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A Job for All Ages

BGMC Day, which falls on February 5 this year, reminds us once again that world evangelization is a job for all ages. The boys and girls, through their missionary crusade, are making a great financial contribution to the cause of foreign missions—and what is more important, the habit of putting nickels and dimes in their little wooden BGMC barrels may lead them one day to give their whole life to missionary service.

The older children of C. A. age are likewise helping to evangelize the world by their Speed-the-Light campaign. The men and women also, through the MF "Light for the Lost" program and the Women's Missionary Council, have enlisted in the world-wide effort. They are standing behind our missionaries in prayer and helping in many other ways as well.

Old or young, rich or poor, all may have a part in this great job of giving the gospel to every creature—every individual—in every part of the earth. The job is so big that everyone is needed. All cannot be full-time missionaries but everyone can support these workers with prayer and financial help.

As in ages past, so in this present age, world missions is the main job of the Church. Some have tried to excuse themselves by saying, "There are plenty of sinners in our own land: why go half-way around the world to make converts?" The answer, of course, is that "the field is the world" and all human beings are equally precious in God's eyes. He wants to save all, regardless of their nationality. But as someone said a long time ago, "No one has the right to hear the gospel twice until all have had the opportunity to hear it once." There are millions of people in other lands who never have seen a Bible and never have heard a single gospel sermon, whereas here in the homeland there are gospel opportunities within the reach of all.

Suppose the apostle Paul had said, "There are plenty of sinners among my own countrymen in Palestine; I will stay there until all of them are converted, and then I will go to the Gentiles." If he had taken that attitude he might have spent his whole life in Palestine. Evangelism would have been confined to the Jews and we never would have received the gospel. But Paul did not do that. He obeyed God's command to go to the Gentiles, even though there was plenty to do for Christ in Palestine. In the same way, William Carey left England in spite of the many Englishmen who were not converted, and went to India. David Livingstone left the unconverted of Scotland behind him to go to Africa. And Adoniram Judson left the U. S. and went to Burma even though there was plenty of soul winning to be done in America.

Our Lord's command to His Church is, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." This job is not yet finished. Until it is, we have the responsibility to do all that is humanly possible to evangelize all the world. The command is given to people of all ages, in every age. To neglect this work is to disobey Christ, and disobedience is sin.—R.C.C.

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GOD SAID, "I HAVE ORDAINED A LAMP for mine anointed" (Psalm 132:17).

In these few words may be discerned God's "chain reaction" plan for winning the lost and propagating the truth throughout the entire world. The Word of God is replete with the use of *light* as a symbol. The Holy Spirit uses light to symbolize spiritual truth in contrast to the darkness of ignorance, idolatry, and superstitious unbelief. "Ye shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free."

From the beginning God has chosen to make Himself known to man by means of the revelation of His holy glory. He sought to maintain this glory through tabernacle-worship in the wilderness. The tabernacle and all its contents were made according to divine plan. Moses could not build it alone; the people were invited to offer willingly of their substance to build the tabernacle and its instruments of worship (Exodus 25:1-9). The tabernacle would have been a place of darkness had not God arranged to light it with a candlestick with seven lamps (Exodus 25:31-40). Even the golden candlesticks would have been useless without the oil of the olive. "Thou shalt command the children of Israel, that they bring thee pure oil olive beaten for the light, to cause the lamp to burn always" (Exodus 27:20).

God ordained the service of the tabernacle to give divine light to Israel. Scripture clearly indicates that the lamps were to be made of beaten work

of gold; the oil was to be from beaten olives. This signifies labor and suffering. Without this there could be no light. Some donated willingly of their oil, others of gold; some built, still others kept the service. Best of all, God's shekinah lamp of glory, the pillar of fire, showed His guiding presence throughout the entire journey from the Egyptian darkness to the land of promise.

In Israel's dark days when there was no open vision, and when Israel had backslidden, spiritual truth was at a low ebb. "Ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the Lord... the Lord called Samuel" (1 Samuel 3:1-10). Oh, how necessary to keep the lamp burning! Isaiah describes the need thus: "We wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but we walk in darkness. We grope for the wall

LET THERE BE LIGHT!

By CARL D. HOLLEMAN
Missionary to South India

like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes; we stumble at noon day as in the night, we are in desolate places as dead men" (Isaiah 59:9-10). In the very face of such darkness and backsliding God calls men to keep the lamps burning. The light of truth has not gone out, and never shall. God has declared that a seed shall count for a generation. David, being alone, cried, "The Lord is my light" (Psalm 27:1).

After many generations of vicissitudes in faith and practice, in light and darkness, God sent forth His Son. "The light shineth in darkness, and the darkness overcame it not" (John 1:5).

In very truth the Lord Jesus declared, "I am the Light of the world." Certainly he that walks in Christ shall not walk in darkness. Since He is the light, and there is no power to overcome this light, and since the world waits for the light, there must be the means to convey this light.



Jesus, in the sermon on the mount, declared, "Ye are the light of the world." Then again, He said, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain" (John 15:16). Again He said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21). After His resurrection Jesus commissioned His disciples to carry the gospel lamp around the world to bring light in place of darkness.

God has been sending the light to a dark world from the time of the apostolic Church by the anointing of the Holy Ghost who fills the lamps with holy oil and lights unquenchable fires. "They... went everywhere preaching the Word" (Acts 8:4).

Think of distant lands. In the evening, shadows lengthen as the sun begins to sink in the west. Darkness deepens. It is lamp-lighting time. Little lamps, big lamps, old lamps, new lamps—gold lamps, silver lamps, brass lamps, clay lamps. Lamps of every description become the most important items in the home, shop, temple, and church. Wicks are trimmed; vessels of oil are emptied into every lamp. Fire touches every wick. Lights begin to glow in every home, in every shop, in every temple, and in every church. Darkness falls; but life continues, for there is light. How great is the darkness when there is no lamp, no oil, no wick, no fire! Life comes to a standstill. There is only cold, hunger, fear and darkness.

Around the world *somewhere* it is always lamp-lighting time.

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Roberto and Rana (The Frog) were so pleased with their share of the loot that they began to brag openly about the money they had. A lawyer waiting for a bus happened to overhear the conversation. Before Roberto knew what was happening, the lawyer had him by the hand and was leading him to the police station.

"We are looking for a gang of boys who have robbed one of our better downtown stores. Do you know anything about this?"

Roberto realized he was caught. Squeal on his companions? Go to the *Reformatorio* for "goodness knows how long"? Shining shoes might not be the best, but it is a million times better than being in jail. What should he do?

Teen-age Gang Leader Finds Christ

BY MIRIAM EDWARDS HAYDUS, MISSIONARY TO GUATEMALA

THIS IS GOING TO BE A BIG JOB! Therefore, do what I say and we'll all come out of it with enough to spare!"

"But, Chino...!"

"No 'buts'—just do what I say! Sitting in the theatres day after day I've learned just how to do it. Rana, you are to go with Roberto. Enter the *Ciudad de Paris* store in downtown Guatemala City. Engage the cashier in conversation. Chomito [Fat Cheeks] and Calavera [Skull] will enter selling Chiclets to the customers. Popeye and Pelon will talk with the owner, and I'll open the display window and remove all the jewelry and notions I can get quickly. We'll meet at the market where *La Senora* will buy the loot. And we won't have to shine shoes for days. We can go to as many movies as we want to."

"*Viva Chino Lopez!* He's our gang leader *extraordinario!*" the teen-agers chorused.

Would you believe it? A gang leader at the tender age of fourteen! Caesar Lopez had never been to Sunday school. He was born in such poverty that his mother didn't even have a blanket in

which to wrap the little child who never knew who his father was. His home was the rat-infested confines of the local markets where his mother eked out a pathetic existence in her tiny vegetable stall.

As Caesar grew, life did not become easier. He had to help his mother sell the things she made to eat. Carrying a basket was a girl's job. His companions jeered at him and made fun.

To make matters worse, Caesar's mother married and a wicked stepfather came to live with them. Being the oldest child, Caesar was forced at a very early age to learn to be a mason. The work was so trying that, as he worked the cement and lime, blood oozed from his feet. Things were unpleasant at work and equally so at home; therefore, Caesar decided he would do something that would take him away from home as many hours of the day as possible. He learned to shine shoes and became the acknowledged leader of Chomito, Rana, Calavera, Popeye, Pelon, and Roberto.

All of them were little street urchins—unwanted children with nothing at home but poverty, nothing on the street but mischief. So, they planned the robbery.

La Senora bought the loot—valued at \$60—for \$25. This Caesar divided among the gang. All went well: more gangster movies, more ideas on *how to rob and get away with it*. Things were on the *up and up!* But...

"That weapon in the policeman's hand can really hurt when it is administered by such a big fellow as he," thought the frightened boy. "Sorry, Chino! This may be the last of our gang—but I can't bear to take the beating!"

Roberto told the police, "I belong to a gang. We are seven teen-age boys. We robbed the *Ciudad de Paris* store. Caesar Augusto Lopez is our leader."

That did it! A grieved, confused, pathetic mother met the authorities in her home, and a short time later Caesar was apprehended.

The *Reformatorio* was large. So many boys were there, many of them much older than Caesar, and they were skilled in crime.

"You will stay here until you are eighteen years old!" was the verdict.

"Eighteen years? Horrors! In this place? No freedom! Here with the lowest class of companions? I can't stay! I won't stay!"

But, stay he did—for eighteen long months.

On fiesta days, friends and relatives were permitted to visit the *Reformatorio*. One special day when many visitors had come and a ball game was in progress, an opportunity presented itself. Caesar escaped. He went immediately to his home and there he hid until danger of being found was over.

The years went by and this very bright young man learned to be an

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electrician. His wicked stepfather had left the family with eight dependents. Caesar took the place of a father and helped his mother support his brothers and sisters.

In the providence of God a member of the *Asamblea de Dios* lived next door to the Lopez family. Dona Laura faithfully testified to the saving grace of Jesus. Mrs. Lopez accepted Christ. Then, after six months of his neighbor's faithful witnessing, Caesar dropped by the *Asamblea* after attending the evening movie. He had no idea he would accept Christ. But, as the local pastor, Hermano Domingo, finished preaching and gave the invitation, Caesar raised his hand. The next he knew, many of the *hermanos* (brethren) were praying around him. The burden of sin rolled away. In his own words Caesar says, "I came to myself."

That was four years ago. Caesar took the brief course on *What It Means to Be a Christian*, was baptized in water, and on July 25, 1960, entered *Instituto Biblico Central*. He feels a call to full-time ministry.

Caesar sings in the Institute quartette and writes beautiful poetry. And, thrill of thrills, he saw one of his former gang members (Rana, The Frog) accept Christ with nine other prisoners in the penitentiary service held Monday, September 12, 1960.

But for the grace of God, Caesar would be behind bars with his former companions in crime. Instead, thanks be to a faithful Women's Missionary Council member who was at her job, witnessing, there is a new member in the ranks of the Assemblies of God in Guatemala and he is preparing himself to be a minister of the gospel.

The Light Shines in Basutoland

BY HILDA OLSON AND PEGGY ANDERSON
Missionaries to Basutoland

THE CENTRAL AGRICULTURE SHOW in Maseru is one of the great events of the year in Basutoland. It is a time when people from all over the district visit the town of Maseru. For this year's show, the Assembly Book Room was encouraged to have an exhibit and we, as well as preachers and Christians, were looking forward to the event and praying much about it. We realized it would be an excellent opportunity to distribute literature.

Some attractive posters were received from Springfield and from the British and Foreign Bible Society. A few days before the exhibition we were assigned our booth and went to work. Large sheets of masonite and pegboard were put around the booth and the attractive posters were displayed. The center poster declared, "Say unto the heathen, the Lord reigneth." On each side of it were large pictures, each one depicting a different type of person or nation—the prisoner, the Jew, the Indian, African, and the blind. Each poster represented a group of people in need of the gospel.

The side walls carried Bible posters and displays of Bibles in three languages—English, Afrikaans, and Sesuto. Two bright red tables held a fur-

ther display of literature which was available at the Assembly Book Room. Two thousand Gospels of Mark and eight hundred Gospels of John in the Sesuto language were distributed free of charge. A number of English and Afrikaans Gospels were distributed as well. In addition, about fifteen thousand tracts in Sesuto and English were given away during the two days of the exhibition.

Joel Tiehli, who works in the Book Room, had charge of the booth. He was ably assisted by the pastor of the Rothe Church and some of the students who were on holiday from Bible school. They were most enthusiastic in their reports of the work they had done. One said, "The people went mad to receive the little books." Many wanted to purchase Bibles, but since it was against the rules to do any selling at the exhibition, they were directed to the Book Room where Bibles and good books are available.

"The entrance of thy word giveth light." The Word has gone into many homes since the Maseru Agriculture Show and we are praying that the light of the glorious gospel shall shine in the heart of every one who received a Gospel or tract.



National worker ready to distribute gospel literature at the Central Agriculture Show in Maseru, Basutoland



Nationals eagerly read the gospel literature given to them



CALL TO ACTION

J. Philip Hogan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

"TILL I COME"

RECENTLY THE FOREIGN MISSIONS Board approved plans for enlargement of our operations in Congo and the eventual purchase of property to house some elements of a growing work.

"But Congo, of all places," someone is going to say. "Couldn't we find a safer place to make an investment?" To the casual observer of the world scene, this is a very legitimate question; but to the missionary who is called and who is staying on in the face of turmoil and chaos, there is no question. Indeed, if we are to take the command of the Lord Jesus literally, there is only one attitude to take: the command is "occupy till I come." Jesus did not say, "Send missionaries until there is political turmoil or danger," but "till I come."

Everything about the missionary program must bear the trademark of the expendable. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it."

In this connection, let me mention the continuing need for men, women, and families that are willing to go abroad and stay, even though danger threatens. There is a tendency in these days to indicate that there are better methods than sending missionaries. One voice is heard to say, "The way to evangelize the world is to fly an airplane over remote villages and drop Gospel leaflets." Another voice is heard to say, "Keep your missionaries home—we will win the world with our door-to-door distribution program."

After traveling thousands of miles on many mission fields within the past few months, I am convinced more than ever before that there is no adequate substitute for persons whose hearts are on fire and who will put forth the effort to learn a language, identify themselves with a foreign culture, and live among the lost in order to establish a witness for Jesus Christ.



