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Waiting and Watching

The attitude of the Christian toward the Second Coming of Christ should be one of waiting and watching. Have you ever stood at a railroad depot or air terminal waiting for someone you loved very much? Do you remember how you counted the moments? You longed for your loved one, especially if he or she had been gone a long time. You knew he was coming, for you had received word that he would arrive at a certain hour; and your heart beat a bit faster as the time drew near and you watched for the approach of the train or plane that would bring him back to you.

That is how we wait for the return of our blessed Lord Jesus from heaven. He is the Lover of our souls, the One who means more to us than life itself. He has been gone a long time, but He said He would return, and we know from the "signs of the times" that His arrival will be very soon. We "love His appearing." The prospect of meeting Him is a very "blessed hope." We do not know the exact day and hour when He will return, but we are waiting and watching for Him momentarily—and we are doing all we can to please Him in case He should come today.

Jesus told a parable to teach us how to be ready for His arrival. He said: "Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return. . . . Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching" (Luke 12:35-37). Let us notice three things mentioned in this parable.

1. *Girded loins.* This speaks of activity, speed, and readiness for a journey. Flowing garments hindered work and impeded flight. An Oriental, when working or running, often wrapped his robe around his loins (waist) for freedom of movement. The Israelites were told, on the night they fled from Egypt, to eat the passover with their loins girded, and shoes on their feet, and staffs in their hands. In other words, they were to be ready to leave the old land at a moment's notice and speed away to the new. Our Lord wants us to "lay aside every weight" and to loosen our grip on worldly things, so that we can depart for heaven at any moment.

Jenny Lind, "the Swedish nightingale," had a remarkable career as an operatic soprano, but just when it seemed the world was at her feet she turned her back on fame and fortune and left the concert stage. One day a former friend met her. She was sitting by the sea, Bible in hand, looking at a gorgeous sunset. "How is it that you abandoned the stage at the very height of success?" the friend asked. Jenny Lind smiled sweetly and said: "When every day it made me think less and less of this" (holding up her Bible) "and nothing at all of that" (pointing to the sunset) "what else could I do?"

2. *Burning lights.* Jesus said, "Let your lights be burning." It is the midnight hour. Moral and spiritual darkness has covered the earth. In such an hour it is imperative that we let our light shine before men, in order that they may see in us a life that is different, and be constrained to change their ways and glorify our Father which is in heaven.

3. *The upward look.* It is "unto them that look for Him" that Jesus "shall appear the second time," to take them home to heaven. He wants us to be spiritually alert. He mentioned many "signs of the times" in Luke 21 and ended His discourse by saying, "When these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." The signs began to be fulfilled many years ago. Therefore our redemption (rap-ture) must be very near. Let us maintain the upward look at all times. *This may be the day.*

—R.C.C.

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TWENTIETH-CENTURY PENTECOST

*A Sermon Preached at Jerusalem
During the World Pentecostal Conference*

BY THOS. F. ZIMMERMAN

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WE ARE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LATTER Rain Revival. We stand not by as onlookers, but we are in the midst of the outpouring of the Spirit of God.

No generation has had a more important visitation of God than the present one. With the dawn of the twentieth century came the dawn of a great Holy Ghost revival.

The closing days of the last century saw a tremendous toll taken from the Church of Jesus Christ. From the 1880's through the early 1900's the world witnessed the rise of Higher Criticism out of which came the seeds of Liberalism. With the advent of the Social Gospel there was a departure from the vibrant, dynamic relationship with God.

Classic Christianity, raised up as a product of revival, underwent death pangs. That which began in the minds of those who sought to rationalize the gospel turned out to be a blight that covered the face of the earth. Everywhere denominational decadence was apparent, and with it came a slackening of evangelistic zeal. We cannot expect to have evangelistic zeal unless there is resident within us a personal dynamic faith.

There came a spiritual decay and deterioration. But praise be unto God, out of the darkness of spiritual decadence and spiritual death there came to the hearts of men and women around the world a hunger that cried out for spiritual reality. Out of this hunger there came a feeling of desperation—an expression of intense longing—and spontaneously a marvelous visitation of the Spirit of God.

The twentieth century was born with the outpouring of the Holy Ghost. On January 1, 1900, in Topeka, Kansas, there came an outpouring of the Holy Ghost and, thank God, the trickle has become a stream!

God took diligent care to see to it that no man could lay claim to having been father of this revival. He desired that the glory, the praise, and the honor would be His, and as a result there came a world-wide hunger for God characterized by spontaneous revival in the Holy Ghost.

It was apparent the revival was according to the pattern of the Early Church. Men and women unassociated with each other, people who had never met before, people who had no literature to read except the precious Word of God, recognized the visitation of the Holy Ghost, and as a result there came an aggressive, evangelistic outreach.

We are people of a spiritual destiny. The ends of the earth have come to us, and in His Spirit and in His power we have gone to the ends of the earth.

The revival began simultaneously in Topeka, Kansas—Los Angeles, California—Sweden, Denmark, Finland, South Africa, Canada, India, South China, South America, and the Islands of the Sea. It gathered momentum and strength and our Lord has fulfilled His promise of Acts 1:8, "But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." What was a promise from Jesus has

"Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month" (Joel 2:23).

"Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain" (James 5:7).

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field" (Zechariah 10:11).

"Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth" (Hosea 6:3).

become a living reality. This vibrant, dynamic witness has been carried to the ends of the earth.

The most significant visitation of God in the twentieth century is the outpouring of the Holy Ghost. God has not called us merely to create organization, nor to produce and promote program. These are good in their place, but God has raised us up as a Holy Ghost movement. True, as organizations we have reached a significant place among churches. Nevertheless, we must place the significance of the outpouring upon us first and foremost in our evaluation.

This revival came because of intense hunger for God. The Master declared, "Woe unto you that are full." But He said further, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled." It was said of the early followers of Jesus that they were so full because they were so empty!

Let us guard against being filled with our own ideas, our own carnal reasonings, and a dependence upon the flesh. No flesh amounts to anything before God. God honors spiritual hunger. This is what we need in each of our lives. Regardless of how long we have been in this way, we need the freshness of His anointing each day.

This revival was an outgrowth of
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THE PURPOSE OF PENTECOST



Sermon Preached by H. W. Greenway on the first day of the World Conference at Jerusalem

HERE IS A SENSE OF AWE AND wonder as we gather in this particular conference at this particular time. This is a great and historic moment, not only in the life of the world-wide Pentecostal Church, but also for the whole of our strife-ridden world; a moment of opportunity for men of courage and faith.

We remind ourselves that the important thing about Pentecost is the experience of the living Christ—not the place where the first outpouring occurred. We are, nevertheless, aware of the fact that this is the first time such a gathering has been held in this ancient city of Pentecostal beginnings. This unique assembly can result in a mighty surge forward of men carrying the light of truth in a darkening age.

Before He left this earth Jesus told His disciples, "Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me" (Acts 1:8).

Nineteen hundred years ago the Holy Spirit fell in this very city: a new era in the life of the world had begun. We know from our Bibles exactly what happened. The Festival of Pentecost was interrupted; the vast crowds were electrified by a startling phenomenon; the common people were swayed by a power that affected their whole physical beings; and the crowds, attracted by the strange witness in many languages, were smitten by a remarkable conviction of sin. God was doing a new thing, and the testimony of it was projected along the highways of the Roman Empire, carried by a band of supercharged people, until the whole

course of human history was changed.

What had happened? God had entered ordinary folk in the person of the promised Comforter—an event foretold by Jesus when He said, "For he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you" (John 14:17). A modern writer has described this as the "divine-human togetherness." As we stand on this sacred spot, can we catch the atmosphere of those vital days? For this Pentecostal outpouring concerns *you and me*, and *our world*. It is important that we recognize the full meaning of our Baptism.

Our text gives us the true purpose of Pentecost: "Ye shall be witnesses unto *me*." There is only one name in the testimony of Pentecost—the Lord Jesus Christ. The disciples, filled with a new glory, blazed a halo of light which focused on the person of the Master.

That was always the effect of the Holy Spirit's work. Turn the pages of the Old Testament, and we find that "Holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost" (2 Peter 1:21). What is the burden of those sacred writings? Listen to Jesus' words: "Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me" (John 5:39). Whether it be in prophecies, or in types, or ceremonies and sacrifices, or the songs of the Temple, *Christ is the exalted One*.

John the Baptist was full of the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb (Luke 1:15)—a burning and a shining light. The radiance of his witness was turned on the person of Christ. "He must increase, but I must decrease," John declared, and when Jesus appeared John gave this remarkable

prophecy, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world" (John 1:29).

The Early Church, when they were scattered abroad, went everywhere preaching the Word, and the preaching was always centered in the person of Christ and His resurrection.

At Babel the people said, "Let us make *us* a name," and we know that God scattered them over the face of the earth and confused their tongues. At Pentecost the Holy Spirit said, "Let us exalt *His* name!"

We must avoid the temptation to glorify any man or man-made organization. There is danger of exalted spiritual experiences degenerating into traditions—stale, formal, and set. When Peter, James, and John enjoyed the glorious vision on the Mount of Transfiguration, Peter wanted to set up a memorial by building three tabernacles. But this was not in the mind of the Father. A cloud overshadowed them, and then they saw no man but Jesus only, and were told to hear *Him*. Since we have been in the Holy Land we have seen churches built wherever great spiritual experiences have occurred—many of them hiding the true glory. We must resist the temptation to look at beautiful churches—we must look to Him.

Jesus said the baptism of the Holy Spirit would result in *power* within. The Pentecostal Christian does not need to be dragged along—he has a power within! We all know what power is, and we hear much about it in these days. It is interesting to see how the power of the Spirit was manifested in both Old and New Testament times.

It was channeled into physical power

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in the strength of Samson. When the young lion roared upon him "the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid" (Judges 14:6). Again when he would have been taken by the Philistines, "the Spirit of the Lord came mightily upon him," and he burst the bonds that bound him and slew a thousand of their number with the jawbone of an ass (Judges 15:14-16).

In the case of Saul this endowment of the Spirit gave power to prophesy. Though he was not a member of the recognized school of the prophets, he was given this mighty spirit of prophecy.

When we come to the time of the captivity, we discover the Spirit as a reviving power. Ezekiel, carried by the Spirit, was set down in a valley full of bones—a picture of the fallen nation of Israel. When the Lord told the prophet to prophesy, the bones came together but there was no breath in them. Then Ezekiel called upon the winds to breathe upon these slain, and they lived, and stood upon their feet, an exceedingly great army. This was the vision of God's dealing with His people: "And ye shall know that I am the Lord, when I have opened your graves... and shall put my Spirit in you, and ye shall live" (Ezekiel 37:13, 14).

