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Studying the Word

John Greenleaf Whittier wrote:

*We search the world for truth, we cull
The good, the true, the beautiful,
From graven stone and written scroll
And all old 'flower-fields of the soul;
And, weary seekers of the best,
We come back laden from our quest
To find that all the sages said
Is in the Book our mothers read*

Thank God for the Bible. As the old song says, "It was good for our mothers and it's good enough for me." Our mothers read the Word of Truth and taught it to us with heart and hand and godly example. We would be more worthy of our spiritual heritage if we would read it as often as they did.

We ought to read the Word more frequently and we ought to read it more carefully. Many of us merely skim the pages and thereby miss the gems of truth that lie hidden beneath the surface.

The other day Oswald J. Smith sent us an article on "The New English Bible" that caused us to do some digging. He said, "For 350 years there has been great confusion and misunderstanding because of the word 'believe' in the King James Version. 'Believe' is an intellectual word. It simply means 'giving intellectual assent' to a truth. And that, of course, saves no one. The demons also believe and tremble (James 5:19) but they are not saved." Dr. Smith went on to show that the New English Bible eliminates the word "believe" in most salvation scriptures and substitutes "faith," "trust," "yield allegiance," or some other term that is more explicit. This, he said, is a great improvement.

We consulted Strong's Concordance and other works, including the Amplified New Testament and an inter-linear text of the Greek and English scriptures, and found the study quite illuminating. The Greek word *pisteuo* means to believe; to have faith in a person or thing; to give credit to it; to cling to it; to rely on Christ; to commit oneself to Him; to entrust something to Him; to trust in Him. The King James translators evidently paid little or no attention to these various thoughts for in most cases where *pisteuo* appears in the Greek New Testament they merely translated it "believe." As a result, multitudes of people have supposed they were Christians merely because they had a mental belief in Christ.

The modern versions make the gospel clear by showing that we are not saved by mental belief in Christ; we are saved by trusting in Him. We must rely upon the Lord. We must cling to Him as our only Saviour. We must yield our allegiance to Him.

Although we cannot endorse all the features of the New English Bible, nor would we think of accepting it as a substitute for the King James Version, nevertheless we find it a valuable aid in digging into the Word to discover the rich treasures God has hidden there for us.

—R.C.C.

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Grandmother's Ghost

A MOTHER'S DAY SERMON BY C. M. WARD

Text: "The unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois" (2 Timothy 1:5)

DO YOU BELIEVE IN GHOSTS? I DO not believe in cloud-bedimmed ethereal forms that flit about a darkened room by virtue of hidden wires in the hands of some medium, nor do I believe in the return of some tight-fisted uncle to advise me to buy or sell certain stocks or bonds. I do not believe in ghosts like that.

But I do believe that my ancestors live on in me. They are breath of my breath. My father's personality did not die with him. It is an integral part of me. My mother's faith will not end at the grave—it is my faith, too. I am what I am largely because my parents are what they are. Their spirits crowd every corner of my soul.

And there are "haunted houses!" Our childhood homes still contain the angel presence of those who have gone on to their higher homes. And I believe in churches that are filled with the Spirit of God. The moment you step into certain sanctuaries you sense the Divine Presence. And for the record, I must say that I have been in other churches where you sensed some-

thing else. Neighbor, our very lives are meant to be "haunted." Jesus said, "If I go away I will send . . . the Spirit." It is His Spirit who lights the fires of our souls and who kindles the heavenly flame.

To the rationalist I cannot explain it. It is not possible to define this Spirit Presence, anymore than we can explain the presence of light in the dull, black electric light wires that lead into our houses. Turn on the switch and the room is aflame with light. Likewise, touch Him and your life is all aglow with glory. If our eyes are open, we can see the light. If our hearts are open, we can feel the Spirit's presence. The proof is in the experience.

Oh, yes! I believe in ghosts. For one thing, I believe in—

THE GHOST OF HEREDITY

Heredity is a potent factor in every life. Every parent—every grandparent—is either making it easier or harder for their children or their grandchildren. Never forget this! Lois to Eunice to Timothy—it sounds like the double-play language of baseball. That's the

way it goes—grandparent to parent to child. There is something in the blood that determines the color of your hair and eyes. There is something that determines the twist of your mouth, the shrug of your shoulders, the way you walk, the size of your shoes and hat, you are a composite of your ancestors. That may explain the funny looks and manners of some of us!

No one can ignore this law of heredity—Lois to Eunice to Timothy. It works also in the areas of intellect. We inherit many of our mental characteristics. Our ideas are not all our own.

A lot of our beliefs are the results of certain convictions of others that have splashed over on us. People don't know exactly why they are Republicans except that their parents and their grandparents before them were all Republicans. Matthew Arnold once wrote:

"From our soul's subterranean depth unborne, as from an infinitely distant land, come airs and floating echoes."

Psychologists like William E. Hocking insist that the subconscious is nothing more than a memory deposit. Others like Jung say that it is the "remnant of ancient humanity"; that is, the thought life of those who have gone before. Have you ever suddenly felt in the midst of some present experience that the same thing had happened to you once before—but when or how you have no idea? The past has more to do with us than we suspect.

And there are spiritual tendencies that come down to us! Grandmother's spirit of faith has reached out toward many a grandson who has been tempted to be wayward. Many a moment has come when a boy suddenly says: "No, I can't do it. Something inside of me won't let me do it." That's a wonderful moment, neighbor! That's the result of somebody's faith. That's why faith is so important. It is not for you only. Unborn generations will believe or disbelieve in God because of your faith or lack of it. Lois and Eunice had a tremendous responsibility toward Timothy. What if Eunice had lost the faith of Lois! Would there have been a Timothy? I wonder.

But heredity is not everything. There are other ghosts with which to deal. One of the most potent is—

THE GHOST OF ENVIRONMENT

Just as heredity is either for or against a child, so is environment. A godly Eunice will provide the right kind of home for little Timothy. And

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THE PRIESTHOOD OF ALL

OUR PRAISES AND OUR PRAYERS SHOULD ASCEND TO GOD CONTINUALLY, FOR THIS IS THE

ONE OF THE DOCTRINES AT ISSUE during the Reformation was the priesthood of believers. Justification by faith was the better-known question, but the priesthood of the believer was a key issue. Believers had been dominated by a priestly hierarchy and a release from that domination by the scriptural doctrine of the priesthood of all believers was a most welcome truth. This wonderful truth is current today as well, and a better grasp of it will bring us into a fuller relationship with God, our fellow believers, and the world.

"Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ," said Peter. "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light" (1 Peter 2:5, 9). In

the second verse of this chapter Peter called those to whom he wrote "new-born babes." We have then the equivalent of the statement that all believers, even newborn babes, are a holy and royal priesthood.

A brief look at the duties of the priests in the Old Testament will serve to describe to us the priestly function. According to Numbers 1:50, the Lord had spoken to Moses saying, "Thou shalt appoint the Levites over the tabernacle of testimony, . . . and over all things that belong to it: they shall bear the tabernacle, and all the vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp round about the tabernacle."

The New Testament tabernacle is the church. The priests today, therefore, are attached to the church and minister unto it according to its need. They are to support the church and all the functions thereof and maintain it in all of its activities. They are appointed thereunto by the Lord today as the Levites were of old.

Aaron was the chief religious officer of the tabernacle then, as the pastor is of the church today. We are told in Numbers 3:9, "Thou shalt give the Levites unto Aaron and to his sons: they are wholly given unto him." The application here is that the believers are to undergird the pastor and the leading church officers. This is confirmed in a number of places in the New Testament; e.g., "Obey them that have the rule over you" (Hebrews 13:17). This binds us together in local groups under the leadership of the man of God who has been appointed over God's people.

A still higher relationship which the Levites held was shown in the fact that the Lord Himself said, "The Levite shall be mine" (Numbers 3:12). How delightful is this contemplation! He assures us that our service is not merely to the church and to the pastor but also to the Lord Himself. We are not just related to Him in service, but we are assured that we actually belong to the Lord. We are His possession and it seems that He indicates affectionate pride in declaring publicly

that we are His. We can comfort ourselves and pour out our hearts in love and gratitude to the Lord for this declaration on His part.

It was the constant business of the priests to present sacrificial offerings to the Lord. We are here introduced to the service of the present-day priest, which is God-ordained and specifically indicated and described. 1 Peter 2:5 tells us that the function of the holy priesthood of believers is "to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ." The ninth verse declares that we thus show forth the praises of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvellous light.

These spiritual sacrifices are enumerated in Hebrews 13:15, 16, and the previous verses (10-14) contrast the Old Testament altar with that at which we now partake. Verse twelve calls attention to the fact that Jesus was the great antitypical offering. He sanctified the people with His own blood when He suffered without the gate. "By him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to his name." This is a sacrifice with which God is well pleased. This does not necessarily mean that to offer praise is difficult; such is not implied in the use of the word "sacrifice." It is simply an offering sacrificed or presented on this new altar which we now have.

We are told in Revelation 8:3 that the incense which ascends up before God is offered with the prayers of all saints. Thus our praise and our prayers should ascend to God continually, for this is the New Testament function of believer-priests. What a beautiful ministry is this, and how faithful we should be in serving the Lord in this way! Morning and night, the burnt offerings were presented to the Lord and the smoke of the incense went up to Him continually. We, too, are told to "pray without ceasing," and "in everything give thanks" (see 1 Thessalonians 5:17, 18). This New Testament offering is acceptable unto God and is delightful and beneficial to those who present it.



BELIEVERS

By R. M. Riggs

NEW TESTAMENT FUNCTION OF BELIEVER-PRIESTS

Another offering cited in Hebrews 13:16 is "to do good." This does not mean that our good works are to be presented to God as "works" in the legal sense. He would never be pleased with any substitute for the complete efficacy of the blood of His own Son. However, we must not forget that "we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus unto good works, which God hath before ordained that we should walk in them." Our righteous conduct and the innate goodness of the spiritual life as it pours out in words and deeds of kindness and helpfulness to people around us is most acceptable to the Lord. "Let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith" (Galatians 6:10). It must be noted that these "good works" are nothing less than the sacrifices which a believer-priest offers to the Lord day by day.

Our verse in Hebrews 13 adds one more sacrifice to the list of spiritual sacrifices which are acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. It is expressed in the single word "communicate." This word had a different meaning when the King James Version was translated from what it has today, as Galatians 6:6 will show. Here we read, "Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things." This, it is easy to see, means to give good things to the teacher of God's Word.

This is further confirmed and clarified in 1 Timothy 6:17, 18 which says, "Charge them that are rich in this world, . . . that they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate"—that is, be willing to give! We find this same exhortation in Romans 12:13, "Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality." Some might give this also the connotation of "works of the law" by which rich men might try

to buy their way into heaven, but it is certainly not so used in the New Testament. Liberality and cheerful giving are declared to be that which God loves (2 Corinthians 9:7). This also is a sacrifice of the New Testament believer-priest with which God is well pleased.

And now we come into the very holiest of all. None but the high priest in the Old Testament times was allowed into the Holy of Holies, and he only once a year, with blood which he offered for himself and for the errors of the people (Hebrews 9:7). At that time the way into the Holiest of All was not yet made manifest (while the first tabernacle was yet standing). However, when Jesus died on the Cross, the literal veil of the temple was rent from top to bottom, thus indicating that even the Holiest of All was made accessible by the blood of Christ. "Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh; and having an high priest over the house of God; let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith" (Hebrews 10:19-22).

Our High Priest today ever lives to make intercession for us. We as "kings and priests unto God" are to share with Him the great priestly business of making intercession. "I exhort therefore, that, first of all, supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks, be made for all men; . . . for this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour" (1 Timothy 2:1-3). "Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God . . . let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

How exalted is this privilege and



When Mother Prayed

"I think that I shall never see,
This side of God's eternity,
A scene as lovely as the one
Which met my gaze when day was
done,

In childhood years of long ago:
My mother sings, 'tis sweet and low,
Her face with love is all aglow,
She turns the pages of God's Word,
Her tender heart is deeply stirred.

She kneels, she prays, Oh, what a
prayer!
I listen, lingering on the stair—
"God bless my boy"—I hear my name,
And there, within my heart, a flame
Begins to burn—'tis burning yet,
That hour I never shall forget!

Though Mother dear no longer kneels
And prays for me, this night there
steals

A ray of warmth into my heart.
And now, like her, from cares apart,
I pray. Her prayers still follow me—
A torch, and by its gleam I see
My home across the crystal sea.

—David F. Nygren

how lofty is this ministry! We may now go into the very Holy of Holies—in the presence and shadow of the great High Priest—and function with Him in this exalted priestly ministry. We may and should make intercession for the saints according to the will of God—for all men, including kings and all that are in authority—and for the salvation of all men whom He so earnestly wants to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. He has assigned us the full-orbed ministry of priests and He wants us to be completely occupied therein. ◀◀

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'Two and Two' Equals Victory

BY B. OWEN OSLIN

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Pastor B. Owen Oslin meets with his "70 Club" at 6 p.m. Monday . . .

GOD IS AT WORK AS NEVER BEFORE, even in this our most awesome day! Woe to us if we fail to see the possibilities in the tremendous new surge of evangelism that is sweeping the church in our time!

It is my heartfelt conviction that God, who has never left Himself without a witness, will yet deepen the "river" of His Spirit as He lengthens it another thousand furlongs and directs its fuller flow into all the waste places, even into the churches of all denominations, and out to the uttermost parts of the earth, bringing new life and healing to all that are touched by the virtuous flow (Ezekiel 47).

Our Lord's appointment of "men and methods" in Luke 10 holds the key to "witnessing victory" for all generations. He "sent them *two and two* . . . into every city and place, whither he himself would come." The appointment of the seventy in Luke 10 was a divine method of witnessing, and because of the simple solidity of the program *it worked!*

Why send two to every "city and place"? Could not the area reached have been twice as large by sending the witnesses alone? I think not! Many witnesses lose heart; because of the "man-fearing" spirit they become discouraged when the going is hard. The presence of a partner-witness always lends spiritual and moral support.

For a number of months now, a group of dedicated members of our Men's Fellowship in Fort Smith has gathered on Monday nights for the sole purpose of carrying out the "Two and

Two" commission. A time of thrilling fellowship is enjoyed around the supper table at 6 p.m. Then at 6:45 assignments are given to the "70 Club" teams. These assignments consist of various types of prospects, with most of the calls designated to reach the unchurched. Occasionally a team of witnesses is sent to the home of some needy family or to someone seriously ill.

Regardless of the nature of the assigned call, only a fully-equipped team is sent out. Each team has a packet which includes a Bible, *The Pentecostal Evangel*, gospel tracts, church literature, and a decision card. This packet of equipment is a *must!*

Our "70 Club" policy has been to send a new convert or a timid witness along as the partner of an experienced spokesman for Christ for at least four

weeks. We have found that at the end of a four-week training period every witness is capable of leading the next team visitation.

I believe this Bible blueprint for successful soul-winning can be followed by the men of every church to establish a spiritual beach-head in their community. The eyes of the church world are upon the Pentecostal churches. If we settle down to a conventional, church-going habit our judgment will be greater and more severe than that to be meted out to any who have never received the soul-reaching power of Pentecost.

Why have Pentecostal churches thrived and grown so rapidly? Some have ventured to say it is because we have specialized in popular singing. Others have said it is because we have not been afraid to enjoy ourselves in worship. Whatever explanation may be



After prayer, the men team up, take their assignment cards and literature . . .

suggested, none is good enough if it does not stress the moving of the Holy Spirit in our midst and the coming of "witnessing" power upon the believers.

Acts 1:8 holds good today. Pentecostalism is dynamic and missionary. Thank God for Pentecost! ◀◀



Then they knock on doors, "two and two"

SUPPOSE WE COULD SIT AND TALK together for ten minutes. At the end of the ten minutes, what would I consider as closest to your heart? And what would you say was closest to mine?