Students of the short-term Bible school in front of the Lavras Assembly in Brazil

Evangelizing in Brazil

BY LAWRENCE OLSON

Missionary to Brazil

BY MEANS OF RADIO, BIBLE SCHOOL, and church services we are working toward the evangelization of the great country of Brazil.

Recently we experienced a new manifestation of God's presence during the Lavras Short-term Bible School. There were sixty-nine students enrolled from the various states.

David J. du Plessis, former secretary of the World Pentecostal Conference, was principal speaker.

A meeting was held in the Lavras Assembly each evening. On the last Sunday we had a consecration service for gospel workers and a baptizing ceremony. Thirteen were baptized in water during this service.

We are also responsible for the Brazil Radio Project, which is a powerful "air arm" in our evangelistic program. We receive hundreds of encouraging letters telling of blessings received as the result of the broadcast. When we visit churches we meet many who personally tell us what the program has meant to them.

A young man in Volta Rondona said he knelt by his radio and came back to the Lord when he heard a message on the Prodigal Son.

A woman said she was healed of cancer through the radio ministry. She had been given only three months to live, but we prayed for her during the broadcast. She began improving im-

mediately and now she is completely well.

In addition to this broadcast in the Portuguese language, we are now sponsoring *Revivaltime*. Please pray for this endeavor to reach the many thousands of English-speaking people in this area with the glorious gospel of Christ's saving power.

Touring with Student Evangelistic Teams

BY DEOMEDES LUSICA

*Immanuel Bible Institute
Cebu City, Philippines*

IHAVE HAD THE PRIVILEGE TO BE with the "Cry Out," Immanuel Bible Institute's evangelistic team. It is composed of musicians representing different islands of Visayas and Mindanao who went out on a preaching tour in the island of Bohol last school vacation. The other members of the team were Apolinario, Oreiro, Reyco Vete, and Walter Cadile.

We were met at Guindulman by Perfo Navarette, Sectional Presbyter of Bohol. Along with him we preached in towns and barrios in all kinds of weather, in the afternoons and evenings.

After five days of successful meetings, we went to Tagbilaran to attend the sectional fellowship. There was a mighty outpouring of the Spirit of God and many received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. We helped the services with our music.

After we attended the fellowship, we proceeded to Valencia, a town where Bill Navarette, an Immanuel Bible Institute alumnus, is pastoring.

From Valencia, with the help of Modesto Dalapu, we proceeded to the mountains to minister to his relatives and friends. Before reaching our destination we hiked over seven kilometers. On our way, we stopped to rest in a small barrio, and when we played our instruments many came to hear. We then took the opportunity to testify and preach.

After some time we arrived in Anoyon where we stayed for two days, encouraging the new converts to press on.

We thank the Lord for the opportunity to serve Him.

—Immanuel Bible Institute Bell



Members of the Immanuel Bible Institute evangelistic team (Deomedes Lusica holding trombone)

Church Begins in City Park

Revival has come to Fray Bentos, Uruguay. For years our missionaries and nationals have labored in this nation, but are just now beginning to see the fruits of their efforts.

Two months ago a national pastor began holding open-air meetings in various cities of Uruguay. I visited the services in Fray Bentos recently and was thrilled to see more than two thousand people gathered in the city park to hear the gospel.

Some sixty people in this city have banded themselves together, as a result of this revival in the park, and are forming a new Assembly. Pray for this new work.

—Leroy Atwood

PRINTED WITNESSES

BY LLOYD SHOEMAKER, MEN'S FELLOWSHIP DIRECTOR, ILLINOIS DISTRICT

THERE ARE AT LEAST THREE METHODS OF EVANGELISM: personal evangelism, mass evangelism, and literature evangelism. Each plays its important part in reaching lost multitudes for Jesus Christ. *Light for the Lost* emphasis is on literature evangelism.

Evangelism is not an end in itself: it is a means toward spiritual awakening. We want to see a spiritual awakening around the world. We want to see millions of souls find Christ as their Saviour.

Any of the three methods of evangelism can produce this awakening. However, the church has found that mass evangelism utilizes only a few while the large majority of Christians sit idly by, missing the joy of sharing in the work. With regard to personal evangelism, the majority of Christians are fearful of witnessing to the ungodly or unwilling to suffer the stigma of going out to win souls to Christ. Statistics prove that the average church of 400 adds only 12 members per year. In other words, one person wins one soul every thirty-three years. The world will never be won to Christ at this rate.

Revival can only come through the use of the Word. The Word is a hammer; it is a sword; it is a fire. A hammer breaks; a sword cuts; a fire burns. The hardest heart breaks before the Word and is pierced asunder and warmed by the Holy Spirit. The Word is the weapon God uses to accomplish revival.

Today the world is becoming literate. One million people are learning to read every week. The question now is, "What will they read?" Largely it has been true

that the missionaries have taught them to read. Will these same missionaries have the privilege of giving the nationals gospel literature to read? Or, will we allow the communists to provide the newly literate with reading matter?

That the page is mightier than the voice, we are sure. After the voice is gone, the printed page remains. What gave us the Reformation? It was not Martin Luther's preaching as much as Martin Luther's books. Luther published a hundred books, scattered them throughout the Western world, and the Reformation was on.

The Epistles graphically portray the apostolic example of missionary endeavor. The apostle Paul never waited until churches were built, Bible schools erected, or stations established. He went out with the message, knowing that men are saved with a message and not with a building.

We need more missionaries in the vast harvest fields of the world. We must continue to send them. We know we never will be able to put a missionary in every village of the world, but we do know we can put a printed witness there—the printed message that will live on after the voice is gone.

It costs only fourteen cents to win a soul to Jesus Christ with gospel literature. One dollar will send two hundred printed witnesses to the foreign field. Join with the men of the Assemblies of God in this all-out effort to evangelize the world through literature.



A group of Menominee Indian Christians who attend the Keshena Assembly



At Legion Hall where Sunday school and church are held while the church is under construction



Baptismal candidates from Keshena Assembly with Brother Rehwinkel standing at back

WANTED IMMEDIATELY: A CHURCH

BY GERTRUDE AND NORMAN REHWINKEL
Shawano, Wisconsin

THE MENOMINEE INDIANS ARE ASKING for an Assemblies of God church to be built on their reservation as soon as possible.

Thirty-five hundred people live in Neopit and Keshena, Wis., and in the three smaller settlements and houses scattered along logging roads nestled in 250,000 acres of virgin timber, lakes, and streams. Most of them are employed in the large sawmill and lumber industry. The Wolf River cascading over numerous rapids, falls, and eddies, through narrow deep gorges,

and the many streams, creeks, and lakes make this Menominee Indian Reservation a virtual paradise. More than three thousand Menominee Indians are listed on the tribal roll and in addition there are a number intermarried from other tribes.

A new Assemblies of God Indian church is now under construction at Keshena on the reservation. The site is on highways 47 and 55 at the town limits. The little congregation of less than 30, as well as many of the Indian people who do not attend the services, are looking forward to the new church.

Juvenile delinquency has become an alarming problem on this reservation. The people are looking to the influence of the new church to help turn the tide of evil, especially in the lives of young people. Paul Hoff, former pastor at Shawano, was requested by an Indian leader who indicated his preference of the Assemblies of God, to bring a church into the reservation.

Back of this new little church is the usual story of years of faithfulness in witnessing. Some years ago two Menominee families outside the reservation were won to Pentecost. Their concern for their Indian brethren and subsequent prayer brought the desired re-

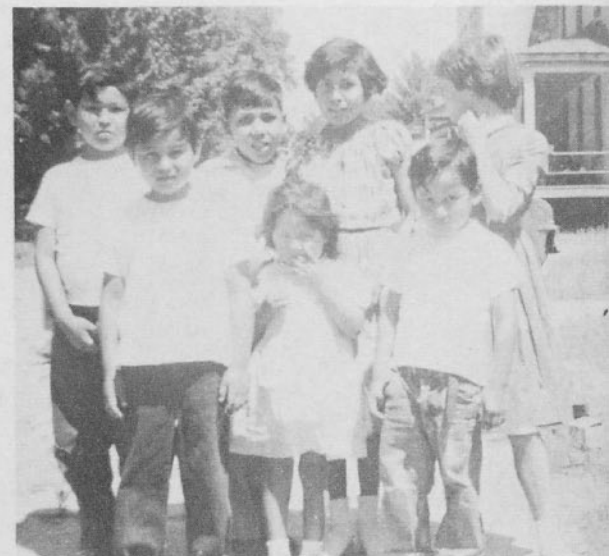
sults. Beginning in November 1958 house meetings were conducted until the first Indian camp at the Woodland Bowl here in August 1959. Then the tribal chairman granted us the use of the Legion Hall Chapel for services until a church is erected.

The Tribal Council has shown many favors since the circulation of a petition which requested permission to build a new church that would be open to everyone. The petition was signed by 125 roll members.

Upon the request of the men of the church, the Tribal Council granted property for building and land for a cemetery. Though small in number,



The Norman Rehwinkels, missionary-pastors at Keshena, Wis.



Some of the Menominee Indian children who attend the Sunday school

this congregation is known as a praying force among the many who never attend the services.

Because one large church has dominated this reservation for the past century, many feel that no other group can possibly build and become established in this place. Some of the Indian people say that when they actually see the building, then they will believe we will stay! Others say they will attend when the new public school is opened, which will free them from parochial obligations. Though not of our group, the tribal leader is confident the Pentecostal church will attract many and will soon need to be enlarged.

Many on the reservation can be reached only in their own tongue, especially the older people. One of the joys the missionary has is learning a new language in which to minister to the people.

At least ten souls have been genuinely saved since September 1959. One girl received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and five were baptized in water this past August. Most of those saved can testify to deliverance from alcohol and tobacco. However, many who wish to be free are still bound by bad habits and this is a great challenge to faith and to believing prayer.

We do praise God for the advancement of His kingdom here. The footing of the new church building is in. The blocks are ready to be placed as weather permits. Charles Slater, missionary on the Stockbridge Reservation, is the designer. He and some of his faithful workers are helping us. Gifts of individuals and churches have made it possible to start building operations. The church is a necessity if we are to continue to win souls and wield an influence for God in this needy area.

We are deeply grateful to Women's Missionary Council groups for gifts of clothing and household items, as well as food. All those who have contributed in any way toward this gospel work among the Menominee Indian people will surely share in the reapers' reward. ◀◀

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The Church That **SPACE BUILT**

BY T. S. SHIELDS
Cape Canaveral, Florida



Pastor and Mrs. Shields

CAPE CANAVERAL'S MISSILE EXPLORATION project has brought rapid growth to Brevard County in the South Florida District. Thousands of new families have moved into the Canaveral area in recent years. Schools, shopping centers, and churches were being built. We saw the great challenge and determined to establish an Assemblies of God church on the beach.

A God-fearing woman in Orlando held certain property on Cocoa Beach. She felt it advantageous to hold the property until it could be used for a church. Despite the fact that beach property prices had become greatly inflated, she agreed upon a price much lower than the standard price for beach lots. The property was cleared for construction just three miles south of the launching site of the satellites and two blocks from the Atlantic Ocean.

Our first meeting in the community was held May 3, 1959, in the recreation building of a local trailer park. The building was only available for Sunday morning services, but the group

increased during the months that *Palm Chapel* was under construction.

The little congregation moved into the new church in August 1959, and 65 people attended the first service in the new building. Today, 141 are enrolled in the Sunday school.

Our congregation is made up largely of families employed by the missile contractors. These families come from all parts of the nation to work on this most famous project of space probing.

Each attending family took part in the construction of *Palm Chapel*. The men built while the women prepared food and drink for them. The children were the "clean-up" crew.

Palm Chapel has a vision to enlarge its ministry. A regular Sunday morning radio program is heard at 8:30 and *Revivaltime* is co-sponsored over WRKT. The church sponsors two orphans, two missionary stations, and two Bible school students. We are now looking forward to the day when we can complete the auditorium which will seat 600! ◀◀



Palm Chapel, the new Assembly of God at Cape Canaveral, Fla.

SAVED IN A PRISON CELL

BY CHARLES W. RILEY

I WAS SENTENCED TO PRISON! AS I pondered my plight, my mind raced back through the years. How could this have happened to me?

Up to my seventeenth year, I had gone to Sunday school and church; but after this time I had attended only occasionally. In fact, for over five years I had not set foot inside a church; nor had I during this time opened a Bible.

I was very discouraged as I faced prison. Up to this time, money had been my god and I gave little thought to anything else. After I was put in prison, I decided to give God a chance to show me it was better to serve Him than the enemy of men's souls. The world still looked more appealing to me. However, to be fair to God, I felt I ought to study His Word and this I did. I knew nothing at this time concerning the Assemblies of God, so I started to take a Bible study course from the Salvation Army. I understood very little of what I was studying, to be honest.

A little later I got into some more trouble by refusing to work and was placed in what is called the *segregation building*. I was put in a cell with nothing to read *except the Bible*. How marvelous are the ways of the Lord! We were not even permitted to listen to the radio.

I remained there for five days, during which time I read the New Testament through at least three times. I did not then believe that the Bible was one hundred per cent true, since it had been written by men. But when I read how the Lord said when He was dying, "Father, forgive them, for they know

not what they do," I decided that no one who was human could have said this when he had been treated as Jesus had been. Then and there, I believed that Jesus is the Son of God as the Scriptures indicate, and that the Bible is true.

Up to this time I had hated the district attorney and all who had anything to do with my prison sentence. I finally said to the Lord, "Lord, I have tried everything but it all ended badly. Now, I want you to come into my heart and show me what you can do with me, since I have ruined my own life." I meant every word I said and Jesus did come into my heart. I felt surrounded with His love—a love that could not be explained in words. Now, I hated no one, and I had a love for God's Word. I could not study it enough. Christ has enabled me to live for Him ever since and I have not been sorry for my decision.

Before I was saved in prison, I could not give one instance when prayer had ever been answered for me; but after I accepted Jesus as Saviour, this all changed. Prayer has been and is being answered for me constantly.

After getting myself into trouble in prison before I found Christ, I was later put in another cell and was not allowed to work, as this was to be part of my punishment. Since I was now saved, I did not mind this because I had an opportunity to study the Bible every day for at least eight hours. My only trouble was that since

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I was not working I was not earning the little money I did normally. Thus, I was unable to send my letters or Bible lessons out, or to buy the books I needed.

