand for these truths or walk in darkness. I said, "Lord, I'll follow you if everyone in the world turns against me." When I made that decision, a great peace flooded my soul, such as I had never known.

Miracles began to happen. One day as I was working at home, two words, "*new thing*," seemed to impress themselves upon me. I knew they were in the Bible, but I didn't know where, or what was said about it. With a concordance I found the words in Isaiah 43:18, 19: "Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a *new thing*; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert."

That night as I attended a revival in Tacoma, Wash., for the first time in my life I heard the gifts of tongues and interpretation manifested. Imagine my amazement when the interpretation proved to be in part what God had shown me in Isaiah 43!

In my joy over this experience I wanted to share it at once with other



FIRST ASSEMBLY REMODELED AT RACINE, WIS.

The congregation of the First Assembly of God in Racine, Wis., has recently completed an extensive program of repairing and remodeling the church. Pastor James Hamann reports that approximately \$10,000 was spent on the project which included sandblasting the exterior. A new gas-fired boiler was installed and basement floors were sanded and varnished. New carpeting, tile, and light fixtures were included in the project, and Sunday School rooms were completely redecorated. Exterior trim was painted and the lawn resodded.

The congregation is rejoicing in the fact that this "face-lift" has resulted in a marked increase in attendance at the church. A peak of 300 in Sunday School was reached a short time ago.

members of my church, but when I tried to do so I got my first taste of persecution. I went home and wept and prayed, "God, I've never been more sure of Your leadings in all my life, but please reassure me from the Word." As I opened my Bible, my eyes fell on these words: "It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of his household?" (Matthew 10:25)

All this time God was leading my family, though I was not always aware of it. His ways are not our ways. He does not always work as we feel He should, nor when we think He should. However, in due time, our entire family took its stand for the truth God had revealed.

It was during a revival in Calvary Temple in Seattle, Wash., that the Lord poured out His Spirit on my husband and two daughters in a single service. My husband received a precious infilling as he sat in his seat. How his face shone with the glory of God as he sat worshiping and praising

God for about an hour in a language he had never learned!

Later, while I was praying at home, God poured out His blessed Holy Spirit upon me. Now we are greatly burdened to share this glorious truth with others who have not yet claimed the fullness that Christ longs to give through the baptism in the Holy Spirit. "For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" (Acts 2:39). ◀ ◀





Progress at Nigeria's New Preparatory School

New Dormitory and Classrooms Must Be Built Immediately to House Additional Bible Students

By FLORENCE METCALF
and IRENE CRANE

NIGERIA'S EASTERN BIBLE INSTITUTE was born March 31, 1958. It is located a few miles from the town of Ogoja, which is the capital of Ogoja Province in the eastern region of Nigeria.

The original buildings were constructed for a Women's Bible Training Center for all the tribes of the Ogoja area. But because the need for trained workers in our churches had become so acute, the Field Executive Committee approved the use of the buildings for six months out of the year for preparatory and first-year classes. The other two years of study would be taken at our Central Bible Institute at Umuahia.

In 1958 only preparatory classes were held. Some Bible teaching was given, but the main emphasis was on intensive studies in English, to prepare the students for entrance into Central Bible Institute.

One would have to visit the Ogoja



Students and staff of Eastern Bible Institute of Nigeria at the second term for 1958.

area to realize the importance of the Eastern Bible Institute. Until just a few years ago very little missionary work had been done in this part of the province except by Roman Catholics. Most of the elementary schools were and still are operated by that church, but the vast majority of the population has not gone to school at all.

When our Assemblies of God missionaries began working in this area in 1951 the response was slow at first and then it became very rapid. In the Obudu Division, where the K. L. Godbeys have been ministering since the latter part of 1952, there are now over sixty churches. *This growth has created an urgent need for trained workers.* Many nationals have felt a call to the ministry but have not had enough education to attend Bible School.

Obudu is an area of many small tribes where most of the languages have not yet been reduced to writing; consequently the only literature they can learn to read is in English. This

makes it imperative for them to get a good grasp of the English language in order to be able to understand the Bible.