Before He ascended to heaven, Jesus left no doubt about what was closest to His heart. It was the great field of souls that remained unharvested.

"Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures, and he said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem" (Luke 24:45-47).

In the first five books of the New Testament, the Great Commission is repeated five times. Here He indicates that soul winning is the closest thing to His heart. Whenever we see Jesus in the Bible, He is interested in someone's soul. He was the greatest personal worker the world has known. His sermons and discourses were not all given to great multitudes, but often to single individuals, because "the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10).

What is our greatest responsibility? Every church, every Christian, every preacher ought to be interested in knowing what the commission to the church is. When the Bible mentions the Great Commission five times it indicates that this meant more to Jesus than anything else taught in the Word. Examine these scriptures which tell of the Great Commission: Matthew 28:20; Mark 16:15-18; Luke 24:46, 47; John 20:19-23; Acts 1:8.

Man only shares in the gathering of the harvest; he is not solely responsible for it. He labors together with God. Man plants and waters, but only God can give the increase. There are those who preach and teach, warn and exhort, plead and implore, but after we have done our best to reconcile men to God it still remains with Him to give the increase. After all, only God can save men. Jesus said in John 6:44, "No man can come to

The Burden of His Heart



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me except the Father, which has sent me, draw him."

Is not this relationship of the sinner to God also true with regard to the Christian and the call to service? Jesus gave the rich young ruler an opportunity to become one of His disciples. While the rich young ruler was anxious to know the way of eternal life, yet because of other interests he set aside the drawing power of Christ and he is not mentioned again in sacred history.

Friend, has God spoken to you? Is soul winning the closest thing to your heart? Do you realize you should be winning others to Him?

Has there ever been a desire in your heart to work for Jesus Christ and make His message real to others? Can you remember a time when you wanted, above everything else, to win someone to Jesus? Were you ever burdened about the salvation of your neighbors? If so, then you have been conscious of the voice of God. God Himself was speaking to you. He was urging you to obey the Great Commission. When His Spirit prompts, that is the time to respond and make a decision to witness to someone.

What have you done about the convicting power of the Holy Spirit which aroused you to witness? If you failed to follow His leadings, then perhaps your heart has grown cold, hard, indifferent, and you no longer have a desire to be a soul winner. It may be the Spirit of God will turn away from you, not because He wants to, but because you persist in ignoring the prompting of the Holy Spirit to unite with the church in active soul winning. As with conviction for sin, each time you refuse to witness for the Lord

it is harder the next time to respond.

Apart from God there can be no genuine harvest. Only as God answers the prayers of His people will there be a movement of His Spirit and an ingathering of souls. If the Spirit of God no longer strives with your heart over lost souls, then, so far as you are concerned, the harvest is past. If the revival ends, it must end with you. If your friends are still unsaved, then the harvest is past for them. Yes, if you are no longer concerned for those God has depended upon you to reach, the harvest is past.

A man told the other men in a certain church where I was pastor that he did not believe in a systematic tithing. He said he believed in waiting till the Spirit of God directed him, and then he would give a dollar for a hundred dollars as directed. Since records were kept of all offerings, it was noted that this man gave only one dollar during all the months involved. This means that if he was true to his basic concept, then he only heard the voice of God once directing him to give a dollar! Of course, this philosophy is both unscriptural and unspiritual, but it illustrates the attitude of many, not only in giving but also in relation to soul winning.

This man constantly ignored the voice of God speaking to him through the great needs of the local church and the world-wide missionary program. Are there not many men ignoring the drawing of the Father to unite with other men in the business of soul winning? God by His Spirit is constantly speaking to men and attempting to get them to respond to His voice and carry the message of salvation to their neighbors and friends who are lost and

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Winning Our Families First

The same divine principles underlie both the work of WMC and the duties of mother in the home

BY MILDRED SMULAND

National WMC Secretary

MANY ARE THE MISSIONARIES AND others who rise up to call "blessed" the women who minister to their needs through WMC. But this commendation would fall on half-listening ears and aching hearts if the women could not hear the same from their own children.

After all, while it is true that Christ has commissioned us to go into the whole world and preach the gospel to every creature, He expects us to seek to win our own families first. Our own household is our first responsibility.

Humanly speaking, these days are uncertain, but God's Word is sure—*Jesus will come again*. Two scriptural commands are imperative—"Occupy till I come" (Luke 19:13); and, "Ask, ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain" (Zechariah 10:1). To paraphrase, our task in these last days is to "work and pray." The one command is as definite as the other. The Women's Missionary Council has caught the vision of this balance between the ministry of compassion, which expresses itself in works, and the spiritual ministry which is expressed in intercession for souls and for a fresh outpouring of God's Spirit.

NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK, MAY 14-20

Today is Mother's Day, and it is the beginning of National Family Week. While many mothers are receiving honor for their place in the homes and hearts of their families, they may

secretly wonder if they have succeeded or failed in the task of motherhood. The same divine principles underlie both the work of WMC and the duties of the mother in the home. Most mothers find the "work" part a must. No task seems too difficult to perform for those they love. Proverbs 31 pictures the virtuous woman as very industrious. "She worketh willingly with her hands." The chapter only hints at the spiritual ministry of this mother to her family, but the result is clearly stated: "Her children rise up, and call her blessed."

The current Pentecost Crusade is a good time for every mother in the Assemblies of God to ask herself, "Am I so living, working, and praying, that my children will arise and call me blessed when they stand before God?"

They will—if we take time to pray for them as well as provide for them. They will—if we show them by example that we believe in a God who hears and answers prayer. They will—if we resist the pressures of our complex modern way of life and call them together around a family altar day by day. They will—if we show them the way of salvation and lead them to Christ. They will—if we take them to church and lead them into a vital Pentecostal experience.

All of this is not easy. In fact, it is almost impossible, unless we recall and claim the promise of the Lord to revive His people with rain in the time of the latter rain. What is utterly impossible with us is altogether possible with our God. When the crops in our fields lie withered and parched under a merciless sun, we are helpless to save them without the miracle of rain. We

must have rain or the harvest is lost. And only fresh showers from heaven upon our own hearts will give power and refreshing for the work ahead. Only the Holy Spirit can convict sinners—whether they are in foreign lands, or are members of our home.

Our children **MUST** have a real, personal, born-again experience for themselves. They **MUST** know the power of Pentecost by personal experience in order to be fully equipped to take their place in the final phases of the harvest before Jesus comes.

This is an hour for united intercession. "Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.

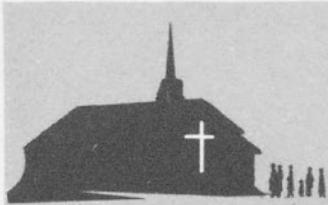
"Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare thy people, O Lord, and give not thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?" (Joel 2:16, 17).

It is also an hour for a return to the secret closet of prayer in deep contrition and heartsearching. Then "the Lord will make bright clouds and give . . . rain."

"And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and *your sons and your daughters* shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit" (Joel 2:28, 29).

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The Family Altar



MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

MONDAY, MAY 15

READ: Philemon

LEARN: "If he hath wronged thee, or oweth thee ought, put that on mine account" (Philemon 18).

FOR THE PARENT: This short epistle of Paul was written for the benefit of a runaway slave who found Christ as Saviour under the ministry of Paul. For background point out the friendship of Paul and Philemon. Apparently Philemon's slave, Onesimus, had robbed his master and escaped. He met Paul, and Paul led him to Christ. Then Paul sent Onesimus back to his master with this letter. Stress especially the beautiful parallel to the work of Christ found in verse 18.

QUESTION TIME: Who was Philemon? Who was Onesimus? Why did Paul write this epistle? How does Paul's promise (verse 18) parallel the work of Christ in our behalf?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mildred C. Ginn, India; Harold B. Headrick, Hawaii; Mrs. John Verbarendse, Costa Rica; John C. Wright, India.

TUESDAY, MAY 16

READ: Hebrews 1:1-7

LEARN: "God . . . hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son . . . by whom also he made the worlds" (Hebrews 1:1, 2).

FOR THE PARENT: One of the fundamentals of the Christian faith is that God will reveal Himself to man. In times past God spoke through the prophets (v. 1). In our day God has chosen to reveal Himself through His Son, Jesus Christ. Christ is: (1) heir of all things, v. 2; (2) Creator of all things, v. 2; (3) the expression of God's glory to us, v. 3; (4) the upholder of all things, v. 3; (5) our Saviour, v. 3; (6) seated at the right hand of God, v. 3; (7) better than the angels, vv. 4-7.

QUESTION TIME: How did God reveal Himself in olden times? (v. 1) How does He reveal Himself to us? (v. 2) What do these verses tell us about Christ? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Verlin E. Stewart, Colombia; Mrs. Georganna Roberson, Alaska.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17

READ: Hebrews 1:8-14

LEARN: "Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundations of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands" (Hebrews 1:10).

FOR THE PARENT: Review yesterday's material. This continues the comparison of Jesus Christ to the angels, showing that Christ is so much above the angels that there is really very little comparison—it is more of a contrast! This passage shows Christ is: (1) an eternal King, v. 8; (2) a righteous King, vv. 8, 9; (3) an anointed King, v. 9. It further shows Him as the Creator—and as being far above the creation which will perish or change. Christ is eternal, unchanging.

QUESTION TIME: How does this passage reveal Christ to us? (See above.) How does the Creator differ from the creation?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAY: Monty Garfield (Jewish), Pennsylvania.

THURSDAY, MAY 18

READ: Joshua 10:5-14; Revelation 19:6

LEARN: "Fear them not: for I have delivered them into thine hand" (Joshua 10:8).

FOR THE PARENT: (Additional material on "Joshua's Great God" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) Review the story of how the Gibeonites had tricked Joshua and Israel into signing a peace treaty with them (Joshua 9). Several other kings of the land decided to seek revenge on the Gibeonites for entering into a league with their enemy, Israel. Point out: (1) how God encouraged Joshua to go against these enemies; (2) the miracles God performed to give Israel the victory—stressing the fact that the Lord fought for Israel!

QUESTION TIME: Why did the sun and moon stand still? (vv. 12-14) In what other way did God fight for Israel? (vv. 8-11)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Paul E. Evans (Indian), Arizona; Ira H. D. Van Houten (Indian), New Mexico; Ellen Esler, India; Ira G. Shakley (superannuated), Sierra Leone.

FRIDAY, MAY 19

READ: Acts 16:9-15, 22-31 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

LEARN: "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts 16:31).

FOR THE PARENT: Review the story of how Paul was led of the Holy Spirit to minister to the people of Macedonia, thus opening the way for the people of Europe, and eventually America, to hear the gospel. Paul's experience of being beaten and thrown into prison in Philippi certainly voids the argument that if a person is in God's will all will go smoothly! Have the group discuss Paul's experiences at Philippi, stressing his acceptance of God's will joyfully. Show how God delivered him miraculously and used the experience to bring a family to Christ.

QUESTION TIME: How do we know that all things will not go smoothly even if we are in God's will? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: David R. Wilkerson, (Teen-Age Evangelism), New York. Mrs. N. Lawrence Olson, Brazil; Wayne C. Turnbull, Dominican Republic.

SATURDAY, MAY 20

READ: 2 Samuel 6:1-18 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

LEARN: "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I" (Matthew 18:20).

FOR THE PARENT: The Ark of the Lord was to Israel a visible symbol of God's presence and blessing. After David had established his kingdom, he wanted to have the Ark in his royal city, Jerusalem. God decreed a specific way in which the Ark was to be transported. When David failed to obey God's plan, tragedy resulted. When he obeyed God, he was blessed and the people with him. Point out that we should not only do good things—we should do them according to God's will.

QUESTION TIME: What was the Ark to Israel? (See above.) Why was there a tragedy when David tried to move the Ark? (See above.) What brought blessing? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Melvin C. Harrel, Ghana; Gertrude Bishop, Alaska; Lyle C. Wolverton (Indian), Arizona.

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS FOR SUNDAY: Cleo J. Crabaugh, Liberia; Vernon H. Metz, Dahomey; Mrs. E. L. Wilkie, Uruguay.



Evangelizing by Radio

OUR LORD HAS COMMANDED, "LOOK unto me, and be ye saved, *all the ends of the earth*: for I am God, and there is none else" (Isaiah 45:22). But there is one condition which must be met before the "ends of the earth" can look to God—they must hear the gospel. In Romans 10:14, Paul asks a pointed question: "How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not *heard*? and how shall they *hear* without a preacher?" Broadcasting is the best means today of providing that preacher and taking the gospel of Christ to the "ends of the earth."

In the United States last year there were 50,641,500 homes with one or more radio sets—or approximately ninety-seven per cent of all the homes in the nation. There were 45,200,000 homes with television sets—eighty-seven per cent of the nation's homes. Our nation's families watched television

an average of nearly six hours a day and listened to radio *in the home* an average of two hours each day. The latter figure does not count listening outside the home—while driving to and from work, on business trips, pleasure rides, or while at picnics and beaches, or in stores downtown.

"Radio is the only communications medium through which you can reach everyone," Dr. Eugene R. Bertermann recently told a convention of National Religious Broadcasters. As he explained, daily newspapers reach less than seventy-five per cent of all families; all magazines combined reach less than two-thirds; and even television reaches only about eighty per cent. However, 96.4 per cent of all families have at least one radio tuned in regularly. Furthermore, persons can listen to radio while engaged in other activities—doing housework, milking cows, driving, studying, and going to sleep. We are commanded to spread the

gospel to everyone—everywhere; radio broadcasting is the best means of fulfilling that command.

The possibilities of using local radio stations are limitless. With more than 3,800 radio stations operating in the United States, there is no better way of reaching lost souls in every community than through broadcasting. There are at least 500 Assemblies of God pastors now using radio or television to take the gospel to persons outside the church.

Broadcasting the gospel can be done in many ways and through many types of programs. The most popular is the evangelistic broadcast by the local church. This is usually produced by local talent.

Other possibilities of local broadcasting include a morning worship service to build up a family altar fellowship; spot gospel broadcasting, perhaps five minutes following a newscast; a religious newscast; Saturday

ON THE AIR



WITH D.V. HURST
SECRETARY
OF RADIO

I RECENTLY READ AN ARTICLE about the "fabulous fifteen years ahead." It affirmed that the great changes of the last fifteen years will pale beside those just ahead. It talked about jobs, population, unions, electronic gadgets, travel, government, production, speed, and much more. The article was long and *it gave me time to think.*

The longer I read the more incessantly these questions clamored for answers: Can it be? Will this nation—this world—go on and on building, planning, developing at an ever-accelerating rate? Will a breaking point come? If so, when?

Our scientists, specialists, and industrialists are planning for the years ahead and our statesmen are battling to insure that those years will be ours. But can we claim them as Christians? *Can we bank on having years to win the world?* Everything I hear, read, and see tells me the end is just ahead! What we are going to do we must do *now!* Today is the day of salvation! The gospel must be preached today. No one can guarantee tomorrow.

* * *

This is why radio evangelism is so important to the church today. Often it gets there with the message first! Always it supplements the work of the minister who is on hand. With radio, the air can be filled with the gospel in a pre-invasion in these final days. Then—if there is time—the foot soldier can follow with literature, churches, and Christian training. Whatever is done, the message must be gotten out as fast as possible, *now!*

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Recent letters to *Revivaltime* include

testimonies from a teen-ager in East Pakistan... an East Indian in Honolulu, Hawaii... a station manager in Dutch Guiana... a missionary in Africa... as well as from every state. Box 70 receives 10,000 to 12,000 letters a month. It has been said one letter speaks for a thousand people. If this is true, the letter response to *Revivaltime* is an index to a vast world-wide audience.

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After being blessed by this radio service, one Kansas City teen-ager wrote: "I try to give all my Coke money, and money I used to spend foolishly, to *Revivaltime* now. I listened to you one time and decided I'd try a last hope and write to ask for prayer. As a result I'm back close to God... and not cold in my heart. Thanks a million."