I got down on my knees and prayed about the problem. I promised that if the Lord would furnish the money for these little needs, I would not spend it foolishly, but only for soap, stamps, and books to study.

Within two weeks the money started coming from my folk. In one month \$30 came in. After this the money came a little more slowly, but it did come steadily. In five months over \$55 came in which was at least \$20 more than I would have made working. When I finally went back to work, all this money stopped coming in! If the Lord ever answered prayer, He certainly answered mine, and I kept my promise to Him.

After I was released from prison on parole, I was out of work for a few days, for work was very scarce. Over two thousand men in a town of 31,000 were out of work. I prayed again, asking the Lord to supply work for me. I felt the unmistakable assurance that I would have work. With-



Last September Charles Riley and his wife (extreme left) were baptized in water by Pastor Peter Garcia of Fond du Lac, Wis.

in two days I was called to work at a job I had not known even existed! With two thousand persons (and some of them skilled workers) out of work in a small town, I considered this a miracle, for I was unskilled and had a prison record.

The Lord has been very real and very good to me. I regret that I did not find Christ until I was in prison; but I am happy that I *did* find Him. I pray that those who read this story and have not given their lives to Christ will do so while they have opportunity and before such trouble as mine may happen to them. "Now is the accepted time; behold, *now* is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2).

Thirteen Years of Deaf Ministry

BY SULLIVAN CHAINEY

Missionary to the Deaf, Southwestern Missouri

A WOMAN DOING VISITATION WORK in Springfield, Mo., a number of years ago, knocked on our door one day, not knowing we were deaf. (This woman, Elsie Peters, is now an appointed home missionary to the Deaf also.) Noticing her on the porch, we invited her into the house. We carried on a conversation with a pad and pencil.

As the woman seemed very interested in us, Mrs. Chainey started teaching her a few things about the sign language. Her regular visits opened our hearts to the gospel. However, she soon moved to Texas.

After a few years the Lord brought her back to Springfield and she began conducting regular services for the Deaf. Soon both my wife and I were genuinely saved. I had no religious background. When five years old, my mother started me to using tobacco, thus all my life prior to my conversion, I was bound by snuff, chewing tobacco, and a pipe. I made this habit a definite matter of prayer, and the Lord delivered me in a marvelous way. The Lord can truly break every chain of sin.

We received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Shortly after this the Lord began to show me that He wanted me to minister to the Deaf in the southwestern part of Missouri. I told my wife what the Lord had shown me,

and she encouraged me to follow God's leading.

We decided to visit several cities to find where most of the Deaf lived. The first town we visited was Monett. As we were driving along one of the streets we felt impressed to stop at a certain house. I parked my car and we walked to the house and knocked on the door. There were eight deaf people gathered inside. This made us believe that it was God who had impressed our hearts to stop. We asked them if we might read the Bible to them. When we were ready to leave, they requested we conduct regular services for the Deaf.

The next time we went we found many more gathered to hear the gospel. Deaf people had come from all the nearby towns. We worked out a plan of visitation among those towns and rotated the places of services.

Now we are in our thirteenth year of ministry to the Deaf of this area. We thank God for calling us into His vineyard to labor for Him. We have made many sacrifices, but God has been faithful to provide for us. We meet once each month in the different homes of the members. Also we go out each week to minister to those who are unable to attend our services.

The Lord blesses us in a wonderful way and the Deaf are very interested and hungry for God. They eagerly await our arrival each month to hear the gospel. Some travel sixty miles to attend the services, so interested are they in hearing the Word of God. Many of them testify that they had never heard the story of Jesus until the Lord sent us to them.

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Twenty-eight states at this time have



Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan Chainey, missionaries to the Deaf, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary last fall

no Assemblies of God minister to the Deaf. The great need for this type of ministry was pointed up by a man who attended one of our Deaf Camps when he said, "It is so wonderful to be in a worship service again. I have not been in a service since last year at camp time. I can understand nothing in the regular services for the hearing, and there is no church for those who cannot hear in our city."

The Assemblies of God has 41 appointed missionaries to the Deaf; but more are urgently needed to enter the doors of opportunity for service which are open to us.

I Found the Messiah

By Moses Proshansky

Missionary in the Kansas City Area

DURING MY BOYHOOD DAYS, I STUDIED Hebrew and some of the Talmud. In the province of Russia where I grew up, I never met a Protestant and believed that Jesus was the founder of Catholicism. I cannot say that I ever actually hated Christ.

Later, while residing in Warsaw, Poland, I changed my opinion about Jesus of Nazareth. I decided He had been a good man and was not responsible for Catholicism and the persecution of the Jews. I finally became an agnostic and was very miserable, without peace and hope.

But God, who knows the longing of the human heart, came to my rescue. One day I passed by a Jewish Mission, and being curious to see a Jew who believed in Jesus, I went in. While there I received a book in Russian which proved to me that there is a God.

Later I read the fifty-third chapter of Isaiah written in Hebrew. While reading it, I realized the prophet was referring to Jesus of Nazareth, and from that moment I became a believer in the Lord Jesus. The more I read the Bible, the more convinced I was that Jesus was the One of whom Moses in the Law and the prophets had spoken—the Messiah of Israel and the Saviour of the world.

I emigrated to the United States from White Russia and lived among orthodox Jews. I visited different churches, but I never was satisfied until I got among full-gospel people. Now I have had the joy of seeing other Jews saved through my efforts. There is a great need for intercessors and missionaries for the Jewish people in the U.S.

Home Front Highlights

Glimpses of the Special Ministries of the Home Missions Department

DEAF MINISTRY

Guadalupe, Arizona

Wayne Shaneyfelt conducted a revival for the Deaf in the Guadalupe Indian Mission the latter part of October. Three Deaf and one hearing persons received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Illinois

Services were begun in Alton and Granite City, Ill., in December by Lloyd Couch, minister to the Deaf in St. Louis, Mo.

Grand Rapids, Michigan

Phyllis Clapper, appointed home missionary in Lansing, Mich., has recently entered full-time ministry to the Deaf. Services for the Deaf were begun in Grand Rapids in December, and other services are conducted in Kalamazoo and Lansing.

Elizabeth, New Jersey

A district headquarters building for the Deaf in New York and New Jersey is to be purchased in Elizabeth. This will be the first project of this nature undertaken by any Deaf group.

The building will be used for several purposes including a chapel for the Deaf, Sunday school rooms, an office, and an apartment for the Croft Pentzes who are directing the ministry to the Deaf in that area. Fifteen hundred dollars is needed before March 1 to complete the down payment. Pray



New headquarters in Elizabeth, N. J. for the Deaf of New York-New Jersey area

that this need will be met. After the down payment is made the Deaf people will make the monthly payments.

Here and There

Essie Lett (formerly Essie Haigwood) has started services for the Deaf in Van Nuys, Calif., recently. Bill Bingham has begun services in Council Bluffs, Ia., and Edgar Lawrence in Waukesha, Wis.

PRISON MINISTRY

Rawlins, Wyoming

E. Eugene Perrault, an Assemblies of God minister, has recently been appointed chaplain of the Wyoming State Penitentiary in Rawlins.

ALASKA MINISTRY

Fort Yukon

The Oscar Butterfields baptized five in water during their Fort Yukon revival a few weeks ago. They also had good meetings in Barter Island and Wainwright. At the latter place, in the first three services, 18 men and women came to Christ for the first time. The new assembly in Wainwright is experiencing great blessing and a revival spirit.

Diomed Island

The Nome Assembly has been sponsoring a work on Diomed Island, but a local native man is carrying on services through the winter. A building for services was purchased about three



Wayne Shaneyfelt leading a song in the sign language during a meeting in Guadalupe

years ago. Recently, the Sunday school at Rockaway, N. J., took up an offering to help enlarge this building to accommodate the increased attendance. Diomed Island is just one and one-half miles from the International Date Line and Russian territory. Souls have been saved and healed in this place. Harriet Brown is missionary-pastor in Nome.

Moose Hunt

Oscar Butterfield, B. F. Wilson, and Kenneth Andrus decided to go moose hunting in November. The price of meat is extremely high in Alaska and moose meat is a great help to the missionaries.

After shooting a couple of moose, Brothers Butterfield and Andrus decided to float them down the Yukon River, but they came to grief on the rocks that snagged their raft. The hunters were stranded for a couple of days, but finally located a trapper's cabin and found refuge there from the weather. Brother Wilson, who had returned to the city in his plane, became anxious when the other two hunters did not return as expected and went to look for them. He located the men and flew them out. After the river froze, the moose meat was flown out.

Juneau

The Sunday school attendance in the Juneau Assembly reached 190 in November. This Assembly has an active jail ministry.

Wainwright

Presbyter Alvin Capener did much of the work on the new church building at Wainwright and helped to get the materials with which to build it. The new church was dedicated October 10 with Paul Bills of Barrow as speaker. Cecelia Piper is missionary-pastor here.

Kodiak

God is blessing in the services in Kodiak. About 20 were saved during November. Some have been filled with the Spirit and some healed. Sunday school attendance is increasing. The Cumminses, new missionary-pastors, find Alaska much different from Kansas life, but they and their four boys are adjusting well.

Barrow

On a trip to Kotzebue for oil, Alvin Capener's sixteen-foot fiberglass boat was being towed behind a boat carrying fuel oil for use at Wainwright or Point Hope. When a storm blew up suddenly, the eyebolt to which a nylon



Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Frederick

rope was attached gave way and the boat was lost. It smashed upon the beach. It is reported that an Eskimo found the 35 HP Johnson motor on the beach near Point Hope.

Wrangell

A little girl by the name of Caroline came to live with the C. Lewis Welker family, pastors in Wrangell, October 24. The baby was born in Houston, Tex.

Ketchikan

The last Sunday in October 17 new members were taken into the membership of the Ketchikan church and four babies were dedicated. The William Ponges are missionary-pastors here.

INDIAN MINISTRY

Port Angeles, Washington (Elwha Reservation)

In October, Mildred Schultz conducted evangelistic meetings where Edward H. Brothers is missionary-pastor. Results were encouraging. A number were reclaimed and sick bodies were healed. An annex is being added to the church as finances permit.

Dulce, New Mexico

During a November revival at Dulce, where the Lemy Pikes minister, several were saved and 18 testified to healing. Brother Pike is anxious to finish the ceiling and floor of the new Mission as the new building is urgently needed for the expanding congregation.

White River, Arizona

Paul Evans, missionary at White-river, had a ten-day revival with Leslie Sampson, Pima Indian evangelist. Results were encouraging and attendance reached 124.

Winterhaven, California

The new church at Winterhaven, Calif., where Mrs. H. P. Conley ministers, had the dedication service December 9, with G. F. Lewis, executive director of the Home Missions Department, as speaker. The building was purchased and redecorated for use as

a church. Virgil Sampson conducted a revival here in December.

New Appointees

The Charles E. Fredericks, Rapid City, S. Dak., have recently been appointed to American Indian ministry. They are missionary-pastors of the Indian Assembly in Rapid City.

Arizona Meetings

Some of our missionaries are engaged mainly in evangelistic work on the Indian reservations.

The R. L. Kinslows had a successful meeting in Cibecue, Ariz., a few weeks ago. Nine were saved.

There are about 700 Apache Indians in the Cibecue valley on the Fort Apache Reservation. About seventy-five per cent of them still live in the bear-grass wick-i-up type of home. The Assemblies of God has a number of strong Apache churches on this res-



Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Fox, evangelists to the American Indians

ervation. Ten were saved recently in Cibecue in regular services.

The R. A. Foxes, also evangelists to the American Indians, had a good meeting in Cibecue some time ago. They also have ministered in Guadalupe and Sells, Ariz., as well as in other Indian churches. The Foxes are thrilled with the progress they notice in six months or a year as they return to Indian churches for revivals. Ten children and five adults were saved in their services in Guadalupe recently.

Gallup, New Mexico

The Caleb Smiths are rejoicing over the results of the recent revival meeting which the James Burketts, of Tennessee, conducted. The church was filled almost every night and about a dozen were saved. Several backsliders came back to the Lord. The Sunday school attendance has increased and recently 100 were present.

The Smiths are visiting the government school on the reservation again this year to conduct religious classes each Wednesday afternoon. They have about twenty boys and girls enrolled.



I Invite You

THIS IS MY PERSONAL INVITATION to you to attend the 1961 Mission U.S.A. rally nearest you. Last year nearly 30,000 persons attended the rallies, and we want you to be one of the anticipated 50,000 who will be present this year.

These rallies are designed to bring into focus the whitened harvest fields here in the homeland, and to unite us in an intensive effort on behalf of America's lost millions.

Every rally will be informative and inspirational. The number of Assemblies of God churches opened in 1960 will be revealed and both national and district goals for 1961 will be announced.

One of the interesting features of each rally is the *Share Plan* offering which is divided three ways. Fifty per cent is placed in the Krause Loan Fund from which pioneer churches can borrow at low interest and repayment rates. Twenty-five per cent is used for pioneer efforts in the district where the offering is received; and the remaining twenty-five per cent is placed in the Emergency Fund of the National Home Missions Department.

Mission U.S.A. offerings for 1960 totaled approximately \$16,000. As a direct result several pioneer churches have already received substantial assistance with their building programs. The offering goal for 1961 is \$30,000.

Rallies will be held in most of the forty-four districts comprising our organization. In most instances they will be conducted on the sectional level; but some districts have announced plans to have simultaneous rallies in every church on a given date. Pastors will co-operate in the project by exchanging pulpits for the occasion.

Those who live in areas where no rallies are planned may wish to share in this great *Mission U.S.A.* effort. In this event, offerings may be sent to the National Home Missions Department designated *Share Plan*.

FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

Argentina

100 FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

Seventy-four believers have been baptized in water during the past two months at the Evangelistic Center in Buenos Aires. Still others are waiting to be baptized. "During this year more than 100 believers have been filled with the Holy Spirit," reports Missionary Louie Stokes, "and the Pentecostal glow is ever present."

Jamaica

REGIONAL CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

At a recent regional conference in Jamaica one national minister was ordained and five were recognized as Christian workers, reports Missionary Cy Huckerby. "Six received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and the altar was filled every night with seekers. An average of 151 attended the prayer services held every morning at 5 a.m. Night services had to be conducted outside the church as more than 900 attended each night."