In the Early Church this power was first of all a *persuasive power*. When Peter stood up to preach the first apostolic sermon, we are told that the multitudes were "pricked in their heart." Paul declared God's message to Felix, the libertine governor, and that evil man trembled under the convicting power with which he spoke. Was this not a fulfillment of the Lord's words when He said of the Holy Spirit, "When he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment" (John 16:8)?

One of the most frightening things about sin is its power to deaden the conscience. Men scoff at sin and fear not its penalties. There is every need to call to our aid a power to overcome this blunting effect of unbelief. The power of the Holy Spirit is the only power that can effectively break through this barrier.

The coming of the Holy Spirit also provided a *penetrating power*. Until persecution came, the Church was in danger of settling down to be a comfortable, well-organized system within the city of Jerusalem. But the enemy

raged against them and they were scattered—and wherever they went they preached the Word. Along the highways of the East and seaways of the West these intrepid adventurers of Christ carried the glorious news of a risen Saviour. Nothing could stop them. They penetrated dungeons by themselves becoming prisoners for Christ; they preached in palaces by themselves becoming household slaves; they went into far cities through floods and torturous deserts; they became the scouring of the earth. Pentecost had its price, but all the time the message was making its way into a heathen environment and smashing the barriers of a Satanic kingdom.

The third aspect of this Pentecostal energy was its *persevering power*. From its inception the baptism of the Holy Spirit stirred up opposition among the enemies of the gospel. The God-possessed company of disciples were accused of drunkenness. But Peter had his answer and he made it an opportunity to explain the scriptural basis of this amazing phenomenon. Around him were the Spirit-filled believers; he pointed to that ecstatic group and back to the Old Testament prophets and declared, "This is that!"

It is not surprising if in this hostile age we should be called to face unkind and bitter criticism. But this gives us our opportunity to give the same answer. "This," we can reply, "is that!" The origin of our belief and practice is found in the Bible. We need not fear to face opponents while we maintain the authority of the Scriptures and

can substantiate what we teach from its inspired pages. We must never separate practice from precept. Keep to the Word of God.

In the time of the apostles, the enemies of the gospel did not stop at mere scoffings: they adopted a policy of persecution. The apostles were thrown into prison, threatened, and beaten. But what was their response? In the prison they sang songs of Zion! When they were beaten, they departed from the council rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name (Acts 5:41).

So great was the effect of Pentecost on the Early Church that they were accused of turning the world upside down (Acts 17:6). A local religious movement had been transformed into a world-shaking church! Paganism began to recede before its irresistible influence and hardened hearts were broken—and mended. It is as the Church witnesses of Christ that her power is utilized most effectively.

The great trial going on in Jerusalem today has shown us that millions can be murdered in a "civilized age." Violence is on the increase daily. Sex today is used in all modern advertising. Paul described our age in 2 Timothy 3:1-5, saying: "This know also, 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, without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of

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More Than Conquerors

(Romans 8:35-39)

Roll in, ye fearsome, angry waters, roll!
Beat, beat ye cruel waves upon my soul!
With endless rage ye pound against my breast,
Yet in my spirit's depth abides sweet rest.

For angry waves true love can never slay,
Nor gloom nor death the trusting soul dismay;
God gives His peace—though hell around may rage
And demon hosts their battle fiercely wage.

Then stand thou sure, His Word can never fail;
Thy anchor holds the Rock within the veil.
Be still and in thy loving God confide;
Who trust in Him, secure will e'er abide.

—Melvin L. Hodges



◀ June Johnston (age two years, three months) holding brace she wore day and night before the Lord healed her.

Crippled Child Healed Through Prayer of Faith

AS I SEE OUR TWELVE-YEAR-OLD daughter running and jumping today, I rejoice in the power of God that healed her malformed little body when she was two years old.

When our baby first tried walking she could not keep her balance but would fall. The family doctor X rayed her and found the left thigh bone was out of place at the hip joint. The bones slipped by one another so far that the thigh bone pushed up into her flesh causing her left leg to be two to three inches shorter than the other. It was this way from birth, we learned.

As we were living at Dove Creek, Colo. at the time, the doctor advised us to take her to a bone specialist in Albuquerque, N. Mex. After examination and X rays the bone specialist put her in traction to pull the bones into place. Then she was put into a cast to set the bones in place.

Two months later an examination showed that her thigh bone was out of place just as it had been, and she had to remain in traction for twelve more days. The three doctors present told us the necessary operation was a big

one for a fourteen-month-old baby—the hip socket had to be built up so the ball of the thigh bone would be held in place.

A seven-inch incision was made in her hip and she was put into a cast that extended from under her arms to the toe of her left leg and to the knee of the right. Her legs were spread apart so the hip would stay in place. Pins put through her legs stuck into the cast to hold the legs in place. The toe, which turned in and was twisted, was held in place by the cast. The doctor thought he later might have to break the leg below the knee in order to straighten it.

The cast, which she wore about two months, was so wide it took most of a full-sized bed for her to lie on. She was in a second cast for three months, and then a brace was put on her with a shoe on each end to keep the legs wide apart. This she wore day and night so was not able to turn on either side. We were told not to take off the brace for the doctor said nothing could be done to help her if her thigh bone came out of place at the hip joint again.

About this time the Lord sent a revival to our church. Brother W. F. Wilson, our pastor, and the church folk prayed much for our baby. One night at the evangelist's encouragement I took her to the altar for prayer, and the Lord gave me faith for her complete healing. The next day I took the brace off but before returning to church I put it back on, and that night prayer went up again for complete victory. I felt I could take the brace off right there, but the baby was frightened so I waited until I got home.

When the child was asleep, I felt the power of God upon me very strongly, and I had no doubts as I removed the brace. I pulled it off, and the baby just humped up on her side, and we both got a good night's sleep!

The next morning my husband went in to play with the baby. As her feet were covered and she was laughing and playing, he didn't notice the brace was off. When I told him what I had done, he was terrified and said, "If anything happens to her, it will be your fault."

My husband was unsaved, but I told him of the prayer that had been going up for her and the assurance God had given me. After he left the house, I picked up the baby and put on her some sandals her grandmother had given. I told her Jesus was going to help her walk. She was so happy, and cried out, "Oh, boy!"

In a very short time she learned to walk and could climb as any other child. At first her toe tended to turn in but in a little while it straightened out. She was prayed for the last of

New Undated Manuals Offer Wide Variety of Adult Study Courses

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—The Assemblies of God Church School Literature Department has announced development of a six-year cycle of undated courses on doctrines and themes seldom studied in the regular Sunday school lessons.

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November and by Christmas you could not tell which had been the twisted foot. My husband was so happy and proud to take her to town to show folk how she could walk.

An unsaved man remarked, "It was a higher Power that helped that baby to walk." This was evident to all who knew the case.

Some time later I took her back to our family doctor for a checkup. After X raying her he declared her hip joint perfect. We never did return to the bone specialist who had told us that

she would need to wear the brace for a long time, and that we should return once a year for a checkup.

Our daughter is now twelve years old and is a perfectly healthy normal girl. We heartily recommend our God as a wonderful physician!—Mrs. Elsie Johnston, Star Route West, De Soto, Mo.

(Endorsed by W. F. Wilson, who was pastor in Dove Creek, Colo., at the time of the healing and witnessed it. He is now pastor of Bethel Assembly of God, Grand Junction, Colo.)

wanted more tracts to distribute to others in the big hotel.

When we left the hotel, the porter, with liquor on his breath, came to assist us in packing. I said to him, "You shouldn't come to serve us with liquor on your breath." I held up the tract showing Death gripping the man's throat. Seeing it the colored man fell on his knees in our room and pleaded, "Lordy, lady, pray for me. My wife has tried to get me to go to church and get saved." As he knelt there on the floor, he called out to God and prayed through to salvation.

When they heard that we were leaving, many colored people came to our room to say good-by. Some said, "Youse are the fust Christians who have ever stayed at this hotel." My husband and I were amused and smiled at this. No doubt many ministers and other Christians had stayed there, but we said to each other, "Maybe they just didn't advertise."

An attorney friend and his wife invited us to spend the weekend at their country home. While visiting with them, we were told that their caretaker, a colored man whom they valued highly, was pitifully crippled with arthritis. They said that their grounds were going to ruin and that they were much concerned about the man and his family.

The next morning my husband came in from taking a walk in the yard and said, "Well, Judge, I have just prayed for your man and God has healed him." The expression on this fine man's face was something to see, but he only said quietly, "Well, that is mighty good." My husband then told how he met the crippled man on the grounds and felt led to tell him that God would heal him. He said the colored man's face had brightened up and he had replied, "I have been praying and asking God to send someone to pray for me."

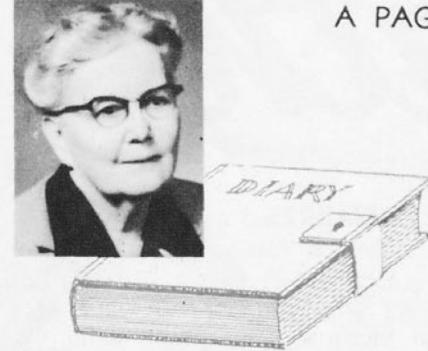
A few weeks later we were driving near this place and decided to go by and see how the colored man was doing. As we stopped in front of his house we honked the horn and he ran down the steps to us perfectly healed. When he saw it was my husband, he was overjoyed.

We found a Pentecostal colored minister nearby and told him about this family. Some time later we saw the minister again and he reported to us, "Yes, the man and his wife and eleven children came to church, and all thirteen of them knelt in a row at our altar seeking God." ◀◀

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Witnessing to Negroes

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YEARS AGO, RIGHT AFTER I RECEIVED my first miraculous healing, for which I was so happy, my husband and I took a trip to the east. On the way I was stricken with a terrible sickness. I felt that if I were only back home our minister would pray for me and I would be healed, but being so far away I almost despaired. As we went on our way, I was so sick my head was in my lap.

My husband was greatly concerned. He said, "Honey, I see a colored man walking down the road with a Bible in his hand. Shall we stop and ask him to pray for you?"

"Oh, yes!" I cried, ready to grasp at any straw.

Stopping the car, my husband called to the colored man. He seemed a quiet-mannered man so I asked him, "Are you a minister?"

"Yes," he replied, "I shepherd a little church near here."

Eagerly I asked, "Do you pray for the sick?"

He smiled and answered, "Yes, we anoints with oil." It was like finding an oasis in the desert. So I immediately got out of the car and asked him to pray for me.

