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Modern Pilgrims

Thanksgiving, the all-American holiday, is usually associated with the Pilgrim Fathers because it was they who conducted the first Thanksgiving service in our American tradition. It was in 1621, following the first tragic winter in the infant Plymouth Colony, and after the first harvest, that Governor William Bradford officially proclaimed a service of solemn thanksgiving to God.

"And so instead of famine, God gave them plenty, and the face of things was changed, for which they blessed God. . . ." Thus spoke the Governor at America's first Thanksgiving observance.

Why were these fathers of our country called "pilgrims"? It was because a pilgrim is a foreigner, a person traveling abroad, someone far from home, who is just passing through on his way to a particular destination. These staunch Christian believers had separated themselves from the established Church of England, and when they could not enjoy religious freedom in that land they fled to Holland. After a time they began to suffer persecution from Dutch authorities also, so they risked their lives to sail for the new world on board the *Mayflower*, determined to carve out of the American wilderness a free country for their children and their children's children. They were pilgrims in the truest sense of the word.

A generation after the Pilgrim Fathers made their historic voyage, John Bunyan wrote his immortal allegory *Pilgrim's Progress* in which he related the journey of Christian from the City of Destruction to the Celestial City. He had a sound scriptural basis for his title, as well as his story, for the Bible says that every Christian believer is a pilgrim. We are pilgrims and strangers in this world. Our earthly citizenship, important as it is, is a secondary concern. Our primary citizenship is in heaven, the land of our destination.

Are we enjoying the prospect of coming to the end of our earthly pilgrimage, or are we quite content with this present world? That "new world" above will be far superior to this. It will be a land of endless day and eternal delight. No more sorrow or sickness once we reach heaven. No more sin, no more crime or corruption. There will be no night there—nothing to dilute our joy. Christ Himself will be the light of that eternal city and His glory shall pervade every atom so that every shadow shall flee away. And we, as well as our environment, shall be transformed so that every holy longing of our hearts shall be fulfilled. We shall be the kind of persons we have prayed to be, and we shall know the Lord as intimately as He knows us.

Cherish this blessed hope. Make sure of reaching that shining shore by keeping your affections set on things above. The apostle says: "Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul" (1 Peter 2:11). Let us confess with Abraham and all the pilgrims of the ages that we are indeed strangers and pilgrims on this earth, looking for that city where we shall dwell forever with Christ.—R. C. C.

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Let Us Be Thankful

A Plea for Perpetual Thanksgiving

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WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THE LORD in Psalm 100:4 to be thankful. "Enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise: be thankful unto Him, and bless His name." This is an attitude of thankfulness that is to be perpetual. What will give us an attitude of perpetual thankfulness?

Perpetual thankfulness does not depend on materialism. In fact, it could not since materialism is so flexible. In this modern age a man may move from poverty to riches in any given year. Likewise, he may move from riches to poverty in the very next year. Furthermore the gnawing hunger for more material things many times will make the possessor less thankful. That gnawing hunger in its operation robs man of an attitude of thankfulness.

Perpetual thankfulness is not to be mistaken for the attitude seen in the blind optimist. His thankfulness is rooted in a refusal to recognize reality. He is like the proverbial ostrich who hides his head in the sand when danger approaches. Keep his head there long enough, and the danger he refuses to recognize will destroy him! The blind optimist will eventually be forced to recognize reality. A thankfulness built on mere optimism will then vanish like the morning dew.

Perpetual thankfulness is never the companion of the pessimist. These people believe nothing can be changed. They are enshrouded with the idea that they are hopeless victims of circumstances over which they have no control. What reason would they have to be thankful? The attaining of a thankful attitude would be futile.

Perpetual thankfulness pivots on our relationship to Jesus Christ. In this Psalm we are told to enter into His gates with thanksgiving, and into His courts with praise. Let's look at that

word thanksgiving. It speaks of mortals giving thanks to Him. It is not the picture of asking Him to fill our baskets with turkeys and all the trimmings so we will be happy Thursday.

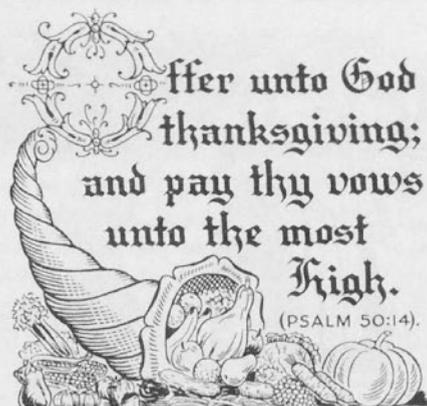
Why should we enter His courts with thanksgiving? Friend, listen to this verse from the Bible! John 3:16—"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Perpetual belief in Jesus Christ is rewarded with everlasting life. That is life forever with Jesus Christ. Reason enough to be thankful! Gift enough from God to produce in us perpetual thanksgiving!

Paul reflects an attitude of perpetual thankfulness in all of his letters of The New Testament. While in a Roman prison with no turkey or the trimmings for dinner, he wrote this message to the Philippian Church: "Rejoice in the Lord always: and again I say, Rejoice." In the earlier part of that letter the secret of his perpetual thanksgiving is unfolded in the verse: "For me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." His attitude of thankfulness was not built on materialism, neither was he a blind optimist, much less a pessimist. His thankfulness pivoted on his personal relationship to Jesus Christ. For thanksgiving to be perpetual it must flow out of our personal relationship to Jesus Christ.

Twenty-five years ago I was one of ten children in a home that was poverty-stricken because of the great depression. I remember one holiday when we had just enough food, no toys, and no money. The remarks of my Christian mother spoke of a perpetual thanksgiving when she said: "I'm so thankful we are all together and have the Lord."

In the last twenty years I have stood with my Christian mother at the cemetery to see the burial of four members of our family. Two of my sisters at the age of nineteen, my father at the age of fifty-eight, and a brother at the age of twenty-two. One sister died while a freshman in college; the brother while preparing to go to French West Africa as a missionary. Despite the grief I have seen mother go through, just recently after the funeral of my brother I was reminded again of her perpetual thankfulness when she said to me: "Tom, I have so much to be thankful for since they all knew Jesus Christ." You see, good friend, whether it be depression days, times of prosperity, or a time of sorrow, Thanksgiving is perpetual when it pivots on our relationship to Jesus Christ.

Let us be thankful! Let us have a perpetual thanksgiving! I hope you will have the finest Thanksgiving dinner ever on this Thursday, but may I encourage you to believe John 3:16 so that regardless of the changes that occur in this world for you in the days to come you will have a perpetual thanksgiving. Don't try to build it on materialism! It is transitory. Refuse to be a blind optimist! You can face the rugged circumstances of life with Jesus Christ. Don't be a pessimist! Say with Paul: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." I challenge you to begin to thank God for the truth of John 3:16 until you have a relationship not only for this life but for all eternity pivoting on Jesus Christ. Let us be thankful! ◀◀



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"Forget Not All His Benefits"

BY JAMES E. ADAMS



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WHILE THE PATIENT IS IN PAIN, let the physician make sure of his reward. For if you ask for it afterwards, you will only make yourself unpopular." So wrote Hieronymous Muenzer, a fifteenth-century German physician, according to a manuscript exhibited in the Yale University medical library.

Evidently the worthy doctor wrote from bitter experience. Men who were in agony welcomed his appearance and were grateful for his ministrations. But with release from physical pain came the pain of parting with their money, and their gratitude came to an untimely end. However, the next time they called Doctor Muenzer, he no doubt expected them to pay their debts.

Our great Physician expects us to be grateful. The psalmist was, for he said, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits; who forgiveth all thine iniquities; who healeth all thy diseases; who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies; who satisfieth thy mouth with good things; so that thy youth is renewed like the eagle's" (Psalm 103: 2-5).

But in Psalm 106:11-13, 43 we read of Israel's experiences: "The waters [the Red Sea] covered their enemies: there was not one of them left. Then believed they His [God's] words; they sang His praise. They soon forgot His works; they waited not for His counsel. Many times did He deliver them; but they provoked Him with their counsel..."

The Lord—unlike the doctor—delivered them many times in spite of

their forgetfulness to thank Him. But they did not realize what their ingratitude was doing in their own hearts. Needless to say, it was not building what we term godly character.

Then the testing time came. Only two of the twelve spies who reconnoitered Canaan believed they could conquer the country. Israel, to a man, stood with the ten unbelievers, and as a result God refused them entrance to the promised land. They had been so unbelieving and ungrateful in the past that in this time of crisis they could not muster faith in God.

My four-year-old grandson has great faith in me. I have always been able to fix his broken toys. One day he was so anxious to accompany his grandmother in the car that he left his tractor in the driveway. She backed into the small vehicle and bent the axle so that he could not ride it.

When I arrived home from work his grandmother was weeping. "Oh, we will have to buy Carl Lee a new tractor," she cried.

But Carl Lee just stood there smiling. It looked like an impossibility to



his grandmother but not to him. Confidently he said, "Pop-pop will fix it. Pop-pop will fix it."

You see, since I had not failed him, there was no doubt in his mind about my ability to fix his toy. Well, it took some time, but I did repair the tractor. And I received the usual hug and a big kiss.

The constantly recurring indications and manifestations of God's mercy and tender care will increase our faith in Him if we recognize them and thank Him. In fact, it will pay us to count our blessings, to name them one by one, more often than we do.

But we are forgetful. Who of us has not asked the Lord for protection before we started on a trip, and then failed to thank Him when we reach our destination? In the morning we ask grace for the day. Are we just as faithful to thank Him for grace received?

The psalmist said, "The Lord is merciful and gracious... He hath not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according to our iniquities. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so great is His mercy toward them that fear Him" (Psalm 103:8, 10, 11). God crowns us with lovingkindness and tender mercies although we sometimes are forgetful to express thanksgiving for all His benefits.

It is vitally important that we habitually thank God at every evidence and remembrance of His blessings. For it has been said that if we will be more thankful for blessings received, we will receive more blessings for which

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Testimonies of Thanksgiving

Contributed by Readers of The Pentecostal Evangel

Saved From a Killer

It happened years ago but the scene in the printing shop remains vividly in memory. I owe our escape to the fact that God answers prayer.

The old hand press was grinding noisily as I worked in the gathering dusk. Just fifty more copies to run off and this job of hand bills would be finished.

As I worked in the semi-darkness I was thinking of the months since I had traded my home for this print shop in order to provide for my children. By working long hours and living in rooms at the back of the shop, I had achieved a small measure of financial independence, and I was thankful. There was a certain satisfaction also in feeling I had contributed in some degree to bettering conditions in the community by presenting facts and vision through the editorial and news columns.

As I worked my two small sons played on the floor a few feet away. They were having fun with the spoiled copies that I dropped from the press.

Suddenly the press stopped. The wheel would not move. I pulled the lever, pressed the foot pedal, but without result. Then I stooped to look at the pedal and noticed two enormous feet by the wheel.

Raising up, I could see two powerful hands were holding the press wheel. A large, unshaven man was looking at me.

At this moment my two boys, one on each side, put their arms tightly around my waist for fear of this rough-looking stranger who had silently entered the print shop. I put a hand on each boy's shoulder and silently prayed for wisdom to speak and act right. Like a flash the words, "Fear not, I will be with you," went through my mind.

I took a deep breath, reached up and pulled on the light that hung over the press.

"What can I do for you?" I asked.

Without taking his eyes from me the man answered gruffly, "I'm Jolly, the man that killed Harhin. I'm mad about you writin' in the paper about me."

I thought of the children clinging to me. I realized this was a killer, angry at me, and only two feet away. I was terrified. "O God, give me courage and words," I thought.

With an effort I tore my eyes from the brutal face that seemed to hold me captive. I glanced out the window and noticed two men standing across the street talking together. One of them was the man for whom I was printing the hand bills.

Almost casually I was able to say, "Won't you come up front where we can sit down and talk this over?"

But before he could answer I said to my older son, "Clifford is across the street. Go tell him his bills are finished, and to come and get them now. Right now." Dick obeyed. He ran out of the office as the visitor, in a menacing voice, was saying, "*We'll talk right here.*"

"I am sorry if my editorial offended you," I said. "My only intention was to print the truth. Didn't you shoot

him five times—three after he had fallen?"

"Course I did. That horse thief ought to be killed years ago—stealin' from us ranchers, and gettin' away with it, till I caught him brandin' my calves." Hate seemed to consume him as he talked of the man he had killed.

Realizing this man could kill my small son with his bare hands, I held Billy closer and put my hand on the press to keep from falling.

Then the door opened. Dick ran to my side and the two men came in. They sized up the situation at a glance and they were able, without much difficulty, to get the drinking killer to go with them. They told him if he got into any more trouble his bail would be revoked.

I dropped to my knees, and hugged Billy and Dick tightly. My prayer of sincere gratitude was audible.

I have a private Thanksgiving service every time I think how God placed two friends in calling distance to protect my sons and me when this killer came. It was no coincidence. It was a definite answer to heartfelt prayer.—By Lucy T. McLemore, 4184 Lafayette Place, Culver City, California.

Thankful for Much

Last Thanksgiving Day while going to work I took my daughter, Darlene, my mother and my brother to Youngstown to spend the holiday with relatives. As my car came to the top of a slight grade I met an oncoming car on my side of the road. I swerved into a ditch. My car rolled over and hit a tree.

The car was a total loss. My daughter was injured seriously. Her forehead had two large cuts, her tongue was split in two, five teeth were knocked out, and her jaw was broken. Her lips were lacerated, and her right nostril was ripped open.

When the doctor brought her from surgery he told me she would not live until morning. He even thought it

would be better if she would die, because he said she would probably be an imbecile on account of brain damage. She was placed in an oxygen tent as she had lost much blood and there was danger of going into shock.

Our pastor, W. T. Dick, was out of town that day but was reached by telephone. On hearing the news, he called the hospital and was advised that he should come right away. Upon arriving at the hospital he prayed for Darlene, and also for my mother who had a split bone in her leg, as well as for me. My leg was damaged and the right knee wouldn't bend. Also, several large blood clots had formed in my leg, which, if they had broken loose, would have traveled to my heart and killed me. The Lord marvelously intervened.

That same night Darlene wanted out

of the oxygen tent and asked for something to eat. The following day an X ray showed no damage to the brain. God had spared her life and healed her brain injury.

One month later we had our Christmas program at the church and Darlene participated with the other children, for God had wonderfully healed her tongue and the scars could scarcely be seen.

We surely do thank the Lord for keeping us from being killed in the accident, and for healing our injuries. I know now how very much there is for which to be thankful. That very morning I was thinking how little I had for which to thank God. My husband was out of work, and I had to make a living for our family. I was pitying myself. I was thinking, "After all the years I have served the Lord, I have nothing to show for it in material things." But at the close of that day I was able to count my blessings and say with David, "Unto Thee, O God, do we give thanks, unto Thee do we give thanks: for that Thy name is near Thy wondrous works declare" (Psalms 75:1).—Mrs. Bertha Joseph, Salem, Ohio.

