

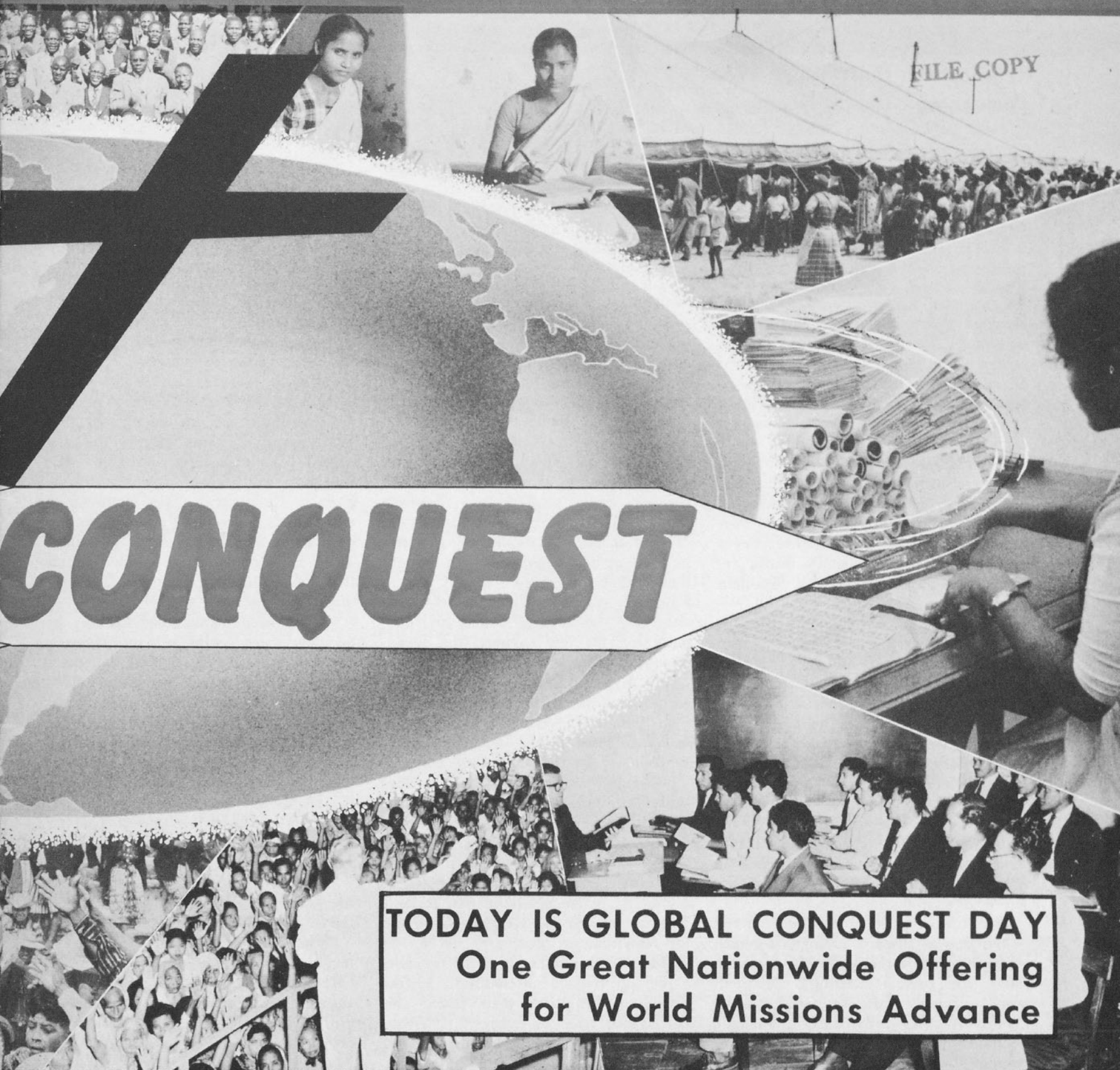
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Torture and Death, He Says,

***"I PRAISED THE LORD . . .
MY ENEMIES VANISHED"***



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By **C. M. Ward**, Revivaltime Speaker

RECENTLY I SPENT A WEEK WITH Kenneth Ware, our Assemblies of God missionary in Paris, France. By the power of the Holy Spirit he has turned 57 rue Myrha into a center of gospel activity in an area that has been closed by Paris police as a den of iniquity, crime, and murder.

Kenneth Ware's father was an American army officer from Memphis, Tenn., who lost his life in France just one day before the Armistice, on November 10, 1918. His mother, never reconciled to her husband's death, returned to Switzerland when Kenneth was four years of age.

Concerning his childhood in Europe, Kenneth Ware says, "My mother became a neurasthenic, and in her gloom she would abandon my sister and me for days at a time. She would close herself up in her little yacht and drift over the waters of the lake near our home. My mother was a very unhappy woman until she found Christ in one of my meetings many years later."

Kenneth grew to his teens in the midst of ungodliness. He stuttered so badly that he was never able to pass an oral examination at school.

The first miracle in his life occurred when he was fifteen. Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth came to Vevey, Switzerland, for revival meetings. Kenneth was running down the street when Smith Wigglesworth called to the lad, "Come here, boy! Put out your tongue!" The evangelist prayed for him, and since that moment Kenneth Ware has never experienced another

moment of stuttering while in gospel work.

One year later he was converted under the ministry of another English evangelist, Douglas Scott, the spiritual father of the full-gospel work in France, Belgium, and Switzerland.

At seventeen, Kenneth wrote to Brother Scott asking for instructions—wanting to do something for Christ. Brother Scott replied that Kenneth should begin "at Jerusalem," meaning, of course, that he should begin where he was—at home. But Kenneth thought that meant he should actually go to Palestine, so he found an elderly minister who was willing to take him and, gathering his few savings, the seventeen-year-old boy set out for the Holy Land. Kenneth Ware preached his first sermon on the streets of Jerusalem.

In 1942, during World War II, Brother Ware went to the south of France to minister in the important cities of Toulon and Marseille. He fell in love with the daughter of Max Vinitski, an orthodox Jew and portrait artist whose paintings hang in the Louvre. The Wares' home became a station on the escape route for Jewish refugees trying to reach Spain or Switzerland. Throughout the war Kenneth Ware was an American sympathizer, never forgetting that his father died for freedom.

Terror reigned in southern France during 1943. With their infant son, the Wares tried to escape to Switzerland. Kenneth put his wife and baby in one part of a train and made himself as inconspicuous as possible in another part. Informers spotted him

as he boarded, however, and as the train approached the border Nazi intelligence agents ordered Kenneth off for questioning at Pougny-Chancy, in the shadow of the fortress-like prison of Bellegarde.

"There seemed no hope," Brother Ware says. "I was known to have helped Jews to escape, and was under suspicion for giving assistance to the French Resistance. The examination was totally one-sided. The Germans both asked and answered the questions. They had already made up their minds that I was to be executed. *Then the miracle happened!*

"I had been manhandled brutally by one big guard who led me down a corridor toward the lighted courtyard where a police vehicle waited to return me to the prison cell. In picking me up from the floor where he had knocked me, this guard, who held me by the coat lapels, felt my New Testament inside my coat. He reached for it and as the pages fell open in his hand he asked, 'Are you a pastor?' His hand was shaking.

"'Yes, I am,' I replied. My face was stinging from where he had struck me with his fist and knocked me to the floor repeatedly.

"Then he said, 'Tomorrow morning . . .,' and indicated by pointing his rifle that I was a fool and would be shot the next morning. But silently he put the New Testament back into my pocket and quickly changed directions, leading me down an unused corridor. He then unlocked the handcuffs that had bound my hands.

"Now it was my turn to speak to him. He understood French, so I said, 'Now you are being foolish. They will court-martial you in the morning when they find I have escaped.'

"Without a further word this big, burly guard opened a side door and threw me out into a darkened passage that escaped surveillance. In guttural German I heard him say, 'Beat it! What power there is in the Word of God!'"

United with his wife and infant son in Lausanne, Switzerland, Brother Ware was safe from the enemy's reach but faced the necessity of finding food for his loved ones. In the midst of such necessity this gospel preacher experienced one of the greatest miracles any believer can enjoy this side of heaven.

It happened at 22 rue Ruchonnet, Lausanne, Switzerland, in September, 1944. One Saturday morning Mrs. Ware asked for shopping money. Kenneth had none. A few minutes later this lovely converted Jewess went to prayer.

Brother Ware says, "I heard her speaking to her Lord in utter simplicity. She said, 'Jesus, I need five pounds of potatoes, two pounds of pastry flour, some apples, pears, a cauliflower, carrots, veal cutlets for Saturday, and beef for Sunday.' When she had listed her requests she concluded, 'Thank you, Jesus!'"

At 11:30 that same morning, Brother Ware says, his wife answered a rap at their apartment door. She opened it to find a man bearing a basket of provisions. On the way to the kitchen the visitor passed Brother Ware who remembers, "I would know that man anywhere, any time. He was a man of radiant countenance, in the fullness of strength—a man of between thirty and forty years, tall, a little better than six feet in height. His eyes were blue; his hair was light, almost white. He was dressed as a man accustomed to delivering groceries, with the customary long blue apron over his work clothes. His voice was sweet and low.

"The man called my wife by name and told her, 'Mrs. Ware, I am bring-

ing you what you asked for!' He spoke in perfect French without the customary Swiss accent.

"Mrs. Ware replied, 'There must be a mistake. I have not asked for anything,' and then she called for me."

Kenneth Ware says his first thought was, "This man doesn't look like a delivery man. He could be the owner of some firm who is making an emergency delivery." Then he addressed the stranger, "Sir, there are twenty-five apartments in this building. You are surely making some mistake.

"The reply was as firm as before, 'Mrs. Ware, I am bringing what you asked for.'

"The man emptied the basket, placing on the table the exact list of food-stuffs—no more, no less—that Mrs. Ware had prayed for that morning. The two pounds of pastry flour was the very brand she had requested."

"I turned to apologize—to say, 'I'm sorry I haven't a tip...' but his look of reproach sealed my lips. My wife accompanied him to the door and I

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A European Minister Reports on
The Assemblies of God in
France and North Africa

Revival Fires Spreading in France

BY KENNETH WARE
Paris, France

SHORTLY AFTER THE CLOSE OF THE first World War, Evangelist Smith Wigglesworth conducted a series of Pentecostal services in the northern part of France. Ten years later, Douglas Scott crossed the Channel from England to France to become the first Pentecostal preacher to remain among the French-speaking people of the Normandy Coast.

Brother Scott started his work at Le Havre. Attracted by mighty miracles of healing, people from all along the Normandy Coast came to hear the new preacher, and the Pentecostal message spread.

In 1935, Brother Scott moved to the southern part of France and established a Pentecostal church in Marseilles. He remained in southern France until he

was driven out by World War II.

As a result of these early Pentecostal revivals, there are now 152 Assemblies of God churches in France, with 110 pastors and evangelists.

France does not have an Assemblies of God organization such as there is in the United States. We have no Bible school; we have no Sunday school program; we have no C. A. program; we have no cooperative fellowship. These we hope to develop as the Lord prospers us.

The work in North Africa started from the French assemblies. In 1954, a Frenchman by the name of Seige Gaillard crossed the Mediterranean to pioneer a Pentecostal work in North Africa. Today there are fifteen Assemblies of God churches in Algeria



and two in Morocco, fruits of Brother Gaillard's work.

There is a Pentecostal magazine published in the French language. It has a circulation of 4,000 copies and originates in Paris. It contains primarily French translations of articles appearing in *The Pentecostal Evangel*.

The French assemblies sponsor about twenty missionaries abroad throughout the French Union. On the foreign fields they co-operate with the American Assemblies of God mission programs.

In Paris we have a special work among the Jews. Immediate results are small, but our ministry is growing and a number of Jews have accepted Jesus as their Messiah and Lord.

A unique ministry in Europe is that among the gypsies. Assemblies of God missionary Richard Scotti, whose headquarters are in Belgium, supervises the work among the gypsy tribes. At present we have 41 full-time preachers among the gypsies and about 3,000 baptized converts.

We are thankful to the Lord for the way He is helping our churches in France to grow, and we covet the prayers of our American brethren that the work may continue to prosper.

Mission to Europe

One of the leading evangelical magazines recently published a list of mission fields, showing comparative figures on the various religions in each. Africa, Asia, the Middle East, Latin America, the Pacific islands—all these were listed, but not Europe. It was assumed, perhaps, that because Europe was once the stronghold of Christianity it does not need evangelizing today.

This is not true. Continental Europe, "the cradle of Christian civilization," is now pagan. Countries where the people once lived in the full blaze of the gospel light are now steeped in spiritual darkness, and as has been said many times before, "no place is as dark as where the light has gone out."

Europe suffered much from two world wars, both economically and spiritually. Today, however, it has risen from the rubble to resume its full political and economic share in world affairs. Britain's comeback is amazing. Last year for the first time in living memory Britain exported more than she imported. The economic feats of West Germany are even more startling. West Germany's industry in the past few years has developed more rapidly than Russia's. France too is numbered among the "Big Four" that stood up to Russia in the recent Berlin crisis.

Our government recognizes the importance of holding these nations as our friends. Free Europe produces as much coal as the U.S. It produces more electric power than Russia. It produces more steel than the U.S.S.R. and the entire Soviet bloc of nations. If Free Europe's steel, coal, and other assets were somehow cast on Russia's side the U.S. would be hopelessly outstripped. Europe is the key to world freedom; so for purely selfish reasons we need to help evangelize Europe to give it the spiritual strength to resist Communism.

Another reason for evangelizing Europe is because of the potential blessing it holds. Europeans are the most skilled, most intelligent people on earth. When they are spiritually awakened the blessing spreads to every part of the world, for the languages of the West are still used by 36 per cent of the earth's population.

But the main reason for evangelizing Europe is because the Europeans need to be saved. Today, as in Paul's day, there is a cry, "Come over . . . and help us." Paul was the first missionary to receive a call to Europe. Because of his obedience to the call, and because of the obedience of those who followed him, all Europe was evangelized. Today another generation has arisen which has never had the gospel. Most of the people have never seen a Bible. Three hundred million people in Free Europe wait to hear the Good News of Jesus and His saving grace. In spite of their cathedrals, their universities, their culture the people long for a taste of spiritual reality. Our Pentecostal brethren in Europe are calling for help. They have asked for assistance from the New World in evangelizing the Old. It was from our European forefathers we received the gospel. We have a debt to pay, a mission to fulfill in Europe.