It's this kind of giving that makes *Revivaltime* possible—those who are helped are helping!

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I'll meet you here next month.

afternoon kiddies programs; a Bible study; a gospel "disc jockey" program; or a *getting home* broadcast from twelve to two at night. For some of these programs, many radio stations will donate time or the air cost is very small. Opportunities for reaching souls in your community through radio are almost limitless.

Another way busy pastors and churches can use radio evangelism is by availing themselves of the services of *Revivaltime*, the Assemblies of God world-wide evangelistic radio broadcast. Heard weekly over more than 340 stations through the facilities of the ABC radio network and independent stations, *Revivaltime* is reaching an estimated twelve million listeners. Through these efforts many have been led to Christ and members have been added to the church. Churches sponsoring local releases of *Revivaltime* are using spot announcements before and after the broadcast and a vigorous follow-up program. These specific efforts by the local church can reach the entire community.

Broadcasting is not limited to American shores alone for the potential of foreign stations is increasing rapidly. Missionaries are finding radio broadcasting a tremendous vehicle for reaching souls. Many are also using the denominational program to reach the ever-growing English-speaking population in foreign lands. Another great forward step is the new association of *Revivaltime* with the "Voice of Truth" broadcast, taking the gospel behind the Iron Curtain in the Russian and Ukrainian languages. Radio can carry the gospel where missionaries cannot go.

In America only eight per cent of the population attends any church on Sunday morning, and only two per cent attends Sunday night. Many of these individuals live in areas where there are no Pentecostal churches, and others simply never think of attending a church service. Millions around the world are bound by superstition and

fear. These people have to be reached outside of the church doors—and radio is the fastest and most effective means of reaching them.

Radio has several advantages for use in evangelism. First, by keeping the preacher hidden it focuses attention on his message. Second, each listener feels that the message is personally directed to him. And third, a gospel broadcast may reach millions at once—in crowded metropolitan areas as well as in villages, towns, and hamlets where souls are lost and need a Saviour.

CHECK LIST

- Do you participate in your local church broadcast?
- Do you pray for and support your local church program?
- Do you encourage your friends and others to listen to the broadcasts?
- Do you listen to your international broadcast—*Revivaltime*?
- Do you regularly pray for and support *Revivaltime*?
- Have you ever sent a radio log to lost friends or members of your family and encouraged them to listen to *Revivaltime*?
- Have you given encouragement to your church to participate in either a local broadcast or in *Revivaltime*?

If Thou Believest



By C. M. Ward

Dear Evangel friends:

For months people have asked me, "Brother Ward, when are you going to print another salvation book? We want something a little different to give or send to friends whom we want to win for Christ." I believe we have the answer to that request in my new book, IF THOU BELIEVEST.

This straightforward and hard-hitting book includes these chapters:

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- What Are You Waiting for?**

You will want to get a copy of this challenging book to give to some unsaved friend. Extra copies can be obtained to give or send to other unsaved friends. I believe this book will help you win a friend to Christ. To get your free copy of this book, IF THOU BELIEVEST, fill in the coupon below and mail to REVIVALTIME, BOX 70, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI. When you write, be sure to remember this soul-winning gospel broadcast with your offerings.

Yours by Calvary's ties,

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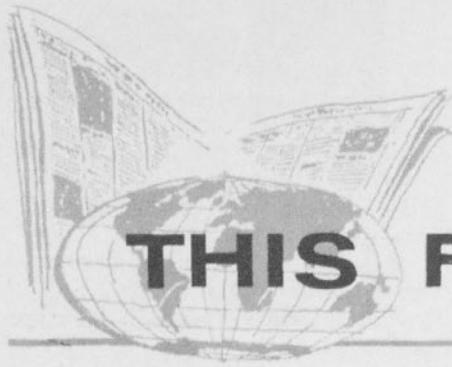
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THIS PRESENT WORLD

Churches

CHURCH-BUILDING BOOM CONTINUING

Despite an unusually severe winter and the economic recession, new church construction in the U.S. during the first three months of 1961 was only one per cent under last year's figure for the corresponding period. Construction of \$74,000,000 worth of new church buildings in March put this year's total up to \$233,000,000 as compared with \$235,000,000 in the first quarter of 1960.

CHURCH DROPS 11,000 FROM ITS ROLLS

Adam Clayton Powell, Jr., pastor of the Abyssinian Baptist Church in New York City, has thought of a new way to spur contributions to the church's building fund. He announced that all 11,000 members of the church have been dropped from the church rolls and each will have to pay a \$1 fee to be re-enlisted as a parishioner. Unemployed or aged members who cannot pay the \$1 fee will be reinstated without charge.

Publications

BGMC OFFERING SET NEW RECORD

Almost \$115,000 was given by children of the Assemblies of God to the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade during 1960. This is an increase of \$10,514 over the previous year, according to officials of the National Sunday School Department. The funds are used to provide gospel literature for foreign mission fields.

SCRIPTURES NOW PRINTED IN 1,165 TONGUES

The American Bible Society says Scripture portions were published in 1960 for the first time in five more languages of primitive peoples. In addition, complete Bibles were published for the first time in Lamba and Congo Swahili, both spoken in the Congo.

Publication of the entire Bible has been completed in 221 languages. The number of languages in which some portion of the Scriptures has been translated now stands at 1,165 which

can be read by 90 per cent of the world's population. (The remaining 10 per cent represents some 1,500 languages and dialects into which no portion of the Bible has been translated as yet.)

Schools

HEBREW TAUGHT IN JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

The Board of Education at Albany, N. Y., added a ninth-grade course in the Hebrew language at Hackett Junior High School. The board said there was "growing interest" in the language. At least twenty students plan to take the course, which is not offered by many public schools in upstate New York.

ENROLLMENT IN BEREAN SCHOOL OF THE BIBLE HITS NEW PEAK IN MARCH

The Berean School of the Bible, correspondence division of the National Education Department of the Assemblies of God, had a larger enrollment during March than in any single month previously. Records indicate 185 new courses were started during the month, as compared to a previous high of 170 three years ago. The average enroll-

ment for new courses in 1960 was 105 per month.

(Persons interested in home Bible study are invited to write to the school at 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Missouri, for information on the various courses now available.)

NEW YORK COLLEGE STUDENTS TO GET AID

The New York State Assembly passed Gov. Nelson Rockefeller's controversial plan to give direct aid to all residents of the state who are attending New York colleges, including sectarian ones. The vote was 120 to 26. Passage in the Assembly, as in the Senate, followed heated debate over whether the legislation violates New York constitutional provisions for the separation of Church and State.

NEW INTEREST SEEN IN VBS

Leaders of the Assemblies of God are finding a renewed interest in Vacation Bible Schools across the nation. Members of the National Sunday School Department staff traveled 39,018 miles and conducted 33 VBS workshops for officers and teachers during the first three months of 1961. An estimated 6,500 persons attended the workshops, compared with 2,500 in 1960 when 25 workshops were held.

United Nations

NATIONAL COUNCIL SAYS AMERICA MUST SURRENDER ITS SOVEREIGNTY

"The United States may soon have to subordinate its will to that of the United Nations. Citizens must be prepared to take it." So said the National Council of Churches at its recent meeting in San Francisco.

The church body, representing 33 Protestant and Orthodox denominations, adopted a resolution which said: "We believe citizens should prepare themselves for such eventuality. It would not then be an undue shock to public opinion, since people would have a more mature view, better able to interpret democracy at work on a world scale, with the benefit as well as the

PRAYER REQUEST

A city-wide evangelistic crusade is under way in the large Meiji Auditorium in Tokyo, Japan. It began May 6 and is scheduled to end June 5. The crusade is being conducted by Bob Pierce, assisted by many American and Japanese ministers and musicians.

Well over 600 churches in the Greater Tokyo area have joined hands for this mighty soul-winning venture in a culture that is 99½ per cent non-Christian. The Japanese Christians of various denominations are pleading with the Church throughout the rest of the world to stand with them in earnest, believing prayer.

"The Tokyo Christian Crusade represents a thrilling venture of faith on the part of the church in Japan," says Dr. Pierce. "I am humbly grateful for this opportunity of helping them minister to the world's largest city, and I add to theirs my fervent plea for prayer."

risk that the extension of democracy always entails."

The Tulsa (Oklahoma) *Sunday World* expressed shock at this idea of "selling the United States down the river." The newspaper called the National Council a "weak-kneed, ill-advised, and faithless conclave."

"We can scarcely believe it," said the Tulsa editor. "We cannot understand by what process some of the finest brains in all of Christianity have become so confused, so soft, that they would subvert this nation to the will of the Polyglot that makes up the United Nations. We are asked to surrender ourselves, our freedoms, our dreams, to the will of non-believers, to ignoramuses barely emerging from the Dark Ages, and to despots who speak loudly before the assemblage of nations we call the UN."

"Surely the religious leaders of this nation cannot believe that to submit to UN omnipotence is the 'mature' thing to do, or that the majority of the UN represents 'democracy' at work."

"Are two hundred years of faith and work and hope to be sacrificed before the altar of nations who have been unable to duplicate the masterworks that are the possession of the people of the United States? What have we been fighting for? The things we have achieved through our work and prayers—are they no longer considered important enough to preserve? Is it no longer fashionable to be free and American? Is it no longer Christian to hold fast to the sovereignty of one's home, one's nation, one's God?"

Revival

HOLINESS LEADER SOUNDS CALL FOR "REAL" RELIGIOUS REVIVAL

A religious revival that would demonstrate its impact on society by curbing social evils was urged by the manager of the National Holiness Association's 93rd annual convention at Chicago.

Dr. Paul L. Kindschi, executive secretary of the Sunday school department of the Wesleyan Methodist Church, said that despite steady increases in church membership rolls he does not feel "that a real, deep revival has hit American society."

"If a religious revival really were upon us, it would show up statistically in such places as FBI reports on crime," he said. "But crime keeps increasing. This is a disturbing thing."



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My Son Is a Missionary

BY OLGA W. WOODWORTH

Mother of Floyd Woodworth, Missionary to Cuba



MY STORY HAS ITS BEGINNING IN A little town in Sweden called Lindkoping, about fourscore years ago. A little girl about seven years old was entranced as she listened to an itinerant missionary explain the plan of salvation to her parents and others who were present in the little farmhouse. She had recently started to school and was beginning to learn the catechism of the State Church.

Suddenly the verses of Scripture of the catechism became real, and a hunger was born in her childish heart, a desire to become a missionary and tell others of this wonderful Jesus. This overwhelming desire became the ultimate aim and purpose of her life.

At the tender age of fifteen she migrated to the Land of Promise—wonderful America—with an older sister. Soon after her arrival in the United States she attended a revival where she gave her heart to the Lord in full surrender and received a glorious born-again experience. The desire to be a missionary became more intense and ardent, but the struggle with a new language and the fact that she was a woman deterred her.

She later married a fine Christian business man and in due time, like Hannah of old, she promised to dedicate her first-born to the Lord for His service. I was that child presented to God even before my birth. When I announced to my mother at the age of ten that I felt the Lord had called me to be a missionary, I could not understand why she registered no surprise. Later I knew.

After I had graduated from high school, and was studying in a conservatory of music, and later teaching, the call of God more and more possessed me. I eventually severed all ties and entered the work of the Lord as an evangelist. Apparently it was not

the direct will of God that I serve Him in a foreign land, for all doors (even some I endeavored to open myself) to foreign missionary service closed to me.

I later married a consecrated young minister and God gave us a fruitful ministry. When our first son was born I gave him unreservedly to the Lord to become a foreign missionary.

One of the many traits that this son inherited from his father is a reserved attitude on matters of momentous importance. He carefully ponders and considers a significant matter from every angle—then when he, himself, is apparently reasonably devoid of doubts or misgivings, he matter-of-factly announces his decision.

It was at the breakfast table one morning that his father put the direct, straightforward question to him: "Well, son, you are in your senior year in high school and will be graduating shortly. Have you decided what further study you would like to pursue, and what you would like to make your life's work?"

Floyd's answer was just as straightforward. He unhesitatingly said: "Yes, Dad, I have. I should like to attend a Bible college and prepare for the ministry—perhaps become a missionary."

As I listened to this conversation my heart palpitated with joy. Surely God had heard my prayer. He had accepted the son I had offered unto

Him, and would use him to win souls in a foreign field.

Bible school and college completed, Floyd went to Mexico for several months to learn more about the Latin people and become more proficient in the Spanish language. It was a year or so later, when he was teaching in Southern California College, that a great revival came to Cuba. A call came for more workers with a knowledge of Spanish. Floyd answered that call.

The urgency of the need did not permit, apparently, the time usually required to itinerate in order to raise pledged support and equipment. To see my son start off to a foreign country to minister with practically no pledged support was hardly what I had expected! Even recalling the days his father and I had to wholly trust God to supply our every need was small comfort as I endeavored to apply the same principle of faith to my son.

But two weeks after the school term closed he loaded his few possessions into his Jeep station wagon. Impulsively I ran upstairs, dragged the mattress off a twin bed and put it in the station wagon. "At least he will have a reasonably soft bed upon which to sleep should he be preaching in an unevangelized area," I reasoned with myself.

As the Jeep pulled out of the driveway, and Floyd was on his way to the land of his adoption, tears coursed freely down my cheeks; but they were tears of joy and gratitude to God, for I felt that through the ministry of my son, I, by proxy, would be able to give the gospel to those who had never heard.

God has since blessed him with a consecrated, talented helpmeet and two darling little girls. Of course, we miss our grandchildren. But God usually compensates when one dedicates all to Him. Has He not promised: "There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife, or children for the Kingdom of God's sake, who shall



Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Woodworth and daughters

If you should like to receive the monthly missionary prayer bulletin, *Call to Prayer*, send your name to *Call to Prayer*, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. This bulletin regularly features the pictures and addresses of missionaries having birthdays during a given month and presents urgent prayer needs for both Home and Foreign Missions. *Call to Prayer* is free as funds permit.

not receive manifold more in this present time, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands... and in the world to come life eternal"?

When little children run out to the car to meet us as we drive up to the church where we pastor, and shower their love and affection upon us, even to contending as to whose turn it is to sit beside us in church, we are happy our own children can serve Him on the mission field.

When my mother (the little girl in the beginning of my story) had reached the end of her pilgrim journey, she prayed specifically for all her loved ones, her children and her grandchildren. When she came to her missionary grandson, a friend of the family bent over her and heard her pray in a faint whisper, "Lord, I had not much to give, but who will take over my pledge to give regularly and consistently when I am gone?" The friend answered, "Grandma, I shall assume your pledge."

She relaxed upon her pillow and smiled. Later she prayed again, "And who, Lord, will take my place to pray for him every day?" (Angels, will you please convey the message to my mother that her last prayer has also been answered?) The last few months we have received letters and personal testimonies from many who have stated that they are praying *daily* for our son and his family.

"Are you not concerned over your son and family's safety and welfare now that conditions in Cuba are so

uncertain, and the relations between the countries have been severed?" is a question we are frequently asked.

Naturally, we have at times been somewhat perturbed, even though we know that God is mindful of His own. But, how can we have aught but peace in our hearts when we have the blessed assurance that there are prayer warriors interceding daily at the throne of grace for them?

It is my understanding that dur-

ing World War II for every soldier at the front, the war department had ten men and women who also served behind the lines in the quartermaster division, the medical corps, etc.

My prayer this Mother's Day is that ten thousand intercessors will dedicate themselves to pray consistently and daily for all the missionary sons and daughters who are endeavoring to "preach the gospel to every creature" in all the world ere He comes. ◀◀

MISSIONARY CALLED HOME

A missionary whose life was poured out in sacrifice to God's service went to be with Christ on March 27, 1961. Betsy Park, wife of Missionary Harland A. Park, was engaged in active missionary service in Hong Kong at the time of her Homegoing. Sister Park had labored long and faithfully among the Chinese people for over thirty years and will be missed greatly by the Hong Kong Fellowship.



