



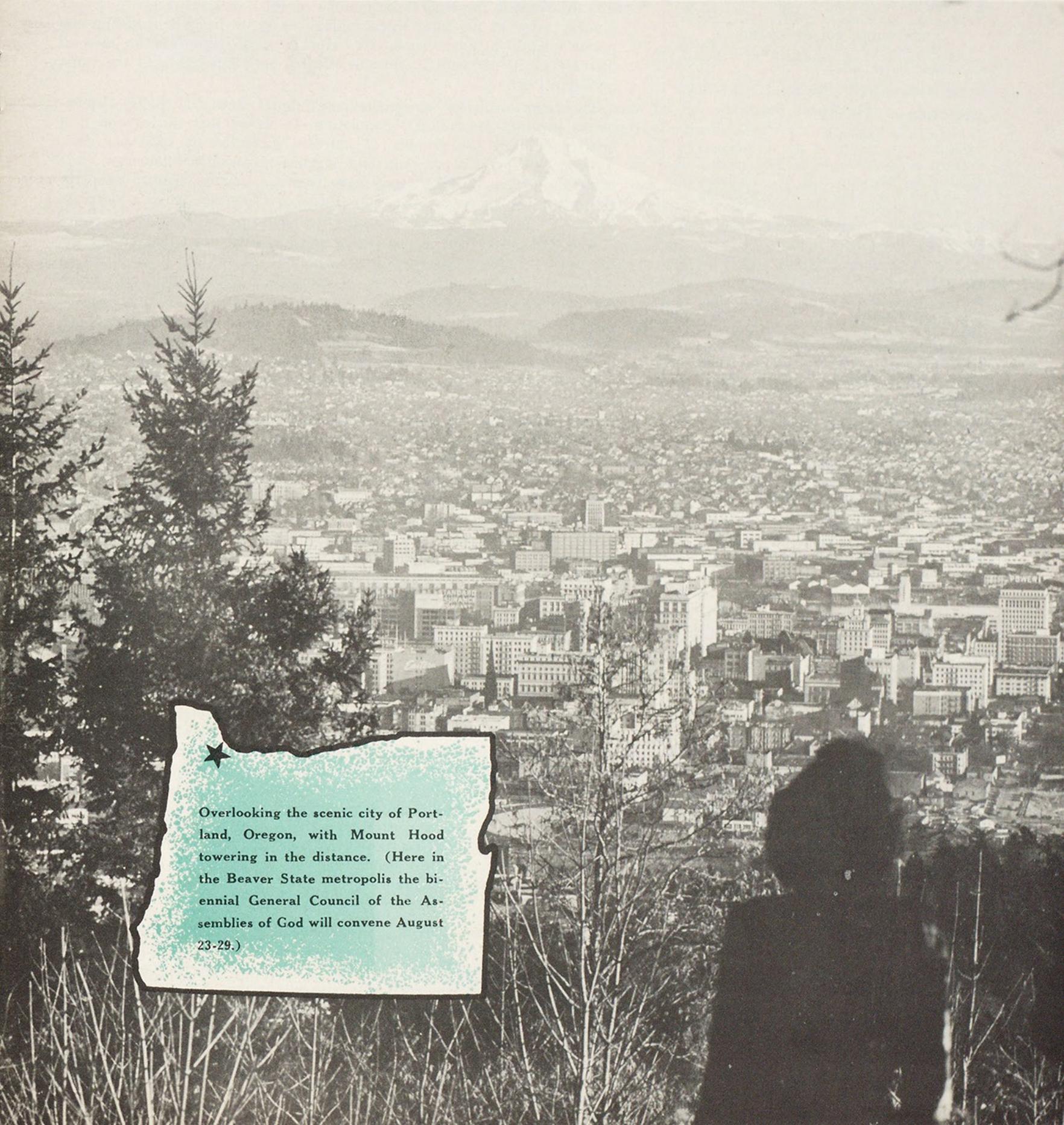
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Counteracting Crime

The crime rate in the United States continued its "relentless trend upward" during the first three months of 1961, FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover says. In the most discouraging report he has yet made on the nation's battle against crime, Mr. Hoover says there was an over-all increase of 10 per cent in serious offenses as compared with the same period in 1960.

The report is based on preliminary reports from 617 police departments in cities over 25,000 population. It shows that during the first quarter of 1961 the number of murders increased by nine per cent, forcible rape by two per cent, and aggravated assaults (stabbing, etc.) by three per cent, all setting new records. Crimes against property showed a big increase. The only form of crime to show a decrease was pocket-picking, which was down 18 per cent.

The FBI chief expresses particular alarm over the fact that "robberies, the most vicious of larceny offenses because of the force or threat of force used against the victims," continued the high incidence which marked the calendar year 1960.

It is a sordid situation. Well might our souls be shocked and our hearts tremble within us as we think what these statistics mean. Think of the lives snuffed out, the hearts broken, the homes shattered by these lawless deeds. Nearly every community is affected by the mounting crime wave.

What should our attitude be? Should we merely deplore the sad state of affairs? Should we shut up our hearts to the spread of lawlessness and just hope the evil will not touch us or our loved ones? Should we put it all down to a fulfillment of prophecy and say that the increase of sin is inevitable as Christ's return draws near?

No doubt it is true that we are living in "the last days," and the apostle Paul said that "in the last days, perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy..." (2 Timothy 3:1, 2). In the same chapter he warned that conditions shall grow worse, not better, as the end of the age draws near. "Evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse," he said.

Did Jesus not say we are the salt of the earth? Salty Christians will retard the process of moral corruption. Did He not tell us we are the light of the world? We are to shine brightly for Him when conditions are dark and foreboding, and not be fatalists or pessimists. Let us give a better account of ourselves than Lot, who seemed only to shrug his shoulders as the people of Sodom plunged downward into hell. If Lot had been a soul winner there might have been fewer souls lost in Sodom. As it was, the entire population perished except him and his wife and their three daughters. He didn't even win his son-in-law! God help us to realize that the gospel of Christ is still the dynamite of heaven—it has power to save the lost—and that the day of judgment for a wicked generation can be postponed by a praying, believing, soul-winning Church.

—R.C.C.

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Tragedy on a Thailand Canal

By F. A. STURGEON



The musings of an American evangelist as he witnessed firsthand the stark realities of heathen heartbreak.

OUR SMALL BOAT MADE ITS WAY slowly down the muddy, refuse-filled river. On each side the teeming city of Bangkok spread out before us. The din of shouts, the creaks, the squeals, all mingling with the various traffic noises, drilled into our ears. The indescribable stench assailed our nostrils, and our eyes followed with never-failing amazement the constantly moving mass of jostling humanity pouring through the streets.

We edged closer to the bank and turned into one of the numerous canals. These canals crisscross Thailand and form arteries of transportation for the people and their produce. Here were all shapes, sizes, and kinds of boats, and one must be an adept pilot to avoid collision.

I was in Bangkok as an evangelist, as well as a teacher in the Bible School which had opened its doors to the first students a few days before. This school had become very necessary, for the revival in this land had literally exploded in the past five years and was sweeping onward like a forest fire before a hurricane. The Finnish Free missionaries (Pentecostal) were God's instruments here and we were happy to have the privilege of working with them.

The banks of the canal, down which our boat slowly moved, were packed with houses. Small, poor, and mostly hovel-like, they afforded meager shelter from the elements. Everywhere men and women were working: building boats, weaving, washing, repairing nets, and going about many other occupations. These people drudge from early until late striving to make a bare subsistence. The scene, to our Western eyes, was most picturesque with palm trees stand-

ing tall against the backdrop of the blue tropical sky with its brilliant cumulus clouds.

The water slipping past our boats was unspeakably filthy, carrying refuse and sewage from tens of thousands of dwellings. Yet children were swimming in it, and women were dipping it up and carrying it into their houses! Still others were washing their vegetables and fruit preparatory to cooking the evening meal.

As I watched the constantly changing scene, my eyes suddenly were riveted in unbelieving horror! Could that bobbing thing a few feet from the side of our boat be a human head? I closed my eyes for a second, then forced them open to be sure I was not dreaming. It was true! It was the body of an old woman. She had been dead for some time. Her long gray hair, wafted this way and that by the waves, was swirling like a dancer's veil around the head with its white, water-serrated scalp shining through. I caught my breath and my stomach felt dreadfully queasy.

My eyes swam with tears, blurring the picture which the afternoon sun so mercilessly spotlighted. I watched the gruesome thing slip behind us, the wake of the boat causing it to bounce and bob with life-like movements. I knew that the river would claim the body from the canal, and then the tide would sweep it out into the limitless space of the ocean.

This floating body, unretrieved from the water, was a graphic illustration of the fatalism of the ancient religion of Thailand. No one would take the body from the water—to do so would have been to interfere with fate! This was her destiny and it must go on to its full

accomplishment. Those who passed by seemed to feel no horror or revulsion on seeing the body in the water; this was the way it was supposed to be or it never would have occurred.

I asked myself, what was the story of the life whose tragic ending lay before me? How had she lived? What children had she borne? Had it been their hands that under the cover of darkness had surreptitiously slipped her body into the canal? Or had she, when facing death alone and despairing, dragged herself to the canal's edge and slipped into the murky water, knowing that in a few moments her earthly life would be over?

Had anyone told her about the wonderful love of the Lord Jesus Christ? Had anyone given of his money that a missionary or national worker might go to her with the message of God's great salvation?

As I sat with my solemn thoughts it seemed to me that this woman personified all the millions in this land and in all lands of the world, who are hopeless because they are without Christ. A burden for lost mankind swept over me with a concern such as I have known but few times in my life. I wished fervently that every Christian might see what I had just seen, and might feel as I felt at that moment. I was sure that this stark scene would help all to realize in part what the heart of God must feel for the lost souls of mankind—souls that are as eternal as God Himself, and who are constantly being washed along the river of time, out on the tide of life, toward the sea of a Christless eternity! Surely it would make each of us less self-centered and more eager to go and give to our fullest to stem the human tide. ◀◀

Prophets of the Lord

By Violet Schoonmaker

THERE IS MUCH WE CAN LEARN FROM the Old Testament prophets today. They left us a glowing example of faithfulness in the service of God; and even though they lived so many centuries ago, their messages have a remarkable application to the modern scene.

James said we should take these prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord, as our examples of suffering, affliction, and patience (James 5:10).

Peter reminded us that we should give heed to the words these holy prophets spoke (2 Peter 3:1, 2).

Who were the prophets? Scofield said they were "men raised up of God in times of declension and apostasy in Israel. They were primarily revivalists and patriots speaking on behalf of God to the heart and conscience of the nation." They preached primarily to the chosen people. As a rule they did not mention Gentile nations except as these were related to Israel.

God has had holy prophets "since the world began (Luke 1:70). After men sinned, God no longer could speak directly to them, so He began "at sundry times and in divers manners" to speak to them by the prophets (Hebrews 1:1).

When Israel and Judah became more and more apostate and God determined to destroy them as nations, He sent prophets to warn them and give them an opportunity to repent. They were strong, courageous men who were willing to obey God and to speak for Him even at the risk of their lives. Some of them were slain. Others were persecuted. None of them was popular with the people of his day. Perhaps that is why Jesus always spoke of the prophets with such great tenderness and respect. In His sermon on the mount He told the disciples they should rejoice and be exceedingly glad when men reviled and persecuted them, and when all manner of evil was spoken against them falsely, for this placed them in the same cate-

gory as the prophets and assured them of great reward in heaven (Matthew 5:11, 12).

The prophets faithfully spoke the words God gave them to speak even though they did not understand the significance of what they were saying. For example, Peter said the prophets did not understand what they wrote concerning the sufferings of Christ and the glory that should follow (1 Peter 1:10-12). They were inspired to write of Christ's second coming, as well as His first advent, and they foretold the glory of His kingdom and the beneficence with which He shall rule the nations. They also wrote of Israel's great destiny which is yet to be fulfilled.

We need to know these things which are yet in the future, and this is one reason why we should read the books of the prophets. But there are other reasons too. The prophets give us a revelation of God. No other writing so beautifully describes our Maker as Isaiah 40. The prophets also give us a revelation of our Saviour. No other passage of Scripture describes the suffering Redeemer with such vivid detail as Isaiah 53 which has been called "the gospel in the Old Testament."

The books of the prophets teach us the nature of God, the depths of the riches of His knowledge and wisdom, His love for righteousness and hatred of iniquity, His everlasting love, and His great patience. They also warn us that men cannot disobey God forever without suffering the consequences. Jeremiah warned that the people would be overcome by their enemies, humbled, and painfully punished because they had forgotten the Lord (Jeremiah 13:24, 25), and the prophecy was fulfilled.

The prophets deal with social issues, but primarily their message is spiritual. They speak of men's relationship with their neighbors but more especially of their relationship with God. There is drama and color in each book. In Jeremiah we see a prophet weeping and lamenting over conditions in Judah. In Ezekiel we read about the "valley of dry bones" and the "river flowing from under the threshold." Daniel tells us of visions of empires. Hosea is a story of heartbreak caused by an unfaithful wife. Joel sings of the "latter rain." Amos thunders a warning to the nations. Obadiah cries out against the Edomites. Jonah takes an eventful voyage.

Every book has its own story. Micah speaks of the "little town of Bethlehem." Nahum tells of his burden for the great city of Nineveh. Habakkuk gives a climactic shout of joy. Zephaniah describes the "great day of the Lord." Haggai exudes hope and strength in the face of adversity. Zechariah points to the candlestick fueled by two olive trees. Malachi brightens the darkness of his day by heralding the rising of the "Sun of Righteousness."

Thank God for the prophets of old. Thank God for Jesus, the greatest of all prophets. God, who once spoke through the prophets, has spoken through His Son in these last days (Hebrews 1:2). Jesus is God's message to the Church and to the nations. His gospel is the solution to the world's problems. His voice alone can bring



peace to this troubled earth. He and only He has the words of eternal life.

Hear Him, believe Him, receive Him. "Oh earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the Lord" (Jeremiah 22:29).

May God raise up more men and women with a prophetic ministry who will proclaim His Word with power today—and may there be many who will hear what the Lord wishes to say. Joel prophesied that in the last days our sons and our daughters would prophesy (Joel 2:28). Peter repeated this promise, saying also that God would pour out

His Spirit upon His servants and His hand maidens, and they would prophesy (Acts 2:18). The need is not necessarily that they should "foretell" but rather that they should "tell forth" God's plan for His Church. In these days when wickedness and corruption of every kind are increasing, and when the Second Coming of the Lord is drawing very near, we need holy men who will speak as they are "moved by the Holy Ghost" (2 Peter 1:21) and who will proclaim the truth to the

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A Baptist Minister Receives His 'Pentecost'



James C. Wyninegar

THIS IS THE STORY OF JAMES C. Wyninegar who received the baptism with the Holy Spirit on August 29, 1960.

He was born in Memphis, Tenn. After high school he attended the Southern Baptist College in Walnut Ridge, Ark., where he received his ordination in 1952, and pastored churches of his denomination in Arkansas and Missouri.

In 1957 he went to Charleston, W. Va., to train for rescue mission work. He then came to St. Louis, Mo., where he established the St. Louis Rescue Mission. God greatly used him in this endeavor for nearly three years. The mission grew into a great gospel enterprise at which 600,000 meals were served, 150,000 men were housed, and about 5,000 were led to Christ. Christians of various denominations assisted in the mission work.

Then came an apparently dark day in the life of James Wyninegar. He went to his office as usual, to conduct the morning devotional service, only to find that the night before the mission

building had been turned over to another party. Feeling deeply wronged and greatly discouraged, he quit the ministry and took a job as salesman with a local furniture store.

It was at this point that Loren Wooten, pastor of Berea Temple in St. Louis, was able to be especially helpful to Brother Wyninegar. Previously the young people of Brother Wooten's church had conducted services at the St. Louis Rescue Mission from time to time, so these ministers were acquainted with each other. But now came that eventful evening of August 29, 1960.