(This testimony is endorsed by W. T. Dick, pastor of the First Assembly of God, Salem, Ohio.)

A Remarkable Healing

I would like to tell the *Evangel* readers about the wonderful healing for which I am giving thanks to the Lord.

For about fifteen years I suffered from a nervous disorder and colon trouble. My hands and legs would draw up and become tense. During 1957 I was in and out of the hospital often. I spent nine months altogether in the hospital.

Help was sought from a number of doctors, and each in turn would do all he could to help but finally each would send me home in as poor condition as when I went into the hospital.

In 1957 after my last major operation I began to have blackouts and to jerk all over. The doctor said I should never be left alone any more. I found it difficult to eat anything. Constantly I suffered from pain in my sides and back. Medicine did me no good. Eventually I became incapacitated so that I could not do my housework nor care for my family.

On April 9, 1959, I was in the hospital when the doctor came to me and said that he would need to operate on me the next day. He said that if I were to live through surgery I would be a cripple for the rest of my life and would be unable to live a normal life. That evening the Lord clearly spoke to my heart and told me to go home. Obediently I arranged to leave the hospital without delay.

The following Sunday I arose and went to Sunday school. I asked our pastor, Brother Jones, and the church to pray for me. I was healed instantly and left the church without a pain in my body. When I got home I threw away five different kinds of medicine I had been taking, and to this day I have not taken any more medicine. I can eat anything I want, and am able to do all my housework as well as to sew for the public. I even began to gain some weight after I was healed.

I recommend Jesus to all who are

Always and All for God

No time for trifling in this life of mine;
Not this path the blessed Master trod,
But strenuous toil; each hour and power employed
Always and all for God.

With ceaseless blessings from my Father's hand
My earthly path is every moment strawed;
God ever thinks of me; should I not be
Always and all for God?

I catch the meaning of this solemn age;
With life's vast issues all my soul is awed.
Life was not given for trifling; it must be
Always and all for God.

I see the heathen perishing around,
While heaven asks, "Where is thy brother's blood?"
How dare I meet my Lord if I am not
Always and all for God?

I hear the footfalls of God's mighty hosts
Whom God is sending all the earth abroad;
Like them let me be busy for His cause,
Always and all for God.

Full soon will come to us the harvest time,
The reaping of the seed that here we strawed;
Oh, then we'll not regret we spent earth's spring
Always and all for God!

—By A. B. Simpson

sick spiritually or physically. I'm continually giving praise to the Lord for what He has done for me.—Mrs. Ray Walker, Bonham, Texas.

(Endorsed by Pastor Charles H. Jones, Assembly of God, Bonham, Texas.)

Healed of a Tumor

For over a year I was sick. I could sleep little, day or night, and became very nervous. My abdomen began to swell and become hard. At times my back ached severely. Nearby a neighbor reportedly was dying of cancer of the abdomen and the thoughts of her, along with my symptoms, troubled my mind. My husband wanted me to see a doctor but I was afraid to do so.

At this time our church was having special meetings with Evangelist and Mrs. Don Tanner, but I was unable to attend many of the services. However, I did attend the last day. In the afternoon I called Pastor Haack and asked if I could come early that night and have the two ministers pray for me. That was arranged, and they anointed me with oil and prayed for my healing.

The next day I made an appointment with a local doctor. After a thorough examination, which included X rays, he called in his partner and they had a long period of consultation. They broke the news to me gently that I had a tumor that was six inches across. The doctor suggested that I go to a specialist as soon as possible and he made an appointment for that very week.

After the specialist gave me a thorough examination he acted puzzled. He said, "You have me baffled. I don't know what is the matter with you."

He then called his partner in to examine me. He took the same attitude and said almost the same thing. Right then I knew God had healed me! All the hardness in the abdomen was gone, and instead of going to the hospital I came home. Now I can sleep like a baby, go to meetings, and work. I feel like a completely new person. I praise God for what He has done for me.—Mrs. William Labberton, Wapato, Washington.

(This testimony verified by Martin Haack, until recently pastor of the Pentecostal Assembly of God in Wapato, Wash.)

GOD'S ANCIENT PEOPLE BEGAN THEIR calendar with the Passover, the great feast that set forth the cardinal truth of our salvation, the precious blood of Jesus Christ. Seven weeks later they had their Pentecostal feast, celebrating the first part of the harvest, and setting forth spiritually the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost. On the fifteenth day of the seventh month, which closed their religious calendar, they had the Feast of Tabernacles, which celebrated their deliverance from Egypt and the full harvest of the year, the fruitage of the earth, a kind of harvest home, in which they gave themselves up to a great national holy day.

HOLY GLADNESS

The Feast of Tabernacles was God's emphatic call to His people to rejoice in Him. "Ye shall rejoice before the Lord your God seven days." God is the blessed One, and He wants the sacrifice of joy from all who worship and love Him. When, for the first time after centuries, the little group in Jerusalem, under the leadership of Nehemiah, was groping its way back to the ancient worship and the true God, we find the same message: "This day is holy unto the Lord your God; mourn not, nor weep." They were keeping the Feast of Tabernacles that day for the first time in ages, and the command was, "Neither be ye sorry, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

Dear friends, have you learned the message of joy? Has Jesus saved you not only from your sin and your sickness, but from your misery, your low spirits, your complaining, your fretting, and your worrying? Has He shown you that it is your highest ministry to "rejoice evermore" and "in everything give thanks"? God promises us no exemption from trouble, but He does promise us His love that can turn the worst testing into our best blessing. Let the Lord lay upon you the new commandment just now, "Rejoice in the Lord alway."

SALVATION

The Feast of Tabernacles was the commemoration of their deliverance from the land of Egypt. "Ye shall

Harvest Home

BY A. B. SIMPSON

dwell in booths . . . that your generation may know that I made the children of Israel to dwell in booths, when I brought them out of the land of Egypt." Recall and celebrate your salvation. Remember how He saved you, and led you, and filled your heart with gratitude to Him, and it will make you realize that nothing else is worth a thought since you have Him and His glorious promise and eternal inheritance. Richard Baxter used to say to people who complained of their troubles, "Yes, but couple heaven with it."

Then again, the Feast of Tabernacles was to celebrate their separation from the world. "Remember that when I brought you out of Egypt ye dwelt in booths." You did not come into luxury and another great selfish world. Remember that God saved you that you should be strangers and pilgrims on the earth; that you should be separated from the world, only to be a peculiar people unto Him, going forth without the camp, bearing His reproach.

The Feast of Tabernacles was the type of the fulness of salvation. It was God's glorious object lesson of the Holy Ghost in all His abundant overflowing life. The Lord tells us this by His message in the seventh chapter of John when He speaks of coming to Him and drinking the Spirit, and being rivers of water in the overflow. This was really the meaning of the ancient type, too.

The Feast of Pentecost celebrated the beginning of harvest, but the Feast of Tabernacles was in the seventh month, the month of perfection and maturity. This means not the receiving of the Holy Ghost, but the *filling* of the Holy Ghost. It means harvest,



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ripeness, completeness, maturity. It means such a baptism as will make you cease to receive and only want to give; drinking until you become rivers of living water.

SERVICE

The Feast of Tabernacles tells us of the life of service as well as fulness. Let him come unto me and drink, but let him go from me and give. A little book was written in England called *The Bruised Reed*. A copy fell into the hands of Richard Baxter and led him to become a Christian. Baxter wrote a book called *A Call to the Unconverted*. A copy of this book was read by Doddridge, who in turn wrote *The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul*. When I was a lad of fourteen I read that book, and it led me afterwards to accept the Lord Jesus Christ. That little book has gone on, pouring its blessing into thousands of lives, but it all started with a man writing a little book, *The Bruised Reed*.

In an English village a maiden lay dying. Her face was illuminated by

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The Wind That Blew in a Thanksgiving Dinner

BY MABEL P. SMITH

TOM LESLIE WAS MAKING HIS LAST elevator trip down for the day, and his passenger was Al Griffin, the janitor for the big Worrell Furniture House.

"Well, Tom," said Mr. Griffin, "seems to me you don't look as happy as you ought to, with Thanksgiving only two days away. Got your turkey yet?"

He little guessed how that question cut Mr. Leslie to the heart. The man did not smile, but replied, "Turkey—me buy a turkey, when this is the second week's work I've had in two months—and no pay until next week—and a wife and six children to provide for! If they get even beef stew and potatoes for Thanksgiving dinner, I'll be thankful."

Mr. Griffin placed a friendly hand on Mr. Leslie's shoulder. "Sorry I mentioned it, Tom. I had no idea you were in such a hard place. But cheer up; it might be worse, you know." Then he continued, "I'll have to go out with you and lock up. There's a special delivery letter to the boss. I found it behind the wastebasket. Tried to phone but couldn't get an answer—nothing left but to take it to the house."

Bidding each other good-night, Mr. Leslie boarded a car for home. It was crowded with people, all of whom seemed happy and loaded down with

packages. Before he realized it, he was envying them.

"Why," he asked himself, "should my family, all of them God's children, be deprived of a real Thanksgiving dinner through no fault of their own?"

He would not apply for aid as he and his wife had promised the Lord to ask for the supply of their needs from Him alone. "God has never failed us before," he thought. "Has He this time?" Then he began to realize that doubt was creeping into his heart. "O Lord," he prayed silently, as he hung to a strap in the crowded car, "forgive me for this unbelief, and for the spirit of bitterness I showed when I talked with Mr. Griffin. Help me to stand firm on Thy promises."

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When Mr. Worrell and his wife returned home that evening the special delivery letter was under the door, with a note of explanation from the janitor.

"That surely is thoughtful of Al to bring it over to us," said Mr. Worrell. "It must have come to the office early this morning. I remember, when I opened the window, some of the mail was blown off the desk and scattered around. I simply didn't discover this one."

"What do you think!" exclaimed Mrs. Worrell, who had been reading the letter while her husband was talking.

"Helen says Ray's mother is not well enough to come here with them, and his sister wants us all to take dinner with them at the farm."

"That's surely too bad," said Mr. Worrell, "after the turkey and all the other things have been purchased."

"Yes," added Mrs. Worrell, "and I've bought a five-pound fruitcake, and made dozens of cookies, and Mrs. Harvey is baking four pies to be delivered tomorrow. What ever will we do with all those things? That was surely an 'ill wind' for us. We could have saved all that expense if we had received that letter this morning."

Mr. Worrell looked troubled. "I wish we knew of some worthy family who won't be having a big dinner. We could send the food to them."

"How about your employees? Do you know of any of them who might need it?" asked his wife.

"No," he answered. "I did put on a couple of new men lately, but I know nothing of how they are fixed; but Mr. Griffin would know if anyone did. I'll talk with him about it in the morning."

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As Mr. Leslie went home the next evening with just two packages, he found it hard to believe that even at that late hour their prayers might yet be answered. He was thinking especial

ly of little four-year-old Joyce, who had confidently told him that morning, as he kissed her good-bye, that God was going to send them a "really truly turkey" and lots of nice things, "'cause we've been asking Him real much for them."

"Lord, please do answer their prayers," he pled with a longing heart.

After leaving the car, he walked up to their cottage by way of the alley, for he shrank from having the neighbors see how few groceries he was carrying. As he neared the kitchen door he heard his wife and children singing, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." He stood still. What did it mean? Were they trying to keep up their courage by singing the doxology?

Just then young Frank called out, "There's Papa," and he rushed to meet him, crying, "O Papa, you can't guess! The Lord did! He did! He did!"

"Did what, Frankie boy?" asked his father.

"Come and see!" and the other children gathered about him, all happy and excited, while his wife stood smiling at him through happy tears.

"What's happened, Becky?" he asked his wife.

"Just look under that cover and see," she replied, lifting a lunch cloth from a clothesbasket that stood on the table. A turkey's head hung over the edge, and a note was tied to its neck.

The basket was heaped with bags and packages, which the children were eager to examine. But Mr. Leslie quieted them, saying, "Children, let us not open

a single package until we first kneel right down here and thank God for them; and ask Him to forgive me for not believing as I should."

"Oh, we've already thanked Him," said little Joyce; "but it's nice enough to thank Him over again, isn't it?"

"It surely is, little Sunbeam," answered her father, and his eyes grew moist as the family knelt with him to thank God for His tender love and care.

On rising from his knees, Mr. Leslie opened the note.

It contained only these words of Scripture:

"Stormy wind fulfilling His Word" (Psalm 148:8).

"I don't understand how that passage applies to these Thanksgiving blessings," said Mr. Leslie.

"It certainly is a mystery," said his wife. "No name signed either, and the delivery man said he didn't know the man who sent them."

"Well, dear ones, we do know this—that God loves us and has answered our prayers. I guess that's enough; we'll just leave the mystery with Him."

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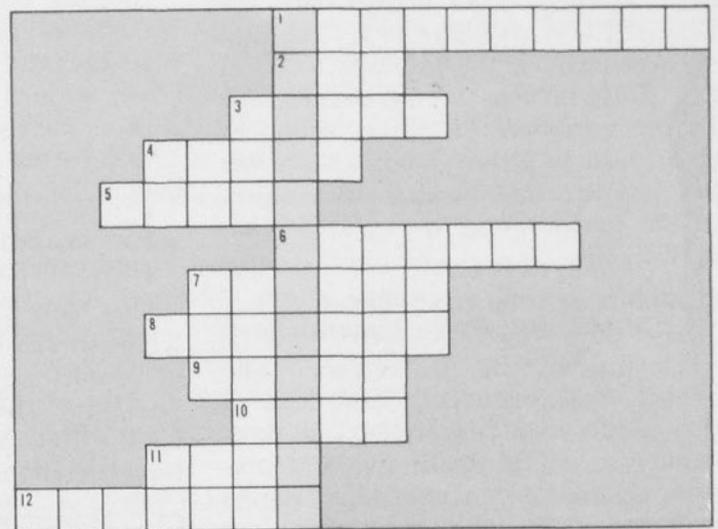
FOR THE JUNIOR READER

HOLIDAY BIRD HUNT

Look up the following scriptures to find the names of some birds mentioned in the Bible. Fill in the name of the bird (straight across) in the squares provided on the puzzle, following the corresponding number on the puzzle. All names go across.

When you have completed the puzzle correctly you will have the name of an important holiday spelled out in the gray squares.

1. Psalm 74:19
2. Matthew 23:37
3. Job 9:26
4. Jeremiah 8:7
5. Leviticus 11:19
6. Psalm 102:7
7. Genesis 15:9
8. Leviticus 11:18
9. Leviticus 11:15
10. Leviticus 11:14
11. Leviticus 11:18
12. Leviticus 11:19



"... When I am old... O God, forsake me not."



