

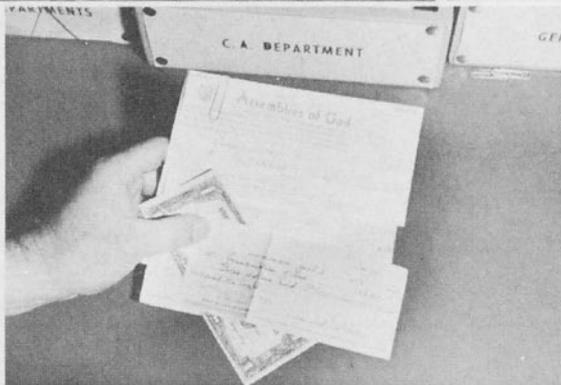
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# He Paid the Price

Of all the noble men and women who have laid down their lives for the gospel's sake, none deserves greater honor than the 116 Assemblies of God missionaries who through the years have given their all in foreign service. One of these is Clarence T. Radley, whose gravestone stands in Esteli, Nicaragua, within five feet of the Pan-American Highway.

Brother Radley died in 1927. One of our present missionaries took this picture recently and suggested that it might be published to remind *Evangel* readers of the price our pioneers paid to blaze the gospel trail in Central America.

On the side of the monument are the words, "Sembró la Palabra Divina a costo de su Vida." This means, "He sowed the Divine Word at the cost of his life." The words call to mind a statement by the First Missionary, who said, "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends."

If we love the souls of men, we too will pay the price to give them the Divine Word. Some of us may have to be buried in a lonely grave in some foreign land. Others may be called upon to send our sons and daughters. All of us will be required to pray for souls and to support with our money the missionaries who do go forth.

The world will never be evangelized without sacrificial giving on the part of Christian people. Christ loved the world so much He paid the supreme price to bring it salvation. How much will *you* pay?



Mrs. George Davis viewing grave of pioneer missionary, Clarence Radley. Plans are being made to move the grave this summer. (Photo by George Davis)

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Christians watch while Charles Chakela is baptized in water



Brother Chakela talks with people who have come for prayer

# A Flame of Fire in Basutoland

*Former Catholic Now Used  
Mightily in Healing Ministry*

BY HILDA OLSEN AND PEGGY ANDERSON

LAST AUGUST A CALL CAME TO US TO VISIT A YOUNG African who was being mightily used of God in healing the sick at a certain village about five miles distant. Until that time we had never heard of Charles Chakela but Basutos all over the country had not only heard but were flocking to him by the hundreds for prayer. What greeted us on our arrival at his home will read like something out of the Acts of the Apostles.

Although it was a bitterly cold winter day we found hundreds of people waiting outside his home for the meeting to begin. Bus loads of people had already arrived and were waiting to be prayed for. We learned that this was not the exception but something that was occurring every day in this humble little village of Ha Nyene.

Charles Chakela is a humble servant of God who prays for the sick and suffering, and many are miraculously healed. It appears God came to him in a dream and told him to start praying for the sick around him. He obeyed with a simplicity of faith that was to mark his ministry in the days to come. Immediately miracles began to take place. The good news spread very quickly throughout Basutoland, clear into the Union of South Africa. As still more people came for prayer, God continued to work.

Brother Chakela was a Roman Catholic who was saved through his brother's testimony. Soon after he yielded to God he was given the ministry of healing. The news of his gift of healing spread far and wide, and the Catholic church—which is strong in Basutoland—was divided in its attitude toward him. They felt that steps should be taken to decide whether or not Brother Chakela could stay in the church. In a short space of time he received a letter excommunicating him from the Roman Catholic church. Their reason for the action was plain: if this gift of

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*Countryside Stirred by Revivals  
Following Miraculous Healings*

BY FRED BURKE

IT WAS VERY EARLY IN THE MORNING, BUT HUNDREDS of villagers of the countryside stopped their work and flocked to the church where Charles Chakela was preaching to a crowd of approximately 700. Remarkable miracles and healings were taking place in the services. Many people already had mounted their horses and left for their homes to tell of their wonderful healings. As a result, still more villagers came streaming toward the church from the mountains and valleys, some walking and some on horseback.

One outstanding miracle was the healing of a lunatic boy. His father had led him like an animal, with a rope tied around his neck. They had journeyed two days from their home in the mountains. When Brother Chakela prayed for the boy God touched him instantly. The following day the father wept and testified in the church that his son was healed and now acted like a normal person. Only one thing remained: the boy could not yet talk.

Brother Chakela asked the father to have his son stand. He did so. From the platform the evangelist asked the lad his name. The boy remained silent. Chakela spoke again, "In the Name of the Lord Jesus I am asking you to tell me your name—I want you to answer me!"

Immediately the boy's hearing and speech returned and he was able to answer all the questions correctly. His father, seeing this miracle, fell down weeping in the midst of the people who were gathered around and praising the Lord for His wonder-working power.

It appears to me that of the hundreds who are prayed for daily by Brother Chakela, the majority, if not all, are healed. The blind, the paralyzed, the deaf, lame, diseased, and demon-possessed—all come and are healed; and they return to tell their friends and loved ones.

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## Former Catholic Now Used Mightily

healing were from God it would have been given to a priest and not to a layman.

After some months of prayer and study in the Word of God, Brother Chakela decided to affiliate with the Assemblies of God. At the last Basutoland conference he and his wife followed the Lord in the waters of baptism; also he was accepted by the conference as an endorsed worker.

This chosen vessel is a very influential business man owning a fleet of buses and a trading store. His public life has taken him into places of prominence in government circles. We learned he was named secretary of the African National Congress and served on many committees.

When we heard our brother's remarkable story and saw the influence he held over a wide area of Basutoland, we could not help praising God for this "chosen vessel," called to bear His Name to kings and chiefs of his own country.

It is just over one year since Brother Chakela started to preach and pray for the sick. Not only have many received remarkable healings, but hundreds are being drawn to hear the Word of God. Many have returned to offer thanksgiving to God for keeping them healed. One woman who had been demon-possessed and mentally deranged for seventeen years, returned to show her gratitude—God had kept her whole and well for over a year. There are many other testimonies like hers too numerous to mention here.

During the aforementioned conference of the Assemblies of God, Basutoland district, chiefs and villagers attended from miles around for the purpose of hearing Brother Chakela. Hundreds were prayed for with remarkable results.

May God continue to use His humble servant. We hope our *Evangel* readers will continue in prayer for Charles Chakela of Basutoland. ◀◀

## CALL TO ACTION

BY THE PROMOTIONS  
SECRETARY OF THE  
FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPT.



J. Philip Hogan

Introducing—

## GLOBAL CONQUEST

The Foreign Missions Department is currently announcing a far-reaching new "crash" program for missionary evangelism called GLOBAL CONQUEST. Simultaneously with this launching we will issue the first mailing of a new free magazine, designed to highlight both our world-wide missionary advance and this new global thrust. The magazine will bear the name of the new program—*Global Conquest*.

With world-wide conditions as they are we feel compelled to step up our efforts along some lines of our missionary evangelism program. We feel this further endeavor will help by placing special emphasis upon specific items.

In the fields of literature, training of national workers and the invasion of population centers, we are scrapping all the old timetables. Objectives which we dreamed of realizing in five years must be attempted *now!* Therefore we introduce the new GLOBAL CONQUEST program without delay.

Crash programs are not new to our generation. Science would have produced an "H" bomb eventually, working at a leisurely pace—but *world necessity demanded it now!*

Normalcy is dead! Business-as-usual is out! Averages are no longer the criteria!

Most phases of our missionary advance are both effective and commendable. We evangelize, we teach, we preach, we print, we train, we broadcast, we minister to the sick. *But are we keeping pace with the awful urgencies of our generation?*

Our three-stage advance will emphasize the production of mission-field literature. Coinciding with this year's "W-E Day" drive at General Council, GLOBAL CONQUEST will endeavor to raise \$150,000 for literature evangelism. (Continued on opposite page)

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## Countryside Stirred by Revivals

They are still coming from all over Basutoland; whenever it is announced that Charles Chakela is in the area they flock to him. It is not unusual for two to three hundred people to be waiting outside Brother Chakela's home until he can pray for them. Chiefs call him to their villages. In this manner and many other ways the gospel is spreading over Basutoland.

Here is an incident of vital interest. When Charles Chakela left the District Conference at Mt. Tabor, the people brought their sick and laid them along the roadside that he might pray for them as he passed. So full of compassion is this servant of God that he prays for all. He never refuses to pray for a single one of those who wait in need of help for body, soul, or spirit.

At the town of Rothe where we had scheduled a week of meetings, people arrived several days beforehand and the church was packed to capacity for all the services. At Maseru, during a tent meeting, again there were record

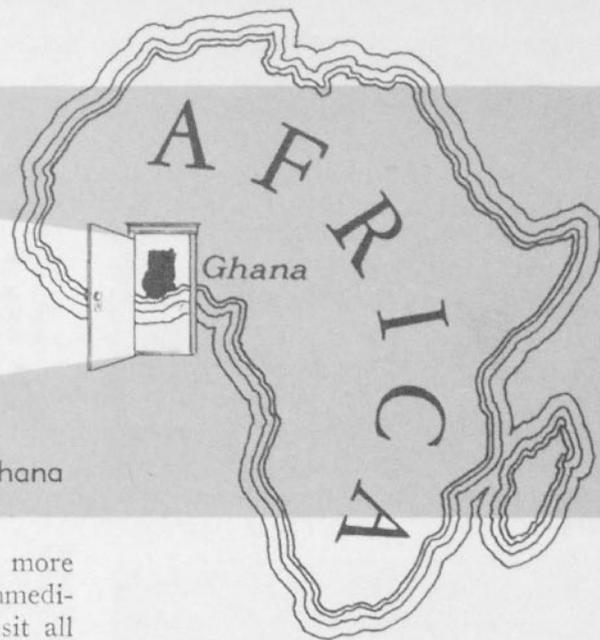
crowds present to hear the evangelist. The most heartening part of it all is that, even after Brother Chakela leaves, the people continue to come to the services and many souls have been saved as well as healed.

During the Rothe meetings one of Basutoland's biggest tribal chiefs attended. He was chairman of the Committee on Basutoland Constitutional Reform, and had recently returned from England after conferring with the Queen on constitutional matters. After the meeting, he and our local chief sat with Brother Chakela for over an hour asking questions and discussing the Word of God and its power. He was much impressed, and we are praying for his salvation.

Brother Chakela is now contemplating turning his business over to others so that he can be free to work full time for the Lord. Let us pray that he shall be kept as humble and sweet as he is now—unspoiled. Pray too that many of the chiefs and government people who hear his testimony shall be won to the Lord. ◀◀

# A Door of OPPORTUNITY

By **ADELINE WICHMAN** and **PAULINE SMITH**, Ghana



**T**HROUGH THE KIND INTEREST OF some of the teachers we had been conducting Bible classes in a few of the schools near us. Then suddenly, urgent requests for help began to come from every school in the area.

"Madams, please, can you come to our school from eleven to eleven-thirty to help us with religious instruction?"

"Madams, please, can you tell us what to do? We have a period on our new timetable for 'religious instruction' and we don't know what to do."

These requests were something new to us and we were overwhelmed. Opportunities for daily Bible lessons in *all* the schools! And we had not had even a hint that such an opening would be forthcoming.

The opportunity also presented a problem. It is one thing to tell a Bible story from time to time, but to prepare daily material is something else. However, we could not refuse the privilege, no matter how hard the task. There were thirteen schools in our immediate area, as well as others, offering to use anything we would give them.

We have occasionally received Primary cards and papers in English through BGMC, and we had ordered some materials ourselves. But the demand for 100 or 200 pieces of ma-

terial was suddenly increased to more than 1,300 and it was needed immediately. We knew we could not visit all the schools, so we would have to supply simple lessons the teachers could use.

A missionary had once told us that in Africa one should keep a thing for seven years and, if in that time it had not been used, it could be discarded. As we checked our supplies we were glad we had almost believed that little saying. But the problem was to simplify the material and to prepare it for daily classes.

Since the teachers are not schooled in the Word, and the pupils know very little about the Scriptures and nothing about God, we began with simple questions and answers. The scripture, along with the question and answer for the first day, was a very simple one, "Who is God?" This was followed by "Where is God?" So we progressed from one thought to another.

We finished twenty-five such daily lessons and wrote a page of prayers, including the Lord's prayer, grace before eating, bedtime prayers, etc. Then we concluded with a page of songs and choruses.

We finished the printing and were resting a bit, as it was so hot, when a teacher from a far-bush village greeted us. He had walked and ridden *a hundred miles* to get to us, and he came in hot, tired, and dusty from the trip. His first question after greeting us was: "Madams, please, we now have a period for 'religious instruction' and I have no material to teach it. Can you help?"

You can imagine how pleased we were to tell him we had just finished the lessons and would give him a set for each teacher. What if we had not tried so hard to get the material out? It was a thrill to know that in this simple way we were sending the gos-

pel to a village that did not even have a road leading into it.

There are now more than fifty teachers, all very happy and relieved to receive and use the material we have prepared.

Since we only prepared lessons for twenty-five days, we began immediately working on the next set, with "Jesus" as the theme. Two hundred and fifty school days require a lot of lessons, but we know it is worth it as we see the results.

Thirteen hundred African boys and girls, ages five to thirteen, are learning the correct answers to such vital questions as "Who is Jesus?" "Where was He born?" "Why did He come?" "How many gods are there?" "In how many parts does God exist?"

Do you wonder that we marvel at the opportunity that is ours? We are now working on the subject, "Salvation," and then will prepare material on "The Bible, the Word of God."

We need prayer help that we may continue to keep the gospel message going into all these schools. How very grateful we are for the material we have received through BGMC. We put it in every school that was open to us, and this opened other doors. Now we have an entrance into every school in the area. Better still, the students we contacted a few years ago are now coming back as teachers, and they in turn are offering more opportunities to us. When we realize that we can give the gospel in reality and truth to every school boy and girl in this whole area, we are overwhelmed. We are praying that God will honor the Word and that it will mean the salvation of many students and teachers.

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It will emphasize our *National Workers' Training Program* (which, incidentally, is leading the way in the entire missionary world).

It will emphasize the *invasion of the great overseas population centers* with evangelism teams.

Watch for the new free magazine, *Global Conquest*. All readers of *The Pentecostal Evangel* will receive this magazine free. ◀◀

# REVIVAL CONTINUES IN SOUTH AFRICA

by Vernon Pettenger



Convention at evangelistic center in Vereeniging. Vernon Pettenger and Philip Molefe on steps.



Brother Molefe baptizes 325 converts in water.



In East London Brother Bhengu baptized 540.



Over 2,000 attended the tent meeting (near Johannesburg) conducted by Nicholas Bhengu.

**R**ETURNING TO THE FIELD AT THE beginning of this year, we had one question in our minds. Would we find the revival fires still burning?

Through the efforts of the missionaries we had seen the indigenous church come into being. God has been using African men and women with the result that the church has grown. Brothers Bhengu and Molefe have been signally used of God in great revival meetings attended by the thousands.

I recalled how six years ago, in the city of East London, Brother Bhengu had great baptismal services when he baptized 1,500 people in one service and 540 in another. In Vereeniging, Transvaal, God led Brother Molefe and myself in 1954 to build an Evangelistic Center. God moved in such mighty power that we saw hundreds come to Christ. Month after month the building was packed with people who came to hear the story of Jesus! Would we find the revival fires still burning?