It was Monday evening and James Wyninegar came to Berea Temple with a hungry heart to receive the infilling with the Holy Spirit. For many days he had been in the throes of indecision. Brother Wooten and other Assemblies of God brethren had counseled with him. Also, he had been studying Ralph M. Riggs' book *The Spirit Himself* and had been spending much time in prayer, Bible study, and meditation.

For a while this Baptist minister had indulged in bitterness and resentment following his loss of the mission building, but he decided to give up those feelings and opened his heart to the Lord. God met with Brother Wyninegar

that Monday evening and gloriously filled him with the Holy Spirit. Just like everyone else who receives, in the midst of his earnest praying he suddenly broke out speaking to God in a language he had never learned. The blessed Third Person of the Trinity had come into his life in Pentecostal fullness. Another denominational minister could now sing, "One of them, one of them; I'm so glad that I can say I'm one of them!"

But let Brother Wyninegar tell a part of his story in his own words:

"As I was praying, suddenly the Spirit of the Lord came upon me as a garment. I was praying out loud. Every part of my being was dedicated to the Lord. The Lord brought one scripture after another to my mind, and I kept saying, 'Yes, Lord, I believe it. Yes, Lord, I will do it!'

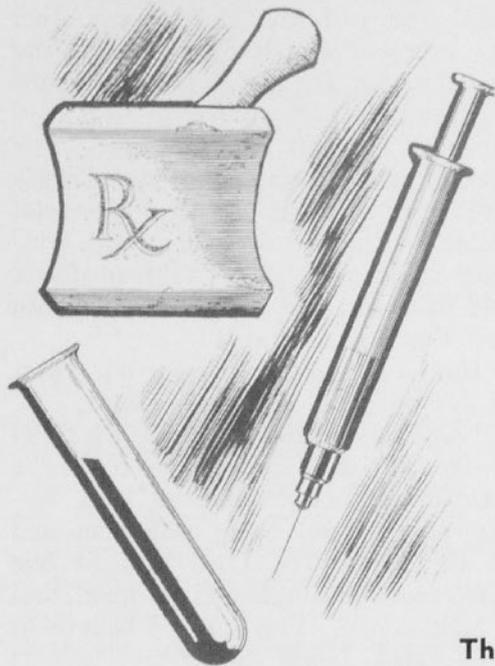
"I asked the Lord to forgive me for becoming so discouraged as to say I would quit the ministry. And God, who knew the sincerity of my heart, bore me witness by giving me the Holy Ghost that night. There came such a sense of God's presence. My heart was filled with blessing and faith, instead of discouragement.

"As I prayed, suddenly there came a surge of blessing on my heart, like a mighty wave from the sea. I began to rejoice in the Lord, and thirty minutes later I found myself prostrate there in the church. The Lord had taken control of my tongue and I was talking to Him in languages I had never learned, just praising God for all His love.

"The noise of the praying was heard by a member of the church who was mowing his lawn nearby. He came over to the church to see what was happening and he immediately joined in the little prayer meeting. (Just a few of us were present.) He too knew how critical I had been of Pentecostal people. But this night he saw I was a changed person. I had changed my views, and when I stopped fighting against the Lord He filled me and gave me the Baptism that I had often argued against."

Pentecost is for everyone. If you will open your heart to the Lord, you too will receive this glorious infilling. Never has the church more needed the power and blessing of the Holy Spirit. "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 2:39). ◀◀

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A Cure for Spiritual Diphtheria



The search for sin's anti-toxin ends at Calvary

IN 1899, IN AN OLD CEMETERY OUTSIDE the city of Jhelum, now in West Pakistan, my parents laid away the body of my little sister Mary, a victim of the terrible scourge of diphtheria. We were on our way to the hills of Kashmir for the refuge from the terrible summer heat of the Punjab plains when, because of Mary's illness, we had to stop at Jhelum.

When her illness was found to be diphtheria, no expense was spared to secure anti-toxin. None was available nearer than Bombay—two days and nights away by the fastest daily mail. Of course, they telegraphed for it immediately, but by the time it arrived it was too late, and we had to go to our summer camp in Kashmir without our little five-year-old sister.

I was only about seven when this happened but I remember vividly running into the tent one day and finding my mother writing a letter to her father, Dr. Robert G. Wallace. I saw a tear drop on the fresh writing. It spread over quite a spot and left an ineradicable picture in my memory. Whenever I recall the picture of the tear that wrote itself into the record of Mary's "home-going," my heart dimly feels again the sorrow I felt then at the sight of my mother's anguish.

The anti-toxin from Bombay did not arrive in time to save Mary's life, but my parents were very thankful that it did prevent the rest of us four children from contracting the disease. Yet what inexpressible sorrow was evident in their

cry, "Would that the remedy had come in time to save Mary!"

What is this anti-toxin that was so important to us at this time? It is a substance produced in the blood that counteracts the poison or toxin which diphtheria germs develop. If a child gets diphtheria, the disease produces a toxin in the body, especially in the throat. The child's blood then develops a substance which fights the poison of the disease. But many children, especially those about five years of age, do not produce enough anti-toxin in their blood to overcome the poison of the germs. So doctors searched for a blood that would produce this substance in abundance, and found it in a certain type of horse. Now when they inject such horses with the poison of diphtheria, their blood produces strong anti-toxin substance. This substance is extracted and made available to persons suffering from diphtheria. When injected into the patient's blood stream it destroys the poison of diphtheria. Recovery is thus made through the power of the blood of a horse which has fought and overcome the poison of diphtheria.

What an illustration of the blood of the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the sons of Adam who have been bitten by the old serpent! Sin, like diphtheria, produces poison in our life-stream. And human blood cannot produce sufficient vital opposition to sin to overcome it. Consequently, sin has infected all men and is conquering all opposition to its poison.

But God laid all that sin upon the Lamb. He accepted it and drank "the cup of iniquity" in the Garden of Gethsemane so that He might be able to offer His blood for a world of men and women dying of a sickness a thousand times worse than diphtheria.

Why is it that we do not regard sin as the most deadly of all diseases? Professedly we do, but often our very words show false notes in our profession! We hear ourselves making excuses for things which we consider "small inconsistencies" or "human weaknesses." Now we would never make an excuse for diphtheria! Even the slightest symptom of it would make us desperately determined to obtain a cure. Imagine discovering something you considered a slight blemish in the skin to be a malignant cancer! Can you see yourself making excuses for it and dismissing it as a "human weakness"?

Yet we who claim to believe the Bible are not above making excuses for ourselves when our "yea" is found not to mean "yea" and our "nay" is not "nay." And that in spite of the fact that Christ says this intrusion of deceit is from the devil.

Imagine making excuses for having leprosy and taking an attitude of indifference toward it! Yet we read the great Physician's diagnosis of the eye that looks with wrong desire upon an attractive individual. We profess to believe that such an eye is a symptom of something more loathsome and impure than leprosy, and yet we cherish

the very desire that infected our eyes! How prodigious is the deceitfulness of sin!

God ascribes this condition of our hearts to a hardening that has come through "the deceitfulness of sin." The first entrance of this deadly disease comes, or is liable to come, whenever we "hear His voice." We are at once faced with the alternative of believing what we have heard or doubting it. Unbelief hardened the hearts of God's people that came out of Egypt, and so they were not able to enter the land of promise. Unbelief opened the way for sin to enter and deceive that generation, and they perished in the wilderness. Unbelief does the same for thousands of Christians.

I find it extremely easy to *think* that I believe when in reality my words and conduct reveal practical unbelief.

We read much on the subject of faith. We hear sermons on it and sing its praises with fellow-worshippers. Unconsciously we begin to think we must be experts in this area. We forget that the conscious mind is usually a very superficial part of our being. The result is that while our minds are convincing us that we believe, our *hearts* are filled with doubts, questionings and unbelief. What a hard time God has with us!

Thank God for the faithful Spirit of truth! He knows how to convict Christians, as well as non-Christians, of sin "because they believe not" on Christ. The Spirit of God often brings striking illustrations to my mind and into my experience. At first I am prone to think of these stories as wonderful grist for my sermonizing mill or for my job as Bible teacher! But often the Holy Spirit kindly and gently says to me, "Thou art the man." And He has shown me the symptoms of the same disease in my life that I have been noticing in the members of my class or audience.

Jesus said the Comforter would teach us and bring everything to our attention that Christ Himself (the Word of God) had told us. What a privilege to have this Teacher as our own private Tutor!

During the years we were in India, our very dear friends, Russell and Frances Graham, were missionaries of the United Church of Canada in Central India. While they were at Jaora an Indian villager came to their home one day asking for medicine for a small

sore on his cheek. Frances, an excellent nurse, examined the sore and said to the man, "I'm afraid this is a very dangerous sore, but I am not certain. I'll write a letter to my friend Dr. Taylor in Rutlam where there is a mission hospital. It is only twenty-five miles away—you will be able to walk it in a day or go by train for a few pice. Go immediately, because if it is what I suspect it may kill you."

She wrote the letter and made the man promise to go as soon as possible. For two years nothing was heard from

Dr. Taylor or from the patient. Then a letter came from Rutlam.

"Dear Frances," it read, "I got a letter from you today, brought by a villager. I wondered if you had "slipped" for your letter said you were sending me a man with a sore on his cheek that you could not diagnose yourself. When I examined the letter more carefully I discovered that it had been written two years before. I understood then!

"If the man had come to me at that time, with the sore evidently in its

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It's Miserable to Be a Mule!

By Donald Gee

DAVID'S WRITINGS ARE REMARKABLE for his frankness about himself. There was one incident in his life that left a scorching memory. He had murdered by proxy one of the bravest men in his army. To get Uriah the Hittite out of the way seemed to David to be the only course left to cover up his adultery with Uriah's wife while the man himself had been at the front. So he wrote a despicable letter to Joab, who was in command, to have Uriah put in a hot spot in the siege, and then desert him so that he was certain to be killed.

The trick worked only too well, though it says little for Joab that he was prepared to obey such orders. Joab never destroyed that letter, and ever after could blackmail David with it.

David was fundamentally sound at heart, and after Uriah had been killed his conscience hurt. His health began to suffer. He lost his sleep. He became fevered. His physical energy left him (Psalm 32:3-4). He stubbornly refused to confess his sin, although his family knew about it. Worship became a farce. Uriah's dead face haunted his dreams by night, Bathsheba's beauty mocked him by day. Yet he was the king, and none dare accuse him. He clung with the stubbornness of a mule to his silence.

At last an old friend, Nathan, risked his life in being faithful. He challenged David's unholy guile with some holy guile, and told the king a story of selfishness that stirred David's "righteous indignation." Then came the dramatic

charge—"Thou art the man!" (2 Samuel 12:7).

David crumpled, and after the months of misery at last confessed his sin. He was like a stubborn mule no longer. The depth of his confession is preserved for us in Psalm 51 as a classic of the language of true penitence for all time.

The subsequent relief is best expressed in Psalm 32. It is the happiness of any man or woman who tastes the peace of sins forgiven. At last spiritual honesty had come back to David, and no guile was left in his spirit. He experienced what the New Testament calls "remission of sins" (Acts 2:38). It just means the "sending away" of sins until the cloud has completely lifted. For us it is all "for Christ's sake," and pardon based on the blood of His atonement is the entrance into eternal life.

After David had become right with God the old prophetic spirit came back to him. In Psalm 32:8 he writes as the conscious mouthpiece of the Almighty—"I will guide thee with mine eye." As Moffatt translates it, "I will teach you what is the road to take." This God-guided life is the longing of all our hearts. We can have it, if we are "not as the horse or the mule." A man who acts like a mule when he knows what is the right path to take is going to have "many sorrows." But the obedient man whose eye is upon God will find a way of life as easy and happy as that of a pupil and teacher where the exchange of one glance is enough. ◀◀

Challenge of a Growing Metropolis

By VIRGIL F. SMITH
Missionary to Brazil



COURTESY OF BRAZILIAN EMBASSY

Brasilia, the new capital city of Brazil

BRASILIA, WHICH BY UNPRECEDENTED activity is becoming a large, beautiful, and modern city, is now the capital of the fifth largest country in the world—the United States of Brazil. It stands half finished, seven hundred miles from the Atlantic Ocean and Rio de Janeiro, which for decades has been the capital city of Brazil. Five years ago there was not one house or a sign of a road in sight; today Brasilia is a reality. The president of Brazil, in his beautiful and roomy (but rather simple) mansion, and the congress in one of the shining new government buildings, are now governing Brazil from the new capital city, Brasilia.

Only those who have seen with their eyes can have any adequate conception of what is happening in this formerly little-known, little-thought-of, little-esteemed section of Brazil which borders on the largest unexplored region on the South American continent.

The visitor in Brasilia finds his head swimming as he contemplates the intense activities of more than one hundred construction companies building apartment houses, private homes, busi-

ness houses, banks, embassies, streets, parks, bridges, underpasses, overpasses, lawns, and power plants—everything that it takes to make a modern city.

This activity will go on for years to come. There are jobs and good pay for everybody. Business opportunities are on every hand. Many new cities will spring up all over this vast new frontier. New ranches, new farms, and new recreation centers are being formed. Thousands are coming over the new roads from all over Brazil, looking for a better chance, a better job, and dominated by the spirit of adventure. Big jet and conventional planes from all over the world land daily on Brasilia's excellent airstrips, bringing sightseers, businessmen, statesmen, workers, reporters. Some stay and some only visit, but they keep coming. There is no doubt that this will be one of the fastest developing parts of the world during the next years.

And along with the business, professional, and political opportunities, Brasilia is one of the greatest open doors for soul winning and church development that has been presented to

this generation of Christians. Men and women who come to Brasilia leave behind their traditions, prejudices, and family ties. They begin a new life. Their minds are open as never before. They have come to a new frontier. What an opportunity to give them the truth!

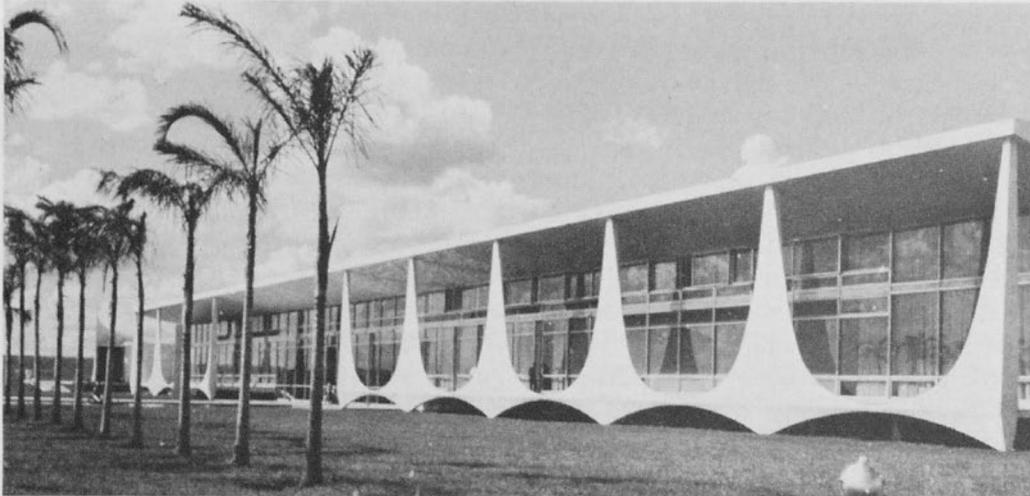
There are no old churches in Brasilia; everything is new. God's people must see to it that this new capital receives the truth, the gospel, the way of life, the Pentecostal message.

But the work must be dynamic. Nothing half-hearted is accepted in Brasilia. The daring, the valiant, the strong, the dynamic win in Brasilia. Brasilia is a big project and God's people, of all people, have a reason to be bold and do great things in Christ's name.

As I have visited Brasilia and have seen her theaters and shows open day and night, the conviction has gripped me that there should be a house of God open day and night also. I cannot throw off this thought. There is no joy greater than the joy of the Lord. When a house is open for the worship and blessing of the Lord there will be plenty of people to visit it every day of the week.