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"God can grow trees, lift mountains, stretch seas from continent to continent, but He needs our help to bring salvation to a lost world."

IN 2 CORINTHIANS 6:1, PAUL BASES an appeal to the believers on the fact that he and his fellow-laborers are "workers together" with God. The Amplified New Testament has it, "As God's fellow workers, laboring together with Him." Moffatt, "I appeal to you as a worker with God."

We are privileged actually to be in partnership with our wonderful Lord in the business of winning souls and building His kingdom.

Someone has said, "God can grow trees, lift mountains, fill space with singing stars, people the earth, stretch the seas from continent to continent, weigh the nations as dust in the balance, and fill the earth with His glory; but He has so arranged things that He needs our help in the salvation of a lost world, in comforting a broken heart, in making the desert place blossom as the rose for those out of whose lives the light has gone, and into whose lives the night has come." Let us thank God for His willingness to share His most important work with us.

It has been said, "If you are in partnership with God, you can make big plans, for you have a big partner." God is not only a big partner, He is a faithful one. We are not called to carry out our tasks alone, but to be workers together with Him.

A widow who had reared six children of her own, plus twelve adopted children, was asked how she managed.

"You see, I'm in partnership," she replied. "One day, a long time ago, I said, 'Lord, I'll do the work and you do the worrying,' and I haven't had a worry since!"

When we leave our worries with God and take His yoke upon us, sharing our burdens with Him, we too are in a glorious partnership—we are workers together with Him. This one truth, the fact of our partnership with God, could revolutionize our lives if we would grasp it. Oh, the possibilities of joy and success in service when we become workers together with the Almighty God!

Whether yours is the calling of a pastor, Sunday school teacher, parent, missionary, or personal worker, if you are laboring to extend the kingdom of God you can enjoy this divine partnership.

We are now engaged in a great world evangelism effort which we call Global Conquest. We recognize that no one person can possibly carry out the Great Commission. It is a co-operative effort in every way: Christ working together with the Father brought salvation to earth through Calvary. The disciples, "the Lord working with them," went everywhere preaching the Word. And each succeeding generation has had those who were workers together with God in the whitened harvest field.

Now it is our turn. The commission to go into all the world still stands. And the promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world," goes right along with it. In our great eleventh-hour missionary thrust, let us

each do our part as workers together with God. If you are one of those whose task is to go, take courage from the knowledge that you go with God as your partner. If you are among those who send the messengers, you are not excluded from being a "worker together with God." For giving and praying are part of the work of winning the lost to Christ.

How much lighter any task becomes when we grasp the truth that we are workers together with God. And how much more significant the humblest place of service becomes when we realize that it is all part of the great plan of God for the extension of His kingdom.

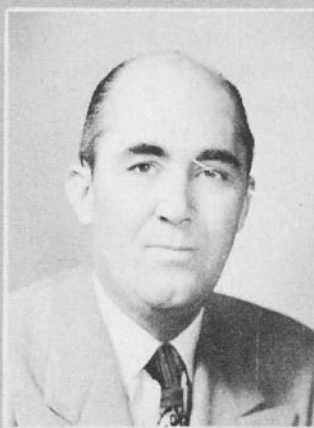
We have all experienced times when we felt we could no longer carry the burden that was ours. Then suddenly we have awakened to the knowledge that the work is not all ours, but that we have a partner in our wonderful Lord. What He has called us to do, He will also enable us to accomplish. We should never be discouraged but ever go forward, knowing that He goes before us and works with us. When our interests are in absolute harmony with His, then we shall know the pure joy of what it means to be a worker together with God. ◀◀

The personalities of the Old Testament were not great because of great things they did, certainly not because of their sinlessness, and not because they did not make mistakes—every one of them made mistakes, and every one of them was guilty of some sin or other. *They were great because they were faithful when God called them.* They did the work that He had for them to do.

God does not only work through a nation collectively; He does not only work through a big church or a big Sunday school; *He works through individual men and women who are faithful in their work.* —William S. LaSor

Workers Together With God

BY N. D. DAVIDSON
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Pentecost in the Philippines

The Orient's Largest Evangelistic Center Stirred

BY ALFRED CAWSTON

Missionary to the Philippine Islands

THIS IS GOD'S HOUR OF VISITATION in the Philippines. We have been watching a re-enactment of New Testament Pentecost.

God has used many individuals in this great revival and churches have sprung up all over the islands. The largest evangelistic center in the Orient, Bethel Temple, is located in Manila, capital of the Philippines. It is truly a benediction to one's spirit to enter that great church and hear the Filipino people sing and pray and seek the Lord with all their hearts. This church is comparatively new—only five years old in July.

In February of this year we were privileged to have "The Great Commission Congress," a well-planned, all-out crusade of the Assemblies of God in the Philippine Islands. The main meetings were held each evening for a period of three weeks in the great outdoor Roxas Park, Manila. Evangelist Morris Cerullo, the main evangelist, was mightily used by God. Our national pastors and missionaries fully co-operated with Brother Cerullo and

the group of American evangelists and businessmen who assisted him.

The presence of the Lord was felt from the beginning of the Congress. Each day from 7 a.m. through 5 p.m. prayer and instruction meetings were held in Bethel Temple. On the first night the attendance was estimated to be between four and five thousand and continued to increase until on the closing night it was estimated there were twelve thousand present.

News of miracles of healing spread throughout the islands and people traveled hundreds of miles to attend these meetings. When the invitation for salvation was given, it was a glorious sight to see hundreds of people step forward in each service with up-raised hands indicating their desire to accept Jesus Christ as Saviour. During the morning services held in Bethel Temple literally hundreds of believers were baptized with the Holy Spirit.

After the meetings closed there was an outstanding increase in attendance in Bethel Temple, its outstations, and

other Assemblies churches in the Manila area.

One of the major events of the Congress was the water baptismal service held on the closing Sunday afternoon. Thousands gathered on the shores of Manila Bay to see twenty of our national pastors baptizing one thousand new converts in water. This is thought to be the largest baptismal service ever held in the Philippines.

Immediately following the Great Commission Congress, Elton Hill from San Diego, Calif., came as our evangelist and he gave sound teaching in the Word of God, encouraging the people to grow spiritually.

At the close of Brother Hill's ministry we took a furlough, leaving the Reid Evangelistic party, consisting of Brother and Sister Albert Reid and Tommy, to co-operate in the leadership of this great Evangelistic Center with our very efficient Filipino pastors, R. Candelaria and R. Alcantara. According to reports received directly from Manila, the congregation in Bethel Temple has grown in numbers and the

Sunday morning congregation in Bethel Temple, Manila, Philippine Islands





Water baptismal service in Manila Bay

Sunday school attendance has been consistently over the two thousand mark.

To God be the glory; great things He has done and is still doing in the Philippines. What is recorded in Acts

2:47 concerning the church after the Day of Pentecost can be said of the work in the Philippines: "And the Lord added to the church daily such as should be saved." ◀◀

CALL TO ACTION

BY THE PROMOTIONS
SECRETARY OF THE
FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPT.

J. Philip Hogan



Why Another Missionary Magazine?

THE FIRST ISSUE OF "GLOBAL CONQUEST" has been published and mailed to every *Evangel* reader. We hope you have enjoyed it and are thrilled at its fresh approach to the ever-changing, constantly-growing missionary challenge.

Perhaps you are among those who will say: "But why another magazine? I have more than I can read now." Or, "Is missions so important that we must constantly be reading about it?"

Ponder, will you, the following observations:

1. This is an age of stepped-up communications: printed, electronic, and mechanical. If the missionary program is to compete (and the term is correctly used) with all the other voices of our world, it must assert itself.

2. Reporting to its constituents has always been characteristic of the Foreign Missions Department. We feel that we are but custodians of the resources given through us to the mission field. Every missionary donor has a right to know what happens to his investment in missions. This fact prompts us to step up our avenues of reporting.

3. *Global Conquest* represents an "extra" effort within the framework of the already-existent foreign missionary program of the Assemblies of God. In order to achieve this "priority status" it must be promoted as a separate package. Hence the new format, mailing list, and concept known as *Global Conquest*.

The Foreign Missions Department is interested in a wide circulation of the new free quarterly publication. We are using several methods to build a mailing list. If any *Evangel* readers know of friends interested in missions who are not now receiving the magazine, we would be delighted to receive such names and addresses to add to our distribution lists. ◀◀

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Reaching the Children for Christ

by LEONARD AND
GENEVIEVE OLSON
Haines, Alaska



Leonard and Genevieve Olson

to Sunday school because of their own church affiliations. We are using the *Life of Christ* series in these services. Several of the children have come to the altar and accepted the Lord as Saviour.

We are praying that as the Word of God is planted in these young hearts it will yield a big harvest. The story hour has really been the most encouraging phase of our work of reaching children for Christ this year.

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The Emergency Fund for Alaska Missions (to buy vehicles, etc.) is very low at this time. Offerings may be sent, clearly designated, directly to the Home Missions Department.

OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL AT HAINES, Alaska, had only been averaging about fifteen children, but we had thirty-seven on Easter Sunday, including the adults. A family of three children came for the first time then and are now coming regularly.

When it is snowing, blowing, and cold, it is hard to get the children into Sunday school. Then too, most of our children are from unsaved homes. So, as an incentive to the children, we promised a reward for each who attended regularly for one month. The first month there were only three children who did not miss; the next month five had perfect attendance. Interest is increasing, and so is our Sunday school average.

It is almost impossible to divide our Sunday school according to the National Standard as we have so many young children and we are the only teachers now. Please pray that the

Lord will send us some teachers.

During the summer the people from Klukwan and other towns move to the little two-room cabins provided by the cannery at Letnikof Cove, six miles from Haines. During this season (June through August) Brother Olson takes our 1950 Chevrolet Carry-all each Sunday morning to bring the native children in for Sunday school. He takes them home after church, making about a 26-mile round trip over the rough and dusty gravel roads. He has had as many as twenty children in one load.

We used the Carry-all for hauling building supplies during the erection of the church here. Consequently, it has seen much service and is in need of replacement.

On Friday afternoons we have a story hour which has been averaging about thirty. By presenting the gospel through this means, we reach children who never would be allowed to come

Revival Comes to Indian Reservation

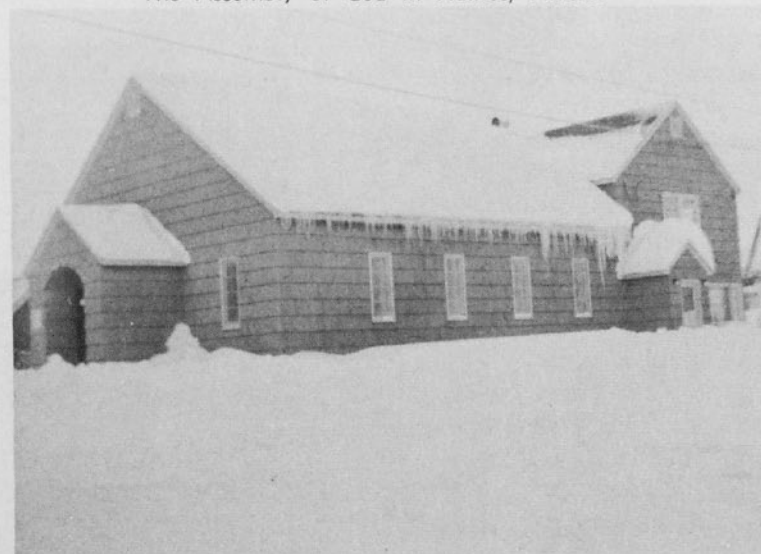
BY JOHN BENNETT
Fort Hall, Idaho

THE BLESSING OF THE LORD IS evident in the Indian church at Fort Hall, Idaho. The Shoshone and Bannock Indians to whom we minister are exhibiting a new interest in the gospel and the Sunday school has increased considerably. The Primary Class has more than 38 members and the Adult Class has doubled.

God is moving mightily in our midst. All but one of the members of the congregation knelt at one time and gave themselves to God! Some of them had never prayed in the church before.

Extra meetings were conducted. Conviction became evident on the unsaved

The Assembly of God in Haines, Alaska



Fishing boats on the river at Haines



and attendance soared from the usual forties or sixties to more than 112. We are praying that those who have been saved will receive the infilling of the Holy Spirit.

The Lord has blessed us materially, as well. There is now an attractive Indian church in Bylas. The beautiful turquoise-colored auditorium has beige-colored seats, to give a rich contrast to the knotty pine pulpit and front, which are set off by a painting of a local mountain and stream scene. Our own Shoshone artist, Evangelist Jimmie Dann, painted the picture.



John Bennett family, missionaries to the Indians at Fort Hall, Idaho

Materials for finishing the three Sunday school rooms are urgently needed. Also, we are greatly in need of suitable living quarters. Our two-and-one-half-room apartment in the church basement floods in the summertime. Please pray that God will supply all these needs for His glory and for the extension of His kingdom among our Indian people.

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BRANDT BYLINES

by

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

Impressions of Alaska

ALASKA IS A GREAT STATE. MANY of my preconceived ideas have been altered as a result of my recent visit to the famed "land of the midnight sun."

The topography of the land is astounding. It ranges all the way from the most rugged mountains on the North American continent to perfectly level farmland. The far-reaching tundra, the triangle of land north of the mountains which is a low, flat region covered with moss and grass and dotted with innumerable rivers, creeks, and lakes, defies one's imagination. Multiplied thousands of acres of it spread out before the onlooker as he flies from point to point; and a person wonders if man will ever convert it into a place of habitation. Under foot is a cushion of moss—the accumulation of centuries—making human travel next to impossible. Beneath the tundra, even in summertime, is perma-frost—an eternal layer of ice-bound soil, extending downward hundreds of feet.

But other parts of Alaska have been conquered by man. A few large cities, populated mostly by whites, have sprung

up and are thriving in certain areas. Many smaller cities have found their places too along the countless rivers and on the seacoast; and isolated native villages have existed for centuries in the remote stillness of the interior.