Indonesia

NATIONAL SUPERINTENDENT HONORED BY PENTECOSTAL FELLOWSHIP

Soemardi Stefanus, superintendent of the Assemblies of God of Indonesia, was recently elected vice-president of the Pentecostal Fellowship of Indonesia. This group was organized in an attempt to bring together the Pentecostal groups working in Indonesia. Mission-

aries Alfred McGrew, Leonard Lanhphars, and Raymond Busby attended the convention. Mohammedan leaders from the Office of Religion were introduced the first night of the convention.

South Africa

REVIVAL REPORTED IN ZUZULAND

"One of our national workers in a new area told us Sunday that fifteen people had been baptized recently. Some of them have received the Holy Spirit," reports Missionary Hazen Wolverton. "Another worker came to ask for supplies for his daughter to open a Sunday school. It is a long way from her home to the school, but she has been carrying the blackboard and flannelboard back and forth between her Sunday schools."

NEW ASSEMBLY IN TRANSVAAL

"More than 800 attended the opening of a church in Standerton, Transvaal," reports Missionary Vernon Pettenger. The church is the result of a tent meeting conducted by a national worker, Nicholas Bhengu. Hundreds were saved in this new work.

Nigeria

GOVERNMENT ENDORSES MISSION HANDBOOK

Officials of Nigeria's predominantly Muslim-staffed Ministry of Education have publicly endorsed the Sudan Interior Mission's new *Handbook for School Managers*.

The Federal Prime Minister stated

in the House of Representatives several months ago "that missions can look back with satisfaction on many notable education successes." Dr. E. E. Esua, secretary general of the Nigerian Union of Teachers, said "through Christian education the whole standard of life and conduct of the people has been raised. There is scarcely a leader in Nigeria today who does not owe at least part of his education to the church."

The Assemblies of God has twenty-two elementary schools in Nigeria with an enrollment of more than 5,400.

India

MOSLEMS RESPOND TO STUDY COURSE

Missionary Kenneth Weigel reports that more than 800 replies were received in response to a series of four ads placed in a communist newspaper recently by the Home Study Division of Southern Asia Bible Institute. Five hundred of these responses were from Moslem readers.

Chile

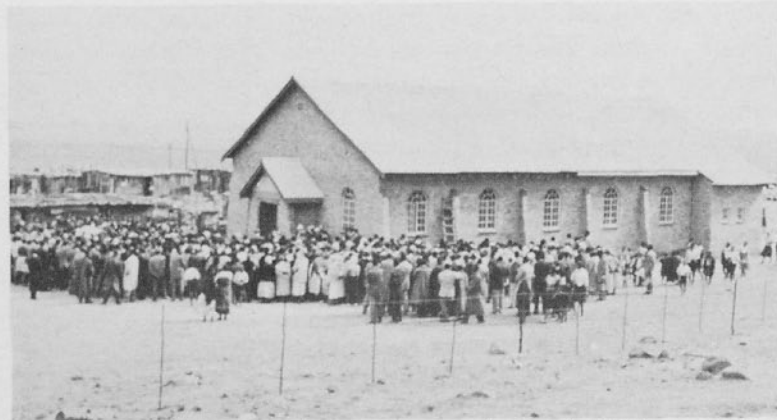
REBUILDING AFTER THE EARTHQUAKE

"We are in the third week of a revival campaign and God has surely blessed," reports Missionary Lowell Dowdy. "Fifteen have received the Holy Spirit and every night many are at the altar seeking salvation. Our Sunday school has made a record attendance of 338. In a recent service we baptized 33 candidates in water.

"Since May we have received a total



Soemardi Stefanus and Alfred McGrew greeting the Mohammedan leaders from the Office of Religion in Indonesia



New Assembly in Standerton, Transvaal, South Africa, resulting from a tent meeting by Nicholas Bhengu

of \$3,223.27 for the Concepcion church, which was severely damaged by the recent earthquake. The damaged part has been repaired and the building is nearing completion. We hope to have the dedication in the early part of 1961."



National workers at the rented Bible school property in Bienvenidos, Colombia

Colombia

PROGRESS REPORTED IN COLOMBIA

Missionary Verlin Stewart was chosen as superintendent of the Assemblies of God of Colombia during the recent Council meeting. Several new workers were given credentials and the opening of new churches in this Latin American republic was reported.

Egypt

HUNDREDS ATTEND PORT SAID REVIVAL

From ten to twelve hundred people daily attended revival services conducted recently in Port Said, Egypt. "The crowds were so large that we were compelled to use another church," reports Missionary Joseph Brown. "After a few days in this place we had to divide the meetings and have the women attend in the afternoons and the men in the evening. Many were saved and since the meetings have closed, several have been filled with the Holy Spirit. Our chapel can hardly hold the people that come."

British Guiana

OUTSTATIONS GROW INTO CHURCHES

God is blessing in the opening of new works in British Guiana. "At Golden Grove, crowds increased from 100 to 800 during a recent revival move," reports Missionary David Guenther. "Scores came forward for salvation and many came for divine healing. Now, six weeks later, the church is averaging 300 in its services. In Den Amstel, during evangelistic services, attendance increased from 31 to 175. The first night 30 came forward for salvation. This church now averages more than 100 in its services."

Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Are the tongues of men and of angels the same? 1 Corinthians 13:1.

I do not know if people sometimes speak in the tongues of angels or not. Possibly Paul was simply emphasizing that no matter how much a person may excel in spiritual utterance it profits nothing unless it is supported by a consistent Christian character and love.

Does the promise that nations shall serve the Lord in the millennium include Gentile nations, or only the tribes of Israel?

The generally-accepted teaching is that other nations as well as Israel will be included. These nations will send representatives from year to year to Jerusalem to keep the feast of tabernacles (Zechariah 14:16-19). See also Isaiah 2:2-4 and Daniel 7:14.

When did the apostolic church first make use of instrumental music in worship?

Those filled with the Spirit at Pentecost were Jewish believers whose custom always had been to use music in worship, and the blessing of God was upon it. There is, therefore, no reason for believing that with the outpouring of the Spirit the use of music was discontinued. See 1 Chronicles 16:42; 2 Chronicles 30:21; Nehemiah 12:36; and Psalm 150.

What is the distinction between a negative gospel and a positive gospel that is talked about so much today?

Were you told, "Don't do this or you will be punished," that would be considered a negative approach to the gospel. On the other hand, were you told, "Do this and you will be rewarded," that would be considered positive. I do not appreciate the minister who tells only the good things which God has promised—one who never preaches the corrective or warning aspects of the gospel. The Bible not only gives us attractive promises; it also warns us to "flee from the wrath to come."

How much should the deacons share with the pastor in carrying the burdens of the church?

Each church should be governed by its constitution and bylaws. These should set forth how the officers of the church, including the pastor, are to be chosen and what their duties should be. When the church is governed by its constitution and bylaws every person knows what is expected of the officers.

After the millennium where will the devil find persons to follow him if in that life they neither marry nor are given in marriage? Revelation 20:7-9; Matthew 22:30.

In Matthew 22:30 Jesus is speaking directly of the resurrection, while in Revelation 20 the prophet is speaking of millennial conditions on the earth. The generally-accepted belief among those who hold the premillennial doctrine is that the Jews and other earth dwellers will marry and bear children during the millennium. During that time the nations will "beat their swords into plowshares . . . neither shall they learn war any more" (Isaiah 2:4). See also Isaiah 11. According to Zechariah 8:5, "the streets of the city shall be full of boys and girls playing in the streets thereof." It is believed that, although Satan will be bound (Revelation 20:1-3), there will be those who will not be spiritually regenerated or "born again."

When Satan is loosed from his prison, he will stir up a revolt against the government of Christ. As a result, Satan will be cast into the lake of fire, and the ungodly will then stand before God in judgment. See Revelation 20:7-15.

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).

DO YOUR CHILDREN REALLY HAVE A CHRISTIAN HOME?



SALLY WAS SITTING AT THE TABLE BE-
side the window of the living room
working on a puzzle. As she looked
up, she called to her mother, who was
sewing in another part of the room,
"Oh, Mom, here comes Mrs. Moss."

"Oh, no," groaned Sally's mother,
"not again. I can't bear to have her
waste my morning."

The doorbell rang. Sally's mother
opened the door. "Why, Mrs. Moss,"
she cried with apparent joy, "how nice
to see you. Do come in and sit down."

Sally looked at her mother with mis-
giving and incredulity. She was be-
wildered. Sally lived in a Christian
home. Her parents read the Bible and
prayed. They told her she must never
lie. God would punish you if you lied.

Several weeks after Mrs. Moss' visit
Sally's mother discovered that Sally
had gone home with Betty after school,
but she had told her mother that she
had to stay after school.

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Perry sat at the dinner table with
his parents, brothers and sisters. His
ears were open as always to catch all
conversation.

"Mrs. Gray phoned me today," said
his mother. "She does the queerest
things. It's a sight the way she lets
her children run her."

Perry had thought Mrs. Gray was
a nice lady. Perhaps she wasn't as
nice as he had thought.

His mother went on, "Then Mrs.
Perkins came over. She is so spiteful.
She says such cutting things. I really

can't forgive her, though now she says
she's sorry."

Again Perry's ears were quick to
catch the words. His mother was teach-
ing him the words of Jesus, "... resist
not evil: but whosoever shall smite
thee on thy right cheek, turn to him
the other also."

A few months later Perry's mother
said to his father, "I can't do any-
thing with Perry these days. He doesn't
mind me. He said today he didn't
want to go to Sunday school any long-
er."

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What makes a Christian home? A
teen-ager said bitterly one day about
her father who held an important posi-
tion in Christian service, "He criticizes
everyone who works under him. There
is not one person Father does not find
fault with. I get so tired listening to
his complaints."

Perhaps you have been wondering
why your son or daughter does not
show more interest in spiritual things.
Perhaps you've said like Sally's moth-
er who was not careful with the *truth*
in every instance, "I can't understand
Sally's deceitfulness. She has heard the
Bible since she was a baby. We al-
ways take her to church and Sunday
school."

Perry's mother said, "Why is Perry
so spiteful? He learns verses from the
Bible, and I try to *tell* him what Je-
sus expects of him, but he doesn't
want to listen."

The teen-ager's father wonders, "Why

doesn't Mary respond to our Christian
teaching? We have given our lives for
the gospel, and yet our daughter doesn't
seem to care. She has no convictions
about anything. It's a puzzle to me."

What makes a Christian home? Is
it hanging Bible verses on the walls?
Is it going to church and Sunday school
regularly, and even to prayer meeting?
Is it believing on the Lord Jesus? Is
it having family devotions?

Why are many Christian homes any-
thing but a place of joy and harmony?
What is the real test of the Christian
home?

Is the Spirit of God fully in your
heart and life? Are you constantly di-
rected and controlled by Him? Or is
there daily defeat? Is your life made
up of inconsistencies which children are
so quick to note? Is there resistance
and rebellion within your heart which
though not outwardly expressed chil-
dren are keen to sense?

If your Christian home living has
been a pretense, an empty shell, in-
stead of a warm, blessed, thrilling mo-
ment-by-moment fellowship with your
Father, His Son, through the power
of the Holy Spirit, you can change
beginning with this moment. Go to
your room, get down on your knees,
ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the sins
that make your home a troubled one.
When God has forgiven you (1 John
1:9), confess to your children if you
have sinned against them. Children are
wonderfully forgiving and easily melted.
A father who had to confess failure

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Andalusia	First	Feb. 1-12	H. T. Chapman Party	A. T. Hickman
	Eufaula	First	Feb. 5—	Bobby Jackson	W. O. Stephens
	Phenix City	Rolph Survay	Feb. 5-19	Benny E. Jackson	Hollis Kelley
Ark.	Crossett	A/G	Jan. 31-Feb. 19	Sid T. Regnier	G. C. Kirksey
	Malvern	Cooper	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Leon Morrow	Charles Gibson
Calif.	Arroyo Grande	A/G	Feb. 5—	Glen & Faithe Shinn	Dorman N. Buttram
	Corona	Home Gardens	Jan. 29-Feb. 12	Eugene Boone	Leonard Hicks
	Fresno	Bethel Temple	Jan. 25-Feb. 5	Warren Litzman	Wallace Ross
	Fresno	Northeast	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Ron Prinzing	Thomas Fuller
	Glendale	Bethel	Feb. 5-19	John H. Bostrom	Arthur Slater
	Lamont	First	Jan. 22-Feb. 5	Sara E. Sharp	E. L. Shaffer
	Pomona	First	Feb. 5-12	J. G. Hall	Dwight Brown
	Redding	Bethel	Feb. 5-19	Wallace S. Bragg	Robert T. Doherty
	Hialeah	Bethel	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	J. B. Davis Party	Leonard P. Cutts
	Miami	Trinity	Jan. 31-Feb. 5	Bob & Pat Ludwig	Thomas M. Miller
Fla.	St. Augustine	First	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Fred Numrick	Charles R. Inman
	Chicago	Belmont Gospel	Feb. 1-12	Musical Lebsacks	Arthur Klaus
Ill.	Elgin	Olivet Pent. Ch.	Feb. 1-12	Cox-Brown Team	C. Merrill Johnson
	Winchester	A/G	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	W. E. Thurmond
Ind.	Hammond	Hessville	Feb. 1-12	J. H. Wooldridge	Harold Duncan
La.	Springhill	First	Jan. 29-Feb. 12	Lolita Thompson	Gerald D. Wilson
Mich.	Battle Creek	Church of F-F G.	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Bob & Jeri Winford	R. A. Rieben
Minn.	Benson	A/G	Jan. 29-Feb. 3	Bob Olson	Wilbert Remus
Mo.	Cardwell	Buck Donic	Feb. 5-19	Gerald Brewer	Alfred Thompson
	Mexico	A/G	Feb. 1-12	Glynn Hall	Merle J. White
	Springfield	East Side	Feb. 5—	John McDuff	Albert D. Pyle
	St. Louis	Maplewood Tab.	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Eric M. Johnson	A. L. Burnett
	Van Buren	A/G Church	Feb. 4—	Lloyd Middleton	Lester Beck
N. Mex.	Gallup	First	Jan. 29-Feb. 12	Tommy Crider	C. Adrain Harper
	Hatch	A/G	Feb. 5—	Willis Deerman	Tommy Blevins
N. Y.	Buffalo	Riverside	Jan. 29-Feb. 5	Byron D. Jones	Paul R. Ridings
N. Dak.	Minot	A/G	Jan. 31-Feb. 12	Oliver & Fern Johnson	Paul Sandgren
Ohio	Cleveland	Grace Gospel	Jan. 31—	John Higginbotham	Clark Grable
Okla.	Tulsa	Lighthouse	Jan. 29-Feb. 10	B. P. Carroll	Cham Livingston
Oreg.	Pendleton	A/G	Jan. 24-Feb. 12	Don Gossett	G. W. Minton
Pa.	Ebensburg	Bethel	Feb. 1-12	Richard & Mrs. Owens	Patrick McLane
S. Dak.	Hot Springs	A/G	Jan. 29-Feb. 10	Wes & Pat Larson	Peter Dahlberg
Tex.	Brownfield	First	Feb. 5-19	Jerry Roberts	J. R. Brasher
	Houston	Jensen Drive	Feb. 5-19	Bill Taylor	M. P. Gabler
	Linden	A/G	Jan. 29-Feb. 12	Douglas Bartlett	Billy Jones
	Tyler	Southside	Jan. 30-Feb. 12	Leon & Ann Bayless	M. L. Fauss
	Vidor	A/G	Feb. 5—	Joseph De Grado	Wm. Petty
	Arlington	A/G Tab.	Feb. 5—	Wm. & Irene Andrews	Cornelius Rientjes
	Auburn	Full Gospel	Jan. 15—	Wm. & Irene Andrews	R. D. Young
Seattle	Calvary Temple	Feb. 5-12	Denny Davis	Glen Horst	
Canada	Brampton, Ont.	Pentecostal Ch.	Feb. 1-12	Abraham Kudra	R. Stevens
W. Indies	Barbados	*A/G	Feb. 5-19	Paul Olson Party	Harry Eggleton