Among many wise sayings on the bulletin board in the General Council headquarters in Springfield, Mo., I noticed these words, "The trouble with opportunity is that it always comes disguised as hard work." Brasilia can only have the gospel through hard work and sacrifice. Many have gone to the city to open a church but have returned without doing it. There are many difficulties. The most difficult part is to acquire a place for meetings. There are no buildings to rent—not even lots for a tent. Land must be bought, and it is very expensive. The evangelization of Brasilia will be costly, but if we can get a piece of land other expenses will be

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Palace of the Dawn, home of Brazil's president

met. Our urgent need now is money to buy the land. I am writing this with the firm hope that among God's people some will be led to contribute to this cause.

If you should like to help secure property and build a church in the new capital city of Brazil, send your offering to Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. Designation: Virgil Smith—Brazilia Church.

MISSIONARY News Notes



COMING: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Merian have arrived from North India. Their address is % Mrs G. Stoddard, 11545 Ranchito, El Monte, Calif.

Home from British Honduras is Miss Violet Wilcox. She may be reached at 155 Holland Road, South Orange, N. J.

Miss Bonnie Roush has returned from Liberia. Her address is % W. A. Roush, DeSmet, S. Dak.

Miss Hilda Meyrick has arrived from Venezuela. She may be reached % Mildred Beall, 1669, Columbia Road, N. W. Apt. 302, Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brooke are home from Costa Rica and are living at Hartline, Wash.

Miss Helen Rye has arrived from Jamaica. She is living at 349 S. Washington St., Sonora, Calif.

Returning from Nigeria is Miss Irene Crane. She may be reached at 3755 South 137th St., Seattle 88, Wash.

Arriving from Japan are Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nipper. Their address is 3328 Hammond Ave., Fresno 3, Calif.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Hale of Bolivia have arrived in the States. They are living at 4611 Rockefeller, Everett, Wash.

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GOING: Mr. and Mrs. John Richards have returned to South Africa for another term of missionary service.

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BIRTH: Mr. and Mrs. David Irwin (Egypt) welcomed a new son, Daniel Kent, into their home on May 8, 1961.

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TRANSFER: Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bedell have transferred from the Philippines to Korea. Their new address is Assemblies of God Mission, A. P. O. 301, San Francisco, Calif.



Mr. and Mrs. John Richards

Elton Hill Named Administrator in North India



ELTON HILL, VETERAN PASTOR AND evangelist, has been appointed by the Foreign Missions Board as administrator in North India. He is leaving soon for Southern Asia and will assist our missionaries in enlarging the evangelistic scope of the ministry in North India.

In addition to pastoral ministry in Pomona, Covina, Bakersfield, and San Diego, California, Brother Hill has had extensive evangelistic ministry in the Orient, New Zealand, Australia, and Europe. In Australia he served as secretary-treasurer of the Australian Assemblies and editor of their *Evangel*. More recently he has ministered in mission fields which border Red China—Japan, Formosa, Hong Kong, Malaya, etc.

In his new position, Brother Hill will counsel with missionaries and national workers as they enlarge the evangelistic reach of our work in India. Literature and radio evangelism in North India have opened many new areas to the gospel. The enlarged evangelistic emphasis in industrial cities will build upon the foundation laid by these missionary programs. At present there are sixty-six Assemblies of God missionaries actively engaged in ministry in North India. ◀◀

Missionary Called Home

After nearly thirty-seven consecutive years of missionary service in Egypt, Miss Mabel Dean was called to her eternal home on June 4, 1961, at Minia, Egypt.

Born August 20, 1884, in Carroll County, Mo., Miss Dean later moved with her family to Chicago, Ill., where she attended Woodlawn School. After completing her education at Woodlawn, Miss Dean attended Moody Bible Institute in Chicago. Prior to her missionary service, Miss Dean was active in church work, street services, and caring for the sick.



Mabel Dean

It was while attending Stone Church in Chicago that Miss Dean received her missionary call to Egypt. However, wanting to be sure God had called her, Miss Dean delayed going to the field. One Sunday in the church service God spoke to Sister Dean, "This is the last time I shall call you." Miss Dean said she was so frightened she "shook like a leaf." Within three months (in October, 1924) she was on her way to Egypt.

Most of Miss Dean's missionary work was in and around Minia. Under her supervision national workers, many of whom she trained, and others of whom were graduated from the Bible school in Port Said, have built over twenty churches in the Minia area. Sister Dean began the Sunday school in Minia with three small boys from the street. Today they have two large Sunday schools in that city.

Miss Dean witnessed many special heal-

ings during her term in Egypt, and God met her needs in miraculous ways. She wrote recently, "When I think of the many experiences and how God took me through, I wonder how it happened. I am still in the way—just 'traveling on.'"

Although very small in stature—only four feet and nine inches tall—Sister Dean was a giant in Christ and His work. After going to Egypt, she had no desire to return to the States; it was not because of any conditions in the States, but because she felt her life and home were in Egypt. God had called her to that country and the Egyptians were her people. She faithfully loved them and served them until her higher calling to her Heavenly Home. The dedicated witnesses in the Minia area of Egypt today are a perpetual testimony of Sister Dean's life and devotion.

A letter from Sister Lillian Trasher states: "I have just received a telephone call saying Miss Mabel Dean died this morning about 2 a.m. They are bringing the body to Assiout for burial. Phil Crouch, Mena (Miss Trasher's Egyptian business manager), and Rose Armenia will go to the funeral. I'm not strong enough yet to be able to go, but I am very sad, as I loved her very much. I have sent word to her girls that they are welcome to come and live with us. She was indeed a faithful child of God—never went home, even once, since she came in 1924."

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THIS PRESENT WORLD

Convention

PENTECOSTALS TO MEET IN CHICAGO

The 1961 convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America will be held in Moody Memorial Church, Chicago, Ill., October 31 through November 2.

Delegates from the 14,000 member churches will make North Park Hotel their headquarters during the convention. Approximately 4,000 persons are expected to attend sessions of the fellowship which embraces twelve Pentecostal denominations. "Dynamics of Pentecost" will be the theme of the three-day gathering.

Schools

BIBLE CLUBS ORGANIZED IN 3,200 HIGH SCHOOLS

Youth for Christ now has 3,200 high-school Bible clubs in the U. S. and Canada. About 60 per cent of them meet in school buildings—before or after school hours, or during the noon hour. Where school officials oppose use of school facilities for religious meetings they are held nearby.

JUDGE DISMISSES ATHEIST'S SUIT AGAINST SCHOOL BIBLE READING

A Superior Court judge dismissed a suit filed by a professed atheist at Baltimore, Md., against Bible reading in the local public schools after he delivered a scorching opinion of opponents of religion.

Judge J. Gilbert Prendergast ruled that Bible reading and prayer requirements in opening school exercises were matters within the school board's discretion.

The suit against the 56-year-old school board rule was filed by Mrs. Madalyn E. Murray, who withdrew her 15-year-old son William from a Baltimore public school in protest against its daily religious practices. Her attorneys claimed that Mrs. Murray's religious liberty was threatened.

"Just how the *religious* liberty of a person who has no religion can be endangered is by no means clear," said the Judge. "If the Murrays had their

way, the beliefs of virtually all the people would be subordinated to those of Madalyn Murray and her son."

Judge Prendergast noted that the school board had amended its ruling to allow for any student who objected to the daily exercises to be excused. Mrs. Murray's son returned to school after the school board passed the amendment.

However, the jurist defended the practices themselves by stating that "if religion, pure and undefiled in every form, were removed from the classrooms, there would remain only atheism."

He added: "Our government is founded on the proposition that people should respect the religious views of others, not destroy them." He suggested that if the plaintiff's views were right, "it is even possible that U. S. currency would not be accepted in school cafeterias, because every bill and coin bears the inscription, 'In God We Trust.'"

Miracles

"PEOPLE DON'T MAKE MIRACLES"

After a 2½-year-old boy "died," was revived to a comatose state in which he could neither walk nor talk, then fully recovered, Dr. Max Sadove of Chicago declared: "You couldn't credit any human for this sequence of events. People don't make miracles."

BISHOP WARNS AGAINST 'DEBUNKING' MIRACLES

Episcopal Bishop Gerald Francis Burrell of Chicago warned Christians against debunking miracles. He said miracles are at the core of their faith, and Christians should not forget it.

"It may be a source of embarrassment to some churchmen to confess that Christianity is based on mystery and miracle," he told the 124th annual convention of the Chicago Diocese. However, he said, the "mighty acts of God" in such miracles as His Incarnation and the Resurrection cannot be accounted for adequately by symbolic explanation.

"These great historic events are the ground and root of the whole Christian faith," he said. "Either they are evident

and abiding truth, or our preaching becomes an empty, albeit pious, codification of the capricious moral style of the day."

Communism

FLORIDA SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO TEACH ANTI-COMMUNISM COURSE

Beginning with September, 1962, Florida high schools will be required to teach a course in "Americanism versus Communism." An authorized textbook must be used in the six-week, 30-hour course which will contrast the merits of American Constitutional government with the evils of Communism.

EVANGELICALS OPPOSE DISTRIBUTION OF SOVIET MAGAZINE

Charging that the Magazine *USSR* is infiltrating Nebraska with Communist ideology, the Nebraska Association for Christian Action has declared that distribution of the publication, which is issued by the Soviet Embassy, "has pointed up the real menace to Nebraska communities." At its annual meeting the association of evangelical Protestant ministers decried the "systematic infiltration of our educational institutions" by Communist propaganda.

Tobacco

COLLEGE GRADUATES SMOKE LESS

A sampling of 43,068 persons, made by the American Cancer Society, shows that college graduates make up the lowest percentage of regular male cigarette smokers. Males who attended high school but did not graduate showed the highest percentage of current regular smokers. The proportion of tobacco addicts is smaller among farmers, teachers, lawyers, doctors, dentists, and veterinarians than in the general population.

LIFESPAN SHORTENED BY SMOKING

Every cigaret you smoke cuts 14.4 minutes from your lifespan, Dr. Linus Pauling, Nobel prizewinning chemist, recently told students in the University of Toronto.

"If everyone were to stop smoking," he said, "the over-all life expectancy

would rise by four years." He based this statement on evidence that the life expectancy of a person who smokes a pack a day from age 20 on is reduced by eight years.

(Approximately half the population does not now smoke, or smokes very moderately.)

Foreign

JUDAS HONORED IN SCOTLAND

The *Monthly Record* of the Free Church of Scotland recently reported that a new organization has arisen in Scotland called "The Church of Judas." It states that one of the sights now to be seen in Scotland is that of a man carrying a cross and advertising this new organization.

"This modern missionary is acting," the magazine states, "in the interests of a Spiritualist body who, in their necromantic excursions, claim to have made contact with Judas Iscariot, and think that the betrayer of our Lord has suffered the contempt of men for quite long enough. Judas, apparently, is now trying to make amends for his betrayal of Jesus by founding a church on earth. What next! Is there any limit to the extremes of nonsense and irreverence that men will go to when they turn away from the Gospel of Grace?"

ATHEISTIC INSCRIPTION ON CITY HALL

In spite of loud protests from the churches, the City Council of Traunreut, in Bavaria, has declined to remove from the city hall's facade an atheistic inscription. It reads: "If there is a faith that can remove mountains, it is the faith in one's own strength."

Clergymen told the city fathers it is a contradiction of Christ's words, recorded in Matthew 17:20, which clearly indicate it is faith in God that can remove mountains. They reminded the City Council it was "faith in man's own strength that only recently led the German people on the wrong course."

THOUSANDS WON TO CHRIST IN TOKYO'S UNITED CRUSADE

The prayers of Christian people around the world were answered last month when the month-long Tokyo crusade reached a climax with overflow crowds. As many as 22,000 thronged the Municipal Gymnasium the final Sunday to hear Dr. Bob Pierce and his World Vision evangelistic team, bringing the aggregate attendance to over 237,000. There were 8,940 decisions for Christ.

The 740 sponsoring churches are now engaged in intensive follow-up work.

Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Does God know beforehand who will be saved?

If we believe that God knows the end from the beginning (Isaiah 46:10) we must believe that He knows who will and who will not accept the gospel. This does not mean that before the world began He foreordained the salvation of some and the damnation of all others. Such a doctrine makes a mockery of the promise that "whosoever will" may be saved. If men had been elected to damnation then they could not accept the saving grace of God. This the Bible does not teach.

Why do people say, "Come and receive the Baptism," when the expression "baptized with the Holy Ghost" is not used after the Day of Pentecost?

The phrase, "Receive the Baptism," is a way of saying, "Receive ye the Holy Ghost," or, "Be filled with the Spirit" (John 20:22 and Ephesians 5:18). Since John the Baptist said, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost" (Matthew 3:11), and Jesus said, "Ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence" (Acts 1:5), this term (the Baptism) is used to express the need of a similar experience in our day.

If there will be no sickness nor death in the new heavens and new earth, why does the Bible say that "the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations" (Revelation 22:2)?

I believe the thought is that partaking of this "tree of life" will provide not only healing of bodily sickness but also healing of the sin-sickness which the world has suffered since the fall of man. The nations will no longer seek to destroy. All conditions will be healthful, helpful, and peaceful "for the former things are passed away" (Revelation 21:4).

What is meant when ministers say, "Be careful of the flesh"? Why don't they use language that ordinary people can understand?

Christians have developed a vocabulary which they understand but which may not be intelligible to those outside the church. When speaking to strangers it is well to use language that is easily understood. To "be careful of the flesh" means that we need to watch against giving place to evil. We are to "keep our bodies under"—that is, to discipline ourselves—that we may walk after the Spirit and not follow our fleshly or human desires too far. We are to avoid those things that would separate the soul from God. We are to "mortify the deeds of the body" rather than indulge in carnal pleasures. Some of these "works of the flesh" are listed in Galatians 5:16-21.

I am told it is wrong to eat pork. Is this so?

From the standpoint of health, many believe we are better off by not eating pork. This is probably true. The Old Testament forbade pork and certain other foods but according to the New Testament we are not under these Mosaic laws. Paul said, "For every creature of God is good, and nothing to be refused, if it be received with thanksgiving: for it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer" (1 Timothy 4:4, 5). He also said, "For one believeth that he may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs. . . . I know, and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, that there is nothing unclean of itself: but to him that esteemeth anything to be unclean, to him it is unclean. . . . For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost" (Romans 14:2, 14, 17).

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Missouri. Brother Williams will answer either in this column or by a personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).

'GOING UP TO JERUSALEM'

With a party of delegates to the Sixth World Pentecostal Conference

REPORTED BY DON MALLOWH

Jerusalem, Israel
Thursday, May 18, 1961

THIS MORNING WE TRAVELED FROM EGYPT here by plane in a little less than two hours; the route was that which took the Israelites forty years to traverse. We landed on the Jordan side and then walked through the Mendelbaum Gate. Over 1500 came through that gate today and the vast majority were coming to the World Conference.

We stayed at the headquarters hotel, the King David. The rooms are spacious, the meals would please the most particular person, and the garden grounds are exceedingly beautiful. Every person with a camera (and that excludes very few) will bring home evidence of that beauty. We are within sight of the hotel where we stayed last week while in the Old City and yet the two are so different; and between them is a no-man's-land with armed guards. What folly that this ancient and holy city should be so divided and that such animosities and tensions exist.

The lobby is buzzing with a happy throng. Just to stand by and watch expressions of delight and the hearty greetings is a thrill in itself. To participate in such greetings makes the joy complete. Surely this will be a different World Conference and a great one.

Jerusalem, Israel
Friday, May 19

It was a never-to-be-forgotten sight when the people gathered at the Nations Building this morning for the first meeting of the World Conference. The day was clear and beautiful and everyone was buoyant of spirit. The greetings and salutations were in many languages. This was what all of us had been waiting for.

Within the auditorium there were sections reserved for twenty-five countries. The two principle languages used were English and Swedish, but many other language groups had their own interpreters.