After attending a baptismal service, a revival campaign and a convention, we are happy to report that the revival fires are burning and spreading farther and faster than ever.

When we learned that on February 22 in the city of Durban 346 people had been baptized in water by Brother Bhengu we realized that this indeed was revival. Brother Bhengu told us that this was the result of two years of evangelistic work in the Durban area and now they were able to consolidate and establish assemblies. During one five-hour service, 1,500 people lined the banks of the river and sang as only Africans can sing that great hymn, "There is Power in the Blood."

While I was taking pictures of the service a young African man from the

## GOD'S TIME FOR THE YORUBAS

For many years the missionaries of Nigeria have prayed for a move of the Spirit among the Yorubas—one of the largest tribes in Africa. These prayers have been rewarded by a recent revival conducted by Evangelist Lorne B. Fox in Africa's largest city, Ibadan, strategically located in the center of the Yoruba tribe. Harry Pennington, the Nigerian Superintendent, Brother Fox, the evangelist, and the resident missionary, Ward Woods, all have reported the magnitude and importance of this move of God among the Yorubas.

This revival highlights the urgent need of a building. With hundreds saved and filled with the Spirit we have no church building in which to establish them as a congregation and no available funds with which to rent a building.

The magnitude of this revival as well as the potential presented by this tribe merits the interest and prayers of our Evangel family.

Any offerings to meet this need should be sent to the Foreign Missions Department, designated, "Ward Woods, New Work."

press was also taking pictures. When the crowd started to sing he joined in the singing. I said to him, "Do you know that song also?" He answered with a smile, "Praise God! I was saved with these people." We were now seeing the results of those meetings two years ago when thousands thronged to hear the Word of God.

A tent revival meeting conducted by Brother Bhengu 100 miles from Johannesburg is now in its fourth month of continuous meetings. Some of the meetings have been attended by over 2,000 people which is half the population of the town. Hundreds are being saved and many healed. Three young men involved in murder cases were saved in these meetings. They gave themselves up to the police and now we are waiting for the decision of the courts. So anxious are the people for a church that new converts brought cement blocks to the meetings so that a building can be erected before the tent is taken down. One more African town is being shaken by the miracle-working power of God.

A recent convention brought us face to face with the work we left before our furlough—the revival that began in 1954. Brother Molefe took us into the crowded convention building as hundreds of Africans sang the chorus

they love so much, "I Will Follow Jesus!" We felt the same revival spirit that had marked the beginning of this work five years ago. There is a large and strong established church here. Several young people have attended our Bible school and are now out in pioneer fields. Brother Molefe and a team of ten workers keep moving among the small assemblies with a large tent, holding revival meetings. Including the revival center at Vereeniging, we now have about 1,500 members. This has resulted from the \$7,000 invested in building the evangelistic center.

We have challenged one of these small African assemblies that for every dollar they raise we would raise a loan from our friends in America, so that they could get their own church built. Already they have raised \$1,000. *We challenge you in America to match this.* The crowds are coming. God is working as revival spreads in South Africa, but unless we erect buildings and establish the work we will lose the greatest opportunity that any church has ever had on the dark continent.

Right now we are the fastest growing church in South Africa. In this

land of unrest there is an urgency to act now! Doors are open today but we are not sure of tomorrow! We have revival; anointed African preachers have thousands attending their services. The authorities have offered us free ground on which to build our churches. But we have no money in the revolving fund to build churches in the wake of these great revival meetings. We must have financial help at once to erect buildings to accommodate the new congregations. Please send all offerings to "Vernon Pettenger—for Church Building Fund," % Foreign Missions Department. ◀◀

# An Idol Worshiper's Dream

By JOHN STETZ, Korea

ONE BY ONE CHONGSUK SAW HER children succumb to dreadful Oriental diseases. She had buried five already, and the last one was now at the point of death. Once more Chongsuk pled with the spirits as she bowed before her idols, but it seemed so futile. Furthermore she realized how futile it was to keep on paying the witchdoctor, so she dismissed her, saying that since she couldn't heal anyone she might as well go home.

Somehow this sorrowing mother was drawn to believe in the Christians' God . . . perhaps He could help her and heal her only child. She began to attend the nearest church (which was in the next village) and prayed to the Christians' God. Her son began to recover and within two months was completely healed.

It was one night during these two months that Chongsuk had a very impressive dream. She dreamed that her shelves were full of venomous snakes. She found she had a sharp sword in her hand and so she began to kill the snakes with it until they were all dead. She was still a bit shaky when she awakened!

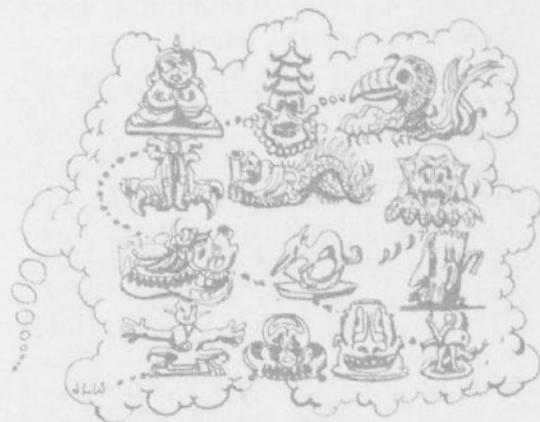
She knew this could mean only one thing—the idols on her shelves. Immediately she walked to the idol

shelves and broke every one of those gods of wood—gods that could neither hear nor speak. A deep peace settled within her heart.

One day, as she worshiped God with her whole heart, a strange Power came upon her and flooded her soul with heavenly joy. She couldn't help but praise God with a loud voice until she was lost in God. Then Chongsuk found herself praising the Lord in a language that she had never learned. Little did she know that severe times of testing were to follow.

The members of her church thought she had become fanatical and dismissed her from church. She had trouble at home, too. Her husband persecuted her and beat her frequently. Nevertheless, she stood true and continuously prayed that God would save her husband.

This converted idol worshiper felt led to pray for the sick in her neighborhood. One old man had leprosy on his leg; she prayed for him and he was healed. Another man had terrible boils on his legs, but after she prayed for him God healed him. A woman who had fallen from a train and who was seriously injured was carried to Chongsuk's home to be prayed for; she, too, was healed.



Chongsuk began to have services in her village and several attended. Before very long approximately fifty people were coming regularly to sing, read the Bible and pray. Chongsuk's husband, unable to deny that his wife's God was the true and all-powerful God, bowed his knee to Christ and became wonderfully saved.

Today there is a lovely Assemblies of God church in this village of Kalsan. A dedicated young man is pastor; Chongsuk is the Bible woman, and her husband is one of the leading deacons. Chongsuk continues to pray for the sick; in fact, most of the members are those who were healed through her prayers. ◀◀

He who faithfully prays at home does as much for foreign missions as the man on the field, for the nearest way to the heart of a Hindu or a Chinaman is by the way of the Throne of God.

—Eugene Stock

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# Revival Among the Eskimos

By *Alvin Capener*

Missionary to Alaska

ONE OF THE OFT-REPEATED QUESTIONS directed to missionaries who work in Alaska is this: "Do Eskimos in Alaska really live in ice houses?" The accompanying picture might indicate this but it is, nevertheless, not true. Having worked among Eskimo people in the most northern parts of Alaska for fourteen years, I have never seen a house such as the one pictured here. This picture was taken in northern Canada, north of Hudson Bay where there are isolated small groups of Eskimo people who are quite cut off from civilization. They still use the snow house as a camping shelter while they are hunting in the winter season. However, they will have a permanent-type dwelling probably made of frame materials somewhere on the shore line which they refer to as their "igloo." The snow house, made of hard drifted snow and cut into blocks with a long knife or hand saw, has another name in their language called "apootyak." In ages past, the igloo was made of sod over a whale rib frame and was sometimes partly underground.

Our ministry in the past years has been at Alaska's most northern point at the village of Barrow, sometimes known as Point Barrow. This is probably the largest Eskimo village in the world with a population of about 1,500, though there are many Eskimo villages

in Siberia of which we know very little, which could be as large. At this most northern village in Alaska, Eskimos live in well-built frame houses and use canvas tents to replace the snow houses of yesteryear as their hunting shelters. Barrow has been influenced by American civilization for many years, with whalers having settled there in 1886. Then the Navy Department had an encampment there for nine years in their explorations for oil. In more recent times the construction of the "Dew Line," a radar network, has brought many Americans into the area.

As we pioneered in the presentation of Pentecostal testimony to this village, beginning in September of 1944 with church construction and starting services the following January, we had a very good response. Since this beginning, we have seen a goodly number born again into the Kingdom of God and several have received the baptism of the Spirit, having the same joy and

exuberance experienced by Pentecostals elsewhere. The Paul Bills, interim pastors at this northern village, report a revival spirit moving in the church wherein twenty-four have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and thirty-five more have been baptized in water recently. The Oscar Butterfields were the evangelists.

The new C. A. group is doing well. Their choir of twenty voices is quite popular in Barrow. At an all-Eskimo speaking service on Sunday afternoons, different natives speak. The Eskimos have charge of everything. The Barrow church has a Men's Fellowship and a Women's Missionary Council. Only those who have worked among Alaskan natives can realize what a victory this is.

We wish to solicit the prayers of all interested Christians as we enter an evangelistic effort with a plan to take the full-gospel message to every Eskimo village of the north Arctic coast of Alaska and northeastern Canada in the 1959 summer season. We are trusting to see other Eskimo people brought into the fold of Christ, the Good Shepherd, who said, "Other sheep I have." Howard Anderson of Stamford, Conn., has been invited to work with me. We will use a tent as a meeting place and a sixteen-foot boat with outboard motor as a means of transportation in moving along the north coast from village to village. A real need exists and we believe a great opportunity awaits us. Our success is more assured if you will daily bring us before the throne of God in your prayers.

We understand that the ALASKA EMERGENCY FUND, upon which the missionaries must depend so much, is far in the red at this time. Your offerings, *clearly designated* for this fund, may be sent directly to the Home Missions Department. ◀ ◀



Canadian Eskimos north of Hudson Bay use snow house as a camping shelter while on hunting trips.

# Evangelizing in the BERING STRAITS

## *Church on Little Diomedede Forced to Close for Lack of Fuel Oil*

By Harriet Brown

Nome, Alaska



Harriet Brown

FOR TWO WINTERS, WE HAVE HAD the use of a building on Little Diomedede Island for regular services. Recently, with the help of the Home Missions Department, we were able to purchase it. A native Diomedede man, Mike Kuzingniak (Big Mike to us) has been faithfully supervising this work. (This work is really an outstation of the Nome church.)

We had had no correspondence with them from the time they left Nome early in October until lately. They are really isolated. Recently, the weather and ice were favorable enough, so a small plane landed on the ice of the Bering Straits between the Russian and American islands and brought them mail and took out a sick passenger.

This mail plane brought me a letter from Mike which told me that they had had to close their church because *they had no heating oil left*. We were not able to send them oil this fall when the government boat took the Diomedede people from Nome to their winter home on the island. Mike said that if we would take care of buying the building, they would try to carve ivory through the winter and trade ivory for oil; but apparently they ran out of ivory. Now we are trying to get ivory here and are taking an offering for this in our church. Later this spring, we are hoping to get some buildings from an Air Force site on the coast farther north to help enlarge our present building on Diomedede and make it warmer.

Mike's letter included an encouraging note: "God has been helping us a great deal right along. Four persons were very sick. I put my hands on them and prayed and they were healed! No one has died yet on this

island. God has watched over them."

The city of Nome is 90 to 100 miles from Russia on the Bering Sea. Gold was found here in 1898, which caused it to grow from a pioneer tent city to a population of 20,000 gold-mad men and women who fought over the fabulous riches found on the beach. People pan daily for traces that can still be found. The population now is about 1,800.

In the summer the King Islanders and Diomededes come in their skin boats, 80 to 165 miles, respectively, to carve the walrus ivory for sale to the tourists. This provides them with money for winter supplies. Reindeer are also herded near here for commercial food. The wild flowers grow in profusion—about three hundred kinds.

There are six churches in the city. Our Assemblies church is all Eskimo. This is a hard field. Most infants have been baptized into a church. The minute a person is saved, the priest

or pastor threatens or shames him for leaving his church. Many of the Christians are unable to stand against this criticism and return to their parents' churches. It would be beneficial if the converts could be baptized at once to help them break the ties that bind them. There is an urgent need for a portable baptistry.

We hold services in the jail, in fishing camps, on the street, and in the hospital. Pray with us that as we sow the Seed of the Word that God will cause some of it to take root in hungry hearts.

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Your faithful support for the ALASKA EMERGENCY FUND is much appreciated by all the Alaska missionaries, for there are many emergencies which make it necessary for us to call upon the National Home Missions Department. Send your offering, *clearly designated* for this fund, to the Home Missions Department.



Mike Kuzingniak (right) supervises the Diomedede Island work (an outstation of the Nome church) for Missionary Harriet Brown.



"Big Mike" and his helpers push the skin boat into the water to go to the government boat anchored one mile out.



Signor Mission Sunday School congregation



George Bolt, missionary to Chippewa Indians

## Signor Mission Ministers to the Chippewas

By **GEORGE BOLT**, Couderay, Wisconsin

**T**HE BEAUTIFUL NORTHWOODS COUNTRY of Wisconsin includes the Lac Court Oreilles (Couderay) Indian Reservation which covers 45,000 acres of pine-and-hardwood-covered hills and valleys, dotted by beautiful lakes and traversed by small clear rivers and streams. Driving along the many small inland roads we see little log-and-tar-paper houses nestled in groves of spruce and pine. In some of the small communities such as Reserve, Round Lake, White Fish, New Post and Signor are numerous little houses, with possibly a store and a gas pump completing the village.

The Chippewa Indian people have retained to a limited degree their traditional economy of hunting, fishing and gathering of foods such as rice,



Chippewa children from Round Lake outstation

berries, and maple sap for sugar. Their income is supplemented by grinding, lumbering, and harvesting of cranberries, peas and beans for the local farmers. This income is meager and the economic problem of the Chippewa in this area is a major one.

Mission work among the Chippewa tribe on this reservation was begun in 1941 by workers from Calvary Tabernacle, Chicago. The predominance of Catholicism made it very difficult to gain a foothold in the area. Services were held in homes in some of the communities. There was no permanently established place of worship until 1942 when the Wisconsin and Northern Michigan District purchased a small log house on forty acres of land along the Couderay River in the southernmost part of the reservation in the Signor community. The log building was used as living quarters and served as a chapel until 1948 when a small parsonage was erected. The old log structure was then used solely as a chapel and is still in use at this time. (The older Indians say it is seventy or more years old.) The following years brought added gains materially: a bus was bought; a car and bus garage was built. This made travel a little more swift and easier, especially in the long winter months.

Progress on the Lac Court Oreilles Reservation has not been great numerically, but we have witnessed a steady spiritual growth in new converts as

each worker or missionary has contacted them individually. It would be difficult to say how far-reaching the gospel has been or how many souls have been claimed for Christ since the beginning of a full-gospel work here. The number grows steadily as the message of salvation is given. Some Indians who came to know the Lord here at Signor are now Sunday School teachers. Others are in full-time gospel work, preaching and teaching the Word of God to their own people.