We now have three mission stations in Ogoja Province, each about thirty-five miles apart. One is near Ogoja town, where Martha Jacobson and Florence Metcalf have been working; the Godbeys are at Obudu; and the Walter Kornelsens built a station near Bansara before their present furlough. Irene Crane joined Miss Metcalf after Miss Jacobson returned to the states.

The new Eastern Bible Institute opened with twenty-three enthusiastic

students and four teachers, including a Nigerian pastor and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Okpo. The blessing of God was on the school and those students who had not received the Holy Spirit before they came received during the term. Twenty-one students were able to finish the three-month preparatory course.

The second term began in September with eighteen students. Some of the more backward ones, who showed little ability to learn English, were not encouraged to return. The progress of some of the others has been almost phenomenal.

Enthusiasm is running high for this year's course, and over fifty have already made application to attend Central Bible Institute. Only the class in advanced English and those who took the preparatory course at Ogoja will be qualified to carry the first year's work. Mr. and Mrs. Godbey and Minnie Ecklund will be instructors this year.



Mr. Okpo, teacher at the Eastern Bible Institute, with his wife and children.

A fine dormitory has been erected housing fifty-four students, and a chapel which is also used as a classroom and native teachers' house. Classroom space is greatly needed to take care of fifty additional students who have already applied for entrance for the first term of 1959. Financial help will be necessary for this forward move.

Those wishing to help this worthy project may send their contributions to the Foreign Missions Department designated "For Eastern Nigeria Bible Institute." ◀◀

Crowded Out in Tokyo

*Evangelistic Center Must
Be Enlarged at Once*

By MAYNARD L. KETCHAM
Field Secretary for Asia

NINETY MILLION JAPANESE PEOPLE need the gospel of Christ as never before! After the war, Japan was whipped, cowed, frustrated, questing. The old concepts had failed. The old gods were defeated. Japan was ready to investigate those new "gods" which had produced a resplendent America, an atom bomb, a General MacArthur!

Yes, those postwar days presented history's golden opportunity to the Christian nations of the world. Anything the West had that was worthwhile, Japan wanted. Were American cameras good? Japan would imitate and improve on them. Was baseball appealing? Japan would put a sand lot in every hamlet, a major league team in every city. Were transistor radios fascinating? Japan would copy them and refine them and put one in



Regular congregation of the Evangelistic Center in Tokyo

every pocket! Yes, Japan adopted everything in the Western way of life which appeared as superior. *But she did not take our Christian faith.* A leading Japanese gentleman said to me, "If Americans lived the way some of you missionaries preach, we would have adopted your Christianity just as wholeheartedly as we have taken Hollywood movies, American make-up, and permanent waves."

The result was that disillusioned Japan turned back to her old gods, dusted them off, polished them up and started to worship them again. Cults and "isms" based on Buddhism, Shintoism, and ancestor worship sprang up everywhere. Yet the day is not lost. Japan is still open, souls are still being saved. The Japanese are a charming people, a clever nation that is bound to set the pace for all the Orient. They can be won to Christ if we will pray and support our missionaries and workers.

We can take pride in our accomplishments in Japan. The Assemblies of God of Japan is a healthy, firmly established organization, under unique and outstanding national leadership. We now have more than sixty churches, with over 5,000 members. Our Bible school is a beautiful place. Our radio program directed by Paul Pipkin is the only Full Gospel program of consequence. Our literature and Sunday School programs blanket the entire nation.

Our Evangelistic Center at Ikebukuro, in the heart of the city of Tokyo, is the pride of the Assemblies of God. Strategically located, its doors have given entrance to multitudes of people during the past six years. Over

15,000 have expressed their interest in salvation. Many of those who have been saved have gone out to become members of other Assemblies of God churches in Tokyo. Others have taken the message of life back to their own villages, and a number have remained to become active members of the congregation at the Evangelistic Center.