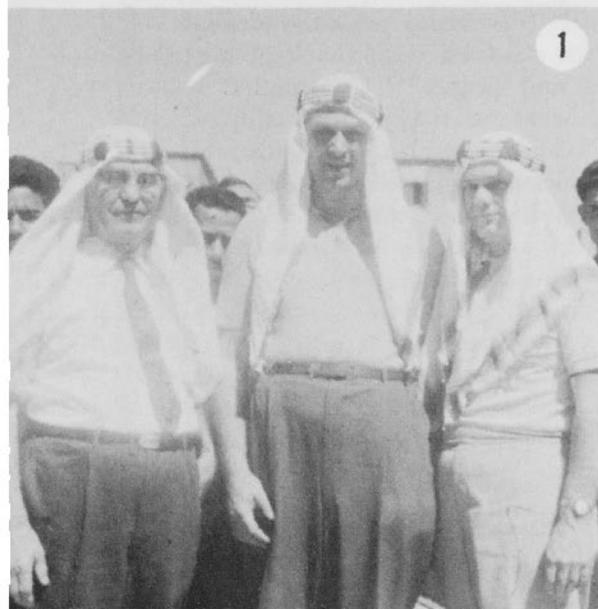
During the singing each group would detect the melody of the song and then sing it in their own tongue. At the piano was Fred Parlee of Toronto, Canada, and at the organ Christine McEachern of El Paso, Texas. Laurence Svenlund of Stockholm directed the singing and sang several solos throughout the day. An eighteen-piece brass band from the Filadelfia Church in Stockholm contributed much to the services. The morning session was climaxed

with a fine message by H. W. Greenway, secretary general of the Elim Four-square Gospel Alliance of London, England. He spoke forcefully on "The Purpose of Pentecost."

The afternoon service was largely devoted to messages of welcome from government officials. The Honorable Mr. Mordekkai Ish Shalom, Mayor of Jerusalem, spoke his message in Hebrew and it was interpreted by Rabbi Nathan. The response was given by Donald Gee of England. Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion had been scheduled for an address but because of his impending trip to North America he was unable to be with us. He expressed his regrets in a long letter in his own handwriting. The main address was given by the Honorable Abba Eben, Minister of Education and Culture for the Israeli government. The response was given by Lewi Pethrus of Sweden. Then as the service was concluded the Mayor presented each of the almost 3,000 delegates a beautiful souvenir medallion.

Greetings were read from various parts of the world. Among them was a message from the Pentecostal brethren

(1) Three American conference delegates who, by their appearance, might have passed for Arabs, but their speech betrayed them: (left to right) C. W. Loenser, Don Mallowh, Walter Mussen. (2) The pastor and his eight men from Yorkshire, England, who drove 3,500 miles overland to get to the conference. (3) Presbyterian pastor, James Brown of Pennsylvania, telling the conference of his Pentecostal experience. (4) Members of



ren in Russian which was signed by three of their leading pastors.

The schedule of services here seems unusual. The afternoon session is from two to four o'clock. Then there is a break of an hour and the evening service is from five to seven, after which the delegates go to their hotels for the evening meal. Many delegates could not get accommodations in Jerusalem and some are lodged as far away as Tel Aviv. A fleet of buses transports all delegates to and from their hotels. Many have commented that they enjoy eating their evening meal in leisure at the end of a full day.

The appeal for the offerings at the conference is most interesting. Delegates are urged to give in their own money but it is constantly emphasized that they must give paper money only. Silver is useless in that it cannot be changed to another currency. Many a preacher in America has appealed for a silent, paper offering, but never had the strong reasons for it that are given here.

The capstone of a glorious day came with a rousing message by Roberto Bracco of Rome. His interpreter was Andrew Nelli of North Hollywood, Calif. We left the meeting thanking God for the privilege of attending a gathering like this.

Jerusalem, Israel
Saturday, May 20

The weather has been ideal for this conference and so many have remarked about it. The congregational singing is grand. If anything it is improving as everyone is getting accustomed to singing in various languages, and the leaders know better which songs and choruses are universally known.

the Advisory Committee for the Sixth World Pentecostal Conference. (5) Eino I. Manninen of Helsinki, Finland, who will be host to the Seventh World Pentecostal Conference in 1964. (6) Donald Gee, chairman of the Advisory Committee for the Seventh World Pentecostal Conference. (7) Partial view of the 2,595 delegates whose voices mingled in praise to God for this world-wide Pentecostal revival.

A few matters of business were handled this morning. Donald Gee, Editor of *Pentecost*, gave a report on the magazine. It was announced that this fine quarterly journal now has a circulation of 6,319 with the bulk of them in the English-speaking world. England leads all other countries in subscribers.

This is Brother Gee's 70th birthday and the congregation stood to sing "Happy Birthday." A beautiful Bible, with a silver cover embossed with the handiwork of Yemenite Jews, was presented to him.

The message of the morning was brought by James a Cross, General Overseer of the Church of God, U.S.A. He spoke on the theme, "Pentecost Perpetuated."

In the afternoon service a roll was called of the forty countries from which delegates have registered and each group stood to the resounding applause of their fellow delegates. Representatives of some of the groups brought greetings to the body, as time permitted.

Two beautiful vocal selections were rendered by Svante Smedman of Finland and Mrs. Ardis McDaniel, a missionary to Germany. The afternoon message was brought by Eino I. Manninen, pastor of Salem Church in Helsinki, Finland, which will be host to the 1964 World Conference. One continually hears remarks about the excellent preaching we are hearing.

In the early part of the evening meeting Philip Duncan of Australia prayed for those who were sick. There was another thrilling time of singing and the people were greatly blessed. On behalf of the Advisory Committee, Donald Gee read a lengthy official state-



The band from Stockholm, Sweden, which contributed much to all the services. Lawrence Svenlund of Stockholm led the singing and also thrilled the assemblage with his vocal solos.



Thomas F. Zimmerman bringing a challenging address to climax the conference. A Swedish interpreter stood by his side while numerous other interpreters were busy among the people.



ment calling upon all the Church to return to the Word of God and its teachings concerning Pentecost.

A group from England, which had just arrived at the Conference, was called to the platform. Pastor David Hathaway from Yorkshire, England, and eight of his men had traveled overland in a small bus and were still in their traveling clothes. They had covered 3,500 miles in nine and one-half days and had gone through twelve countries. To Americans that would be no great feat of travel, but by many they were looked upon as bold adventurers.

The climax of a great day came when Dr. James Brown, Presbyterian pastor from Parkesburg, Pa. who now has received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, told what God has done for him and his family. He veritably electrified the congregation and thousands returned to their rooms talking of the goodness of the Lord.

Jerusalem, Israel
Sunday, May 21

This is the day for which we have been waiting. Here we are in Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost. Every delegate senses that this is a unique experience. Volumes of praise swell from thousands of voices and God moves upon us in a significant way.

One young man went to the historic upper room and there received his personal Pentecostal experience as did the disciples of long ago.

The message of the morning was brought by the esteemed Pentecostal veteran, Lewi Pethrus, of Stockholm. Aably assisting him as interpreter was Frank J. Lindquist of Minneapolis.

Following the sermon, communion was served to every person in the vast auditorium. There was a hallowed sense of the presence of God which was most distinctive and impressive. Through the efforts of James Montgomery of Canada a staff of men was organized so efficiently that the entire congregation was served within fifteen minutes.

During the afternoon preliminaries M. G. McLuhan of Southern Rhodesia brought a beautiful message in song, and later Laurence Svenlund sang "The Holy City." The stirring message was brought by D. L. Williams, Presiding Bishop of the Church of God in Christ.

By evening we were much aware that this glorious occasion was drawing to a close. It has been all too short. After another inspiring song service W. Crawford Jones played a trombone solo and

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As Told to ANNE SANDBERG

Confessions of a Stepmother

IT TOOK SEVEN YEARS OF CONFLICT with my teen-age son before I realized that I was the one who needed training.

Not long after marrying a widower with a nine-year-old son, I discovered the difficulty of a stepmother's role. My stepson and I locked horns the moment I determined that he was an antagonistic, resentful "problem child" needing strict training in the fear of God. I at once began to administer discipline, heavily seasoned with the gospel, plus some prayer and a sprinkle or two of love (since all children needed a bit of that too).

For a while my authoritarian methods seemed reasonably successful. But severe complications arose during the boy's adolescence.

His radio or hi-fi incessantly blared hideous popular tunes; his friends were uncouth; he had no interest in school. At home he was irresponsible and insolent to his parents. But the greatest heartache was his complete indifference to the spiritual life. We practically had to compel him to attend Sunday school and church.

The birth of my daughter three years after marriage added opportunities for friction, and the situation became so unbearable that I was at the point of a nervous breakdown. As a sincere Christian it grieved me deeply.

In this state of despair and frustration, I heard a sermon that the Christian's chief responsibility toward others is love. "Because God has shown us great mercy," the preacher said, "we ought to do likewise to others, showing no partiality. Pray for those who try you; ask God to bless, not curse them. Show others the same love and compassion that God is continually showering upon you."

Responding immediately to these instructions, I embarked on a new method of teen-age training. The test came when the boy brought into his basement workshop a jukebox to repair and sell.

The dreaded day arrived when "the thing" was ready to play. Sometimes I felt the foundations of the house would "rock and roll" under the impact of the horrible sounds turned on double forte and non-stop. (Surely the devil himself must have invented it.)

However, I said nothing, but prayed the Lord's blessing and mercy upon him, concluding with, "And O God, please, *please* do something about that maddening jukebox." The Lord apparently ignored my desperate pleas. Nothing budged. Our home continued to throb with jungle rhythm. I valiantly resisted the temptation to scream, "Take that thing out of here before you drive me crazy!"

One morning while I was praying the Lord said, "Why don't you let me take over?"

"You take over?" I asked, respectfully but skeptically. My old dander threatened to spout like a geyser. Does God want to take away all my rights as a mother? Is it not my maternal duty to guide the home, to discipline the children, to bring them up for the Lord? Who else must tell a child to brush his teeth, do his school work, get in before dark. . . .

"But just a minute," the Inner Voice told me. "Your son is no longer a child; he is a teen-ager—almost an adult. It's one thing to train up a child in the way he should go. It's quite another to train up a teen-ager. Haven't you noticed that the more authoritarian you have been, the more he has resisted you? Perhaps the Lord is trying to teach you something. . . ."

The Lord patiently waited until I stopped sputtering. His gently persistent question re-echoed in my soul, "Why don't you let Me take over?" Could it be that He knew how to handle a teen-ager better than I?

Meekly I replied, "Then does it mean that I am to be just a member of the household, and take orders from you?"

"Yes," the Lord replied; "it means just that."

A strong personality type such as I am does not find it easy to submit, but God has ways of making us willing. I finally said, "Yes, Lord."

Then began the painful process of surrendering the reins which I had held so firmly over the years. One great source of contention had been that after the boy left school he refused to seek a job. He simply hibernated every day until noon. I now stopped nagging and just committed him to the Lord. "If You let him sleep all day," I said, "it's all right with me."

But I must confess that at first, despite my consecration to simply pray and let the Lord take over the responsibility, my heart often boiled with what I thought was indignation over the boy's conduct. (Later I had to admit, however, that my "righteous indignation" was nothing but temper, the ugliness of which I had been venting on him all these years.)

Again I fled to the Lord for refuge. This time He said, "Are you praying that everything will conform around you so that you can bear it? Are you still more interested in yourself than in the boy?"

Immediately I saw my own spiritual lack, my great need of love and understanding for the youth who was as much a problem to himself as he was to others.

For the first time I put my arms around him and said with tears, "For-

give me, son. I want to be a different mother to you."

The boy looked surprised and embarrassed. Then something like a sigh of relief trembled through his body. I seemed to see an invisible weight drop from his young shoulders. A few moments later he was whistling about the home—something he had never done before.

That night he narrowly escaped death in an accident with his motor scooter. I saw the tender love of God toward the youth and it broke my heart.

Another time when his scooter caught fire while he was riding it, the Lord again mercifully spared him.

After six months of learning to take my human clutches off the boy, the Lord spoke into my soul, "You have been delivered of a temper."

"Why yes," I thought; "I haven't been angry for a long, long time."

Now if this were a fiction story I was writing, I would say, "And they lived harmoniously ever after." But it is not so. Please remember, I am emphasizing the fact that God was training the teen-ager's mother as well as the teen-ager.

The boy has not yet surrendered to God. Though he has married and is now living in his own home, he is still a problem. But when I consider how long God dealt with me, both as a sinner and also as a Christian, before He was able to influence me, then I realize that God's patience and mercy will continue toward the boy until prayer is answered. ◀◀

FOR JUNIOR READERS

WHAT BOOK IS IT IN?

Following are some famous statements from the Bible. Can you tell which Bible book the statement is from?

1. "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

2. "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

3. "Behold, what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God."

4. "For thou art an holy people unto the Lord thy God: the Lord hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself."

5. "For the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous: but the way of the ungodly shall perish."

6. "Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me."

7. "Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and show thee great and mighty things, which thou knowest not."

8. "Lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world."

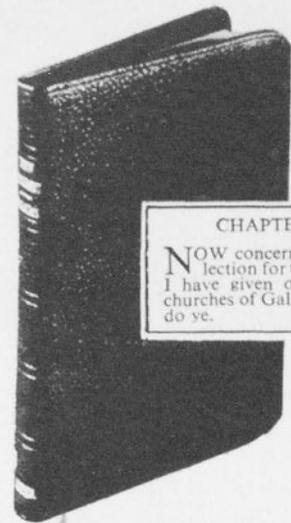
9. "But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept."

10. "He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus."

ANSWERS:

(Scripture references are given in parentheses following the name of the book of the Bible.) 1—Proverbs (1:7); 2—John (6:37); 3—I John (3:1); 4—Deuteronomy (7:6); 5—Psalm (1:6); 6—Isaiah (6:8); 7—Jeremiah (33:3); 8—Matthew (28:20); 9—1 Corinthians (15:20); 10—Revelation (22:20).

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NEWS in PICTURES

IN ALL SECTIONS OF THE COUNTRY OUR CHURCHES ARE BUSY FOR THE MASTER



▲ ENTERPRISE, Ala.—Large crowds attended the Jimmie Snow meetings at the First Assembly of God. Howard P. Trawick is pastor.



◀ CUMBERLAND, Md.—These leaders and instructors ministered in the 49-church Sunday school seminar for Northwestern Potomac District, which was held at the Central Assembly of God church. Frank J. Fratto was host pastor. The seminar consisted of afternoon and evening services at which Hugh B. Mason, district Sunday school director, spoke. Immediately following dinner the registrants divided into twelve workshop groups. At the close, a brief skit, "How 'Not' to teach a Sunday School class," was presented.



SWEET HOME, Oreg.—These boys and girls of the primary and junior departments of the Sunday school successfully learned the sixteen fundamental doctrines of the Assemblies of God. W. P. Rutledge is pastor.



GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—This crowd attended one of the Sunday services at Woodmere Gardens Tabernacle during a campaign with the Musical Vanderploegs. Forty accepted Christ as Saviour. J. Herbert Meppelink is pastor.

KEY WEST, Fla.—A new Sunday school record attendance was set on March 12, during a revival conducted by the Sunshine Party, with 534 present. Over one hundred came forward for salvation during this campaign. L. Wayne Pitts is pastor.





MOSES LAKE, Wash.—James E. Sconce ("Uncle Jim") is shown at right, standing by the trailer he uses to advertise his children's services. This picture, taken when the trailer was dedicated, shows sectional presbyter Ernest Welk.



EAST DETROIT, Mich.—Young people from German Branch churches in adjacent areas were present at a C. A. rally conducted by Evangelist Paul Hild under the sponsorship of the Calvary Assembly of God. D. D. Roehl is pastor.



FLUSHING, L. I., N. Y.—The second annual New York City Men's Fellowship rally, led by Lyman A. Jollay, director (with the Southern, Nassau, and Suffolk sections cooperating) was held at the Free Gospel Church on March 20. The splendid attendance is shown here.



McCOMB, Miss.—During special services conducted by Evangelist Frank Martin, souls were saved, and the Sunday school attendance reached 229. F. L. Langley is pastor.



SOUTH HOUSTON, Tex.—Successful meetings were conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Glen Shinn. Entire families came to God, and two water baptismal services were held. C. C. Swaim is pastor.