Mrs. H. A. Park

Mrs. Harland Park (Betsy Day) was born April 6, 1909, in Pittsburgh, Pa. She was converted while a teen-ager and, upon graduation from high school, attended Berean Bible Institute in California. Before her missionary service she was active in detention home work, street meetings, and Christ's Ambassadors.

Brother and Sister Park were married on June 4, 1930, and two months later sailed to South China for missionary service. They received missionary appointment in 1937. In 1954 Sister Park was ordained by the Southern California District.

While working in China, Brother and Sister Park went into the interior and established a mission station in Chung Shaan, Kwongsi. From this point they directed outstations, reaching many of the Chinese people. It was a forty-day trip by flatboat into the interior, but to Sister Park this was a "labor of love" and she freely gave of her time and strength.

Brother and Sister Park were laboring in Hong Kong when the city fell into the hands of the Japanese. The Parks and their two daughters, Betty (Mrs. Ron Preston) and Dorothy (Mrs. James Rathgin) suffered internment at the hands of the Japanese for almost a year. They were repatriated in 1942 and returned to the States. Brother and Sister Park later returned to Hong Kong. They were planning for a furlough this coming fall.

At the time of her Homegoing, Mrs. Park was chairman of the Sunday school committee, instructor at Ecclesia Bible Institute, and supervisor of a 400-pupil day school. For years she had prepared the materials and instructed the young national people in Vacation Bible School methods. They in turn went throughout Hong Kong conducting the schools.

Mrs. Park was a loyal helpmeet to her husband, Harland Park, Field Superintendent of the Hong Kong-Macao District. Her devotion to God and His service will remain as an inspiring memory with all who knew her.—*Nora Blan.*

In Memory of Betsy Park, Missionary to China, Who Laid Down Her Armor After

Faithfully Abounding in the Work of the Lord

It seems too sudden, Lord—our hearts are grieving sore—
We wonder that so little hint or warning came before
To have prepared both us and her for change so great;
We scarcely knew the day before that time was late!
How well she loved Thy work! Thou knowest with what zest
And how unsparingly she daily gave her best.
Nor was she ever known to stop and count the cost
As though in following Thee some dear thing she had lost.
While others often wondered how such zeal could last,
She had enthusiasm for the smallest task,
And ready smile . . . that showed the willingness of heart
With which she ever gave to Thee the utmost part.
It always seemed that she must hurry—quite as though
Rest for herself could wait. Not here below
Would she take time for ease; and as she strove—
Always Thy work, Lord, was her dearest love.
The need of heathen souls who in sin's night
Held out their groping hands and begged for light—

These ever claimed of her her level best
And put her consecration to its acid test.
So with affection set, devotion ever keen
She had no time to wonder what that pain might mean . . .
The little nagging hurt that bode a future ill
And tried to grip her heart with fearful fingers chill.
If Thou hadst sent a warning long before,
Her pace had been the same—no need to hurry more!
So Thou didst let her go her way up to the last
Nor indication gave that change was coming fast.

From heaven's view, dear Lord, was it a sudden call
Or was it just the ordered plan that covered all
Her life? The work required of her to do was done!
Her feet had tarried not, and so earth's race was run.
And while for us 'twas dark, her summons came on wings,
"Earth's work is done My child; 'tis time for greater things!"
—*Nell F. Hall*



The Illinois District Camp grounds are surrounded by a beautiful lake

CAMP DIRECTORY

Wherever you live, there is an Assemblies of God camp meeting within driving distance. Load up the family car and get under the "showers of blessing." Each camp offers accommodations for eating and sleeping (if you bring your own linen).

ARIZONA DISTRICT

Assemblies of God Camp

Prescott, Ariz. (1840 Iron Springs Road)
July 25-August 6
 G. Raymond Carlson, speaker.
 For accommodations write to J. K. Gressett, 2345 W. Bethany Home Road, Phoenix, Ariz.

ARKANSAS DISTRICT

Ozark-Lithia Camp

Hot Springs, Ark. (7 miles north of Hot Springs, on State Route 7)
June 19-23
 J. Robert Ashcroft, morning speaker; Jesse Smith, night speaker.
 For accommodations write to Jack Knox, Mountain Valley Route, Box 58, Hot Springs, Ark.

EASTERN DISTRICT

Living Waters Camp

Cherry Tree, Pa.
June 23-July 9
 D. V. Hurst, Bible teacher; D. Leroy Sanders, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Frank Yarnal, Hillsdale, Pa.

Maranatha Camp

Green Lane, Pa.
July 21-August 6
 T. J. Jones, Bible teacher; J. B. Oaks, evangelist.
 For accommodations write to Robert Chadwick, Maranatha Park, Green Lane, Pa.

GEORGIA DISTRICT

District Camp

Griffin, Ga. (5 miles west of Griffin)
July 3-7
 J. O. Savell, speaker.
 For accommodations write to G. A. Balias, Box 909, Macon, Ga.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT

Lake Williamson Bible Camp

Carlinville, Ill. (Route 4)
July 21-30
 Edgar Bethany, Bible teacher; Jack West, evangelist; Tommy Barnett, C. A. speaker.
 For accommodations write to Oliver Knell, 802 Emmons, Robinson, Ill.

INDIANA DISTRICT

Assemblies of God Camp

Hartford City, Ind. (Lake Placid, Route 4)
June 27-July 7
 Ward Williams, Bible teacher; Sam Todd, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Camp Meeting, 2915 E. 38th St., Indianapolis 18, Ind.

KANSAS DISTRICT

Wichita Family Camp

Augusta, Kans. (4 miles west and 1½ miles north on Santa Fe Lake Road)
June 26-July 2
 J. Robert Ashcroft and Harold Davis, speakers.

For accommodations write to Paul C. Samuelson, 1009 S. Broadway, Wichita 11, Kans.

Woodston Family Camp

Woodston, Kans., (3 miles east of Woodston on Highway 24)
July 31-August 6
 Glenn Reed and Jimmie Brown, speakers.
 For accommodations write to Paul C. Samuelson, 1009 S. Broadway, Wichita 11, Kans.

KENTUCKY DISTRICT

District Camp

Crestwood, Ky. (1 mile west of Crestwood and 10 miles east of Louisville on U. S. Highway 22)
June 27-July 6 (District Council July 5-6)
 Jimmie Brown, speaker; Virgil F. Smith, missionary speaker.



People visiting at Fa-Ho-La Park camp in Grass Lake, Mich.



Scene in the grove at Lakeview Gospel Camp, Hamlin, N. Y.

For accommodations write to Carl E. Schmidt, 546 Mulberry St., Hartford, Ky.

MICHIGAN DISTRICT

Fa-Ho-Lo Park

Grass Lake, Mich. (10 miles east of Jackson, 1 mile south of Highway 12, on Mt. Hope Road)

June 28-July 9

Charles W. H. Scott, Bible teacher; Milton T. Wells, Bible teacher; W. Randall Ball, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Michigan District Council, 6053 Chase Road, Dearborn, Mich.

Northern Camp

Lake Cadillac, Mich.

June 16-25

David W. Flower, speaker.

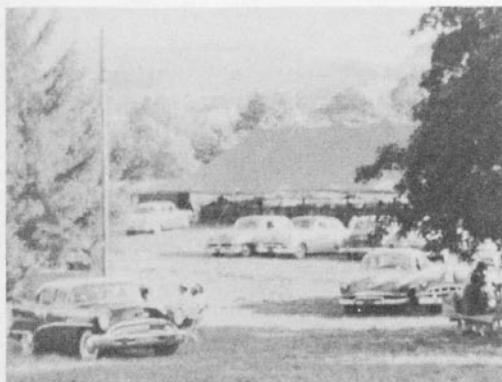
For accommodations write to Lawrence Malone, 401 Lawrence St., Petoskey, Mich.

MINNESOTA DISTRICT

Lake Geneva Bible Camp

Alexandria, Minn.

June 29-July 9



Mountainview Gospel Camp, Sherburne, N. Y.

T. E. Gannon, Bible teacher; Cyril Homer, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Herman H. Rohde, 820 E. 14th St., Minneapolis 4, Minn.

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT

District Camp

Hurley, Miss.

July 30-August 4

Joe Neely, speaker.

For accommodations write to E. E. Noland, Box 1954, Meridian, Miss.

MONTANA DISTRICT

Glacier Bible Camp

Hungry Horse, Mont.

July 6-16

T. E. Gannon, Bible teacher; Kenneth Schmidt, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Ray N. Walden, Box 68, Hungry Horse, Mont.

NEBRASKA DISTRICT

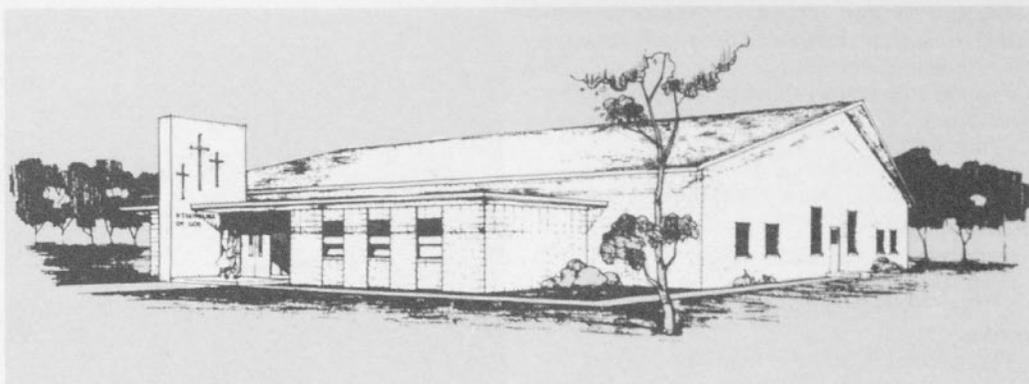
District Camp

Lexington, Nebr. (1 mile west of Lexington)

August 4-13

David Hastie and Cyril Homer, speakers; Murray Brown, missionary speaker.

For accommodations write to Elmer Burry, Box 226, Lexington, Nebr.



Proposed auditorium for Nebraska District Camp, Lexington, Nebr.

NEW MEXICO DISTRICT

Assemblies of God Camp

Mountainair, N. Mex.

July 24-30

Clyde A. Henson, speaker.

For accommodations write to Tommy Lofton, Box 423, Mountainair, N. Mex.

NEW YORK DISTRICT

Lakeview Gospel Camp

Hamlin, N. Y.

July 1-16

Carl Brumback, Bible teacher; David Hastie, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Allan Mitchell, 2 Pittsburg Ave., N. Hornell, N. Y.

Mountainview Gospel Camp

Sherburne, N. Y.

July 22-August 6

D. V. Hurst, Bible teacher; C. M. Ward, evangelist.

For accommodations write to William Douglas, 131 Floyd Ave., Utica, N. Y.

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT

Eastern Camp

Windsor, N. C. (1 mile north of Windsor on U. S. 17)

August 7-20

J. Bashford Bishop, Bible teacher; Willie M. Stevens, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Raymond Hoggard, Route 2, Windsor, N. C.

Western Camp

Franklin, N. C. (5 miles from Franklin on U. S. 64)

June 27-July 7

T. H. Spence, evangelist; Bible teacher to be announced.

For accommodations write to Fred Sorrells, Route 5, Franklin, N. C.

NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT

Lakewood Park Bible Camp

Devils Lake, N. Dak. (Lakewood Park)

June 23-July 4

Kenneth Schmidt and T. J. Jones, speakers.

For accommodations write to Peter Walker, Route 3, Devils Lake, N. Dak.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA DISTRICT

Bethany Park Camp

Santa Cruz, Calif. (6457 Los Gatos Highway)

June 30-July 9

J. Robert Ashcroft, Bible teacher; Warren Litzman, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Gerald Boyd, 800 Bethany Dr., Santa Cruz, Calif.

Redwood Camp

Eureka, Calif. (6400 Redwood Drive)

August 2-13

L. J. Choate, speaker.

For accommodations write to Samuel Sanders, 1736 Newberg Road, Fortuna, Calif.

Mt. Lassen Camp

Mineral, Calif.

June 28-July 9

Leland R. Keys, Bible teacher; Clyde A. Henson, evangelist.

For accommodations write to R. T. Doherty, 2636 Churn Creek Road, Redding, Calif.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Long Lake Bible Camp

Naples, Maine (4 miles from Naples, on Route 35)

June 21-July 4

C. C. Crace and Carl Lindberg, speakers. For accommodations write to Hudson T. Hilsden, 12 Dunklee St., Concord, N. H.

NORTH TEXAS DISTRICT

North Texas Camp

Bedford, Tex. (Bedford Ranch)

July 31-August 4

A. R. Trotter, speaker.

For accommodations write to J. Doyle Brown, Box 158, Bedford, Tex.

Austin Sectional Camp

Camp Ben McCulloch (15 miles west of Austin, Tex., near Driftwood)

July 19-27

E. B. Crump, day speaker; Elbert Smart, night speaker.

For accommodations write to E. B. Crump, Box 405, Waxahachie, Tex.

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Silver Lake Bible Camp

Near Everett, Wash.

July 1-16

U. S. Grant, speaker.

For accommodations write to Northwest District Council, Box 128, Kirkland, Wash.

Yakima Valley Camp

Yakima, Wash. (Central Washington Fairground)

June 19-July 2

Arthur H. Graves, speaker.

For accommodations write to C. L. Hobson, Stone Church, Yakima, Wash.

OHIO DISTRICT

Assemblies of God Camp

Big Prairie, Ohio

June 22-July 4

Watson Argue, speaker. (He will also show colored pictures of his overseas ministry, in some services.)

For accommodations write to Miss Helen K. Stange, 3377 West Broad St., Columbus 4, Ohio.

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

District Camp

Oklahoma City, Okla. (8101 N. Kelley)

July 11-18

C. M. Ward and Ivar A. Frick, Jr., speakers.

For accommodations write to Robert E. Goggin, Box 1341, Oklahoma City, Okla.

OREGON DISTRICT

Old-Fashioned Camp

Brooks, Oreg. (Bethel Gospel Park)

June 26-July 9

Martin Luther Davidson and Ralph M. Riggs, speakers.

For accommodations write to Lester C. Young, Box 38, Brooks, Oreg.

POTOMAC DISTRICT

Potomac Park Camp

Falling Waters, W. Va. (on U. S. 11 between Martinsburg, W. Va., and Hagerstown, Md.)

July 15-August 6

Ward R. Williams, Bible teacher; Jimmy Brown, evangelist.

For accommodations write to W. H. Helms, Route 9, Box 44, Pasadena, Md.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

District Camp

Littleton, Colo. (5700 S. Broadway)

July 31-August 10

Speakers to be announced.

For accommodations write to Wm. W. Brandt, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo.

Utah State Camp

Layton, Utah (202 West Golden Ave.)

June 20-28

Owen Carr, speaker.

For accommodations write to Peter Pilot, 57 E. 13th South, Salt Lake City, Utah.

Western Slope Camp

Cedaredge, Colo. (4 miles north)

July 18-27

A. N. Trotter, speaker.



WMC meeting at the Oklahoma District Camp, Oklahoma City

For accommodations write to Ralph A. Durham, Box 316, Olathe, Colo.

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT

District Camp

Mitchell, S. Dak. (Riverside Camp Grounds)

June 11-18

Glenn Reed, speaker.

For accommodations write to South Dakota District, 721 W. Havens, Mitchell, S. Dak.

District Camp

Rapid City, S. Dak. (Wesleyan Methodist Camp Grounds)

July 3-9

Glenn Reed, speaker.

For accommodations write to Doyle Thompson, 730 Quincy St., Rapid City, S. Dak.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

Camp Pinecrest

Twin Peaks, Calif. (near Lake Arrowhead in the San Bernardino Mts.)