* Area Wide Campaign

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TENTH ANNUAL MISSIONARY CONVENTION—Feb. 5-12 at First Assembly of God, San Bernardino, Calif. Speakers: John Hall, Africa; Verne Warner, Dominican Republic; Charles Greenaway, Global Conquest; Claude Rediger, Samoa; William F. Olson, American Indians; Robert Carlson, Nigeria; Willard Cantelon, Missions Televised; and Robert Turnbull, Haiti.—by Louis H. Hauff, pastor.

MIDWEST CITY-DEL CITY S. S. WORKSHOP—Feb. 6-10 at First Assembly of God, S.E. 15 and Air Depot, Midwest City, Okla. Seven churches participating. A. N. Burns, instructor.—by J. C. Girkin, chairman.

WITH THE LORD

GEORGE MARVIN JARVIS, 62, of Woodland, California, went Home to be with his Lord on December 6 after suffering at length with cancer of the liver. He was ordained in 1936 in the Rocky

Mountain District, and had served pastorates in North Dakota and Wyoming. He is survived by his wife and three children.

CHRISTINA MCKIRDY, 81, of Alliance, Ohio, passed into the presence of her Lord on October 25. Ordained in 1927 by the Appalachian District, she had engaged in evangelistic and pastoral ministry mainly in Virginia and West Virginia.

THOMAS B. USSERY, 62, a minister of Harrison, Ark., passed into the presence of Christ October 30. He was licensed in 1956 with the Arkansas district of the Assemblies of God.

JUBY S. FARRAR, 62, of Bell, Calif., went to be with his Lord on December 22. He was ordained in 1922 in the Kansas District and pioneered churches in Kansas, Arkansas, Colorado, Idaho, Nebraska, and California.

JOHN W. WHITE, 60, of Westville, Fla., went Home to be with the Lord on December 14. He was ordained by the West Florida District in 1940 and served pastorates in Bonifay, Ponce de Leon, DeFuniak Springs, and Westville, Fla.

to his grown daughter found her at first a little cool. "It's about time," she said with asperity.

"It's far past time," her father replied humbly. At that the girl broke down in tears and was quickly reconciled to her father.

Yield yourself wholly to Him. Yield your tongue to the Lord. "He that hath knowledge spareth his words..." Someone has said, "Talkativeness is utterly ruinous to deep spirituality."

Victory costs. Deliverance has a price. It is much more pleasant to lie in bed in the morning than to rise early for your quiet time. But rising early is the secret of deliverance.

The Holy Spirit is faithful. If you have cried with Isaiah, "Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts," you *will* be cleansed.

Claim the Holy Spirit's full indwelling and control of your life moment by moment. Trust the work of His power in your life. After you have had this experience of joy and forgiveness you will be tempted to go back to the slack old ways, but there will be no joy in it after you have had a taste of deliverance. But remember, it's a moment-by-moment experience. Look to Him with praise all through the day. There *will* be attacks by the enemy. You must face that.

"What then should you do when the enemy attacks? You should simply look up and praise the Lord. 'Lord, I am faced with a situation that I cannot possibly meet. Thine enemy the devil has brought it about to cause my downfall, but I praise Thee that Thy victory is an all-inclusive victory. It covers this situation too. I praise Thee that I have *already* full victory in this matter in Thee.'"

What makes a Christian home? Parents who are resolved that they will love God deeply and live joyfully and harmoniously. "The all-important rule is not to 'try' but 'trust'—not to depend upon our own strength but upon His. As soon as you cease trying to do anything, He will do everything. God is waiting for you to despair."

Your children won't turn aside in disgust or contempt from the things of God when they see your life. There will be firmness, insistence on obedience, but there will also be in your life the example of a godly parent!

—*Gospel Herald*



Petersburg WMC's on 1960 WMC Day (Mrs. D. Schmidt, left front)



Anchorage WMC's (the two women seated are wearing fur parkas)

Women Serve in Alaska Through Their WMC

BY ELVA M. JOHNSON
National WMC Representative

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD WOMEN IN many parts of the world find opportunity for loving, helpful service for the Lord through WMC. Alaska is no exception, even though the forty-ninth state is still considered a mission field.

Mrs. David Hogan of Anchorage is president of the Alaska WMC's. She reports good progress, with twelve organized groups in the state and more to be started soon. WMC's in the cities carry out projects designed to help Alaska missionaries in remote areas as well as missionaries as far away as Africa and the isles of the sea.

Mrs. Hogan says WMC's had a good display of a variety of projects at the 1960 biennial All-Alaska Convention. Missionaries from the more remote areas were invited to take whatever they could use from the display.

ANCHORAGE

Anchorage WMC's have been organized since January 1955. Since that time they have cooked Sunday dinners for the servicemen who attend the church from the large military installation nearby. Thousands of servicemen

have enjoyed the hospitality and welcome change from institutional meals through the courtesy of the Anchorage WMC's at the church service center.

Anchorage serves as a distribution center for new and used clothing which is processed and sent to the villages by WMC's. Our missionaries receive and distribute the clothing to needy families in their villages.

For the past four years Anchorage WMC's have baked fruit cakes and mailed them to missionaries in out-of-the-way places. With super-market facilities unknown in many villages and towns, our missionaries welcome the fruit cakes and other delicacies provided by Alaska's "city" WMC's.

Recently, the Anchorage WMC's made bandages and clothing for the lepers at New Hope Town in Liberia.

FORT YUKON

In Fort Yukon, an Indian village north of the Arctic Circle, WMC has affected almost every home. Mrs. B. V. Garrison is WMC president. She and her husband work in Fort Yukon and are a blessing to the pastors, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Andrus. Attendance at WMC meetings averages from thirty to forty (mostly Indians), with some women from surrounding villages also attending when possible.

"Our first and primary concern in the WMC meetings," Mrs. Garrison says, "is to lead the women into real worship and fellowship with God. They are responding, too, and now each lady takes her turn in leading devotions. Prayer and testimony by individuals is causing them to grow and take their

place in the Christian fellowship.

"How we have appreciated all the wonderful materials, clothing, toys, and foods you WMC's at home have sent. Nothing is ever wasted.

"Each lady takes sufficient material from what you have sent and makes one quilt. A prize of an additional quilt is given to the lady who makes the most beautiful one. We also make rugs, socks, mittens and aprons. These projects are important because they teach the ladies to work with each other, and then to give to someone else. Parkas are made from old fur or cloth coats received from WMC groups in the other states.

"Thanks to WMC groups which send us cake mixes, we usually serve refreshments at each meeting."

JUNEAU

The Juneau WMC's were organized in 1946 with seven members. They now have twenty-four members, and Mrs. Nell Parker is president. Pastor of the church is E. L. Schoneman.



Projects of this group include the support of a baby in the Rupaidiha Orphanage in India, assistance to Peter Castro, missionary to the Philippines who was saved in Juneau and went to the Philippines as a missionary some thirty years ago. They also contribute to the needs of Alaska missionaries, and their annual Christmas project includes sending food packages to the missionaries in remote areas.

In addition to other local projects, Juneau WMC's frequently gather at the Juneau Children's Home for a work day, mending and altering clothing for the children.

VALDEZ

At Valdez also, the WMC's find a "mother-ministry" in connection with the Valdez Assemblies of God Children's Home. They have spent many hours mending for the children of the Home.

Each year at Christmas time they help with treats for some Sunday school farther north, and sent baskets of food and gifts to three missionaries last Christmas.

NOME

Nome WMC's find a mission field in Little Diomed Island, about 135 miles off the western Alaska Coast in the Bering Sea. Last fall they packed boxes of food, clothing, toys, candy, and Sunday school papers to send back to the island with islanders who had spent the summer in Nome. During the summer they send *Pentecostal Evangel*s, Sunday school papers, and other gospel literature to the island with the hope of reaching the people with the Pentecostal message.

Missionary Harriet Brown says, "We mend clothing sent to us, make quilts, parkas, etc. Our meetings are held with the idea of reaching local women for Christ and the Pentecostal message."

NORTH POLE

Some WMC groups work under the handicap of a changing population due to the military bases. But they do not let that discourage them from working together. The WMC of North Pole, Alaska, where Ralph Miller is pastor, was reorganized in February 1960 with five members. A few months later some of the ladies went to work, others rotated with their husbands to the mainland, and only two were left to carry on during the summer. But they continued regular meetings, working together to send out large boxes of clean,

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Indian Women Find Joy in Helping Others

BY MISSIONARY PEARL FOSTER
Fort Apache Reservation, Arizona

WE HAVE HAD AN ACTIVE GROUP of precious Christian ladies since the beginning of the Cedar Creek Assembly of God Indian mission seven years ago. Their first project was to make a wick-i-up which served as our first church, then a second wick-i-up for Sunday school rooms.

We have had WMC prayer meetings on Tuesday mornings for these seven years. To me, such meetings are the secret of an active and effective WMC. Our Indian women have learned the value of prayer and have grown spiritually, the effects being seen in their everyday lives as well as in the church.

We spend Tuesday afternoons on various projects, both for the mission and for others. In 1954, when we started the foundation for our church, the ladies helped scoop out the dirt after it had been spaded loose by the men. Their helping hands were already to do what they could on the building, from the foundation to the roof. Much of the work was done by these women.

It was 1955 when we actually formed our group into a WMC. In the early days they had little material to work with, but they faithfully helped in clean-up jobs, both inside the church and out.

One of our first sewing jobs was to make receiving blankets and little hospital shirts for the babies at the Indian Hospital in Whiteriver. It began one day while we were visiting there with some of our folk. The superintendent of nurses asked if our

ladies would like to do something for the hospital. We assured her they would, and she gave us a bolt of outing flannel to use in making the little garments. That job brought our ladies so much joy that they have been doing for others ever since.

The ladies worked along with the men in cutting and hauling posts to fence in our property. They helped to peel the cedar bark so the posts would take the whitewash better. No job is too hard or humble for them to do.

They joined with other groups throughout Arizona to save pennies for the state WMC project of furnishing the nursery at the district camp ground in Prescott several years ago.

Many thanks to you kind WMC's around the country who sent us yard goods, small remnants, and quilt pieces. These, along with what we were able to purchase, have been made into tea towels, baby clothing, little shirts, skirts, quilts, Apache camp dresses (as worn in pictures), small camp dresses for the little girls, and other useful things.

Recently our WMC ladies cooked and served a deer banquet to forty-four Men's Fellowship members. The meat was given by the men of our church, who invited men from four other Apache Assemblies in our section of the reservation. The banquet was served in the Sunday school building where the tables were beautifully decorated with small deer place cards, pretty table cloths, colored leaves, and candles. The women and children enjoyed eating at the wick-i-up around the camp fire. Altogether there were about 150 people present.

One of our ladies expressed the feeling of all when she said, "Because someone cared and told us the story of Jesus, we too know Him now and love to serve Him. We find joy in doing for others." ◀◀



Apache WMC's in traditional camp dress help clear ground for their church

TULSA GIRLS HELP LEPERS IN LIBERIA

BY CHARLOTTE SCHUMITSCH

WHEN FLORENCE STEIDEL AND THE PAUL BOYERS HELD missionary services at Central Assembly in Tulsa, Okla., last fall they were greeted by an interesting display in the foyer of the church. Above the display were the words, "Greetings from Central to New Hope." Since the title of Miss Steidel's film is "Steps to New Hope" the display was called "Side Steps to New Hope."

New Hope Town was represented in the center by palm trees. On three footsteps going toward New Hope were dolls dressed in Missionette uniforms. One was rolling a bandage and the word "Service" was on her footstep. Another doll with money in her hands stood on the footstep bearing the words, "Support or Donations"; and the third doll with hands folded and eyes closed represented "Prayer."

On a footstep in the center, going to New Hope Town, was a bandaged African doll representing "Sin, Poverty, and Disease." Three footsteps going away from New Hope contained African figures representing "Health, Salvation, and Vocation."

At one side of the display tables was placed a barrel from which spilled bandages, hospital shirts, sheets, pharmaceutical supplies, and canned tomatoes. These items covered the length of the tables. All of these things, plus canned nuts and tuna fish, filled two metal oil drum barrels, and were sent back to Africa with Miss Steidel.

The donations for this project came from the Missionettes and the Lillianette WMC group of Central Assembly. A fifty-dollar donation was pledged by the girls to support a New Hope Town leper for one year.