But now it is time to expand so that the Center can better meet the compelling need of Tokyo's 8,000,000 people. The Center is woefully inadequate for evangelistic campaigns, rallies, conventions, etc. *A balcony and prayer room will greatly enlarge its capacity and cost only about \$3,000.*

Can we appeal to Americans who love Japan to rally to this need? We are greatly blessed at the Center in having, as pastors, Brother and Sister Harrah, outstanding Japanese young people who recently graduated from Northwest Bible College in Seattle and returned to Japan with an ambition to work for God. We are doubly fortunate in having as missionary adviser Sister Marie Juergensen, who is very capable and devoted to the work.

Your contributions will be gratefully received for this urgent need in Tokyo. Send your offerings to the Foreign Missions Department, earmarked "Tokyo Evangelistic Center Enlargement Fund." ◀◀



Workers of the Evangelistic Center. Pastor and Mrs. Harrah on back row with Marie Juergensen, missionary adviser.

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STANDING TOGETHER

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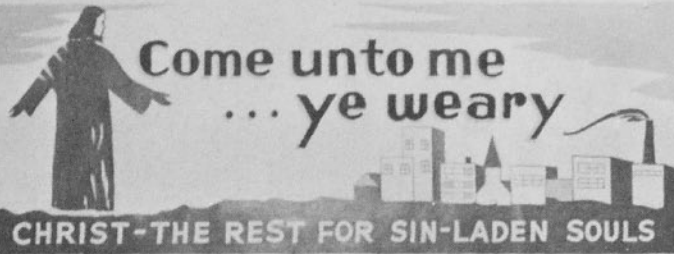
plexity, and criticism which creates the opportunity to prophesy."

If we are to say that *this* which we have is *that* which is described in the Book of Acts, the fruit of the Spirit must be evidenced in our individual lives as well as in our meetings. Can it be that sometimes there is *little to hear* and *nothing to see* in our Pentecostal meetings?

The disciples were not drunk with wine, but they had been anointed with the power of the Holy Ghost. They fulfilled Ephesians 5:18 before it was ever written, "Be not drunk with wine wherein is excess, but be filled with the Spirit." The word "filled" is used in the present tense. It is as if a glass were continually being filled under a faucet. It is not just a full glass set off somewhere for stagnation, but it overflows continually, splashing over on other folk.

Peter stood up *with the eleven*. When there is prayer for the sick, we ought to stand with those who pray and with the one who is suffering instead of being mere spectators or even leaving the service. Let us join in with those who are praying to be filled with the Holy Ghost. Someone prayed for us when we received the Baptism,

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and we need to stand up with others as well.

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When Peter stood up he had this blessed love and unity of the eleven and the rest of the hundred and twenty. As a result, the Jews were pricked in their hearts and said, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

Peter said, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." What a sermon! The result was that three thousand souls were added to the Church that day. Oh, how we need a fresh outpouring of the Holy Ghost upon us!

The only thing that makes us worthwhile, as another movement or another denomination, is that we are under the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and that we have something Peter had on the day of Pentecost. He stood up *with the eleven* and became the mighty voice of a Spirit-anointed company which brought three thousand men and women to Christ. Let us stand up together in the power of the Spirit to see great things accomplished for God in these last days. ◀◀