Missionary and Mrs. O. B. Treece (at left) and the Indian Assembly of God church on the San Carlos Reservation in Arizona.

Going to church early to pray, the missionary is aware of the presence of and blessing of the Lord. The Apaches begin to gather. The bus and pickup are back and it is time for service. The missionary comes in and asks us to start the service without him. The brakes went out on the bus and he has to fix them so he can use the bus after church.

We begin on time, singing our favor-

A Day in the Life of a Missionary's Wife

BY MRS. O. B. TREECE
San Carlos, Arizona

IT IS EARLY MORNING IN APACHE-land. We are awakened by the voices of children outside. After our breakfast and Scripture reading, we ask God for help, guidance, and strength for the day. Our prayer is interrupted by a knock at the door. An Apache couple have come for prayer for their sick baby and used clothes for the other children.

We take time to minister to them and encourage them in "the Way." Then, we prepare bundles of used clothing for other families. As I go to talk with my husband, who has been working on "Old Faithful," the pickup truck, a visitor comes.

Later, the new Apache missionary from the neighboring field needs some help in filling out his reports and records. He also wants advice concerning how to conduct a wedding ceremony. Then, my husband helps with the repair of his truck, a necessity on this mission field.

After he leaves, I complete a song-story for the night service, stories for camp meeting, and memory verses. Now for some housework. But before I get into housecleaning, a young mother comes to get some milk for her baby and happily tells us, "Daddy has a job now."

Soon it is lunch time. The missionary has been helping some of the men but says he will soon be through. Before long we are returning thanks for the sandwiches and lemonade. While

enjoying our lunch we try to decide on the most important project for the afternoon.

There are letters to answer, records and reports to compile, used Sunday school material to sort for classes, WMC work to plan, brush to haul for the wick-i-ups and shades, calls to make, the church to be cleaned, the roof to be repaired, and the basement room to be finished before Sunday. All this is important.

Before we can decide what to do first there is a caller. We are requested to come to an Indian camp right away for there is serious trouble. We go immediately to minister. We make other calls nearby, stopping at the trading post and tribal offices also. We need to get permission to use the camp area for our summer camp meeting.

Upon our arrival home we find two children waiting for us. They have been here many times before. They want us to take them to the jail to see their mother who was once a Christian. Drinking and sinful practices have overcome her and most of her time is spent in jail now. Our hearts ache over this sad condition for she has refused to accept the only help for her, that of the Lord. We take the children to the jail, hoping to minister to the mother, too.

By now it is four o'clock and the children are home from school. We have our Activity Time with them in the yard. The church is cleaned and everything is in readiness for the night service. The missionary has a time of rest and refreshing before the Lord, and a bite to eat before he goes to gather the people in for the night service.

ite, "There Is Power in the Blood," and other songs of praise. The meeting continues with prayer and testimonies, and the missionary is at his post of duty giving out the Word of God. At the close of church all go to prayer, seeking God earnestly for the many needs in their lives. Only God knows the great needs and He faithfully blesses.

There is a sweet peace in our hearts as we take the last of our people to their camps and we come into our little mission home, which we appreciate so much. It has truly been a day of golden opportunities for Jesus. We trust we have done our best for the Master and our precious Apaches whom we love so much.

But the day is not yet over. At two o'clock in the morning an Apache man comes for the missionary. His wife, our faithful Sunday school superintendent, is very ill. The missionary goes and stays until victory comes. She is healed.

* * *

Note: Nearly 170 missionaries are faithfully laboring among the American Indians. Some are not receiving adequate support and are making great sacrifices to stay on the field. The sacrifices of our missionaries to the American Indians parallel those of our foreign missionaries. Your offerings for American Indian Missions are greatly needed. May God bless all who have helped with this great ministry. Nearly 850 American Indians were saved in 1960. Offerings may be sent clearly designated, to the Home Missions Dept., 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. ◀◀

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had a mind to work" (Nehemiah 4:6). The church was erected by members of the local congregation who gladly donated their skills, time, and effort.

The many spiritual victories evident in the lives of young and old alike rewarded the pastors for their labors. To see God fashion and cultivate lives to bring forth fruit, even "much fruit," was more than ample satisfaction to those in the assembly who gave so liberally of themselves to establish this church.

The total cost of the church was \$8,000, and a \$4,000 debt remained. With the original film, plus pictures of the church construction, the Weimars ventured out again to raise funds. A Christian businessman donated women's skirts which the members sold and the funds received were applied to the debt.

After six and a half years here, the Weimars felt God directing them to another place of labor in His great vineyard. Last January 8, they resigned the church with only a \$1,500 debt remaining. The same day they received a phone call informing them the remaining debt on the church had been paid in full!

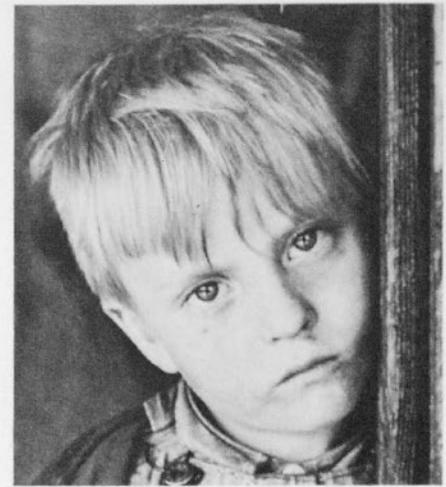
(Frank R. Bender is the new pastor of this church.)



First Assembly, Columbia, N. H.



Pastor Fred Weimar in pulpit of First Assembly of God, Columbia, N. H.



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SAMSON DEFEATS THE PHILISTINES

Sunday School Lesson for July 23, 1961

JUDGES 15:9-20

Our previous lesson told the story of Samson's birth, growth, consecration to the Lord, and the beginning of the moving of God's Spirit upon his life. The present lesson tells of one of his great battles and victories. However, we shall also consider chapter fourteen which explains the occasion of the victory described in our text.

SAMSON'S WRONG CHOICE. Judges 14:1-3. Samson became infatuated with a Philistine maiden and according to custom requested his parents to make arrangements for him to marry her. The distressed parents urged him to take a wife from among the people of Judah, but Samson rejected their advice. Lessons: (1) It is bad enough to be "overtaken in a fault" but far worse to sin deliberately against revealed light. "Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers" (2 Corinthians 6:14-18) was a divine principle as binding upon Samson as it is today. (2) As his parents suggested, there was no excuse for his choice. There were fine women in Israel just as there are always wonderful, godly young women in any age. (3) Samson was to pay a bitter price and so was the woman involved, as a result of sacrificing eternal principles for momentary sensual pleasure.

GOD'S OVERRULING OF EVIL. "But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the Lord, that he sought occasion against the Philistines." This certainly does not mean that it was God's will for Samson to enter into marriage with this woman in order that it might lead to war and victory over the Philistines. God never wills that which Samson's conduct did not meet with God's approval, yet God, in His foreknowledge, used Samson's sin in such a way as to further His own purposes.

SAMSON'S MIXED EXPLOITS. Judges 14:5 to 15:8. These verses give rise to many questions; yet they yield many practical lessons. Samson's parents reluctantly arrange for the marriage. But, lo, during the very festivities, Samson's wife betrays his confidence to the Philistines with whom he has made a wager. Realizing he has been betrayed and cheated, Samson experiences the coming of the Spirit of God upon him and he is thus enabled to slay thirty Philistines in order to pay his debt. Later, he visits his wife only to discover that she has been given in marriage to "his friend," probably the man who had been "best man" at his wedding. This further enrages Samson against the Philistines in consequence of which, by a very clever method, he burns the crops of his enemies. Then they, in turn, blame their troubles on Samson's wife who had helped them. Finally they decide to wage all-out war against Judah.

Let us learn these lessons: (a) Once again we see illustrated the fact that though the Spirit of the Lord may move a man, it does not mean God approves of everything in that man's life. (b) We have an illustration here of the

domestic tragedies which come from an ill-advised marriage. (c) Samson's wife experienced the very punishment with which she had been threatened and which caused her to be untrue to Samson in the beginning. To sacrifice principle for expediency is never profitable.

SAMSON'S GREAT VICTORY. Judges 15:9-20. The men of Judah, frightened at the approach of the Philistines, decide to turn him over to their enemies to save their own skins. Samson agrees to be found and delivered to the Philistines on the promise that the men of Judah will not kill him themselves. No sooner is he delivered than he bursts his bonds by the Spirit of God which comes upon him and single-handedly defeats the Philistines, killing three thousand of them. In consequence, the power of the Philistines is broken for twenty years. Observations:

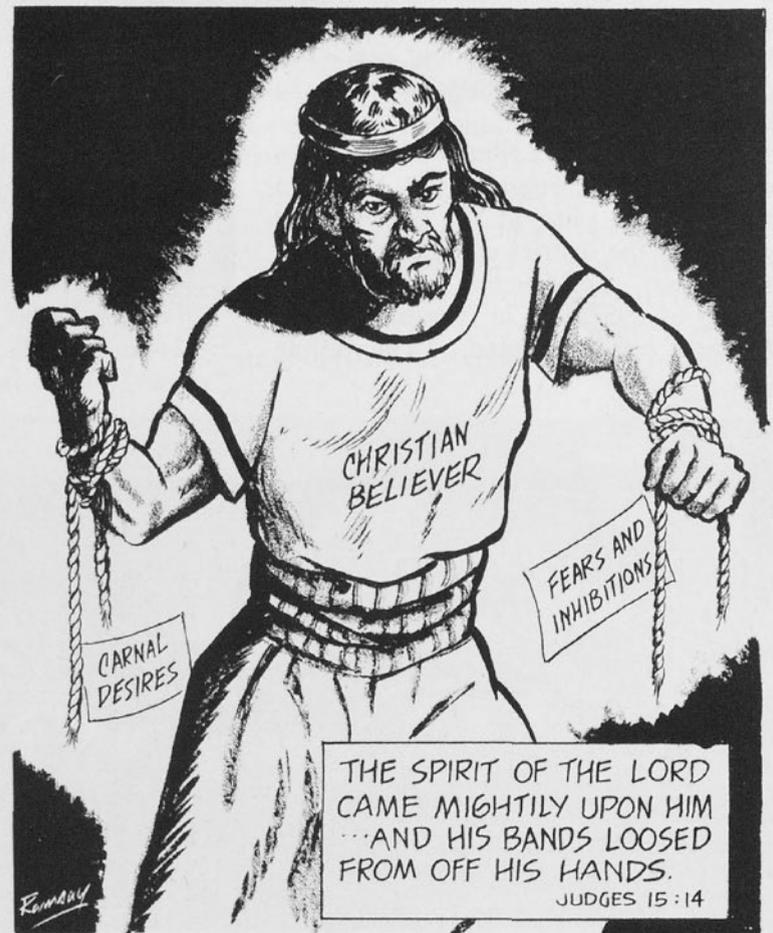
1. *The hopelessness of men without God.* Said the men of Judah to Samson, "Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers over us?" To what shameful depths of cowardice, demoralization, and defeatism had God's people sunk.

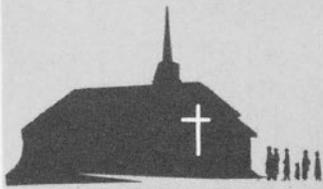
2. *The sum of one man plus God!* The secret of Samson's strength and of the victory he won over the Philistines is found in the words, "And the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him." So it always is. In personal life or in international affairs, issues are not settled by human might and brilliance but by the sovereign will of God.

3. *The power of weak things.* A crooked stick in the hand of Moses, a jawbone in the hand of Samson, a few loaves and fishes in the hand of a lad—such things employed in simple faith in God and in dependence upon His Spirit are sufficient to win great victories, overcome insurmountable barriers, and meet apparently hopeless needs!

—J. Bashford Bishop

THE POWER THAT BREAKS THE BANDS





The Family Altar



MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

MONDAY, JULY 17

READ: Hebrews 5:1-10

LEARN: "Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered" (Hebrews 5:8).

FOR THE PARENT: A part of the ministry of the priests in Old Testament days was offering gifts and sacrifices for sins (v. 1). These priests could help the people because they understood their own weaknesses (vv. 2, 3). Their ministry was appointed by God, (v. 4). Christ was appointed by God to be our High Priest forever (vv. 5, 6). Through His years on this earth He learned firsthand what man suffers; thus He understands completely our frailties and failings and is able to help us in them and through them (vv. 7-10).

QUESTION TIME: For how long is Christ's office as High Priest? (v. 6) How does He understand our problems? (vv. 7-9)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Donald L. Johnson (Indian), Arizona; Lawrence R. Larson, Fiji; Gunder A. Olsen, Philippines.

TUESDAY, JULY 18

READ: Hebrews 5:11 to 6:3

LEARN: "Therefore . . . let us go on unto perfection" (Hebrews 6:1).

FOR THE PARENT: The writer of this epistle had more to say to the Hebrews on the subject of Christ's priesthood (see yesterday's lesson), but the Hebrews were not ready to receive it all (v. 11). This passage emphasizes that there should be a spiritual growth toward maturity and that no Christian should remain a spiritual babe all his life. Use the illustration of a normal child's development to illustrate spiritual growth. Stress to the members of the family group the importance of growing and moving forward to spiritual maturity.

QUESTION TIME: What problem did the writer of this epistle have with the Hebrews? (vv. 11, 12) What is a good way to illustrate the principle of spiritual growth toward maturity?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. G. Marrero, El Salvador; Mrs. Ronald Almborg (Indian), Washington; Miss Carol Tupack, Alaska; Mrs. Edna Devin, Indonesia.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

READ: Hebrews 6:4-12

LEARN: "Through faith and patience inherit the promises" (Hebrews 6:12).

FOR THE PARENT: The first three verses of this passage have been a problem to many Christians. Some think these verses mean that if a person backslides he cannot get right with God again. Instead, these verses emphasize that the only way we can ever get right with God is through the atoning work of Christ. If a person backslides, the only way he can again experience fellowship with God is through Jesus Christ and through His death for us on Calvary. But backsliding is a serious problem, and the Christian must ever keep his hand in the hand of the Saviour, finding in Him power for victorious living.

QUESTION TIME: Is it possible to be reclaimed if a person backslides? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Paul H. Pipkin, Japan; Mary E. Wagoner, North India.

THURSDAY, JULY 20

READ: Judges 15:9-20

LEARN: "Lord, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power" (2 Chronicles 14:11).

FOR THE PARENT: (Additional material on "Samson Defeats the Philistines" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) Review briefly the story of the birth of Samson, showing how he was a chosen vessel for God's use even before he was born. This lesson shows how Samson depended on God for his strength and how God wrought a mighty deliverance through Samson. Have the group review the lesson, stressing Samson's victory as he depended on God. Point out also his prayer for water (v. 18) and the miraculous way in which God met his need (v. 19). God will always work with and for those who trust in Him.

QUESTION TIME: What mighty deliverance did God work through Samson? How did God provide water for Samson?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Miss Pearl Foster (Indian), Arizona; Mrs. Charles E. Kelly, Alaska; Mrs. D. E. Wakefield, Togo.

FRIDAY, JULY 21

READ: 1 Samuel 18:1-4; 20:11-17 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

LEARN: "A friend loveth at all times" (Proverbs 17:17).

FOR THE PARENT: Have the group review this familiar story of the friendship of David and Jonathan, pointing out that friendship involves a deep concern over what happens to the other party. Show how David's and Jonathan's friendship illustrated this love and concern. Then discuss ways in which Christians can use their friendships to bring their friends to Christ: (1) through consistent love, (2) through genuine concern, (3) through showing by one's life what being a Christian really is, and (4) by telling them what Christ has done for you. Have each member think of a specific friend to witness to.

QUESTION TIME: In what ways can our friendships lead our friends to know Christ as personal Saviour? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAY: Miss Ruth Anderson, Alaska.

SATURDAY, JULY 22

READ: Luke 10:25-35 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

LEARN: "Thou shalt love . . . thy neighbor as thyself" (Luke 10:27).