Alaska is a land of lost men. To be found there are the cultured and refined, as well as the natives, who in many instances are living in much the same way as they did a century ago. But regardless of cultural attainment or the lack of it, all need Christ.

I found the Assemblies of God missionaries in Alaska doing a magnificent job. Though they must almost constantly battle the elements, they have, by God's enabling grace, been able to accomplish the seemingly impossible. Not only have individual lives been changed, but in some instances entire villages have been transformed. In one case a government nurse was so delighted with the village-wide effect of the missionary's efforts that she reported it to Washington, D. C.

One of the major problems of the Alaskan missionary is the transient population. He builds up a sizeable congregation, only to have the people move on after a few months, leaving him to start all over again. For this reason it is very difficult to establish a self-supporting work in Alaska, and it is necessary that support from the rest of the country be continued. Perhaps statehood will in time remedy this, but for the time being the *continuation of our work in Alaska depends upon the faithfulness of contributing churches and friends in the homeland.*

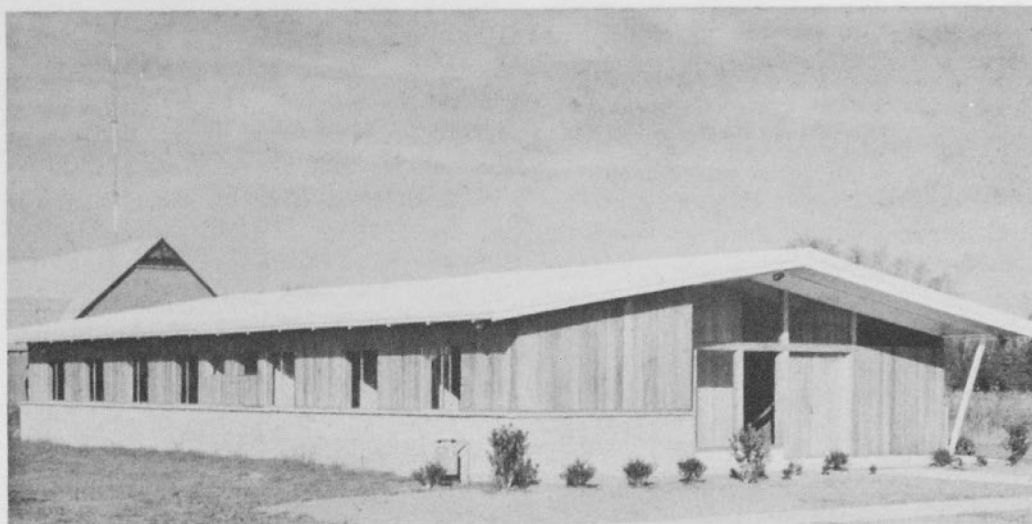
Grace does not get rid of works; it produces them. It doesn't make them unnecessary; it makes them possible.



Indian congregation at a special service in Fort Hall, Idaho



There are 21 under four in the Sunday school at Fort Hall



Calvary Church Assembly of God in Selma, Alabama

Thriving New Church in the South

BY RUTH LYON

SAMMY MIZELL MOVED HIS FAMILY TO Selma, Ala., in November of 1956 to begin his ministry to a congregation of nine members. They were meeting in a dwelling house on which there was a total indebtedness of \$6,800.

The National Home Missions Department made a gift to the new church in order to help it along. The Alabama Home Missions Department loaned them the price of the foundation and concrete slab until the old building could be vacated and sold.

In late July, 1957, they began a campaign with the Edwards brothers, Quentin and Dwight, in a habitable but completely unfurnished new building. However, the church was full of interested people every night and the successful campaign put the church on its feet.

Since the beginning, Calvary Church Assembly of God, with a very fine group of hard-working Christians, has been especially blessed of God. Several evangelists have contributed much to the steady growth of the church. Today, they have all or part of 45 families, most of whom have been won to the Lord since the church started, worshiping with them. Brother Mizell states that they never have a service that first-timers are not present. Calvary Church is strategically located one block off State Highway 22 and one block off Federal Highway 80.

Calvary Church's radio program at 9 a.m. each Sunday is, in their consideration, their number one asset. In this very conservative pre-Civil-War city (one of the South's oldest), there is a tremendous response to their lively and anointed radio ministry. It has a potential listening audience of 250,000.

The congregation began construction on the second unit May 15, and plans to stay with the ultramodern style of construction throughout the expansion program.

Brother Mizell writes: "I take much pleasure in expressing my deep appreciation to the National Home Missions Department for the very fine Home Missions blueprint service they have provided. It is my sincere belief that no group should start a new Home Missions endeavor in our wonderful fellowship without taking advantage of this very unique service."

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Note: The Blueprint Program offered by the National Home Missions Department is no longer confined to pioneer churches. However, churches over three years old must pay \$100 for the blueprints, whereas pioneer churches three years old or under pay only \$50. Plot-planning service is available from the regional architects, as well, at a reasonable price. Several new plans are being added to the book this summer. ◀◀

New Jewish Mission Needed in Chicago

BY RUTH TOCZEK

Secretary of Assemblies of God
Hebrew Mission, Chicago, Illinois

MANY OF our friends have never seen—and may never see—our Shalom Center Mission here in Chicago, so I am going to describe it.



At the front are two large display windows, which are decorated to catch the eye of the passer-by. Bibles opened to appropriate scriptures, posters depicting the Messiah and His great plan of redemption, and other items to attract attention are in the windows. Some people stop to read; others with their heads up walk rapidly by.

The inside of the Mission consists of one large room with a little curtained nook in which we keep our literature. This main room serves as the office, Mission, and mailing room. Here tracts are folded and scriptural literature is sorted and put together into little packets to be given out on the streets and in homes. Bibles are wrapped and addressed to those who have requested them. Special literature is prepared for mailing to the Jews also. We read and acknowledge a great many letters, record receipts, and take care of many other things too numerous to mention.

Once a month the *Prayer Bulletin* is sent to our friends who so loyally stand by us. We also have the *Hebrew Evangel*, which is published quarterly in Springfield, Missouri, and distributed by us.

This is one side of our Mission. However, this is not all, and perhaps it is not the most important. On Wednesday afternoon our workshop is turned into a "little sanctuary" (Exodus 25:8). The room becomes a place of worship, where God comes down to meet with us. His presence is felt throughout the meeting. It is inspiring to hear the prayers, praises, prayer requests, and testimonies from Jewish friends who have found our precious Lord as their Saviour.

To some, singing gospel songs is a new experience, for they are not accustomed to making melody in their hearts to the Lord, and the songs are unfamiliar to them. However, after receiving a hymnbook they soon enter into the service. At the end of the song service, the Word of God is read and expounded. Some are not familiar with the Bible, so in place of giving chapter and verse we give the page number. When the meeting is over, we mingle together like one big family. The fellowship is very sweet and precious.

After the meeting the offering box is placed on the pulpit, so that those who wish to contribute may do so. Our offering box may be of interest to you. It is a little velvet box imprinted with the Star of David on the side and Hebrew characters inside the star.

The people are exhorted to attend our various Assemblies of God churches on Sunday. The Mission is not in the best location for a church and is not adequately suited for all our activities. We are praying that God will enable us soon to have our own place. We have asked the Lord for \$10,000 as a down payment on our own building. God has told us in His Word to ask largely, and that is what we have done. Continue to stand with us, dear friends, that many more Jews may hear the *Good News*. It is our desire that they too may mingle their voices in praise and worship to Him, who has commanded us to serve Him without fear in holiness and righteousness all the days of our lives.

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Offerings designated for CHICAGO HEBREW MISSION may be sent directly to the Home Missions Department. ◀ ◀

Suppose that "when the roll is called up yonder," I am there myself, but that all through the eternal ages I am unable to find a single person who is there because of my having led him to Christ—how much will heaven mean to me?

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

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A PRISONER'S TESTIMONY

Bible Study Courses Help a Lansing Prisoner



SOME FEW MONTHS AGO I WAS ENJOYING what I thought to be the best way of living. The one fact I did not realize was that my sinful life was only leading me to destruction. King Solomon spoke of this kind of life long ago when he said, "There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." It is so true!

After being confined behind prison walls and coming to the realization that I, myself, was the cause of this confinement, I started thinking about the life I was living and the circumstances that led to my imprisonment.

I pondered my condition and wondered what I was going to do with the remainder of my life. I surely did not want to stay in prison. There was only one thing left to do—rely on Someone who was more capable of solving my problems than I was. My way had proved to be wrong, for here I was in prison.

This is where the Bible correspondence courses from the Home Missions Department played a very important part. They assisted me to cultivate right thinking, and led me to Christ Jesus, now my Saviour.

I am deeply indebted to Prison Chaplain James E. E. Post, at Lansing, Kans., and to Arvid Ohnell, national prison chaplain of the Assemblies of God Home Missions Department, for their help and encouragement in these Bible studies.

Never in any of the Assemblies of God courses have I found any other denomination criticized. It seems that the main purpose of the courses is simply to teach the Word of God. I had not found this to be true in a previous course I had started from an-

other organization. I think that beginners, such as I was, should be taught the straight Word of God, and after they understand that better they can make their own choice as to a denomination.

I personally appreciate the Assemblies of God for teaching me the Bible and not just one particular belief. I do feel the Assemblies are chosen by God to sow the seed of His Word. Many of my former inmate friends sincerely share this opinion.

May the inspiration and influence of the Bible study courses ever be a burning light to point the way to Jesus Christ, the Saviour of men.

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Arvid Ohnell, national prison chaplain, has written five correspondence courses which are available to prisoners free of charge. Thousands of prisoners have been helped and many have been led to Christ through taking the courses. Funds are needed at present to continue this worthwhile ministry. Offerings for PRISON MINISTRY should be sent to the Home Missions Department. ◀ ◀

After a While

Is it too much to hope that when we see our blessed Lord in the glory, when the trials and toils are all at an end—is it too much to desire that He should say something like this to us: "Thy love to me was wonderful"? I tell you it will make the toils of the road and all the renunciations and willing sacrifices of life seem as nothing to have some such words of commendation from the lips of our glorious Saviour, and to hear Him say to the one who has sought to be faithful at all cost: "Well done! You were never popular on earth, and nobody knew much about you. The life you lived to my glory in the uninspiring sphere of home duty seemed to be wasted and its sacrifice to be worthless by those who knew it; but 'thy love to me was wonderful.' Men said you made mistakes, and were narrow-minded, and did not catch the spirit of your age; men thought that you were a fanatic and a fool, but 'thy love to me was wonderful.'"

Is that not an aim worthy of each of us, so to live that in the day of His appearing He shall fold us to His heart and whisper such a commendation?

—J. Stuart Holden

Home Front Highlights

News Briefs From the Home Missions Fields

AMERICAN INDIANS

McDermitt, Nev.

The American Indian Fellowship Meeting May 15-17 at McDermitt, Nev., was very well attended. George Effman, president of the American Indian Fellowship, was among those present. The services were inspirational and many were at the altar for salvation or healing. Four were baptized in water the last day. The church was full for every meeting.

The Indian congregation in McDermitt was using the Episcopal Chapel temporarily, but had to vacate it by August 1. Several people have been saved and six have received the Holy Spirit in this pioneer Indian field. The George Forrests who pastor here are doing an excellent work.



Bannock Tribe members from Fort Hall, Idaho attend fellowship meeting at McDermitt, Nev.

Healdsburg, Calif.

The American Indian Fellowship Meeting conducted May 8-10 in Healdsburg, Calif., was also well attended. Workers were inspired to greater endeavors for God. An offering of \$228 was taken for the much-needed McDermitt, Nev., Indian church building.

The churches were encouraged to help the Indian work of the district by making monthly pledges of one dollar per person. When a church pledges \$10 or more, it receives a poster which reads, WE ARE INDIAN GIVERS.

Fayetteville, N. C.

The Indian Sunday school in Fayetteville increased in one year from 32 to 83, even after giving up 20 members to help start the new Shannon Sunday school.

Macy, Nebr.

The new Indian church at Macy (Walter Hamilton, pastor) was dedicated July 24. Gayle F. Lewis, executive director of the Home Missions Department, was present and spoke at the service.

Tuba City, Ariz.

The newly-completed Navajo-Hopi Indian Mission in Tuba City, which was dedicated May 30, is a cause for much rejoicing for this Indian congregation that formerly worshiped in a tent, summer and winter. About 45 Indian converts have been baptized in water at Tuba City over a period of five years.

FIELD MINISTRY

Gayle F. Lewis, executive director of the Home Missions Department, and Mrs. Lewis recently visited the Indian reservations in Kansas, Nebraska, South Dakota, North Dakota, Minnesota and Wisconsin.

R. L. Brandt, national Home Missions secretary, just completed a six-week tour of missionary work in Alaska.

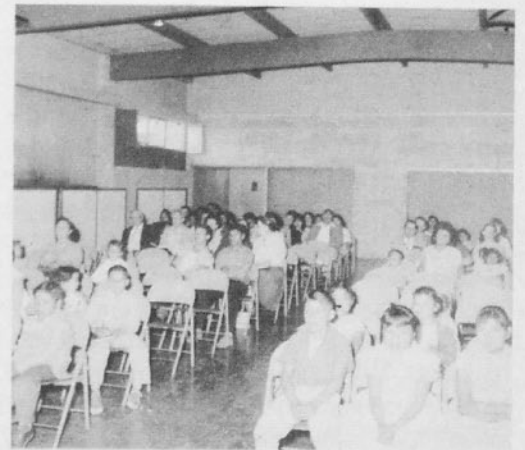
ALASKA MINISTRY

Haines

Leonard Olson, pastor at Haines, just concluded two weeks of Vacation Bible School with an enrollment of 70 and an average attendance of 58. The Dale Carpenters of Fruitland, Wash., assisted them and had revival meetings in the evenings.

Kenai

The Kenai church had a VBS in July. The Carl Glicks, pastors, are visiting from home to home on the beach where the fishermen are working. People here are



Evening congregation at the American Indian Fellowship Meeting at Healdsburg, California

too busy to attend church, but how they need God!

MINISTRY TO THE DEAF

Decatur, Ill.