Today you will count your blessings. You will humbly and gratefully bow in thanksgiving for abundant blessings, material and spiritual.

As you remember to thank God for letting you hear the wonderful gospel story, do not forget the man who brought it to you.

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THIS PRESENT WORLD

Bible Reading

SUPREME COURT SIDE-STEPS PENNSYLVANIA BIBLE-READING CONTROVERSY

The U. S. Supreme Court has thrown the case of the Pennsylvania law on Bible-reading in public schools back into the lap of the Federal District Court in Philadelphia. The high court said that, in view of the facts that the Bible-reading law was amended last December and that the District Court made its ruling prior to that date, the District Court will have to try the case all over again if the plaintiffs still feel that Bible-reading is unconstitutional. In the meantime the Bible continues to be read in Pennsylvania classrooms but teachers and families who object to the practice may be excused from participating.

FLORIDA'S SCHOOL HEAD URGES RELIGIOUS CLASSES BE CONTINUED

Thomas D. Bailey, Florida State School Superintendent, has declared that if education is to reflect the community in which people live and prepare children for adulthood, "religion and the moral and spiritual values which are a part of religion must not and cannot be ignored in our schools."

His remarks appeared in *The Florida School Bulletin* at a time when an all-out legal attack on religious observances in Florida's public schools is under way. The American Jewish Congress and the American Civil Liberties Union have challenged such religious practices as Bible readings, prayer before meals, and distribution of religious literature among students.

Mr. Bailey said he does not condone partisan, sectarian activities in the schools which would proselytize for any particular religion, but added: "I can see no harm in saying grace before meals, or in recognizing Christmas or Easter or Hannukah as part of the culture in which we live."

YOUTH REWARDED FOR BIBLE MEMORIZING

A New England paper says that the famous business analyst, Roger Bab-

son, under provisions of his late wife's will, has distributed \$17,000 in cash to 266 young people in the city of Wellesley, Mass. He paid \$1 for each Bible verse memorized after the first 20. Though the idea was originally scoffed at, the result is that 266 young people have memorized 22,000 verses.

Bible Distribution

GIDEONS DO GOOD WORK

Gideons International placed 2,773,462 Bibles and New Testaments in this country, Canada, and fifty-two other nations during the past year. Gideon membership now totals about 12,000 in the U.S. and 4,000 in other nations.

BIBLES PLACED IN MANHATTAN'S FIRST MOTEL

The New York Bible Society recently placed 155 Bibles in the guest rooms of Manhattan's first motel, the Skyline Motor Inn. It was a new departure for the New York Bible Society which for generations has borne the responsi-

bility of furnishing Bibles to all the city's hotels. The Society's president, John J. Dahne, made the presentation.

518 CADETS AT WEST POINT RECEIVE GIFT BIBLES

In a Sunday morning service at the academy's chapel, 518 incoming Protestant plebes at the U. S. Military Academy, West Point, N. Y., received Bibles from the American Tract Society. Each black leather Bible (King James Version) was stamped with the cadet's name in gold.

Dr. Henry G. Perry, executive secretary of the Tract Society, said: "We consider it a real privilege to have the opportunity of placing in the hands of these young men a copy of God's Holy Word, the Bible, not only as a rule and guide for their faith and practice, but as the only source of light regarding man's future destiny." He challenged the cadets to peruse the Bible for spiritual enlightenment and a knowledge of Jesus Christ our Lord.

This was the 91st annual presentation of Bibles to be made at West Point by the American Tract Society.

Sunday Schools

AMERICAN SUNDAY SCHOOLS GROWING

The 1961 Yearbook of American Churches reports that enrollment in Sunday or Sabbath Schools in the U. S. gained 6.9 per cent last year. With 230 religious bodies reporting, total enrollment was 44,066,457. The Yearbook says there were 3,572,963 teachers and officers working in 286,572 schools.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DECLINE IN BRITAIN

A writer in *Elim Evangel* (London) deplores the fact that Sunday school attendance in Great Britain is less than half what it used to be. In 1900 the total attendance was approximately 3,300,000. Today, with a greatly increased population, it is estimated at 1,500,000. Both the Baptist Union and the Methodist Church announced further decreases in the number of Sunday school pupils this year.

In Great Britain, Sunday school is confined mostly to the children, where-

NEW DEVOTIONAL QUARTERLY

Something new and valuable has been added to the line of Assemblies of God literature. It is a 96-page devotional quarterly called *God's Word For TODAY*.

The new pocket-size periodical devotes a page to each day containing a Bible reading, memory verse, true-life illustration, and thought for the day. It has an attractive multi-color cover.

God's Word For TODAY is produced by the Church School Literature Department and replaces a smaller periodical called *Family Altar Guide*. The first issue is now available. It covers the first quarter of 1961.

The new quarterly sells for 25 cents a copy or one dollar a year. Churches that wish to order a copy for each family may obtain a quantity discount.

as much of the strength of American Sunday schools lies in the participation of adults also. Another difference is that British Sunday schools usually are in the afternoon. Some which have changed to Sunday morning have gained in attendance.

LLOYD KNOX SUCCEEDS BERT WEBB AS PRESIDENT OF NSSA

Lloyd H. Knox, denominational publisher of the Free Methodist Church, was elected president of the National Sunday School Association at its annual convention in St. Louis, Mo. He succeeds Bert Webb, assistant general superintendent of the Assemblies of God.

Some 4,000 representatives of 92 evangelical denominations across the U. S. and Canada attended the convention. The NSSA is an affiliate of the National Association of Evangelicals.

Clate A. Risley, the NSSA's executive secretary, told the convention that Sunday school is "our nation's first line of defense." He said: "The greatest security for any nation is a godly people. No nation will long know the Lord unless the people of God are faithful to teach the children and youth of the land to know and serve God."

He declared that the greatest issue facing the churches is the population explosion and the steadily increasing number of people unreached with the gospel.

Foreign

HEATED RELIGIOUS DEBATE FORECAST FOR BURMESE PARLIAMENT

Heated debate is expected at the forthcoming session of the Burmese parliament when a formal vote is to be taken on a constitutional amendment which would make Buddhism the state religion. Minority religions are strongly opposing the amendment. While eighty per cent of Burma's 20,250,000 people are Buddhists, about 600,000 are Protestants and a slightly greater number are Moslems. There are over 177,000 Roman Catholics.

REVIVAL STARTS AT HOME

A nationwide evangelistic program is being planned by the Nyasaland Bible Institute. Plans were presented to the students and they began to pray. As a result, 35 students were filled with the Holy Spirit in the following two weeks. God is getting these young workers prepared for the necessary work of evangelism among their own people!

Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Does a Christian, when he dies, go right to heaven to be present with the Lord, or does he go to the third heaven, there to await the rapture of the Church?

Paul believed he would go "to be with Christ" should he die (Philippians 1:23). I believe paradise in the third heaven must be where Christ is (2 Corinthians 12:2-4).

I believe the sin for which we are not to pray is the sin against the Holy Ghost. (1 John 5:16). Am I right?

Yes. You have much scriptural support in Hebrews 6:4-6 and 10:26, 27, I believe. Some do not realize the seriousness of wilfully turning their backs upon Christ after knowing the blessing of His free salvation. It is apostasy, or renunciation of Christ, that is especially warned against in these passages in Hebrews.

In a recent answer you stated that "holiness is kindness." Do you think that explanation does justice to holiness?

Holiness is a state of heart, of which kindness is one of the attributes. Holiness is that quality in man which fulfills the law of God—loving God with all one's being, putting God first in all things, and loving one's fellow man as one loves his own self. The person who fulfills these two commandments certainly is perfect in holiness.

Was it his part in the betrayal of Jesus that caused Judas to lose his soul, or was this only part of the cause?

Judas climaxed his doom through betraying Jesus. He is spoken of as a "thief and had the bag, and bare what was put therein" (John 12:6). He loved money and his love for it conquered him, finally leading to the betrayal of Jesus. Let this be a lesson to us. By the grace of God we must conquer covetousness and other sinful desires. If we do not, such desires will conquer us, causing us to choose those things which will be a betrayal of our Lord.

Please explain Matthew 7:1, "Judge not, that ye be not judged." Isn't there anything that we should judge?

Yes. The Bible also tells us to "judge righteous judgment." Jesus condemned unrighteous judgment—criticizing, or trying to correct some minor act of another while our eyes are blind to the big wrongs we are doing. If our own hearts are washed clean, we may then be able to counsel another. This passage in Matthew 7:1 does not mean that we should close our eyes, refusing to judge or deal with anything that is wrong. We must stand for what we know is right.

Does not the account of the revival at Samaria under Philip teach that everyone in Samaria was saved? Acts 8:6.

It would be unusual if every person in Samaria was saved. "The people with one accord gave heed" to the teaching of Philip and observed the miracles which were performed. It was a great revival, and there was great joy in that city, but we know of at least one man who was not saved. That was Simon the sorcerer. No doubt there were others. In our day people are stirred in a revival and if they see someone healed they are filled with great delight, but this does not prove that all who hear and see are saved.

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).

New Opportunity for the Gospel on Africa's West Coast

BY CLAUDIA WAKEFIELD

Missionary to Togo

FOR MANY YEARS THE ASSEMBLIES of God mission has been in Northern Togo. God has blessed the work and saved many souls there. Recently Southern Togo also was opened to our mission and this was a wonderful answer to prayer.

Lome, the capital of Togo, was selected as the first city to be entered. On June 1 we left Bassari and moved to Lome, a port city of 110,000 persons.

The Catholics have many churches and schools here where thousands of children have been educated and indoctrinated. Consequently, many people in Lome are Catholics. As for the Protestant missions working here, most of these are not evangelical in doctrine. As a result, many people who call themselves Protestant are not really born again. Jehovah Witnesses also are very active. The need of a clear gospel witness is very great.

For the present we have rented a building where we have services downstairs and live upstairs. The congregation has grown rapidly and we have 44 in Sunday school. Twenty of these are young men. Africa is awakening,

PHOTO BY DAVID WAKEFIELD



Mission station and church in Lome, Togo

and especially the young men are reading, thinking, questioning. They are eager for truth. So we are happy to give these who are coming to the services a chance to ask questions and we encourage discussion. They listen eagerly and drink in every word. Many times they come even during the day to talk with us and hear more about Christ. We are praying that many of these young men will be thoroughly saved and called into the ministry. We need African workers to reach this city and nation.

Rent on our building here is high and it is located where we can reach only a small part of Lome. Land is difficult to secure and very expensive, but the Lord has given us favor so that a very good piece of land near two of the main intersections of town has been offered to us for \$500. We are praying for funds to purchase this lot and for a tent which can be erected on the lot until we are able to put up a building.

A tent on this lot would attract all of Lome and bring in many who otherwise might never come to hear the gospel. If there are twenty young men seeking truth in the neighborhood where we are at present, there must be hundreds of others in this large city. They must all have a chance to hear the gospel and be saved.

The other day my husband went into a barber shop and as soon as the barber learned who he was he opened his heart and told him of his spiritual hunger. The barber has been coming to the services since.

The Africans are tired of forms and ceremonies in churches that give them nothing more than their jujus and fetishes did. They are seeking reality and peace. We have the Answer. Every hungry soul in Lome must have a chance to hear of Christ and His power to deliver them from their sin and fear.

This country became independent in April and the Communists are taking advantage of the open minds of the people. Their propaganda is already gaining much ground. We must reach Togo with the true message before it is too late!

We are hoping to be able soon to build a mission house so that we will not have to continue paying such high rent. A lot for a house (also in a good location) has been offered us for only \$250.

Do pray with us for these needs and for the 110,000 souls in the city of Lome. Most of these people are educated, intelligent people. Many call themselves Christians but still fear the fetishes and trust in jujus. They are hungry and seeking. We must reach them NOW while their hearts and minds are open.

If you would like to help purchase a lot here, send your offering to Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. Designation: "David Wakefield — Lome Church Building." ◀◀

Nationals Pioneer Seven Churches in Seven Years

BY LOUIE STOKES

Missionary to Argentina

BROTHER AND SISTER CARLOS NARANJO, our national workers in San Nicolas, have made a remarkable achievement. They have pioneered seven churches in seven years.

These good workers were converted before I met them. My first acquaintance was when I went to their home to pray for Sister Naranjo. She had been in bed for several months and there was little hope for her recovery. In answer to the prayer of faith she was healed instantly and gave her testimony in church that night.

Soon after Sister Naranjo's healing they began an Assemblies of God church in San Martin, near Buenos Aires. Brother Naranjo's work as a welder took him to San Nicolas and they opened a church in their home. The church now has a building and over two hundred members. We helped Brother and Sister Naranjo buy a house in Villa Pagani and they opened a church in this village also.

After they had begun the church in Villa Pagani, the Naranjos rented a hall in Pergamino and commenced services there. In a poor section called Villa Pulmon, the Naranjos erected a portable tabernacle for a meetingplace. It is now a church. In the nearby town of Rojas another branch church was established. A branch church was then begun in Zarate with help from some members from the church in San Nicolas.

Thus Brother and Sister Naranjo have pioneered seven churches in seven years while taking care of a welding shop. These churches are noble monuments to seven years of sacrificial labor and lives poured out in God's service.

I attended Sister Naranjo's funeral recently. After the funeral my heart rejoiced as I heard Carlos Naranjo say, "God's work must go on. We do not plan to miss a single service. We must all work harder to take the place of my wife, Rosalia."

God grant to us this same determination! ◀ ◀

MISSIONARY News Notes



GOING: Mrs. Velma Hixenbaugh and Miss Florence Bassett have returned to Liberia, West Africa.

The David T. Scotts have returned to Chile for another term of service.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Blount and family have returned to the Philippines.

The Delmar Guynes have returned to their station in Malaya.

COMING: Pearl Philip has returned from East Pakistan. Her address is % Roger Philip, Box 67, Sherburn, Minn.

NOTICE: Christmas is just around the corner. If you would like to help the missionaries have a merry Christmas, send a generous offering immediately so that it may reach them before December 25. Send your offering, designated CHRISTMAS OFFERING, to the Foreign Missions Dept., 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.