The Sunday School is growing. During January on a bitterly cold Sunday, the little chapel was packed with fifty-eight in attendance—a record for us. The possibilities are good for continued growth. *The greatest hindrance to spiritual progress in this area is the inadequate room for expansion.* Pray with us that God will lay it on the hearts of His people to help so that a larger chapel might be built to house the souls that are seeking a refuge from the storms of life. So many are bound by sin, drink and debauchery as great as will be found in many heathen lands. Only God can loose the chains and set them free. We need a moving of the Holy Spirit that will melt the hearts of the many unsaved.

In addition to our mission work at Signor we minister to a group from Round Lake that we bring to the chapel once a week for services. This takes four hours and an eighty-mile bus trip in order to bring the gospel to people of this one needy area only once a week.

The challenge here is great indeed and the time is short. Pray God will help us meet the needs of these Chippewa Indian people before Jesus comes.

# New Churches Established at Birmingham

By D. H. Browne

Home Missions Director, Alabama District

**T**HE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, like many other industrial areas, has enjoyed great growth and development during the past few years.

The eastern and western sections of the city have had some of the greatest development, particularly of homes of the moderate class. In the eastern section of the new subdivisions, Huffman and Roebuck achieved early prominence. Through a series of very unusual circumstances, about a dozen young couples from the northwest side of town, in a community called Sayreton, moved to the Huffman-Roebuck area. These were all from the Sayreton Assembly of God, and continued to attend church at Sayreton, driving nearly ten miles.

In the group was the young minister, Bobby R. Smith. The burden of the work of God and the great possibilities of the new area in which he lived moved him to pray much that God would enable him to establish an Assembly of God in that fine neighborhood.

A location for a church was found on the north edge of the development. The district office and the General Council were contacted for assistance. When it seemed that the property could be purchased, suddenly it became impossible to buy it. The door was closed and the young minister was discouraged. Then a better location opened up in the heart of Huffman on Huffman Road, the main thoroughfare. The house and grounds were much larger, and the property was more accessible. It could be made ready for church services quickly and economically. The Home Missions Department was contacted and help was provided. With the combined help of everyone concerned, the property was purchased on



Huffman Assembly of God in Birmingham. Inset: Bobby R. Smith, pastor



House used for Calvary Assembly. Inset: John R. Broxson, pastor

September 30, 1958, for \$14,000.

Services were begun immediately in the new church and attendance has increased steadily. The work was set in order by the district home missions director on December 7, 1958, with an adult membership of eighteen persons, mostly from the Sayreton Assembly, of which Robert Gowins is pastor. This was a real loss to the parent church, but the pastor and the people willingly made the sacrifice so that a new soul-saving agency could be established where the opportunities were great.

Another new church is Calvary Assembly, Central Park, Birmingham. This Assembly, which has been in operation only two months, is located just half a block off U. S. Highway 11, the main traffic artery of Birmingham. This Central Park area, which is the largest voting precinct in Greater Birmingham, has long been a challenge to the Assemblies of God.

Several months ago the ministers of

Greater Birmingham decided it was time to act. With the help of the District Home Missions Department, investigation was made and two houses were purchased, at 1556 and 1558 Burgin Avenue. At present one house is being used for church services, and the other serves as a parsonage. Later, the houses will be remodeled and fitted into the plan for a suitable church building.

Assuming the financial obligation for this undertaking was a great act of faith on the part of the ministers and churches of the Birmingham section but every church has pledged its share of support. This will continue until the initial heavy load is lifted.

The pastor for the new Assembly in Central Park is John R. Broxson, formerly pastor of the Warrior Assembly twenty-five miles north of Birmingham. With no membership he has volunteered to support himself and family until the church can take care

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of him. Services have begun, a small nucleus of people attend, and there is great hope for the future.

A large fibreglass sign is being placed on U. S. Highway 11; look for it as you travel through Birmingham. Our ability to get this new church in Central Park under way was made possible through the help of the National Home Missions Department at Springfield. This church presents only one example of the help we have received. A gift and a loan were the

means of buying the property and launching the new church. The District and the National Home Missions Departments are truly laborers together with God.

The National Department maintains a special fund for **NEEDY DISTRICTS** to aid districts in their work of church extension. Offerings sent to the National Home Missions Department, *clearly designated* for this fund, are appreciated by both national and district leaders. ◀◀

## ALASKA INDIAN CAMP MEETING

Plans are underway for the first Indian Camp Meeting in the Fort Yukon area to be conducted July 28 through 31. WMC groups or others who would like to help provide canned food for this meeting should write to John Covlasky, Box 5, Fort Yukon, Alaska, for more details concerning shipping information and boat schedules.

## Prison Ministry

### MOUNDVILLE, W. VIRGINIA

The chaplain at West Virginia State Penitentiary, Moundville, W. Va., writes: "I am in need of the Bible study courses, *Five Books of Moses, Four Gospels* and *Outstanding Bible Characters*. The fellows here enjoy these courses much more than any others they have taken. It seems as though every time I get a supply of books in, it's not long before I'm in need of more."

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A new book, *Summary of the Old Testament*, written by Arvid Ohnell, will soon be off the press. This will make five Bible study courses available free of charge to prisoners from the National Home Missions Department. Offerings from interested contributors make it possible to maintain a fund for free distribution of these courses. Six books can be sent for \$5 or one book for \$1.

## American Indians

### EVANGELISTIC MINISTRY

The Virgil Sampsons are conducting evangelistic meetings in Livingston, Tex.; Red Rock, Okla.; and Bylas, Ariz.; while on leave of absence from their church at Greenville, Calif.

Evangelist Elroy Clark recently had a good revival with the Leo Gilman at Canyon Day, Ariz. One deaf man was healed; several were saved.

### SYRACUSE, NEW YORK

The Lord has been blessing the Sunday School and other meetings on the Onondaga Reservation but the need for a larger building is urgent. The building Thelma Miller rents for services is inadequate.

# Home Front Highlights

## News Briefs From the Home Missions Fields

## Deaf Ministry

### NEW JERSEY

Croft Pentz, who ministers to the Deaf in the Elizabeth, N. J., area, recently reported the good news that five Deaf were saved in Trenton in March.

### NEW DEAF WORK

Mr. Booher is starting a deaf work in connection with the Indian Mission which his wife pastors at Guadalupe, Ariz. A Sunday School room will be built to accommodate the Deaf as soon as the new auditorium is completed.

### CAMP TIME FOR THE DEAF

Camp time will soon arrive! Here are some ideas for helping those who cannot afford to go to camp: (1) a childless hearing or deaf couple may wish to "adopt" a child to send to camp; (2) the Men's Fellowship, WMC group, or a Sunday School class may pay all or part of the fee for a camper.

## Alaska Ministry

### MINTO

Oscar and Gladys Butterfield, evangelists in Alaska, recently held a revival here with the Gordon Olsons. Many were seeking God at the altar each night. The first baptismal service was held with four being baptized in water, among them the *village chief and his wife*. Presbyter B. P. Wilson feels that great inroads have been made in the villages in this unusual visitation of the Lord.

### FORT YUKON

The John Covlaskys are praising God that the revival which began last December is continuing. Whole families are turning to the Lord and several have had outstanding visions and healings. The Christians are visiting all around the village and are growing in the Lord. A baptismal service is planned for this summer. The church build-

ing has been completely inadequate to hold the crowds and they are in desperate need of a youth center and Sunday School rooms. Tentative plans are now being made to build this summer. The Covlaskys are praying that God will supply the materials in time for the first boat so that they can work all summer on this project.

### PELICAN

Robert Cousart is starting a Christian Cadet troop for boys to provide Christian training and wholesome activity for them.

### HOMER

Gerald S. Lee has started a Bible Club for school children in grades one through six. Response has been excellent.

### JUNEAU AND FAIRBANKS

Charles C. Personeus reports a good Workers Training Course conducted by Pastor E. L. Schoneman at Juneau. Mrs. Oscar Butterfield conducted the course for the Fairbanks Assembly, which members of the North Pole church also attended.



Part of Indian Sunday School at Onondaga Reservation near Syracuse, N. Y.



Rented building used for services at the Onondaga Reservation in New York.

### PROUD PARENTS

William and Violet Ulin, missionaries to Indians in Wash., welcomed a baby girl, Joanna Ruth, to their family March 6.

### PRAYER REQUEST

Mrs. Mildred Holder, missionary to Indians in Nevada, is seriously ill. Please pray for her complete recovery.

### SELLS, ARIZONA

Don Binder, missionary at Sells on the Papago Reservation, wishes to thank all who remembered Mrs. Binder in prayer. She was suffering from hepatitis but is much improved now and on the road to recovery. The work at Sells is increasing numerically and spiritually.

### McDERMITT, NEVADA

God is working among the Shoshone Indians at McDermitt. Many testify of healing and many are seeking salvation. Some have been filled with the Holy Spirit. Indians from other reservations sometimes drive 150 miles to be in the services. May 15-17, a fellowship meeting will be held in this church and the missionaries are expecting God to do great things for the people.

### Ministry to the Jews

#### PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Monty Garfield, who works among the Jews in the Philadelphia area, has been witnessing an upsurge of interest in the gospel among them. Their mission house is filled to capacity for almost every service. More Jews attend church with them than ever before. Recently, Brother Garfield and his workers began street meetings and house-to-house visitation in Oxford Circle, one of the largest and newest Jewish districts. The response has been great. There are three urgent needs at this time in connection with this work: (1) finances to enlarge their chapel; (2) an extra car to transport Jewish friends to church; and (3) a building in Oxford Circle to start another mission.

Offerings for any of the Special Ministries of the Home Missions Department should be mailed to:

**Gayle F. Lewis, Executive Director**  
Home Missions Department  
434 West Pacific Street  
Springfield, Missouri



## BRANDT BYLINES

by

R. L. Brandt, National Home Missions Sec'y

### Parallels in Conquest

The conquest of Canaan and the pursuits of modern Home Missions have much in common. Some valuable lessons can be derived from a study of the parallels between the two.

In the case of Israel, the entire land of Canaan was the field to be possessed. It was a land of promise and abundance, but at the same time it was a land of giants and formidable obstacles. It was a land which had to be taken.

America, too, is a land which has to be "taken" for God. Ours is a land of 175,000,000 souls for whom Christ died, but who, for the most part, have never been "born again." God solicits us to "take out from among them a people for His name."

In the conquest of Canaan, consecrated leadership was a paramount factor. Except for the man Joshua, Israel would have failed. Today is no different. Only with devoted spiritual leadership can we ever possess this land for God.

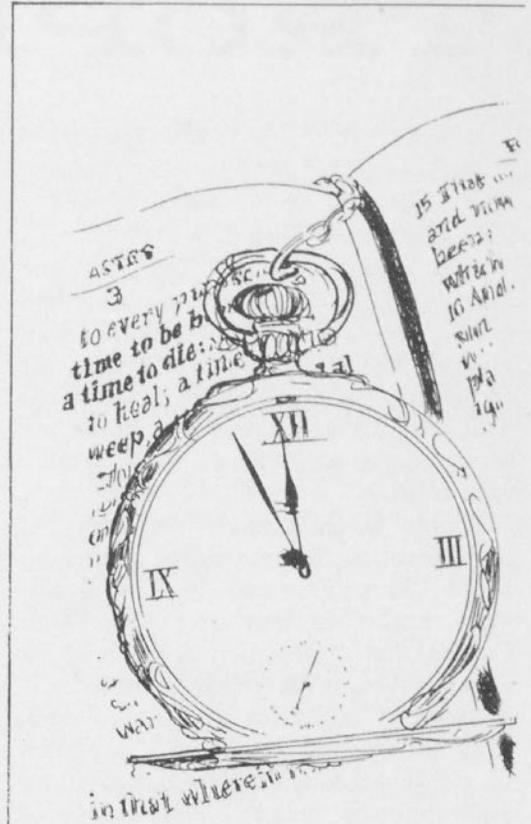
Not to be overlooked is the part played by "the Captain of the host of the Lord." Human leadership apart from divine guidance and enablement is most inadequate for true spiritual conquest, but the two together form an invincible team. Joshua alone was just another man, but Joshua and "the Captain of the host of the Lord" could know no defeat.

There is danger among us of overestimating man's importance, while at the same time we underestimate the importance of God. The type of leadership which we must have in this hour is that which recognizes and accepts the headship of Christ in the campaign to advance His cause. Nothing less will do.

But Joshua and "the Captain of the host of the Lord" were not enough for the conquest. The co-operation of all Israel was vital. It would not have been sufficient for Joshua alone to have marched around Jericho. The people had their God-given part to play,

and as they co-operated with their God-directed leader they conquered.

Likewise, Home Missions is not the work of one man, or even of a few. It calls for the interest and effort of all. Great are the victories won when true Spirit-directed leadership finds the wholehearted response of God's children. ◀ ◀



## This Watch...

This watch, which timed many a sermon, now measures life's few remaining hours. It has paced thousands of active days—days which began early with prayer, were filled with service to others, and closed with prayer. It has hurried the owner to countless appointments. More than once its hands marked the hour of death, or gave opportunity to tell the stranger, who stopped to ask the time, about Jesus.

The message for us—from this watch of an aged minister—is that it is time to help our aged ministers and missionaries. The hours which yet remain to them are numbered. Let's make each one bright by showing we care.

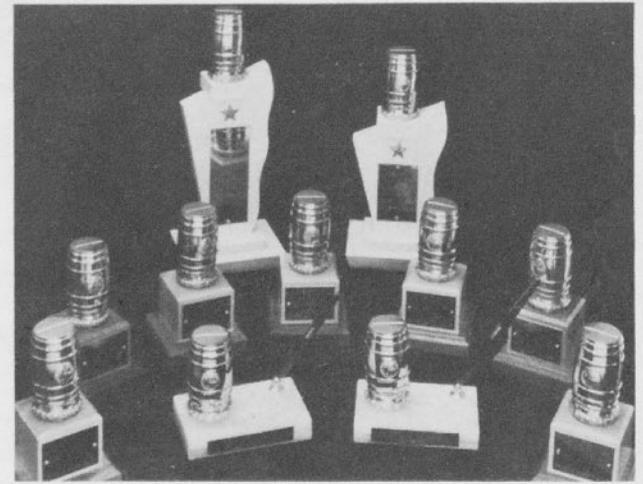
Last Sunday many of our churches received an offering for the assistance of our aged ministers and missionaries. If you did not give then, there is still time. Please give generously.

**DEPARTMENT OF BENEVOLENCES**  
434 West Pacific Street  
Springfield, Missouri



# BGMC TROPHIES

By Bobbi Crabtree



Hi, Boys and Girls!

Last month we reported that the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade had gone "over the top" in BGMC Day giving. The goal, which had been set at \$20,000, was surpassed by \$383.13! This month we have some more big news for you—the names of our trophy winners.

Eleven trophies have been awarded in recognition of outstanding giving on BGMC Day, February 1. The grand-prize trophy is fourteen inches high and has an ultramodern wood base on which a bronze barrel is mounted. It is an exact replica of a BGMC barrel. This top trophy is annually awarded to the church with the highest total giving in the nation. The winner of the grand-prize trophy was Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle, Minneapolis, Minn. This is the third consecutive year that Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle has been the grand-trophy winner.