Recently James and Twila Edwards introduced Sylvie Leigh to the Glad Tidings Assembly in Decatur, Ill. Miss Leigh is pioneering a church among the Deaf in this city. The hearing pastor, J. H. Crouch, and his congregation, are enthusiastic about this new endeavor. The local newspaper has already done an excellent job advertising Sylvie's work.



Indian people at fellowship meeting in front of the Episcopal church which the McDermitt congregation is now using



George Forrest, pastor at McDermitt, baptizes a young Indian who wishes to become a Christian leader



The new Navajo-Hopi Mission at Tuba City, Ariz.



T. L. Johnson, missionary at Tuba City, baptizes Navajo Indians

Deaf Camps

The Lake of the Ozarks Camp for the Deaf which closed July 12 was well attended with 45 registered. Croft Pentz, speaker, brought inspiring messages. Kenneth Swenson was camp director.

Fort Wayne, Ind.

The Bob Nathans, deaf ministers in Fort Wayne, are the proud parents of a baby boy, Daniel, born June 21.

Milwaukee, Wis.

The Milwaukee Journal printed the following news item April 18, 1959:

"Sign language was used to teach deaf persons first aid at Red Cross headquarters. Miss Elaine Kressin applied a bandage to Yachtman Sue. Miss Janelda Smith used her hands and fingers to communicate the lesson.

"Sixteen members of this first aid class for the Deaf, taught by Miss Janelda Smith, received their Standard Red Cross First Aid Certificates. Two of the members were hearing persons. Miss Smith is an Assemblies of God minister to the Deaf in Calvary Assembly of God, Milwaukee, Wis."

PRISON MINISTRY

Bible Study Courses Popular

National Prison Chaplain Arvid Ohnrell says, "We want to extend our thanks and

appreciation to all the friends of the prison work for their loyal support and consideration of the men incarcerated behind the bars. Christ included the prison work in His program, and when the day of reward shall come prison workers will also be rewarded.

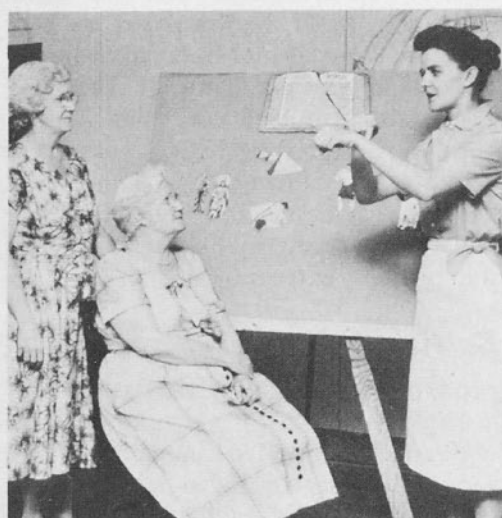
"We have approximately 3,000 Bible students. We send Bible study courses out every day to prisons from Sing Sing to Alcatraz. Often as many as thirty completed courses have been returned to us in one day for examinations and certificates. We also have many students who take advanced courses through the Berean

School of the Bible after they have completed our five primary courses. All the courses from the Berean School of the Bible are paid for from the Prison Fund of the Home Missions Department.

"We will soon have to print more courses and will appreciate further help. The prison work is moving ahead all the time for which we thank the Lord."

Bibles Purchased

The Home Missions Department recently purchased 100 Bibles and 100 Testaments from the American Bible Society for distribution by chaplains among prisoners who have asked for them.



Sylvia Leigh explains the Scripture to two deaf ladies

ANOTHER
BOOK
OF THE
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FEATURE

12,000 MILES by LAND ROVER



By Mary McCombe Orr

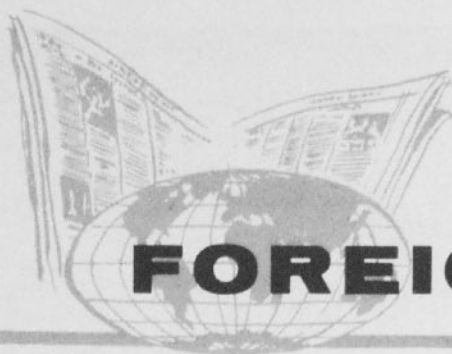
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DIRECT REPORTS FROM MANY LANDS

FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

Togo

OUTSTATION EVANGELISM IN WEST AFRICA

Missionary Murray Brown reports, "I went to Mandori, our easternmost outstation, with two of our African preachers. There were at least three hundred men and boys present. Believe it or not, four of us preached in that one service. The people became very interested and by the time the third preacher gave his message and began to make the appeal, the whole lot of them came forward to kneel. Even after they were told again and again of the plan of salvation and what repentance from sin really meant, half of them remained on their knees. We prayed and they prayed.

"There are fourteen young men already saved in this area and really seem to be going on with the Lord. Many of these people are barely one step from savagery. Pray for this new work."

Indonesia

NATIONALS REPLACE MISSIONARIES AS EXECUTIVES

At a recent conference of the Assemblies of God in Djakarta, Java, the leadership of the Assemblies of God in Indonesia passed from the missionaries to the Indonesian brethren. Sumardi Stefanus, editor of *Golden Grain*, official organ of the Assemblies of God in Indonesia, was elected superintendent. He has been presbyter in East Java and acting secretary-treasurer of the national organization as well as pastor of the Surabaya church. Missionary Harold R. Carlblom reports that "the conference atmosphere was charged with deep feeling as our brother made his acceptance speech in humility and weeping, calling us all to pray for him that he might fulfill God's call in this new position."

Other officers elected at the conference were Paul Tehupuring, assist-

ant superintendent; K. L. Tobing, secretary-treasurer; and Ie Sing Goan, assistant treasurer. "These men are all of fine Christian character, full of the Spirit, and outstanding in their respective fields of labor," writes Brother Carlblom. "We know that Christians in the homeland will rejoice with us in this wonderful step forward."

Tanganyika

REVIVAL AT TANGANYIKA BIBLE INSTITUTE

Missionary Norman Correll reports that "revival has come to the Tanganyika Bible Institute! For many years we have been praying for an outpouring upon our students. Last week we dismissed regular classes and devoted the time to seeking the Lord. God poured out His Spirit upon us and by the weekend many had been filled and others refilled and revived.

"Last Sunday we took some of the Bible students to the government prison for a service. At the conclusion of the sermon a spirit of conviction seized the men and 23 knelt for salvation. What a thrilling sight it was!"



Officers of the Assemblies of God in Indonesia. Left to right (seated): Sumardi Stefanus, superintendent, Paul Tehupuring, assistant superintendent. Standing: Ie Sing Goan, assistant secretary-treasurer, and K. L. Tobing, secretary-treasurer.

Liberia

IMPRISONED MINISTERS RELEASED

Word has just been received from Liberia, West Africa, that President William V. S. Tubman has personally intervened in the case of nine Pentecostal ministers who had been jailed for breaking down the Bush Society by preaching the gospel in the Western Province of Liberia. Missionary Robert Renfroe reports that "God has used these men in their area to break the power of the Bush Devil. The natives had said that these men would never come out of the jail alive, that the jujus and native medicine would kill them all. But the men are free and alive, and the people have no more confidence in the Bush Devil and his medicine. This is a tremendous victory for the gospel in Liberia."

Bolivia

RIOTS IN THE "CITY OF PEACE"

Missionaries Monroe and Betty Jane Grams report from La Paz, Bolivia, that "once more the streets of La Paz are stained with blood. We are living in a stage of siege as the result of the revolution a month ago—the third in three months.

"As we left the church on Sunday, April 19, we were caught in a barrage of gun fire, barricades, and death. Only the Lord knows how we got home without being hurt with nearly 300 killed in this 'City of Peace.'

"In this troubled city the Assemblies of God Evangelistic Center was dedicated on Sunday, June 28—a tribute to missionaries and national Christians who see eternity's values beyond the present extremities."

British Guiana

PROGRESS REPORTED IN BRITISH GUIANA

Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley McPherson have just concluded a revival in British Guiana. Missionaries David and Gladys Guenther report, "Many souls

were saved and healed in the campaign and we are now reaping the fruits of their labors. In one open-air service there were approximately 1,100 in attendance."

There are now three organized churches, four outstations, and sixteen Sunday schools in British Guiana. Sunday school enrollment is about 2,300. Several new churches and Sunday schools are now being started.

Chile

REVIVAL COMES TO CONCEPCION

Missionaries Lowell and Virla Dowdy report that in the past six weeks 31 have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in the Assembly at Concepcion. "In our city each Sunday morning and afternoon between 450 and 500 people are being reached in our seven Sunday schools. This includes our shut-in class at the county jail where there are 50 students enrolled in two classes."

Fiji Islands

PENTECOSTAL OUTPOURING ON VITI LEVU

The first outpouring of the Spirit at Lautoka, second largest port of Viti Levu, has just been reported by Adrian Heetebry. "In the first tarrying meeting held there by Sister Heetebry seven were baptized with the Holy Spirit, and on the following night three more were filled. All of these were adults: seven are Fijians and three Indians. They are meeting much opposition."

Ghana

ENLARGEMENT THROUGH CLINIC EVANGELISM

Missionary nurse Ruby Johnson writes that a number have been saved through clinic evangelism. "Three knelt for salvation a week ago Friday in our Saboba Clinic service, and ten knelt the next day in the Yakazia Clinic."

Sister Johnson, accompanied by a student on vacation from Bible school, recently held a number of village services in Northern Ghana. She reports, "Many knelt for salvation in each service—I think ten in one and about twenty in another. Last Monday night this same Bible school boy and I prayed with one of the local policemen, who was a Roman Catholic, and we believe he was saved. He was in Sunday school and church the following Sunday."

EVANGEL DEADLINE

... LATE NEWS AT PRESS TIME

"REPUBLIC OF CHINA" is now the official name of the island of Formosa. Mail from our missionaries on the island bears this new imprint—a constant reminder that mainland China is under communist domination.

THE NEW MISSIONARY MAGAZINE, "GLOBAL CONQUEST," is in the mails. "Global Conquest" is designed to keep readers informed as to the progress of the world evangelism emphasis of the Foreign Missions Department of the Assemblies of God. New addresses are being received at a rate indicating that the demand will exceed the anticipated circulation of 225,000 for the first issue.

MORE MOSLEMS HAVE BEEN CONVERTED TO CHRISTIANITY in Java (with a population of 68,000,000) than any other section of the world, reports the Religious Department of the Government of Indonesia. Religious affiliation on the islands is estimated at 90.1% Moslems, 3.4% Protestants, 2.1% Hindus, 1.8% Animists, 1.2% Roman Catholics, 1.4% other religions. Indonesia is fertile ground for evangelical missions.

SUNDAY SCHOOL OF THE AIR, a radio correspondence course of the Assemblies of God in the Philippine Islands, has more than 2,000 enrolled. This broadcast, heard throughout all the islands of the Philippine chain, offers the gospel in printed form to Filipinos who are beyond the reach of established churches.

DEMAND FOR A CORRESPONDENCE BIBLE STUDY COURSE on the island of Ceylon is increasing. In Colombo, capital of Ceylon, 90 new applications were received in one month's time. The majority of these applicants were Buddhists.

STUDENTS FROM BETHEL BIBLE INSTITUTE, YUKATAN, MEXICO, recently assisted Evangelist Danny Lane of Waco, Texas, in a revival in the city of Merida. Missionary Harley Vail reports that handbills were systematically distributed to announce the revival to the city's 160,000 inhabitants and the effort bore good fruit. "Sick bodies were healed every night and some 50 persons were filled with the Holy Spirit."

REVIVAL HAS COME TO THE ASSEMBLY IN PAYASANDU, Uruguay, South America. Juan Duque, Christ's Ambassadors President of Chile, was the evangelist. Missionary Paul Pugh reports that this was "the most successful revival we have ever had in Paysandu." Scores were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit during the meetings.

THOUSANDS OF AFRICAN CONGREGATIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA will have to evacuate their church buildings by the end of next year, according to reports from resident missionaries. The government has declared that only 78 recognized church organizations will be allowed to have church sites in native locations, beginning in 1961. The Assemblies of God in South Africa is one of the recognized organizations.



Mrs. Dora Mayo

Five Successful Years in West Texas

BY MRS. DORA MAYO

West Texas WMC Secretary-Treasurer



Mrs. Ted Vassar

IN THE PAST FIVE YEARS THE WEST Texas District Women's Missionary Council has made outstanding progress in the Lord's work, under the leadership of Mrs. Ted Vassar, returned missionary from India. This year Mrs. Vassar resigned her position as president of the West Texas WMC, when her husband accepted the call to a pastorate in another district. Her work will not soon be forgotten.

During our 1954 fiscal year we helped to build a mission bungalow in Punalur, India, for Mildred Ginn and Lydia Graner. For this project we raised \$4,647.58. The same year we gave \$1,500 for the Bible school in Guatemala. We also furnished a ladies' lounge at the camp ground in

Lubbock, Tex., and bought a rug for the district parsonage.

Our largest project in 1955 was a new church building in Silverton, Tex., for which we raised \$2,200. Another \$1,500 was given for the work in Guatemala, and a debt of \$300 on a church at Abernathy, Tex., was paid.

In 1956 our ladies gave \$2,536 to erect a library building for the Latin American Bible Institute at Ysleta, Tex. We gave Glenn Stafford, missionary to Burma, \$459.16 for equipment, and the National Children's Home \$100 toward a pasteurizer. That year we also purchased some beds and mattresses for the girls' dormitory at Southwestern Bible Institute, cots for the Bible school in Egypt, and paid

\$275.75 for office equipment for the district WMC office. In addition we paid \$100 on the school bill of Ronnie Shortes, missionary's son in school in the States.

Equipment was purchased for Homer T. Goodwin, missionary to Africa, in 1957. That year we also gave a \$100 donation on a lot in Calcutta, India, for a new church building there, and made a payment on a lot for a new church in Lubbock, Tex.

The next year we divided a dime offering of \$1,408.56 among our three West Texas missionaries, Homer Goodwin, Glenn Stafford, and Quentin Shortes. We also gave Brother Goodwin \$500 on his fare to Africa. Another missionary project that year was a new motorcycle for a native preacher in India, for which we paid \$800. For a new church at Alpine, Tex., we contributed \$521.64, and gave the district WMC secretary-treasurer \$500 for her work.