Velma Hixenbaugh



Florence Bassett



The Assemblies of God in Hawaii met August 9-11 in their annual conference. Missionaries and national workers throughout the district met on the Island of Maui for business sessions and a time of spiritual refreshing. M. L. Ketcham, Field Secretary for the Far East, was principal speaker. Harold Headrick was re-elected superintendent, but has since been transferred to Korea on special assignment. Peter W. Funk succeeds Brother Headrick as superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Hawaii. (Photo by M. L. Ketcham)



Mr. and Mrs. David T. Scott and family



The J. E. Blount family



Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Guynes and family

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N. N. England	1,039.95	Foreign	97.37
N. Calif.-Nev.	27,103.70	Miscellaneous	147.00
N. Texas	14,276.61		
Total Amount Reported			\$422,155.04

District Funds	\$11,584.09
National Home Missions	2,753.88
Office Expense	3,844.94
Given Direct to Missys	9,567.18
	27,750.09

Received for Council Missionaries	\$394,404.95
Received for Non-Council Missionaries	5,118.50
Missionary Offering Not Allocated to any State	15,550.84

Total Receipts \$415,074.29

DISBURSEMENTS

Support of Missionary Personnel	\$155,527.77
Equipment	53,647.88
Missionary Work	84,943.45
National Workers	10,097.79
Deputational Returns	1,028.10
Buildings in Foreign Lands	35,638.26
Missionary Transportation	74,906.35

Transferred from "Hold" Accounts \$415,789.60
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Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



QUEEN ESTHER, THE FEARLESS

Sunday School Lesson for November 27, 1960

ESTHER 2:5-17; 3:5, 6; 4:13-16

The Book of Esther is unique. Not once is the name of God mentioned, yet His hand is seen in every page, His finger in every event recorded, no matter how insignificant that event may seem. The message of the book is—the reality of divine providence. And by providence we mean God's unseen and yet very real personal interest in all human life. It illustrates graphically the well-loved truth, "All things work together for good to them that love God, to them that are the called according to His purpose."

Esther's Opportunity. 2:1-7. After the banishment of Vashti, organized effort was put forth to find a suitable queen to succeed her. Mordecai, a godly Jew who evidently served in the court of the king's palace, saw what he felt to be a providential opportunity. He had an orphaned cousin who was very beautiful and felt that, in the will of God, it might be advantageous to God's people if this Jewish maiden became queen.

Esther's Preparation. 2:8-15. For an entire year Esther and other girls selected as possible successors to Vashti were put through a rigid beauty training course. Esther was attended by seven maids who gave her massages. She was treated both with oil of myrrh (a bitter herb), and with "sweet odors." She "required nothing but what Hegai ... appointed." v. 15.

Esther's Exaltation. 2:16-20. "And the king loved Esther above all the women ... so he set the royal crown upon her head and made her queen ... and made a great feast." In like manner, there awaits every spiritually prepared Christian the Great Marriage Supper when he shall be forever joined to his Lord!

Haman's Exaltation. 3:1, 2. The reasons for which God had permitted Esther to become queen now begin to appear. The exaltation of Haman is a good example of the prosperity of the wicked. As it is today, so it was then. There are those who occupy positions of power and authority who are there by virtue of political favoritism and graft, rather than because of true worth and character. However, we are taught not to be surprised, nor envious, for the elevation of the wicked is short-lived! See Psalm 73.

Mordecai's Courage. 3:2. "But Mordecai bowed not." When urged by his friends to bow down, Mordecai resolutely refused. He probably felt that to obey this command would encourage his people toward idolatry.

Haman's Anger. 3:5. Haman had a big position but he was a "little" man. His anger was due to wounded pride and self-love.

Haman's Plot. 3:6-15. Haman was guilty of misrepresenting the facts. He accused the Jews of being disloyal to the government and a detriment to the kingdom. The slanderous tongue is a most destructive instrument!

The king was persuaded to make a decree authorizing the extermination of all the Jews in the kingdom! Behind this was the hand of Satan—his deliberate attempt to wipe out God's chosen race, to destroy the line through which Messiah should come! But the Unseen Hand that still rules the universe was to quickly intervene!

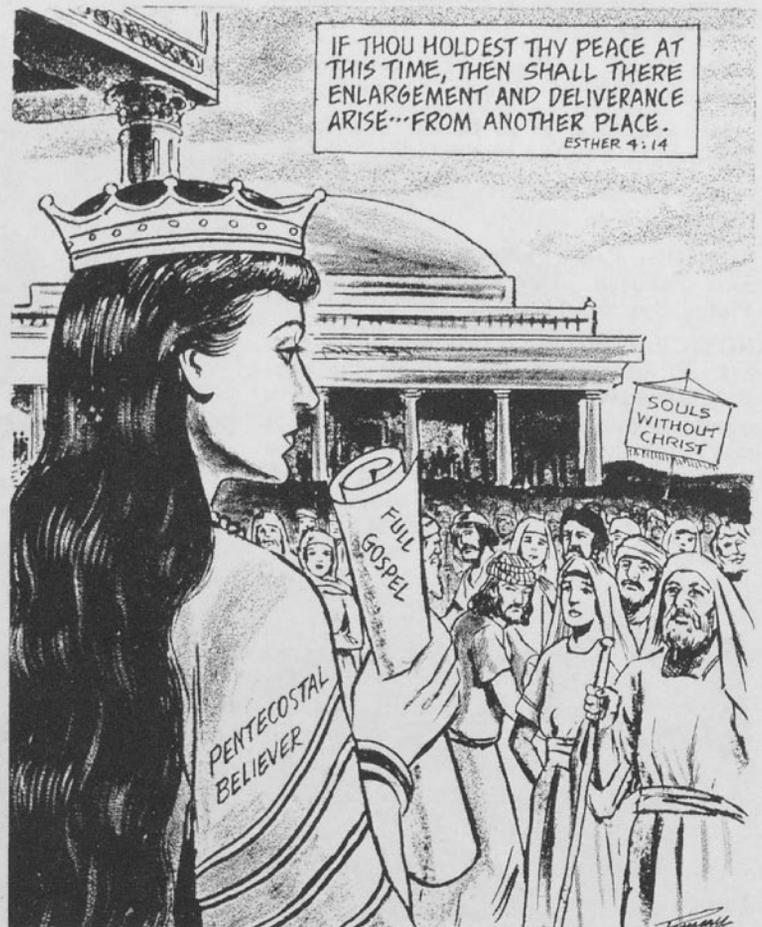
Mordecai's Sorrow. 4:1-4. Since Mordecai's stand had brought on the sentence of execution, he felt he should lead the people in entreating divine help. Esther, thinking his sorrow was due to a personal problem, sent him a new suit of clothes to cheer him up. But he was more interested in his people than in personal comfort.

Mordecai's Charge. 4:5-14. Mordecai, summoned before Esther, requested her to appeal to the king for help. She replied by pointing out that to do so would be to risk death. In verses 13 and 14 Mordecai appealed to Esther's self-interest, pointed out the certainty of divine intervention, and suggested the providential significance of her circumstances. Said he, "Esther, you are where you are because God put you there. And God put you there so that you could meet the need of this hour." And this truth applies to each of us today!

Esther's Decision. 4:15-17. How admirably Esther rose to the occasion. "If I perish, I perish. I will go in unto the king." However, Esther was not visionary or reckless. Note that she asked her people to fast with her for three days. Esther awoke to the fact that God had given her a beautiful face so that she might fit into His eternal purposes. Every talent we possess is given for the same reason. May each of us be willing to give ourselves to God, and to sacrifice self-interest in order to meet the challenge of our day!

—J. Bashford Bishop

HER RESPONSIBILITY



LIKE MOST OTHER CITIES, BAYONNE, N. J., has a dump where trash is deposited. It is kept as clean as most such places and much better than many. Rats thrive there, but that is to be expected. What one does not expect to see, however, are the human beings living there.

Pastor Mezzapelli came to Bayonne nearly five years ago and started an Assemblies of God church. God honored his labors and saved souls and filled many with the Holy Ghost. Recently they completed a beautiful church seating nearly three hundred persons. Because of the sacrificial labors of this noble band of people, they have a church worth about \$70,000, but which cost them less than \$40,000.

One would think that Brother Mezzapelli would be satisfied with this parish. Not so. He has sought "another parish" in the city dump of Bayonne where some fifteen men make their home. While conducting meetings in Bayonne I asked to be taken to this "other parish."

We did not have time to visit all the "congregation" but met three men who live in an exclusive corner of the dump. They were Ed, John, and Michael.

Michael, at 65 years of age, is the oldest, and has resided here the longest. He is not well. Brother Mezzapelli is giving him special attention to try to win him to the Lord. Michael killed a man years ago for a dollar and fifteen cents that was in the man's pocket. He served his sentence and then lost himself in the city dump of Bayonne.

Ed went away from the dump only to return again. He could go on relief but that would bring out the story of where he has been living, and he doesn't want his two married daughters to be disgraced by having this news get out. He is divorced from his wife.

John is not too far gone. He is living in the dump only temporarily. Another visitor came while we were with these men. He came to drink, and was fast approaching the point where he would join the three in the squalid life. We persuaded him to come to church that night. He came and gave his heart to the Lord. Here was proof that this "other parish" is paying dividends for all the effort spent here.

The men live in packing boxes, the weather kept out by carpets thrown over the top of them. They have mat-



Pastor Mezzapelli's "Other Parish"

BY CHARLES A. HARRIS

tresses, quilts, and pillows gathered from the refuse. It is surprising what good things are thrown away. A buffet is arranged on either side of the packing box home, leading in somewhat like a hall, but without a roof.

The "cookhouse" is a huge cement culvert ring. Various tables and boxes are scattered around. All is surprisingly clean considering the dirty surroundings.

The men listened intently as we read the Scriptures and prayed with them. But they refused to accept a Bible, saying they might be tempted to sell it when they were drunk.

These men live only to drink. They sell what they can find of value and buy wine and tobacco. Food is plentiful as it is dumped by stores before it is so far gone that it can't be used.

Working to bring these men to God, Pastor Mezzapelli feels they are just as important to God as the people in his "uptown" church. At present he is trying to obtain a job for John, who has promised to accept it. There will be much patient work beyond this point before he is away from drink and established in God, but it is worth the effort.

I wandered off by myself for a look around the "cookhouse." I pon-

dered over the depths to which people can sink. I thanked God for men like Brother Mezzapelli who are willing to go after these "other sheep."

It occurred to me there are "other parishes" for us all. Not only for preachers, but for every child of God for all have been called to be "His witnesses." We must obey the command to "go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in."

A dozen different "parishes" exist in each city, aside from our own established churches. It is conceivable that we might do even a greater work in some of these "other parishes" than in an "uptown" church.

"The field is the world," says God's Word. This includes the "other parish" of Brother Mezzapelli. And it also includes the needy all around us. Such people are more open to the gospel than most. Their very need causes them to respond to Christ when He is brought to them. As we visited these forlorn men of the Bayonne city dump, we found "the poor heard Him gladly."

Let us thank God for our warm, clean, and comfortable homes. If we are tempted to grumble, let us remember that but for God's grace we too might be existing in a packing case in some unsavory city dump. ◀◀

Hobbling or Walking?



BY LORENA B. GALLOWAY

HAVE YOU PRAISED THE LORD TODAY? You may have prayed long and earnestly yet not expressed one word of praise to Him.

Someone has likened prayer and praise to a Christian's two feet. How regretful that so many are hobbling along with much prayer but little or no praise.

Why is praise to the Lord so important?

First, because of who and what He is—the Almighty, living, triune God; the Creator of the universe. We praise men and women of renown even though they may never extend to us a personal favor. How much more should we praise Him whose name is above every name, and who is worthy of all praise.

The psalmist exhorts us to praise Him for His excellent greatness, His mighty acts, His lovingkindness, His tender mercy, and for His truth. Meditating upon these words will deepen one's realization of what a mighty God we serve. For example: His excellent greatness—omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent; His truth—infallible, "forever settled in heaven." Regardless of

circumstances, one can always praise God for His own wonderful self.

Second, because our Lord desires our praise. I once heard a colored minister put it this way: "We don't make enough fuss over Jesus. We make a fuss over other folks; Jesus wants us to make a fuss over Him too." How true! He wants our worship.

Third, because God has commanded it. "Praise the Lord" is perhaps the most oft-repeated command in the Bible. It is striking to note the number of times it is found in the Psalms alone.

David and Paul speak of praising Him "continually," while in the Old and New Testaments we find the expression "the sacrifice of praise." In Hebrews praise is spoken of as "the fruit of the lips," which includes both the spoken word and song.

A splendid way to begin the day is with a spoken *praise offering* to Him. Too often as we work we become lost in our own thoughts when we should be singing His praises. Perhaps a discouraged neighbor needs the lift our song of praise will give.

A blind man well along in years once lived in our neighborhood. His daily

walk brought him to the corner near our house. As he tapped his way along he whistled gospel songs for he knew and loved the Lord. Even when I didn't see him, I knew when Uncle Billy was near and his notes of praise always blessed my soul. Since he whistled everywhere he went, I'm sure that his way of praising the Lord was a blessing to many others also.

We will find great delight in speaking a good word for our Lord. To talk of Him in our conversation should be just as natural to the Christian as to talk about the weather or one's grandchildren. Words of praise cheer everyone whether spoken to us or about us. Even so, our praise rejoices the heart of our heavenly Father and our Saviour.

Let us use that foot of praise, along with our foot of prayer, and walk as Christians with an even tread.

"Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me; and to him that ordereth his conversation aright will I show the salvation of God" (Psalm 50:23). Herein is a blessing both to God and to ourselves. *Praise ye the Lord!*

I PRAISE HIM

By M. S. Fletcher

The way I go is sometimes in the sunshine,
And light and gladness everywhere are found.

I praise for all the beauty that surrounds me,
I praise for skies so clear and blue above me,
And in my heart God's love.

And then my way at times is in the shadows,
Clouds roll up quickly, blotting out the sun,
Instead of beauty all seems dim and cheerless,
And yet I walk in quiet peace, and fearless—
There in my heart God's love.

And many times, may be, I walk in trouble—
Nothing but storm and tempest all around—
Grave doubts and fears my heart and flesh assailing,
And yet so very near walks One, unfailing,
Whose peerless name is Love.

And He has promised ever to be with me,
Never to fail, and never to forsake,
Sending each day a gracious glad reviving;
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Christmas in August

BY PAT PAYNE

CHRISTMAS CAME EARLY THIS YEAR for the Women's Missionary Council Auxiliary of First Assembly in Memphis, Tennessee.

The WMCA's, under the leadership of their president, Mrs. Ida Mae Keeton, wanted to plan a "different" August meeting. So they had a Christmas party for the teen-agers of Hillcrest National Children's Home in Hot Springs, Arkansas.

All the Hillcrest young people could not be present so they were represented by the superintendent, Herbert Bruhn, and by six teen-agers—three boys and three girls.

A seven-foot decorated Christmas tree stood in the middle of the C. A.



WMCA officers and circle leaders of First Assembly in Memphis, Tenn.



Display of Christmas gifts for the Hillcrest Children's Home in Hot Springs, Ark.

Chapel, surrounded by beautifully wrapped gifts for the young people. As the one hundred and fifty WMCA ladies arrived, Christmas music filled the chapel and a real Christmas spirit was present.

After a carol sing and specials by the First Assembly Missionette Trio, the ladies enjoyed seeing pictures of Hillcrest.

Afterward the gifts were sent home with the Hillcrest young people—and the WMCA ladies felt that Christmas

had indeed come early this year. Gifts included blue jeans, T-shirts, socks, blouses, lingerie, shirts, sweaters, bill-folds, games—anything a teen-ager would want to find under his Christmas tree.