Following the service a reception was held honoring Florence Steidel. The Lillianettes served punch and cookies and the Missionettes furnished the centerpiece of blue and white carnations with blue candles (Missionette colors).

The Missionettes greatly enjoyed their part in preparing and securing the items for Miss Steidel. However their greatest joy came from the personal touch and spiritual lift they received from seeing and hearing Miss Steidel and the Boyers. Mrs. Naomi Wilkerson, the sponsor of this Missionette group, writes, "It has truly awakened within our group a greater love and burden for missions. We are indeed thankful for the very small contribution we have been

privileged to make to such a wonderful and productive work." Co-sponsor of the group is Maxine Hulsman.

Miss Steidel is again back in her beloved New Hope Town and no doubt the contents of the two barrels from Central Assembly in Tulsa have already been a blessing to many of her leper families.



Missionettes and sponsor of Central Assembly, Tulsa, Okla. are shown gathered around their display for New Hope Town. Included in the group are Miss Florence Steidel and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Boyer.



This picture shows a closer view of the display and materials for New Hope Town. Notice the small figures standing on the footsteps.

MISSIONETTE CERTIFICATES ISSUED IN NOVEMBER, 1960

Church	Location	Sponsor
First A/G	Charlotte, N. C.	Mrs. John E. Canipe
A/G	Graham, Tex.	Mrs. Frank Wright
A/G	Vista, Calif.	Mrs. Hollis Lawson
Spanish Pentecostal	Plattekill, N. Y.	Carmen Ramos
First A/G	Deming, N. Mex.	Mrs. Shirley Riley
A/G	Ojai, California	Lorena Bragg
A/G	Winkelman, Ariz.	
First A/G	Appleton, Wis.	Mrs. Arthur H. Miller
First Church	Oakland, Calif.	Mrs. Marjorie Piper
North Side A/G	Lubbock, Tex.	Johnnie Dean Kimmel
Hollywood A/G	Memphis, Tenn.	Mary McCoy & Nodie Steward
Crescent Park A/G	Great Bend, Kans.	Mrs. Darrell Duncan
Fruitland Assembly	Miranda, Calif.	Jennie R. Ellison
Rugby Park A/G	Memphis, Tenn.	Mrs. Fay Ingle
A/G	Hoisington, Kans.	Mrs. Benjamin E. Mills
Gospel Tabernacle	New Haven, Conn.	Mrs. Frances Hallett
Bethesda A/G	Moline, Ill.	Irene Palmer
First A/G	Warren, Ohio	Mrs. Dorothy Freer
A/G	Lowell, Mass.	Mrs. Ruth L. Pettibone
A/G	Biggs, Calif.	Betty Wollery
A/G	Coleman, Tex.	R. Lee Bremer
Immanuel A/G	Downey, Calif.	Mrs. Fern L. Ridgway
A/G	Pleasant Plains, Ark.	Nila McLean
Oak Chapel A/G	Bridgewater Ctr., Vt.	Mrs. Earl French
Faith A/G	Indianapolis, Ind.	Mrs. Glen Burnside
A/G	Golden City, Mo.	Mrs. Rev. Warren DeWitt
First A/G	Waukesha, Wis.	Mrs. Marion Nehs

MISSIONETTE DIVISION WMC DEPARTMENT

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- Missionette Sponsor's Manual @ 75c each
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THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD JESUS Christ is a message of hope. It gives answers to our greatest questions and throws light in the darkest places. That is why God sent His Son to earth—that we might be informed about the way of salvation.

Death always has been a dark and mysterious subject. Back in the days of the apostles the people lived in fear of it, as indicated in Hebrews 2:15 which says that Christ came to “deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.” Prior to that time, death was thought of as a prison and, as the soul passed into it, the “gates” closed behind. It was indeed a gloomy picture.

Since Christ has come, however, much of the mystery has been removed, and if our trust is in Him we need not fear death. Let us remember, however, that it is not the fact that Christ came so long ago that will deliver us from morbid fears; it is the fact that He is willing to enter our hearts and become our personal Saviour and Friend. In such an experience our fears will fly!

GENERAL ATTITUDES TOWARD DEATH

Many people do not think about death, and by dismissing the thought they find temporary comfort. I do not suggest that it is necessarily a good thing to be continually dwelling upon death. But facts are facts, and the Christian should be ready to face them. We sometimes feel pessimistic about things, and sometimes optimistic, but at all times we should be realistic!

Others are more nearly definite in their thinking and have concluded that death is the end of existence. They believe the grave is the terminus to which we are all travelling.

Such a theory may appear to answer the intellect, but it does not satisfy the heart or conscience. It leaves so much unexplained. For instance, if death ends all, when will Divine justice be administered? The wicked prosper and often the righteous suffer. Adulterers ascend thrones and John-the-Baptists are executed! If death ends all, then unrighteousness will flout Divine justice.

But I am also concerned about another sort of justice. What of the thousands, perhaps millions, for whom this life has been a painful existence? Blighted by tragedy, beset by infirmity, crippled by some terrible disease?

What of the almost forgotten un-

You Need Not Fear Death

BY KEITH W. MUNDAY

fortunates locked away in our mental institutions—the insane; the imbecile; those whose existence, despite the loving care of nurses and doctors, is little more than that of an animal? *Is this all the life they are to have?* Is there no possibility of life in their right mind? No hope of eventual deliverance from infirmity? No possibility of relief from the wretched torture of an unbalanced mind? If death is the end, then these poor souls will be denied the opportunity of living at all. *We have lived: why shouldn't they?*

THE ATTITUDE OF JESUS

On the Mount of Transfiguration Jesus discussed His approaching death with Moses and Elijah. It is significant to note the word He used—not death, but *decease*, which in the Greek means *departure* or *exodus*.

It is not the same word that the Sadducees used when bringing their story of the woman with seven marriages to Jesus for His verdict. The word they used indicated cessation of life, for they did not believe in immortality. The Sadducees used the word as meaning *the terminus*, but our Lord used a word meaning *the junction*; for at a terminus our journey ends, but at a junction we only change to get on the main line.

Death to the Christian believer is merely a departure; an incident in which we leave this mortal life and depart to be with Christ—which is far better! Let every follower of the Master, therefore, share His refreshing attitude to death.

THE ATTITUDE OF PETER

Peter knew he was to suffer a violent death as a martyr of the Lord Jesus. He was told it by Jesus Himself over thirty years before it came. Have you ever thought what it must have meant for him to have to go through life with this shadow over him? Yet he was not pessimistic. He was not subject to bondage through fear of death.

Perhaps when he first heard it he was apprehensive, but all was well

when the time came. Many Christians who are apprehensive about death need to realize that God gives the necessary grace when the time comes.

Peter wrote in his Second Epistle that “shortly I must put off this tabernacle.” He looked on his body as a tabernacle—a house in which he lived while on earth. The lease was about to expire; he would have to move!

That is how he viewed death—moving from one house to a better one. Moving from the earthly to the heavenly, of which Paul wrote, “A building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.”

One dear old saint was asked how he was getting on. “Oh,” he replied, “I’m getting on fine myself, but the house I live in is getting old.”

Are you feeling like that? When you look in the mirror, do you notice the “house” appears less youthful than it used to be? The “windows” are not as clear, are they? The “timbers” creak a bit! The “thatch” is getting thin! Never mind. Trust wholly in the Lord and you can look upon death as Peter did—as a welcome change of residence. Death is just “moving day”; your new house never will deteriorate.

THE ATTITUDE OF PAUL

In his second letter to Timothy, Paul wrote, “My departure is at hand.” That somewhat frail little body of Paul had done great service for its Master. Now in a Roman dungeon he awaited the executioner’s ax; then another would seal his testimony for Jesus in blood.

But Paul used yet another expression—“departure” meant a release or loosing off. It could have been a nautical term. The ship tied up in harbor was now ready to sail on another voyage. “Throw over the ropes, release her... she’s off!” That’s how Paul thought of death.

He realized that the body ties one to this mortal scene, and more than once he wanted to depart, but his ministry was not finished. Now the hour had come. He was ready—the time of

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REVIVALTIME ORIGINATES AT KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

Live Network Broadcast Highlights Church Dedication

BY D. V. HURST
National Radio Secretary

A LIVE REVIVALTIME ORIGATION highlighted the dedication and silver anniversary, (November 25-27) at the Kenosha Assembly of God. Packed into the new auditorium were approximately 700 people, many of whom drove many miles to see and join in the production of a live network program.

E. C. Scharnick, host pastor, warmly welcomed the *Revivaltime* team. Participating in the broadcast service were C. M. Ward, *Revivaltime* speaker; Bartlett Peterson, Executive Director and *Revivaltime* narrator; Cyril McLellan, choir director; and myself, as producer.

Starting off the three days of special dedication services, Brother Peterson was guest speaker for the area-

wide fellowship day, November 25. In the evening meeting Darwin Heuser, superintendent of Wisconsin and Northern Michigan, conducted dedicatory services for the new Kenosha sanctuary. More than 400 attended the services, including a number of former pastors.

The local choir presented a sacred concert Saturday evening, under the direction of Ralph Markese. *Revivaltime* Evangelist C. M. Ward spoke for the concluding day of services, which was climaxed by the live network broadcast Sunday night.

The regular *Revivaltime* choir was on tour during the Thanksgiving holiday season, with one stop at Kenosha for the broadcast. The choir also presented a "sermonette in song" during the evening evangelistic rally.

The Kenosha church is justifiably proud of its new mostly brick veneer building, costing approximately \$165,000. The main sanctuary is topped with a unique undulating ceiling, which hovers lightly over the congregation. The main auditorium with comfortably cushioned pews, the overflow, and balcony will seat more than 550. The building



Approximately 700 persons attended Revivaltime broadcast origination in Kenosha, Wis.



The new Kenosha Assembly of God in the fast-growing Forest Park subdivision. Right: Bartlett Peterson presents Honor of Origination certificate to Pastor E. C. Scharnick.



REVIVALTIME ITINERARY

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

C. M. WARD

January 30-February 3: LUBBOCK, TEXAS—Central Assembly of God, workers' training course.

February 21-26: TUCSON, ARIZONA—Central Assembly of God.

D. V. HURST

February 26: TUCSON, ARIZONA—Central Assembly of God. (Revivaltime origination.)

has 12,000 square feet of floor space.

The entire structure is fully air-conditioned for year-round comfort. Completely modern Sunday school facilities with plastered rooms are located in the basement. Ample parking facilities are accessible through a covered carport for all-weather entry.

The new Kenosha Assembly is located in the fast-growing Forest Park Subdivision at 60th Street and Pershing Boulevard. Kitchen facilities and fully-equipped offices are provided for the church's convenience.

According to Pastor Scharnick, the origination of a world-wide Revivaltime service from the new sanctuary symbolized the desire of the church to reach out in ever-widening evangelistic and missionary action. For building such a lovely house of worship only provides tools with which to build the Kingdom! It is in this greatest of all building projects the Kenosha Assembly desires to be energetically engaged!

Let There Be Light!

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In the spiritual world *everywhere* it is always lamp-lighting time.

In the Acts of the Apostles the lamps lighted at Pentecost continued to shine with truth from Jerusalem to the uttermost part of the earth. Everyone became a lamp-lighter: apostles, deacons, men, women, and youth. The pattern is set in Acts 13. The church ministered to the Lord and fasted. The Holy Ghost instructed. Men were prayed over and sent forth. They declared glad tidings, and as many as believed were ordained to eternal life. Churches were established in the faith, and increased in number daily. Elders were ordained. Lamp after lamp was

set aglow with the glory of Christ. Thus, the Holy Spirit set the pattern: each lamp must light another lamp, "ere the lamp goes out in the temple of the Lord."

The New Testament pattern is further set forth in 2 Timothy 2:2 where Paul instructs his son in the faith, "The things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men who shall be able to teach others also." Timothy took up the torch of truth and inspired others to do the same. From the catacombs to the twentieth century, the Holy Ghost has used the plan of committing the truth from one person to another to evangelize the world.

Thus, under the moving of the Spirit of God, the Assemblies of God has come into being for the sole purpose of lighting lamps around the world. With the instituting of the GLOBAL CONQUEST program by the Foreign Missions Department, a portion of which is an effective Bible school chain, true light is shining around the world.

Some years ago the Spirit of God set aglow the lamps of God-fearing men who were used to establish Bible schools for training Assemblies of God youth in the United States. Graduates, aflame with the fire of the Holy Ghost, have gone out by the score. This has resulted in other Assemblies of God Bible schools being established in other lands to light lamps in homes, villages, towns, and cities around the globe.

This happened in my own life and has been repeated over and over again in the lives of others. My lamp was lighted by the Holy Ghost on October 10, 1930, while I was a student in the old Southwestern Bible School at Enid, Oklahoma, where P. C. Nelson was president. The light never went out. The call was for service in South India. Bethel Bible School, then in Mavelikara, now in Punalur, was the only Bible school in South India, and served the Malayalam area. Great need for Bible schools in other areas was evident. Today, the South India Assemblies of God enjoys the benefit of the Tamil Bible Institute, Madurai; Southwestern India Bible Institute, Junnar; and Southern Asia Bible Institute, Bangalore. Faithful missionaries and Indian teachers, under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost, are lighting lamps of youth in Southern Asia that shall never go out.

The Assemblies of God has 66 Bible schools in 70 countries, lighting

lamps for the glory of God. Each Assembly of God member is a lamp; each must light another, and another, until the light reaches every dark corner of the earth.

"Let your light [lamp] so shine before men, that they shall...glorify your father which is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). May each one give willingly of his gold, his oil, and his lamp "to give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death." *They that turn many to righteousness shall shine as the stars forever and ever.*

Women Serve in Alaska

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mended clothing into the villages. They also sent out six layettes for missionaries to distribute.

The North Pole WMC's are servicemen's wives or wives of government employees on the nearby base. Mrs. Miller writes, "Our president lives on the base. Through her, many people found out we took clothing, mended it, and sent it to the villages. They responded by giving good used heavy winter clothing for distribution as they rotated to warmer climate."