During these years we made many smaller contributions for different needs as they arose, besides the larger projects. Most of the money was raised by dividing the projects among the WMC groups of the district, the larger groups giving from \$25 to \$50 each and the smaller groups from \$10 to \$15. These amounts were supplemented by our annual "dime collections" and by offerings taken in WMC rallies throughout the district.

The inspiration of Sister Vassar's missionary vision has been a great factor in our West Texas WMC work. Our prayers go with her and Brother Vassar as they take up their new pastoral duties in Abilene, Tex. ◀◀



WMC banquet at West Texas District Council in April, 1959

A Typical Monday at a Leper Camp

BY MRS. GRACE LINDHOLM

Belgian Congo

This account will be of special interest to WMC's who are studying the Congo this quarter in "Slant." Mrs. Lindholm operates the leper camp at Andudu. Another at Bodi is in charge of Mrs. Cochrane.

THE FIRST DRUM SOUNDS AT 5:45 a.m., and we are up at six o'clock, at the breakfast table by six-thirty (usual breakfast of papaya, egg, toast, and coffee). Chapel starts at the leper camp at six-thirty, conducted by the national pastor. I am at the dispensary by seven.

The dispensary helpers gather for prayer and any orders that need to be given. The mission school boys and workmen are first on the list for treatment. Colds, fever, intestinal worms, and cuts are the usual run of complaints.

In the meantime our pastor is gathering the first group of outpatients for a service. Someone is stationed at the

literature table, ready to sell Gospel portions and Christian booklets.

Usually we have a crowd of 120 to 140 outpatients on Monday. Emergency cases are frequent—someone in a fight—a mother having a baby (three were born last week). This is the day when white folk drive in with sick people from the coffee plantations. Rarely a Monday goes by without two or three carloads of these.

By ten o'clock the crowd has subsided, and it is time to beat the drum calling the lepers for their treatment. During the treating of the outpatients the lepers have taken care of their assigned duties—sweeping the compound, making bricks, cutting wood for the brick kiln, helping in building, etc. After the drum I begin to call the roll. The lepers have gathered in the church, and we call five at a time. We do not like to have too many in the dispensary in case of emergency.

Remedies supplied by the Government are given out and bandages changed. Each Monday and Thursday



The leper dispensary at Andudu operated by Mrs. Grace Lindholm



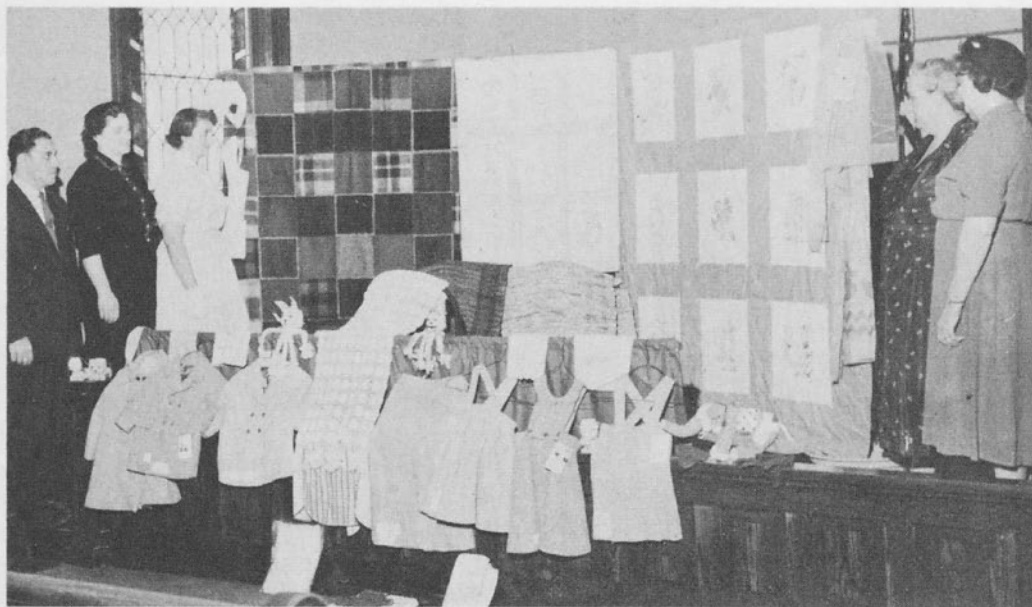
Grace Lindholm standing on "hot spot." This marker is on the spot where the equator crosses Uganda

one hundred twenty or more leprosy ulcers are dressed. There is always microscopic work to be done—leper tests, blood tests, and examination of specimens.

At 11:30 we stop for fifteen minutes of prayer. Then we just have time to wash up before eating at 12:00. Back at the dispensary at 1:00 to take care of the "stragglers." Everyone cared for, we set up the dispensary for the next day's work, making sure all supplies are replenished.

There is also a school conducted in the mornings for those learning to read. Children go to the mission school but adult classes are in the camp. We have around two hundred living in the camp now, plus fifty non-lepers (wives and children).

Usually I make the rounds of all the work projects in the afternoon, and am available for individual counsel and prayer. Tuesday is mail day, so Monday evening means desk work. And so goes a typical Monday on this station in the Congo.



Clothing and many others items for missionaries displayed by the WMC group at Ripon, Wis., on WMC Day. Pastor and Mrs. Daniel Spina (left). The news photographer who came to the church was much impressed and gave the picture and write-up a choice spot in the paper.

Current Comments



by Edith Whipple

Togetherness

In his epistle to the Ephesians, chapter two, verses 21 and 22, Paul gives us a picture of a building, the parts of which are properly fitted together. Of little use would be the doors unless they were properly hung in their intended places.

Every woman knows that when she has finished sewing a garment there are many small scraps of cloth remaining which in themselves are good for nothing. In the hands of someone with ingenuity these small pieces can be cut to proper shapes, sewed together, and a beautiful quilt top is the result. In these illustrations we have a picture of the importance and the efficiency of "Togetherness." I often think of a quilt top as being an apt illustration of the Women's Missionary Council—61,375 individual members working together to accomplish that which the Lord has ordained for women in the church to do. Any one of us alone could not accomplish much and most of us individually could not make a large financial contribution. "Togetherness" is the secret of the success of the Women's Missionary Council.

A nursery story is told of Little Black Sambo, who, carrying his purple umbrella, went for a walk through the forest. Shortly he met a huge elephant walking through the woods playing a large musical instrument.

"Hello, where are you going?" he greeted the elephant:

"Oh, I don't know," was the elephant's reply.

"Well then, let's go together," Little Black Sambo offered. Whereupon the elephant swung the little boy up with his large trunk and placed him on his huge head, and away they went. Soon they met another animal also playing a musical instrument and they invited him to walk with them. One after another several animals joined them in the walk with their musical instruments.

"I have an idea," cried Little Black Sambo. "Let's have a band. I will lead with my little purple umbrella." So standing upon the elephant's head, he struck the downbeat with his umbrella and all the animals began to play. Then, "Stop, stop," he shouted. The sound was terrible, for each was playing in a different key. Little Black Sambo instructed them to play all in one key, and again they played. Again he shouted them to silence, for they were not all playing the same tempo.

"You must follow your leader," he explained.

The third time they began, only to be stopped again. This time each was trying to play louder than another. After due explanation about blending their tones in proper balance of volume, the leader once more gave the downbeat, and this time the effort was suc-

cessful. As they followed their leader their music was harmonious, rhythmical, and pleasingly blended.

It's a child's story, but the point is not entirely juvenile. Success comes to any group endeavor only when we realize the importance of "Togetherness," each laying aside any tendency toward individual prominence—blending together in harmony—some carrying the more prominent melody tones, others filling in the background of harmony. No one instrument can produce the music of a band. No little scrap of cloth alone is a quilt. No part of a building alone is adequate.

Happy are we when we learn the art of living and working together. We absorb blessing and strength from the Lord as individuals and then He uses us in giving out the blessing when we blend ourselves into a "Togetherness."

Dollars for Native Scholars

Southern Missouri W.M.C.'s

Conclude Unique Missionary Project

"DOZENS OF DOLLARS FOR NATIVE Scholars" was the unique project of the Southern Missouri Women's Missionary Council this past year. A total of \$2,631.10 was contributed by the ladies and is being dispersed in scholarships for students in our foreign Bible schools.



Mrs. Cleo Tapp, WMC president for Southern Missouri District, presents check for \$2,631.10 to Noel Perkin for scholarships.

The Southern Missouri WMC's have established a three-year cycle for their annual fund-raising campaigns. They are currently engaged in a district project of providing equipment for their district camp kitchen. Next year they will undertake a special project for home missions.

In addition to the cash contributions, the ladies send hundreds of items to the district Treasure Chest, a repository for linens, rugs, quilts, kitchen utensils, and other equipment for missionaries. Some \$5,000 worth of articles were deposited in the Treasure Chest last year and dispersed to various missionaries.

These well-organized projects of the Southern Missouri District WMC's are typical of the many projects carried out by WMC groups in our 44 districts and the Spanish, Eastern and Latin American branches. The Foreign Missions Department congratulates National WMC Secretary Edith Whipple and the 61,375 members of the WMC for their untiring efforts, and for the more than 6½ million dollars they have contributed to world missions in the 7½ years the national office has been functioning



The one thousandth Missionette certificate issued from the national office went to the club of which these girls are members at the Assembly pastored by R. D. Dobbins, Akron, Ohio. The group now averages twelve to fourteen in attendance and is sponsored by Mrs. Rebenia Giordanengo.



Missionettes of Brownsville Assembly, Pensacola, Fla., are shown holding hangers which they covered with plastic for missionaries. God is blessing this group sponsored by Mrs. Pauline Singuefield.

MISSIONETTE CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN JUNE

CHURCH	LOCATION	SPONSOR
Indian Mission	Greenville, Calif.	Luverle Bass
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A/G	Chula Vista, Calif.	Mrs. Iva Lee Rasco



Here are the six members of the Missionette Club at Nueva Jerusalem church in Visalia, Calif. The girls have done house-to-house visitation and given out tracts. Sponsor is Belia Gonzales.

MISSIONETTES

% Women's Missionary Council
434 W. Pacific Street
Springfield, Missouri

Please send me your **FREE BOOKLET** titled: "What is the Missionette Club?" I am interested in learning about it for our church.

Name

Street

City State

Church



Forty guests attended the mother-daughter banquet given by Missionettes of First Assembly in Wichita, Kans. Girls took complete charge of preparations and each made a corsage for her mother as is shown in the picture. Edythe Eskelin is sponsor.

BGMC PAGE

FRANCES FOSTER — DIRECTOR

BOYS AND GIRLS MISSIONARY CRUSADE

tion to serve on foreign fields. The tie of love that binds us to our brothers and sisters of other lands has thus been strengthened and our giving stimulated. The faithfulness of our children is but a natural outgrowth of the

Barrels of Money for Jesus

OFTEN ON SUNDAY MORNINGS AT Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle, the children can be heard to sing:

*"Barrels of money for Jesus, for
Jesus, for Jesus,
Barrels of money for Jesus, to tell
of His wonderful love."*

Eagerly the words ring out to an old familiar tune and in youthful hearts is born the desire that their barrel might be among those well filled on Missionary Sunday.

When the barrels are emptied, Randy's is found to contain the money he earned selling popcorn which he grew in his garden. Kathy has brought the \$5 reward money she received for finding a pet cat—and another enterprising young miss, finding a barrel too small for her purpose, has a glass jar filled by visitors at her home, to whom she has explained the need. So

BY IRENE BLASBERG

Minneapolis, Minn.

it goes on, month after month. The fire of enthusiasm kindled at the beginning of the BGMC Crusade, burns as brightly today as when the first little wooden barrels found their way into our Sunday school.

When news of this missionary program first reached us ten years ago, we recognized it as a unique and long-awaited opportunity to teach our boys and girls the joy of giving. Here was a program already thought out and prepared, ready for us to put to work in our own Sunday school. We received it enthusiastically and through the years it has more than fulfilled our expectations in the lives of our pupils.

We are happy to have won the grand prize BGMC trophy the last three years. The thing which pleases us most, however, is our steady, consistent giving month by month. Without counting the special BGMC Day offerings, in the last three years our boys and girls have averaged \$134.97 a month, and have given during this period a total of \$5,608.88.

To those who may raise the question of one-sided giving, let me assure you that it has not been a problem with us. Spot checks have proved the regular giving in our BGMC Departments to be above the average of the rest of our Sunday school.

Our pastor, Frank J. Lindquist, is a man of missionary vision and under his thirty-five years of leadership we have become known as a church with a heart for missions. During this period many have gone from our congrega-

tion to serve on foreign fields.

We have not found it necessary to indulge in a lot of time-consuming promotional fanfare in order to further the BGMC program in our Sunday school. As with the pastor and his flock, so with the teacher and his class. It is by setting the example of enthusiasm, sincerity, and consistency before his pupils that the fire of unselfish love is kindled in the hearts of the children. It is by faithfully tending that fire that the BGMC program succeeds in our church.

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The Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade in its ten years of existence has sent gospel literature to millions around the world. Only God knows the many who have been saved as a result of this excellent program. There are still a number of our churches who are not participants in the BGMC ministry. If your church is not a member and would like information about how to join the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade, write to:

Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade
National Sunday School Department
434 West Pacific Street
Springfield 1, Missouri

PRAY, GIVE, GO!

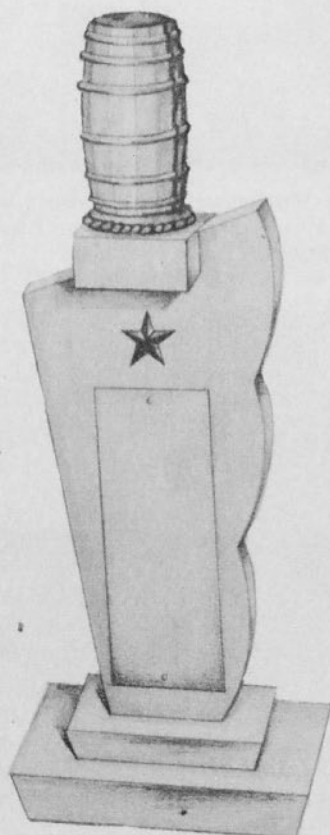
Three things the Master hath to do,
And we who serve Him here below
And long to see His Kingdom come
May Pray or Give or Go.