July 8-16

John G. Hall, Bible teacher; Murray W. McLees, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Lee Trowbridge, Box 157, Twin Peaks, Calif.

SOUTHERN IDAHO DISTRICT

District Camp

Nampa, Idaho (5 miles north of Nampa on Franklin Road)

June 26-July 4

A. N. Trotter and C. E. Butterfield, speakers.

For accommodations write to Paul Fleming, 112 Fern, Nampa, Idaho.

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT

District Camp

Lake of the Ozarks Camp Grounds (13 miles southwest of Eldon, Mo.)

June 26-July 4

Howard Bush, Bible teacher; W. M. Stevens, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Southern Missouri District, 1400 N. Campbell Ave., Springfield, Mo.



Lunch served picnic style in the out-of-doors at the Ohio District Camp—some enjoy eating down by the lake



Tabernacle at the Mt. Lassen Camp of the Northern California-Nevada District

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

District Camp

Charlton, Mass.
June 28-July 9
 Don Mallough, speaker.
 For accommodations write to Ralph D. Bellows, Box 307, South Dennis, Mass.

SOUTH FLORIDA DISTRICT

Lake Bonny Bible Camp

Lakeland, Fla. (940 Longfellow Blvd.)
June 29-July 4
 Kenneth Haystead and William Kautz, speakers.

For accommodations write to South Florida District, Box 428, Lakeland, Fla.

SOUTH TEXAS DISTRICT

Camp Pearl Wheat

Kerrville, Tex.
July 24-30
 Wiley Davis, speaker.
 For accommodations write to Willis E. Berry, Box 9714, Houston 15, Tex.

WEST CENTRAL DISTRICT

Northern Missouri Camp

Excelsior Springs, Mo.
September 6-9
 C. M. Ward, speaker.
 For accommodations write to R. J. Beckman, Box 825, Excelsior Springs, Mo.

Storm Lake Bible Camp

Storm Lake, Iowa
July 20-30
 David A. Hastie, speaker.
 For accommodations write to M. C. Fishel, Truesdale, Iowa.

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT

District Camp

Marianna, Fla. (2 miles east of Marianna on Tallahassee Highway)
July 17-27
 Jesse E. Smith, speaker.
 For accommodations write to G. H. Blair, Box 111, Marianna, Fla.

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT

District Camp

Lubbock Tex. (4200 Ave. H)

July 25-August 3

Arthur S. Arnold, speaker.
 For accommodations write to West Texas District, 4206 Ave. H, Lubbock, Tex.

WISCONSIN-NORTHERN MICHIGAN DISTRICT

Spencer Lake Bible Camp

Waupaca, Wis. (5 miles south of Waupaca, on Highway E)

July 26-August 6

J. Robert Ashcroft, Bible teacher; Maynard Oss, evangelist.
 For accommodations write to Paul J. Bicket, Box 309, Waupaca, Wis.

WYOMING DISTRICT

District Camp

Story, Wyo. (Presbyterian Camp Grounds)

July 3-9

Gayle F. Lewis and R. L. Brandt, speakers.
 For accommodations write to E. D. Beard, Box 1608, Casper, Wyo.

ALASKA

Third Alaska Native Camp

Fort Yukon, Alaska
Dates to be announced
 Speakers to be announced.
 For accommodations write to Kenneth H. Andrus, Fort Yukon, Alaska.

First Eskimo Camp

Barrow, Alaska
June 18-25
 Wesley Hanson, evening speaker. Visiting ministers will speak at other services.
 For accommodations write to Paul E. Bills, Barrow, Alaska.

GERMAN BRANCH

Bethel Park

Bridgman, Mich.
July 13-23
 J. P. Kolenda, speaker.
 For accommodations write to Alvin Sprecher, 1909 Smyers Dr., Benton Harbor, Mich.

ITALIAN BRANCH

Pine Crest Bible Conference

Salisbury Center, N. Y.
July 9-August 6
 Speakers to be announced.
 For accommodations write to Pine Crest Bible Conference, Salisbury Center, N. Y.



Renewing acquaintances and making new friends at Oregon camp



Candidates for water baptism at the Alaska camp in Fort Yukon

YOUTH CAMPS AND BOYS AND GIRLS CAMPS



DISTRICT

ALABAMA

Oak Mt. State Park
Oak Mt. State Park
Oak Mt. State Park

July 17-22
July 3-8
July 10-15

13-35
13-35
8-12

MICHIGAN

Grass Lake
Grass Lake
Grass Lake
Grass Lake

July 10-15
July 16-21
July 23-28
July 30-Aug. 4

8-12 Boys
8-12 Girls
Junior Camp
Senior Camp

APPALACHIAN

Princeton, W. Va.
Princeton, W. Va.

July 3-8
July 17-21

Youth
Youth

MINNESOTA

Alexandria
Alexandria
Alexandria
Alexandria
Alexandria

June 16-18
July 17-22
July 26-29
July 21-Aug. 5
Aug. 7-12

20-35 (couples)
12-15
15-19
9-12 Girls
9-12 Boys

ARIZONA

Prescott
Prescott
Prescott
Prescott
Prescott

June 19-24
June 26-30
June 26-July 1
July 3-7
July 7-9

8-10
11-13
11-13
14-20
17-35

MISSISSIPPI

Morton
Morton

July 3-7
July 10-14

13-35
8-12

ARKANSAS

Hot Springs
Hot Springs
Hot Springs

July 10-14
July 17-21
July 24-28

8-11
12-14
15-19

MONTANA

Big Timber
Hungry Horse
Frazer
Havre
Neihart

July 24-29
July 31-Aug. 5
Aug. 7-12
Aug. 14-19
Aug. 14-19

9-13
9-13
9-13
9-13
14-19

EASTERN

Green Lane, Pa.
Green Lane, Pa.
Cherry Tree, Pa.
Cherry Tree, Pa.

June 30-July 14
July 15-21
July 22-29
Sept. 1-4

12-35
8-12
8-12
12-35

NEBRASKA

Lexington
Lexington
Lexington
Lexington

June 15-19
June 19-23
July 10-14
July 17-21

12-15
12-15
9-12
9-12

GEORGIA

Toccoa
Toccoa

Aug. 7-12
Aug. 7-12

9-11
12-35

NEW JERSEY

Green Lane, Pa.
(Youth Camp combined with Eastern District)

July 15-21

9-12

ILLINOIS

Carlinville
Carlinville
Carlinville
Rockford Rotary Camp
Rockford Rotary Camp

June 26-30
June 26-30
July 3-7
July 10-14
July 17-22

10-14
10-13
14-18
9-12
13-19

NEW MEXICO

Mountainair
Mountainair
Mountainair

June 19-23
July 3-7
July 10-14

9-12
12-14
15-19

INDIANA

Hartford City
Hartford City
Hartford City

July 24-28
July 31-Aug. 4
Aug. 7-11

13-20
8-12 Girls
8-12 Boys

NEW YORK

Sherburne
Sherburne
Troutburg
Hamlin
Sherburne

July 1-8
July 8-14
July 22-28
July 29-Aug. 4
Sept. 1-4

12-19
8-11
12-19
8-11
20-35

KANSAS

Wichita Camp Ground
Wichita Camp Ground
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Wichita Camp Ground

July 3-7
July 10-14
July 17-21
July 24-28

9-12 Boys
9-12 Girls
13-14
15-19

NORTH CAROLINA

Umstead State Park

June 18-24

12-20

KENTUCKY

Crestwood
Crestwood

July 10-15
July 17-22

9-11
13-35

NORTH DAKOTA

Lakewood Park
Lakewood Park

July 10-15
July 17-22

13-19
9-12

LOUISIANA

Pollock
Minden

July 16-21
July 24-29

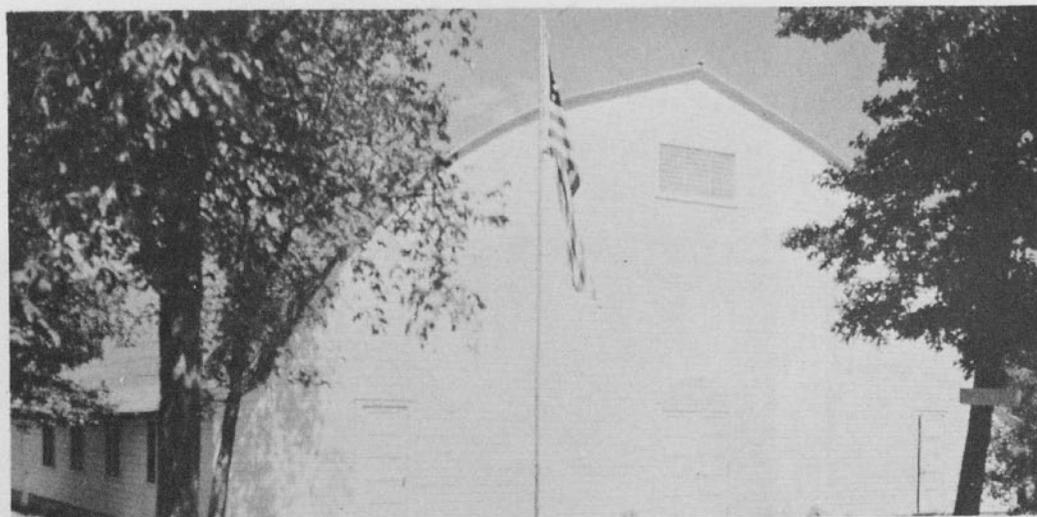
13-35
8-12

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA

Southshore, Nev.
Emerald Cove
Mineral
Santa Cruz
Mineral
Santa Cruz

June 19-24
July 3-8
July 10-15
July 10-15
July 17-22
July 17-22

12-35
12-35
12-35
9-12
9-12
12-35



Tabernacle at the Lakewood Park Camp at Devils Lake, N. Dak.

LATIN AMERICAN BRANCH

Central Conference Camp

Chama, N. Mex.

June 29-July 6

Josue Sanchez, speaker.

For accommodations write to Kenzy Savage, 1606 Silver S. E., Albuquerque, N. Mex.

Pacific Conference Camp

Bethany Park, Santa Cruz, Calif.

July 31-August 4

Speakers to be announced.

For accommodations write to Simon R. Franco 251 E. Riggan St., Monterey Park, Calif.

UKRAINIAN BRANCH

Branch Camp

Lanesville, N. Y. (Catskill Mts. on Route 214 N. Y.)

July 9-23

Eureka	July 24-29	9-12	Camp Pinecrest	Aug. 7-12	13-35
Emerald Cove	Aug. 7-12	9-12	Arroyo Grande	(To be announced)	9-12
Eureka	Aug. 14-19	12-35	SOUTHERN IDAHO		
NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND			Bellevue	July 31-Aug. 5	12-14
Contact: Keith Terry, 79 Smith St., Barre, Vt., for information			Bellevue	Aug. 7-12	15-35
NORTH TEXAS			SOUTHERN MISSOURI		
Bedford	June 19-23	9-12	Lake of the Ozarks		
Bedford	June 26-30	12-14	(Eastern Division)	July 10-14	9-12
Bedford	July 3-7	15-18	Lake of the Ozarks		
Bedford	July 24-28	9-12	(Western Division)	July 17-21	9-12
NORTHWEST			Lake of the Ozarks	July 24-28	12-35
Camp Delaney	June 26-30	13-18	(Eastern Division)	July 31-Aug. 4	12-35
Newman Lake, Wash.	July 3-8	15-35	Lake of the Ozarks	Aug. 7-11	12-35
Silver Lake	July 16-22	15-35	(Western Division)		
Fort Flagler	July 24-28	13-18	Lake of the Ozarks		
Lost Lake	Aug. 7-11	13-18	(Southern Division)		
Lower Columbia	Aug. 14-18	Youth	SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND		
OHIO			Charlton, Mass.	July 15-28	12-20
Big Prairie	July 10-15	9-12 Girls	SOUTH FLORIDA		
Big Prairie	July 17-22	9-12 Boys	Camp Alafia	July 10-14	8-11
Big Prairie	July 24-29	13-15	Camp Alafia	July 17-21	12-14
Big Prairie	July 31-Aug. 5	15-21	Camp Alafia	July 24-28	15-35
Franklin	Aug. 7-12	13-21	Camp Alafia	July 31-Aug. 4	15-35
OKLAHOMA			SOUTH TEXAS		
Bristow	June 12-17	12-19	Contact: Laurell Akers, Box 9714, Houston 15, Tex., for information		
Bristow	June 19-24	12-19	Baytown	June 26-30	8-12
Osage Hills State Park	July 24-28	13-17	Kerrville	July 10-14	8-12
Ardmore	July 31-Aug. 4	9-11	TENNESSEE		
OREGON			Contact: E. W. Rethford, Box 5484, Nashville, Tenn., for information		
(Place to be announced)	July 17-21	8-12	WEST CENTRAL		
Butte Falls	July 17-22	12-19	Storm Lake, Iowa	June 26-30	9-11
Blue Lake	July 24-29	12-19	Storm Lake, Iowa	July 3-7	12-14
Blue Lake	July 31-Aug. 5	12-19	Storm Lake, Iowa	July 10-14	15-35
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Falling Waters, W. Va.	Aug. 15-20	13-25	Marianna	July 3-7	12-14
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Sedalia Colo.	June 12-17	Youth	Marianna	Aug. 7-11	15-35
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Mitchell	June 19-23	12-19	Lake Nebagamon, Wis.	July 3-8	9-12
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Rapid City	July 10-14	8-12	WYOMING		
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA			Camp Grace	July 31-Aug. 5	9-11
Camp Pinecrest	June 19-24	15-35	Casper Mt.	August	Youth
Camp Pinecrest	June 26-July 1	12-14	UKRAINIAN BRANCH		
Twin Peaks	July 17-23	9-12	Lanesville, N. Y.	July 25-30	12-35
Twin Peaks	July 24-29	9-12	Lanesville, N. Y.	July 3-Aug. 12	Boys and Girls



Speakers to be announced.
For accommodations write to Ukrainian Branch, Camp Dept., 9 E. 7th St., New York 3, N. Y.

AMERICAN INDIAN CAMPS

Local Sioux Indian Camp
Moreau, S. Dak. (100 miles southwest of Mobridge)

Dates to be announced
Leo Bankson, speaker.
For accommodations write to Owen Mincks, Box 975, Aberdeen, S. Dak.

Wisconsin Indian Camp
Keshena, Wis. (Menominee Reservation at Fair Grounds)

August 13-20
Charles Lee, speaker.
For accommodations write to Charles Slater, Gresham, Wis.



Water baptism at the Southern New England District Camp

Eastern Indian Pentecostal Camp

Hogansburg, N. Y. (St. Regis Reservation)

July 23-30

Eber Reitzel, afternoon speaker; Grady Fannin, evening speaker.

For accommodations write to A. C. Maracle, Box 12, Hogansburg, N. Y.

Navajo Assembly of God Camp

Mexican Hat, Utah (at the north edge of the city)

July 10-16

Leslie J. Sampson, speaker.

For accommodations write to Mrs. G. B. Croasmun, Box 108, Mexican Hat, Utah.

North Carolina District Indian Camp

Shannon, N. C. (1 mile east of Shannon on Route 71)

June 14-25

Raymond Hoggard, speaker.

For accommodations write to R. W. Buchanan, Route 4, Box 23, Lumberton, N. C.

Hoopa California Indian Camp

Hoopa, Calif. (Assembly of God Church Grounds)

July 29-August 6

Fred Howe, Bible teacher; Charles Pepper, evangelist.

For accommodations write to Omar Goings, Box 537, Hoopa, Calif.

South Section Indian Camp

Sells, Ariz. (on Route 86)

June 26-July 2

Andrew C. Maracle, speaker.