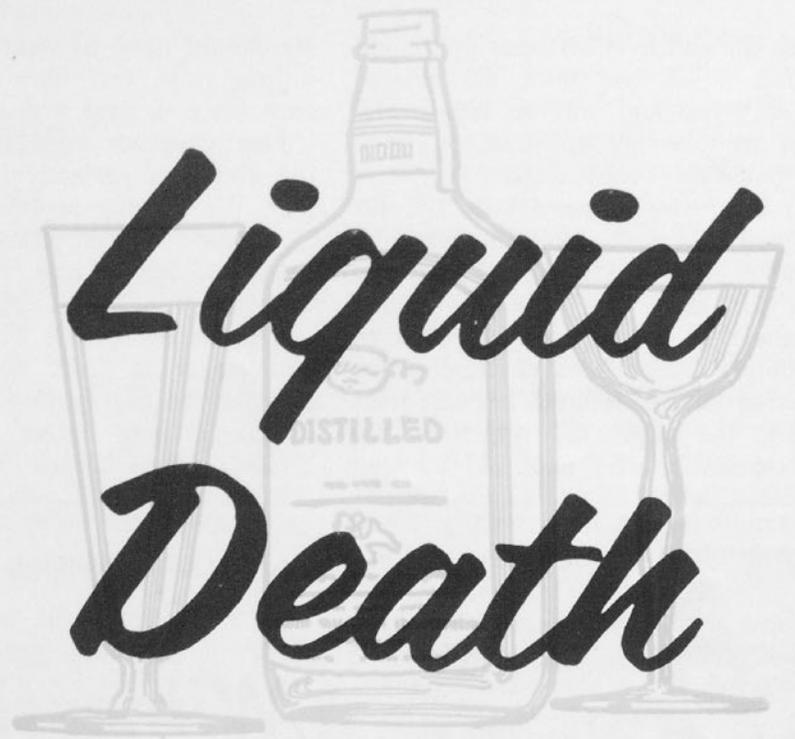
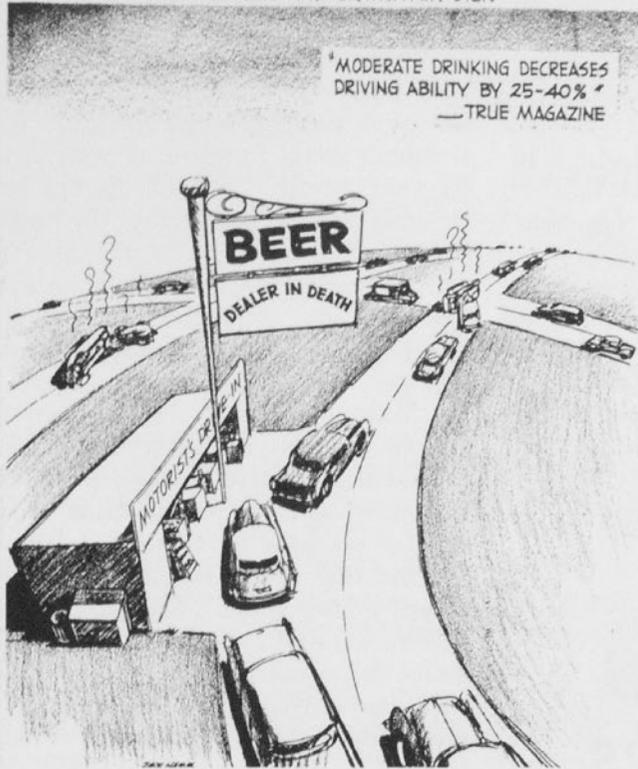
He did pray for me, and the power of God came down upon us. Before I realized it, both of us were standing

with arms in the air and we were shouting and praising God, while tears were streaming down our faces. I was instantly and perfectly healed.

As we drove on, my husband teased me, saying, "People passing on the highway looked at you and that Negro man with your arms in the air and crying and laughing with a mighty puzzled look." Well, it might have looked a little peculiar to some people, but I missed the hospital and was able to go on with my trip as I planned.

God then laid a special burden on our hearts for the souls of colored people. Since our car was loaded with tracts for the trip, we began to give them to all the colored porters, waiters, and other help that we met at each place we stopped. One tract pictured Jesus pleading with a man to be saved and the man replying, "Wait a little longer." On the reverse side of the tract Death was pictured grabbing at the throat of this man who now cried, "Wait a little longer," but to no avail. This tract had a tremendous effect on colored people wherever we went.

After we arrived and registered at our hotel we continued giving tracts to the colored help until the word got around that we were doing this. Then the colored people started to come to our room with prayer requests and they



BY RONNIE HEMBREE

Alcohol wrecks thousands of lives every year. How can Christians keep silent regarding this evil that blights our land?

A SCREAM CUT THROUGH THE pleasant atmosphere of the auto's interior. Four teen-agers looked ahead to see two stabbing headlights appear suddenly, through misty fog, rushing toward them. A pounding crash followed, resulting in splattered metal and motor oil mixed with blood.

Sirens screamed. Red lights flashed on shellacked pavements as the March rain beat down. Two red ambulances sped through the night toward a city hospital on a mission of mercy and a race with death.

Hospital stretchers were waiting as the three limp bodies were removed from the emergency vehicles. Nervous doctors followed the broken bodies to the emergency room where one teen-ager was pronounced dead on arrival. Two others were critically injured though the fourth escaped serious harm.

The night was long as doctors worked feverishly trying to save the thin flame of life left in the bodies of the two pretty girls.

Later, the police pieced together the story of the tragic auto crash. The four teen-agers, all Christians, had gone to a church party and were returning home when the accident happened. Gaiety filled the car as the youths talked

pleasantly about insignificant but interesting things. They were enjoying the long drive home in the warm rain.

A few hours before, two construction workers had decided to have a night on the town. They dropped by a bar, filled up with whiskey, and picked up a bar girl. One of the trio suggested casually that they go for a ride. All agreed and staggered out to their car. Numbly they veered through city streets.

About 10:30 p.m., the three decided to go to the next town for some more whiskey. Turning west on a major highway, the sluggish driver floorboarded the auto. After traveling for about fifteen minutes, the drunken driver passed out at the wheel and pulled his auto into the path of the teen-agers' car. One was killed, two hospitalized for many months, and the other's mind was permanently scarred by the tragedy of that March night. The three drunks suffered only minor lacerations.

This story is not an isolated incident. Many accidents just like it occur every day on U. S. highways. Forty to sixty percent of America's annual automobile toll of 40,000 dead can be chalked up to drunken drivers. No sensible person can deny that alcohol is a killer, especially on roadways. Statistics further reveal that ninety-five percent of all hit-and-run drivers are persons who have been drinking.

Alcohol, or *Liquid Death* has snuffed out the lives of thousands of

innocent victims of another's drinking. No one can deny that *alcohol kills physically*.

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The telephone jangled nervously. "News desk," the tired reporter answered mechanically.

"This is the Smith Funeral Home, and I have a death notice for you," the deep voice said through the telephone wires.

As the reporter took down the obituary, it was the same old story repeated. A one-time prominent politician had died penniless in a county-supported hospital.

This particular politician was a former state senator and county attorney. He once was a member of one of the midwest's largest and oldest law firms. During his early career he had made thousands and lived in the best of neighborhoods, yet he died in a welfare hospital and was buried in a borrowed grave. What had happened?

The familiar story unravelled as the reporter called the man who was digging up information about the deceased. The lawyer had graduated from one of the nation's top law schools—at the head of his class. After joining the large law firm he quickly established his reputation and two years later his friends nominated him for the Missouri Senate. He won the race.

His political career started off brightly. He was invited to serve on many committees and was considered a born

leader. However, fellow politicians encouraged him to drink socially. After a while it was more than social drinks. Many were the times he appeared before the high body of lawmakers barely sober. Word got around about his lack of self-control. He was dismissed from one committee after another. Voters heard about his habit, and when election time rolled around again he was defeated.

Friends, still hoping he would overcome his weakness for alcohol, nominated him for the office of County Attorney. He won the election by a thin margin. In this office, too, he started well but could not control his desire for whiskey. After his term had expired, he was voted out of office because of drink.

After these defeats, the brilliant lawyer drank more instead of realizing what alcohol was costing him. He died in a welfare hospital a penniless and sad man. Friends reflected at his graveside, "He could have easily been Governor of the State, or United States Senator, if only..."

Not only does liquor kill physically; *it kills professionally.*

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One pleasant summer night a mid-western police lieutenant was sent to answer a routine disturbance call. The person who had reported the disturbance said a drunk next door was making a lot of noise and wished the police would investigate. The lieutenant casually climbed into his car and drove to the address, not knowing the fate that awaited him.

The officer pulled on the car's emergency brake and turned to look at the house. A shot rang out and a heavy bullet smashed through his skull, lodging in the back of his head.

An ambulance rushed the policeman to the city hospital where he lay unconscious for several months. Later he was released; but the bullet that had torn through his brain had permanently damaged the delicate tissues until his reasoning was completely gone.

Today, four years after the accident, this father of three children walks around as if unconscious. He recog-

nizes no one, nor can he work at any job. He is a walking corpse.

That bullet fired by a drunken man snuffed out a promising career and caused unknown misery to the family of the young lieutenant.

The man who fired the deadly shot was a well-known citizen. He had never been in trouble before, but in a moment of insanity, induced by alcohol, he performed a deed that not only sent him to prison but scarred the lives of many others.

Alcohol kills mentally. It numbs the senses and causes men to do tragic things they never would attempt while sober.

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The beautiful young girl did not want the drink. She took it only to please her friends. They urged her to forget herself and have fun. As the night wore on, one drink followed the other and before long all reluctance was gone and she welcomed each tangy draught. Someone suggested a party at a local motel and all, numbed morally by whiskey, were in favor.

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A few weeks later the young girl was filled with horror and despair when she learned she was to have a child. She realized her parents would be crushed if they knew she had lost her virtue on a night of so-called fun.

The next day the girl's father called from a distant city but she did not answer. She was found hanging in the closet, a victim of suicide.

A night of folly, with whiskey numbing the moral thinking of a young girl, led her to suicide. *Drink kills morally.*

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All these incidents are true and any law officer or reporter could tell you hundreds of stories similar to these. The tragic thing is that alcohol is destroying the lives of thousands every day who do not realize, nor wish to realize, that it kills physically, professionally, mentally, and morally.

May God help Christians everywhere to realize the awful consequences of *liquid death* and encourage their congressmen to enforce more strict laws on liquor control. The Christian should warn others of the tremendous dangers involved and help those enslaved by drink. James Dunn wrote:

What Is Drunkenness? Darkness. What Is Moderation? Twilight. What Is Total Abstinence? Midday.