A second-place trophy is awarded each year to the church with the second highest total giving. The winning church was Glad Tidings Tabernacle, New York City.

Divisional trophies were awarded for the top giving of an individual church in each of the seven numerical divisions, as set forth on the back page of the *Sunday School Counsellor*. These divisions are based on Sunday School averages for 1958. The winners were as follows: Division 1—First Assembly, Memphis, Tenn. Division 2—Oak Cliff Assembly, Dallas, Tex. Division 3—Capitol Hill Tabernacle, Oklahoma City, Okla. Division 4—Trinity Tabernacle, St. Louis, Mo. Division 5—Assembly of God, Crescent City, Calif. Division 6—Trinity Assembly, New York, N. Y. Division 7—Assembly of God, Geary, Okla.

Divisional trophies are seven and one-half inches high and have a square

wood base with a bronze BGMC barrel on top. Each trophy has a bronze name plate on which the church's name and the date of BGMC Day are engraved.

District awards were presented to the two district Sunday School directors whose districts contributed the largest total offerings. The attractive district award is an onyx desk set. On top of the onyx base is mounted a bronze barrel and a desk pen.

The first-place district award went to New York District; Leon Miles, district director. The runner-up in this category was Minnesota District; E. B. Adamson, district director. In addition to these two winners, the Nebraska District deserves special recognition. Every single church in the state sent a BGMC Day offering this year!

Congratulations to all trophy winners and a hearty thanks to every one  
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## LET'S DRAW A MAP

Follow the numbers and you will draw a map of Southern Asia. This area is receiving the 1959 BGMC Day offering. This is for you older boys and girls.

After you have drawn your map, unscramble the words below. Each word will form the name of a country represented on your map. After you have unscrambled the names, see if you can mark each country. Check with a world map when you have finished. If the name of each country is spelled correctly and on the exact right spot on the map, you are very good in geography and you probably know a lot about this year's BGMC program!

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Answers: India, Burma, East Pakistan, Ceylon and Nepal

# Conversation in the Home

BY STEPHEN S. WHITE

SOMEWHERE RECENTLY I RAN across these words: "The most influential of all educational factors is the conversation in a child's home."

How about your home? What do you talk about around the table? What do you talk about when you are working around the home? What remarks do you make?

What do you have to say about the church? What do you have to say about your neighbors? What do you have to say about your friends, your relatives? What do you have to say about the strangers who come by your home, or into your home for a few minutes? What do you say about the political parties, the events of the day? *Do you talk about religion, the church, your pastor, and God as you should?*

If we are not careful, we'll unconsciously say a lot of things in the home that we wouldn't say anywhere else, and say them before our children. But remember this statement: "The most influential of all educational factors is the conversation in a child's home." This means that what you say in the home has more to do with the ideals which will guide the life of your child than anything else.

Thank God for the Sunday School and for the church. Thank God for the public schools. There are many institutions which influence our children, but nothing is quite so influential as the conversation in their home. Sometimes we think we can be free there and say what we please, but we'd better not unless we want to influence our children in the wrong way. The chances are they'll never get away completely from what they listen to there, whether good or bad.

—Herald of Holiness

It will not be disputed that the devotional life is the reservoir of spiritual power and the key to spiritual growth. No Christian is going to rise higher than the springs of his devotional life. It is absolutely foundational; it makes ridiculous all short-cuts and spasmodic efforts in spiritual development, and keeps before us always the fact that growth in grace is a quiet, steady, gradual process.

May 31, 1959



## Family Altar

DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

### Monday, June 1

**Read:** John 3:1-13

**Learn:** "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3).

**For the Parent:** Review the night visit of Nicodemus to Jesus and the conversation between the two. Show how Jesus kept emphasizing the most important thing: the new birth. Nicodemus, though a learned man, could not understand this. (Read 1 Corinthians 2:14.) Stress that the only way we can get to heaven is through Christ—by accepting Him as Saviour. This is being "born again."

**Question Time:** What does the expression, "born again," mean? Why didn't Nicodemus understand? (1 Cor. 2:14)

### Tuesday, June 2

**Read:** John 3:14-21

**Learn:** "But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God" (John 3:21).

**For the Parent:** Review the material studied yesterday about Jesus and Nicodemus. Then point out: (1) how the illustration of the serpent in the wilderness—Numbers 21—points to Christ; (2) why God gave His Son, v. 16; (3) who is and who is not condemned before God, v. 18; (4) the basis of condemnation, vv. 19, 20. Those who walk in the light God gives them need not fear.

**Question Time:** To whom did the serpent in the wilderness point? How? (vv. 14, 15) Why are men condemned before God? (v. 19)

### Wednesday, June 3

**Read:** John 3:22-36

**Learn:** "The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand" (John 3:35).

**For the Parent:** This passage gives the last testimony of John the Baptist to Christ. Have the group review the early ministry of John the Baptist. Then emphasize his faith and his humility. The final six verses of this chapter refer to Christ. Point out: (1) His authority; (2) He spoke God's Words; (3) the Father loves Him and has given all things unto Him; (4) He has the key to eternal life.

**Question Time:** What are some things this passage tells us about John the Baptist? about Jesus Christ? (See above)

### Thursday, June 4

**Read:** Acts 16:12-15, 35-40; 3 John 5-8

**Learn:** "Let us love not in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth" (1 John 3:18).

**For the Parent:** (Additional material on "Lydia, the Hospitable Homemaker" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) Christians are called to serve. Some tasks may seem small, but all will have their heavenly reward. Point out: (1) Lydia's conversion; (2) her service to Paul and his party; (3) the Bible admonishes us to follow this type of hospitality, thus forwarding the work of the gospel, 3 John 5-8.

**Question Time:** How was Lydia converted? (Acts 16:14) What did she do after she was converted? (vv. 15, 40)

### Friday, June 5

**Read:** Judges 6:1-14; 7:2-9, 16-22 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

**Learn:** "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zechariah 4:6).

**For the Parent:** After Joshua died, there was a gradual spiritual decline in Israel. Finally many had forsaken God and were worshiping idols. God allowed other nations to come in and conquer them. Then, as the people called to God, He sent deliverers. Such was Gideon. Review his story, stressing the importance of putting our faith in God and allowing Him to do great things for us and through us.

**Question Time:** How did Gideon finally win a victory over Midian? (7:16-22) What did Gideon's soldiers take with them?

### Saturday, June 6

**Read:** Matthew 27:31-54 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

**Learn:** "Christ died for our sins" (1 Corinthians 15:3).

**For the Parent:** Review the material from the first part of this chapter (studied last week). Have the group recall the story of the crucifixion of Christ, bringing out the various details. Stress that Christ took the penalty of our sins upon Himself—He died for our sins. By accepting Him as Saviour, we can find forgiveness from our sins. He has paid the debt; all we need to do is accept Him.

**Question Time:** Why did Christ die? (See above) How can we find forgiveness from our sins? (See above)



## The Answer Came

### My Hands

God uses the most unexpected means to meet the need of His children.

By MILDRED SMULAND

IN MARCH, 1956, A POEM ENTITLED "My Hands" was published in the WMC section of the *World Challenge*, and very soon afterwards one of our missionaries, Mrs. Riley Kaufman, wrote the national WMC office to tell how the Lord had used the poem to help her. The Kaufmans, now on furlough, were then in the Philippines, and have since transferred to Hong Kong.

The poem is reprinted on this page and the following portion of Mrs. Kaufman's letter is also given with her permission:

"We are Assemblies of God missionaries with the Far East Broadcasting Company in Manila. My husband is general program director. I prepare scripts for thirteen weekly broadcasts, besides participating in some others. We have two daughters—Kay, fifteen, and Rilene, five. I teach Rilene from the Calvert Kindergarten Course. With this schedule, besides the regular activities of any mother, you can tell my days and many nights are filled. But that is why I came to this spot thousands of miles from home.

"After a year and a half on this steady schedule we looked forward to a few days away in a little place called Tagaytay, just an hour's drive from Manila, but much cooler. I was told that upon leaving the heat and pressure and humidity of Manila we would

My hands were filled with many things  
That I did precious hold—  
As any treasure of a king—  
Silver, or gems, or gold.  
The Master came and touched my hands  
(The scars were in His own),  
And at His feet my treasures sweet  
Fell shattered, one by one.  
"I must have empty hands," said He,  
"Wherewith to work my works through thee."

My hands were stained with marks of toil,  
Defiled with dust of earth;  
And I my work did often soil,  
And render little worth.  
The Master came and touched my hands  
(And crimson were His own),  
But when, amazed, on mine I gazed,  
Lo! Every stain was gone.  
"I must have cleansed hands," said He,  
"Wherewith to work my works through thee."

My hands were growing feverish  
And cumbered with much care;  
Trembling with haste and eagerness,  
Nor folded oft in prayer.  
The Master came and touched my hands  
(With healing in His own).  
And calm and still to do His will  
They grew—the fever gone.  
"I must have quiet hands," said He,  
"Wherewith to work my works through thee."

My hands were strong in fancied strength,  
But not in power divine.  
And bold to take up tasks at length  
That were not His but mine.  
The Master came and touched my hands  
(And might was in His own),  
But mine since then have powerless been,  
Save His are laid thereon.  
"And it is only thus," said He,  
"That I can work my works through thee."  
—Author Unknown

relax and feel refreshed. This sounded wonderful because we were very tired, but it didn't work out that way for me. We arrived at the place in the evening, and before I could even get the beds made, I hit a new 'low.' I felt completely discouraged and depressed.

"During those days I tried hard not to let my feelings show too much. The happiness of the family for that short holiday was so important. But, try as I might, I just couldn't climb out on top. As I lay awake at night, my

thoughts were as dark as the room—not about the work I was doing, but because of what I was not getting done. I felt I was a complete failure. Missed opportunities loomed up like giants before me.

"To those who know the indwelling Holy Spirit, and are accustomed to finding victory in prayer, the situation I am describing may seem impossible. (I admit in times past I had felt little sympathy for others who had expressed similar emotions.) I prayed and tried to commit it all to the Lord, but that nervous, tense feeling inside seemed to grow instead of subside.

"After a few days we drove back to Manila to attend to some business there and make arrangements to be away for a while longer. We stayed there that night, and I thought that surely in my own bed I would be able to sleep. My hopes were soon dashed to pieces, however, for as soon as I lay down I felt a sharp pain, and all night long I was ill.

"At 5:30 in the morning the light



The Riley Kaufman family



Mrs. Kaufman marketing in Manila.

of dawn streamed into my room, and I reached over to a table beside my bed for the magazine that was lying there. Turning to the WMC page I

read the poem, "My Hands,"—author unknown.

"Before I had finished reading it, my problem was clear. It wasn't at all what I couldn't do. I was doing too much! Now the Master made it plain that *He* wanted to work *His* works *through* me. In the stillness of that early morning I enjoyed again the sweet communion that is our glorious privilege in Him.

"The full meaning of my experience lives for me now in Paul's reassuring words, 'I have kept the faith.' I know that if I am true to my trust and put full confidence in the Lord of the harvest, He will fulfill His purpose through me according to His plan for my life." ◀◀

some Americans who were returning to the States and wanted to sell their Bendix. We purchased it, and found we had enough money left to buy a new Westinghouse dryer also.

We have tried to tell our Montana ladies how thrilled we are with our appliances and how grateful for the hours of work they have saved us—hours we can give to the work of God—but words fail us. It is impossible to explain just how much it means in a damp, rainy land like Germany, in an old house with no drying room or porch, to have a lovely, modern dryer that whips a big washing dry in no time. Often, when we have many guests, the washer and dryer are in action every day in the week.

And now before you leave we want to ask you to pray with us for the retreat we are planning for service personnel. It will be held at the Berean Bible School at Erzhausen over the Labor Day weekend, September 4-7. These retreats have been of great blessing in the past, and we are looking forward to this one, trusting that many young men and women in the service will be saved, and those who are Christians will be refreshed.

We are reluctant to let you go, but it has been wonderful having you for a little while. Good-bye, and God bless you and all our WMC friends. ◀◀

## Prized Possessions

By Mrs. Paul Williscroft

Missionary to Germany

WON'T YOU DROP IN FOR AN HOUR or so and visit us in our home in Germany? We do get lonesome for friends at home. It will be wonderful to have prayer together. Then we can visit a while over a cup of coffee and warm "streusel kuchen," and before you go we have something very special to show you.

Our old German house on this quaint village street is quite interesting and unusual, as most people here live in apartments. We enter the gate, and the heavy metal door closes behind us. Now we are completely shut off from the street in a little enclosed court with a cement floor. Farther back is a long narrow garden strip with a few fruit trees and rose bushes. The German

of bygone days cherished his privacy.

Now we'll go into the house. The hall is narrow, and the steep, winding stairway leads to the sleeping rooms on the upper floor. We lead you into our cheery dining room, and then through the unhandy little kitchen, which is typical of most kitchens in this area. But never mind how we cook and wash dishes with so little working space, for there is something in the small, adjoining pantry that we want to show you. I am sure you cannot imagine finding anything very exciting in that dark, narrow place, without even a window. But wait a minute! We switch on the light, and there they are—our prized possessions! These gleaming white pieces, a washer and dryer, are not a matched set, but they are American and do a wonderful job. You see, we not only wash for a family of missionaries, but have quantities of linens for guests, including many lonely servicemen who find a "home away from home" here.

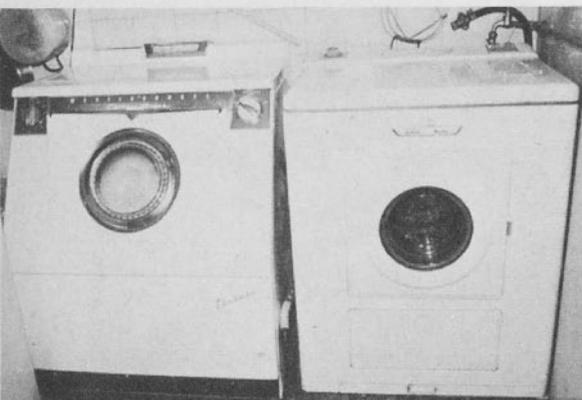
We cannot keep back the tears as we tell you how we got this wonderful help. Knowing our need for a washer, the WMC's of Montana, our home district, raised money for that purpose. When we received the money, a good used washer was available from



Servicemen relaxing at the Williscredits.



The Williscroft family.



Washer and dryer given by Montana WMC's.