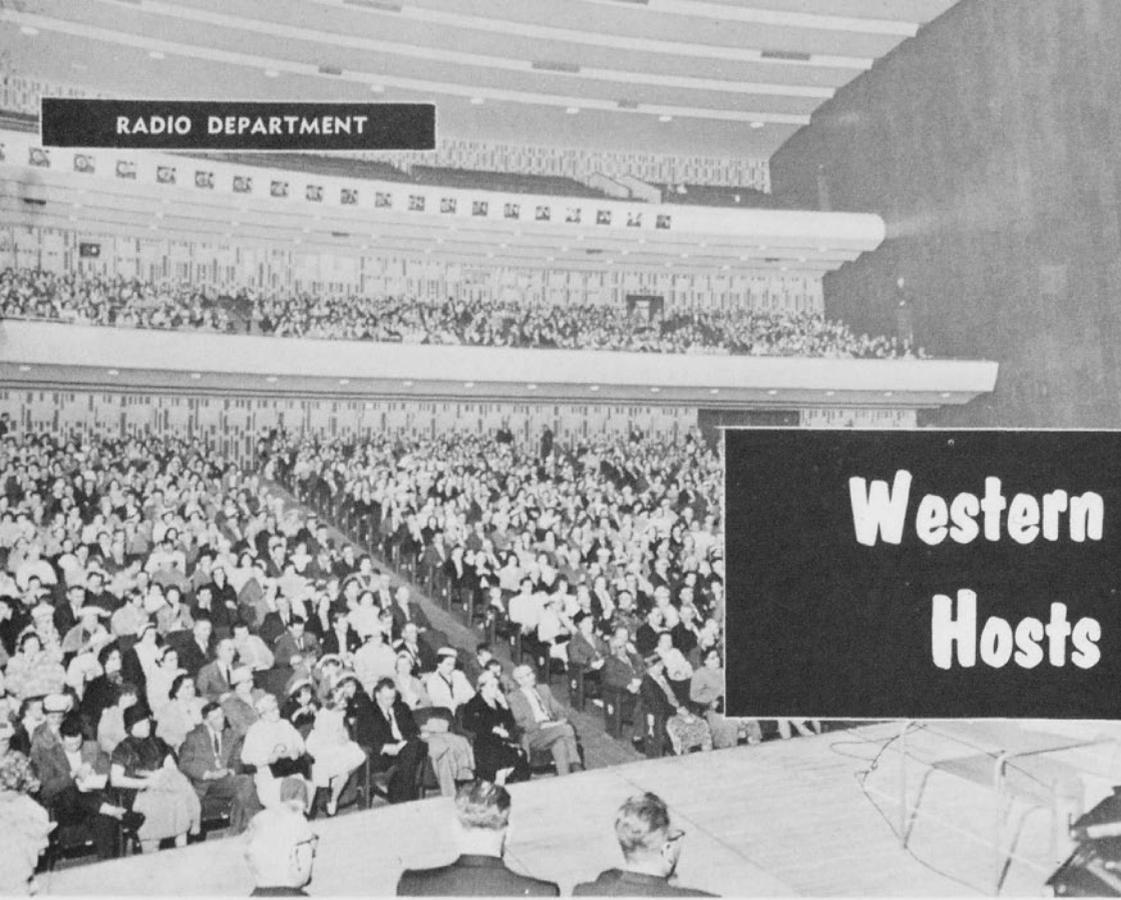
FOR THE PARENT: Mention first how Jesus used stories to illustrate spiritual truth. Discuss the story of the Good Samaritan, stressing his concern for the traveler and his willingness to give of his time, money, possessions, and of himself to help this stranger. Then point out that God is interested in our being concerned for the welfare of others. We should show our concern by being helpful to those in trouble and by comforting those in sorrow. This is Christianity in action! It shows to the Lord and to the world that our religion is more than mere words.

QUESTION TIME: What is the important point in this story? How can it be applied to life today?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. R. W. Palmer, Peru; Eugene Herd (Indian), Arizona; Leslie J. Sampson (Indian), Arizona.

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS FOR SUNDAY: D. Eileen Edwards, India; Roy L. Dalton, Spain; Mrs. L. R. Ward, Liberia.

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MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND PERSONS attended the *Revivaltime* origination from the Jubilee Auditorium in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, on April 30. This was the second origination of the broadcast from Edmonton. Two years ago the *Revivaltime* rally climaxed the district conference and school commencement activities.

Thirteen different pastors and churches participated in the area-wide Pentecostal rally. Co-operating in this meeting were pastors Michael Kutny of Calmar, Alberta; Ron Dowbush, Thorsby; M. L. Olson, Camrose; V. Lawrence, Stony Plain; Don Kopkinson, Killam; H. C. McAlister, Lacombe; G. C. Smith, Edmonton; Ken Korol, St. Albert; Paul Kerychuk, Beverly; J. C. O'Brien, Jasper Place; William Melnychuk, Edmonton; William Kowalski, Edmonton; P. B. Houghton, Edmonton; and R. W. Taitinger, Edmonton.

During his stay in Edmonton, C. M. Ward preached to the district conference in Alberta and at the graduation services at the Canadian Northwest Bible Institute.

D. V. Hurst spoke at the large Men's Fellowship breakfast at the Corona Hotel on Saturday, April 29, at which one thousand dollars of the broadcast origination costs were raised.

Revivaltime is released over both CFCW, Camrose, and CJDV, Drumheller, in Alberta. The response to these two releases has continued to grow. The vast crowd at the origination testified to the great interest these friends have in *Revivaltime*. The many,



The Revivaltime team presents the Honor of Origination plaque to the pastor and assistant pastor of Central Pentecostal Tabernacle. Admiring the plaque are, left to right: C. M. Ward, Revivaltime speaker; G. C. Smith, assistant pastor; R. W. Taitinger, pastor; and D. V. Hurst, national radio secretary.

converted during the broadcast rally made the investment more than worthwhile.

Pastor Taitinger expressed his delight in having the second *Revivaltime* origination from Edmonton. "We felt it was a most successful endeavor and it was a real thrill to share in the presentation of one of the great religious broadcasts. May God bless *Revivaltime* and may many souls be won to Christ through its splendid ministry."

A Cure for Spiritual Diphtheria

(Continued from page seven)

first stages, I could have saved him. But now his face is half eaten away with cancer and the chap is facing a horrible death. There is nothing that can be done for him."

May the Lord instruct us through this parable! If a "spiritual sore" is developing in your life, take seriously the advice of 2 Corinthians 7:1, "Let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the FEAR OF GOD."

Holiness is simply perfect spiritual health as God sees it. Like any true father, our Father in heaven is deeply concerned about our health. We who are baptized in the Spirit know that this is true concerning our bodies and minds as well as our spirits. But somehow we do not become as concerned about our own or another's *spiritual* health as we do about *physical* health. Yet it is so much more important, and the Spirit has been clearly showing many of us that our physical health is often dependent upon our spiritual condition. The healing of the spirit is likewise much more wonderful than the healing of the body.

Thank God, perfect healing is available for the children of God, for the blood of the Lamb cleanses from all *unrighteousness* and heals all our soul's diseases.

Men are still searching for blood that will produce antitoxin for the poison of cancer. About a year ago I heard it announced over the air that the blood of a certain human being had produced antitoxin and this had destroyed a malignant cancer in his own body. The announcement said a portion of that same blood was taken from him, injected into the blood stream of another man

suffering from cancer, and it destroyed the disease in the second patient. He had overcome his cancer through the blood of the one who had himself conquered cancer in his own body! I heard this announcement only once. Evidently it was either untrue or ignored by the medical world.

But I *know* One who bore my sins in His own body on the tree, and in His blood produced an antitoxin that destroyed my spiritual sickness and set me free!

Job said, "I have found a ransom." The word ransom is from the same Hebrew verb as the word atonement. Both mean "a covering." God said to His people Israel, "I have given you the blood for an atonement—a real covering—a real cure." Praise God! Many of us have been in search of something that will really destroy sin. Our search is ended: we have found the blood, of Jesus Christ not only destroys our disease, but brings us newness of life.

Prophets of the Lord

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people of every nation, saying, "Thus saith the Lord. . . ."

We are told in Ephesians 2:20 that the Church is "built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone." We are also taught that prophecy is one of the spiritual gifts which God imparts to members of His Body when they are filled with the Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:10). "Prophets" is one of the ministries God has set in the New Testament Church (1 Corinthians 12:28). We as Pentecostal people should expect to see this ministry operating in all our Assemblies.

Do you think God would send prophets to Israel and to Judah, as He did, and send none to warn the world today? It cannot be. God will not leave this generation without prophetic voices to awaken men and women from their lethargy, declension, and apostasy. Thank the Lord for the few who are "speaking to the heart and conscience" of the nations today. Let us pray that many more servants of God will be raised up with a mighty anointing of the Holy Spirit to be mouthpieces of eternal truth in the day in which we live. ◀◀

Are You a Bona Fide Christian?

By LLOYD CHRISTIANSEN

IT SEEMS A SHAME TO QUALIFY THE name *Christian*, doesn't it? And yet it has become essential that we do so. It is one of the most misunderstood words in the English language today. Most people would define *Christian* incorrectly.

It is not erroneous to suggest that many people equate *Christian* with the Western world. There are others who think of Gentile when speaking of *Christian*.

I once asked a man, "Are you a Christian?" and his heated retort was, "What do you think I am—a heathen?" He thought of *Christian* in terms of being religious or attending a church. It is possible to be sincerely mistaken as to one's spiritual status. We invite you to consider that possibility.

Think of John Wesley who became the founder of the Methodist church. He was a missionary for ten years before he was genuinely saved. We know this by his own admission. He preached in the state of Georgia for a decade before he was converted. Then, through the teaching of Peter Bohler, both he and his brother Charles "believed" with their hearts (not just their heads) and found their way to God.

I remember hearing a testimony by a certain lady who was a Sunday school superintendent. She said, "I was active in church work for over twenty years and thought all that time I was a *Christian*. But I learned one day I was mistaken." She then told of the happy day when she made a definite surrender to the Lord Jesus Christ. Could it be that you, too, are mistaken in your assumption that you are a Christian?

Your question, at this point, will likely be, "Well, then, how can I become a bona fide *Christian*?" Your question is the same as the Philippian jailor asked many hundreds of years

ago. He inquired of Paul, "What must I do to be saved?" The apostle replied, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:30, 31).

Please consider very carefully the following steps by which one becomes a true Christian:

(1) ACKNOWLEDGE YOUR SIN. "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). This word "all" includes you. See yourself a sinner. Sin is tragic; it blights, degrades, destroys. The Bible says, "The soul that sinneth, it shall die" (Ezekiel 18:4). "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life" (Romans 6:23). Jesus taught us that religious people, as well as wicked ones, need to say, "God be merciful to me a sinner" (Luke 18:13).

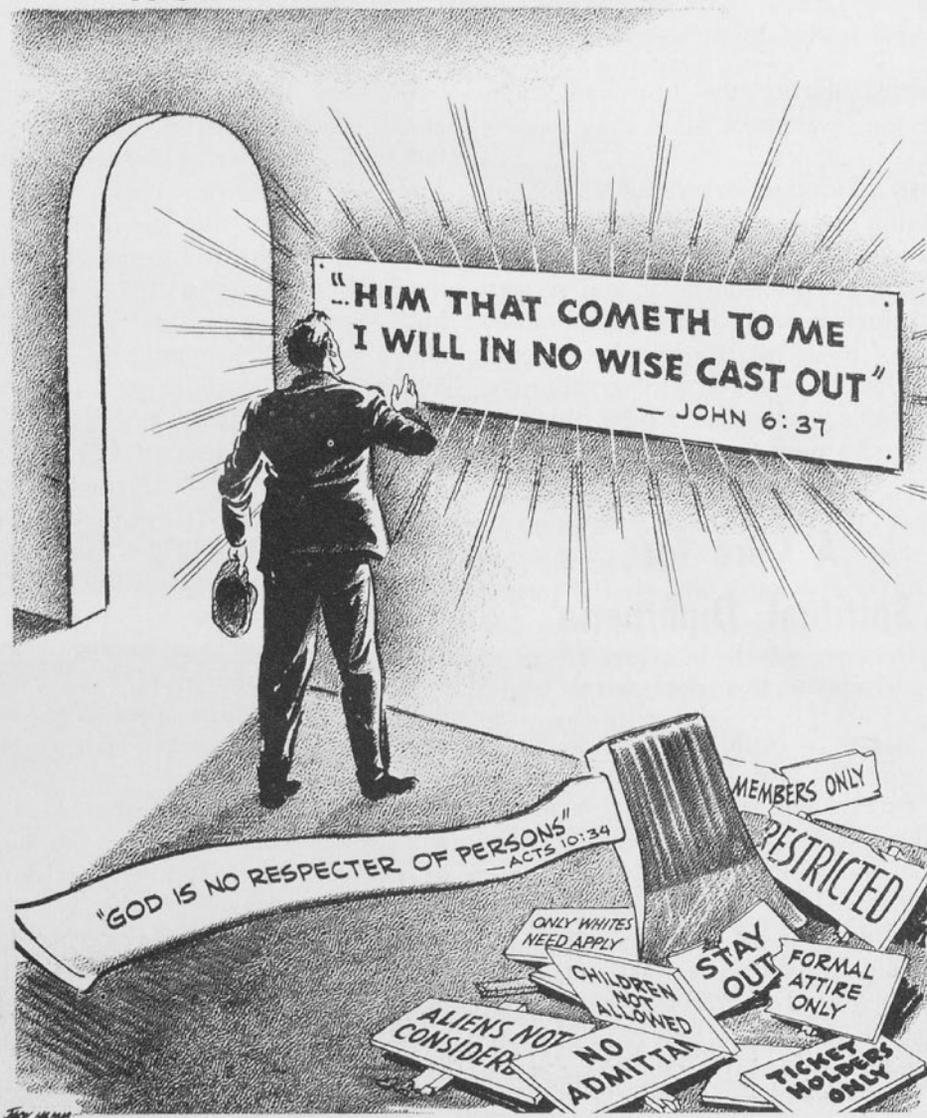
(2) REPENT. "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19). You cannot be converted unless you repent. It is necessary that you be truly sorry for your sin. Like the prodigal son, you

need to see the awfulness of your sin and then turn away from it. The Bible declares, "Godly sorrow worketh repentance" (2 Corinthians 7:10). Jesus said, "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3).

(3) CONFESS. "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us" (1 John 1:8). When we confess, God forgives us. We are told to confess our sins not to men, neither preachers nor priests, but to God, for only He has the power to cleanse us from guilt. David said, "I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord" (Psalm 32:5), and the Lord forgave his iniquity.

(4) FORSAKE. "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he . . . will abundantly pardon" (Isaiah 55:7). Are you willing to turn your back on all your sin? That is the acid test. Sorrow and tears for sin are not enough in themselves. One must be sorry enough about sin

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to quit it. When a person really turns away from the paths of sin and makes up his mind that he is going to serve the Lord, all the power of heaven comes to his aid to enable him to win the victory.

(5) BELIEVE. "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved" (Romans 10:9). Put your faith in the finished work of Christ on the cross. Believe in the substitutionary character of it. Jesus died for sins not His own, but ours. "He was wounded for *our* transgressions, he was bruised for *our* iniquities" (Isaiah 53:5). Our sins nailed Him to the cross. If we will stake our souls on that fact, we shall be bona fide Christians, for the Scripture says, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31).

(6) ACCEPT. "As many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name" (John 1:12). It is a personal matter. Christ must be received personally into the heart by faith, if the experience of the New Birth is to be yours. It is not enough to say, "Jesus died for all." You need to say, "Jesus died for *me*."

* * *

Do you want to be a bona fide Christian? Do you want the genuine experience of having your sins forgiven? Would you like to have peace with God this very hour? If so, I would urge you to offer the following prayer:

Being convinced that I am a sinner, and that Christ alone can save me, I NOW accept Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour and by His help I will confess Him before men as my eternal King. ◀◀

the U. S. A., and a fitting climax it was. He spoke on the challenging theme, "Twentieth-Century Pentecost."