He needs them all—the Open Hand,
The willing feet, the praying heart,
To work together and to weave
A threefold cord that shall not part.

Not all can Go; not all can Give
To speed the message on its way,
But young or old, or rich or poor,
Or strong or weak, we all can Pray.

Pray that the gold-filled hands may Give
To arm the others for the fray;
That those who hear the call may Go,
And pray—that other hearts may Pray!

—Annie Johnson Flint



Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle has won this grand-prize trophy for the past three successive years. It is awarded to the church giving the highest total offering to BGMC during the year.

Why a Child Needs To Be SAVED

BY MRS. W. E. HAWKINS

DID YOU EVER BREAK OPEN A BEAUTIFUL peach and find a worm inside? How did that worm get there? By boring in from without? No, there is not a blemish on the outer side to indicate that. The egg was laid in the blossom and hatched in the heart of the peach.

As you look down into the starry eyes of that tiny baby of yours, little mother, you think she is nothing less than an angel just dropped down from heaven, so exquisitely perfect she is. Then there comes a long siege of colic, and she cries, quite naturally. You walk her up and down the room each night. She likes it, and soon she cries to be walked. Denied this luxury, she screams at the top of her voice and turns red in the face. She is plainly angry, you admit.

She grows into a lovely little girl and one day a playmate comes over. They play like twins for a while, and then, "No, you can't play with that dollie; it's mine." "But I want it." "No, you can't have it, it's mine," and your little girl proceeds to demonstrate her ownership. You did not teach her to be selfish. Nobody did. She knew it from the first.

Jimmy breaks a vase. "Did you break it, son?" "No ma'am." A lie? Your Jimmy tells a lie? Your heart is aching. Who taught him to lie? Nobody. He did not need to be taught.

In Psalm 51, we read David's words, "I was born in sin," and we are forced to admit he is describing all of us. Satan has planted something on the inside of the heart of your child which, if allowed to grow and develop, will do enough damage to wreck his life and damn his soul.

What can be done about it? The peach you threw away; the child you cannot. But there is One who can get on the inside of the human heart and destroy the works of Satan there. Why not ask the Lord Jesus to use you at the earliest possible moment to lead your child to Him?

—The Christian Home



DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

Monday, August 31

Read: John 7:1-13

Learn: "And there was much murmuring among the people concerning him" (John 7:12).

For the Parent: From this passage point out: (1) the Jews were trying to kill Jesus; (2) His own brothers did not believe on Him; (3) Jesus knew that the world hated Him; (4) Jesus did not go up to the Feast of Tabernacles openly; (5) there was a division among the people regarding Him. Coming in contact with Christ always forces us to a decision—either to believe on Him or to reject Him.

Question Time: What were the Jews trying to do to Jesus? (v. 1) How can verse 12 be applied to life today?

Tuesday, September 1

Read: John 7:14-31

Learn: "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself" (John 7:17).

For the Parent: Review yesterday's material. When Jesus arrived at the Feast of Tabernacles, He did not keep His presence quiet. Show how His teachings confounded the Jews. Also show how we can know His words are the true doctrines of God, v. 17. No one was able to kill Jesus at this time because His hour had not yet come. Many believed on Him, v. 31.

Question Time: What did Jesus do when He arrived at the Feast? (v. 14) How can we know His doctrines are true? (v. 17)

Wednesday, September 2

Read: John 7:37-53

Learn: "This spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive" (John 7:39).

For the Parent: Compare vv. 37-39 with the fulfillment of this prophecy, Acts 2. Every believer needs to be filled with the Holy Spirit. He gives power for service for Christ, power to live an overcoming life, power to be a witness to others. Use Acts 1:8 also to show the importance of being filled with the Spirit. This Spirit-infilling is the privilege—and responsibility—of every Christian, Acts 2:38, 39.

Question Time: To whom did Jesus refer in this prophecy? (v. 39) Can we have this same power today? How?

Thursday, September 3

Read: Genesis 15:1-8, 18; 21:9-13

Learn: "After these things the word of the Lord came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward" (Genesis 15:1).

For the Parent: (Additional material on "God's Covenant to Abraham" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) Following Abraham's deliverance of Lot (Genesis 14), God reassured Abraham that He was with him. Then discuss the promise God made to Abraham and how God began to fulfill that promise through the birth of Isaac. God always keeps His promises.

Question Time: Why did Abraham need reassurance from God at this time? (See above) What promise did God make to Abraham?

Friday, September 4

Read: Luke 9:49-56 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

Learn: "For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them" (Luke 9:56).

For the Parent: There are two important lessons in this brief passage: (1) those that are not against us are for us—we need to recognize that all who are true Christians, even if they do not wholly agree with us doctrinally, are our brothers in Christ; (2) we must maintain an attitude of Christian love, even when sinners reject our message of salvation.

Question Time: What are the two important lessons of this passage? How can they be applied to our lives?

Saturday, September 5

Read: Acts 27:14-44 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

Learn: "Trust in him at all times" (Psalm 62:8).

For the Parent: The Bible contains some of the most thrilling adventure stories known. Such a one is this recorded adventure of Paul being shipwrecked. Review the story, pointing out: (1) why Paul was on the ship, v. 1; (2) Paul's warning, vv. 9-11; (3) the storm; (4) Paul's faith and confidence in God, vv. 23-25; (5) his prediction, v. 22; (6) the result, vv. 41-44.

Question Time: Why was Paul on this ship? (v. 1) Of what had he warned the centurion? (vv. 9-11) How did Paul's faith in God sustain him in this trial?



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ment in a crowd, *one* widow whose son was dead, *one* fisherman, *one* blind man. And He imparted this respect for the individual to His disciples. That is the reason Peter and John paused at the gate of the Temple to give attention to one lame beggar.

Although with his lips the man had asked for coins, Peter knew that the real need of the man was for healing. "Silver and gold have I none," Peter admitted, "but *such as I have* give I thee: in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk."

There is a crying need in the world today for Christians who will see the deeper need of humanity and, with compassion and courage, give to others "such as we have." If Peter had had access to the statistics of his day, he might have been discouraged and appalled at the number of cripples in

have used it, but she saw the deeper need and did the thing that was less convenient, yet more lasting in results. Three of those children entered the ministry, and all but one of the seven are serving the Lord. *Giving to meet the deeper need is not always the most convenient thing, but it pays rich dividends.*

There are many ways in which God can use us if we are yielded to Him. Ananias was merely another layman in the church at Damascus, but he was living close enough to God to hear His voice. How else could God have persuaded Ananias to go to Saul and give him the very help he needed? Imagine his feelings as he realized what God was asking of him! How much easier it would have been simply to put an extra offering in the basket on Sunday than to go on this strange mission! But God could find those who would give money much more easily than He could persuade men to give of themselves in genuine forgiveness and Christian sympathy to this man who so recently had "breathed out threatenings" and made havoc of the Church.

God declares, "The silver is mine, and the gold is mine," but He entreats, "Son, give me thine heart." We cannot be sure that Saul ever would have become the apostle Paul had it not been for the obedience of Ananias in giving such as he had.

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G. Campbell Morgan was conducting special services when a lady came to him and said, "Oh, I would give anything to be in this work—to have some living part in winning men and women for Christ—but I do not know what to do."

Dr. Morgan answered, "Sister, are you prepared to give the Master the five loaves and the two fishes you possess?"

She protested, "I do not know that I have five loaves and two fishes."

But he persisted, "What stands out in your life? Have you anything that you have used especially? Can you sing?"

"Well, yes," she replied. "I have sung to entertain people occasionally."

"Will you give the Lord your voice for the next ten days?" he asked.

She hesitated, but he urged her: "If you can sing to entertain people, you can use your voice to win hungry souls to the Lord."

She accepted the challenge to give

Such As I Have

BY ELVA M. JOHNSON

WHEN PETER LOOKED AT THE LAME MAN HE
DID NOT SEE A STATISTIC, BUT A SOUL IN NEED

THE SUFFERINGS AND HEARTACHES of men and nations in our generation are so acute and varied that statisticians lump people together in neat bundles of thousands or millions in an effort to give us even part of the picture.

But behind every unit in the cold, impersonal column of statistics there are human hearts, many of them crushed with sorrow or broken by sin. Men easily lose sight of the individual in the tabulating of statistics, but not God. It was for the individual that Jesus came to die. He was always seeking people out and meeting their personal needs. He challenged the individual to serve Him, to give his life and devotion to God. He spoke of *one* child, *one* lost sheep, *one* lost coin, *one* prodigal son, *one* of the least, joy in heaven over *one* repenting sinner.

Christ, who "was in the world, and the world was made by him," and who knew the statistics perfectly, still had time for *one* Samaritan woman, *one* little child, *one* ruler of the Jews, *one* timid woman who touched His gar-

proportion to the population. But whether he knew the figure or not, he did not allow anything to dull his sensitivity to another's need. He gave what he had when the opportunity presented itself. That is all Christ expects of any of us, but He does expect that much.

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The mother of seven small children lay dying in a midwestern town a number of years ago. In her last conscious moments she prayed that God would save her children. About that time God spoke to another Christian lady whose heart was open. She obeyed God and visited the home, giving such as she had in the way of comfort and practical help. Then every week, one Sunday morning after another, she went back to that home, sometimes an hour before Sunday school time, to help the older children get the younger ones ready for Sunday school. She made clothes for the little ones, and mended and patched when necessary.

It would have been easier for her to give money, for the family could

such as she had, and sang humbly and well. One night a man was saved. He testified that it was the gospel in song that had reached his heart, and he became one of the mightiest workers for God in that city.

It never would have happened had not one woman given the Master such as she had.

A young minister was invited to speak at a cottage prayer meeting in a mountain community. He knew that the meeting usually was poorly attended and since it meant walking several miles over a muddy road he was tempted to refuse, but at last he promised to go.

As he prayed about the message he should bring, he was strongly impressed with the words of Jesus recorded in Matthew 14:16, "They need not depart; give ye them to eat," and he prepared a message along that line. When he arrived at the home where the meeting was to be held, he saw to his surprise that many sinners were present, even overflowing the house and sitting in the yard. It was then that he realized the words of Christ had been made real as a challenge to his own soul. He presented a simple gospel message that night, and a man was saved for whom much prayer had been going up to God for weeks. Such as he had, he gave, even though it was inconvenient to do so—and it brought a soul to Christ.

We learn of great needs for thousands of dollars on both our home and foreign mission fields, and sometimes we feel we can do so little toward relieving them that we just don't do anything. But "little is much when God is in it." We can enjoy God's blessing and further His plan by giv-

ing such as we have, even though it be very little in comparison to the total need.

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Several years ago a young woman covenanted with God that she would go to a home mission field in obedience to His call. God had wonderfully supplied many needs, but two days before she was to leave she still needed \$2.50 more for traveling expenses. As she was packing her things, she remembered that a certain lady in the church had asked her to come to her home and get a pair of pillow cases. She went to get them, and as she was about to leave the lady said, "I feel impressed that God wants me to give you the money I have made from hemstitching today." She opened a little box and poured a handful of

change into the girl's hand. So sure was the girl of the amount that she stood and counted it. It was exactly \$2.50!

This small act of obedience on the part of one of God's servants did not shake the world. But it was such as she had, and it confirmed the faith of one young woman who had dared to trust God, not knowing how she would possibly be able to go to the field of her calling.

Whether such as we have to give is great or small, let us stay sensitive to God's voice and give Him our best. It may be inconvenient at times—it probably will be—but we are called to follow One whose love could never be measured in dollars and cents, nor figured in cold statistics—Jesus Christ, "who loved us and gave himself for us."

Miracles in a Missionary's Life

(Continued from page three)

stood by the window to watch him leave the building. There was only one way for him to pass and that was before the window where I was standing—but, though I watched, and Mrs. Ware opened the door again to examine the hallway, he was gone; there was no trace of him anywhere. We knew then that we had had a Visitor from heaven."

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God sent Kenneth Ware to Paris in 1948. He went by faith. Because he was poor he chose the slum section of the city. Rue Myrha is a long street that ends at the hill of Montmartre—a street crowded with refugee Jews and Moslems from North Africa. A house of twelve nondescript rooms may shelter as many as 125 people; one attic room without windows may sleep thirteen people. Into this slum section are crowded 100,000 souls.

Ten years ago the police patrolled the street in threes and fours with their machine pistols always ready. Panderers solicited business before every door. Everyone voted the Communist ticket; schoolteachers and officials were all Communists. The day Stalin died no one turned out for school except Brother Ware's children. Cab drivers referred to the street as "the

street of crimes." But ten years of witness for Christ have brought a change. How great? You can judge for yourself.

Out from that former dive of sin—the old Bal-Myrha Night Club that the police had padlocked because of blackmarket activities and murder—the gospel that Brother Ware has preached and lived has traveled farther and farther along the street. Today not one single prostitute solicits trade on that street. The police no longer patrol it. The bad cafes are closed and others have returned to the food business. Vice and sin have found other premises. Communists have lost the vote, and hundreds have come to know and respect the Name of Jesus. One hundred Jews alone have made their public confession of faith.

When I asked Brother Ware what his favorite Bible verse was, he replied, "Turn to Psalm 18:3—I'll translate it for you from the French, 'I praised the Lord, and all my enemies vanished away....'"

This is a man God is using. He labors in the great French vacuum—a nation of 44,000,000, of which 34,000,000 answer to no religion whatever and where there are 36,000 cities and villages without a single Protestant church. Men like Brother Ware have dedicated themselves to evangelizing this great land. Today there are 152 Assemblies with 18,000 baptized, born-again adult believers. It could be the beginning of something mighty happening in France if Jesus should further delay His return! ◀◀

BIBLE VERSE



And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men. **COLOSSIANS 3:23**

REVIVALTIME LITERATURE MINISTRY

—Compiled by Stanley Michael

REVIVALTIME HAS PRINTED AND DISTRIBUTED 2,103,365 pieces of literature in the five years it has been on the ABC radio network. This phase of the *Revivaltime* ministry has brought many souls into the kingdom of God. There is great power in the printed Word. This broadcast ministry does not stop when we conclude a broadcast service, but every day hundreds of pieces of literature—printed sermons, special books, and tracts—are mailed to people all over the world.