## Missionette Certificates Issued in March

CHURCH	LOCATION	SPONSOR
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Lighthouse Assembly	Springfield, Mo.	Goldie Nichols
A-G	Susanville, Calif.	Mrs. Joann Simpson
First A-G	Tucumcari, N. Mex.	Mrs. Alma Adrock
Central Bible Church	Idaho Falls, Idaho	Mrs. C. W. Butterfield
Glad Tidings A-G	Woodland, Pa.	Mrs. Charity Baird
Alisal A-G	Salinas, Calif.	Mrs. Ollie Fifer
Polytechnic Assembly	Ft. Worth, Tex.	Mrs. Everett M. Rogers
A-G	Leon, Ia.	Marilyn Phelps
El Templo Sinai	Santa Ana, Calif.	Dora M. Roque
Trinity A-G	Columbus, O.	Miss Helen K. Stange
College Town Assembly	Monroe, La.	Carolyn Hattan
Calvary A-G	Jersey City, N. J.	Ann Bartels
A-G	Sonora, Calif.	Mrs. Opal Throne
First A-G	Pomona, Calif.	Mrs. Ona Crumbaker
A-G	Meckling, S. D.	Mrs. Robt. Garrison
A-G	Akron, O.	Rebenia Giordanengo
A-G	Green Bay, Wis.	Mrs. E. B. Wolff
A-G	Kearns, Utah	Mrs. Alvina Slaughter
A-G	Hartford, Ky.	Mrs. Carol Ann Richey
A-G	Flat River, Mo.	Mrs. Carol Mason
Brightmoor Tab.	Livonia, Mich.	Mrs. Esther Gossin
A-G	Bay Minette, Ala.	Mrs. S. P. Ball
A-G	Decatur, Ark.	Mrs. Don Dorsey
Calvary A-G	Memphis, Tenn.	Mrs. Ruth E. Brumby
First A-G	Owensboro, Ky.	Clifty Felty
Lake Forest A-G	Houston, Tex.	Mrs. Dorothy Watkins
First A-G	Citrus Hts., Calif.	Mrs. Mary Barcellos
First A-G	N. Little Rock, Ark.	Mrs. J. W. Tucker
Bethel A-G	Oldtown, Md.	Mrs. Loretta Kline
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A-G	Mounds, Okla.	Floy Lee Bright
Capitol Hill Tab.	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Dolores Jennings
Britton A-G	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Mrs. Jim R. Vails
A-G	Englewood, Colo.	Mrs. D. Paul Perry
First A-G	Wilmington, Del.	Mrs. C. E. Temple
Glad Tidings A-G	Vancouver, Wash.	Loris Beal
First A-G	Springhill, La.	Mrs. Anne Miller
A-G	Olympia, Wash.	Verna Spaar
First A-G	Hutchinson, Kans.	Mrs. Luella Alber
Pleasanton A-G	Pleasanton, Kans.	Mrs. Pat Goodard
Faith Tab.	Los Angeles, Calif.	Martha Welch
A-G	Petoskey, Mich.	Lois Smaltz
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A-G	Hungry Horse, Mont.	Mrs. Mildred Martin
A-G	Claremore, Okla.	Mrs. F. L. Harlan
A-G	Denver City, Tex.	Mrs. Walls
A-G	Dardanelle, Ark.	Sarah Ellis



**Photo # 1**—Here are the Missionettes and sponsor of Bowsmont, N. D., with Mildred Duncklee (left) missionary to Liberia. At a farewell party for her, each girl presented her with a gift she had made. On the table at the left are the articles for Miss Duncklee. At the right is shown handwork done by the girls. Sponsor of this happy group is Mrs. Howard Romberg (right) whose husband pastors Fleece Assembly in Bowsmont.

**Photo # 2**—"Missionettes has helped our girls to become more interested in Sunday School, church, and praying for missionaries. It helps reach girls from unsaved homes." Thus writes Mrs. Betty Hirsch, Missionette sponsor, at Calvary Church in Lomita,

California. She is shown with her group. These girls have completed several handwork projects for home missionaries. Pastor of this church is Eugene C. Williams.

**Photo # 3**—The ten girls pictured belong to the Missionette Club at First Assembly of God, Niceville, Florida. Among other things they have sent an offering and large box of cookies to the National Children's Home. Greeting card awards have been sent to missionaries in the West Indies. Mrs. Thannie Santo, sponsor, is very proud of her Missionettes and says, "The girls learn not to be ashamed of testifying for our Lord." R. F. Hudson is pastor of First Assembly.



### MISSIONETTES

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# Taking Tanganyika for Christ

*Bible School and Sunday Schools Enable Our Missionaries to Gain Much Ground*

**T**ANGANYIKA, A BRITISH TERRITORY in East Africa, located immediately north of Nyasaland and Mozambique, occupies a large part of Africa's central plateau region. On the north it joins borders with Uganda and Kenya; on the west it touches Ruanda, Urundi, Belgian Congo and Northern Rhodesia. The eastern border consists of a narrow coastline stretching 500 miles along the Indian Ocean.

The greater portion of the country is a high plateau varying between 3,500 and 6,000 feet in elevation. This plateau region forms a unique watershed, for some of its rivers flow through Lake Tanganyika into the Congo and continue westward to the South Atlantic. Others flow northward through Lake Victoria into the headwaters of the Nile and finally empty into the Mediterranean Sea. Still others flow eastward into the Indian Ocean.

Tanganyika's wealth is mostly in wild life and game which is found in abundance. Elephants and other big game inhabit the central plateau and mountain regions, and the ivory and skins which are obtained from these help to make up the nation's wealth. Sizable deposits of diamonds, lead, gold, red mica, and other minerals are found in varying quantities. The chief agricultural products are coffee and cotton.

The people of Tanganyika are made up of various language groups, the most widely spoken tongue being Swahili. The Asiatics and Europeans, of course, have retained their own distinctive languages.

There are four major religions—paganism, Mohammedanism, Hinduism, and Christianity (with paganism having the most adherents). Protestant missionary work commenced shortly after David Livingstone's explorations of that particular section of Africa.

An independent missionary named

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MISSIONARIES—14  
NATIONAL WORKERS—45  
CHURCHES—34  
OUTSTATIONS—20  
BELIEVERS—1,258

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Paul Derr began the Pentecostal work in the 1930's. Many Tanganyikans were converted under Mr. Derr's ministry and a number of congregations formed. Day schools were also organized for the believer's children. Because of the shortage of personnel, these early groups of believers were left intermittently with no missionary leadership and the work gradually suffered. The Assemblies of God work in Nyasaland attracted the attention of these small groups in Tanganyika so they finally appealed to the Assemblies of God in the U.S. for missionary help and in June, 1953, the Wesley R. Hursts entered that field. With a nucleus of twelve to fifteen national workers and about 300 Pentecostal believers the Hursts began to organize and consolidate the churches on an indigenous basis. From that humble beginning, the work has grown in six short years to its present 1,258 believers and forty-five national workers. The Hursts also opened a Bible School for the training of national workers. It is not incidental that the Bible School was opened by a miracle. An old African chief gave the Assemblies of God eight acres of land for the site in a choice location four miles from Mbeya, the provincial capital.

Following the close of the first term of Bible School intensive Sunday School work was started. Many of the Sunday Schools were started by Bible students after returning home to their villages. Some of the schools began in the open with nothing more than banana trees for shelter and from that humble start many of them now

exceed 80 to 100 in attendance. In a little more than one year the area saw 45 new Sunday Schools with more than 2,000 pupils, all established by students from the Bible School. In remote areas of Tanganyika the Sunday Schools have proved to be the most effective means of evangelism and have brought the greatest spiritual returns.

For over two years the Hursts were the only Assemblies of God missionaries in Tanganyika. Since then the Delmar Kingsriters and the Charity C. Harrises have entered that field, the Kingsriters going to Mbeya and the Harrises to Njombe to serve a tribe of about 100,000 people. Recently three new areas have been opened to the gospel. In Iringa, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Vandermerwe are building a church that promises great advancement; in Arusha the Paul Brutons are also building a church, opening an entire new area to the Gospel; in Dar es Salaam, the D. L. Hasches are opening a new gospel work. The government has granted them property and interested people in America are providing the necessary funds for the church building.

The Field Council has appointed the Delmar Kingsriters to open a printing establishment for the production of gospel literature. This field has had no printing press and it is recognized that this is the greatest need of the work at the present time.

Missionaries and nationals alike feel the urgency of evangelizing the various tribes in the highlands while they are now receptive to the gospel, for they know that the task of reaching them will be increasingly difficult. In the southern highlands alone, more than 100 Catholic missionaries are working diligently to win the nationals to their particular faith. The Mohammedans are also actively spreading their fatalistic religious doctrines.

Though the religious oppositions are many and other difficulties are encountered, Tanganyika presents one of the greatest opportunities for the establishing of a strong indigenous Pentecostal church to be found anywhere in the world. ◀◀

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There is no question that if we had a human imperial authority we could go around the globe in a year, and promulgate this gospel all around the world. And yet we stand still when the King of kings is saying to us, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." —A. J. Pierson



# FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

## Tanganyika

### MISSIONARY HOLDS OWN REVIVAL

Signs follow the preaching of the gospel in a recent Nairobi revival meeting with missionary Paul Bruton. During the two-week campaign 250 went forward for salvation, fully half of them Asian and white. Many in attendance testified to outstanding healings of various infirmities and diseases. One man who was totally deaf in one ear and eighty per cent deaf in the other claimed healing. The results of the meeting are still being noted in the area.

## South India

### NEW DISTRICT ORGANIZED IN MYSORE STATE

The national Assemblies of God have recently organized a new district in the State of Mysore, of which Bangalore with its 1,000,000 population is the capital. Two church groups have been organized and are beginning to raise funds for church buildings. Assistance from churches in the United States is being channeled to aid such needy groups through a revolving loan fund and by matching rupee for rupee, all funds raised by the national Christians.

The students of Southern Asia Bible Institute in Bangalore have taken a great interest in the development of this new district as God enables them. They are currently conducting five new Sunday Schools reaching 500 Indian children and adults each week. The aim is to develop indigenous Indian churches in the State of Mysore.

## Venezuela

### SPIRIT OUTPOURED IN BARQUISIMETO

Jay Ruth reports God's blessing during two weeks of Pentecostal services. More than 300 believers were filled with the Holy Ghost, scores of souls were saved, and many testified to healings of all manner of diseases. The majority of the newly-established churches are pressing on for the Lord. Following these revivals our national

secretary for Latin America, Melvin Hodges, favored us with a rich ministry in the Word of the Lord. This was his second visit during a national convention in Venezuela.

## Ghana

### GOSPEL DOORS ARE WIDE OPEN

Missionary Bronnie Stroud is rejoicing over God's blessing upon his ministry among the Africans. Recently at a village meeting the head chief and fifty-seven of his people knelt at the altar for salvation. The missionaries have returned several times to strengthen the new converts and on one occasion fourteen more accepted the Lord as Saviour in that village.

In addition, the missionary has been instrumental in opening nineteen government schools for daily religious instruction. Altogether 759 children are reached each week with the Word of God. One Moslem teacher asked, "Will you tell the children how Jesus died? They do not know anything about it." This is the hour of gospel opportunity in Ghana.

## Congo Belge

### LITERATURE "INVASION" A SUCCESS

Recently Missionary Philip Cochrane staged an "Invasion Month" using tracts and gospel literature as weapons. We quote his wife Edith:

"Philip started at Tora (100 kilometers from our mission base here at Uele). He took with him eleven of our Christian young men, some walking and some on bicycles.

"This particular Saturday morning they divided into groups. Armed with their Bibles, Gospels of John and tracts they went in different directions stopping whomever they happened to meet on the jungle paths to tell them about Jesus. Some groups visited the cotton gardens, others the chief's compound and shops. The whole territory within walking or cycling distances was covered.

"The following week they 'invaded' the Wandote and Dafuka territories. At the end of one month we found

we had contacted 4,710 Africans, 502 had believed and 41 established Christians from our five bush churches had been baptized in water.

"The baptismal service attracted other Africans who had heard tales about the Protestant baptisms. Some said the Protestants tied a stone around the believer's neck and made him 'eat' the water five times; then if he is alive after that he is really baptized!"

## Liberia

### REMARKABLE PROGRESS IN ALL AREAS

Some unique reports were given recently by five presbyters at the Cape Palmas divisional conference in Liberia: C. Davis, a Bible School graduate, after *one year* of pioneering, dedicated a church at Karloke. Ruth W., an African woman, is pastor in a new village work. Sam Kuo's five-year-old child was healed of epilepsy when *two African women* of the church prayed for it.

In two towns laymen built churches entirely from their own funds and are asking for pastors. In the Webbo area a devil priest for twenty-eight years was saved and the whole town has turned to God after lightning "killed" their town god, a tall tree. The gospel had been preached only a few times before in that town. Christian people *completely abandoned a juju town and built another one* farther away from it because they are now serving the only true God. Today the juju town is a ghost town having no caretakers and the grass is growing high around it.

One presbyter raised \$66 to provide for two Bible School houses at Pleebo. The Bible School has twelve outstations plus the forty-five Firestone camps where provision is being made for an evangelist to preach.

There are 109 men (Africans) holding ministerial papers with the Assemblies of God in Liberia, 15 of whom are ordained brethren. The Pleebo Bible School has 66 married couples attending. The Canadian missionaries

# EVANGEL DEADLINE

... LATE NEWS AT PRESS TIME

have begun a Bible School at Tchien. Two Pleebo graduates are pastoring pioneer churches. Two young men were ordained at this Cape Palmas Divisional Conference.

Eleven students graduated from the Feloka Boys School, two being retained as teachers. Four girls graduated from the Newake Girls School. Twenty were saved at Newake this year, thirty baptized in water, and twenty baptized in the Holy Spirit. Other interesting reports were that the Christ's Ambassador constitution was adopted for this area; the Women's Missionary Council at Pleebo raised \$100 toward the church building fund.

## Costa Rica

### MISSIONARIES TO GET PLANE

George and Billie Davis, missionaries to Costa Rica, will be furnished a plane for their work, according to a vote of the Aero Fellowship of the Assemblies of God.

Twenty pilots attended a meeting of the Aero Fellowship during the Regional Sunday School Convention at Springfield, Mo., and decided to raise \$10,000 to buy a used plane for the missionaries. Fred Mosley, president of the pilots' group, contributed \$500 toward the fund. Brother Mosley, who is head of the Mosley Equipment Company of Waco, Tex., indicated the plane will be a Cessna 180 or 182.

Brother and Sister Davis went to Costa Rica about two years ago. They said a plane would enable them to reach more remote territory in their mission field.

## South Africa

### AFRICAN OFFICIAL URGES EVANGELIST TO CONTINUE SERVICES.

Edgar and Mabel Pettenger report a continuous revival in South Africa under the ministry of national evangelists. At Meadowlands and Standerton hundreds gathered daily in the open air to hear the Word of God. The government superintendent of that area urged Brother Bhengu to continue his services because of the great changes that were being seen in the lives of the people. As many as 346 were baptized in water in one service.

A further report states that in 1958 over 1,000 Africans completed the Christian Workers' Course on Myer Pearlman's books, "Successful Sunday School Teaching" and "Seeing the Story of the Bible." Already this year 200 have completed the second book of the course.

THE FIRST MISSIONETTE CONVENTION is now history. Held in Waxahachie, Texas, on May 2, it was attended by over 300.

PRAYER IS URGENTLY REQUESTED for the Belgian Congo and other African fields where missionaries are threatened by the rising tide of nationalism. Late news from Congo is that the situation is worsening. Congolese who have been studying Communism in Czechoslovakia are being returned hastily to the Congo, even though their studies are not completed. Their Communist leaders feel the time for action is now ripe.

NO FOREIGN MISSIONARIES WERE ELECTED at the Indonesian Conference of the Assemblies of God. The new official board is composed entirely of Indonesian ministers, a goal toward which the missionaries have been working for many years. They have been striving to develop indigenous churches; now they have a wholly indigenous organization. However, the Indonesian brethren voted to ask missionaries Raymond Busby and Harold Carlblom to serve as permanent advisers to the official board.