From all the world we had gathered here in the Holy City. Now, after a glorious time of fellowship, inspiration, and spiritual renewing, we, like the disciples of old, must scatter again to preach the gospel as witnesses for Christ in every nation.

Jerusalem, Israel
Tuesday, May 23

Since the end of the Conference we have been seeing some of the interesting sights in Israel. Yesterday we looked around here in Jerusalem. We saw Mt. Zion and the tomb of King David. It was really difficult because there were so many of the conference delegates all wanting to see the same things. There were five bus loads all trying to get into the Upper Room at about the same time. While visiting the new Hebrew University we saw the Dead Sea Scrolls which have made such an impact upon the world.

Today we journeyed some seventy-five miles south to Beersheba. We saw parts of the Negev Desert and viewed the Gaza Strip from a distance. On the return trip we stopped at the ancient city of Ashkelon. Much of the area visited was that which was once oc-

cupied by the Philistines. We visited the valley in which David slew Goliath. Seeing these areas has given all of us a better idea of the topography of the land and background for a greater understanding of the Bible.

Natania, Israel
Thursday, May 25

Yesterday was a day of much travel. We visited the ancient city of Jaffa and the very modern city of Tel Aviv. Although adjacent they are a great contrast. Perhaps the city that was most outstanding, however, was Haifa. It is built both along the sea and high on Mount Carmel. It was the consensus that this sight from the mountain overlooking the harbor was one of the most beautiful in the world. Our last stop of the day was at ancient Caesarea—and to Bible and history students it was most fascinating.

Today we probably touched more New Testament area than on any other. We journeyed through the valley of Esdraelon (where the battle of Armageddon will be fought) and saw the Sea of Galilee.

We visited Tiberias and then north to the ancient site of Capernaum. There may be questions about some landmarks in this ancient country but those in Galilee cannot help but be authentic. We also stopped at Cana where Christ's first miracle was performed, and in the mountain town of Nazareth. The latter city like so many has its old quarter and its very new and modern section.

The beautiful little city of Natania is situated right on the Mediterranean Sea. Currently it is overrun with tourists, mostly those coming from the World Conference. We have seen many bus loads of them.

Tomorrow we depart from Tel Aviv for home. Although it has been a great experience all are ready to go. Originally we were to take off on Saturday, but because no airplanes depart from Israel on the Sabbath we shall leave just shortly before sundown on Friday.

New York, New York
Saturday, May 24

The return flight was very smooth. Stops were made in London and Gander, and then we landed at Idlewild airport amid a rain storm. As the wheels

'Going Up to Jerusalem'

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Irene Bailey of Sacramento, Calif., sang a solo. Howard P. Courtney, the retiring chairman of the Advisory Committee, introduced the chairman for the next three years, Donald Gee. Eino J. Manninen is the new secretary. A final report on registration was given which listed 2595 delegates from forty different countries.

The final musical number was by a large group of converts from the Hebrew Messianic Assembly, a mission of the Assemblies of God. They joyously sang of Jesus their Saviour and Messiah.

The last offering of the conference went for the planting of 10,000 trees on the barren hillsides of the Promised Land as a parting gesture of appreciation for all the kindness shown us during our stay in Israel. A part of the schedule for the Swedish delegates is to participate in a tree-planting ceremony tomorrow.

The final message was brought by Thomas F. Zimmerman, General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God in

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touched the ground the group sang, "God Bless America," then the Doxology, and finally, "Blest Be the Tie That Binds."

The ninety-two passengers have now scattered to all parts of the continent after a trip that was a great highlight in the lives of us all. It has been a mountain-top experience but now we must go to our various fields of labor to work more effectively for the Master because of the inspiration we have received. ◀◀

JUST WHERE YOU ARE!

Possibly you are living in a very difficult position. Perhaps your tests seem more than man can stand. But if you love the Lord Jesus Christ, you have Him indwelling you and by His Spirit He can make you strong enough to do the job God wants you to do.

Don't say, "Lord, put me in some other place!" The best place for you to enjoy and to revel in the power of God is right where God has placed you. Every test and trial and affliction is but an open door for God to display His power through you and in you. Look to God to make you very strong in the inner man in the very place where He has put you.

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Music Division Announces Special Events at General Council

In response to many requests, extensive plans are being made by the Music Division to provide some interesting music sessions during General Council, August 23-29, in Portland, Oregon.

On Wednesday, August 23, the first "Melody" Music Conference will be held at 10 a.m. in the Grand Ball Room of the Multnomah (headquarters) Hotel. This will be a combined session with outstanding leaders discussing such subjects as: "The minister and music," "The Sunday School and music," "The minister of music," "Song leading," "Music and worship," and others related to the entire music program. This will be in the form of a panel with opportunity for questions and answers.

In the afternoon there will be separate sessions of special interest to pastors, musicians, Sunday school workers, and others. All of these sessions will be inspirational and informative as well; they will not be limited to musicians only, but since music involves every

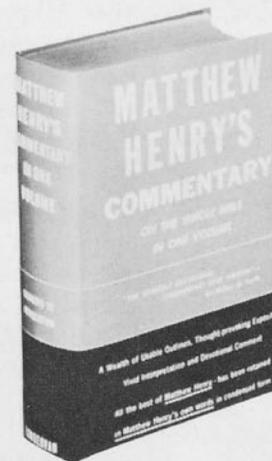
Christian and particularly the active church workers, these sessions should be very interesting.

On Friday at 7:30 A.M. there will be an unusual Music Breakfast in the Rose Bowl of the Multnomah Hotel. Emil Balliet of San Diego, Calif. will be the main speaker and outstanding music will be furnished by various musicians. Tickets may be obtained from the Music Division of the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo., at \$1.50 or at the Music Division booth at General Council.

What promises to be an interesting innovation is the "Melody" Music Hour which will be conducted daily during General Council from 1 to 2 P.M. in the Assembly Room of the Memorial Coliseum. Featured during this time will be outstanding musicians and singers of our constituency. Among them will be composers whose music the Gospel Publishing House has published and which they will be singing. ◀◀

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Greatly Missed

We at the Olive Branch Assembly of God church enjoy the *Evangel*. This week we greatly missed Brother Ernest Williams' column of questions and answers.

LADIES BIBLE CLASS TEACHER
Thebes, Illinois

A Letter from Burt McCafferty

It has been widely circulated that William Burton McCafferty died a few years ago following a severe heart attack. This rumor continues, so that people seeing me are surprised to find me alive and active. The false report is hindering my ministry and is annoying in the extreme.

I would like to inform the readers of the *Evangel* that I am still serving on the faculty of Southwestern Bible Institute and ministering part time in various churches.

WILLIAM BURTON McCAFFERTY
Waxahachie, Texas

"New English Bible" Criticized

We have been inspired by the *Evangel*. We have recommended it as a top Christian publication. But we are dismayed at the stand you take on the New English Bible.

I have a copy; in fact, I received an advance copy gratis. I cannot hold the same views you do on it.

We are admonished to earnestly contend for the faith once delivered unto the saints. How can we compromise without disobeying God?

MRS. ERNEST BOYLE
Axtell, Kansas

● We commend Mrs. Boyle and the other *Evangel* readers who have written to us expressing concern over unreliable versions of the Scriptures. There are indeed faults in the New English Bible as we pointed out in the April 9th issue of the *Evangel*. Again in the May 14th issue we stated: "We cannot endorse all the features of the New English Bible, nor would we think of ac-

cepting it as a substitute for the King James Version. . . ."

The King James Version deserves the place of trust and affection it has won in every believer's heart. It will continue to be used in Assemblies of God pulpits and in all our publications. On the other hand, we must remember that the New Testament was written originally in Greek, and no single translation into English can bring out all the meaning that was in the mind of the Holy Spirit when He inspired it. That is why we recommend certain modern versions as valuable aids in private Bible study.

Wrong Spelling

I would like to point out that the famous pianist mentioned in James E. Adams' article, "Instruments of Praise," is not Rudolf Kirkusny, but rather Firkusny.

JOHN R. AKINS
Waxahachie, Texas

A Tribute from Scotland

I was saddened to hear of the Homegoing of Andrew Stirling, the North Carolina District Superintendent who was a member of the Executive Presbytery of the Assemblies of God in the U.S.A.

As a personal friend of Brother Stirling and as Chairman of the Scottish Assemblies of God, I would like to express a sincere appreciation of this man of God. He was held in very high esteem on this side of the Atlantic, as well as in America.

From the time he left this huge grimy city of Glasgow in 1929 in his teens to begin his new life in America, we watched his progress in the work of God with eager interest. So active was he in the service of the Lord that only once was he able to revisit his native land. He preached in my church and all his relatives came to hear him. That night he left upon us his mark for God.

During 1959 I had the great privilege of teaming with him for several months, preaching in his camp meetings, sharing pulpits with him, journeying with him, staying in his home. He was kindness itself. A princely preacher, an indefatigable worker. He was always the same, whether in the pulpit or out of it. At home he lived what he preached at church.

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● Brother Stirling was laid to rest beside the grave of a brother who preceded him in death. The high esteem in which this minister of the gospel was held by all who knew him, including his own family, was shown by the fact that the stone on his brother's grave identified him as "The brother of Reverend Andrew Stirling."

WITH CHRIST

PRESS W. WRIGHT, of Subiaco, Ark., recently went to be with the Lord. He was superannuated in September, 1960.

ADDIE CUNNINGHAM, 84, of Sapulpa, Okla., passed away on May 16. Mrs. Cunningham was ordained in 1930 in the Oklahoma District, and pastored in Bristow until 1932. She also engaged in evangelistic work. She is survived by three children.

GERTRUDE A. HARROLD, 79, of Greensburg, Pa., went to her eternal reward on April 17, 1961. Miss Harrold was ordained in 1920 in the Eastern District, and served as an evangelist and Bible teacher. She had been in poor health for some time.

ARTHUR W. MANGUM, 88, of Dallas, Tex., passed away on May 30. Ordained in 1908, he ministered mostly in Texas as a pastor and evangelist. He held pastorates at Port Lavaca, Hicks Baugh, and Dallas. In 1953 he was superannuated. At the time of his death he was a member of the North Texas District.

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Spotlight on Evangelism

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► FORT WORTH, TEX.—Riverside Assembly has just closed a fine meeting with Evangelist Calvin Melton of Mobile, Ala. Sinners were saved and the church was greatly blessed as a result of the anointed preaching of the Word.

—Elbert Wilkinson, Pastor

► NEW LEBANON, OHIO—The ministry of Evangelist Harold W. May of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio was a great blessing to the Assembly of God here. Sixteen came to the altar for salvation, and six were filled with the Holy Spirit. The entire church was spiritually strengthened.

—Terry T. Diehl, Pastor

► EASLEY, S. C.—For more than eight months First Assembly has been enjoying a mighty soul-stirring revival though no evangelist has been engaged. Persons are being saved in unprecedented numbers. Believers are being filled with the Holy Spirit, and the sick healed of various ailments and delivered from bad habits. To God be all the glory! E. E. Brown is pastor.

—Edward E. Reeves, Treas.

► CONWAY, MO.—The Assembly here has enjoyed a great spiritual move in revival power. In two weeks of meetings in which the pastor was privileged to minister, there were seven definite conversions and three entire families were added to the church. In a follow-up revival conducted for three nights by Evangelist Edgar Barham, six were filled with the Holy Spirit.

—Gordon D. Zercher, Pastor

► BAPTISTOWN, N. J.—The congregation here rejoices in a mighty move of God during special meetings in which the Evangelist Trio from Eastern Bible Institute ministered. Harry Roland, Music Director, was the evangelist. Four were saved, two received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and a Catholic man was healed. The entire church has been revived, and the people are pressing on to do more for God.

—James Occhipinti, Pastor

► MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—John Osteen, Baptist minister of Houston, Texas, was at the Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle recently for three weeks. During that time about 130 persons were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Seven from the Church of God (Anderson, Ind.) came and all were filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Osteen is a fine preacher who seeks to have Pentecostal liberty in each meeting. The operation of the gifts of the Spirit was evident. Many of our own church people who have been in Pentecost for years found new liberty and inspiration. People from all over the Twin Cities came and filled the church every night. The meetings advertised themselves and drew people from far and near. Though the spe-

cial meetings are ended, we still have the same revival spirit of our services.

—Frank J. Lindquist, Pastor

► RICHMOND, CALIF.—Record-breaking crowds attended Central Assembly of God recently during two weeks of special Bible studies by Evangelist John G. Hall. Several different denominations were represented in the crowds each night. The church rejoices in those who received salvation.

—Russell E. Griffin, Pastor

► ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Bethel Full Gospel Church reports an outstanding revival with Evangelist Warren Litzman. Fifty-nine persons received their initial experience of the baptism in the Holy Spirit. A large number were spiritually revived and drawn closer to God. The Pentecostal emphasis of the evangelist was a great blessing in this church.

—Philip Wannemacher, Pastor

► WILMINGTON, CALIF.—A very successful three-week meeting has just been concluded at First Assembly with Evangelist and Mrs. Leslie Eldridge. Sinners were brought to a realization of their need for salvation and believers were refreshed and refilled with the Holy Spirit.

—Thomas M. Ming, Pastor

► PASO ROBLES, CALIF.—The Assembly of God here experienced a gracious visitation of the Holy Spirit during a post-Easter revival conducted by Evangelists Orrin and Ann Kingsriter. Each morning the evangelists conducted prayer services and prayed late each evening with earnest seekers. Twenty-five were filled with the Holy Spirit and twelve prayed through to old-time salvation. Several testified to remarkable healings and other victories. The faith-building ministry of the Word and the consecrated musical talents blended together to produce great spiritual results. On the closing night of the campaign 15 followed the Lord in water baptism.

—Kenneth A. Solberg, Pastor

ILLINOIS CAMP MOVED

Due to the extensive work involved in developing the new camp site at Carlinville, Illinois, the camp meeting will not be held there in July as had been announced. Instead it will be moved to the Church of God Camp Grounds at Benton, Illinois. The new dates will be July 24 to 30. The morning and evening speaker will be Jack West from Springfield, Missouri.

—E. M. Clark, District Superintendent
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► HOUSTON, TEX.—Evangelist Glen Shinn just concluded a two-week revival at Magnolia Park Assembly of God. Several came to Christ and a number were filled with the Holy Spirit. There was a wonderful spirit of freedom in the services which brought a response from the hearts of Christians to a deeper walk with God.

—E. M. Yates, Pastor

► VINTON, IOWA—A five-day evangelistic campaign held at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist John French of London, England has brought gratifying results. There was an unusually good attendance during the entire revival and many attended for the very first time. The consecrated ministry of the evangelist has left a tremendous impression upon this town as well as in the church.

—A. M. Marshall, Pastor

► БЕЛОИТ, KANS.—The Assembly of God here just closed a four-week revival under the outstanding ministry of the Knouse-Stovall Evangelistic Team of Calif. Two came to the altar for salvation, two were filled with the Holy Spirit, and two were refilled. God definitely worked among the young people. These meetings brought believers into a deeper experience with the Lord and strengthened them in the way.

—A. V. Schneider, Pastor

► SAMSON, ALA.—First Assembly reports two wonderful revival meetings just concluded here. Homer Rials was the evangelist for the first two weeks and A. L. Moon for the third. A total of 25 were saved and five filled with the Holy Spirit. Quite a number of those saved were adult men who are proving a great blessing to the church. A most wonderful result of the meeting is the fact that God is still blessing in the salvation of many. Seven new members have just been added to the church.

—William D. Thomas, Pastor

► WHITESBORO, OKLA.—On April 15 the Assembly here closed a most profitable revival with Walter Swaim, the sectional presbyter, as evangelist. Eight were saved, several received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, four were baptized in water, and three joined the church. The associate pastor, A. V. Cummings, ably assisted Brother Swaim in this revival in the absence of the pastor. The fire kindled in these meetings is still burning in the hearts of the people.