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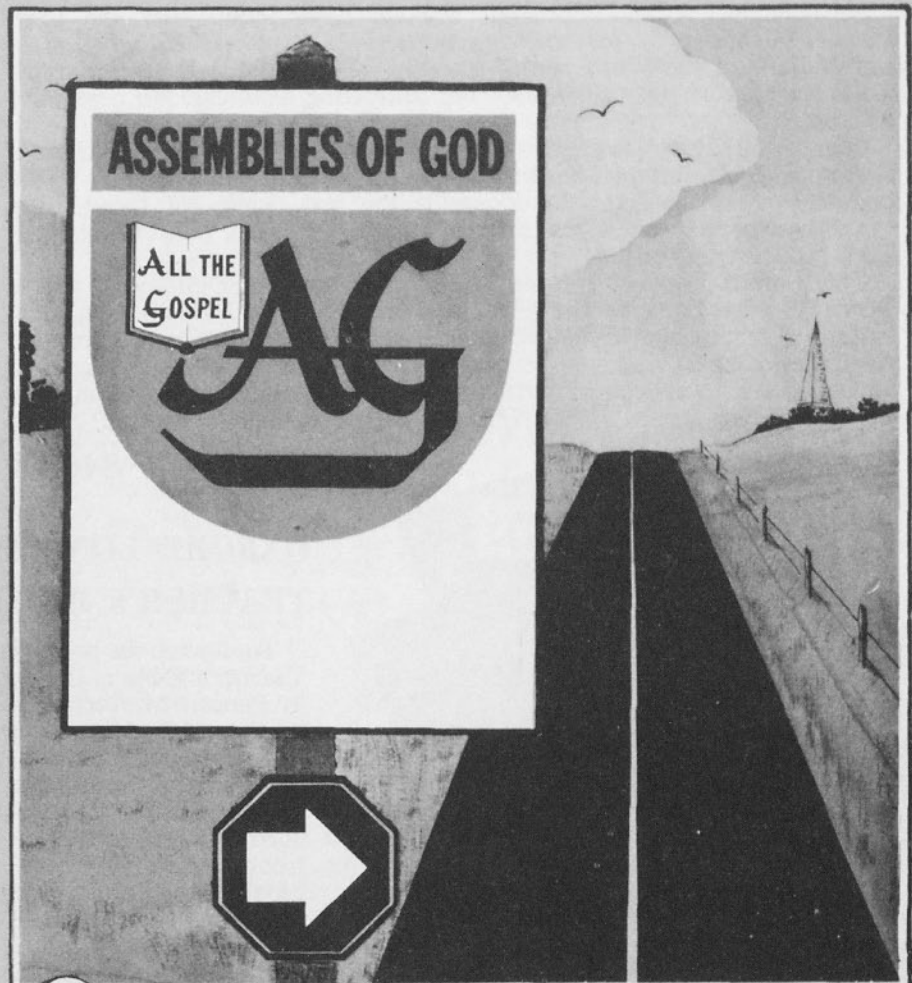
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Lessons from the Cuban Revival

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church and our doctrine were known to thousands throughout the land as a result of our weekly broadcast on a strong network that covered the island. For two years we had two broadcasts weekly, and on one of these each week we gave some "Marvel of Faith," which was a testimony of answered prayer, usually some remarkable healing. In this way thousands of people were already disposed to believe before the campaigns started.

During the campaigns, we announced the meetings and told of the results

in a daily broadcast over a national hookup. Several local radio stations gave daily broadcast time free of charge for the preaching of the gospel and prayer for the sick (an unheard-of thing in Latin America!). There were very positive results from these broadcasts. However, one of the most important functions of the radio ministry was to hold the converts together. It kept us in touch with them through the long, dark period while we were struggling to get some place to house the new congregation. This was an invaluable contribution.

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Can this revival be duplicated elsewhere? For eight years we preached to the believers in Cuba: "God is no respecter of people, or of nations. If

God sent a revival to Puerto Rico, Mexico, Chile, Brazil, He will send a revival here also. He loves the Cubans just as much as He loves those of other nationalities." It took time, prayer, preparation, and faith, but the revival did come. I know of no reason why it cannot happen anywhere else in the world. God's Word says that even up to the very time of the Antichrist: "The people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits" (Daniel 11:32). We say, "Amen!" ◀ ◀

To watch unto prayer, to hide God's Word in the heart, to resist the devil, to make no provision for the lusts of the flesh, to follow holiness—to do these things is to "walk after the Spirit."