KENNETH SHORT, who has just completed Speed-the-Light tours in Michigan and South Idaho, says the churches in both districts have established new records of sacrificial giving to missions. During the itinerary he also attended missionary conventions in Sacramento and Richmond, California. Over \$12,000 was given for missions in Bethel Temple, Sacramento, in a single day.

PRESIDENT WILLIAM V. S. TUBMAN OF LIBERIA paid an unprecedented visit to New Hope Town, the Assemblies of God leper colony founded in 1947 by Florence Steidel. The President and 23 members of his cabinet inspected an 18-mile road recently built by the lepers to connect their community with civilization. So impressed were the government leaders with the work being done for the lepers that they granted ten square miles of land suitable for rubber, cocoa, and other crops. This will help to finance the expansion of the colony to care for 1,000 lepers (present capacity, 800).

A NEW BOOK STORE is being opened by the Assemblies of God in Natingou, Dahomey, West Africa. It will supply books and pamphlets in French and vernacular languages.

TWO PROTESTANTS WERE KILLED AND TWO WOUNDED in a brutal night attack on worshipers in San Vicente, Santader, Colombia. As the believers were disbanding after an evening service they were attacked by a band of armed men who shouted, "These Protestants must be exterminated." The attackers fired over 150 bullets into the chapel and a neighboring house. The assistant pastor, Sr. Luis Ignacio Rovira, was shot through the head and died instantly. Josue Marin, a four-year-old boy, had his foot blown off and died later in a hospital. A 55-year-old widow and a six-year-old boy were wounded. (The San Vicente congregation is affiliated with the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel. These two deaths swelled to 114 the number of Protestant martyrs in Colombia since 1948, including 109 adults and five children. Twelve additional deaths are still under investigation.)



# TOP TWENTY-TWO

LEADING THE NATION

JANUARY 1 - MARCH 31, 1959

## TOTAL GIVING

1st A-G, Binghamton, N. Y. ....	\$980.59
Bethel Temple, Sacramento, Calif. ....	805.00
Christian A-G, Wausau, Wisc. ....	604.00
Immanuel Pentl. Ch., Cleveland, O. ....	600.00
1st A-G, N. Hollywood, Calif. ....	525.00
1st A-G, Amarillo, Texas ....	500.00
1st A-G, Vero Beach, Fla. ....	489.81
A-G, Twin Falls, Idaho ....	420.20
Bethel Tab., Milwaukee, Wisc. ....	382.19
1st A-G, Crowley, Louisiana ....	381.57
Calvary A-G, Milwaukee, Wisc. ....	363.30
Bethel A-G, Lincoln Park, Mich. ....	359.50
Faith Tab., W. Los Angeles, Calif. ....	355.00
Glad Tidings A-G, Houston, Texas ....	349.50
Central A-G, Baton Rouge, La. ....	317.59
Full Gospel A-G, Caruthers, Calif. ....	316.00
1st A-G, Santa Ana, Calif. ....	305.00
Calvary Temple, W. Palm Beach, Fla. ....	303.50
1st A-G, Lancaster, Calif. ....	300.00
1st A-G, Mansfield, Ohio ....	288.25
Ebenezer A-G, Elizabeth, N. J. ....	263.00
S. E. B. I., Lakeland, Fla. ....	250.00
Oceanway A-G, Jacksonville, Fla. ....	245.37

## PER CAPITA GIVING

Per capita giving is based on total offering divided by number of C. A. members. Number of members is in parentheses.

1st A-G, Vero Beach, Fla. .... (14)	\$34
1st A-G, Binghamton, N. Y. .... (30)	32
Christian A-G, Wausau, Wisc. .... (20)	30
1st A-G, Ft. Myers, Fla. .... (10)	17
A-G, Aurora, Nebr. .... (8)	17
A-G, Campton, Fla. .... (8)	16
1st Pentl. Ch., Hollywood, Fla. .... (7)	16
A-G, Twin Falls, Idaho .... (25)	16
A-G, Caruthers, Calif. .... (21)	15
Immanuel Pentl. Ch., Cleveland, O. .... (42)	14
1st A-G, Amarillo, Texas .... (35)	14
Calv. Temple, W. Palm Beach, Fla. .... (22)	13
Faith Chapel, Franklin, Ala. .... (5)	12
1st A-G, Crowley, La. .... (31)	12
Oceanway A-G, Jacksonville, Fla. .... (22)	11
Decker Dr., A-G, Baytown, Texas .... (15)	11
Glad Tid. A-G., Port Arthur, Tex. .... (8)	11
Gospel Center, Burlington, N. J. .... (9)	10
1st A-G, Orlando, Fla. .... (15)	10
Rayburn A-G, Cleveland, Tex. .... (5)	10
Bethel A-G, Ensley, Fla. .... (8)	9
Bethel Tab., Milwaukee, Wisc. .... (40)	9

## THIS WEEK'S COVER:

When the C.A.'s at Pine Island, Minn. sent their \$3.00 offering to the National C. A. Department they considered it just another small contribution to help purchase a missionary vehicle for Malaya; but it was their offering that carried the Speed-the-Light campaign over the three-million-dollar mark. The C.A.'s are now on the way to four million. The cover photos show the Pine Island C.A.'s with their pastor, their offering as received at Springfield, Mo. and the Bible Institute of Malaya under construction.

# Speed-the-Light Giving Reaches Three-Million-Dollar Mark

ON APRIL 6, SPEED-THE-LIGHT received its three-millionth dollar, reaching another milestone in its path of sacrificial service to the foreign missionary program of the Assemblies of God.

Evangel readers may recall that in 1956 a picture was published showing the giving of the two-millionth dollar for Speed-the-Light. As the picture was being taken, Ken Short, Speed-the-Light field representative who had been instrumental in raising the two-millionth dollar, gave one which he labeled as the three millionth. For three short years it has awaited the arrival of the other 999,999 and now it has joined them in helping to provide missionary equipment.

The actual offering which brought the giving up to and over the three-million mark was an average size offering (\$3.00) from the Christ's Ambassadors of the Gospel Tabernacle, Pine Island, Minn. Milton Edwards is the pastor and his wife is president of the C. A. group. The dollar given by Brother Short was added to their offering.

The occasion gives opportunity to look back over the past fourteen years and see what has been accomplished. It took seven years to reach the first million, four years for the second, and three years for the third. Though some had their doubts about Speed-the-Light in its beginning, it has gathered momentum as more and more of our youth have caught the vision and have given to give the vision reality.

An average of more than 100 vehicles per year have gone as "assistant missionaries" under the banner of Speed-the-Light until now a total of 1,449 have seen service in sixty-seven of the countries where Assemblies of God missionary activity is carried on.

The three-millionth dollar now joins with others from Minnesota and will help to purchase a car for missionary Howard Osgood, soon to go to Malaya to open the new Bible school at Kuala Lumpur. This Speed-the-Light vehicle will be a valuable help in getting around in this city of over 200,000 people, and will carry students and missionaries to preaching points in the surrounding area as well.



Harold Hanson, Southern New England D-CAP, receives first-place award for his District's per capita giving from Bert Webb, C. A. Director.



Kpaneel

# Healed of Snakebite

By Ruby Johnson  
and Peggy Scott

Northern Ghana

**I**N THE U.S., WHERE THE FINEST medical care in the world is available, many luxuries are enjoyed that we who work in the African bush do not have. One of these luxuries is the blood bank. Having had these advantages in America for some years, it is frustrating not to have them here where the need is so great. We are glad, however, that regardless of the lack of equipment and the many difficult situations we must face, we have access to the greatest Blood Bank of all—the blood of Jesus Christ shed on Calvary's cross.

Kpaneel, an adolescent Konkomba boy, was bitten on the right foot by a poisonous snake. This particular snake poison destroys the prothrombin of the blood; the blood will not clot and the patient bleeds to death. His father and mother brought him to the Saboba Clinic about sundown on Saturday evening. We gave him the usual treatment for snakebite, but it was evident from the beginning that he was in for a siege of severe bleeding. Kpaneel, his parents, and brother were not Christians, so we wasted no time in telling them of Jesus and His saving, healing power.

Time does not allow us to describe the ten horrible days of bleeding when he hung between life and death. We did everything we knew to do for him but blood constantly oozed from the

cuts we had made in the region of the bite where suction was applied. He bled from his nose, mouth, eyes, and every place he had been stuck with a needle.

In desperation one night, we even sewed up the places we had cut in the area of the bite, yet he continued to bleed. We spent hours changing dressings and trying to stop the bleeding—very thankful to the W.M.C. groups in America for the abundance of bandages we had available.

On the second day of his illness, Kpaneel gave his heart to Jesus and promised to serve Him if his life was spared. The youth was near death several times, but on the tenth day the blood that oozed from the wound was red and healthy looking. This was nothing short of a miracle for prior to that his blood had been a watery-ink color.

Following several weeks of convalescence, Kpaneel was well and strong again. Since the miracle of healing, Kpaneel's brother has come to work for us in the yard as a water boy. He too is endeavoring to follow God. He is a brilliant boy and we are hoping that he will enter Bible School later on.

Please pray that each member of this family shall continue to serve the Lord. We are grateful for the healing power of our God. It is wonderful to be nurses working for the Great Physician.

## Where Are You Going?

**A** YOUNG ARMY SERGEANT'S WIFE lay very ill in their quarters on a midwest army base. Every day she listened to the sharp commands of a lieutenant to his men as they marched. It seemed they were always going somewhere. When the lieutenant visited their home, she said, "Every day I hear your 'Hep-two-three-four,' and the sound of marching feet. Where are they going?"

"Well, sometimes it's to mess, or it might be to target practice. Depends on our program and the time of day," the officer explained.

The eyes of the young woman clouded over as she said wistfully, "Isn't it wonderful that they *know* where they are going? I wish I knew where I am going. The post doctor says I have only thirty days left to

live, and after that I won't be here. And I count the designs on the wall-paper and wonder, 'Where will I be?'"

The officer had no answer for her question, but when he returned to his own quarters he could not forget the question, and he prayed for the first time in his life. He realized that even with good health this life isn't forever. It's only for a little while. Whether the end for us is almost in sight, or seems to be several years away, the big question for each of us is, "Where am I going?"

The answer depends on the direction of your travel. Jesus said, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

"Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it."

The young woman who asked, "Where am I going?" did not die, but lived; and because she honestly wanted to know the Truth, she turned to Christ and started on the way to heaven. Will you turn to Christ now?

—Elva M. Johnson

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- 1. New York .....\$ 23.48
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- 1. N. California .....\$1,160.70
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**GREATEST GAIN IN NUMBER OF CHURCHES GIVING**

- 1. West Central ..... 18
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- 2. New Jersey ..... 14

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*From the Revivaltime Mailbag—*

**TESTIMONIES OF ANSWERED PRAYER**

*By Stanley Michael*

AS THE MANY THOUSANDS LISTEN to *Revivaltime* Evangelist C. M. Ward each week on the network broadcast, they are made to realize that God is really concerned about their problems and troubles. *Revivaltime's* ministry of prayer has brought blessing and help to many as they have written for prayer in behalf of desperate situations.

Who can measure the strength of prayer? God does hear, as is witnessed by many testimonies that are received by the Radio Department. If we will but believe as we pray, God will perform the impossible, bring conviction to the sinner, and give healing to the afflicted.

As you read these testimonies of what God has done for others, reach out in faith that He will do the same for you. Draw near to Him and He will draw near to you.

**CHURCH REVIVED**

"I wrote over a year ago for you to pray with us for souls to be saved in our little church. I think you and your staff should know that about nine people have received Christ as their Saviour, and were baptized in water. We are building a new church."—E. D., Castle Rock, Wash.

**DAUGHTER SAVED**

"I feel I just have to write this letter of thanks to you who helped me to pray for my nineteen-year-old daughter. I know you will rejoice with me when I tell of the miracle which took place in her life. I was terribly worried about her as she was becoming very worldly and had her heart set on marrying a divorced man with a small child.

"After I wrote to you asking your help, I fasted and prayed that God

would give her soul a wonderful experience that would change her, and He did. She was gloriously saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, baptized in water, and has the gift of tongues. She is now in a Bible Institute."—Mrs. T. W., Jamestown, N. Y.

**NEIGHBOR'S FATHER HAPPILY MARRIED**

"I want to tell you that God graciously answered a request for prayer sent in over a year ago. If you remember, it was for my neighbor's father. He was about to marry a very ungodly woman. They broke up and he is now married to a fine Christian woman."—Mrs. C. F., International Falls, Minn.

**FAMILY REUNITED, SAVED, HEALED**

"Some months ago I wrote asking prayer for my daughter and her husband—their home was broken up and both were away from God. I want to report that they are reunited and both have been saved. Also, my daughter has been healed from kidney trouble and their baby girl, three years old, has been healed of sugar diabetes."—Mrs. A. H., Nucla, Colo.

**WIFE'S PRAYER ANSWERED**

"My wife wrote to you asking prayer for my salvation. A week later I came to the altar and expressed my new and sudden faith and belief. A few weeks later I received the Baptism and had an experience indescribably wonderful. For this I have given thanks to many, but I have not as yet thanked you; so, Brother Ward, thank you and God bless you."—Wm. G., Everett, Mass.

**HUSBAND SAVED**

"I requested prayer for my husband's salvation and he has now given his

heart to Christ, praise His holy name."  
—Mrs. S., Decorah, Iowa

#### HUSBAND'S SPIRIT CHANGED AND BROTHER'S FAMILY SAVED

"Sometime ago I asked you to pray for my husband that he would have a forgiving spirit toward my folk. He has forgiven them now and I can go to see them. Also I asked you to pray for my brother. Well, he has been saved, and also his wife and their little girl."—Mrs. F. T., Yakima, Wash.

Many hundreds of testimonies just like these come to *Revivaltime* every week. God's Spirit is moving and people are finding God real in their lives. You can have a very real part in bringing help and blessing to thousands through your participation in the ministry now going around the world. *Revivaltime* reaches millions every week. People are groping in darkness trying to find their way. Write to *Revivaltime* this week and join in this faith ministry to souls everywhere. And while writing, tell us your special request. We will be happy to join in prayer with you. Send your letter and request to—REVIVALTIME, BOX 70, SPRINGFIELD, MO.

## BGMC TROPHIES

(Continued from page fourteen)

who helped make the effort a success. Boys and girls, it was your co-operation and giving that helped us meet our goal. Each of you had a part in this all-important ministry of telling others about Jesus.

The money raised on BGMC Day will be used to provide gospel literature for Southern Asia. There are many boys and girls in the countries of Southern Asia who have never even heard the name of Jesus. Many of these children are so poor that just a small piece of literature, such as your Sunday School paper, is of great value to them.

It does not matter where you live—in the United States, or far across the ocean; it does not matter if you live in a pretty white frame house or in a small brown shack; it does not matter what your nationality is—the

Lord Jesus died on the cross that everyone might be saved.

Jesus loves the boys and girls in Africa, India, South America—or anywhere you can name! As soon as we ask the Lord to come into our hearts we should start telling others about Him. We should tell our friends and playmates. But it does not stop there, for we must send the gospel to people in other lands too. That is the only way that some will hear the message of salvation. Being a member of the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade and working to tell others about Jesus is a very important job! You are real missionary helpers!