—Ray Rush, Pastor

► ST. HELENS, OREG.—Bonnie Green and Marialice Smith, known as the Gospel Evangelists, just concluded a two-week revival here. Results were very gratifying both in the 10:00 A.M. service and in the evening. People were healed and filled with the Holy Spirit in almost every service. The anointed ministry of the Word inspired faith in the hearts of the people and the musical talent

was both edifying and refreshing. Many of the believers were refilled with the Holy Spirit and testified to a new freedom in the Spirit. Revival fires still continue, and the church is growing as a result.

—W. J. Bransford, Pastor

► **WARSAW, OHIO**—Bethel Assembly of God reports a very successful revival recently with Evangelist Clarence S. Pansler of Brewster, Ohio. The power of God was manifested in a special way each night. Five came to the altar for salvation. The illustrated messages and special music were a blessing to all.

—Delmar D. Devore, Pastor

► **CHANUTE, KANS.**—First Assembly reports a very successful revival meeting with Evangelist Lolita Thompson of Springfield, Mo. Ten were saved and two filled with the Holy Spirit. Many favorable reports are still coming in regarding the results of this great spiritual stirring.

—D. Leroy Whiteman, Pastor

► **GREENVILLE, TEX.**—Evangelist and Mrs. Colman McDuff have given First Assembly two and one-half weeks of outstanding ministry in singing and preaching. The truly Pentecostal services strengthened the church and resulted in wonderful altar services and answered prayers. This meeting was followed by a National Youth Week revival. The speakers were Jim Herring, sectional C. A. president and Don Norville, "Mr. C.A.—U.S.A." Evangelism has been the answer in the continuing Pentecostal atmosphere here at First Assembly.

—James K. Bridges, Pastor

► **STINNETT, TEX.**—An outstanding two-week revival has just been concluded at First Assembly with Evangelist Norman Gordon. Seven were saved, nine filled with the Holy Spirit, and six baptized in water. Each night believers were refilled with the Spirit. At least 40 persons were delivered of numerous afflictions. One man with an injured back was miraculously healed. Sunday school attendance increased greatly. This faith-building ministry brought lasting benefit to the church.

—J. R. Brasher, Pastor

► **WILLOW CREEK, CALIF.**—The Assembly here has enjoyed a revival spirit in the regular services for the past five or six months, especially among the young people. Some were saved or filled with the Holy Spirit in practically every Sunday evening service.

During the first two weeks of April the Hoopa Assembly of God joined with us for a training course and a one-week revival with C. M. Colas as evangelist. Twenty-four received certificates. Fred C. Howe is pastor.

—Joyce L. Jones, Sec'y

► **LITTLE FALLS, MINN.**—God visited the Assembly here with an old-fashioned outpouring of the Spirit during three weeks of meetings with Evangelist and Mrs. Bill McPherson of Detroit, Mich. A good number found Christ as Saviour or were reclaimed, three received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, many were refilled, and others received healing. The outpouring of the Spirit started among the teenagers and spread throughout the church. On the closing Sunday evening seven followed the Lord in water baptism.

—Kenneth Freiheit, Pastor

► **MOBILE, ALA.**—One of its most successful meetings was just concluded at Crichton Assembly with Evangelist and Mrs. Jimmy Snow. Folk were saved in nearly every service. A total of 63 conversions were noted. Eighteen received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. A total of 325 persons attended the church for the first time.

—Clarence Cope, Pastor

► **STANFIELD, ARIZ.**—There was a time of spiritual refreshing in the Assembly of God here recently when Evangelist and Mrs. Herman Hanks of Imperial, Calif., conducted a two-week revival. Individuals were saved and one received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Of the many visitors who attended the special meetings, some continue to attend the regular services.

—Sally Jones and Betty Wheeler, Pastors

► **SANTA PAULA, CALIF.**—First Assembly rejoices in a continuing revival following an Easter campaign conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Ralph Coe of Fontana, Calif. This Children's Hour revival with its character-building program of Bible stories illustrated by means of flash cards and black light reached the largest number of children

in the history of this church. The auditorium was packed to capacity and the overflow crowds were accommodated in adjacent areas. More than 85 decisions for Christ were registered and a substantial prospect file was realized from a great number of children and adults who never attend church. There was an all-time Easter attendance record of 577.

—Paul M. Wells, Pastor

► **MACON, GA.**—Recent meetings with the Ron Evangelistic Party at the Houston Assembly of God here proved very successful. A good number were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit, and the entire church was spiritually strengthened and revived.

—Earl A. Crawford, Pastor

► **LINTON, IND.**—God visited the Assembly here with an old-fashioned Pentecostal revival through the ministry of Evangelists Jimmy and Carol Snow. Some 40 came to the altar to find Christ as Saviour and a number were filled with the Holy Spirit. Oldtimers state that this was one of the most profitable revivals in the history of the church. Folk from other denominations filled the altars nightly.

—Harry V. Vibbert, Pastor

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Castleberry	First	July 12—	Fisher-Check Team	Percy Salter
	Dothan	First	July 12—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	Max McNabb
	Luverne	Union Springs	July 10—	Douglas Bartlett	Gary Chapin
Ark.	Marianna	First	July 11-23	Bob & Jeri Winford	E. E. Mosher
	Russellville	*First	July 16-21	Gladys Voight	J. W. Farrell
Calif.	Caruthers	Full Gospel	July 16—	David O. Bunch	C. O. Branson
	Garden Grove	First	July 19—	Cantwell-Harmon Team	R. G. Markey
	Lincoln	Full Gospel	July 16—	Claude Wood	Carl W. Oney
	Richmond	Full Gospel Tem.	July 23-30	Robert Watters	J. Boyd Wolverton
	Riverside	Magnolia Center	July 16-23	Harry E. Fisher	John James
	Santa Rosa	Revival Center	July 10—	Norm Robinson	Wesley J. Griggs
	Sun Valley	Full Gospel	July 23-Aug. 6	E. E. Hembree	D. G. Killion
Conn.	Naugatuck	**FG Tab.	July 10-21 (a.m.)	John Tkaczuk	J. A. Eckstadt
	Southington	Calvary	July 11-23	Oren Paris	Harrison Tilley
Ga.	Adel	First	July 23-Aug. 6	Shelvey Holland	Shelvie Summerlin
Idaho	Idaho Falls	*Central Bible	July 16-23 (a.m.)	Victor Etienne	Erick Kaiser
Ind.	Kokomo	Southside	July 18-30	John Higginbotham	Howard Watkins
	South Bend	*Calvary Temple	July 16-30	Paul Hild & Family	Roy Wead
Iowa	Waterloo	Central	July 18-30	Arthur & Anna Berg	Paul B. Tinlin
Kans.	Kansas City	First	July 23—	Ron Prinzing	U. S. Grant
Ky.	Owensboro	First	July 23-Aug. 6	D. C. Ogden	Nolan D. Lee
	Princeton	***A/G	July 23-Aug. 6	J. B. Woolums	G. K. Hixon
La.	Haynesville	Holly Ridge	July 19—	Joey Laird	James Hood
	Luling	First	July 17-30	Don Jeter	Carl Davis
Mo.	Greenfield	Glad Tidings	July 9—	Warren-Marsh Team	Joe Miller
	Kansas City	Sheffield	July 23-30	Jim Chandonnet	C. W. Quattlebaum
	Lee's Summit	First	July 23-28	G. A. Snavely	Robert Palmer
	N. Kansas City	First	July 16-30	Charles Crabtree	R. A. McClure
Nebr.	Chadron	* **A/G	July 12-30	Orrin & Ann Kingsriter	Jerry Spain
	Lincoln	Glad Tidings	July 12—	Ken Haddaway	John W. Smith
Nev.	Las Vegas	Trinity	July 19-23	Warren Litzman	Wilbur Wacker
N. J.	Perth Amboy	***Glad Tidings	July 6-23	Ralph & Mrs. Bender	David Garlock
N. Y.	Buffalo	**Riverside	July 17-30	Royce & Wilma Nimmons	Paul R. Ridings
N. C.	Reidsville	Lindsey St.	July 11-23	John Eller	Arden W. Searles
N. Dak.	Kulm	A/G	July 18-30	The Tanner Team	Marlin Kallevig
	Bethel	A/G	July 18—	Robert J. Price	F. O. Coyle
Okla.	Morrison	A/G	July 16-30	C. G. Rose	Victor R. Ostrom
Pa.	Dillsburg	A/G	July 19-23	John French	Frederick Bennett
	Gainesville	First	July 9—	Glen Shinn	M. M. Otwell
Tex.	Stephenville	First	July 16—	E. R. Anderson	Coyce Pollard
	Tolar	Elm Grove	July 23-Aug. 6	Gordon Zercher	A. L. Stanley
	Tyler	Rose Center	July 19—	Paul E. Riggs	Daniel D. Lewis
Wash.	Kettle Falls	**A/G	July 23-28	Jim & Betty Sconce	Carl S. Henderson

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***Area Wide Tent Revival

Announcements should reach the Department of Evangelism 30 days in advance, due to the fact that THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL is made up 25 days before the date which appears upon it.



Sunday school superintendent and his assistant display new attendance record set during meeting at the Huffman Assembly in Birmingham, Ala. with Evangelist and Mrs. Joel Palmer. (Bobby R. Smith is pastor.)



Some of the people who were saved or filled with the Holy Spirit during the meeting with Evangelist Paul S. Emerson at the First Assembly of God in Westlake, La. (L. A. Earl is pastor.)

► **BIRMINGHAM, ALA.**—Huffman Assembly of God reports a successful revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Joel R. Palmer of Beaverton, Ala. The church was greatly blessed as the evangelists ministered in sermon and song. Previous Sunday school records were broken with 119 present on the closing day. —*Bobby R. Smith Pastor*

► **WESTLAKE, LA.**—A revival conducted at First Assembly by Evangelist Paul S. Emerson was singularly blessed of God. Twelve persons were saved, 24 filled with the Holy Spirit, and four refilled during this time. God especially moved upon the men of the Assembly as a good number were gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit. To God be all the glory. (L. A. Earl is pastor.) —*Mary R. Strahan, Secy.*

► **PORTLAND, OREG.**—A series of three revivals recently held at Glisan St. Assembly proved very beneficial. Many testimonies were given of salvation, healing, and the baptism in the Holy Spirit. The Spirit of the Lord was greatly felt in a one-week missionary revival with Evangelist Harry DeVries. This was followed by a three-week revival with Lloyd Godwin. The young people were especially helped during a more recent youth revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Paul Cude. As a result of these special services, church attendance has increased. —*Floyd Huntley, Pastor*

► **KNOXVILLE, TENN.**—In the past few months God has met the folk at Island Home Assembly in a most gracious way. Prayers sent to God over months and years were answered. This special visitation began March 26 when three souls were converted during the regular Sunday morning service. The anointing of the Holy Spirit which rested upon a Girls' Chorus from South-Eastern Bible College inspired the church to more intensified prayer. The power of God descended upon the audience on Easter Sunday night as the King's Choraliers from C.B.I. sang and ministered. No less than 13 teen-agers wept before God and one was baptized in the Holy Spirit. During April, the ministries of District Assistant Superintendent Earl Blythe and Evangelist and Mrs. J. L. Schaffer resulted in several persons being saved. This spirit of revival continues. —*L. M. Hadler, Pastor*

► **NEWCOMERSTOWN, OHIO**—A truly old-time Pentecostal revival has been experienced at the Assembly of God here under the ministry of Andrew J. Smith of St. Louis, Mo. Evangelist Smith, formerly a Baptist minister for 14 years, recently received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

A number received the Pentecostal experience, one of whom was a prominent businessman who went to the church each morning at 5:30 to wait on the Lord. On the morning that he was filled with the Spirit he sang in tongues and had a vision of Christ. One young man received the gift of tongues in the Sunday morning service, and another was baptized while seated in the audience. This has been one of the mightiest revivals the church has known. —*Daena Cargnel, Pastor*

► **BEAVER CITY, NEBR.**—An outstanding revival was recently conducted here under the ministry of Evangelist Paul McNece of Cheyenne, Wyo. The Spirit of God rested upon each service in a most unusual manner. Sinners were saved, many were filled with the Holy Spirit, and many refilled. There were numerous testimonies of healing. The solid, rich ministry of the Word benefited the entire church. —*R. L. Courtney, Pastor*

► **ADRIAN, PA.**—The blessings of God were experienced in a precious way during meetings with Evangelist James Tucker of Medina, Ohio. Thirteen found Christ as Saviour and one teen-ager received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. There were numerous healings. One woman was delivered of tumors in both ears. —*Roger Pence, Pastor*

► **COLUMBIA, S. C.**—Evangelist C. A. Kelly was mightily used of God during a spring revival at the South Congaree Assembly of God. From the very first night the Holy Spirit came in great measure and the people were at the altar seeking God. Sinners were saved, the sick healed, and believers filled with the Holy Spirit. One new convert and his wife were responsible for bringing 24 new people to the Sunday school one Sunday. Ten new members were brought into the church at the conclusion of the revival. The church has truly been built up by this old-fashioned preaching of the gospel. —*L. M. Norman, Pastor*

► **DALLAS, TEX.**—The ministry of the Reid Party of East Aurora, N. Y., brought great blessing to the Oakland Assembly of God recently. The evangelists showed great concern for the lost and suffering in their altar calls and prayer for the sick. Each service was an important one, with emphasis on young people. Tommy Reid's music on the electric accordion and Hammond organ was very inspiring. —*H. C. Noah, Pastor*

► **KALAMAZOO, MICH.**—As a result of many weeks of prayer and preparation for revival at Northside Assembly, God answered with an old-fashioned outpouring of His Spirit during a recent two-week meeting with Evangelist Glenna Byard. Nineteen found Christ as Saviour and three received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Many were deeply stirred to renewed dedication and a number received refillings of the Holy Spirit. God met the children also in a precious way. —*George Hempton, Pastor*

KOKOMO MAYOR GREETS INDIANA DISTRICT DELEGATES

The 1961 district council of the Indiana District was held May 1-3 in Kokomo. The host pastor, Cecil Enochs, introduced Mayor Miller who greeted the council and expressed a wish for its success.

The first-place winner for missionary giving last year was Calvary Temple in South Bend with \$7,487.73; Roy H. Wead is the pastor. The speakers at the missionary service were Carrie Hunsberger and Lester Sumrall.

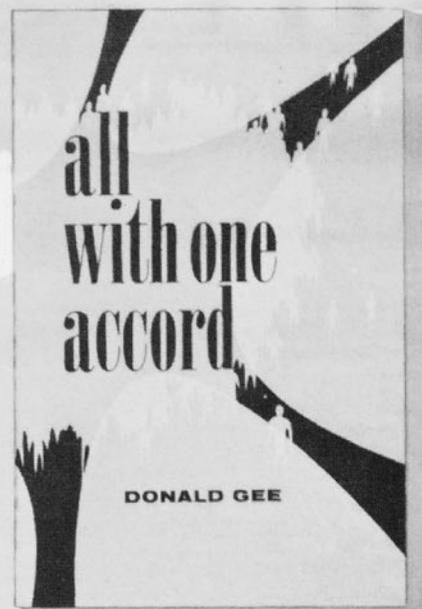
All of the executive officers (Stewart Robinson, assistant superintendent; William Thornton, secretary; and W. F. Duncan, treasurer) were re-elected on the nominating ballot. The office of district superintendent was not voted upon this year. Thomas Paino Jr., was re-elected as Sunday school director, and James Monson was elected to serve as Men's Fellowship director.

David M. Hastie of Springfield, Mo., was the council speaker, and his messages were very challenging and helpful.

The Indiana WMC's gave a total of \$1,406 in pennies toward their home missions project. The district superintendent gave the ordination charge to nine new ministers. —*Wm. F. Van Winkle, district superintendent*

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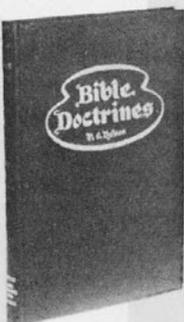
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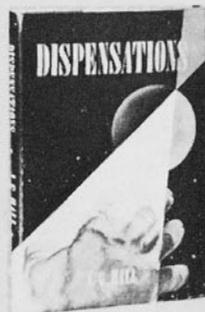


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