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Canyon Day Apache Camp

Canyon Day, Ariz. (On Fort Apache Reservation)

June 25-July 9

O. L. Triplett and Silas Rexroat, speakers.

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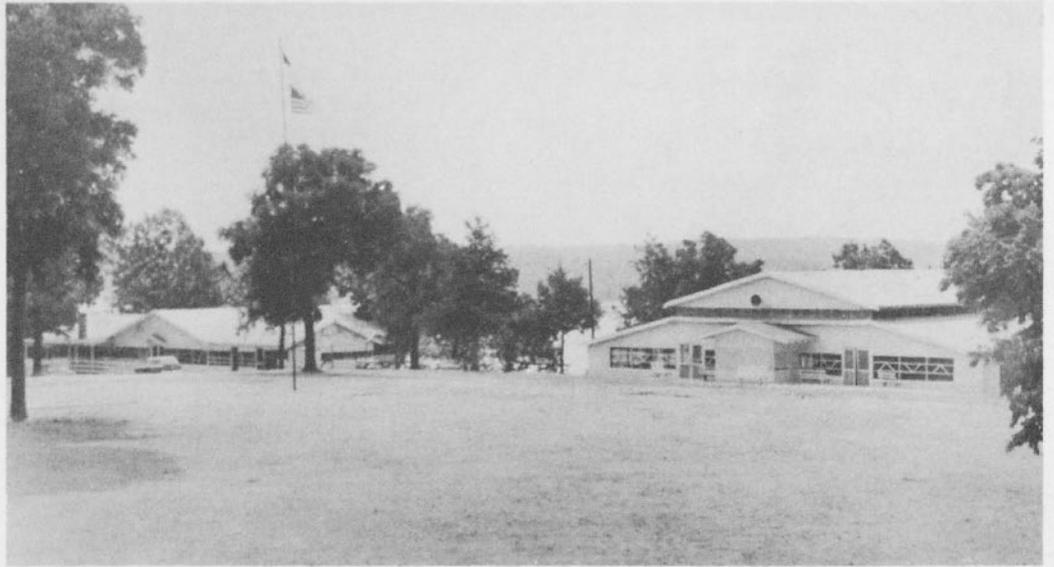
Broken Arrow Camp

Indian Wells, Ariz. (Bitá Hochee Trading Post)

June 12-18

Lois Carruthers and R. B. Caudle, speakers.

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Dining hall and tabernacle at Southern Missouri District Camp on Lake of the Ozarks

Northwest District Indian Camp

Lower Elwha, Wash.

July 3-14

Dorothy and William Reed and Edwin Jorstad, speakers.

For accommodations write to Lower Elwha Assembly, Route 3, Box 438, Port Angeles, Wash.

Apache Camp

Seneca, Ariz. (on Route 60, north of Globe, Ariz. in Salt River Canyon area)

June 12-23

O. D. Burkett, speaker.

For accommodations write to Oliver Treece, Box 55, San Carlos, Ariz.

CAMPS FOR THE DEAF

Kansas Deaf Camp

Overland Park, Kans. (Lakeview Park Camp, 7700 Antioch Road)

May 30-June 4

Speaker to be announced.

For accommodations write to Home Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.

Northern California Deaf Camp

Santa Cruz, Calif. (Bethany Park Camp, 800 Bethany Dr.)

June 13-18

Speaker to be announced.

For accommodations write to Cole Tyner, 800 Bethany Dr., Santa Cruz, Calif.

Arizona Deaf Camp

Prescott, Ariz.

July 10-15

Speaker to be announced.

For accommodations write to Joseph I. Peeples, 922 E. Montebello St., Phoenix, Ariz.

Pennsylvania Deaf Camp

Green Lane, Pa.

July 16-21

Speaker to be announced.

For accommodations write to Croft Pentz, 619 Grier Ave., Elizabeth, N. J.

Michigan Deaf Camp

Grass Lake, Mich. (Fa-Ho-Lo Park)

August 6-13

Speaker to be announced.

For accommodations write to Michigan District Council, 6053 Chase Road, Dearborn, Mich.

Southern California Deaf Camp

San Bernardino, Calif. (Camp Pinecrest)

September 4-7

Speaker to be announced.

For accommodations write to Mrs. Pittman Lett, 1487 South Crest Dr., Los Angeles, Calif.



Indians cooking their food over open fire at camp meeting



Sioux Indians at the camp meeting in South Dakota

Grandmother's Ghost

(Continued from page three)

that kind of home will help mold him into honest manhood. If Lois and Eunice had been mere socialites with no realization of the need for Christian training in the home, Timothy's chances for becoming a man of faith would have been considerably narrowed. When you think of it, it hardly seems fair. One man doesn't seem to have the same chance as another man.

But when God made man He breathed into him the spirit of life and man became a living soul. And with that breath came spiritual independence. No one has to be good. No one has to be bad. We are creatures of individual choice. No power can chain us without the consent of our will. We are free moral agents. Never forget the words of my text, "...the spirit that is in thee also." You can renounce the faith of your grandmother and become an atheist. You can resist your mother's experience with God and become a disbeliever. A man can become what he wants to be. A president may be born in a cabin. A saint can come from a house of sin. While we cannot entirely escape the powers of heredity and environment, we dare not blame our failures upon them. We can rise above them.

That leads me to say that we need another Unseen Power because the spirit of man, unaided, can never find the whole answer. We need—

THE HOLY GHOST

I believe in Him. I have seen Him

work. I have read how He transformed Peter the sandman into Peter the rock. I know how His glory shone in the face of a dying Stephen. I have seen Him at the deathbed of many a saint—have seen His finger touch the parched lips into a smile of victory. Oh, my brother, I believe in the Holy Ghost with all my heart. Without His Presence environment and heredity could prove too strong for me. He can put to naught the evil influences of the most devilish environment. He can cancel the hereditary strains of a thousand generations. He can also consecrate the faith of a Lois so that it becomes a living fire in the breast of a young Timothy. His power is unlimited. I praise God for the Holy Ghost.

Why do we not use it? Why is the church so impotent in the face of world revolutions? There is only one answer, my brother—it is because millions of Christians have not so much as heard whether there be a Holy Spirit. We need to preach this Pentecostal message. And those of us who have heard, so often fail to meet the requirements for releasing His power. God would manifest Himself today as He did in the Book of Acts if we would meet the conditions. Pentecost came when the people of God were all of one mind and in one place. So many churches are not ready to pay that price. They won't settle their differences. They keep old quarrels alive. Folk on one side of the church won't speak to folk on the other side. The Holy Spirit is grieved, and the work of God is at a standstill. We hug our little grievances while a generation is going to the devil. Somebody is going

to pay in eternity for the lost souls of men.

Neighbor, God's power is available today! For countless centuries primitive man lived on the spot where Boulder Dam now stands—not realizing the power there was at his command. It remained for our generation to appropriate this power to light our cities, run our factories, and cultivate the land. Just so, the same power that underwrote the Book of Acts in your New Testament is available to you today, my Christian friend. And it is that power that you and I need in our lives and in our churches.

Even though our faith may have come down to us as a goodly heritage—from Lois to Eunice to Timothy—and even though we have been reared in Christian homes and have had every advantage of environment, you and I need a Spirit greater than these. Without the Spirit of God we lack the power to proceed. Without God's help we stand there knowing full well what we ought to do and oftentimes longing to do it, but still unable to do what we ought to do. Neighbor, reach out now! God has sent His Spirit into this world to be your Comforter. He has freely provided a Helper.

I want to ask you this question: "Have you been filled with the Holy Ghost since you believed? Have you?" I ask you to open your heart toward God now. I ask you to believe that His power, like a rushing mighty hurricane, will sweep into your life and lift you up to the Hills of God. Believe me—you and I are "haunted" by the presence of the Holy Ghost. We cannot deny His Presence in this world of ours. Yield to Him now!



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TO CLOTHE AND FEED PROUD REDSKINS is an art," declared a bold headline in the *Battle Creek Enquirer and News* in a February edition of the Michigan newspaper.

Reporter Virginia Gust wrote her story for the Sunday paper after visiting the Carl Peppiatts, Assemblies of God home missionaries to American Indians.

The Peppiatts have been ministering spiritually and materially to Indians on several reservations for approximately three years. The newspaper account reads, "Helping to clothe 35 children is a tremendous task, but having to drive several hundred miles over ice and snow-covered, unfrequented roads to do it makes the task even more herculean.

"However, appalling as the assignment is, the Reverends Carl and Opal Peppiatt (of Quincy, Mich.) are packing their car with warm winter clothing they will take to Indian children living in the Upper Peninsula, Wisconsin, and Canada." The story goes on to say that some of the children the Peppiatts have helped had never

had shoes to wear even in the winter. It also mentions the help the Peppiatts receive from Assemblies of God Women's Missionary Council groups who provide clothing for the Indian people.

The report continues, "Though employment offers little except occasional work in timber tracts and pensions are small, the reservations where they (Indians) live offer less. They are completely without today's facilities such as adequate roads and electricity, and there's only one water well every three or four miles.

"The Peppiatts are concerned about the appearance of the Indian children who attend school. It is their belief that the children will meet with enough persecution without the added injury of not being dressed in a manner comparable to other students. So the Peppiatts take the great stacks of clothing, colorful and neatly made dresses of all sizes, warm shirts and trousers, underwear, shoes, coats, and bright, warm quilts for the babies.

"The clothing and gifts help to open the door to the Peppiatts and to Christianity. Even in the 60's of the 20th Century about 50 per cent of the Indians cling to their old ways of worship.

"Because the Indians are proud, the Peppiatts are very casual with the gifts of clothing or any food. If they arrive at a home around mealtime they just 'happened' to have some sandwiches and coffee in their car. The callers tell those they visit that there are too many sandwiches to try to keep and coffee isn't good if it's cold..."

The story mentions the beautiful headdresses and the Indian names the Peppiatts received from Chief Alex at Wilson, Mich. The Indian name be-

stowed upon Brother Peppiatt is *Papahmesa*, meaning "Thunderbird" and his headdress is a chief's bonnet of eagle feathers with tips of horsehair. Mrs. Peppiatt's headdress, a colorful beaded headband with a single eagle feather, corresponds to her Indian name *Showbahsegaqua*, or "Rising Sun." "To Chief Alex," the story proceeds, "the visit by Mrs. Peppiatt bringing kindness, attention, and a smiling face was like the sun rising over a dreary world, he said."

The Peppiatts visit the Wilson, Harris, Rapid River, and L'Anse Reservations, reaching respectively Potawatomi, Chippewa, and Baraga or Zeba Indians. They also contact Ottawas. Among their many Indian friends are Chief White Wolf of St. Ignace, Chief Little Elk of Mt. Pleasant, and Princess Morning Star, a 16-year-old girl who earns money for her schooling by painting Indian designs on serving plates.

On the Potawatomi reservation there are nearly 250 Indians on about 900 acres. Each family has 40 acres, but there is very little farming done. Sister Peppiatt says, "A person steps back over 50 years when he drives down the one 'road' leading to the reservation." An elderly chief, his wife, daughter, and grandchildren have now been saved through the Peppiatts' ministry. Several others have also accepted Christ. The fine Christian Indian interpreter who helps the Peppiatts has contributed to make their ministry successful.

The newspaper account records a touching incident which happened at Christmas time. When the missionaries were visiting the reservations distributing clothing and gifts, Sister Peppiatt was trying to decide what child would receive a small red wagon. A tiny boy came forward and touched the handle of the wagon. His desire for the pretty toy overcame his shyness and he said to Sister Peppiatt, "Thank you for the wagon. I've wanted one all my life." The story concludes with these words: "He was three years old. He got the wagon."

May God bless all who have contributed in any way to Indian Missions of the Assemblies of God. Without you, our missionaries on the home front could not have done what they have. A recent N.A.E. survey revealed that the Assemblies of God does 80 per cent of all evangelical work accomplished on the reservations. ◀◀

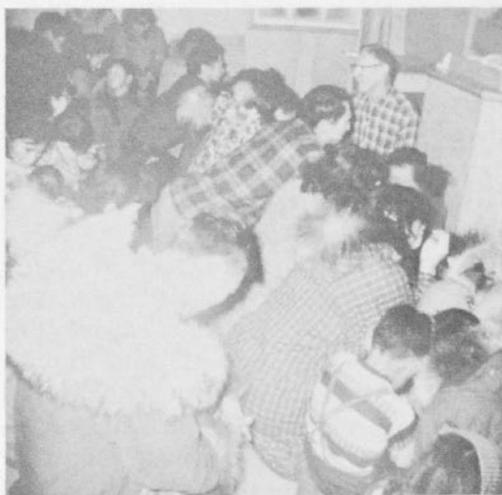


Opal Peppiatt points to area in upper Michigan where she and her husband minister to the Indians. The headdress is a gift from the Indians who gave her the name *Showbahsegaqua*, meaning "Rising Sun"

Eskimo Village Turns to the Lord

BY I. CECELIA PIPER

Missionary-Pastor at Wainwright, Alaska



There was never room enough at the front for all who desired to pray

A LITTLE OVER A YEAR AGO THERE was no Assemblies of God church in Wainwright, Alaska. Today, every man, woman, and child over twelve years of age with the exception of five or six, in this village of 250 inhabitants, has had a definite experience with the Lord Jesus Christ!

No liquor is sold here and, as far as we know, none is used in the village at present. Two moving picture houses were operating, but now there is only one and it runs intermittently. Tobacco and cigarettes have been abandoned by many and others are diligently seeking deliverance. *Yes, revival has come to our village.*

In 1959, God miraculously led me from the coastal regions of Maine to this village. I have preached from the Scriptures in the homes by flickering lamp light and in open-air meetings among campsites as we gathered on the beaches in distant hunting grounds. The Lord, by His Spirit, has helped the people to understand the Scriptures.

To understand fully what God has done here, a person should know a little of the background of this little North Arctic village. For nearly fifty years now the Presbyterian Church has sent traveling missionaries north along this coast. They have come with a teaching doctrine of Christ, but there has never been a time when the people have turned to Christ with their hearts. Open and often flagrant sin has always abounded and lives have been in bondage as real as though they were actually bound with chains.

In more recent years a native Eskimo pastor has been in charge of the little Presbyterian Church to which many of the villagers belonged. They were baptized into it as infants and later confirmed in the faith. The doc-

trines of the regenerating work of the Holy Spirit and the cleansing power of the blood of Jesus according to Luke 13:3 and Acts 2:28 have never been taught. As a result, true holiness before God has never been known.

When Missionary Alvin Capener and his family moved from Barrow to Point Hope, they stopped here about six weeks to build a new church for us. Brother Capener had provided for lumber to be delivered in September on the only supply boat that comes up the Arctic coast once each year.

Brother and Sister Capener and the boys, Regner and Howard, worked hard and sacrificially in bitter cold, often as severe as 10 below zero, to complete this new church. The Capeners stayed here, built, and helped dedicate what is now Glad Tidings Assembly of God. Then they went on to face more bitter cold and build again in Point Hope a dwelling and church for themselves. God bless the Capeners.

Shortly after the dedication, the Oscar Butterfields came for a series of special services. The temperature dropped lower and lower as the winter began to set in. Our people waded the snowdrifts in a gale of arctic wind and biting snow to come to church.

For the services, Sister Butterfield supplied music with her little ukulele and accordion. God wonderfully used Brother Butterfield and blessed the spoken Word. Night after night the church was filled to capacity. People were sitting on the floor and in the aisles, leaving only enough room for the speakers to stand.

Gradually, as the meetings went on, the Spirit of God began to move upon hearts of people. There was a general melting and with each service new vic-

tories were won for Christ. The miraculous Pentecostal revival, mentioned at the beginning, was on.

The Spirit of conviction was strong and people continued to be saved. Many testified to the change in their lives and homes, and concluded with, "I never knew Jesus could mean so much. I never knew such peace and such joy. I feel so clean *inside!* Oh! Thank you, Jesus! Thank you, Jesus! (Kuyanaktuk God!)"

One young man was so convicted he could not sleep for four nights. At last he could not eat either. His sinful life was constantly before him.