What Is Drunkenness? Slavery. What Is Moderation? A chain. What Is Total Abstinence? The power which breaks the chain and sets the captive free.

What Is Drunkenness? A fire. What Is Moderation? That which kindles it. What Is Total Abstinence? That which puts it out.

What Is Drunkenness? Death. What Is Moderation? The way to it. What Is Total Abstinence? Life.

What Is Drunkenness? Ruin. What Is Moderation? Danger. What Is Total Abstinence? Safety.



God Be Merciful to Me

THE TRUE STORY OF THE CONVERSION OF A SOCIETY
WOMAN AT A BOWERY MISSION IN NEW YORK CITY

BY MRS. E. M. WHITEMORE

I WAS A LOVER OF SOCIAL GAIETY. MY husband and I filled our lives with dinners, receptions, dances, and various other forms of worldly entertainment. Although, as a girl, I had known a sincere desire to live the Christian life, I had later yielded fully to the appetite for an unceasing whirl of excitement.

A friend who once had been a companion in our gay life had been converted, and she invited my husband and me to attend Jerry McAuley's Mission at 316 Water Street, New York City. Rather reluctantly my husband consented to take me.

We found the mission very much crowded with sin-bedraggled people. Vile smells assaulted our nostrils. We felt moved with pity for the *poor creatures* around us.

Following the singing and praying, Jerry read a few verses from the Bible, supplementing the reading with simple but heart-searching comments. As the meeting progressed we no longer felt *superior*, but began to hang our heads in shame.

After a heart-moving account of his own conversion, Jerry called for other personal testimonies. Three men—four, five—were on their feet at the same time. All were earnest. All were full of gratitude to God for saving them and for keeping them true in spite of many temptations.

Greatly overcome, my husband arose and to my astonishment he requested prayers from the redeemed men present. He was such a stiff church member—so very conventional—that I could scarcely believe my eyes and ears. He put his hand over his face to cover his emotion and I saw a tear trickling through his fingers.

In spite of my worldly spirit, my husband had never before appeared nobler to me, or more brave. I arose and quietly stood by his side.

Jerry turned his piercing eyes on us. In a loud, almost fierce voice, he said, "Did y' mean it? Both of y'?" We gave a nod of assent, although my pride rebelled at the thought of being prayed for by a thief—even a converted one!

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"Then if y' did, come and kneel at this bench." Jerry pointed to an old, worm-eaten bench, and none too clean. We complied—and in a few moments there were others kneeling along with us: river thieves, drunkards, gamblers, and abandoned women of the streets. (We had come to the mission to see Jerry, "the curiosity of the fourth ward," but now we were the real curiosities, attired as we were for evening dinner!)

There was a long line of penitents. Jerry began to pray with them. "Pray, brother," he said, "Yes, y' must. I can pray till the breath leaves my body, but that won't save ye; ye must pray yir-silves." Many of the petitions were suggested by Jerry. The majority were "God be merciful to me a sinner."

At last Jerry came to us. He placed a hand on each of our shoulders. I looked up. A tear was zig-zagging down the cheek of the man who had seemed so rough. It fell between us—a holy tear shed by a man who yearned to have others accept his Saviour.

Jerry asked Mr. Whittemore to pray. I had always felt proud of my husband's eloquence at social functions when he was called on to speak. I felt sure that his prayer would be strikingly different from the others. But when the words finally came to his lips, they were not the eloquent words I had expected. They were the same words the poor bleary-eyed drunkard at his side had just stammered out: "God be merciful to me a sinner."

Jerry's voice was tender now. "Put in, 'for Jesus' sake.'" I have always said since that those three words, *for Jesus' sake*, are God's cover of love, hiding away all our sins. . . .

Immediately, the Spirit of God in our hearts was witnessing with our spirits that we had been accepted by Him. Once more, through the cleansing of Christ's blood and by His mighty power, we were pure and clean. Wanderers we had been, but the seeking Shepherd had found us! We arose with a holy determination to live henceforth for God's glory and praise.

From that night I date the giving up of my worldly life.

The foregoing article is available in tract form. Copies may be obtained from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo. Prices are: \$1 for 175; \$2.50 for 500; \$4.50 for 1,000; and \$20 for 5,000. (Minimum order, \$1. Kindly send cash with order, to save bookkeeping expense. Ask for TRACT No. 34-4442, "God Be Merciful to Me."

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MAGAZINE FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Campus Crusade for Christ International announces it will begin publishing a new magazine *Collegiate Challenge* designed to win college students to Christ. Editor of the new magazine, which will appear on September 15, will be Dr. Wilbur M. Smith.

150,000 SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN MARCH IN NEW YORK CITY

Marching in thirty separate divisions in Brooklyn and Queens, some 150,000 children from 450 Protestant Sunday schools demonstrated their faith in "Christ, the Power of God" as the Brooklyn Sunday School Union staged its 132nd anniversary parade.

Public schools in both boroughs closed for the day and the marchers were cheered by an estimated 1,500,000 onlookers.

Churches

1928 MERGER FINALLY FAILS

While other churches are merging, at least one merged church is dividing. The merger of Presbyterian and Congregational churches at Ventura, Calif. has failed to produce the results ex-

pected when the two united 33 years ago to form the Ventura Community Church. The existing church soon will become the Ventura Presbyterian Church, and the Congregationalists will worship in a church of their own as they did a generation ago.

OHIOANS PLAN SWIFT CENSUS

A religious census of Springfield, Ohio (a city of 82,723) and its suburbs will be conducted in September. Church and synagogue leaders believe that if 15 per cent of their members will participate they can take a complete religious census of the area in 90 minutes.

Liquor

GOSPEL MISSIONS CITE DESTRUCTIVE RESULTS OF ALCOHOL

Some 200 delegates to the 48th annual convention of the International Union of Gospel Missions, meeting at Omaha, adopted a resolution opposing the use of religious symbols in the advertising or promotion of beer and liquor.

"This organization has seen the destructive results" of alcohol, the resolution said. It pointed out that of the

nearly five million persons who came to gospel missions for help in the U.S. and Canada last year, 80 per cent were affected by alcohol.

ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIANS OPPOSE "MODERATE SOCIAL DRINKING"

The Illinois Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. adopted a resolution at its annual meeting flatly opposing "moderate social drinking." In so doing it was trying to repair some damage done by the denomination at its nation-wide sessions in Buffalo, N. Y., in May.

At Buffalo the General Assembly of the church reaffirmed its call for "voluntary abstinence" but also approved a statement "recognizing that there are many persons in our churches who in honesty and sincerity choose to drink moderately." The Assembly asked "those who drink and those who abstain, to respect each other and constructively work together in dealing with the problems of alcohol."

The Illinois Synod quite understandably decided this position was "confusing," to say the least. Once a church approves social drinking it invites many people to become alcoholics. If it is true,

ISRAELI LEADERS STUDY THE BIBLE

The Psalmist of old said, "Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105). Many world leaders evidently overlook this truth but the leaders of Israel are showing a remarkable interest in God's Word. Pictured here is a Bible study class in session at which are found Israel's most distinguished citizens: Prime Minister David Ben Gurion (in shirt sleeves) and President Ben Zvi (wearing white coat). Over 400 such Bible study groups (with 20,000 and more members) dot the face of this land of the Bible.

Of such consuming interest has the Bible become that each year Israel sponsors a National Bible Contest and every third year holds an International Bible Quiz. 1961 is the year for the International Contest which is to take place in Jerusalem on October 3rd.

Various nations of the world including the United States are participating. Local contests are being arranged, with the assistance of the Israel Consulates, in the following cities: New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, Atlanta, Dallas, and Los Angeles. These contests will be held simultaneously on August 20th. The winners will be given a free trip to New York to participate in the U. S. finals some time during the first two weeks of September. Judges will represent both Christian and Jewish Bible scholars. The winner of the finals receives a free trip to Israel to participate

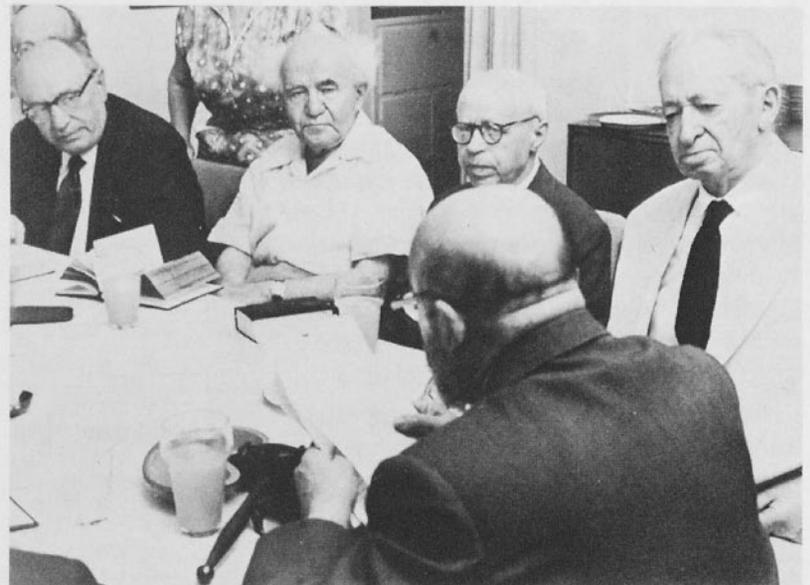


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in the October 3rd International contest. (Further information may be secured from the Israel Consulates in each of the cities mentioned above.)

Your Questions



ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

as one prominent Presbyterian elder said at the Assembly, that "58.1 per cent of the members (of the United Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A.) serve drinks in their homes and themselves drink moderately," it is a pity that the churches condone this practice. People who call themselves Christians should not patronize the liquor business. Alcoholic drinks have shattered more homes, ruined more lives, and damned more souls than any other single factor we can think of. The only safe attitude toward liquor is total abstinence.

DEATH BLAMED ON ALCOHOL

About one ounce of alcohol in a driver's body increases his chance of being involved in an auto accident by more than 1,000 per cent. This statement was made by Dr. Herman A. Heise of Milwaukee, chairman of a sub-committee of the American Medical Association studying the effects of intoxication.

Dr. Heise went on to say, "If alcohol could be divorced from driving, possibly half of our 40,000 doomed to die each year on the highways could live, and half a million more could be spared from painful and crippling injuries."

Alcohol destroys health, weakens the mind, damages property, wrecks morals, yet it is protected by the government; whereas the main business of government is to protect the lives and property of its citizens.