We would like to share with you some of the interesting testimonies of what *Revivaltime* literature has done:

Greenville, Mississippi

"A young neighbor came to our house to tell us that she was saved in her home Friday. We praise God for this soul. We have been telling her about God, but she was saved through reading your book, 'How You Can Know You Are Not Going to Hell.'"

Childress, Texas

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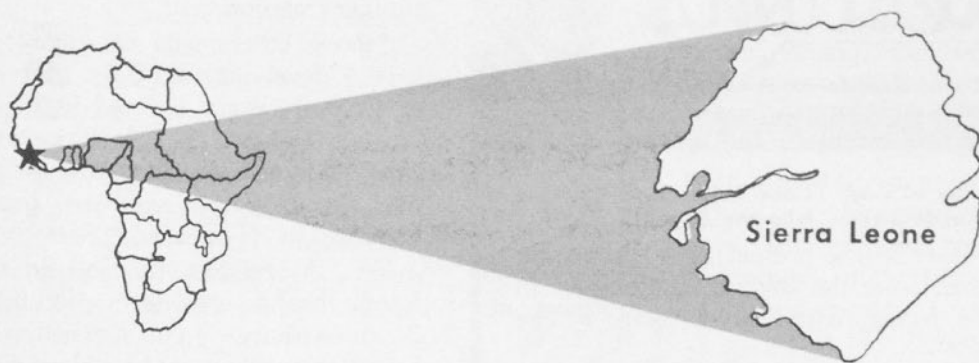
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Evangelizing Sierra Leone — “Land of the Lion Mountain”

SIERRA LEONE IS A BRITISH CROWN Colony and Protectorate on the West Coast of Africa. It was discovered by the Portuguese navigator, Pedro de Cintra, in 1462. Approaching the country from the west during one of the frequent tropical rain storms, and hearing the rumble of thunder from the mist-shrouded mountains of the interior, one can well understand why de Cintra named the land “Lion Mountain.”

The British Sierra Leone Company was formed in the latter part of the eighteenth century to establish a home for freed slaves and Negro soldiers who had fought with Great Britain against the American colonies in the War of Independence. In 1808 the Company ceded its right to the British Crown and Freetown was declared a colony, the hinterland a protectorate.

Official estimates place the population of Sierra Leone at 2,500,000. The capital city of Freetown, which sprawls

along sloping foothills that drop almost abruptly into the Atlantic Ocean, has one of the finest natural harbors in the world. Freetown is a city of contrasts: across the street from multi-storied European-type shops with goods from around the world is the native market where native-made wares are sold amid tropical stench and squalor.

Sierra Leone is surrounded by French Guinea, Liberia, and the Atlantic Ocean. Inland from the numerous mangrove swamps are the foothills which rise to 1,500 feet and give place in the northeast to mountains towering some 6,000 feet into the air. The six large rivers which rise in these highlands are filled with rapids and cataracts, rendering them useless to navigation beyond the coastal swamps.

Agriculture in the country is primarily confined to raising rice and cassava for home consumption. Cocoa, coffee, ginger, kola nuts, palm oil, and

palm kernels are exported. Fishing is a major industry. Tropical diseases make it impossible to raise cattle. Recently a mineral wealth in iron, gold, chrome, and diamonds has been discovered. The interior forests are rich in valuable teak, rosewood and ebony.

There are 14 tribes in Sierra Leone, each with its own language and customs. English is the official language, but it has been mixed with native idioms and “Pidgin English” is the *lingua franca*.

The government of Sierra Leone has opened numerous schools and gives financial aid to mission schools for the training of teachers.

Primitive animism with its pagan rites and superstition, its secret societies and fetishes, is the principal religion of Sierra Leone. Islam has been adopted by most of the Susu tribe, however, and is rapidly being accepted by other major tribes. Protestant missions in Sierra Leone began in 1804 when the Church Missionary Society of England (Episcopal) sent the first missionaries to the country. These were followed by the Wesleyan Methodists in 1811, the Roman Catholics in 1843, the United Evangelical Brethren in 1855, the United Methodist Free Church in 1860, and the African Methodist Episcopal Church in 1887.

Pentecost in Sierra Leone dates from 1905 when a mission was opened in Freetown by Genie Fuller and Grace Belshar. Miss Fuller later married James Hare and they labored together in Freetown. Mr. and Mrs. Ira G. Shakley began their service in 1916 and were later joined by Grace Bowie and Jennie Carlson.

In 1941 the John Kennedys transferred to Sierra Leone from Liberia to supervise the Kroo churches. Mr. and Mrs. George Hemminger, who had served three terms in the interior under another mission, were appointed by the Assemblies of God in 1944 to work in Freetown. Miss Florence Ruck and Miss Rose Walting of the British Assemblies of God supervise the work at Hastings, about 10 miles from Freetown. New appointees of the Assemblies of God to Sierra Leone are Mr.

Congregation of the Kissy church in Koindu, Sierra Leone



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Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Does "he that is the least in the kingdom of God" (Luke 7:28) mean that the least believer will be greater in Christ's kingdom than John the Baptist?

I believe it means that the least believer in the present New Testament dispensation is greater in privilege than John the Baptist, not greater in character. John saw himself as "the friend of the Bridegroom." The Church is spoken of as "the bride."

Please explain, "The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the Law" (1 Corinthians 15:56)

The sting of sin is the conviction which the law produces. It is the consciousness of wrongs done and the knowledge that "it is appointed unto men once to die, and after this the judgment." The strength of sin, or the seriousness of sin as well as its binding power, is the Law. "By the law is the knowledge of sin" (See Romans 3:19).

Does God call a Christian away at death, or is life ended by the devil?

We often hear the expression, "The Lord called him home," by which is meant that the Lord has taken the person to heaven. The devil is spoken of as having the power of death (Hebrews 2:14), but the Scripture makes it plain that our Lord Jesus holds "the keys of hell and of death" (Revelation 1:18). Thus any authority which Satan may have is limited to what God allows (Job 1:10). Physical death is a result of the Fall (Genesis 2:17). In most instances death comes through what we call "natural causes."

Will all the saved be caught away when Jesus comes, or only those who have been baptized with the Spirit?

In answer to this I would say, "The Lord knoweth them that are his." "Judge nothing before the time, until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts" (1 Corinthians 4:5). Believers in Christ are members in His Church. When He comes, it will be to receive these unto Himself, that where He is there they may be also. We shall be judged according to the light we have received. May the gracious Lord enable us to "walk worthy of the vocation wherewith we are called."

Do you think sickness could be a form of chastening from the Lord? Please explain chastening (Hebrews 12:5-11).

The purpose of chastening is to make us more Christlike that we might be partakers of divine holiness. Sickness could be a means to this end, although not all sickness is chastening. A good woman had no patience with any of the saints who were sick. She believed they were failing God if not healed right away. Then she became very sick. Through her sickness her heart became moved with compassion for the sick. Was not her sickness a means of developing the compassion of Christ in her, hence making her more holy?

There are many ways by which God may chasten. The grief which a person feels when he has said or done that which has hurt others may be a means of chastening. There may be times when God takes from a person that which he has held dear in order that the life may be restored to Christian love and devotion. Chastening benefits when it brings us nearer to God.

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).

and Mrs. Elwyn Grundy who have already served in Sierra Leone under another mission.

Among others who have contributed to the development of the Assemblies of God in Sierra Leone are the Axel Omans, Leonard M. McNutt, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rhodes, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wright who are presently laboring in Nyasaland, East Africa.

The Assemblies of God in Sierra Leone has 6 organized churches and 24 outstations. John Kennedy serves as superintendent. The oldest work is among the Kroos and is entirely self-supporting. Simon Grant, one of their own men, has been their pastor for many years. The Kroos have also sent Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Davis as missionaries to work among the Kroo people in northwestern Liberia.

A church for the Themnes in Freetown was built by the Assemblies of God and dedicated in August, 1946. This church is self-supporting and the Sunday school has had a record attendance of 256. Another church, attended by both Themnes and Kroos, is located at Hastings and is pastored by Bai Sisei from the Themne church in Freetown.

The work among the Limbas is comparatively new. Leader of the Limba church is Daniel Conteh, son of a paramount chief. Shortly after his conversion in October, 1948, Daniel quit his job, entered elementary school to learn to read, and began to preach the gospel. Missionary John Kennedy says of Daniel's ministry, "With this enthusiasm and inspiration he soon won many of his Limba people. With only half the pay to which he had been accustomed he began his ministry as pastor of the Limba church." In January, 1958, a second Limba church was opened in Freetown under Daniel Conteh's ministry when the Church Missionary Society offered him the use of a building seating 600 people. This second Limba church, across town from the original church, has outgrown the original congregation. The Limba revival continues and 170 converts were baptized in water recently.

The newest people to be evangelized by the Assemblies of God are the Kissys. The Kissy revival began in western Liberia and spread across the border into Sierra Leone. A new church for the Kissys is at Koindu, some 325 miles inland from Freetown. The revival continues under Kissy Pastor Moses and is entirely indigenous.

When the Hemmingsers visited the Koindu assembly this spring, 17 new members were received into fellowship by the Kissy church.

Revival came to Freetown in February of this year when Evangelist Peter Scothern was invited to come from England. Crowds of from ten to twelve thousand gathered nightly in the Queen Elizabeth II playing field to hear the gospel. Hundreds accepted Christ as their Saviour and scores testified to God's healing power.

Sierra Leone presents one great challenge. It is our only African field without a Bible school. If the revival is to continue, nationals must be trained to conserve the fruits of evangelism. Islam and Roman Catholicism are making a bid for the minds and souls of the people of Sierra Leone. We must provide a Bible school for the training of national pastors before false religions sweep the country and check the progress of the full gospel.

—R. T. Brock



Two officials of the Assemblies of God in Guatemala receive motorcycles to help them "speed-the-light" in their native land. Left to right; Marcos Orellana, Walter Haydus, Roy Whitt, John Franklin, and Socorro Ramires

One Man's Missionary Vision

BY LOUIS HAUFF

A HIGH LIGHT OF THE 1959 Guatemala national convention was the presentation of Speed-the-Light motorcycles to two of the district officials, to enable them to visit out-of-the-way places in the district. The officials are Vice Superintendent Marcos Orellana and Secretary Socorro Ramires. The cycles were provided by Roy Whitt who has had a burden for this field for four years. This was his sixth visit to Guatemala.

Roy Whitt is an ordained minister in the Northern California-Nevada District of the Assemblies of God. He took over a small church in North Vallejo in November, 1948, and led the congregation in a building program at 1640 Broadway. He pastored the North Vallejo Assembly for five and a half years, resigning in June, 1954.

This church led the nation in per capita Speed-the-Light giving in 1955. The members provided a station wagon

for John Franklin in 1954 and one for Walter Haydus in 1955. They also gave a great portion of the money needed to buy the property at Panajachel where John Franklin was stationed.

In January 1955 Brother Whitt went to Guatemala with missionary John Franklin and he became burdened for the work in that area. He has returned five times since for evangelistic work and stayed five months in 1957-58. His electrical contracting business in Vallejo has supported him in this ministry. He is able thus to give much time to help these fields and to assist in raising money in the churches in the United States.

In 1955, at the age of fifty-six, Brother Whitt began the study of Spanish in order to do better evangelistic work among the Latin Americans. He has preached in Spanish for the past two years, and has conducted ten re-

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vivals in Guatemala and others in Nicaragua and El Salvador. At the close of the national convention in Progreso, Guatemala, he began a revival in that church. Brother Whitt has been a wonderful blessing to the missionaries. The Central American people love him dearly and appreciate his ministry among them. ◀◀

Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAM

Sunday School Lesson for September 6, 1959

GENESIS 15:1-18; 21:1-13

GOD'S PROMISE TO ABRAM (Genesis 15:1-6)

1. *The Revelation.* The chapter begins with the words, "After these things." God reveals Himself according to our circumstances and needs. Remember that Abram had passed through quite an ordeal. Furthermore, he was undoubtedly physically weary and would therefore tend to be depressed in spirit as well.

"Fear not, Abram." Had Abram been fearful? Undoubtedly so. But any misgivings he had concerning the future were soon banished! Here, for the first time, there rings a bell which sounds from Genesis to Revelation—"Fear not!"

"I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward." Here, as always, God gives solid reasons for dismissing our fears! Did Abram fear his enemies? God Himself would be his shield! God Himself was Abram's reward! And is not God enough for any of us? Is there any safety, security, or satisfaction better than that found in God Himself? God gives us gracious gifts. But, what is far more blessed, He waits to reveal HIMSELF to us as the answer to every need.

2. *The Response.* "Lord God, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless?... Lo, one born in my house is mine heir." Ten years had passed since Abram had entered Canaan and since God had promised him "seed." Yet he owned not an inch of ground, nor was there any sign that he would have a son of his own. His inquiry reflects discouragement, disappointment, and despondency.

3. *The Re-assurance.* Abram's faithlessness was corrected speedily. "This shall not be thine heir." Eliezer was not the answer to God's promises. Abram would indeed have a son. Not only so, but concerning his descendants God said, "Tell (count) the stars... so shall thy seed be."

4. *The Acceptance.* "And he believed in the Lord. The word for "believe" comes from the root of the same word from which we get our word, "Amen," which means, "It shall be so." Abram said "Amen" to God's promises in the face of impossible circumstances and natural improbabilities. The result? God "counted it to him for righteousness." And remember that the righteousness of Abram was not the result of his works but of his faith. And also remember that we who believe God today share in the blessings of Abram!

GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAM (Genesis 15:7-18)

In response to Abram's faith God entered into a solemn covenant with him, assuring him of the certainty of His promises, and revealing more fully the meaning of these promises concerning him and his seed.

1. *The foundation of the covenant.* "I am the Lord that brought thee out of Ur... to give thee this land."

God's character and revelation of Himself is an unshakable foundation for faith in His promises.

2. *The desire for the covenant.* "Whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?" This does not necessarily indicate unbelief but simply a desire for confirmation.