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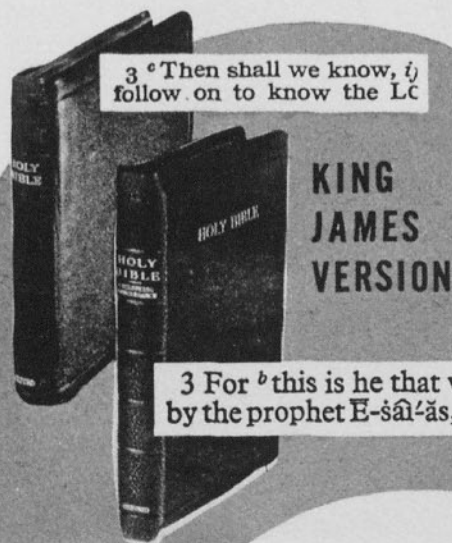
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What Do You See?

ACCORDING TO AN OLD TRADITION, two men were once talking of Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. One expressed disappointment that Christ had not ridden a beautiful, spirited stallion. A donkey standing nearby raised its head and said, "If Christ had come that way, everyone would have said, 'What a horse!'"

Traditions sometimes make a point. Jesus healed people on the Sabbath, and religious leaders saw desecration instead of compassion.

Mary broke an alabaster box of precious ointment and poured it on the head of her Lord, but Judas saw waste instead of love.

How many times do we see the finite and miss the Infinite!

"What a sermon!" we say, and miss the call of the Spirit to put it into practical living.

"What a song!" We are enthralled with the melody but fail to discern the presence of Him "who giveth songs in the night."

"What a church!" We see a building and not the body of Christ.

What loss to miss the Center of the triumphal procession! For "He is the Head of the body, the assembly; Who is the Beginning, the First-born from the dead, that in all things He might be pre-eminent" (Colossians 1:18, Worrell).

—James Adams

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOMECOMING—May 24 at First Assembly of God, San Antonio, Tex. Dinner will be served. Former pastors and members invited to attend.—by A. L. Todd, Pastor

DEDICATION SERVICE—Sunday, May 17, First Assembly of God, 11022 So. Old River School Road, Downey, Calif. Morning speaker: William Robertson.—by Ray F. Curtis, Pastor.

HOMECOMING DAY—May 17 at Assembly of God, Pixley, Calif. Morning speaker: T. C. Cunningham. Lunch in the park. Afternoon speaker: C. Branson. Evening speaker: Coy Nicholson.—by L. B. Duncan, Pastor.

WITH CHRIST

HARRY E. SHAW, 68, Booneville, Ark., went to his reward March 13, 1959. He was ordained in 1928 by the Northern California and Nevada District Council. Brother Shaw was a pastor and evangelist in New York, Ohio, California, and Arkansas. He served

as Secretary-Treasurer of the Arkansas District Council for nine years, resigning recently because of ill health.

INFORMATION NEEDED FOR NEW SCHOOL DIRECTORY

The Department of Education is compiling a directory of all educational institutions in the Assemblies of God, and is particularly interested in securing information concerning location and administrative personnel of Christian Day Schools at all levels—nursery, kindergarten, elementary and secondary. If you know of such schools or are associated with one, please communicate with C. C. Burnett, National Secretary, Department of Education, 434 W. Pacific, Springfield, Mo.

CANADIAN SCHOOL OFFERS SUMMER COURSES

PETERBOROUGH, ONT.—This year, for the first time, Eastern Pentecostal Bible College in Peterborough, Ontario, is offering summer courses as part of its school program. Three two-week terms are planned. The dates are May 18-29; June 1-12; June 15-26.

The students will be able to choose any forty of the 100 lectures to be presented on a variety of subjects during each term. Instructors will include the president of the college, C. B. Smith; Mrs. Smith; Dean C. A. Ratz; Tom Johnstone; C. H. Bronsdon; N. E. Schlarbaum; G. F. Atter; and G. B. Griffin.