PETERSBURG

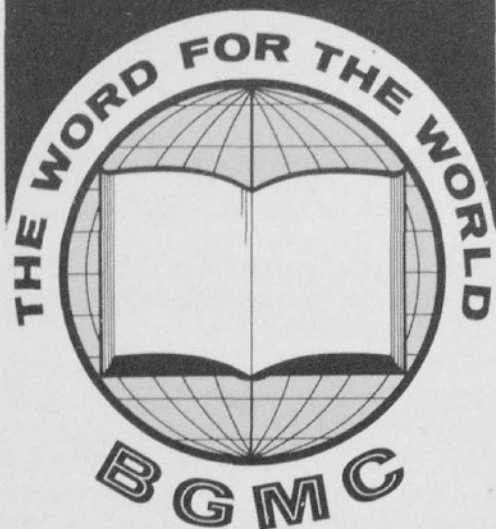
Petersburg, primarily a Norwegian town, has had an organized WMC since 1955. During the past year they have equipped the local church nursery and supplied needs for a number of missionaries. They have been helping Eva Wright, missionary in Angoon, Alaska, with literature, used clothing, and layettes. This group also takes a special interest in Mr. and Mrs. Arlie Bass, missionaries to Hawaii.

Mrs. David Schmidt, pastor's wife there, commends the local group for its interest in the sick and needy of their own community, and says, "Proverbs 31:20 could very well be the motto of our WMC group: 'She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea, she reacheth forth her hands to the needy.'"

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Summing up the feeling of Alaska missionaries who have started WMC in their churches, Mrs. Schmidt says, "Who better than a missionary knows how really important a WMC group is? Having been blessed many times by help from our 'home' WMC groups, we want our church group to be an even greater blessing, as we are able, to further the kingdom of God."

"The Word for the World" aptly describes the ministry of the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade — supplying Christian literature for the mission fields. This year, all of the money received on BGMC Day will be used to translate, print, and distribute literature especially directed to the children of the world.



FEBRUARY 5 IS
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The offering goal for BGMC Day this year is a challenging \$23,000—topping last year's goal by \$3,000. Every BGMC goal ever set has been reached and surpassed. A real spirit of missionary giving is anticipated once again in 1961 as we strive to keep up with the example which has been set.

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FRANCES FOSTER—DIRECTOR



BOYS AND GIRLS MISSIONARY CRUSADE

MEET — BUDDY BARREL BANK

BY ELEANOR GROSSGLASS

TERRY STORMED UP THE STAIRS AND into his room, slamming the door.

"I sure don't want to put my money into this old wooden bank! I wish my Sunday school teacher hadn't given it to me this morning. I don't want it!"

Terry let the little BGMC barrel bank drop to the floor as he sat frowning on the edge of his bed. Just a few hours ago, Miss Walters had told the boys and girls in Sunday school all about BGMC. Terry didn't listen—but when Miss Walters passed out the little wooden banks, he took one just because everybody else did. Then he found that he was supposed to bring it to Sunday school once a month, full of money he had earned and saved himself!

Still grumbling to himself, Terry lay back on the bed. After a while his thoughts were interrupted by a soft, sad voice which came from the other side of the room. It was the little wooden barrel talking! Terry ran over and picked it up from the floor.

"Terry, what kind of boy are you? I thought I was coming to a nice home when Miss Walters gave me to you. But look at me! Here I sit after my long trip in that big box all the way from Springfield, Missouri, and you haven't given me even one little penny yet."

"Say, you can really talk. My name is Terry. Do you have a name?"

"My name is Buddy Barrel Bank. I'd like to be your friend, if you'll let me. But I get the feeling that you don't like me very much."

"Oh, I'm sorry, Buddy. I didn't mean to hurt your feelings. I didn't know you could hear me."

"I also think you have altogether the wrong idea about BGMC and me, Ter-

ry. As a matter of fact, you don't even seem to know what these letters printed on me stand for."

"No, Buddy, I'm afraid I don't."

"BGMC stands for Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade. When you give your money to BGMC, you are helping missionaries all over the world."

"Helping missionaries?" interrupted Terry. "How can I do that? They're so far away; and besides, I'm only a little boy."

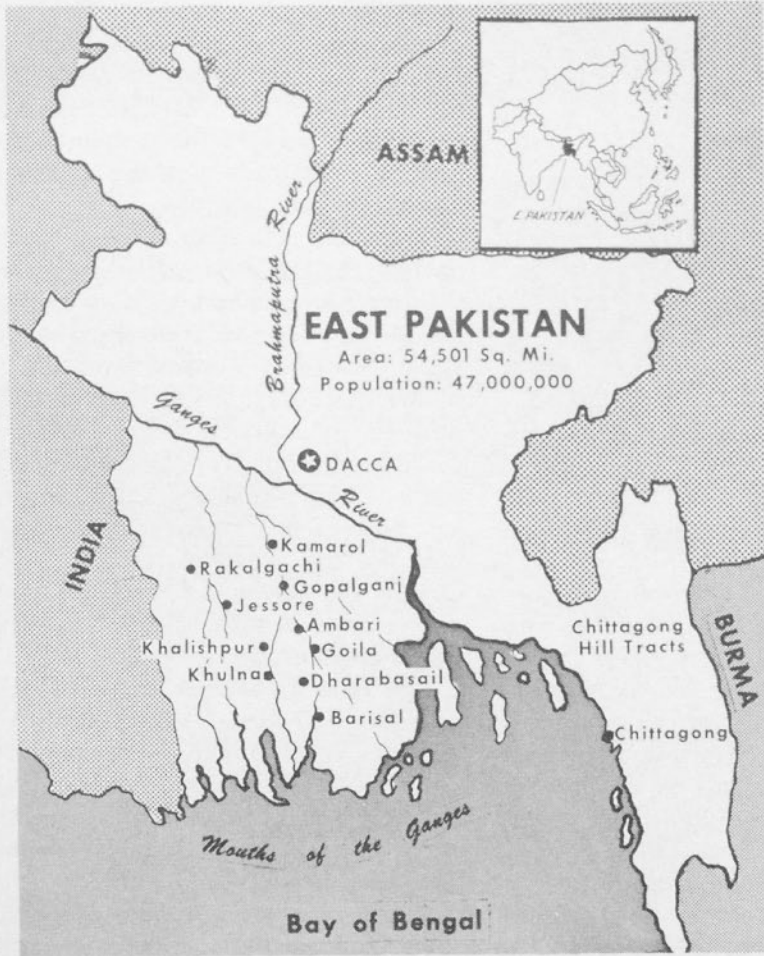
"Give me a chance and I'll tell you," laughed Buddy. "BGMC money pays for translating literature; that is, changing it from the language we speak and understand into the language boys and girls in other lands can understand. After the material is translated, many copies are printed on a huge machine. These are then loaded on trains, planes, and boats for delivery to lands far across the sea. When the missionaries receive all these Sunday school quarterlies, picture rolls, and other printed items, they use them to tell the people about Jesus. So you see, by giving your money you are doing more good than you can possibly realize."

Terry was thrilled at the thought of giving his money to the missionaries. "Oh, Buddy Barrel Bank, tell me more about BGMC. Don't stop now!"

Buddy continued, "There's one particular incident that I remember about a little boy in Latin America. The missionaries in a certain small village were conducting daily children's services. One day they gave each boy and girl a picture card, like the ones many children in America throw away. The children were so happy to receive the cards! But one little boy started to cry. The missionary found he had been

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PREACHING CHRIST IN PAKISTAN

THE REPUBLIC OF PAKISTAN, AS WE KNOW IT TODAY, is a comparatively new member of the family of nations. It emerged as an independent state on August 14, 1947, as a result of the partition of the British Indian Empire. Although young in terms of nationhood, Pakistan shares the 5,000-year history of the Indian subcontinent.

This vigorous nation of 85,000,000 people, the world's seventh most populous country, is unique in that it is divided into two sections, separated by 1,000 miles of alien territory. West Pakistan lies 1,000 miles across India from East Pakistan.

West Pakistan, with an area of 310,000 square miles, and Lahor as its capital, is a land of scenic contrast. The mighty snow-clad Himalayas give way to the sprawling plains of the Indus valley, while lonely expanses of desert stretch to the south and west. Karachi, former national capital and largest city, is a bustling seaport of more than a million people. A new national capital, Islamabad, is being built in a more central and healthful location near Rapolwindi.

Tropical East Pakistan, with an area of 45,501 square miles and a population of 47,000,000, is one of the most densely populated regions on the globe. East Pakistan comprises only 15 per cent of the total land area but has more than half of Pakistan's population.

Its flat fertile fields are intersected by the mighty Ganges and Brahmaputra Rivers and their innumerable tributaries. The majority of the people live in the 60,000 villages that dot this land of rivers. Their thatch-roofed bamboo houses stand on mounds of earth above surrounding lowlands that suffer from perennial floods. Dacca (500,000 population), once the home of Moghul emperors, is the capital of East Pakistan.

Linguistically the peoples of West and East Pakistan are different; West Pakistanis speak Urdu and East Pakistanis speak Bengali. The nation's illiteracy rate is high; only 13 per cent of the people are able to read and write. The government has drawn up comprehensive plans for expanding its educational facilities in an effort to eradicate illiteracy.

Pakistan is essentially an agricultural country, with 80 per cent of the people dependent upon the land for their livelihood. Wheat in West Pakistan, and rice in East Pakistan are the main food crops. East Pakistan is the world's largest producer of jute; jute products and textiles are its major exports.

The Islamic Republic of Pakistan was created as a homeland for the Moslems of the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent; therefore matters of religion and culture are of considerable importance. Eighty-six out of every one hundred Pakistanis are Moslems. Islam is not merely a religion, but a way of life that governs all phases of living for the 73,000,000 Moslems of the republic.

There are an estimated ten million Hindus in East Pakistan, and minority groups of Buddhists, Parsees, and Christians. The Portuguese established a Catholic mission in Dacca in 1612, and today more than one-half of the "Christians" in East Pakistan are Roman Catholics. Early in the 19th century English Baptists missionaries came to the Bengal area. Among them was William Carey, whose efforts emanated from Calcutta throughout all Bengal. There are some 45,000 Protestants in East Pakistan, many of whom are but nominal Christians.

The Pentecostal testimony reached East Pakistan somewhat belatedly in relation to the rest of the Indo-Pakistan subcontinent. The pioneer worker in East Pakistan was Abdul Munshie, the son of a Moslem priest. Mr. Munshie was converted as a boy and received his theological



Tribal Pakistanis from the Chittagong Hill Tracts

training in a mission school. One day he chanced to read a book by Mrs. Woodworth-Etter describing the present-day outpouring of the Holy Spirit throughout the world. After a fortuitous chain of circumstances he came in touch with the Assemblies of God missionaries in Purulia, India, and received the infilling of the Spirit. He returned to East Pakistan where he had an effective ministry among Moslems, Hindus, and nominal Christians, and was instrumental in establishing several churches. Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Ketcham and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woolever worked with Brother Munshie in pioneering our work.

At the time of partition (1947), when the missionaries from India could no longer cross the border to what is now East Pakistan, our work suffered from lack of supervision. Also, a number of Christians migrated to India to live, considerably reducing the constituency in East Pakistan. However, through the efforts of the present staff of thirteen missionaries and twenty-one national workers the work is again being built up and in the past five years nine new areas have been reached. The Assemblies of God work now consists of nine organized churches, fourteen preaching points, and a constituency of 800 people.

The officers and members of the Executive Committee of the Assemblies of God of East Pakistan are elected from the missionaries and nationals alike, the majority being nationals. Charles Woolever, who resides in Jessore, is presently serving as Field Superintendent.

The central mission station is located at Khulna, from which point it is possible to reach all sections of the delta by river steamer and country



Orville Carlson (back row, center) and students at James Frederick Ketcham Memorial Bible School, Khulna, East Pakistan

boat. Josephine Spina serves in various capacities in Khulna.

Residing in East Pakistan's important seaport of Chittagong are Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hawkes, who have charge of the English-speaking Assembly there. Also located in this growing city of one-half million is Elsie Marialke who supervises the Bengali work in the city as well as new preaching points in the Chittagong Hill Tracts.

A new station at Gopalanj in the Beel (marshland area), forty miles northeast of Khulna, was opened by Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Olson in 1957. A reading room, lending library, and bookstore also have been opened in this important trade center and county seat. Nine of our churches are in this area.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tarno, new recruits for East Pakistan, will be studying the Bengali language in Dacca, and will look into the prospects of starting an English-speaking church in this capital city.

Our missionaries recognized the es-

sential effectiveness of the printed page and felt a new priority should be given to literature. A committee, composed of missionaries and nationals, is working on the translation and printing of tracts and books in Bengali. Pakistan has a peculiar need for Christian literature. It is often accepted in a home where neither missionary nor evangelist can enter.

The East Pakistan Bible Institute, opened in Jessore in 1950, was later transferred to Khulna, and renamed the James Frederick Ketcham Memorial Bible Institute in memory of the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Ketcham who died on the mission field. The school continues its fine work of training Pakistani young people for Christian service. Several missionaries have contributed to the progress of the school. Orville Carlson and Charles Woolever have served recently as directors of this training program.

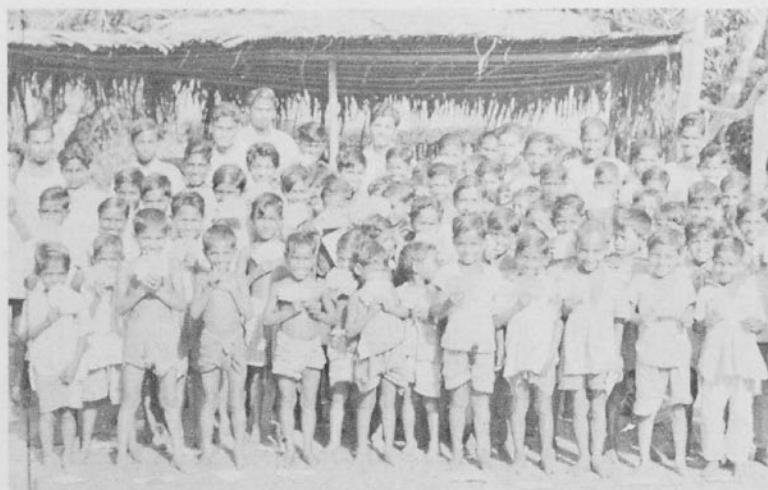
The East Pakistan Christian Council has given to the Assemblies of God the sole responsibility of evangelizing the Jessore District which has a population of 3,000,000. A large percentage of the people are Hindus, and since they now belong to a minority group they are more open to the gospel. To reach this densely populated section many more trained, Spirit-filled national leaders will be needed. This is a day of challenge and opportunity for the Assemblies of God in East Pakistan.