Labor

UNIQUE LABOR CONTRACT SIGNED

A Texas biscuit maker recently signed a contract with his 80 employees in Atlanta, Ga. binding both management and the union to abide by the Biblical principles of the Golden Rule. That's all there is to the contract between American Foods, Inc., and Local 41 of the confectionery workers international. Here is the entire document:

"The union and the company, in order to promote Christian business principles in today's complex business life, do hereby agree that in all our wages and working conditions we will apply the Golden Rule as stated in the Bible by Jesus Christ: 'Do unto others as we would have others do unto us.'"

Said the business agent for the union, referring to the contract: "I have never heard of anything like it. We consider it more or less an opportunity to see if something like this can really work."

All of the 80 workers voted to accept the contract.

Does Exodus 20:4 include paintings or the making of images from wood or clay?

This scripture forbids making objects which are to be worshiped, and forbids bowing before such in worship. It does not oppose works of art which are made for beauty and not intended for worship.

Please explain 1 Corinthians 3:14, 15, where it speaks about our works being destroyed, though our souls are saved.

This passage of Scripture deals with our service and may be applied in different ways. One person may work diligently but so unwisely that no lasting results are realized. Such labor may be lost, but the person will be saved because of the good intentions of his heart. Another person may make a big splash and draw immense crowds; he may seem to be very successful, but unless he produces results that will stand the test, his labor will prove to be nothing more than "wood, hay, and stubble" which God's fire will quickly consume.

Is it scriptural to use the individual cup when partaking of the Lord's Supper? If it is, please give me the scripture which supports its use.

I think it well to remember that when Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper there were only twelve apostles present. Probably all thirteen persons used the same cup. However, it is practically impossible to serve a large congregation by using a single cup. In some churches it would take much of a day were the single cup used. By using individual cups, the whole congregation can be served quickly, and all can partake together. The Spirit in which we partake is more important than the way we do it.

How many women were present when Jesus was crucified?

Matthew 27:55 says, "And many women were there beholding afar off." Among these were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's children. Mark 15:40, 41 indicates that a number of women were present. Luke also points this out in chapter 23, verses 49, 55. In John 19:25 only the mother of Jesus, Jesus' mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene are mentioned. It has been suggested that those mentioned by John may have come nearer the cross, while the other women remained in the crowd.

Can you explain to me how a believer's work can be burned or destroyed? 1 Corinthians 3:15.

The passage of 1 Corinthians 3:1-15 is largely a lesson on service. All Christian workers build on the only sure foundation, which is Christ, but not all build alike. Some build for temporary flash—for the success of the moment. Others, apparently earnest, build unwisely and fail to produce the qualities which will stand the test. Thoughtful ones work faithfully and wisely with eternal values in view. They build character, faith, patience, and other qualities which endure the test. It is they who will have reward; others will have only disappointment. The poor builders may have been faithful to Christ as the foundation but have built thereon for self, for personal glory; or, through lack of wisdom, may have built wrongly. At the judgment seat of Christ every man's work shall be judged (2 Corinthians 5:10). It shall be subjected to the test of fire. A man may be saved and the record of all his apparent accomplishments may be destroyed.

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).

Your Letter Is a Ballot



BY MARSHALL BILLINGS

Instead of complaining about corrupt politics, biased publicity, harmful material on the air or newsstands, Christians should do something to correct the situation. Use of the mail box would help.

HOW MANY TIMES DID YOU VOTE DURING the past year? Once? Only once?

You could have voted much oftener. Indeed, you should have!

You could have voted on every bill considered in Congress and by the White House. You could have voted on every issue debated in your state legislature or city council. You could have voted for or against any television program which you viewed, any radio program you heard. You could have voted on any newspaper or magazine article that you read.

Like voting in political elections, this type of voting is more than a privilege. It is an obligation, especially for Christians.

And it is easy to vote in these elections. You don't even leave your home. Your writing table becomes your polling booth. The ballots are your letters—compliments and complaints—that you aim at public officials, editors, and advertisers.

Evangelicals complain generously to each other about political developments, about unfair treatment in the news, about morally objectionable radio and television shows.

But are these complaints effective? Do they help to improve the objectionable situations? Of course not—they

are made to the wrong people. To be effective, the complaints must reach those responsible for the disappointing political developments, slanted news stories, smutty television and radio programs.

How can these people be reached? By letter, of course. And every letter that you write—every letter of praise or protest—is a vote that will weigh in future decisions made by the person who receives it.

Do letters really count? Are they really read?

Public officials do read them and do heed their contents, according to two men who speak for organizations in Washington, D.C. Dr. Clyde W. Taylor, secretary of public affairs for the National Association of Evangelicals, says: "I presume that as a preacher I wrote as few letters to government officials as anybody. Yet I am now thoroughly sold on the usefulness of this method and we have used it on occasion with excellent results."

This opinion is shared by C. Stanley Lowell, associate director of Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State. Mr. Lowell cites this example of the power of letters: "Just a few years ago an American President appointed an ambassador

to the Vatican. The greatest volume of mail that ever developed on a single issue in the history of the United States descended on Washington. It literally compelled the cancellation of this nefarious enterprise."

How about editors? Are they, like public officials, impressed by letters? Let another authority on letter writing answer that question. Bernard Bassett, S. J., director of the Sodality of Our Lady in England, told a group of sodalist in Cleveland of this experience. "Each sodality," he said, "has at least one institute a year on how to write a letter to the editor of newspapers and magazines. The possibility of bringing Catholic influence on editors of the press is too important to pass up."

Mr. Bassett then recounted the success which English Catholics had in writing to editors and store managers to ask that nativity crib scenes be put into windows and public places at Christmas. The campaign was so successful that the government even included a crib in its Christmas decorations on Trafalgar Square. "Letter writing," he says, "good letter writing, did the trick."

Are American editors similarly influenced by letters from readers? A

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Christian newspaperman tells a story which answers that question. A large-city paper began to publish Billy Graham's daily column. The Christian newsman naturally was pleased to see Mr. Graham's witness in the paper and hoped that Christian readers would express their appreciation for the column. He discussed it with a friend on the newspaper who told him that not one reader had written to express interest in the column. The paper no longer carries it. There was no evidence that it was appreciated—so it was dropped. (And dozens of Christians doubtless complained to themselves and to each other because newspapers "won't publish anything about evangelical Christianity.")

The other side of the coin is revealed by a little article clipped from the comic page of another paper published in the same city. The article reads in part: "Your favorite comic strip will be back. . . . Several hundred readers have called and written to ask if the Toodles' absence is permanent. It definitely is not. . . ."

And so in this large city a comic strip flourishes in one paper while a column expounding Christianity dies in another. Why? Because editors gauged reader interest by reader response. After all, how better could they tell what the readers want?

What about radio and television? Could your letters help to clean up the programs about which you so often complain? Paul Molloy, highly regarded television editor of the *Chicago Sun-Times*, answers that question. Hear him: "A highly placed advertising man once told me that a dozen—I repeat: a dozen—letters from viewers on the sponsor's desk were sufficient to raise old harry all the way down the line, through the company's advertising representative to the office of the network exchequer."

Just imagine what you and eleven other action-minded Christians could accomplish!

Letters are effective, according to these authorities in three different fields. Why is this true? It's simple. The politician wants your vote at the next election. The editor wants you to buy his newspaper or magazine. The advertiser on television or radio wants you to buy his product.

Complimentary letters to them let them know that you are a satisfied customer, and encourage them to con-

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C. W. H. Scott, executive director of the Department of Education, announces that a luncheon meeting for people interested in Christian Education is being planned at the General Council in Portland, Oregon. It will be on Friday, August 25, at 12 noon in the Memorial Room of the Memorial Coliseum. Dr. Klaude Kendrick will be the special speaker. There will also be a brief report on Christian Day School activities. All who are interested in Christian Education are urged to attend and to bring a friend.

tinue as they have been doing. Your complaint to one of them tells him that you are dissatisfied with his service. It is a warning that you are likely to quit patronizing him.

Agreed that it pays to write letters. This question then: Why do so few Christians witness in this manner? Why didn't at least one Christian among the hundreds who doubtless enjoyed the Billy Graham column write these six simple words: "Thanks for the Billy Graham articles"?

That question is answered by the same Christian newspaperman who related the incident. "Protestants," he says, "particularly evangelical Protestants, tend to have an inferiority complex when it comes to writing letters to newspapers. Or maybe it's just laziness."

Inferiority complex . . . laziness . . . both reasons probably figure large in the lack of Christian witness by mail. If you haven't voted regularly by mail, quite likely "inferiority complex" is the main reason. You just didn't know how influential your letters can be. You didn't know that your votes really count in these continuing elections.

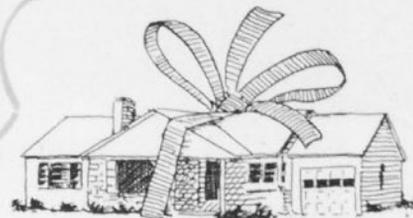
Of course, you can't plead that excuse after reading this article. You now know that your letters do count.

That leaves you just one excuse!

Little Ships

I sent my little ships to sea,
But none returned to comfort me;
Then Jesus came, and I'm content
Because He told me where they went:
"The tracts went where you cannot go;
Supplies reached folk you do not know;
The little ships you sent to sea,
All that you gave—returned to Me."
And I am glad that this is so,
For giving is a debt I owe
To Him who gave His life for me
Upon the cross of Calvary.

—Mildred Allen Jeffery



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Bethany Retirement Home, for aged and infirm ministers and missionaries, Lakeland, Florida, is one year old. Its debt is still heavy.

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OUR OWN CONSTITUENCY... AN EFFECTIVE HOME MISSIONARY

WITH GOD'S HELP, REVIVALTIME IS reaching the nation—and a great share of the world! The impact this broadcast service has already made is a vindication of the faith and a fulfillment of the hopes of all who shared in bringing it into being! It is also a promise of what can be if our entire movement gets behind this gospel voice and supports it regularly.

Friends have called *Revivaltime* the "display window" of the Assemblies of God. Others have called it our "longest missionary arm." During my association with this ministry and in traveling the country in its behalf, I have been flooded with testimonials concerning persons in all walks of life who regularly listen and who consider *Revivaltime* a foremost religious broadcast. Most significant is the large number of ministers who listen and are blessed by it. Just those writing in represent forty-eight denominations, and there are others!

In song and in sermon *Revivaltime* does represent the Assemblies of God—but more than that it is a "voice in the night" declaring the good news of salvation! One station manager—not of our persuasion—said of the first choir album, which is a sampling of all the *Revivaltime* music, "I find wrapped up in it everything your movement stands for." And this testimony has been repeated over and over.