Cost per term, including registration, tuition, room and board will be \$36.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ark.	Hampton	A of G	May 19-31	Chas. Reed & wife	J. F. Perry
Calif.	Fresno	Northeast	May 12—	Benny Sapp & wife	Thos. H. Fuller
	Redwood City	A of G	May 19-24	Bill McPherson	E. R. Scratch
	San Diego	First	May 19-31	Tommy Barnett	Elton Hill
	Santa Clara	Neighborhood	May 13-24	Jerry & Louise Snavelly	E. R. Gomes
Conn.	Union City	First	May 19-31	Joel R. Palmer	M. M. Decker
D. C.	Washington	Calvary Gospel	May 5-17	The Quanabush Team	Elmer Bilton
Fla.	Bagdad	First	May 13-24	R. L. Covington	Clarence Lambert
	Miami	Revival Tab.	May 24-31	Stanley P. MacPherson	James M. Turner
Ill.	Bellevue	A of G	May 17-31	Allen Ross	Roger L. Boyd
	Joliet	*Richard St. Meth.	May 19-22	C. M. Ward	L. H. Bottroff
	Peoria	First	May 19—	Walter D. Lascelle	Lloyd Shoemaker
	Percy	A of G	May 6-17	Donald Lunsford, Jr.	Charles Leming
Ind.	E. Chicago	First	May 19-31	A. F. DiMusto Party	D. P. Hamilton
	Indianapolis	Trinity Chapel	May 20-31	Wm. F. Voodre & wife	W. F. Duncan
Kans.	Wichita	** First	May 3-17	Dick Stevens Family	R. R. Morrison
Md.	Baltimore	Carney	May 19—	L. H. Sheets Family	Carl L. Jones
Mich.	Albion	First	May 12-24	Robert E. Palmer	Harris Jansen
	Livonia	Bethel Missionary	May 20-June 7	Musical Vanns	J. J. Traub
	St. Louis	A of G	May 13—	Paul Graban & wife	Howard DeLong
Miss.	Natchez	A of G	May 19-31	Calvin Melton	L. R. Self
Mo.	Kansas City	Friendly	May 10-24	Fred & Gladys Voight	Bill Cambers
	Kansas City	** Sheffield	May 19—	Dick Stevens Family	C. W. Quattlebaum
Mont.	Libby	A of G	May 24—	Marvin L. Moe	A. H. Miller
Nebr.	Chappell	A of G	May 18—	Roy & Linda Lee	Floyd Garrett
N. Mex.	Albuquerque	Valley Gospel Tab.	May 10—	Jack Pruitt	Everett Smith
Ohio	Cuyahoga Falls	A of G	May 10—	M. E. Applegate	A. T. Calvanico
	N. Philadelphia	Glad Tidings Tab.	May 19—	M. E. Applegate	Kenneth Shaffer
	W. Carrollton	A of G	May 12-24	Andrew Basell & wife	John H. Sands
Okla.	Comanche	First	May 17-31	Ernest C. Briggs	G. E. Speed
	El Reno	First	May 18-31	Oren Paris	George A. Brannan
Oreg.	Corvallis	A of G	May 17—	Johnny Hoskins	Nels G. Lien
	Portland	Northeast	May 17-31	Denny Davis	Vernon Klemin
Pa.	Clearfield	Glad Tidings	May 12—	Hance Evang. Team	R. W. Rainbow
	Moosic	Full Gospel Tab.	May 19-31	Richard Owens	Duane Wessman
Tex.	Dallas	Memorial	May 10-17	M. R. Boatright & wife	J. E. McDowell
	Galveston	First	May 17-31	Douglas L. Hoke	I. H. Wills
	Graham	First	May 4-17	Oren Paris	J. P. Baldwin
	Nocona	First	May 20-31	Fred Carrington & wife	W. M. Wertko
	Pineland	A of G	May 5-17	Chas. Reed & wife	O. C. Hicks
	Pt. Neches	First	May 17—	W. M. Stevens	O. E. Eldridge
Wash.	Chehalis	** A of G	May 19-24	Virgil & Edythe Warens	Albert Knudson
	Tenino	A of G	May 19-June 7	Carl & Edna Goodwin	Leo Lovin
W. Va.	Cross	Calvary Pent.	May 20—	Earl & Vera Douglass	Hugh L. Porter
	Fairmont	Trinity Tab.	May 19—	John Higginbotham	James F. Short
Wisc.	Dallas	A of G	May 19—	Smith-Rasmussen Team	Robert Ross
Canada	Kamloops, B.C.	Calvary Temple	May 19-31	James Miller & wife	P. A. Gaglardi

* Union Campaign

** Kids Krusade

Announcements should reach the Department of Evangelism 30 days in advance, due to the fact that THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL is made up 24 days before the date which appears upon it.