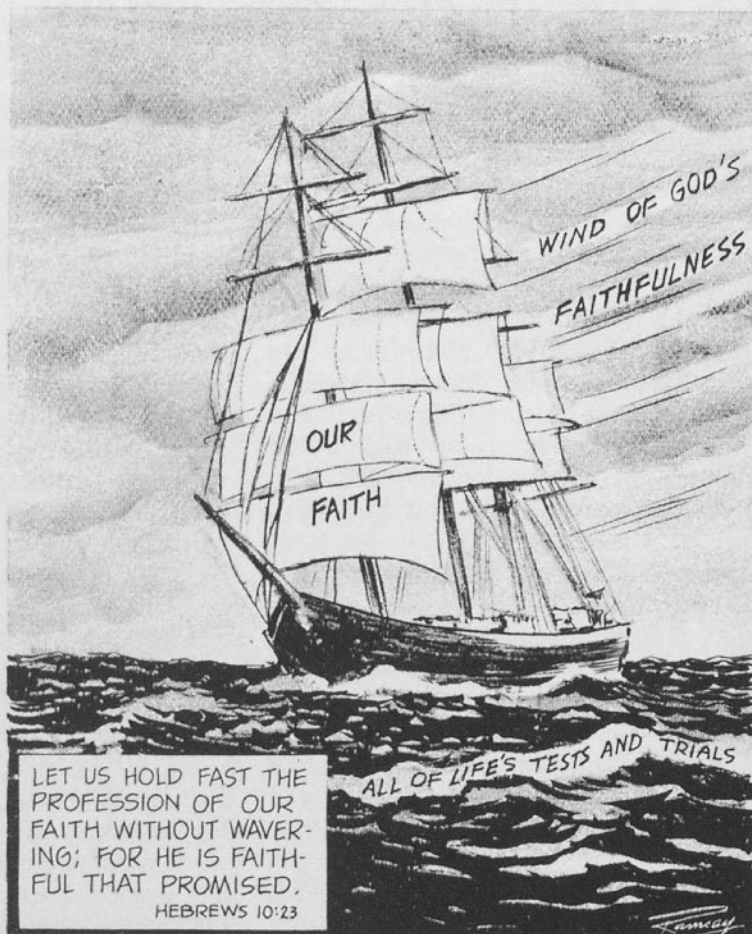
3. *The preparation for the covenant.* "Take me an heifer." Vv. 9, 10. In Abram's day written agreements were very rare and men often bound their word to one another by blood covenants involving animal sacrifices.

4. *Readiness for the covenant.* After laying out the animals as God had directed, Abram waited for some sign from God indicating His acceptance and ratification of the covenant. Observe (1) Abram's faithfulness and obedience. He had done exactly as God had ordered. (2) His watchfulness. Hours passed. Abram had to keep the vultures away. Thus it is in our dealings with God. As we wait on Him, doubts, fears, thoughts from the enemy assail us; but we *can* keep them from interfering and "shoo them away."

5. *The message of the covenant.* Vv. 12-16. Notice that God spoke to Abram when a horror of great darkness had fallen upon him. Abram's seed would suffer much, but they would also experience a great deliverance. He himself would experience peace and be buried with his fathers.

6. *The ratifying of the covenant.* Here, for the first time since Eden, God manifests Himself in supernatural fire, thus confirming the covenant He had made. He specifically announces the limits of the land. This promise still waits for its complete fulfillment. But that it will be fulfilled is beyond all doubt—just as it is certain that God will keep His word with all who trust fully in His Son by faith! Galatians 3:6-14. —J. Bashford Bishop

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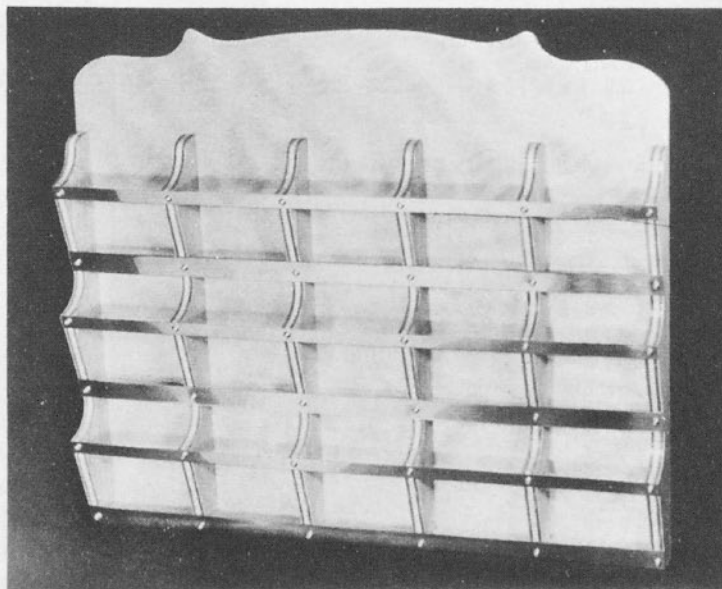
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Jesus said that moth, rust, and thief can either destroy or steal all the earthly treasures you can obtain. Everything changes with age. Power wanes, money loses value, property becomes subject to heavy taxation, freedom is restricted by changing circumstances. The things of this world either decay or can be taken from us. Men soon try for a "trade-in" hoping to profit instead of lose.

But "what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?" Can you offer

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	Stockton	Calvary Tab.	Sept. 6-20	Eric Johnson & wife	Leonard Rogers
Colo.	Grand Junction	First	Aug. 6—	Hildreth Ethridge	Kenneth Schmidt
	Pueblo	First	Sept. 3-20	Wallace S. Bragg	Richard Emerson
Fla.	Bartow	A/G	Aug. 23-Sept. 6	Glenn M. Babcock	D. N. Asbury, Jr.
	Niceville	A/G	Sept. 6-20	Hance Evang. Team	H. S. Phillips
	Winter Haven	First	Sept. 6-20	The Roland Hasties	Emerson Jones
Ga.	Chickamauga	Gospel Tab.	Aug. 30-Sept. 12	Samuel Alexander	Comer Baker
	Meigs	First	Aug. 30—	F. P. Bachman	Lois Hurst
Ill.	Staunton	First	Sept. 1—	R. L. Covington	Newt Mathenia
Ind.	Covington	Bethel FG	Sept. 6-20	James Weaver	Paul Van Winkle
Kans.	Derby	A/G	Sept. 2-13	Bob McCutchen	Stanley Munyon
	Wichita	Trinity	Sept. 6-20	Jimmie Parrack & wife	John Hutson
Ky.	Raceland	Armory Bldg.	Sept. 2-15	Richard Jeffery	Vernon Wright
Mich.	Alpena	A/G	Aug. 25-Sept. 6	Garfield J. Unruh	Gunnar R. Kars
	Muskegon	A/G	Sept. 1—	J. W. Beam & wife	E. E. Froats
	Shelby	A/G	Aug. 25-Sept. 6	Applegate Evang. Family	Dale E. Neller
Mo.	Elvins	Davis Crossing	Sept. 2-13	Donald Lunsford, Jr.	Reuben Mellander
	Milan	A/G	Sept. 6—	C. M. Smitley	Jeremiah Wilcox
N. Mex.	Carlsbad	First	Aug. 30—	Chas. Chambers Party	Clarence Love
	Raton	A/G	Aug. 30-Sept. 13	Bill Newby	Sherman Davis
N. Y.	Buffalo	Faith Gosp. Tab.	Sept. 6-13	Byron D. Jones	James E. Murray
Ohio	Canton	* Bethel Temple	Sept. 6-11	Bob Olson	Ivar A. Frick, Jr.
	Cleveland	Evangel	Sept. 4-13	Paul & Dorothy Olson	M. M. Brandebura
	New Philadelphia	Glad Tid. Tab.	Sept. 1-13	Andrew Basell Party	Kenneth Shaffer
	Tiffin	First	Sept. 1—	John Higginbotham	James Earls
	Tipp City	Bethel Tab.	Aug. 25—	John C. Poteet	E. P. Cooper
Okla.	Oklahoma City	Glad Tidings	Sept. 6—	Billy Guthrie & wife	Roy L. Steger
	Tulsa	Capitol Hill	Sept. 6—	Ward Tanneberg & wife	M. D. Hartz
Oreg.	Ashland	A/G	Sept. 1—	Johnny Hoskins	Robert Cornwall
	The Dalles	A/G	Sept. 6—	L. H. Sheets Family	Dave Phillips
Tex.	Dallas	Grace	Sept. 6-20	Willie M. Stevens	S. Fred Davis
	Dallas	Piedmont	Sept. 6-20	John Everett	Joseph Raculia
	El Paso	First	Sept. 2-13	Christian Hild & wife	Wm. F. Hageman
	Hillsboro	A/G	Sept. 8-20	Douglas L. Hoke	N. R. McDonald
	Laporte	A/G	Sept. 2—	Glen Shinn	J. B. Linney
	San Antonio	Highland	Sept. 6—	J. B. Essary & wife	J. P. Billingsley
	San Antonio	Glad Tidings	Sept. 2-6	Warren Litzman	Clarence McNeeley
	Tyler	First	Sept. 3-20	Tanner Team	B. L. Greene
Wash.	Kennewick	First	Sept. 6—	Marvin L. Moe	Verdun Delgatty
W. Va.	St. Albans	First	Sept. 2—	Joe Ragsdale	Roy L. Mallory
Canada	Saint John, N.B.	Bethany Temple	Sept. 6-20	Bill McPherson	R. S. Mulligan
Hawaii	Honolulu	First	Sept. 6—	Watson Argue	Eldon Vincent

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OREGON CHURCH IN DUAL BUILDING PROGRAM—LOCAL AND FOREIGN

ALBANY, Oregon—The Albany Assembly of God is dividing its building fund with Foreign Missions. While raising money for its own new building, the congregation is tithing its building fund to Missions to build a church on foreign soil as well.

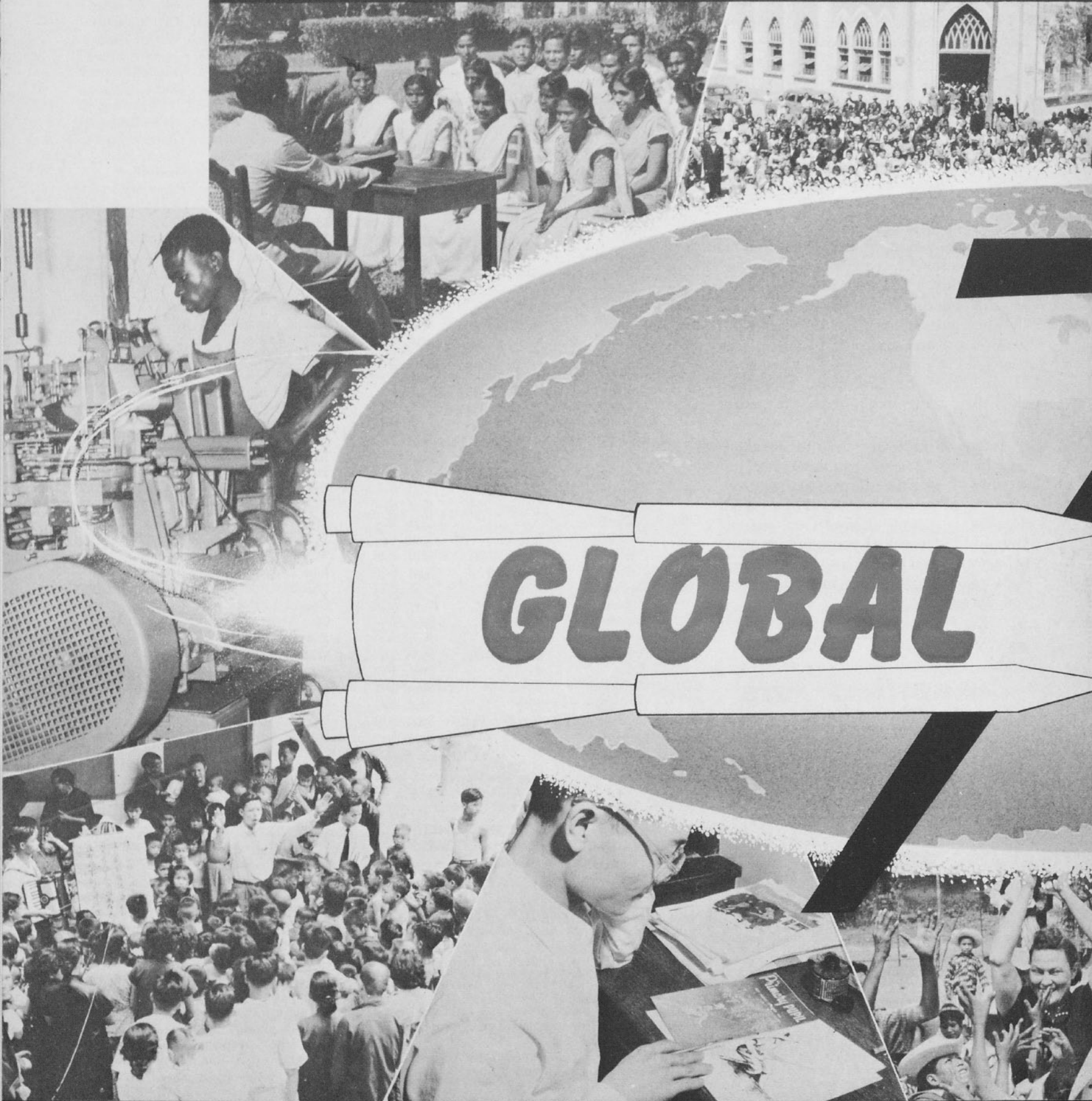
And it is effecting remarkable economy in its construction program. A building of 14,000 square feet was built for five dollars per square foot.

The congregation moved into the first unit of its new building in June, 1958. Since that time there have been attendance gains of 25 per cent in Sunday School, 62 per cent on Sunday mornings, and 73 per cent on Sunday nights.

About 50 have received Christ as their personal Saviour during the three revival meetings held in the new church. The evangelists, were Jerry Minton, David Godwin, and the Sunshine Party. The largest crowds in the history of the church (573) came during the Sunshine Party's campaign.

Pastor R. E. Book has high praise for the generous and sacrificial way in which the people have given to the building project. "Our people have given \$39,000 in cash to the building fund during the past three and one-half years," he says. "The present value of the property and church is \$193,452; and when our educational unit, now under construction, is finished the total estimated value will be \$225,000. We praise God for what He has done for us and are believing for even greater revival in the future."

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