The messages preached by *Revivaltime* speaker C. M. Ward cover the range of our distinctive testimony—with a heavy emphasis on salvation. Friends who listen to *Revivaltime* know what we preach as a movement. God has blessed Brother Ward with a uniqueness of approach and a command of language that holds attention, a keen insight into His Word and current events, a clear-cut and pungent delivery, a compelling voice, and, above all, a mighty unction that likewise speaks of all that our movement stands for, and brings conviction. We must thank God for this!

A short time ago we surveyed the results of *Revivaltime* in one station area in Montana. We were amazed at the number of towns and cities in which there was no Assemblies of God church but from which we had received financial assistance. In this one case the ratio was eleven to three.

We called for a survey of the entire

nation. (The results are posted to the right.) We found almost a one-to-one ratio for the entire nation. In other words, for every city or town (5,645) in which we have one Assemblies of God church or more, *Revivaltime* has another city or town (5,440) from which it receives personal contributions. (And there are many more from which friends have written, but these friends have not as yet contributed.) It is significant that in our "home missions districts" the ratio is as high as four to one. This radio voice is a great home missions outreach. We can only humbly thank God for this, too, and ask for His guidance in carefully following up these results.

Such success provides an impelling stimulus for the continuance and the expansion of this ministry. Under God the Radio Department has set these goals for the months ahead:

1. *Coverage in the United States.*

Blanket the entire nation with the full-gospel message by means of radio and eliminate all "blank spots."

Seek ways and means of further encouraging listeners to attend local Assemblies.

2. *New Church "Beachheads."*

Work closely with the Home Missions Department in a pre-invasion of areas needing new full-gospel churches.

3. *Follow-up and Christian Literature.*

Distribute one-fourth million pieces of full-gospel literature each year and follow up in personal counselling by correspondence with all who write expressing need.

4. *Foreign Coverage.*

Penetrate every English-speaking area of the world with the *Revivaltime* message, adapted where possible to "local" customs and needs.

5. *Foreign-Language Coverage.*

Increase the foreign-language associate broadcast coverage to penetrate the "curtains"—both political and language—that have been raised.

But to achieve these goals we must have

REVIVALTIME REACHES:

5,645 cities and towns in America where there are Assemblies of God churches and strengthens their work. This is the first perimeter of our outreach. Repeatedly testimonies come telling of *Revivaltime's* help to the local churches.

REVIVALTIME REACHES:

5,440 additional cities and towns in America where there is NO Assemblies of God church. *Revivaltime* has contributors in these towns. This is an advance home missions invasion, the second perimeter of *Revivaltime's* outreach. Already plans are under way to build churches on beachheads first established by *Revivaltime*.

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—and the World!

By D. V. Hurst
National Director of Radio

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your help—and the regular monthly support of every Assemblies of God church.

Right now we are moving into the latter part of the summer, a difficult time for religious broadcasters. *During the recession period of January through March, Revivaltime fell behind \$20,000. We did not have time to recover from this experience before the summer was upon us. So now we must come to you with a most urgent appeal for help. We must recover this loss now! Also, we must offset the lean summer months and do so during August. We need four hundred individuals who will give \$50 each immediately in addition to regular contributions. We also need many more friends who will give as they can and as God speaks to them.*

Surely such an effective full-gospel voice—yes, an Assemblies of God voice—cannot be permitted to retrench. Will you help now?

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REVIVALTIME REACHES:

Hundreds of additional cities and towns from which at least 33,225 individuals write each year. These friends have not contributed as yet, but they have been helped. They are in the outer perimeter of interest—but are being drawn in. These friends should be a prayer target for all of us.

Liberia, Africa
Nigeria, Africa
American Samoa
Bahama Islands
Bermuda
Canada
New Zealand
Okinawa
Philippine Islands
(India, China, Japan, Burma, all South East Asia)
Puerto Rico
Brazil, South America
British Guiana, South America
Dutch Guiana, South America
Trinidad and the entire Carribean

Many of the releases are on powerful 50,000 watts short wave transmitters blanketing entire continents and wide expanses of the sea. This world-wide outreach includes the Iron Curtain countries through our associate broadcast—**Revivaltime's** "Voice of Truth"—in Russian and Ukrainian languages.



A ONE-TO-ONE RATIO—FOR EVERY CITY OR TOWN IN WHICH THERE IS ONE (OR MORE) ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CHURCH **REVIVALTIME** HAS ANOTHER CITY OR TOWN FROM WHICH IT RECEIVES PERSONAL CONTRIBUTIONS. **THESE ARE OUR HOME MISSIONS BEACHHEADS.**

Districts	Cities with A/G Churches	Cities with no A/G Church but in which Revivaltime has personal contributors		
Alabama	167	47	New York	142 335
Alaska	31	21	North Carolina	68 93
Appalachian	66	184	North Dakota	48 107
Arizona	59	27	North Texas	318 33
Arkansas	284	43	N. Calif.-Nev.	252 85
Eastern	221	545	N. New England	55 233
Georgia	100	38	Northwest	205 114
Hawaii		8	Ohio	137 236
Illinois	177	310	Oklahoma	323 52
Indiana	121	114	Oregon	168 75
Kansas	138	193	Potomac	150 245
Kentucky	53	93	Rocky Mountain	103 65
Louisiana	102	48	South Carolina	39 28
Michigan	144	183	South Dakota	45 173
Minnesota	123	240	South Florida	112 64
Mississippi	72	36	South Texas	152 28
Montana	58	110	S. California	208 48
Nebraska	72	195	S. Idaho	51 20
New Jersey	115	110	S. Missouri	263 155
New Mexico	62	23	S. New England	62 196
			Tennessee	75 63
			West Central	192 247
			West Florida	65 8
			West Texas	105 13
			Wis.-N. Michigan	128 129
			Wyoming	14 27
			Total Cities	5,645 5,440



RUTH'S GODLY CHOICE

Sunday School Lesson for August 13, 1961

RUTH 1:6-18

It is important to observe that the beautiful story of Ruth, a story of fidelity, purity, and devotion, took place "in the days when the judges ruled," that is, in times of universal lawlessness, unspeakable immorality, and ruthless violence. Ruth forever reminds us that God's grace and power are sufficient to keep persons godly in the worst of times.

NAOMI'S SORROWS. Ruth 1:1-5.

The names of the characters in this story are full of significance. Elimelech, whose name meant "my God is king," belied his name in that he failed to trust God in a time of need and went to dwell in a heathen land. To his sons he gave names which mean "sick," and "pining," that reflect the spiritual loss and emptiness which resulted from leaving Bethlehem-judah ("The house of bread and praise") to live in worldly Moab.

Naomi, whose name meant "pleasant," experienced nothing which her name implied. Her husband died. Both of her sons violated God's revealed will and married Moabitish girls; they soon died, leaving Naomi destitute and their wives widows.

NAOMI'S EXHORTATION. Ruth 1:6-9, 11-13.

Hearing that prosperity had returned to Judah and having no ties to hold her in Moab, Naomi prepared to return to her own land. She urged her daughters-in-law to remain in Moab, pointing out the difficulties which would confront them in Judah: (1) They belonged to an accursed race, hated by the people of Judah; (2) their chances of marrying were small since they were Gentiles.

ORPAH'S CHOICE.

"And they lifted up their voice and wept again; and Orpah kissed her mother-in-law." Twice the three women wept together. But though Orpah wept, she nevertheless kissed her mother-in-law good-bye and returned to Moab. Here we have a lesson on the place of emotion. Orpah's emotions were stirred, but not sufficiently to move her to corresponding action. By contrast, Ruth's emotion was deep enough to affect her life and will.

There is a religion which is practically without emotion. People who follow such have a horror of "emotionalism," yet think nothing of displaying emotion at a baseball game or political convention! How can one love God with all one's heart without being emotionally stirred?

Then there is a religion which is practically all emotion and which lacks depth and endurance.

The best religion is a combination of emotion and purpose, a religion in which the emotions serve to move the Christian to godly action.

RUTH'S DECISION. Ruth 1:16, 17.

Ruth's words are among the most beautiful to be found

in the Bible or in the entire realm of literature.

1. The *motives* of her decision were of the purest and highest. Her decision was without reservation, completely unselfish, and showed her devotion both to Naomi and to Naomi's God.

2. The *tests* of her decision were as follows: (a) She was tested by the poverty and sorrow of her mother-in-law which she would have to bear. If our decision to follow Christ is made with the willingness to bear a cross for Christ and share the afflictions of God's people, then the decision is true and real. (b) She was tested by a plain admonition to count the cost. Compare Luke 14:25-33. (c) She was tested by apparent coldness on the part of one she loved. It seemed that Naomi was not anxious to have her come. It is a real trial when young people are discouraged in their decision for God by Christian people whom they love and respect. Yet, as it was with Ruth, such apparent discouragements may add fuel to their real zeal. (d) Ruth was tested by the drawing back of her sister-in-law. We ought to make our decisions as individuals, yet we are greatly influenced by what others do. The Lord's answer is, "Follow thou Me." See John 21:22. (e) Ruth was tested by the imperfections of God's people. "Thy people shall be my people." The Israelites had their faults, but this did not hinder Ruth from casting her lot with them.

OUR CHOICES

Ruth made *five* choices which must be made by all who wish to make heaven their home: (1) They must choose the Christian's God. (2) They must choose the Christian's path. (3) They must choose the Christian's habitation. (4) They must choose Christian associates. (5) They must choose to die like a Christian. —J. Bashford Bishop

"WHITHER THOU GOEST, I WILL GO"





The Family Altar



MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS DAILY BIBLE READINGS BY R. G. CHAMPION

MONDAY, AUGUST 7

READ: Psalm 119:65-72

LEARN: "Before I was afflicted I went astray: but now have I kept thy word" (Psalm 119:67).

FOR THE PARENT: This section of Psalm 119 deals with the value of afflictions, showing their relationship to the Word of God and their effect upon the child of God. Point out: (1) God deals with us according to principles laid down in His Word, v. 65; (2) trust in God's Word brings learning, v. 66; (3) afflictions help us to obey God, vv. 67, 71; (4) God is good, v. 68; (5) in spite of what others do to us, we are to follow and to know God's commandments, vv. 69-72. Stress again that trials help us to learn and to do God's will.

QUESTION TIME: Of what purpose are trials to the Christian? (See above) How are they related to God's Word? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Roswell B. Cavaness, Malaya; Harry G. Downey, East Africa; Mrs. D. L. Hasch, Tanganyika; Donald P. Tarno, East Pakistan; A. Jeanette Decker (Indian), Arizona; Paul E. Evans (Indian), Arizona.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 8

READ: Psalm 119:73-80

LEARN: "Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be not ashamed" (Psalm 119:80).