Missionaries currently under appointment to East Pakistan include Elsie Bridgman, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hawkes, Elsie Marialke, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Olson, Josephine Spina, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Tarno, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woolever.

—Christine Carmichael



Assemblies of God book stall at a recent agricultural exhibition



VBS conducted by an East Pakistan Bible school student



The Family Altar



MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

MONDAY, JANUARY 30

READ: Acts 9:1-9

LEARN: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" (Acts 9:6).

FOR THE PARENT: Saul was the great persecutor of the Early Church. Point out: (1) his attitude, v. 1; (2) his mission, v. 2; (3) his vision and the message it brought to him, vv. 3-5; (4) his reaction to the message from the Lord, vv. 5, 6; (5) his reaction to the men who traveled with Saul, v. 7; (6) Saul's obedience to the message from the Lord, v. 8; (7) his patience in waiting for the promised answer that the Lord said He would send, v. 9. This experience was the turning point in Saul's life, transforming him from a persecutor to a preacher of the gospel.

QUESTION TIME: What was Saul's early attitude toward Christians? (vv. 1, 2) How was his attitude changed?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAY: Florence H. Bassett, Liberia.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31

READ: Acts 9:10-19

LEARN: "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain" (John 15:16).

FOR THE PARENT: Review yesterday's material. Then point out: (1) God uses human beings to accomplish His plans and purposes, vv. 10-12—and this means we must be yielded to Him so He can use us; (2) Ananias was reluctant to go to Saul because of the latter's reputation of persecuting Christians, vv. 13, 14; (3) God explained the mission He had for Saul, vv. 14, 15; (4) Ananias was obedient to God, v. 17; (5) Paul was healed and filled with the Spirit, vv. 17-19.

QUESTION TIME: What was Ananias' reaction to what the Lord told him to do? (vv. 13, 14) How did God correct him? (vv. 15, 16)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAY: Elsie M. Bridgman, East Pakistan.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1

READ: Acts 9:19-31

LEARN: "And straightway he preached Christ . . . that he is the Son of God" (Acts 9:20).

FOR THE PARENT: Review the material used earlier this week. Then point out: (1) Saul's immediate actions, v. 20; (2) the reactions of the people, vv. 21, 22; (3) the plot to kill Saul and how he escaped, vv. 23-25; (4) Saul's visit to Jerusalem and Barnabas's kindness to him, vv. 26-28; (5) another plot to kill Saul, v. 29; (6) one result of Saul's conversion—rest (from persecution) for believers, v. 31. Stress Saul's zeal and enthusiasm for serving the Lord. This is a quality we would do well to imitate.

QUESTION TIME: What was one of Saul's first actions after Ananias came to him? (v. 20) What troubles did his preaching get him into?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Marshall C. Higginbotham, Jr., Alaska; Mrs. P. E. Dymond, Honduras.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2

READ: John 4:45-54

LEARN: "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is" (Jeremiah 17:7).

FOR THE PARENT: (Additional material on "The Nobleman

Who Believed" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) The story of Christ's second miracle in Galilee is the story of a miracle performed at a distance. Point out: (1) the nobleman's problem—his son was about to die, vv. 46, 47; (2) he knew that Jesus was his only hope, and he expressed his faith in spite of a seeming rebuff, vv. 47-49; (3) Jesus brought healing to the son through His word, v. 50; (4) the nobleman's faith in action, v. 50—believing though he did not see; (5) faith rewarded.

QUESTION TIME: Why is this nobleman such an outstanding example of faith in God?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. S. H. Balius, Bolivia; Joseph D. Judah, Liberia.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3

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

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

FOR THE PARENT: This unusual and spectacular story of how four friends brought a sick man to Christ will be long remembered by members of the family group. Use it to stress the primary importance of spiritual healing, showing how Jesus has power to forgive sins—and it is more important that we be delivered from our sins than from our sicknesses. But also use the story to show Christ's power to heal our bodies.

QUESTION TIME: What makes this story so unusual and spectacular? What do you think is the main truth it emphasizes? How does this apply to life today?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. J. P. Bruton, Tanganyika; Curtis L. Dean, Upper Volta; Mrs. M. O. Hill, Togo; Mrs. P. E. Hutsell, Paraguay; Sterling W. Stewart, El Salvador; Andrew Maracle (Indian), New York.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4

READ: Judges 6:11-24 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

LEARN: "Surely I will be with thee" (Judges 6:16).

FOR THE PARENT: Israel was under bondage at this time because they had disobeyed God. This lesson shows how an angel appeared to Gideon and called him to a special service for God. Stress especially this fact: when God calls us to do something for Him, He gives us the power and the enablement to do it. Show how the angel of the Lord dealt with Gideon, helping him get rid of his fears and misgiving and showing him a path to powerful service for the Lord.

QUESTION TIME: What were the angel's first words to Gideon? (v. 12) Why do these seem strange? (v. 11) What do they indicate to you?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: H. P. Conley (Indian), Arizona; P. Henry Hall, Peru; Mrs. H. S. Lehmann, Ghana; Anna Ziese, China.

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS ON SUNDAY: Mrs. J. I. Brown, Egypt; Herman V. Engelgau, Upper Volta; Mrs. J. C. Wright, India.

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Sunday's Lesson

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THE NOBLEMAN WHO BELIEVED

Sunday School Lesson for February 5, 1961

JOHN 4:45-54

I. FAITH'S WEAKNESS EXPOSED. John 4:46-48

1. *The Power of Testimony.* Vv. 45-47. The very fact that this nobleman came to Jesus from a distance of some twenty-five or more miles proves that He had some hope that Jesus would and could heal his son. From whence came these hopes? He must have heard some glowing testimonies concerning Jesus' ministry in Galilee! Behold the power of personal testimony! Have there been funerals instead of healings because some of us have been unfaithful in proclaiming His saving and healing power?

2. *The Wisdom of Delay.* "Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe." Why such an answer? The nobleman came to Jesus in faith only to be told that his faith was imperfect and weak! Have we not all had similar experiences? We have come to Christ seeking fresh revelation of His fullness and power, only to be shown our own unworthiness, failure, sin, and weakness. This does not mean we have been refused, but only that Christ seeks to bring us to the place where we can fulfill conditions whereby to receive the most complete answer to our prayers. Had Christ answered the nobleman's request when and in the manner in which he desired, the nobleman's son would have been healed perhaps, but neither he nor his household would have been saved, nor would his faith have been developed.

3. *The Danger in Sign-Seeking.* Jesus was constantly grieved because the Jews, blind to the spirituality of His teachings, desired only the material benefits of his ministry. The nobleman's faith was affected by the same spirit. It would seem that at first he approached Jesus as one would approach an earthly physician—with a desire for the benefit of his services. Christ, however, worked miracles for the ultimate purpose of bringing men into living relationship with Himself. Important as the healing of the body was—and is—even more important is the healing and development of the soul.

Therefore, Jesus pointed out the weakness of the faith that must have outward signs and encouragements. Is there not altogether too much of such faith among us? Miracles of healing, the manifestations of the Holy Spirit, are not to be belittled—would that we saw more of them—but if our faith depends upon such signs then it is weak indeed, and worse, such faith will not work when these signs are absent!

Do we hanker after visible signs before stepping out on God's Word? Must we "feel" something in order to fulfill what is plainly our duty? Will we be faithful to Him even though, for a time, we may "see" few signs? Does our spiritual life center in the Giver rather than in His gifts?

II. FAITH TESTED AND STRENGTHENED. John 4:49, 50.

Though the nobleman's faith was imperfect, Jesus did

not condemn nor discourage it. In fact, His very method was in order to strengthen and encourage.

1. *The value of persistence.* V. 49. Observe that the nobleman did not resent the answer of Jesus. Instead, he pressed his claim again. He refused to allow any feeling of unworthiness, which he doubtless felt at this point, to keep him from his heart's desire.

2. *The necessity for action.* "Go thy way; thy son liveth." Why did Jesus not go with the nobleman? Was it not to teach the nobleman not to be dependent upon Christ's bodily presence, but upon His bare Word?

"And the man believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way." The secret of such faith lies in the fact that *the nobleman became occupied with what Jesus said*, "Thy son liveth." So it always is. "Faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the Word of God."

III. FAITH REWARDED. John 4:51-54.

By comparing notes with his servants the nobleman found that His son was healed at the moment Jesus SAID he was healed! Consider the following practical lessons from this inspiring story:

1. *Christ still answers prayer by "remote control."* Twenty miles or two thousand makes no difference to Him!

2. *The highest purpose of miracles.* While never indifferent to the need of the body, Christ always recognized the far more important need of the soul. "And himself believed and his whole house." Every healing is intended of God to bring men into more intimate relationship to Him.

3. *Encouragement to parents.* The intercession of the nobleman certainly played a part in the healing of the son. The prayer of faith by praying parents is just as effective today!

—J. Bashford Bishop

THE SAME HOUR



You Need Not Fear Death

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"loosing off" was at hand. What a grand way to look at death! A releasing from this present limited scene and a moving out into the ocean of God's eternal love and presence.

There is only One who can take away the fear of death, for the sting of death is sin. Being the Saviour and Mediator, He only can forgive sin; and He is ready to do that for you . . . now.

Humbly receive Him into your heart today; trust wholly upon His precious blood to cleanse you from all sin; and then—you need not fear death!

—*Sunday Companion*

Buddy Barrel Bank

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missed! Fortunately there was one picture left, and when it was given to the little lad he dried his tears.

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"I sure will," said Terry. And with that he sat up. There was his BGMC bank still on the floor. He had been dreaming!

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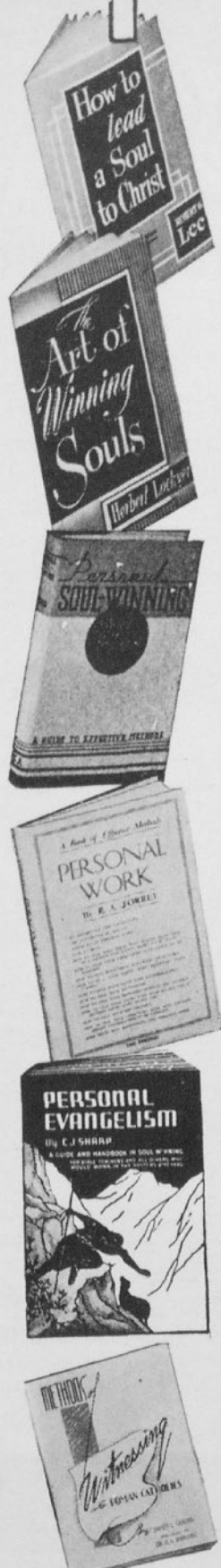
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THE LEADERSHIP WE NEED

BY ABRAHAM VEREIDE

The times call for men empowered by the Holy Spirit; for deity clothed in humanity; for dedicated people who know the joy of service.

CHRISTIAN LEADERS ANYWHERE ARE men and women who by precept and example affirm their faith and assert their position as Christians. Theirs is the kind word of reconciliation and encouragement. Leadership means helpfulness. It is the stand a person takes in a conversation or in debate. It is the way he votes and the attitude he maintains. It is the character of the man, his courage, his grit and gumption, and the grace of God revealed in him and through him.

A former governor of the state of Minnesota said at the breakfast meeting in the U. S. Senate, when he was being dedicated to his new position as judge of the U. S. district court: "My mother told me when I was seeking election as governor of my state, 'It is necessary for you to get votes and it may be right for you to become the governor, but remember that the most important thing is for you to win men and women to Christ. . . ! And I realize that, whether as the chief justice of my own state, or as governor, or now as U. S. judge, my supreme mission everywhere and at all times is to point men and women, boys and girls, to our

only hope and all-sufficient Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ."

Christian leadership will lead by leading men to Him who alone can redeem us from sin, prepare us for life, and give us life eternal. This leadership is reflected at the dining table as we acknowledge God as the giver of every good gift and as we invoke His blessing upon the food. It is revealed in family devotions, in one's prayer life and Bible study, and in the morning "quiet time." It is a quality of life—a way of living.

What is the next step? God is moving in His world, today, and calling men and women to find and follow His plan for them and for a world in desperate need.

To some of us who have some Christian experience, God has been showing that all this means the realization—the living out—of 2 Corinthians 13:5. This is a tremendous thing when grasped. It means nothing less than the end of our self-life, that the living Christ may take over in all His completeness and fullness. When we realize this, we no longer have a life of our own, nor need we further struggle to achieve what we cannot do in our own strength. We are simply to die out of the picture and become open channels for Him to work through.

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Out of this will come a second and

corporate experience—that of being a living, witnessing fellowship of believers.

The living Church will find its heart in the witness and power of Christ in the heart of the believer. Surely that is the only potent force in any lay group—the infection which the world cannot resist. Christ revealed in the individual believer attracts and converts the non-Christian. It is the Word made flesh through the literal presence of His life, indwelling man.

Here are other requisites of the Christian life, possible only through having Christ within. We are to love our enemies, bless them that curse us, do good to them that hate us, and pray for them which despitefully use us and persecute us. We are to renounce ourselves daily, to be overcomers—more than conquerors. We are to give thanks in all things and to know that all things work together for good to them that love God. The Bible teaches all this.

We are to do all things without murmurings and disputings so that we may stand out as lights, blameless and harmless in present surroundings. We are to rejoice in the Lord always, to be anxious about nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, to let our requests be made known unto God. We are to think on whatsoever things are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, and of good report, and to seek those things which are above, and set our affections on them and not on earthly things.

"It is God which worketh in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure" (Philemon 2:13).

In this hour of unparalleled disturbance on a global scale the call is for people with a firm faith which is based on these facts or revelation, as well as derived from history and experience, individuals with a conviction so strong that it must be expressed in positive words and daring living. This is easily said, but our task is to demonstrate it and assist other people into such a life—which requires Christ in you, deity clothed in humanity, men empowered by the Holy Spirit and producing a glow and gladness because the love of God has become the propelling force in their lives.

—Faith at Work

The author of this article has been instrumental in starting weekly prayer breakfasts on Capitol Hill, Washington, and among other leaders in government, business, and industry, both in the U. S. and abroad.