DEATH IN 'DEVIL'S HOLE'

By Virginia L. Schneider

NEIL MOSS LIKED CAVES, BUT NEVER EXPECTED TO DIE in one—nor to be buried there.

The twenty-year-old Oxford University student was recently trapped to death in a narrow shaft known as "Devil's Hole," in one of Britain's deepest caves. The story horrified newspaper readers around the world.

On Sunday, March 22, young Moss went into Peak Cavern with a team of other cave-exploring enthusiasts. They moved a mile and a half into the cave, sometimes walking, sometimes crawling through tunnels only a foot high. At one point they waded neck-deep through an underground lake.

The tunnel they were in suddenly broadened into a large chamber. Moss led the way out of this chamber into a narrow shaft. Soon his fellow-explorers heard him calling in alarm, "Help me, I'm stuck!"

When the seriousness of his plight became known, volunteers from all over Britain formed an expert rescue team. Doctors, mine rescue units, and R. A. F. Alpinists joined the explorers in their desperate attempt to free Neil Moss. Four times they strained to pull him clear by means of a rope passed under his shoulders. But he was wedged so tightly that the ropes snapped three times, and on the fourth try they could not budge him.

His broad shoulders were imprisoned by jutting rocks, and he was unconscious most of the time because of the foul air. Men risked their lives going down headfirst into the crevice to keep him supplied with oxygen.

Once a tug on the ropes eased Moss about eighteen inches upward and there was hope that he would soon be free. But the hours dragged on until finally, after forty-six hours in his tunnel prison, Neil Moss drew his last breath as rescue workers made a last futile attempt to bring him to safety.

All of Britain was deeply stirred by the predicament of Neil Moss and had thrown every resource into the battle for his life. But the rarest courage and the most exhausting efforts were not enough. He perished, and the authorities said they would have to seal off the dangerous crevice with his body entombed in it.

What a picture of many lives today which are trapped spiritually by their sins as surely as Neil Moss was held fast by the rocks of Devil's Hole. The feeble ropes of

good works, repeated resolutions, or a Christless religion cannot release man from sin's bondage. It holds him fast.

No man can save himself. Neither can he save others or be saved by his fellow man. But there is a way out! There is deliverance from sin's clutches for every sinsick soul who cries to God for mercy.

What if Neil Moss had suddenly felt the rocks relax and his shoulders come free! It would have been a miracle indeed! A miracle of this kind is taking place spiritually for guilty sinners every day. The tenacious grip of sin is relaxed when they believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. "If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed" (John 8:36).

God knows you can't quit sinning just because you want to, any more than Neil Moss could be freed from his rocky prison by desire alone. So He says, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near."

Face your inability to free yourself. Call for help (from the Lord, not from man). Admit your need. Then trust in Him to do for you what you can't do for yourself.

But there's a second step which you must take if you are to remain free. Here it is: "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts" (Isaiah 55:7).

Do you suppose that if the rocks had suddenly released their hold upon Neil Moss he would have been content to stay there in that place where he had suffered so much? Of course not. At any price he would have fled "Devil's Hole" and avoided it ever after. To stay would be to invite disaster.

The person who prays for Christ's deliverance must also accept it and then go free, forsake his wicked ways. David put it this way: "The Lord... heard my cry. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And he hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God" (Psalm 40:1-3).

This can be your experience also if you will take the first step by believing, then follow it by acting upon your faith. God saves you from your sins through faith in Christ. Then He expects you to forsake your sins and live for His glory. ◀◀