FOR THE PARENT: From this passage point out: (1) we know that since God created us, He is also interested in our knowing Him and His Word—and therefore we can be assured that He will teach us, v. 73; (2) when we keep God's commandments, our example strengthens others, v. 74; (3) we live by God's mercies, vv. 75-77; (4) regardless of what others may do to us, we must determine to follow the Lord, v. 78; (5) we are to seek after spiritual stability by following closely the commandments of the Lord, vv. 79, 80.

QUESTION TIME: What does the fact that God created us tell us of His concern for us? (See above.)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Miss Grace Nicholson (superannuated), China; Miss Margaret E. Scott, Ghana.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

READ: Psalm 119:81-88

LEARN: "My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope in thy word" (Psalm 119:81).

FOR THE PARENT: Some of the things God's Word does for us are indicated in the words in this passage: God's Word (1) brings hope, v. 81; (2) comfort, v. 82; (3) is true judgment, v. 84; (4) brings help, v. 86; (5) quickens us, v. 88. Besides these benefits point out: (1) our knowledge of our hope of salvation is through God's Word, v. 81; (2) whenever difficulties seem to press in from every side, we have the assurance that God knows about it and is able to help us, vv. 82-86. In times of trouble may we have the same testimony as the Psalmist, "But I forsook not thy precepts."

QUESTION TIME: What are some of the things God's Word does for us? (See above)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Ralph Hollandsworth, West Africa; Mrs. A. J. Ahlberg (superannuated), Korea; Harold R. Carlblom, Indonesia; Mrs. P. H. Moore, West Africa; Mrs. E. C. Niles, Venezuela; Mrs. David Womack, Costa Rica; Manuel C. Cordova (Indian), California.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10

READ: Ruth 1:6-18

LEARN: "Intreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee; for whither thou goest, I will go" (Ruth 1:16).

FOR THE PARENT: (Additional material on "Ruth's Godly Choice" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) This begins a series of three lessons on Ruth. Set the background of the story from Ruth 1:1-6, pointing out the events that brought Orpah, Ruth, and Naomi together. Then discuss Naomi's decision to return to her own people. Show the decisions made by both Ruth and Orpah, emphasizing Ruth's devotion to her mother-in-law and her decision to follow the true God.

QUESTION TIME: What brought Ruth, Orpah, and Naomi together? What decision did Ruth make? Why?

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11

READ: (See below.) Sunday's Lesson for Juniors

LEARN: "Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labor, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth" (Ephesians 4:28).

FOR THE PARENT: Have different members of the group look up and read the following passages: 1 Thessalonians 4:11, 12; 2 Thessalonians 3:10; 1 Kings 21:4, 7, 16; Deuteronomy 8:11, 12, 14, 17, 18; Proverbs 12:27; Luke 12:15. From each of these passages stress how we witness for Christ by what we do with our possessions. Emphasize also the importance of Christian influence.

QUESTION TIME: How did Ahab illustrate the wrong attitude toward possessions? (1 Kings 21:4) What is the danger of possessions? (Luke 12:15)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Harold Carlblom, Indonesia; Mrs. Joseph Judah, West Africa; Charles F. Petroskey, West Africa; Mrs. Raymond Zents, Upper Volta; Paul E. Bills, Alaska.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

READ: Luke 15:11-32 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

LEARN: "For thou, Lord, art good, and ready to forgive" (Psalm 86:5).

FOR THE PARENT: Have the group review the story of the prodigal son. Point out the mistakes he made, and then show that anyone who does wrong will be unhappy—primarily because doing wrong interferes with our relationship with God. In the story of the prodigal son realizing his mistakes and determining to make things right, show God's readiness to forgive us when we come to our senses and ask Him to forgive us. Stress the love and mercy of God.

QUESTION TIME: What was the turning point in the prodigal son's life? (vv. 17-20) How much of his prepared speech did he give to his father? (v. 21)

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. H. B. Garlock, Nyasaland; Mrs. J. P. Kolenda, Germany; Foster B. Wood, Indonesia.

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS FOR SUNDAY: Samuel H. Balius, Bolivia; H. James Bellmore, East Africa; Lottie L. Riekehof (Deaf), Springfield, Missouri; Charles E. Greenaway, Senegal; Miss Ruth B. Weitkamp, Spain.

The Husband's Responsibility

HOW TO HAVE A HAPPY HOME—Part II

BY HAROLD F. BRANCH



THE DUTY OF A HUSBAND TO HIS wife is summarily comprehended in the one word, *love*. But who can measure the height and depth of that glorious word? The Scripture makes the requirement plain. It says, "As Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it." Now the full measure of that love is impossible of attainment for any mortal man; but just so far as it can be attained, every true husband is required to attain it!

Now let us be more specific. The word "love" is a large one. What does it include as it relates to married life?

It Includes Material Provision

The husband assumes the burden of support, and no good man will seek to evade this obligation. Paul had a very sharp word to say of men who take lightly their responsibility in this direction. "Worse than infidels," he declared them to be.

It is usually a bad thing when a wife goes out to earn a part of the daily bread. She should not have to do that. There may be circumstances where such a procedure is justified, but they are rare. It is the husband's place to provide, and he will do so on as abundant a scale as possible, bearing in mind his responsibility to God and the work of the church as he does so.

Many husbands make a mistake here. In their zeal to provide lavishly for their children and wife, they stint the Lord. They fail to take Him into partnership. They give nothing to the work of the church and then wonder that God does not bless them more abundantly.

No truly happy home was ever founded on such a short-sighted policy!

"It is He that giveth us power to get gain," and the wise man will not shower on his family what rightly belongs to the Lord. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse . . . and prove Me now herewith, saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing, that there shall not be room enough to receive it" (Malachi 3:10). The husband must provide the material necessities of the home.

It Includes Kindness

Now that sounds commonplace. It is not. When a man offers a woman his hand in marriage, he says by that act that, of all the women of the earth, he has chosen her. When her beauty is gone, when her face is wrinkled, when her voice is no longer musical, when sickness has left its trace, then he is to love her as truly as ever. He is to give himself for her "as Christ loved the church"—that is the measure! This is a high standard, and to the fine, earnest Christian man it is a standard that calls out all that is noble and grand in his nature.

It Includes Thoughtfulness

We men are dreadfully careless about this thing most of the time. The trouble is that we fall into free and easy habits at home. In the shop or on the street we are exceedingly careful. We are polite and attentive. We are at pains not to injure the feelings of a lady.

But when we reach home, we are

tempted to give vent to all the bad humor we have suppressed during the day. We are short and snappish in our remarks, showing irritation in our tone of voice. We speak impatiently on the slightest provocation. We think that because a woman is our wife she should know that we love her even if we are rude to her. We think she should not mind what we do or say, even if it is something that would greatly offend another woman.

This is a great mistake. It is in the home that we should be most kind and most patient.

There are men who say no bitter thing in the home, but neither do they say any tender, loving things. Their speech is short, crisp, and businesslike. The warmth of the lover has strangely disappeared. *Home love needs to be cherished as well as any other kind of love, or it will die.*

There are times when a man should be especially tender and thoughtful towards his wife. A child has been sick, or has distressed her by its disobedience; the household work has been upset and delayed and the whole day has been full of unusually trying cares; if her husband has tenderness he will show it then.

It Includes Counsel

It seems that if a man considered a woman worthy of being his wife he would regard her as being more than a child; yet some men act toward their wives as though they thought them little better than children. They never

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counsel with them about their business. Now a woman doesn't know everything about business, but her quick intuition will often leap to a correct point when a man's logic is slow in arriving. Then too, being more removed from the immediate problem involved, her judgment may be more clear and accurate. It is a wise man who takes counsel of his wife in matters of business. Many a man has his wife's judgment to thank for a large share of his fortune.

It Includes Big-Heartedness

Heaven deliver us from the man who is a petty tyrant in his home; who is the despot of the hearth and the bully of the family circle; who "bawls" out like some wild animal after the children; and who domineers and tyrannizes over a little woman. Of all contemptible beasts, this man is the worst. "Husbands, love your wives!"

It Includes Surrender to Christ

I want to burn this thought on your heart. There are men who are tender, thoughtful and big-hearted toward their wives, but when it comes to personal religion they draw back and will not go with them. They shut themselves out of the deepest and most sacred part of a wife's life. Alone she goes to church; alone she prays; alone she bears the hopes and trials and aspirations of her soul. He has no part with her in all of this. Such a marriage is not truly happy.

If husband and wife are not one at the very core and center of life, in the heart, in prayer, in God, then they are not one in the way God intended. That is why there is no perfect marriage except a Christian marriage.

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The Purpose of Pentecost

(Continued from page five)

those that are good, traitors, heady, high-minded, lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God; having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away."

Just as the first outpouring occurred during the decline of one of the greatest of world empires known to man, so this latter-day outpouring comes when the mightiest world powers are crumbling into decay. Surely there is urgent need for a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit in this present age with its increasing divorce rate, heavy taxation commitments, pursuit of

Code Message . . .

For the Junior Reader

Here is an important message to you in code. Can you decipher it?

CODE

A—13; B—12; C—11; D—10; E—9; F—8; G—7; H—6; I—5; J—4; K—3; L—2; M—1; N—26; O—25; P—24; Q—23; R—22; S—21; T—20; U—19; V—18; W—17; X—16; Y—15; Z—14.

MESSAGE

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(To check your answer look up Proverbs 11:14)

pleasure, piling up of frightful armaments, and loss of vital religious faith.

But that power is within us! It is up to us to use God's power to its fullest advantage. The Holy Spirit points to Christ. And when He points to the Saviour we see a deserted cross and an empty tomb. His power is not that of the lightning thrust and judgment. It is the power of forgiving love, and that love conquers! When He is exalted sinners are saved.

Our imagination has been stirred in this place where the first Pentecostal endowment of power was given, and from which the witness of the living Christ spread throughout the world. May we also see what God can do through our consecration to the truth committed to us. For it depends on us what we do with the power God has given us.

An engine driver can have tremendous power stored in his boiler: with it he can either blow the whistle and dissipate the energy in noise—and be a nuisance; or he can open the valves, turn his power into forward movement to pull his load—and be a service to the company he serves. We may enjoy the ecstasy of Pentecostal blessing, but we must remember its primary purpose is a progressive evangelism through exalting a crucified, risen Saviour.