The WMCA's will have another Christmas this year, of course. In December they will commemorate God's gift to the world, by giving gifts to others. And they will enjoy it much more—because of the Christmas they had in August. ◀◀

A TRULY RICH MAN —

by Mont Hurst

THERE WAS A WEALTHY OIL MAN who came to a poor farmer to arrange an oil lease. Oil had been discovered in the county and leasing was widespread.

Mr. Williams, the farmer, had high hopes that oil would be discovered on his land. He and his wife had always longed for some of the better things of life, but prosperity had always evaded them. Their few acres were rocky, eroded land which produced just enough for the bare necessities of life.

Now, they thought, perhaps prosperity was coming at last. They would sit up late at night contemplating the things they would do when an oil well "came in." They would help the church more, and build a nice home, and give each of their children a college education.

At last the drilling crew came and began operations on their land. As the

work progressed the farmer's hopes mounted higher and higher. Then one day they crashed into a thousand bits. The well was dry. Further tests convinced the oil man there was no "black gold" beneath this farm.

The wealthy oil man visited the farmer's home and found him so dejected. "Well, Mr. Williams, I'm sorry we did not strike oil. You're disappointed and I am too. But cheer up, man. You're richer than I."

For a moment the farmer was puzzled to know what this meant: then the oil man explained. "You have good health and a fine family," he went on. "My doctors have found that I have an incurable cancer. They tell me I can't live more than six months.

"Man, you're a lot richer than I am!"

So the farmer began to count his blessings instead of his disappointments. Yes, good health is a gift worth far

more than gold. Next to the salvation of the soul it is the richest treasure one can possess. And God promises health or healing to all His children.

He thanked the Lord for a healthy body and a healthy family. He stopped wishing for something he didn't have and thereby he gained the blessing of a contented spirit. He was a rich man indeed. For "godliness with contentment is great gain" (1 Timothy 6:6). ◀◀

O that we could take that simple view of things, as to feel that the one thing which lies before us is to please God. What gain is it to please the world, to please the great, or to please those whom we love, compared with this? What gain is it to be applauded, admired, courted, followed—compared with this one aim of "not being disobedient to the heavenly vision"?

—J. H. Newman



REMEMBER THE JEW

BY MEYER AND ALICE TAN-DITTER

Bell Gardens, California

MANY LOOK AT THE JEW—EDUCATED, materially independent—and fail to realize his need of eternal salvation in spite of the worldly success.

The Jew has been and still is being overlooked and neglected in our worldwide missionary program. We have often used a hit-and-miss approach—without understanding the Jewish language, customs, habits, and traditions. Our missionaries go to a foreign field and spend years learning the language and customs; yet we fail to see the same need for reaching the Jewish heart and mind in the homeland. The Jew has a cultural background of centuries with his own customs and traditions which need to be learned.

It is difficult to approach a Jewish soul—whether a doctor, a lawyer, an entertainer, a businessman, or a professor—and realize that he and his peo-

ple are as far from salvation as any other race upon this earth.

Christians have tried to prove to the Jew how wrong his people are and how right our Christian faith is. What we fail to realize is that all we have, spiritually, came to us through the Jew! The Jewish race gave us our Christian faith (John 4:22; Romans 3:1-2; 9:4-5). It gave us our hope and our Saviour. We have found it far better and more effective to approach Jews with the same message that they once had and now need more than ever.

The Jew is ignorant of the fact that Jesus Christ, the Saviour the Jews gave us, is his own Messiah. And with all of his education, wisdom, and wealth—with all of his cleverness and shrewdness which generations of persecution have developed as a means of survival—the Jew must be shown genuine Chris-

tian love. He must be given the message that he at one time gave to the world.

The Jew is our neighbor. Over 5,000,000 Jews reside in the U. S., most of them in the larger cities. They do not know the contents of the very Book which their race gave us. They need the very hope they themselves gave us.

The Jew does *not* believe in the New Testament, so we do not use it in our approach. Actually there was *no* New Testament in Christ's day. It was written after He returned to heaven. The Jew does not believe in the Christian Church. He regards it as heresy. The Jew does *not* believe in the Cross. He does *not* believe that Jesus Christ is the Messiah.

Thus, we do not approach the Jew with anything our New Testament teaches. We stick to his own Scrip-

EMERGENCY APPEAL

INDIAN CONGREGATIONS OUTGROW PRESENT BUILDINGS

OVER A YEAR AGO THE ROY NELSONS sold their furniture to provide funds to move to Owyhee, Nev., where they began a new church among the Shoshone and Paiute Indians.

At first a small rented house served both for living quarters and for a meetingplace. Later a land grant was secured and the National Home Missions Department advanced funds to help build a house for the Nelsons. Also a small temporary building was erected for services.

Now these workers have started a permanent church building, and are desperately in need of completing it before cold weather. The Nelsons write: "There is a great harvest of souls in this valley, but if we are to do any good we must have an adequate church building. In our last revival many were

turned away because we had no room. If this keeps happening, soon they will not even bother to come! We are burdened for these Shoshone and Paiute Indians."



The Roy Nelsons, missionaries to the Shoshone-Paiute Indians at Owyhee, Nev.

The Indians on this reservation are in need themselves so they are unable to finance their own church building. The National Home Missions Department has sent \$800 toward the new church, but \$1,200 more is needed immediately in order to make the building usable this winter. The full-gospel work here has a promising future with this new building.

On the Fort Apache Reservation at Canyon Day, Ariz., the Leo Gilmans have already begun a new annex. All



A Christian Paiute Indian mother with baby in cradle board

DON'T FORGET THE CHILDREN IN ALASKA

We have nearly 70 children in our three Assemblies of God Children's Homes in Alaska and we would like to provide a special gift for each of these Homes at Christmas. Will you help? If you will send an offering to the Home Missions Department designated for "Children of Alaska, Christmas Offering," you will help to make this a happier Christmas both for the children and for the staff of these Homes.

tures. It is in his own Testament that sin, salvation, sacrifice, atonement, messianic and prophetic pictures of his Messiah are found. It is his own Scriptures that prove his Messiah has come. Using this method of approach we find sincere and hungry hearts.

Why is it that so little has been done to get at the very heart and mind of these people that live all around us? They perish for a lack of understanding and love. They have "run the gauntlet" in Assyria, Babylon, Medo-Persia,

Syria, Greece, and Rome. They have experienced hatred and scorn from so-called Christians. They have been libeled and accused. They have had everything thrown at them. Now they need our prayers, our compassion, our love, and our understanding.

My wife and I have encountered many problems in our ministry among these people. We contact them in their homes and in hospitals as they lie on beds of pain. We make friends with them. We take their blind and ignorant remarks; but we are slowly reaching them and telling the story of redemption. We are proving to many Jews that we have not discarded their Bible; that we believe it, love it, and cherish it. A successful salesman never knocks the other firm's article; he sells his own. That is what we are doing.

May God stir our wonderful Assemblies of God fellowship to the great need of Jewish evangelism. May we look upon the wise and wealthy Jew and see him as he really is—a sinner in need of a Saviour.

Your support for JEWISH MISSIONS of the Assemblies of God is necessary if our missionaries are to get the gospel to the Jews before Jesus returns for His Church. ◀◀

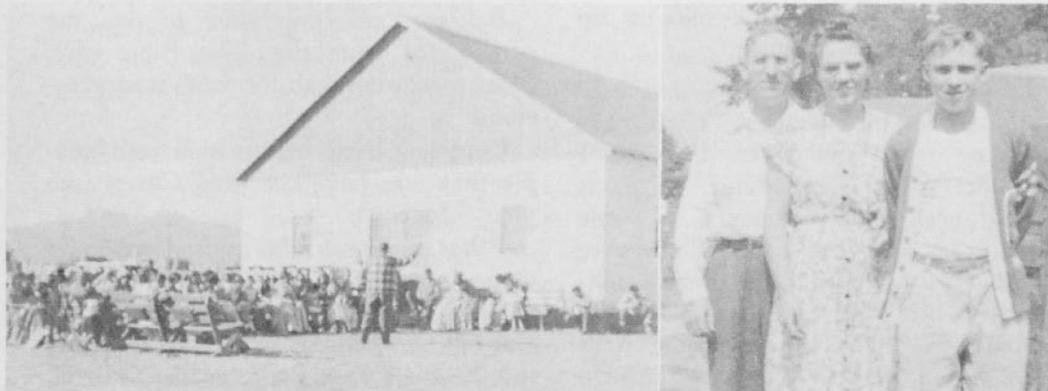
summer, adult Sunday school classes have been meeting outside while children's classes occupied the church building. Church services have been so crowded that numbers have been turned away. Some have become discouraged by the situation and have stopped coming. During the first six months of 1960, thirty people were saved, ten were baptized in water, and seventeen received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

With the approach of winter, classes cannot be conducted outside and others

will be lost to the church unless adequate room is provided at once. The Sunday school now averages around 150.

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Your offerings designated for the *Owyhee Indian Church* and the *Canyon Day Indian Church* will help to advance the kingdom of God on the home front among the first Americans. They may be sent direct to the Home Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific Street Springfield, Mo. ◀◀



Sunday school is conducted outside the Apache church in Canyon Day, Ariz. as the church is not adequate. The Leo Gilman family (at right) are missionaries at Canyon Day.

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The Inescapable QUESTION

By L. E. LAMBERT

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SOME PEOPLE MISTAKENLY BELIEVE that when they die God uses a kind of spiritual scales. In the one side He puts all their good deeds, in the other side their bad ones. If the good outweighs the bad they go to heaven, and if the evil tilts the heavier they go to hell.

That is not so; where we spend eternity depends entirely upon what we do with Jesus Christ.

It depends on our answer to the question Pilate posed at the trial of Jesus: "*What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?*" (Matthew 27:22)

This question brings us to the core of Christianity. It is not what will you do with some denomination, or doctrine, or ceremony, but "What will you do with Jesus?"

It reveals choice. This is one of the marvels of God's dealing with man; He has given us a free will, and He will not violate that prerogative. God does not force His will upon us. The famous picture by Holman Hunt called "The Light of the World" depicts Christ knocking at the door of men's lives, but it shows no latch on the door. The artist explained: "The latch is on the inside."

It is a personal, individual decision. *What shall I do with Jesus?* Many things in life are decided for us; our birthplace, our parents, our names (some of us have never forgiven our parents for the names they did choose) and many factors in our lives are decided by other people. But this is one question which you alone can answer.

1. "*I will have nothing to do with Him at all,*" reply some. "I will ignore Him. If He confronts me when I go to church I will stop going. If He steals upon me when I am alone I will avoid being alone. If when I am with certain people I feel His presence I will seek other company. When His voice calls I will not heed." But you cannot avoid Christ. He is inevitable, this question inescapable.

Pilate washed his hands and cried, "I am innocent"; but was he? His wife wrote, "Have nothing to do with this just man." They both mistakenly thought they could ignore Jesus. I once read a book critic's comment on Sir Winston Churchill. He said, "You can love Winston or you can hate Winston, but you can't ignore him." That is a million times more true of Christ.

"Crucify Him, crucify Him," cried the crowd; "His blood be on us and on our children." But very few will say that today. You may not be religious, but surely you will not say categorically, "I don't want Christ."

2. "*I can't make up my mind,*" say others. Folk today are perplexed, halting between two opinions. I want to say gently but firmly that often it is not an intellectual problem, but a moral one; not so much making up the mind as giving up some sin.

Others make excuses the reason for indecision. "If I become a Christian, look what I'd have to give up," they say; but the only thing you must relinquish is your sin. "I couldn't keep it up," say others. You don't have to; Christ will enable you to live the Christian life.

"Too many hypocrites in the church," someone says. But there is no hypocrisy in Christ; the question is, "What will you do with Jesus?" If you say you cannot make up your mind you are really saying no; you are making up your mind against Christ.

3. "*I will accept Him by and by,*" is another common answer. "I will have my fling first, and when I'm old I will take Christ as Saviour." This is the meanest of all answers. No one takes a bunch of withered flowers to a friend in a hospital, yet many contemplate offering Christ a withered, wasted life. They will burn the midnight oil in pursuit of pleasure, then blow the smoke in the face of the Almighty.

Christ deserves our best. He gave His best for us; He was only thirty-three when He died upon the Cross. My fear is not that God will mock your death-bed prayer, but that you may never have a death-bed. People who have told me personally that they would accept Christ later in life have died, or been killed, without warning or opportunity to repent.

More than eighty per cent of Christians are converted before they are twenty years old. The older you get, the less likelihood there is that you will be converted. That is why it is imperative that you choose this day whom you will serve. Today, if you will hear His voice, harden not your heart. "What shall I do then with Jesus?"

4. "*I will compromise,*" respond others. "I will give Him a certain place within my heart, as far as other interests permit. I have no intention of going all out for Christ; I am not going to carry my heart in my sleeve; but I will do my duty, lead a decent life, and come to church." But the Saviour is not content with that. Christ will be Lord of all or not at all. If Christ is worth anything, He is worth everything.

5. There is perhaps only one other answer to this inescapable question: "*I will accept Him now as my Saviour.*" That is what Paul did on the road to Damascus, and his life was revolutionized. Augustine did that in a quiet garden and was freed from the tyranny of vice. That is what I did some years ago, and Christ forgave my sin, changed my life, and I found peace with God. If you wish to know God's forgiveness by accepting Christ as your Saviour, there are three simple steps to take. I will call them A-B-C.

Acknowledge to God that you are a sinner in need of a Saviour. The Bible says all have sinned; that includes both you and me.

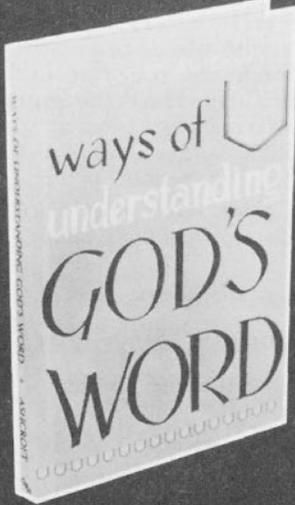
Believe that Jesus died to pay the penalty for your sins. The Bible says, "He was wounded for our transgressions."

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What will you do with Jesus? (If through reading this article you come to know Christ as Saviour, please write and tell us. Address your card or letter to: Editor, The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri.) ◀◀

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Forget Not All His Benefits

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to be thankful. This does not mean necessarily that God lavishes more on us because of our gratitude; the reason is that we, being mindful of His abiding presence, learn to ask in His Name that our joys may be full (note John 16:24). And we know, too, that "no good thing will He withhold from them that walk uprightly" (Psalm 84: 11).

Every one of us will have times of crisis. In those hours God will expect us to exercise faith. We will not be found wanting then if we consistently forget not all His benefits. For He says, "Offer unto God thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High: and call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me" (Psalm 50:14, 15).