Finally one day, this young man drove his dog team to the mines for coal. This involved a trip of about ten miles across the open tundra. Arriving at the mine he found he could not even work. The burden of sin in his life was so great it seemed more than he could bear. Tears began to flow and there on his knees in a coal mine alone he gave his heart to Christ. Peace and joy flooded his soul as he prayed. That evening he came to church, went to the altar, and dedicated his life for service.

The best part is that the revival spirit is still burning. Strangers coming to the village for the first time say, "What a welcome we received!" or "Such a greeting we had as we stepped from the plane!" So, Wainwright has come to be known as the happiest village in all the arctic coast.

It has been over four months now since this revival came to Wainwright. In that time the church has continued to grow with the new Christians becoming established in the Lord and others seeking a deeper life. Over fifty consecrated Eskimo people attend regularly now and the congregation continues to grow. Some who were saved still attend the Presbyterian Church.

The Eskimo people have established a little oscillator and microphone in the church and each evening there is a "Showers of Blessing" broadcast that goes out over the village. Comfort in song, Scripture, and testimony flows into the homes. Prayer groups are meeting daily in homes. Whether out on the ice pack hunting or driving a dog team along the trap lines inland, the people continue to sense the presence of the Lord.

Thank God for those at home who are holding the lines in prayer and in support for our labor here in this *whitened* harvest field. ◀◀

Man in Space

BY JAMES F. LA VALLEY

AS I WRITE THESE LINES, ALL THE world is reading about the Russian astronaut who was hurtled into space and brought back safely. Major Yuri A. Gagarin made one orbit around the earth and less than two hours later was back on Russian soil.

The Russian achievement is spurring our American scientists to accelerate the progress of "Project Mercury" and put one of our own astronauts into space. Seven men were chosen for this adventure. Out of these seven, three have been given top priority, and one of these will be selected for the great adventure—probably within the next few weeks.

He will be "blasted into the emptiness of space, propelled by rockets at satellite speed. He will orbit the globe in a special capsule designed to protect him from the tremendous forces of acceleration, deceleration, and the fiery heat of re-entry. Finally, he will be picked up from a selected area in the vastness of the Atlantic Ocean.

"Great as they were, the epochal adventures of Columbus, the Wright brothers, and Charles Lindberg pale by comparison. Nothing man has ever done can approach this fearsome journey into space and back" (Bendix).

To navigate through space, man must break the barriers of gravity, heat, and radiation, just as jet pilots have broken the sound barrier. The powerful thrust which overcomes gravity sends the rocket through the atmosphere at great heat and into the void of space where deadly cosmic radiations engulf the ship.

After exploring uncharted and hazardous skies, at unknown risk to his life, a space pilot faces the even greater task of re-entry into the earth's atmosphere. The meteor-burning friction of the air could be lessened by proper rocket shape, but the greater the deceleration, the more gravitational

pressure there would be upon the pilot. There is thus a narrow margin between the limits of heat or gravity that a pilot can endure. With these barriers, then, will our American astronaut be able to enter outer space and return alive to the earth? We are watching the headlines to find out.

But there is already a Man in space! This fact is of far greater importance to us than any headlines about explorations of the heavens. Man cannot rocket beyond the starry boundary of the universe to reach the Throne of God for us. Neither can man send back to us the priceless possession of salvation. Yet the Divine Representative of man did just that! For "no man hath ascended up to heaven, but He that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven." "Wherefore He is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by Him, seeing He ever liveth to make intercession for them."

How did the Representative of man accomplish His tremendous venture for humanity? Before He ascended, the Son of man proved Himself able to withstand the searing heat of sin, the weighty forces of sicknesses and burdens, the subtle treachery of Satan, and the pangs of death. But in each test He proved Himself more than conqueror, "for in Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily."

How much greater are these victories than those which a space pilot must win if he is to fulfill his mission! What is the deadly danger of heat compared with the weight of burdens, sorrows, and sicknesses which daily bow down the masses of our earth? Yet Christ has Himself borne our sicknesses and carried our sorrows. He entered into the travail of mankind and applied His healing balm, bringing joyous release from burdens much stronger than gravity.

What are the piercing radiations of empty space compared with the Satanic attacks upon Christ as He brought deliverance to needy men? And through submitting to the final attack of betrayal and crucifixion, Christ made an open show of Satan's failure at the empty tomb. In His triumph over death, Christ conquered the final enemy which faces not only the rocket pilot, but all mankind.

And so, having overcome forces much vaster than any facing the modern astronaut, is it any wonder that Christ was able to ascend to the right

hand of the Majesty on High? Having experienced and passed the tests of human existence, Christ is able not only to understand man's needs but to meet them. Having died for us, He now lives for us. Daily He upholds the worlds by the word of His power. Hourly He mediates multitudes of prayers ascending to the Father. How feeble are the beeps of sputniks compared with the constant stream of answers to those prayers!

And if it is no marvel that Christ ascended to the Heavenly Father, then neither is His pending return any wonder. Christ said of His return, "Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation."

Compare the uncertain and hazardous re-entrance of a space ship with the certain return of our Lord. A few radio signals, perhaps a telescopic sighting, would herald the approach of the rocket. But when He that rides upon the heaven of heavens sends out His voice, it will be a mighty shout, earthshaking, heaven-rending, grave-splitting and flesh-transforming. "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord."

What is the limit of God's long-suffering? How far will man's volcanic eruptions of self-will and strife be allowed to contaminate the purity of the rest of the universe? God has intervened in history before, and will do so again. Of Babel He said, "This they begin to do: and now nothing shall be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Go to, let us go down." At any moment Christ may interrupt our space age by His return.

Are you ready to meet Him? Is your name in the Lamb's Book of Life? Or must you bow before His judgment scepter? Lift up your head, for your Redeemer is drawing near. Open the gate of your life and the King of glory shall come in. Receive Christ now as your forgiving Lord, and He will receive you into glory at His return.

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WITH CHRIST

CHESTER F. ROIG, 47, Grafton, Ohio, was called Home to be with his Lord on March 7, following a stroke suffered the week before. In 1947 he was ordained in the Ohio District and served pastorates in Elyria, Litchfield, and Grafton. He is survived by his wife.

WILLIAM A. MARSHALL, 71 of Moody, Tex., went to be with the Lord on March 15. He was ordained in 1933 in the Texas District, and served pastorates at Rosenberg, Moody, Wharton, Brazoria, Waco, Ganado, Belton, Stockade, and Rosebud. He also served as an evangelist.

NOTICE

H. W. Thiemann, Secretary-Treasurer of the Wyoming District Council, is moving to Cheyenne this month. Please address all

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STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Mobile	Full Gospel	May 16-28	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	Melvin M. Byron
Ariz.	Tuba City	Navajo Hopi	May 21-31	Gail Copple	T. L. Johnson
Ark.	Barling	First	May 8—	Billy H. Burris	H. Wayne Taylor
	Camden	Cullendale	May 16-28	H. L. & Mrs. Carroll	J. D. Middlebrook
	Paragould	First	May 7—	D. C. Ogden	Hugh A. Still
	Pine Bluff	First	May 14—	J. W. & Mrs. Walker	R. A. Thompson
Calif.	Chino	First	May 14-28	David O. Bunch	Claude White
	Chula Vista	First	May 17-31	Wallace S. Bragg	W. Minor Higgins
	Colton	A/G	May 16-28	Orrin & Ann Kingsriter	Thomas Benvenuti
	Oakland	Calvary Temple	May 21-June 4	Ron Prinzing	O. L. Foth
	Tehachapi	A/G	May 14—	L. H. Sheets Family	Gordon C. Jaus
Conn.	New Haven	Gospel Tab.	May 9-21	Jack & Clara Peters	Charles H. Miller
Fla.	Cocoa Beach	Palm Chapel	May 18-22	Ernie Eskelin	T. S. Shields
	Orlando	Fleming Hts.	May 16—	Vernon Cardiff	Harvey Stocker
Idaho	Meridian	A/G	May 14—	Linfield Crowder	Charles Slaughter
Ill.	East Alton	First	May 16-28	Bob McCutchen	Odis Cooper
	Lincoln	First	May 17-28	L. R. & Mrs. Sturgis	Earl E. Cornelison
	Peoria	Central	May 14-28	William H. Tabb	R. L. Farquhar
Iowa	Waterloo	Central	May 19-21	John French	Paul B. Tinlin
Kans.	Troy	A/G	May 14-26	William Lambertson	James Campbell
Ky.	Carlisle	A/G	May 16-28	Thomas G. Skoog	Samuel E. Phillips
Mich.	Dearborn	* Berea Tab.	May 17-21	Paul Hild	Theodore Ness
	Dearborn	** Berea Tab.	May 21-28	Paul Hild	Theodore Ness
Minn.	Elysian	Gospel Tab.	May 16-28	Jimmie Parrack	Ronald Rider
Mo.	Parkville	Northmoor	May 21-June 4	Floyd L. Dennis	Bennie Clevenger
	Sedalia	First	May 16—	The Tanner Team	Floyd T. Buntentbach
Mont.	Livingston	Gospel Tab.	May 21-26	Charles Senechal	Everett Nicholson
	Polson	*** A/G	May 15-21	Evelyn Glosser	J. R. Weaver
Nebr.	Holdrege	A/G	May 16-28	Eric M. Johnson	T. L. Beyer
N. J.	Washington	A/G	May 16-28	J. W. & Mrs. Beam	L. J. Miller
N. Y.	Attica	Christian Tab.	May 16-21	Bob & Virginia Bradley	Louis Lisi
	Brooklyn	Lighthouse	May 21-28	Harold Brumback	Arthur R. Stegen
N. C.	Dunn	Glad Tidings Ch.	May 14-28	Calvin Melton	W. J. Belbin
Ohio	Canton	Bethel Temple	May 10-21	Musical Vander Ploegs	Robert M. Graber
	Cleveland	Evangelical Ch.	May 12-21	Paul Shevchuk	M. Brandebura
Okla.	Broken Arrow	Alsuma	May 9—	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	C. C. Pontious
	Durant	First	May 21—	Al Davis	W. Ross Davis
	Mangum	First	May 21—	Leon L. Martin	M. I. Pierce
Oreg.	Milwaukee	First	May 19—	T. Texas Tyler	Bennie R. Harris
Pa.	Bethlehem	A/G	May 17-28	Ralph & Mrs. Bender	A. Alaimo
	Coraopolis	First Pent.	May 14-21	John W. Roush	A. R. Hartwick
	Freeport	Gospel Tab.	May 14-21	J. B. Woolums	Ralph Peterson
	Hazeltown	Faith	May 16-28	John & Mrs. Kellner	Arthur R. Hontz
	Lancaster	First Pent.	May 14—	David & Mrs. Howe	Derrick Hillary
	Midland	A/G	May 14-28	El Marrone	C. R. Rothert
	Mill City	A/G	May 16-28	Nate Killian	Theodore Kessler
	Pittsburgh	Evangel Temple	May 14-21	Sam Freno	William Bailey
	Pittsburgh	Wilkinsburg	May 14-21	Martin Baxter	B. H. Conant
	Steelton	Full Gospel	May 16-28	Olshevski Musical Tm.	Anthony Mayeski
	West Pittston	Italian	May 14-21	Byron D. Jones	Donato D'Andrea
S. Dak.	Sioux Falls	Gospel Tab.	May 17-28	Christian Hild	Andrew S. Teuber
Tenn.	Knoxville	Island Home	May 7-21	B. R. Minton	L. M. Hadler
Tex.	Athens	First	May 16-28	Frank Martin	C. E. Wilson
	Beaumont	First	May 16-21	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	Robert J. Willis
	Houston	Central	May 17—	Glenn Shinn	W. A. Wilkerson
	Marshall	Calvary	May 14—	Douglas Bartlett	F. G. Kennedy
	Mineola	First	May 7-21	Don & Mrs. Jeter	O. B. Cook
	Pearland	A/G	May 21-28	M. W. Wright	Sidney Watson
Va.	Portsmouth	A/G	May 16-June 4	Peiffer-Harden Team	Homer Peterson, Jr.
	Roanoke	Faith Chapel	May 16-28	Robert J. Price	Glenn Strickland
Wash.	Granger	A/G	May 15-19	Jim & Betty Sconce	A. E. Robeck
W. Va.	Falling Waters	Marlowe	May 10-21	J. E. & Mrs. Douglass	Wilbur Bell
Wis.	Milwaukee	Calvary	May 14-19	Bob Olson	John Wannenmacher
	Waupaca	First	May 16-28	R. L. Smith	Francis Jones
Canada	Edmonton, Alta.	Jasper Pl. Pent.	May 16-28	Oliver & Fern Johnson	J. C. O'Brien
	Portage La Prairie, Man.	Pent. Ch.	May 16-28	W. Clifford Nelson	P. C. Thompson
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*All Kids Roundup

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*** Children's Revival

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JOSHUA'S GREAT GOD

Sunday School Lesson for May 21, 1961

JOSHUA 10:5-14; REVELATION 19:6

Adoni-Zedek, king of Jerusalem, organized a league of nations in order to protect himself against the conquering Israelites. When Gibeon went over to the side of Israel his fear increased, for it meant that the resources of that city were added to those of Israel. Hence, he began an attack on Gibeon which sent a frantic appeal to Joshua for help.

THE HISTORIC ENGAGEMENT. Joshua 10:1-11.

Joshua Helps Gibeon. Vv. 1-9. Joshua's willingness to help those who had deceived him is worth noticing! But the Gibeonites now, in a sense, were sharing the afflictions of God's people. Their connection with Israel brought them safety, but it brought them trouble too. So it is today. The man who is saved and joins the church militant must share her dangers as well as her blessings. John 15:18; Luke 14:28.

The Lord Helps Joshua. Vv. 10, 11. Armed with God's promises, Joshua covered the twenty miles from Gilgal to Gibeon in one of his swift night marches, reaching Gibeon by morning and falling upon the surprised enemy. As the enemy fled, artillery from heaven decided the battle, for God was fighting for His people!

THE HEAVENLY ENABLING. Joshua 10:12-14.

God's Control of Nature. Seeing the darkness would prevent his completing his conquest, Joshua dared to command the elements to assist him! Those who deny the possibility of miracles either do not believe in God's existence, or believe He is a victim of His own laws, or else they think He wound up the universe at the time of creation and let it run on by itself. But what saith the scriptures? God not only created the universe but He also sustains it in operation, so that when He wishes to do so He can suspend one of its laws and interpose a higher one—thus working a miracle!

God's Interest in History. This battle in which the sun stood still was a decisive one in the history of the world! Says one writer: "It was a battle for freedom, for purity, for true religion in opposition to tyranny, idolatry, and abominable sensuality; for all that is wholesome in human life in opposition to all that is corrupt; for all that makes for peaceful progress in opposition to all that entails degradation and misery."

A Lesson in Diligence. The mighty miracle at Beth-horon proved to be the exception to the old saying, "Time and tide wait for no man." Time did wait then, but never since that day! Many a person has begged or wished for more time—the condemned murderer, the sinner to whom life is sweet—but all in vain. The clock ticks on, the sun moves on, we cannot prolong time! This being the case, our chief concern should be to "redeem the time" (Ephesians 5:16). We pass through this world but once. Only

that which is done for love of Christ will last. We shall give an account to God for the way we spend our time. Let it be used to count for eternity!

A Lesson on Prayer. Joshua must have spoken with that miracle-working faith which in the New Testament is listed among the gifts of the Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:8, 9). And "the Lord hearkened unto the voice of a man." God is still the same. He hearkens unto the voice of men when they cry, if that cry is the expression of intense desire, living faith, and submission to His will. Very often prayers are not answered because we pray without having any fixed purpose; or we pray for things which are outside the specific will of God. But once we meet the conditions we are well on our way to praying the kind of prayer that changes things!