#### A PERSONAL TESTIMONY

## Stomach Trouble and Migraine Headaches

**Y**EARS OF SUFFERING—AND PAIN AT one time so severe that she literally pulled her hair with both hands—were the experience of Mrs. Virgil Golden, Pine Bluff, Ark., before God healed her.

"As long as I can remember, I have had trouble with my stomach," she says. "About six years ago, following an attack, I broke out all over with large welts, my skin turned very dark, and my body was so swollen I could hardly open my eyes. After that the skin began to peel off my body because of severe allergy to nearly all foods. Diets did not help and I grew worse.

"We moved from Oregon to Pine Bluff in 1956 and for two years I was under the care of a doctor here. During the summer of 1958 I became terribly ill and once more went through a clinic for X rays, etc. I was placed on a strict diet but grew worse. It seemed the inside of my stomach was a complete sore. I took medicine every time I ate, and there were times when I would get deathly sick even if I took a sip of water. All this affected my nerves and I had migraine headaches until sometimes I felt like screaming.

"Then on the Wednesday night after Thanksgiving, 1958, when I was weak

and suffering and at the end of my strength, my pastor felt led to come and see me. As Pastor Thompson and my two daughters prayed for me I felt the presence of the Lord in a wonderful way. Brother Thompson read to me Psalm 34:19—'Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord delivereth him out of them all.' I knew God had touched my body then. Praise His wonderful name!

"After Brother Thompson left, I read the scripture over and over. Then I lay down, feeling relaxed. But when I turned over on my right side, there was a pain in the left side of my head so terrible that I thought I would surely die. I could not help but pull my hair with both hands. I was extremely nauseated.

"I began to call on the Lord again, and I also knew that the church was praying. Thank God, He delivered me. I went to sleep; and the next morning when I awoke I was very weak, but had no pain. I combed my hair, which I never had been able to do right after a migraine headache.

"I thank God for complete deliverance. Since that time I have not taken any medicine whatsoever, and I can eat anything I want. I could never praise God enough for what He has done for me."—Mrs. Virgil Golden, Rt. 1, Box 247, Pine Bluff, Ark.

(Endorsed by Harold Thompson, Pastor, Forrest Park Assembly of God, Pine Bluff, Ark.)

## A.C.T.S.

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 \***

# Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



## Lydia, the Hospitable Homemaker

Sunday School Lesson for June 7, 1959

ACTS 16:12-15, 35-40; 3 JOHN 5-8

Christianity in Europe, like many another work of God, had a very humble beginning. Not in a great cathedral before a huge crowd of distinguished people was Jesus first preached, but in an open-air meeting among a few unnoticed women. Lydia's conversion and subsequent response should inspire ordinary people with a realization of the magnitude of God's grace and power and what it will accomplish in those who open their lives to it!

### I. LYDIA'S CONVERSION

1. *Occasioned by providential circumstances.* Acts 16: 6-10. Paul had wanted to take the gospel into Asia and was checked by the Holy Spirit. Then he attempted to go into Bithynia and was checked again by the Spirit. Next, he "happened" to go to Troas by the sea. There, as he slept he "happened" to have a vision of a European calling for help. Assuming that God wanted him in Europe, he took a boat which "happened" to be going that way.

What of all this? (1) Every child of God may develop a sensitiveness to the leading of God's Spirit. How? By definitely seeking His guidance each day; by implicitly trusting Him to guide us; by careful obedience to the revealed will of God. (2) When God closes one door it is only to lead us through a better one. A great ministry lay ahead for Paul in the Macedonian cities!

We are told that Lydia was a seller of a famous dye produced in the city of Thyatira. Was she just visiting Philippi at the time to sell her wares? Did she divide her time between Thyatira and Philippi? This much we know—had she been in her home town she would have missed the Truth that day. Furthermore, it was necessary that she be present at the prayer meeting! Otherwise she would have missed the great apostle's evangelistic sermon. But a "Greater than Paul" is present today in every prayer meeting where even "two or three" are gathered in Jesus' name! And how little we—like Lydia—realize what tremendous spiritual consequences there may be in what we mistakenly refer to as "only a prayer meeting"!

2. *Effected by the work of the Holy Spirit.* Acts 16: 11-14. Since there were so few Jews in the city, it had no synagogue. Paul therefore, desiring as usual to preach to the Jews first, and knowing that Jews often gathered by a river to worship, went outside the city to a river side "where we supposed there was a place of prayer (A.R.V.)."

Lydia seems to have been a Jewish proselyte, for she is spoken of as "one that worshipped God." Like Cornelius and the Ethiopian eunuch, Lydia was a seeking soul. She is spoken of as one "whose heart the Lord opened." (1) God not only prepares His messengers, but He prepares the circumstances and the hearts of those to whom the messengers are sent! (2) Though the preacher is an instrument in the salvation of souls, yet it is the

Holy Spirit alone who can open the heart, persuade the mind, and convert the will. (3) While it is true that the Spirit opens hearts, yet it is also true that man is held responsible to surrender to Christ, yield to the Spirit, receive and obey the Truth. Lydia's heart was open and "she attended unto those things which were spoken by Paul." Consequently, she was gloriously saved! Are we attending to those things which are preached by God's messengers and written in God's Word? (4) Only an open heart can receive the blessings of the Lord! Are we free from prejudices, preconceived ideas, resentments, stubborn self-will, and entirely open-hearted to the Lord?

II. LYDIA'S CHRISTIAN HOSPITALITY. Acts 16: 15, 40.

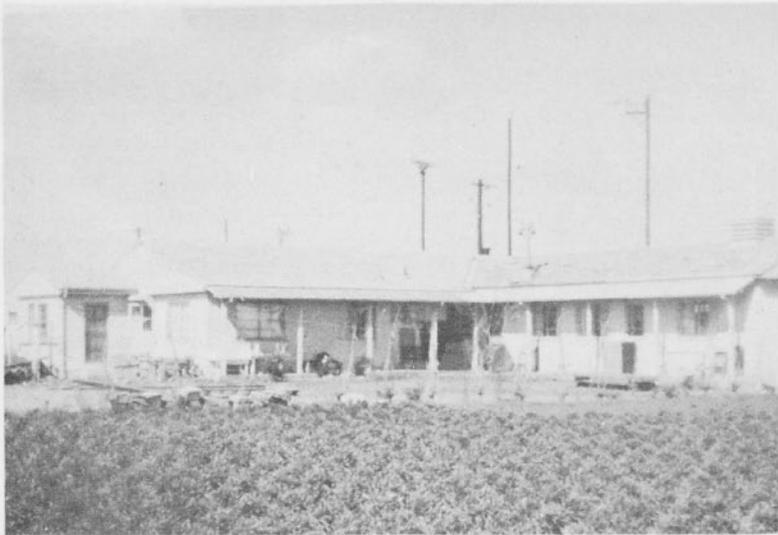
Lydia not only opened her heart to the Lord, but, having been saved and having received water baptism, she also opened her home as a lodging place for the apostle Paul and his party. Thus, by her hospitality, she played a part in Paul's spiritual ministry in Philippi! And she shares the reward with him.

As Christians, all of us are exhorted to be "given to hospitality" (Romans 12:13); to "be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares" (Hebrews 13:2). John commended Gaius for his hospitality to those who were in the Lord's service, reminding him—and us—that "we ought to receive such, that we might be fellow helpers to the truth" (3 John 5-8). How many obscure Christians will be wondrously surprised and rewarded in eternity when it is revealed how important and far-reaching were the effects upon God's kingdom of their kind hospitality.

—J. Bashford Bishop

### ADORNING THE GOSPEL





Far East Servicemen's Home in Tokyo



Servicemen gather for Pentecostal Christian fellowship

## A Pentecostal Home for Servicemen in the Far East

By **Maynard L. Ketcham**

Field Secretary for Asia

**T**HE FAR EAST SERVICEMEN'S HOME in Japan is unique! It was conceived and built from the ground up by the servicemen themselves to serve their need for relaxation in a Christian atmosphere, and for Pentecostal teaching and fellowship.

The home is located on the outskirts of Tokyo, within the shadow of the Yokota Air Base and very close to the Tachikawa and Johnson Bases. "You can't miss it!" It is a miracle home. Materials were donated, labor was donated, the servicemen dipped deep into those commodious pockets of theirs! And a fine plant, valued at several thousand dollars, came into being. There is a comfortable five-bedroom home, with dormitory, living room, dining room, and recreation space. There is also a delightful little chapel which has all the sacredness of a "holy place."

This home has had a unique and widespread (though little publicized) ministry. There is a spontaneity to the project. The boys are running it themselves and they throw themselves into it. They drag in all of their buddies; they make it a beehive of spiritual activity! Men from ten different Pentecostal groups participate in the home, and five of the groups are represented on the Board of Management. The present director, Sgt. Hol-

man, has enough administrative ability to run the U. S. Army, and enough spiritual drive to pastor a "temple" at home! (And what wonderful Southern fried chicken and "hush puppies" Sister Holman can make!)

Hundreds have found the Lord in the Home. Many have received the infilling of the Spirit; many have been baptized in water; and quite a few who have been influenced by the Home are in our Bible schools in the United States, preparing for a Christian ministry.

But the Home now faces a fresh opportunity and a fresh challenge. Because its reputation has reached all the bases in Japan, and it is talked about in Okinawa and Korea, more and more boys want to go there for their time of leave. But present accommodations are inadequate to look after the new-



Sgt. Holman, director of the Home, with his wife and children.

comers. To try and meet this emergency the directors have obtained three quonset huts from the Army, and have raised enough money to pay for fixtures, etc. But the boys have gotten bogged down, and need \$1,800 to finish the project.

I do not hesitate to appeal to readers of *The Pentecostal Evangel* for help. Although the home is full gospel and entirely undenominational in its operation, the property is held in such a way that it will belong to the Japan Assemblies of God when it is no longer needed as a servicemen's home. Thus the investment is entirely safeguarded.

My heart aches as I see the debasing, debauching influences reaching out their evil tentacles to grab our precious soldier boys overseas. I am writing this article while in Korea. Every day as I pass the main gate of the Eighth Army Headquarter Base, I can see the painted women lined up and waiting, flouncing their seductive charms at the lonely, homesick soldier boys who come out looking for a little relaxation! It is the same all over the Orient.

As I travel throughout the Far East—Japan, Korea, Okinawa, Formosa, the Philippines—it is wonderful to meet servicemen and advise them to take their "R. and R." leave at our Far East Servicemen's Home in Japan where they can find wholesome relaxation, enjoy some wonderful American cooking, and experience a bit of home and a little bit of heaven! We owe it to these boys, do we not?

Send your offerings to the Foreign Missions Department, earmarked "Leonard Nipper—for completion of Far East Servicemen's Home in Tokyo." ◀◀

# Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

**I became a Christian a few months ago, but sometimes I am tempted to doubt that I am really saved. Since I have not sinned willfully, why do I have these doubts?**

It is Satan's business to tempt you and to try to make you doubt that you are saved, so it is no surprise that he is trying, but you must now put your trust in the Word of God. "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward" (Hebrews 10:35). You know you are saved, not because of the way you feel, but because you have accepted God's provision for you through the death of Christ on the cross. You are not *saved* by feeling, but by faith (Ephesians 2:8). Neither are you *kept* by feeling, but by faith. "Kept by the power of God through faith" (1 Peter 1:5).

**What does Luke 21:23 mean—"Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away"? I thought heaven was to be everlasting.**

The abode of God will never be destroyed, but the Bible speaks of a time when our earth shall wax old and perish. Second Peter 3:10, 11 speaks of this as the time when "the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat." These verses probably refer to our atmospheric heavens. Many believe 2 Peter 3:10, 11 does not mean that our heavens and earth will be blotted out, but that there will be a renovation. Whatever process God shall use, we have the promise of new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness, which will be built upon the ruins of the old (2 Peter 3:13).

**How could Jesus ever say to those who had done many works in His name, "I never knew you"? How could they do His works without His knowing them? (Matthew 7:21-23)**

The secret is given in verse 20: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." Unless the works are supported by Christian character, the worker's soul is in peril. With this in mind, we see that there may be different ways in which persons might think they are doing the works of Christ. There are those who, with seeming results, declare the promises of Christ but deny any need of His atonement. These will be greatly disappointed in the day of reckoning. There is also a warning to those who preach Christ and His power to deliver, but whose inward life and purpose is contrary to the character of Christ.

**Please explain what the Bible means when it says, "Whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also" and "whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile, go with him twain" (Matthew 5:39, 41).**

In Matthew 5 Jesus was setting forth Christian principles. While it would be wise literally to turn the other cheek, the main thought is that we should not quarrel and fight. And, if anyone should make exacting demands on us, it would be better to give more than is demanded than to fight back. I think Paul gave a very good explanation in Romans 12:20, 21—"Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good." Let God be the avenger of wrongs suffered (Romans 12:19).

*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).*

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Mrs. Ida Umbarger

## We Pay Tribute to a faithful WMC member

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Ida Umbarger is a Christian saint who has lived for others. Her prayers, love, and handiwork have crossed the oceans and reached every continent.

Although Sister Umbarger is 91 years of age, she has remained active in WMC work until recently when she became ill. In 1958 she and her gracious daughter, Gladys Waldron, spent 3,988 hours in this unselfish service for Christ.

They collect used greeting cards by the thousands, cut them apart, and make bookmarks, booklets, and wall plaques out of them. Last year they made 27,250 such pieces and Sister Umbarger made 60 colorful rag rugs for the missionaries.

### THANK YOU!

We wish to thank everyone who sent us literature and used clothing, also the lovely quilts. The village people are very happy to receive these things, and you are having a part in this missionary work in the far north. May God richly bless you!

Yours for Souls  
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Not only does Sister Umbarger keep her skillful fingers active for God; she loves His Word and communes with Him daily in prayer for the needs of His workers everywhere.

Is it any wonder that we of Calvary Assembly in Inglewood, California, love Grandma Umbarger so dearly?

—Marcus Gaston, Pastor

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**NORTH TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL**—44th annual session, June 2-4 at Municipal Auditorium, Austin. Youth rally Monday night, June 1. James Van Meter, Springfield, Mo., main speaker.—by E. B. Crump, Secretary-Treasurer.

**DEDICATION**—June 7 at Calvary Assembly of God, 412 Boardman-Canfield Rd., Youngstown, Ohio at 3 p.m. C. W. Hahn, Ohio District Superintendent, speaker. Raymond E. Tabor is pastor.—by Don Helper, Church Secretary.

**WEST TEXAS YOUTH CAMPS**—Southern, June 3-6 at Prude Ranch, Fort Davis, Tex. Speaker, Kenneth Smith of Jal, N. Mex. Northern, June 9-12 at Baptist Assembly Grounds, Floydada, Tex. Speaker,

Walt Boring, Northern California and Nevada District C. A. President.—by M. F. Hankins, District C. A. President.

### WITH CHRIST

**CLAUDE G. CRAWFORD**, 56, Everett, Wash., went to be with the Lord April 17, 1959. He was ordained in 1937 and served as a pastor in Idaho, Montana, and Washington.

**JOSEPH PARKER PINKSTON**, 76, Modesto, Calif., went to be with the Lord on April 12, 1959. He was ordained by the Pentecostal Holiness Church in 1916 and affiliated with the Assemblies of God in 1936. Brother Pinkston was superannuated in 1945.