HARVEST HOME

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light that never shone on sea or land. Her pastor, Leigh Richmond, visited her every day, and as a result wrote what he called *The Dairyman's Daughter*, of which more than five million copies have been read in various languages. William Wilberforce read it, and it was the means of making a man of God of him. He went to the House of Commons and lifted his voice for freedom and liberty in the British Empire. He wrote a little book called *The Practical Idea of Religion in the Soul*. It was read by a Scotch clergyman leading a selfish life, and changed him completely. This was Thomas Chalmers, the father of the Free Church of Scot-

land, and thousands of saints and ministers of Christ have been the outcome of his glorious life.

O beloved, get God into your life, and you are bound to be used. It is a stupendous life. Let not your service, however, be a studied motive, but a love for everyone issuing from a Spirit-filled heart.

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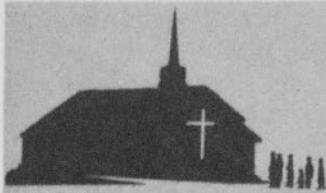
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PRAYER REQUESTS • DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION • MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS

Monday, November 21

Read: Psalm 99

Learn: "Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at his footstool; for he is holy" (Psalm 99:5).

For the Parent: From this psalm point out: (1) God is King over all the earth, v. 1; (2) the results which happen because God is King over all, vv. 1-3; (3) God is just and righteous besides being all-powerful, v. 4; (4) God's people are to worship Him, v. 5; (5) God is holy, v. 5; (6) God has answered in the past all who seriously called upon Him, offering forgiveness from sin, vv. 6-8; (7) we are to exalt the name of our God, worshipping Him, v. 9.

Question Time: What truth are Moses, Aaron, and Samuel used to illustrate in this psalm? (vv. 6-8) Why are we to worship God? (v. 5)

Missionary Birthdays: L. Percival Breusch, India; Mrs. John T. McPherson (Indian), California; Mrs. D. M. Buntain, India; Rodger Cree (Indian), Arizona.

Tuesday, November 22

Read: Psalm 101

Learn: "I will behave myself wisely in a perfect way... I will walk within my house with a perfect heart" (Psalm 101:2).

For the Parent: Too often we think of Christianity as a religion of negative commands. In the first three verses of this psalm David lists some things he will do as a follower of the Lord. Discuss these, applying them to life today. He then deals with qualities that are displeasing to God (vv. 4-7). Discuss these, too, showing how the Christians can and should avoid them. Stress the importance of serving God because we love Him.

Question Time: What are some of the things that the follower of the Lord will do? (vv. 1-3) What are some things that he will avoid? (vv. 4-7)

Missionary Birthdays: Mrs. R. Armstrong, Philippines; Phyllis H. Wagner, Nigeria; Harvey D. Johnson (Deaf), Missouri.

Wednesday, November 23

Read: Esther 2:5, 7, 16, 17; 3:5, 6; 4:13-16

Learn: "The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me" (Hebrews 13:6).

For the Parent: (Additional material on "Queen Esther, the Fearless" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) From the verses read and from intervening verses, point out: (1) how Esther became queen; (2) her Jewish background; (3) the hatred of Haman for Mordecai—and his plot to destroy all the Jews because of Mordecai's devotion to God; (4) the order to destroy

all Jews; (5) Esther's decision to represent her people before the king—an act of courage and devotion.

Question Time: How did Esther become the queen? Why was Haman angry with Mordecai? What did Haman plot to do?

Missionary Birthday: Harland A. Park, Hong Kong.

Thursday, November 24

THANKSGIVING DAY

Read: Psalm 100

Learn: "Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name" (Psalm 100:4).

For the Parent: Since this is a short psalm, you might wish to concentrate on memorizing the entire psalm today. Then have each member of the group recall the thing for which he is most thankful this year. Stress the joy that we have in serving the Lord, emphasizing His blessings and goodness to us. Stress too God's mercy and love which He so abundantly showers upon us.

Question Time: How are we to come into God's presence? (v. 4) Why are we to praise God? (v. 5)

Missionary Birthdays: Mrs. Clarence Ollson, Argentina; Everett L. Phillips, Secretary for Africa; Ralph W. Buchanan (Indian), North Carolina; Mrs. Mildred E. Kimball (Indian), Wisconsin.

Friday, November 25

Read: Nehemiah 9:22-28, 30-32, 36-38 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

Learn: "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about his people from henceforth even for ever" (Psalm 125:2).

For the Parent: Last Sunday's Juniors'

lesson was about the importance of knowing the location of Bible places and dealt with the early history of Israel. This lesson deals with places prominent in Israel's history from the conquest of Canaan to Nehemiah's day. Have the group find the places referred to, locating them on a map of Bible lands. Show also God's faithfulness to His people.

Question Time: How does a knowledge of Israel's history teach us about God? (See above)

Missionary Birthday: John Stetz, Korea.

Saturday, November 26

Read: Mark 10:46-52 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

Learn: "Pray without ceasing" (1 Thessalonians 5:17).

For the Parent: Have the group review the story of the healing of Bartimaeus, stressing: (1) his physical need, v. 46; (2) his conviction that Jesus could help him, v. 47; (3) his actions based on his convictions—holding to them in spite of the advice of the crowd, vv. 47, 48; (4) his cries for help reached the ears of Christ, vv. 49, 50; (5) his petition, v. 51; (6) the basis of his healing, v. 52; (7) the result of his healing—he followed Jesus from that time onward, v. 52.

Question Time: What was the physical condition of Bartimaeus? (v. 46) How did the crowd react to his cries for help? (v. 48) What result followed his healing? (v. 52)

Missionary Birthdays: Charles A. Hadden (Indian), North Carolina; Mrs. Ernest Lindholm, Congo; Mrs. Ernest G. Jones, Nyasaland.

Missionary Birthdays on Sunday: Mary Metaxatos, Greece; Mrs. Talmadge Butler, Senegal.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS

Frank Boyd, who is currently teaching at the Japan Central Bible Institute, is ill and may be forced to return to the States unless he receives a healing touch immediately. Pray for this dedicated veteran of the Cross. Mrs. Boyd is in Tokyo with him.

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An acute problem has arisen at the Assemblies of God Children's Home in Juneau, Alaska. Please pray for this need. There are urgent needs in the homes at Valdez and Palmer, also.

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Mrs. Hubert Dew of Upper Volta is still in need of prayer for her healing.

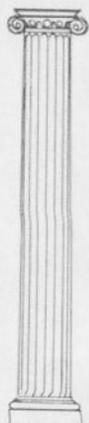
Mrs. Jean Wagner has established a Chinese congregation in Singapore, Malaya. They need \$18,000 to purchase property in order to have a permanent church home. Pray that funds will come in.

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Pray that the Eugene Herds may be able to continue services on the Indian reservations near Holbrook, Ariz. They have encountered severe opposition.

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Pray for the missionaries at Alpine, Calif. and Albuquerque, N. Mex. that they may be able to purchase property near the reservations.



CAMPUS COLUMN

Hardy W. Steinberg

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LECTURES ON BIBLE LANDS

SPRINGFIELD, Missouri—In his course on Archaeology, Robert Cooley presents lectures on Bible lands to his students at Central Bible Institute.

Brother Cooley recently returned from Palestine where he spent three months digging in the buried remains of the ancient city of Dothan. He and his associates made a startling discovery at the site: a tomb, one of the largest ever uncovered, that was used during the time of the Biblical judges. There were approximately a thousand objects of historic importance in the tomb, in addition to human skeletons.

Next spring Brother Cooley will lead a Bible Lands Study Tour lasting six weeks. This tour, sponsored by Central Bible Institute, will include an examination of the actual scenes of dozens of Biblical events and a study of modern archaeological discoveries which illuminate the Scriptures so vividly.

All ministers and other Christian workers, including laymen, are invited to participate in this tour. Lectures will be given en route and six college credit hours may be earned by those who take the tour.

GREATEST REVIVAL IN YEARS

LAKELAND, Florida—Andrew E. Spence, Jr., president of South-Eastern Bible College, writes:

"The college is in the midst of the greatest revival in years. Hour after hour the waves of sanctifying blessing flow through the college. Love is prevalent and the purifying sweep of the Holy Spirit is shaking the very core of South-Eastern Bible College. Many have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit and wonderful healings have taken place. Class after class has been turned into revival and the move is on!

"Oldtimers are stating that they have never seen it on this fashion. The impact of this revival will be felt for many years in our movement. SEBC rejoices that the largest fall enrollment (263) in its history is here to enjoy the revival."

FORMER MOSLEM AT EVANGEL

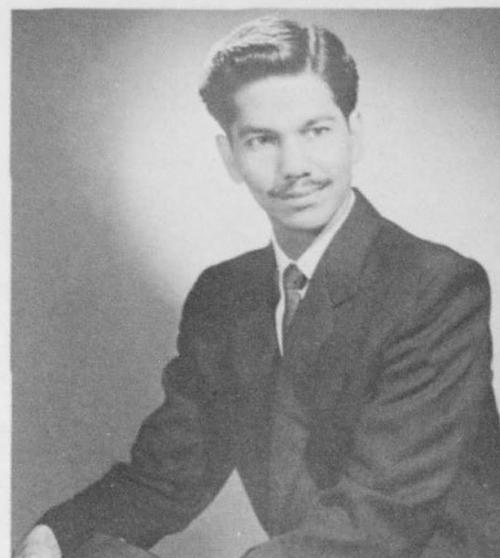
SPRINGFIELD, Missouri—Rana Nasir, a former Moslem who became a Christian minister, is currently enrolled at Evangel College. Son of a judge, he studied the Koran for three years at Islamic College, Lahore, Pakistan.

After Nasir left Islamic College because of his changed religion, fanatical Moslems

attempted to poison him. Failing in this, they tied him in a sack and threw him into the river, but he succeeded in reaching shore.

Nasir then became a minister to refugee lepers sleeping in the streets of his homeland. While engaged in this work he met Marc Burbridge, a minister from Muskogee, Okla., who was then visiting Pakistan. The Oklahoma minister, learning of Nasir's interest in better qualifying himself for the ministry, helped bring him to the United States in 1959 to study. Three Muskogee businessmen assisted in the project.

After a year at Bacone College, Muskogee, where he was awarded the Estral Foundation Scholarship, 25-year-old Rana Nasir transferred to Evangel College this fall. He is majoring in social studies.



Rana Nasir

BBC ENJOYS RECORD ENROLLMENT

SANTA CRUZ, California—The largest enrollment in the history of Bethany Bible College (266) began classwork Thursday, September 8, for the new fall term.

Some 135 students are enrolled as freshmen which is the highest first-year registration in recent years. Students from eighteen states and five foreign countries are attending the college.

The newest states are represented by three Alaskans (including one native Eskimo) and seven Hawaiians. Other states include: Washington, Oregon, California, Arizona, Texas, Nevada, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Colorado, Oklahoma, Kentucky, Illinois, Pennsylvania, New Hampshire, and New York.

There are three students from South Africa, two from Hong Kong, and one each from Japan, Australia, and Canada.

C. C. Burnett, president of the college, comments: "This increase in attendance at Bethany is an indication of the post-war population boom as well as the newly-accredited status of BBC by the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges."

STAFF MEMBERS ADDED AT NBC

KIRKLAND, Washington—Three new members have been added to the faculty and staff of Northwest Bible College.

John Pope, who served for five years as a chaplain in the U. S. Air Force, has joined the faculty as an instructor in History and French. He is a graduate of Central Bible Institute, Wheaton College, and Fuller Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Roy Reems of Wenatchee, who formerly operated her own coffee shop, is serving as cafeteria manager at the school.

Mrs. Verna Flanders, a native Washingtonian with a distinct Southern accent, is supervisor of the women's dormitory. She acquired the accent while living in Georgia for twenty-six years. An ordained minister, she served as pastor of the Assembly of God in Rome, Ga., for fourteen years. At NBC she is supervising a "family" of 74 women students.

PERMANENT BUILDINGS TO BE ERECTED AT EVANGEL

SPRINGFIELD, Missouri—Business sessions of the Council of Evangel College were climaxed by a unanimous vote to recommend to the Board of Directors that construction of the first two permanent buildings on the campus be started at the earliest possible date. The Council pointed out that a physical education building and a second building to contain the chapel and library are needed to supplement present facilities for the 1961-62 school year.

The Board of Directors, which has been studying campus development plans, will consider the Council's recommendations at its February 1961 meeting. If passed by the Board, the proposal will go to the General Presbytery of the Assemblies of God.

An unusual manifestation of the presence of the Holy Spirit marked the Council meeting. The Council, an Assemblies of God laymen's organization, met at Springfield October 5-7. The meeting was attended by 213 members of the Council and the Ladies Auxiliary.

The college's fall revival took place the following week, with Pastor Kenneth Schmidt of Grand Junction, Colo. as guest speaker. The lives of many students were transformed in these meetings. Over twenty received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.



Robert Cooley (right), instructor in archaeology at Central Bible Institute, was draftsman last spring for the Wheaton Archaeological Expedition. On the drawing board he is reconstructing a large administration building of Elisha's time uncovered at Dothan by the expedition.

RADIO DEPARTMENT



A view of the crowd attending the Revivaltime origination service in Cincinnati, Ohio (Photo by Jack Woods)

Revivaltime Originates From Cincinnati BY PASTOR D. L. SANDERS

Pastor Sees Total Outreach of Church Quadrupled in Half Hour

FIRST CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY OF GOD IN CINCINNATI CELEBRATED its fifty-fourth anniversary in October. For this occasion the *Revivaltime* team visited our church and produced and released the broadcast from our auditorium on Sunday night, October 2. This origination was an electrifying experience for our congregation.

Members of the team participating in this broadcast origination were: C. M. Ward, *Revivaltime* speaker; D. V. Hurst, National Secretary of Radio; Bartlett Peterson, Executive Director of Radio and narrator of *Revivaltime*, and Cyril McLellan, choir director. The choir members were provided by our local church.

PHOTOS BY JIM SESS



The Revivaltime team presents the Honor of Origination plaque to D. Leroy Sanders, pastor of First Christian Assembly. Left to

Our congregation worships in a large and beautiful air-conditioned structure strategically located in the Mt. Auburn district of Cincinnati. The main auditorium was well filled for this unique service.

A gratifying realization to us was that our church ministered, through the *Revivaltime* broadcast, to perhaps three times as many people in only thirty minutes as the sum total to which it has ministered in all the fifty-four years of its history. We consider this ministry well worth our investment.

During their stay in Cincinnati a saturation campaign was outlined for the *Revivaltime* team. Brother Ward was featured speaker for the Greater Cincinnati Sunday School Association (an interdenomination Sunday school convention), and he also spoke for the city-wide Youth for Christ serv-



C. M. Ward



right: C. M. Ward, Bartlett Peterson, Pastor Sanders, and D. V. Hurst. Photo at right shows Cyril McLellan and local choir.

ice. In addition, the team ministered in various Assemblies in the area, making a real impact for the Assemblies of God.