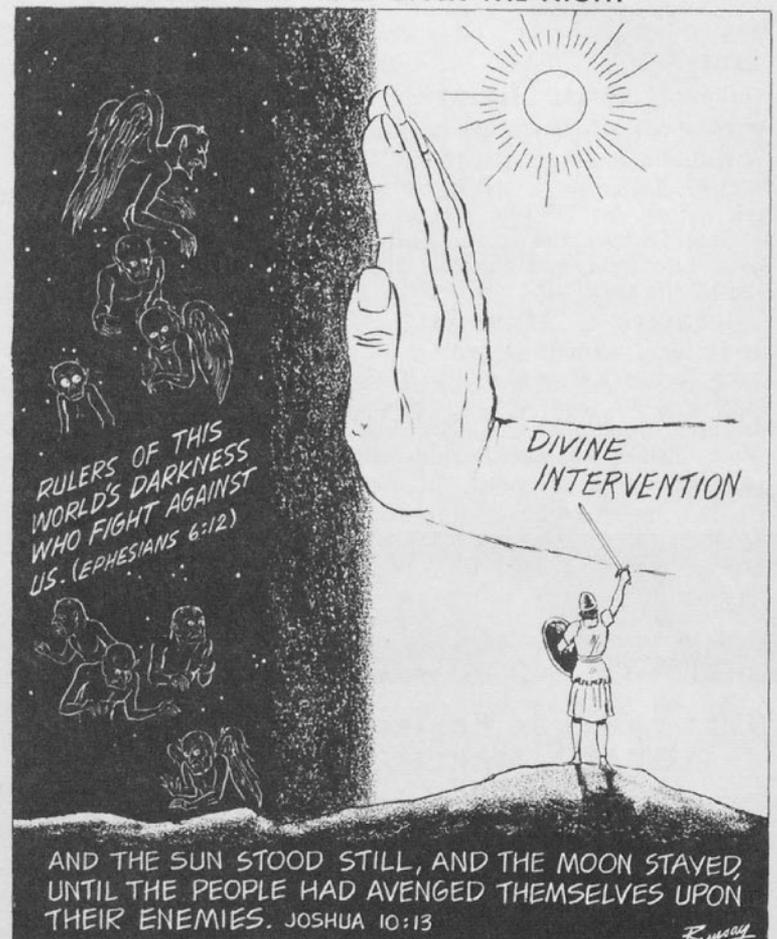
A Well-Authenticated Miracle. For many years the prayer of Joshua and the resultant miracle have been the butt of criticism and ridicule from unbelievers and skeptics. Says Sidney Collett, in *All About the Bible*:

"Few passages of Scripture are supported by such remarkable corroborative evidence, both from an historical and scientific point of view, as is this story.

"First of all it should be noted that Joshua's prayer, 'Sun, stand thou still,' should be rendered as in the margin, 'Sun, be silent,' or, 'be inactive.' It is generally held among scientific men that it is the action of the sun upon the earth that causes the latter to rotate upon its axis. So that Joshua's words appear to express with striking scientific accuracy exactly what, upon this hypothesis, would have to take place to provide for an unusually long day; namely, the rotation of the earth upon its axis would have to be 'slowed down' by a temporary diminution of the action of the sun."

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OREGON DISTRICT CELEBRATES ITS SILVER ANNIVERSARY

SALEM, Oreg.—Ministers and delegates of the Oregon District of the Assemblies of God met at Salem for the twenty-fifth annual District Council, February 14 to 16.

A spirit of unity marked the sessions of this silver anniversary council, and the presence of the Lord was wonderfully manifested in each service. Charles W. H. Scott, assistant general superintendent of the Assemblies of God, was guest speaker and ministered under a gracious anointing of the Holy Spirit.

Fourteen ministers were ordained into the full-gospel ministry, and several others received license or Christian workers papers.

Encouraging progress was reported from each department of the district work. Particularly noteworthy was the report of the foreign missions secretary, Earl R. Book. According to this report, Oregon churches contributed more than \$245,000 to world missions during the past year. This is a new record for the district.

Re-election of Austin H. Barton, district secretary, and Mrs. Annie Walton, district WMC president, took place in the business session. Officers elected for the first time were Mrs. Darlene Kaufman, WMC vice-president; Mrs. Winnie Rutledge, WMC secretary; and Wayne Fagerstrom, Men's Fellowship director.

Other district officers for the ensuing year are: N. D. Davidson, superintendent; Lester C. Young, treasurer; and Wm. Stephens, Sunday school and C. A. director. Elections for these three offices are slated for the 1962 district council.

GOLDEN WEDDING

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Flower will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on Thursday, June 1. Their children are inviting all friends to attend a reception in their honor at Central Assembly, Springfield, on Saturday night, June 3. The Flowers reside at 430 Woodridge Street, Springfield, Missouri. Prior to his retirement Brother Flower served for many years as General Secretary of the Assemblies of God.

FRUITFUL OR BARREN?

by
Donald Gee



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Donald Gee is one of the great writers and Bible teachers of the Pentecostal movement. Now principal of the Assemblies of God Bible College in Kenley, England, Mr. Gee has contributed much to the field of religious literature in the way of books and articles. His stimulating articles appear frequently in the PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL and his books are sold all over the world. Among the popular books this outstanding scholar and Christian has written are: Concerning Spiritual Gifts; God's Grace and Power for Today; Pentecost; and many others.

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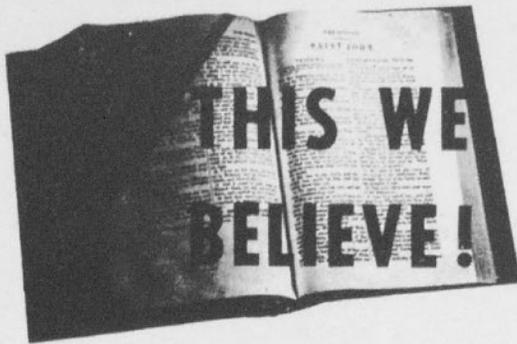
Gee and concerns itself with studies in the Fruit of the Spirit. Writing about this practical subject in a practical manner, Mr. Gee makes a strong plea for consistent Christian living. This informative volume is deep and searching. It will force the reader to examine his own life and discover whether he bears the fruit of the Spirit. Some of the chapter titles include: The Joy of Harvest; The Spirit of Christ; A Harvest—for Others; The Fruit of the Spirit—for Ourselves; A Harvest for God; Holiness and Spiritual Gifts; Fruitfulness or Barrenness; The Solemn Alternative. Inspiring and refreshing could best describe this new guide for Christian living.

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Burden of His Heart

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without hope. Will the pleadings of God go begging? Will they remain unheeded? Will the harvest in the cities and in the various countries of the world, like all other harvests, come to an end? Will many be lost because we have failed to obey the call of God?

The closest thing to the heart of God is the Great Commission—taking the gospel of salvation to the lost and dying. We can gladden His heart by answering His call and becoming a soul winner for Him.

Every Lord's Day sees men, women, boys, or girls at the altars of our Eugene church seeking God for salvation. Over a period of years this has been happening. It occurs because the people of this soul-winning church have caught the vision, and every branch of the church keeps before it the great burden of our Lord, the thing that is closest to His heart. Such soul winning will take place in every church where men answer God's most urgent call. Men, let soul winning be the major concern of our Men's Fellowship! ◀◀

Winning Our Families

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While we work and pray untiringly for a world-wide final harvest of souls, let us claim just as definitely the promise of Pentecost perpetuated in our own children. "For the promise is unto you,

and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" (Acts 2:38, 39).

DAY OF UNITED PRAYER FOR PENTECOSTAL WOMEN—FRIDAY, MAY 19

In accord with the burden to see this promise fulfilled, the women's auxiliary of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America has designated next Friday, May 19, as a day of united prayer. Pentecostal women everywhere are asked to join in prayer on that day that the Pentecostal testimony be perpetuated and strengthened from generation to generation till Jesus comes.

CHECK LIST

Here are ten points at which the WMC program contributes to the Assemblies of God evangelism effort. Check your WMC group to see how you measure up.

- Ministering faithfully in intercessory prayer.
- Witnessing personally for Christ.
- Sacrificial giving (time, work, talents, money) for home and foreign missions, including scholarships for foreign Bible students to perpetuate evangelism, and providing clinical supplies and bandages to assist in ministry to lepers and others.
- Individual "adoption" of missionary and pioneer families.
- Relief and commissary work, maintaining a heart ministry to the needy, thus reaching many without Christ.
- Contributing to the evangelizing of children by providing clothing, food, and cash for children's homes.
- Visiting and ministering in homes, hospitals, jails, etc.
- Distributing gospel literature locally.
- Preparing and sending literature and visual aid for missionary work.
- Sponsoring Missionettes, girls' auxiliary, for the perpetuation of WMC ministry.

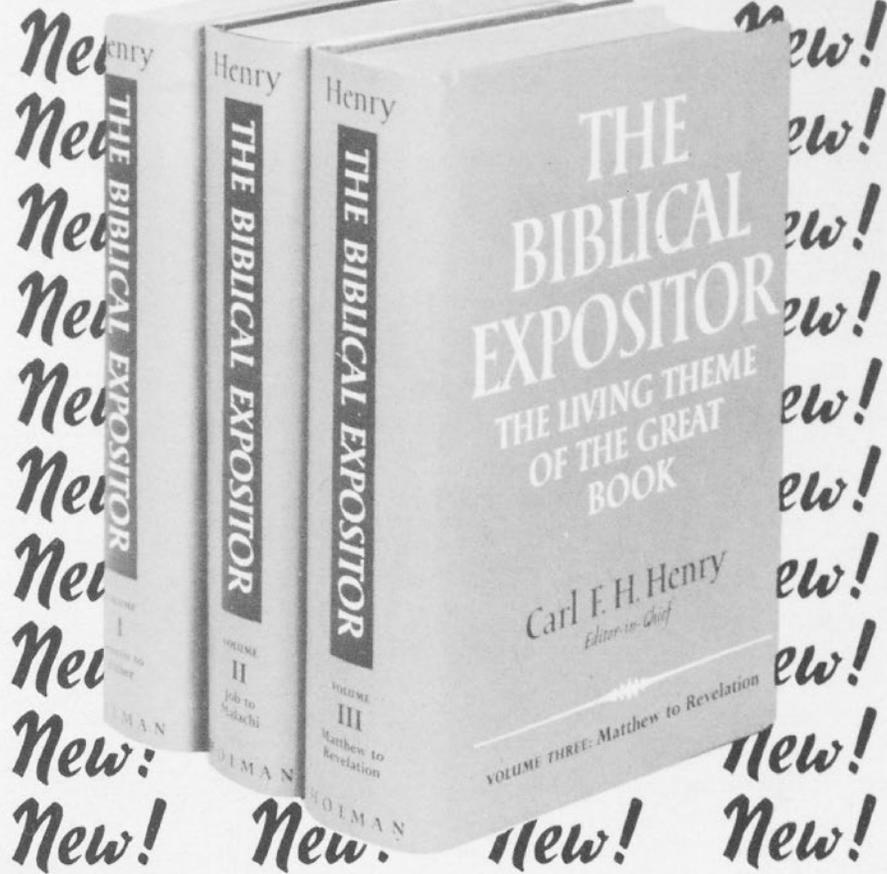
ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW JERSEY DISTRICT COUNCIL
—June 5-7 at Hotel President, Atlantic City, N. J. General Superintendent Thos. F. Zimmerman, guest speaker. Room and meals for entire convention, \$19.50 (Make reservations directly with Hotel President, Atlantic City, N. J.)—by Frederick D. Eide, district superintendent.

30TH ANNIVERSARY HOMECOMING
—May 21 at First Assembly of God, El Paso, Tex. Services at 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.; 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.—by William F. Hageman, pastor.

GREATER PITTSBURGH PENTECOSTAL FELLOWSHIP (consisting of five denominations) is sponsoring a Rally for Pentecost Week, May 20 at Soldiers Auditorium, Pittsburgh, Pa. C. M. Ward, speaker.—by B. H. Conant, chairman.

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Memories of MOTHER

A Christian mother lovingly placed a New Testament in the hand of her boy who was about to depart as a sailor. The young man was thoughtless and had become rather wild through mixing with worthless companions; nevertheless his mother had faith that he would change his ways and after he left home she never ceased to follow him with tender thoughts and prayers.

A number of years passed by and she had neither seen nor heard anything of her boy. She inquired of all she met who were likely to know the whereabouts of her son, but in vain.

Then one day a stranger knocked at the door and asked for some food. He was a sailor, and as she was always ready to listen to stories of the sea, she asked him to relate some of his adventures. Over the lunch table he told of numerous narrow escapes from death, having been wrecked several times. He went on to say, however, that he was never so destitute as at one time when he and a "fine young gentleman" were the only survivors of a vessel that went down at sea.

"After seven days and nights I closed his eyes," he said, and tears came to his eyes as he recalled the incident. He said his mate found a wonderful happiness in reading a little book his mother had given him when a boy. He said the little book was the only thing he saved from the wreck.

"He gave it to me," the sailor continued, "just as he was dying, and he said, 'There, Jack, take it and read it, and may God bless you.'"

"Is all this true?" asked the astonished mother, who by this time was trembling with excitement.

"Yes, madam, every word of it." And the man drew from his jacket a little book, much battered and worn, which he held up. "Here's the very book," he said.

The little woman seized the New Testament and looked at it incredibly. Yes, there was the name of her son, coupled with her own name, on the flyleaf. She gazed, she read, she wept, she rejoiced. She seemed to hear a voice which said, "Behold, thy son liveth."

God seems to pay special attention to the prayers of mothers when they intercede for their children. Perhaps it is because they put their whole heart into their petitions. Memories of a mother's tender love can soften the hardest heart and pave the way for repentance and conversion. All around the world there are millions of men and women, old and young, who have wept while singing the lovely song:

"When I was but a little child, how well I recollect
How I would grieve my mother with my folly and neglect;
And now that she has gone to heaven, I miss her tender care:
O Saviour, tell my mother I'll be there!"

"Tell mother I'll be there, in answer to her prayer;
This message, blessed Saviour, to her bear!
Tell mother I'll be there, heaven's joys with her to share.
Yes, tell my darling mother I'll be there!"

SOMEONE HAS SAID THAT WHEN THE DEVIL ROBS A MAN, the last thing he takes from him is what he learned at his mother's knee. In the midst of all the sensuous pleasures of Egypt's royal court Moses never could forget the teaching he had received as a child from his mother Jochebed.

The Bible also tells us of Hannah, the godly woman who prayed for a son and vowed that if her prayer was answered she would dedicate him to the service of God. When Samuel was born his mother kept her vow. He became one of Israel's greatest leaders and much of the credit must go to Hannah who taught him in infancy and followed him with her prayers.

Mothers are the world's best teachers. There is an interesting story of a London editor who made up a list of the people who had taught Winston Churchill. The list was shown to Mr. Churchill and he returned it with this comment: "You have omitted mention of the greatest of my teachers—my mother."

Not long before the death of John Quincy Adams, someone said to him, "I have found out who made you!"

"What do you mean?" inquired the ex-President.

"I have been reading the published letters of your mother," was the reply.

The old man's eyes flashed brightly. He arose and said, "Yes, sir, all that is good in me I owe to my mother!"

Another great American who cherished the memories of his mother was Calvin Coolidge. It is said that through all his public life Mr. Coolidge had only one picture on his desk, and that was his mother's. It was the last article removed when he left the White House. When he died the picture was in his watch against his heart. He stated in his autobiography that when he was a boy of twelve his mother called him and his sister, aged nine, to her beside, and bade them kneel while they received what Mr. Coolidge termed "her final blessing." The memory of his mother was his dearest possession and it had a profound influence over his life.

Thank God for good mothers. "I suppose," said a little child, "God could not look after everybody, so He made mothers to help Him." A mother's love and a mother's prayers have spelled the difference between success and ruin for many a life.