**MONROE M. JOHNSON**, 66, Nokomis, Fla. (formerly of Russellville, Ky.) went to be with the Lord April 19, 1959. He was an ordained minister of the Assemblies of God from 1932 until the time of his Homegoing. Brother Johnson was called to preach in 1928, a year after receiving the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and remained active as pastor and evangelist for some thirty years.

**BENITO N. FLORES**, 83, Munday, Tex., passed to his reward on March 8, 1959. He was ordained by the Latin American District Council in 1943. Brother Flores founded the church at Munday and was its pastor for sixteen years. He was a member of this church from 1952 (when he was superannuated) until the time of his death.

## EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Saraland	A of G	May 24-June 7	W. O. Stephens	W. E. Smith
Calif.	Fullerton	Glad Tidings	June 7—	Gene Martin	Dean E. Duncan
	Inglewood	Calvary	May 31-June 14	Robert Watters Team	Marcus Gaston
	Oceanside	A of G	June 3-14	Christian Hild & wife	Dan Bayliss
	Richmond	Full Gospel Temp.	June 2-14	Tommy Barnett	J. Boyd Wolverton
	San Diego	Ocean Beach	June 7-21	Linfield Crowder	George Branch
Fla.	Upland	Evangel Temple	June 9-21	Wm. (Bill) McPherson	Frank Lummer
	Tallahassee	Hayden Rd.	June 2-14	Wesley Weekley	Ira Hartsfield
Ga.	Macon	First	June 2-14	Joel Palmer & wife	C. Milford Hicks
Ill.	Stockbridge	A of G	May 31-June 14	F. P. Bachman	H. F. Freeman
	Rockford	First	June 3—	Al & Wilma Wyrick	E. L. Stalons
Ind.	Evansville	First	June 2-14	Jimmy Brown & wife	Donald M. Cox
Iowa	Clinton	First	May 30-June 14	Joseph DeGrado	C. E. Thompson
	Ft. Madison	* First	June 2-14	Dick Stevens Family	Fred Gottwald
Ind.	Ft. Wayne	First	June 2-7	Wm. Gene Scott	James Kofahl
	Gary	Black Oak	June 3-14	A. F. DiMusto Party	D. T. Hinson
Ky.	Beaver Dam	A of G	June 7-21	E. C. Lagmay	O. L. Blackwell
La.	Denham Springs	First	June 7-21	Chas. Reed & wife	Lloyd L. McGuire
	Summerfield	Calvary	June 1—	R. J. Palser & wife	J. A. Clement
Md.	Baltimore	Calvary	May 31—	L. H. Sheets Family	I. R. Johnson
	Hancock	** Full Gospel	June 7-28	J. B. Woolums	A. D. Kyle
Mo.	Chaffee	A of G	June 7	Glenna Byard	Wm. Marshall
	Pacific	* A of G	May 31-June 12	Lucelia Lanz	Clem A. Pankey
	Sedalia	First	June 7-21	The Roland Hasties	Floyd Buntentbach
	Springfield	Westport	June 7-21	Ernest C. Briggs	Estel Moore
N. Y.	Fredonia	A of G	May 26—	Danny Hope	Harry Knisell
N. Dak.	New England	A of G	June 3-21	Hofmo Duo	Oliver Johnson
Ohio	Eaton	A of G	May 26-June 7	Andrew Basell & wife	W. W. Martin
	Henryetta	A of G	June 7-21	James Alcorn	H. A. Strange
Okla.	Ponca City	* A of G	June 1-7	Fred & Gladys Voight	Leo Swicegood
	Skedee	A of G	June 7-21	Mrs. J. O. Rorie	Chas. McClintic
Oreg.	Hermiston	*** A of G	June 1-22	Don Gossett	Bert Allbritton, Chm.
	Jacksonville	A of G	May 26-June 14	G. W. Minton	W. Elwood Irby
Pa.	Chester	Highway Tab.	May 26-June 7	Wm. Douglas	Wm. R. Crew
S. C.	Georgetown	First	May 31-June 21	L. K. Dodge	A. T. Hickman
S. Dak.	Watertown	First	June 9-21	R. W. Hastie Family	B. C. Heinze
Tex.	Amarillo	First	June 7—	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	E. R. Foster
Utah	Salt Lake City	First	June 7-28	Leo & Emma Walker	Peter Pilot
Wash.	Naselle	A of G	May 19—	Eric M. Johnson	F. Wayne Ridout
	Naselle	* A of G	June 2-7	Virgil & Edythe Warens	Wayne Ridout
	Shelton	* A of G	June 9-14	Virgil & Edythe Warens	Mason Younglund
	Spokane	Glad Tidings	May 26—	Oran & Audrey Duncan	W. H. Boyles
Wis.	Green Bay	**** Central	June 1-7	Fisher-Chaffee	O. W. Apple
	Green Bay	* Central	June 7-12	Fisher-Chaffee	O. W. Apple
Canada	Siren	A of G	June 2-14	Waite D. Lascelle	C. R. Liddle
	Brandon, Man.	Bethel Temple	June 7-21	J. W. Beam & wife	Edmund E. Austin
	Brockville, Ont.	*** Hiwy. Temp.	June 7-July 5	McColl-Gerard Team	Tom Richardson
	Edmonton, Alta.	Pent. Tab.	May 31-June 7	Louise Nankivell	R. W. Taitinger

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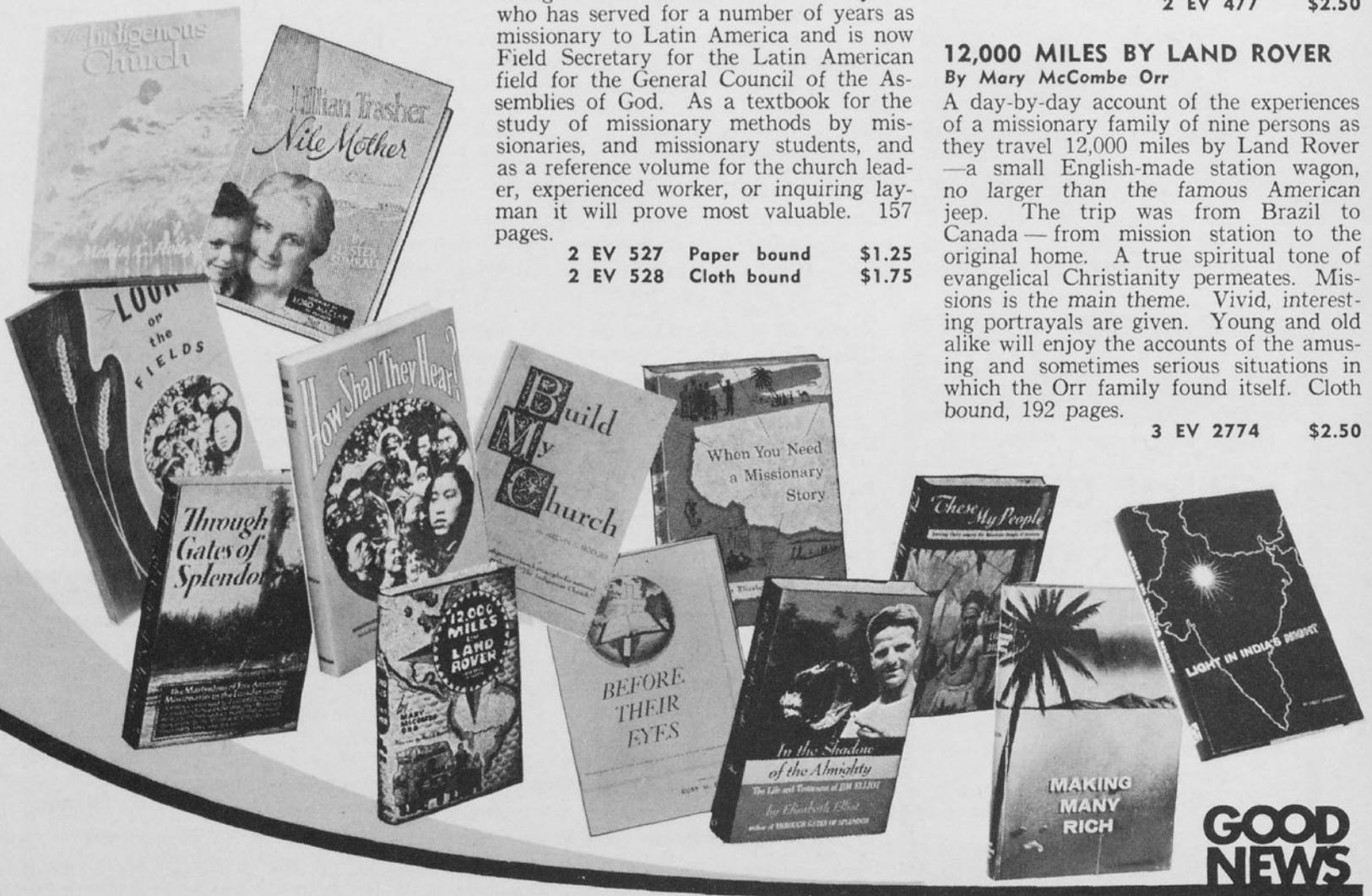
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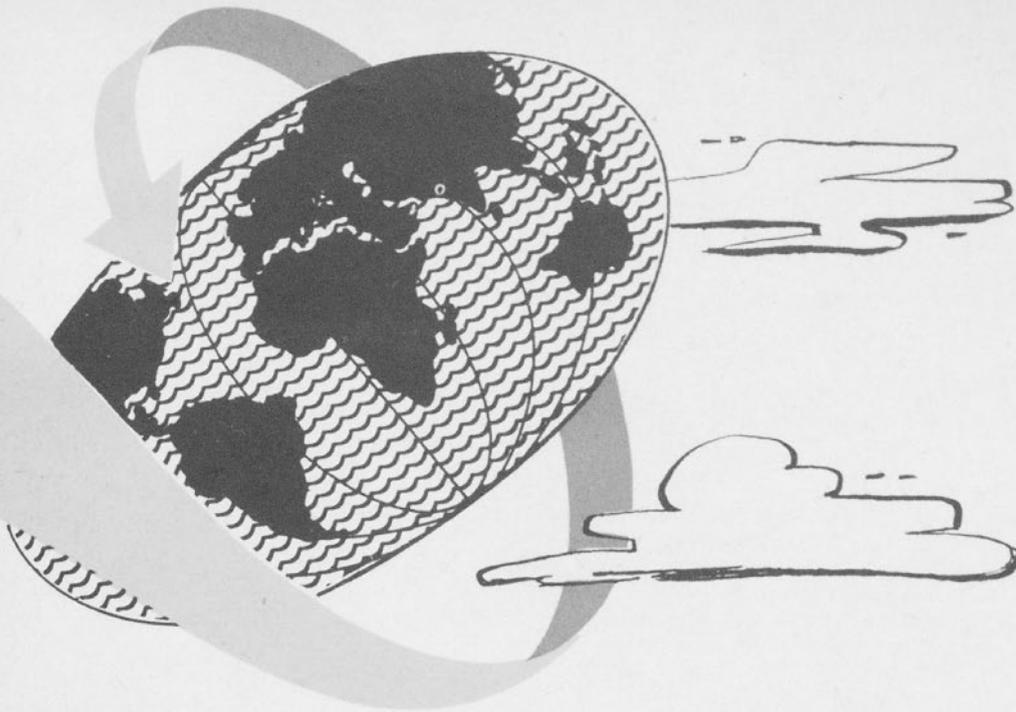
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Elizabeth Elliot, the wife of one of the men, in collaboration with the other widows, and using diaries, has given the world a fine book on the circumstances of the death of all five men. The book, *Through Gates of Splendor*, is now in its fourth printing, and is in overwhelming demand. Writes one of it, "One almost feels that he stands on holy ground as he is allowed to look into the diaries—and indeed into the hearts. . . ."

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# You Are the Gatekeeper

By Ralph E. Schooley



Bird's-eye view of Hoover Dam (Union Pacific Railroad photo)

**Y**ES, WHETHER YOU ARE A MINISTER or layman, if you are in the Church you are a gate keeper. Have you ever toured one of the federal power dams, such as Hoover Dam? If so, you will have noticed huge towers at various strategic points, and always at these towers there will be found large control devices of various kinds. Beneath all this visible machinery lie mammoth gates for directing the flow of water from the reservoir to the power plant.

This gate system is not for the purpose of robbing the southwestern states of the power they have already purchased. It is there to provide for emergency repairs to the equipment. And as we consider the Church of Jesus Christ and her source of power, God's Holy Spirit, we have the spiritual counterpart to Hoover Dam.

Before the dam was built, immense areas were flooded and hundreds of people were driven from their homes by the mighty Colorado River each year. Now, in place of death and destruction, the Colorado sends light and power to millions of people. To contain this vast power reservoir are the dam, soaring 700 feet above the river, and seventeen large generators providing a total of 1800 horsepower. Added to all this is a vast valve system weighing 15,000 tons.

Now let us look at the Church, which is you and I. We have been made guardians of the gospel. Christ said, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." But have we done our duty? First Timothy 6:9 says, "But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in de-

struction and perdition." Which group are we in? The unlimited power of the Holy Ghost stands ready to bring life to a dying world. But have we closed the gate for fear we would lose our riches?

Even in this physical parable, there is almost limitless power, because all the time we send power out from the dam, God is sending more rain to replenish the lake. Doesn't it thrill your soul to think that we serve a limitless God who never can run out of blessing or even physical resources for His children? Will you *open* the gate? Or are you yet saying, "We can't do that until the church debt is paid"? Does the gatekeeper at Hoover Dam decide on every whim of his that he will shut down for a while to get more water? No! The gate is always open except for repairs. Hoover Dam retains only one half of one per cent for operation of its power, and gives to the world the other 99½ per cent. Some of us try to keep the 99½ per cent for ourselves!

Is God too small to take care of His Church if we open the gospel gates for others? One has said, "God does not *have* to wait for us to act and pray, but He *does*." In Acts 1:8 we read, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."

In serving others, we shall save our own souls. He has said, "Inasmuch as ye did it not unto one of the least of these, ye did it not unto me." There is a little church in our area which, with fifteen paying families, is giving

forty per cent of its income to missions. If one small congregation can do it we all could, if we had a passion for the world about us.

Jesus said, "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it." Jim Elliot, modern missionary martyr, put it this way: "*He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose.*"

After a serious flood in the Hoover Dam area, it was discovered that great damage had been done, because only thirty per cent of the bridge had been closed off. Even five per cent could have done the same thing—for when we dam up power, it will destroy us. It must flow out. Just so, if we fail to let our lives be a channel for the Holy Ghost to a dying world, then that same power will destroy us.

No church has ever gone bankrupt giving for missions. In a recent year a church in our city with only 250 members gave \$100,000 to missions. What about your church? Do you care? Will Christ one day say to you and yours, "Ye did it not unto me"? Will you save your life only to lose it? Let us lose it for His sake who died for all!

Let us open the gates that the good news of salvation may flow around the world *now*. I challenge your church to go all out to send the gospel and see if He will not return the blessing a hundred fold.

"For so hath the Lord commanded us saying, I have set thee to be a light to the Gentiles, that thou shouldst be for salvation unto the ends of the earth" (Acts 13:47).

—The Missionary Standard