WLW, the nation's highest fidelity station, thought highly enough of the broadcast to carry it sustaining for this occasion—the first time it has carried *Revivaltime*.

We are happy for the inspiring ministry of *Revivaltime*, and our area will certainly be more interested in supporting it as a result of this visit from Brother Ward and his associates.
REVIVALTIME, BOX 70, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI ◀◀

RADIO NEWS FLASH!

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

POST, TEXAS (KUKO)
 1370 kc.-500 watts

(See local newspaper for time)

BELZONI, MISSISSIPPI (WELZ)

1460 kc.-1,000 watts

Saturdays, 8:00 a.m.

ASHLAND, OREGON (KRVC)

1350 kc.-1,000 watts

(See local newspaper for time)

TIME CHANGE

WARREN, OHIO (WHHH)

Sundays, 10:30 p.m.

RADIO CHOIR ITINERARY

The *Revivaltime* choir with Cyril McLellan, director, will be making personal appearances as follows:

November 23—OVERLAND, MISSOURI: Faith Assembly.

November 24—CLINTON, ILLINOIS: Assembly of God.

November 25—SOUTH BEND, INDIANA: Calvary Temple, District C. A. Convention.

November 26—MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN: Bethel Tabernacle, C. A. Rally.

November 27 (a.m.)—ZION, ILLINOIS: Christian Assembly.

November 27 (p.m.)—KENOSHA, WISCONSIN: Assembly of God, *Revivaltime* origination.

November 28—PEORIA, ILLINOIS: First Assembly of God.

November 29—SULLIVAN, MISSOURI: First Assembly of God.

Forgiving and forgetting go together. What if the earth forgave, but still refused To forget ravages of wind and weather; Felt, after fire's passing, too abused To sprout a blade of grass or tree again? What if she bore the sky resentment, yet, For forty days of rainfall? Only men Forgive and sometimes never quite forget.

—Elaine V. Emans

Revivaltime Giving

TOP DISTRICTS

January 1 through September 30, 1960

TOTAL GIVING

1. Southern California\$14,135.13
2. Eastern 12,450.52

AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1. New York\$ 79.88
2. Nebraska 78.06

INCREASE IN TOTAL GIVING

1. Southern California\$ 4,843.14
2. Michigan 3,242.64

INCREASE IN AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1. Nebraska\$ 24.99
2. New York 19.71

GREATEST INCREASE IN NUMBER OF CHURCHES GIVING

1. N. California-Nevada 10
2. Eastern 9

GREATEST INCREASE IN PERCENTAGE OF CHURCHES GIVING

1. Alabama 11
2. Wyoming 7

REVIVALTIME REPRESENTATIVES ITINERARY

Revivaltime representatives may be heard in person in the following places:

C. M. WARD

December 1—DENTON, TEXAS: Sectional Sunday School Convention.

December 2—SOUTH FORT WORTH, TEXAS: Sectional Sunday School Convention.

December 6-11—MIAMI, FLORIDA: Evangel Temple. (*Revivaltime* origination, December 11.)

December 12—VERO BEACH, FLORIDA: Osceola Elementary School Auditorium, *Revivaltime* rally.

December 24 to January 2—AUSTRALIA.

D. V. HURST

December 11—MIAMI, FLORIDA: *Revivaltime* origination.

If I had three hundred men who feared nothing but God, hated nothing but sin, and were determined to know nothing among men but Jesus Christ and Him crucified, I would set the world on fire.—*Wesley*.

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Spotlight on Evangelism

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► DENTON, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. L. C. Eldridge have finished a very good revival at First Assembly. At least three were saved, five received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, some testified to healing, and the whole church felt the reviving power of God.
—Paul E. Little, Pastor

► ARLINGTON, CALIF.—A very successful revival was held at the Arlanza Assembly of God with Evangelist David Bunch. Ten were saved, and twelve received the Holy Spirit. There were also a number of healings.
—Robert L. Turner, Pastor

► ST. LOUIS, MO.—The forceful ministry of Evangelist James Wyninegar of St. Louis was a great blessing to our people at Friendly Assembly. Brother Wyninegar recently came into our Assemblies of God fellowship after ministering for several years in a non-Pentecostal denomination, and his Acts 2:4 experience is a burning reality. His one-week meeting with us was a special blessing to our church.
—L. C. Ramsey, Pastor

► TOLEDO, OHIO—Forty-three children gave their hearts to the Lord in one night of the Children's Crusade under the direction of Evangelist Bob Olson of Schofield, Wis. Night after night the evangelist kept the children spellbound with his chalk talks, Bible puppets, and other attractions. The total enrollment reached 156 children. We have scheduled Evangelist Olson again for 1961.
—G. G. Martin, Pastor

► HEREFORD, TEX.—The Assembly here has concluded one of the most outstanding revivals in a number of years through the ministry of Evangelist Norman Gordon of Atoka, Okla. Souls were saved, believers filled and refilled, and the sick healed night after night. In one service alone twelve persons received the baptism of the Spirit.

Among the many healings recorded were cases of partial deafness, arthritis, asthma, and internal afflictions. A mother and her daughter were healed instantly of a painful rheumatic heart condition. One young man who had suffered a serious back injury while in the Army, was healed instantly. An operation had left his back stiff, but after prayer he could bend easily.

The evangelist fasted and prayed a great deal, both before and during the revival, and God used his Bible-based sermons to create faith in the people's hearts.

—V. W. Marcontell, Pastor

► PLANT CITY, FLA.—Each service of the evangelistic campaign just concluded at First Assembly under the ministry of Carl Johnson of Terre Haute, Ind. was crowned with the glory of God. Christians were drawn closer to the Lord, many received their baptism, and a number experienced healing. Even though Hurricane Donna arrived in the city during the revival, the meetings continued. God blessed the people spiritually and physically, and met the financial needs too.
—J. W. Jordan, Pastor

► EVERETT, PA.—Six months have passed since the special meetings with Evangelist Howard Anderson, and we can state that they have resulted in lasting benefit to the Everett Assembly of God. Up to the time of the coming of our evangelist we hardly could claim Pentecostal power, for very few of the gifts were in operation in our church. Today, we see almost all the gifts in operations, and especially the greatest one—love. Love for the sinner, and a passion to pray! Love for the heathen, and a desire to go! Above all, a love for one another.

A number of healings took place, with deaf ears being opened and two eyes almost totally blind restored. A child's short legs grew one and a half inches in two months.

—Lucy Burman, Pastor

► ELKHART, IND.—The congregation at Bethel Assembly of God was greatly blessed during a two-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur Berg. Some were saved and eight were filled with the Holy Spirit.

—G. A. Uldin, Pastor

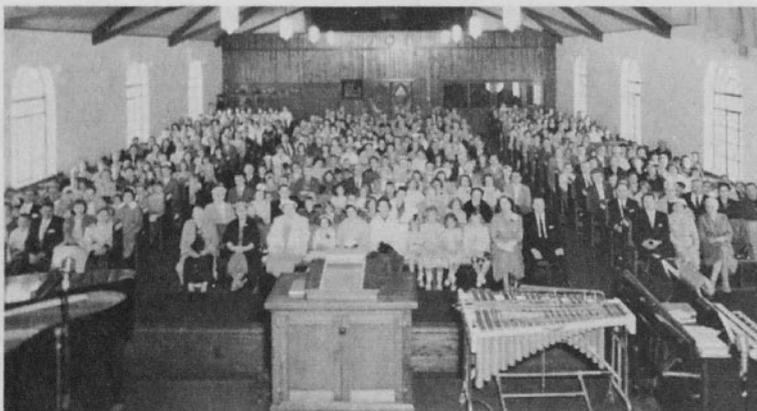
► PERTH AMBOY, N. J.—God's blessing rested upon the congregation at Glad Tidings Assembly during a two-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. A. N. Trotter. Souls were saved, believers filled with the Holy Spirit, and many revived and encouraged. There were strangers in almost every meeting. God has enabled the church to add a \$20,000 new front and additional Sunday school rooms. This is quite an asset to the church, and great things are being expected from God.

—David T. Garlock, Pastor

► SKELLYTOWN, TEX.—As pastor of the Assembly of God church, it is a great pleasure to report the success of the recent Kids' Crusade under the direction of Evangelist and Mrs. Dan Jackson of Tulsa, Okla. A great deal of interest was created by a parade through the business districts featuring covered wagons and carrying the theme, "Pioneering with Christ." We are grateful to God for the positive results of the meetings, including the salvation that three of our children experience.

—Robin Byars, Pastor

► NORTH TONAWANDA, N. Y.—During August, the churches of Buffalo, North Tonawanda, and Niagara Falls area sponsored a Union Tent Campaign with The Reid Evangelistic Party of East Aurora, N. Y. At times the tent was packed to capacity with people standing outside. Many came forward for salvation and there were some outstanding healings. On one night alone, two individuals were delivered from crutches and walked off unaided. One man who had been crippled for ten years could



Sunday School attendance at close of the Eskelin evangelistic campaign at Bethel Temple, St. Louis, Mo. (Since that date Delbert Bucher has succeeded David A. Hastie as Pastor.)



This photo was taken during the meetings conducted by Evangelist Louise Nankivell in Bethel Temple, Sacramento, Calif. (Clyde A. Henson is Pastor.)

be seen walking happily along without assistance at the close of the crusade. Fine publicity was given by the local newspapers. The co-operating pastors thank the Lord for the new families reached through these meetings.
—*Homer C. Cooper, Chairman*

► **MUSKEGON, MICH.**—East Broadway Assembly reports a fine meeting recently held with Evangelist Robert J. Price. Conviction was strong in each service and several young people went forward for salvation.
—*E. E. Froats, Pastor*

► **INDUSTRY, ILL.**—The Assembly of God Church here was blessed with the ministry of Evangelist Glen White, cowboy evangelist, of Custer, S. Dak. Three were saved, three were filled with the Holy Spirit, and several were healed. Fifteen new members were added to the church.
—*D. L. Boyd, Pastor*

► **SUBIACO, ARK.**—The folk at Midway Assembly are praising God for a gracious outpouring of His Spirit during a revival with Evangelist Freddie Richardson of Malvern, Ark. There were 19 saved or reclaimed, 16 received the gift of the Holy Spirit, 24 baptized in water, and 20 added to the church.
—*Gorman Daniel, Pastor*

► **POWERS LAKE, N. DAK.**—A three-week revival just concluded at Gospel Tabernacle by Evangelist and Mrs. William Andrews brought revival to the hearts of the people. Though it was held in the midst of harvest season, resulting in a lowered attendance, the presence of God was manifested in every service. Five were saved, three reclaimed, and there was one outstanding healing of a man who was going blind. God restored his sight. The ministry of the evangelists brought great blessing to the church.
—*Alvin P. Fischer, Pastor*

► **SPRINGFIELD, MO.**—Central Assembly recently experienced a great revival, especially among its young people. Several teenagers were saved and many were filled with the Holy Spirit. A wonderful spirit of prayer prevailed throughout the meetings, which were conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Ron Prinzing of Eugene, Oreg. Often the young people remained in prayer until the early hours of the morning. The older people also were greatly blessed by this "old-time" revival and God's Spirit continues to move upon all the services.
—*J. L. McQueen, Pastor*

► **OXNARD, CALIF.**—Bethany Chapel recently enjoyed the rich spiritual ministry of Evangelist Don Argue—a third-generation Pentecostal preacher. During each service hungry people filled the altar and there were many healings. Visitors attended the services each night. The church anticipates a return meeting should Jesus tarry.
—*J. C. McIntosh, Pastor*

► **MARYLAND HEIGHTS, MO.**—Evangelist Glenna Byard of Fredericktown, Mo. recently held a two-week revival at the Assembly here. Four were saved and five were filled with the Holy Spirit. Sister Byard's ministry was truly a blessing.
—*Edward H. Jones, Pastor*

► **MALDEN, MO.**—The Assembly here enjoyed a revival meeting with Evangelists Donald and Beverly Lunsford of Metropolis, Ill. There are four conversions, and five received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Following the revival, six young people were baptized in water.
—*D. B. Shaw, Pastor*

► **ST. JAMES, MO.**—Evangelist and Mrs. Cecil Welch of Licking, Mo. just concluded two weeks of revival at the Assembly of God here. Five were saved and one was filled with the Holy Spirit. There was a good attendance each night and the Sunday school attendance record was broken with 158 present. The people enjoyed the Pentecostal preaching of Brother Welch, and he has been invited back for a tent revival in the coming year.
—*T. Bluford Conway, Pastor*

► **INDIANA, PA.**—First Assembly of God here has just concluded one of the most successful meetings ever held in the church. The evangelist was Ralph A. Creider of Butler, Pa. The Lord moved in a marked way throughout the three-week meeting. Some 20 gave their hearts to the Lord, and quite a number were filled with the Holy Spirit. Many new people were attracted to the services because of the musical talent of the evangelist who plays over 20 different musical instruments.
—*William B. Keifer, Pastor*

► **SASAKWA, OKLA.**—A wonderful two-week revival has just been concluded at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist and Mrs. Howard Thompson of Stigler, Okla. Five were saved and nine reclaimed. The young people especially were blessed through the ministry of the evangelist.
—*Luster Young, Pastor*

► **CRESCO, IOWA**—A most successful two-week revival has been concluded at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist Larry Allbaugh. Several were saved and some healed. The Sunday school record was broken for the first time in approximately three years.
—*David H. Ku, Pastor*

► **MARYSVILLE, CALIF.**—A very successful series of meetings has just been concluded at Bethel Temple with Evangelist and Mrs. Ken George of Stinnett, Tex. The Spirit-anointed ministry in music, both vocal and instrumental, was a great blessing. The church has experienced a real revival, and the blessing of the Lord continues to rest upon the services.
—*James R. Adkins, Pastor*

► **OJAI, CALIF.**—The Assembly of God here recently concluded a week of youth revival with Evangelist Don Argue of Santa Monica, Calif. Many children and teen-agers knelt at the altars for salvation and re-consecration. One evening a mother and her four children knelt for salvation. During the last service, a young man interrupted the message saying, "I've got to get saved now." Together with his wife he went to the altar and received salvation while the service continued. A new Sunday school attendance record was established and new people are continuing to attend. Sheldon L. Simmons is pastor.
—*Jean Holmes, S. S. Sec.*

► **WEST COLUMBIA, TEX.**—A number of evangelists have contributed to the spiritual welfare of the Assembly here since the first of the year. Three weeks of special services with Evangelist and Mrs. Glen Shinn greatly benefited the church. The meetings held later by Evangelist Harry Hampel were also a blessing, as was the youth meeting conducted by Ralph Hagemeyer and Gene Griffin of the local church. Many souls have come forward for salvation during these meetings and there were a number of outstanding healings. Several were baptized in the Holy Spirit. In place of the customary "summer slump" there was a summer "hump" in attendance.
—*B. B. Hankins, Pastor*

► **BLOOMINGTON, TEX.**—A wonderful two-week revival was conducted at the Assembly here with Evangelist F. J. Woolf of Cleveland, Tex. Several were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. A week prior to the revival, one of the elderly ladies of the church had the misfortune to break her knee. She requested the church to pray, and



Here is a portion of the crowd that attended First Assembly of God in North Hollywood, Calif. during special meetings conducted by Evangelist Oran Duncan. (Wesley Steelberg is Pastor.) This was the evangelist's 150th revival.



This crowd gathered Sunday evening in the auditorium in Kennedy, Minn. to hear Evangelist Watson Argue. Eleven evangelical churches united for the two-week campaign. (M. R. Cory, Pastor of Hallock Assembly of God, was on the sponsoring committee.)

God miraculously healed her—making it possible for her to attend most of the last week of the meeting. The doctor and nurses were amazed because a broken bone in an elderly person usually takes a long time to heal. —Coy E. Walker, Pastor

► **EUREKA, CALIF.**—First Assembly reports a wonderful revival with Evangelist Roy Whitt of Vallejo, Calif. A 14-year-old girl received a definite touch of healing. Two years ago her eardrum was removed and doctors said she never would hear again. After prayer she was able to hear a low conversational tone. Some afflicted with blindness, deafness, hernia and other diseases were also healed. The spiritual tide continues to climb though the meeting has closed.

—Johnnie Smith, Pastor

► **ORANGE, MASS.**—Evangelist and Mrs. Felix Lloyd Smith of England and Australia concluded a successful two-week revival here at Full Gospel Assembly. The deep ministry of Brother Smith was certainly enriching. Several visitors attended and the Sunday school record was broken with 75 in attendance.

—Jesse Owens, Pastor

► **KANSAS CITY, MO.**—A most successful revival meeting has concluded at Maple Park Assembly under the ministry of Evangelist A. C. Bates of Waxahachie, Tex. A rich anointing rested upon the ministry of the Word. The morning prayer meetings were very inspiring. There were nine conversions and three received the glorious experience in the Holy Spirit. Sixteen followed the Lord in water baptism and five new members were added to the church. In one service \$700 was raised toward the purchase of a new parsonage.

—Howard D. Jones, Pastor

► **LANSING, MICH.**—Mt. Hope Assembly of God experienced a real move of God the past few weeks. The power of the Lord was felt mightily as Evangelist and Mrs. Arthur Berg ministered in the Word and song. Two were saved, two reclaimed, and seven filled with the Holy Spirit. The entire church received a great blessing from Brother Berg's sound, spiritual ministry.

—Carl F. Graves, Pastor

► **NEEDHAM, ALA.**—Remarkable results attended the tent revival led by Evangelist Eiford Amacker. Over 220 wept their way through to salvation. Approximately 100 received the infilling of the Holy Spirit. Many testified of healing. God moved in a special way healing deaf ears, arthritis, and ruptures. One sister who had been unable to kneel was instantly healed. A cancer peeled off another lady's face five days after prayer.

—Joseph Luker, Pastor

► **GRANITE, OKLA.**—The Assembly of God here was blessed during a revival with Evangelist Donald Payne of Albany, Mo. There were 20 saved or reclaimed and six filled with the Holy Spirit. Several testified to outstanding healings. Among them was a lady delivered of neuritis. Her doctor told her this affliction could lead to a permanent crippled condition, but God stepped in and instantly healed her of the disease. Formerly this nervous disorder caused her to want to be off by herself instead of attending church services, but throughout the entire three weeks she never missed a meeting.

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Dothan	Harper's Joy	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Fisher-Cheek Team	G. Roger Cook
Calif.	Eureka	Bethel	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Oren Paris	Gene Riggs
	Riverside	La Cadena Dr.	Nov. 27-Dec. 4	Harry E. Fisher	D. F. Ferguson
	S. San Francisco	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Ron Prinzing	Carl Curtright
	Upland	Evangel Temple	Nov. 20-Dec. 4	Tommy Barnett	Frank Lummer
Colo.	Grand Junction	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Oran & Audrey Duncan	Kenneth Schmidt
	Pueblo	First	Nov. 8-20	Musical Lebsacks	Clyde King
Ga.	Macon	Central	Nov. 15-27	Calvin Melton	Gerald Balius
Ill.	Clinton	A/G	Nov. 8-20	Cox-Brown Team	C. R. Deprenger
	Joliet	First	Nov. 23-Dec. 4	Garfield J. Unruh	L. H. Bottroff
	Rock Falls	A/G	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Roger & Sandra Wood	H. W. Lutz
Ind.	Bedford	First	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Bob & Pat Ludwig	Walter Solmes
Iowa	Keokuk	A/G	Nov. 1-20	Neale Sheneman	Allan Ullestad
	Ottumwa	First Pent.	Nov. 27—	G. A. & Mrs. Snively	Stanton Johnson
La.	Crawley	First	Nov. 13-27	Bill Taylor	Melvin McKnight
Me.	Washburn	Pentecostal	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Charles Crabtree	C. T. Chegwin
Mass.	Fitchburg	Full Gospel	Nov. 23-27	Fred Packer	E. R. Neuhaus
Mich.	Detroit	Evangel	Nov. 22-27	Peter Jepsen	Fred Smolchuck
	Greenville	A/G	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Robert J. Price	Wonleey Gray
	Lincoln Park	Bethel	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	J. B. & Gene Davis Tm.	Seth Balmer
	Saginaw	First	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Arthur & Anna Berg	Arthur Thornton
Minn.	Red Wing	A/G	Nov. 27-Dec. 2	Bob Olson	Benjamin Tims
Miss.	Hattiesburg	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	H. L. & Mrs. Carroll	Blan Stout
Mo.	Excelsior Spgs.	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Don & Arthelene Rippy	Bob Beckman
	Liberty	First	Nov. 21-Dec. 4	Larry Allbaugh	Vernon Fest
	St. James	A/G	Nov. 27	Glenna Byard	T. B. Conway
Nebr.	Mitchell	A/G	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Bob Johnson	W. E. Reynolds
N. Y.	Fairport	Gospel Center	Nov. 22-27	John French	A. D'Annunzio
	Port Jervis	First	Nov. 13-27	Paul J. Graban	Cosimo Leuzze
	Rochester	Glad Tidings	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Joel Palmer	D. M. Carlson
Ohio	Carrollton	First	Nov. 23-Dec. 4	J. E. & Mrs. Douglass	Frank V. Kelley
Okla.	Dewey	First	Nov. 21-Dec. 4	Bob Swain	L. A. Haymaker
	Tecumseh	First	Nov. 13	Jerry Roberts	Robert Rider
	Tulsa	Brunner	Nov. 20—	C. B. & Mrs. Anderson	Patrick Wootton
Pa.	Easton	A/G	Nov. 15-27	Andrew & Mrs. Basell	Conrad Schaefer
Tenn.	Memphis	Frayser	Nov. 21—	J. W. & Mrs. Walker	Don Barron
Tex.	San Antonio	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Jimmie & Carol Snow	A. L. Todd
	San Antonio	Hot Wells	Nov. 23—	Joe Ragsdale	J. A. Allard
	Sherman	Calvary	Nov. 21-Dec. 4	Leon & Ann Bayless	Robert Copeland
	Silsbee	First	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	A. G. & Mrs. Calaway	J. A. Hendrix
Va.	Annandale	Full Gospel	Nov. 22-Dec. 4	Peiffer-Harden Team	J. E. Gams
	Catlett	A/G	Nov. 15-Dec. 4	V. M. & Mrs. Dullabaum	Alden A. Yates
Wash.	Ridgefield	Pioneer	Nov. 27-Dec. 11	Lloyd Portin	Elvin D. Irwin
Canada	Creston, B. C.	Pent. Tab.	Nov. 22-27	Dave Tonn	K. H. Penoyer
	Nakusp, B. C.	Pent. Tab.	Nov. 15-20	Dave Tonn	G. Richmond
	Grandview, Man.	Bethel Tab.	Nov. 14-20	Evelyn Glosser	D. K. Geisbrecht
	Roblin, Man.	Bethel FG	Nov. 21-27	Evelyn Glosser	O. Olfrey
	Long Sault, Ont.	Emmanuel Pent.	Nov. 16-27	Abraham Kudra	W. Bowler
	St. Catharines, Ont.	Elim Tab.	Nov. 23—	The Tanner Team	E. C. Williams

* Children's Revival

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

During the revival her son was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit and her 11-year-old daughter was refilled. God be praised for these wonderful blessings.

—B. E. Locklear, Pastor

► **LaGRANGE, GA.**—First Assembly just closed a glorious revival with Lorene Hornback Daniel, evangelist. This campaign was actually the "talk of the town"—with a record-breaking attendance and conversions at each service. Most of the folk who came to the altar were young people between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five. The evangelist's consecrated life and her love for souls were an inspiration to the entire church.

—S. L. Broadhead, Pastor

► **CARROLLTON, GA.**—First Assembly reports a glorious revival with Evangelist Delbert Freeman of Newman, Ga. Attendance was excellent. Sinners came to the Lord and believers were refilled with the Holy Spirit. A number testified to definite healings. Sunday School attendance reached a high average in September. Brother Freeman sang and preached his way into the hearts of the people and his spiritual ministry was appreciated.

—Glenn Snodgrass, Pastor

► **MOUNTAINAIR, N. MEX.**—A wonderful revival at First Assembly was led by Evangelist and Mrs. Tommy Lofton of Houston, Tex. Sixteen persons, most of them high-school students, yielded themselves to Christ in response to the anointed preaching of God's Word.

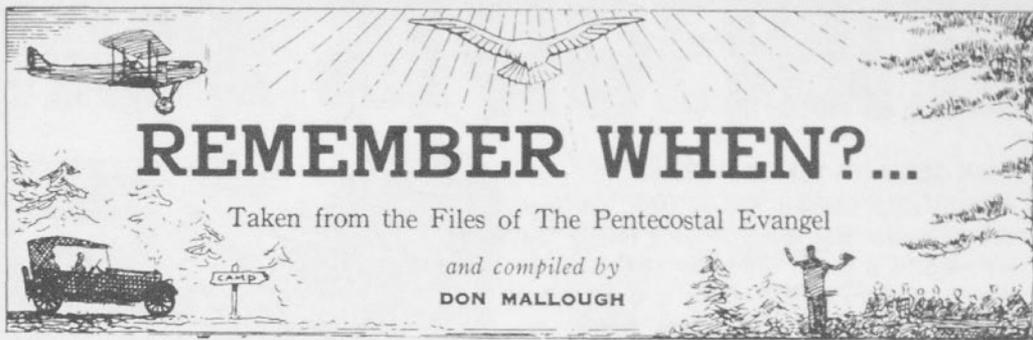
—Lester Statser, Pastor

► **RED OAK, OKLA.**—The Lord richly blessed in every service of a three-week campaign conducted here by Evangelist Ezra Newby of Fanshaw, Okla. Fifteen were saved or reclaimed.

—Wayne Hays, Pastor

► **CONCEPCION, CHILE.**—The Assembly of God here recently enjoyed a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Stanley MacPherson, during which a number came to the Lord for salvation and healing. A 35-year-old man who had suffered frequent epileptic attacks (sometimes several in one day) has not had an attack since being prayed for. This was the first special meeting since the great Chilean catastrophe in May and the very first in the new building. The people are praising God for sending the MacPhersons this way to encourage them in their Pentecostal faith.

—Lowell E. Dowdy, Missionary



REMEMBER WHEN?...

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35 YEARS AGO

There are 127 students (from 24 states and Canada) enrolled at CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE... **Arthur H. Graves** has been elected president of the student Missionary Prayer Band at CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE... **Emily De Groot** must return from LIBERIA because of ill health... An ironing machine has just been purchased for the Missionary Rest Home in CHICAGO... **D. M. Rice** of KIAM, TEXAS, reports a great meeting with **Evangelist F. D. David**... **Dr. Charles A. Shreve** is the speaker at the International Convention in SAN FRANCISCO, dedicating the beautiful new Glad Tidings Temple... **Evangelist Adolph Peterson** of CHICAGO is conducting meetings in WATSONVILLE, CALIFORNIA, for **M. T. Draper**... Among those who recently received ordination papers were **George W. Hardcastle, Ray Armstrong, Charles G. Lonsford, and Emile G. Chastagner**.

25 YEARS AGO

A special meeting has been held to establish the state of KENTUCKY as a district of the General Council. **O. E. Nash**, pastor in Cincinnati, O., was chosen to serve as District Superintendent... Announcement has been made of several radio broadcasts emanating from SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI. One of them is on Sunday morning, and it is called the "General Council Hour." It is conducted by members of the Executive Presbytery on radio station KWTO... **Lester P. Summers** has resigned as pastor in WELLINGTON, TEXAS... An appeal is being made for twelve 20-pound turkeys so that the students at CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE may have a typical Thanksgiving Dinner... **Viola Nettrour**, girl evangelist, is conducting meetings in Faith Tabernacle, DALLAS, TEXAS, for **Pastor W. L. Barham**... Among the newly-ordained are **Lionel P. Furman, Albert Knudson, and Kenneth Short**.

► KANSAS CITY, MO.—A real visitation from heaven was enjoyed in the fall revival conducted at Bethel Tabernacle by Evangelist Glenna Byard. Night after night God's presence was manifested in a glorious manner. At least eight found the Lord, four received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, many were spiritually refreshed, and the entire church was stirred, as well as visitors from other churches.

—Grace J. Clow, Pastor

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WITH CHRIST

MELVIN R. LAGER, 35, of Great Falls, Mont., was called home to be with his Lord on September 21. He submitted to a heart operation at Bethesda, Md., and failed to rally. He was ordained in 1958 by the Montana District and was serving in the evangelistic field until recently.

ROBERT ALLEN WORK, 63, of Concord, Calif., passed away very suddenly on October 1. He was pastor of the new Assembly of God in Lafayette, Calif., a Church Extension Fellowship project. A church building was being erected and the pastor had worked on the building the day of his death. Upon returning to his

home in the evening weary in body, he lay down to rest and died of a heart attack. Brother Work was ordained in 1927 in the Southern Missouri District. He labored as pastor and evangelist in Illinois, Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas and California.

EDGAR WAYNE WHITE, 63, of Cottage Grove, Oreg., went to be with the Lord on September 22. Ordained in 1918, he engaged in evangelistic and pastoral ministry in Missouri, Kansas, Texas, Nebraska, California and Oregon. He was a former superintendent of the Nebraska District. For the past nine years he pastored the Cottage Grove Assembly of God. Surviving him are his wife and four married children, two sons and two daughters.

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