May God make us sensitive to the guidance of the Spirit as were the early apostles. When I was a boy there was a shop on our way to school where electrical instruments were sold. In the window was a magnetic compass, pointing north. But we discovered that by drawing a magnet across the window outside, we could make the needle inside the shop window change its direction. We were once influenced in many ways, but are now sensitive to the Holy Spirit.

We have been looking at tombs and

shrines, relics of the past: may we also catch a glimpse of the living Christ and follow the movings of the Holy Spirit Himself, for this is the objective of our glorious Baptism in these closing days of time.

The world is sick, and it is dying fast. Let God speak to our hearts and this meeting of people from all over the world can be another beginning—the beginning of the mightiest revival the world has ever seen, the revival that shall usher in the coming of our blessed Lord! ◀◀



BRING THEM IN
 1961 ENLARGEMENT MONTH
 CAMPAIGN THEME

"Bring Them In" is the theme of the 1961 Enlargement Month Campaign. This year's campaign challenges your members to go out and bring the unchurched to your Sunday school. The five-Sunday emphasis during Enlargement Month is . . .

- October 1 Bring Men
- October 8 Bring Women
- October 15 Bring Youth
- October 22 Bring Children
- October 29 Bring the Family

This year's campaign is unique in that all organizations of your church are utilized. C.A.'s are asked to bring women; children's groups are to bring other boys and girls; and men's organizations are asked to bring in men. Plan your "Bring Them In" campaign NOW!

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BY MARJORIE KETCHAM JONES
Missionary to Nyasaland

Mission Accomplished at Madisi

A NATIVE PASTOR, A WORN BICYCLE, a 70-mile dusty preaching circuit, a village meeting, a man finding Christ... thus was born another *Global Conquest* church in Nyasaland, East Africa.

As he pedaled to his outstations, Brother Timothy Tembo, a faithful pastor of the Dowa church, did not realize that this day was the beginning of something new. But God had Isiah waiting for him—a black Isiah, hungry for the peace he had never had. Isiah found Christ that day as he knelt under a tree.

From then on Isiah's one wish was to have an Assemblies of God church in his own town, Madisi. He begged Brother Tembo to come hold meetings. Shortly thereafter, Brother Tembo and Brother Ernest Jones, the missionary supervisor of the area, camped in Madisi and held open-air services. This is a tobacco market town on the main road of Nyasaland, where hundreds of villagers come from miles around to sell their tobacco—an ideal place for a church.

There were no funds and no worker available for Madisi. However, all the

workers of the Dowa area were much in prayer for this town, and those who could get away from their churches during the week volunteered to help build the church. Then a young preacher, Amos Phiri, felt that God would have him pioneer this church. Evidently the Lord was leading him to do this for other circumstances worked out beautifully! Another preacher who had never before been willing to step out into the full-time ministry by faith, now volunteered to pastor the church which Amos would be vacating. And just at that time Brother Jones received funds from *Global Conquest* to help in building village churches!

Six weeks until the rains... could a church be built in that time? Brother Jones and four preachers started the Madisi church building the first week in November. The location of the church had to be moved three times due to the opposition of the local sub-chief and the Catholic priest. Finally the location was legalized, the sun-dried mud bricks were hard and ready to use, the foundation was dug and the building begun.

Gospel singing rang out as the workers carried mud and laid the bricks. During the heat of the afternoon sun, the trowels were laid down and the Bibles picked up for a service. The Catholic priest had been warning his parishioners with dire consequences about the heretics across the street and few came to the services the first week. But during the second week, the people could hold their curiosity no longer and many came around asking questions. There was always a preacher ready to lay down his trowel and witness for his Lord.

Twelve people gave their hearts to the Lord during the second week, including the local mason who had been helping with the building. Now as the other preachers and Brother Jones left to attend to their other responsibilities, the completion of the church was left

in the hands of Amos and his brand-new parishioners. A few weeks later, just as the first heavy rains broke, the straw roof was completed, and the congregation had a snug, dry place in which to worship the Lord.

On January 22, 1961, just two and one-half months after the foundation was started, the Madisi Assembly of God was dedicated by Brother Harry Downey, superintendent of the Nyasaland field. Twelve men and six women followed their Lord in water baptism that day, and two of these men have since completed their first semester of



New church in Madisi built with *Global Conquest* funds

Bible school. One of these was the very mason who first helped build the church.

Six months have passed since the start of the Madisi church. In this time more than 60 people have given their hearts to the Lord and an on-fire congregation is completely supporting its pastor and taking care of the other needs of the church—a self-supporting, growing assembly that will stand even though the missionary may have to leave. This is what YOU have built through *Global Conquest* evangelism.

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If you should like to continue such evangelistic advance in various countries, participate in GLOBAL CONQUEST DAY. Each assembly is requested to take a special GLOBAL CONQUEST offering on Sunday, August 27. The amount of that offering is to be reported to the General Council in session in Portland, Oregon. The phone number in Portland is BELmont 5-8901. ◀◀



Amos Phiri, young preacher who pioneered the Madisi church

Send Foreign Missionary offerings to
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MONTHLY REPORT

Foreign Missions Department

May 1961

CONTRIBUTIONS

Alabama	\$ 3,252.92	N. Texas	16,174.04
Appalachian	642.48	Northwest	26,635.82
Arizona	1,839.25	Ohio	9,960.98
Arkansas	7,064.72	Oklahoma	17,039.74
Eastern	16,370.21	Oregon	12,584.58
Georgia	1,598.41	Potomac	10,029.43
German Br.	755.03	Rocky Mtn.	10,520.49
Greek Br.	107.30	S. Carolina	1,062.12
Hungarian Br.	10.00	S. Dakota	2,193.44
Illinois	9,738.66	S. Florida	6,818.32
Indiana	5,059.43	S. California	50,946.52
Italian Br.	301.73	S. N. England	5,001.69
Kansas	8,071.42	S. Texas	10,177.19
Kentucky	639.39	S. Idaho	1,046.23
Latin Am. Br.	561.55	S. Missouri	9,276.59
Louisiana	5,607.40	Span. E. Dist.	264.25
Michigan	13,548.83	Tennessee	4,354.57
Minnesota	14,245.42	Ukrainian Br.	229.30
Mississippi	1,889.37	W. Central	6,005.87
Montana	2,280.59	W. Florida	2,297.23
Nebraska	4,127.92	W. Texas	4,079.72
New Jersey	4,695.60	Wis.-N. Mich.	6,653.32
New Mexico	2,305.74	Wyoming	827.55
New York	11,759.24	Alaska	321.42
N. Carolina	1,249.80	Canada	818.98
N. Dakota	2,413.47	Hawaii	200.16
N. N. England	1,287.72	Foreign	177.94
N. Calif.-Nev.	36,576.15	Miscellaneous	254.48

Total Amount Reported	\$373,951.72
District Funds	\$11,283.33
National Home Missions	2,639.65
Office Expense	4,667.93
Given Direct to Missionaries	6,858.96
Received for Council Missionaries	\$348,501.85
Received for Non-Council Missionaries	3,676.31
Missionary Offerings not Allocated to any State	9,701.49
Total Receipts	\$361,879.65

DISBURSEMENTS

Support of Missionary Personnel	\$164,610.40
Missionary Equipment	37,890.63
Missionary Work	69,299.65
National Workers Abroad	8,191.48
Deputational Returns	597.07
Buildings in Foreign Lands	35,722.82
Missionary Transportation	53,121.57
	\$369,433.62
Transferred from "Hold Accounts"	7,553.97
	\$361,879.65

MISSIONARY News Notes

GOING: Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Carlson and family have returned to Nigeria for another term of missionary service.

Also returning to Nigeria for another term are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Godbey and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dymond have left for Guatemala. They formerly served in Honduras.

MARRIED: Miss Helen Holland (India) was married on June 4, to A. James Newson in Richlands, Va.

George Slager, superannuated China missionary, was married March 18, in Oshawa,



Bible students in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, preparing to take the gospel to their people.

Training Workers in Bolivia

Two years ago a new Bible school was opened in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, for the training of workers in the southern part of the country. Under the direction of Missionary Everett Hale, this school now is training 30 national workers for ministry in their own country.

Communism is on the march in Bolivia to such an extent that many experts predict that Bolivia will be the next Latin-American republic to follow

in the steps of Cuba. For this reason, it is essential that Bolivian national workers be trained for the full-gospel ministry.

Funds are needed for operating expenses to keep this workers training institution open. If you should like to share in this vital ministry, send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 West Pacific Street, Springfield, Mo. Designation: *Everett Hale: Low Lands Bible Institute.*

Ontario, Canada. The bride was Elizabeth Meyer who had been living on the island of Grenada in the West Indies. The Slagers first met 53 years ago while on an ocean voyage.

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CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Anna Stafsholt, 6816 Sherman St., Houston, Texas.

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BORN: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Frivold (Japan) welcomed a new son, Randal Carl, into their home on April 11.



Mr. and Mrs. Perry Dymond



Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Carlson and family



Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Godbey and daughter

Tall Eagle's PRAYER

BY MARJORIE VANDERVELDE

Emmetsburg, Iowa

THE INDIAN, TALL EAGLE, STOOD straight and impassive. His bronzed face, deeply wrinkled, hardly indicated his eighty years. His lengthy prayer-sermon in the small, stone church in the southwest might be described more accurately as a conversation with God. It included biography, bits of tribal history, the Lord's Prayer, the Twenty-third

Psalm and the man's own earnest pleas.

The language varied from perfect English to Tall Eagle's native tongue to a combination. The congregation, few in number, was Yavapai, Navajo, Papago. I shall never forget Tall Eagle's prayer.

"Master-Chief," he started in guttural tones, "hallowed may your

name be. Come to our church today and to our hogans all days; for we agree with you. Since my father, Chief Black Bear, decided to follow your trail, he and those of his hogan have tried to keep in your path that leads to the sun. Well do I remember when I was a little boy. My father called me to him and pointed to the Bible that was open on his knee, as though he could read. 'Son of Black Bear,' my father said to me, 'this book is the good way to live. My wish is for you to learn to read so you can follow it better.'

"For many moons he hated the white man. His heart spilled over with bitterness, like a waterfall. One day my father was called to talk with the white men about moving his tribe to a reservation. Then there were many troubled days, like many storms.

"One day my father was riding on his spotted pony. He heard thunder from a clear sky. He looked up and saw between the clouds up there the God of the missionaries on a very fine white horse. He told my father to turn his spotted pony into His path, and He would lead the way over rough trails. This is what my father told me: 'Son of Black Bear, if you could only see the fine hogans in that vision. They had nice straight walls—two rooms high, some even three rooms high. And very, very straight walls.' So it was that my father, Chief Black Bear, rode his spotted pony in the path of the God of the Bible. He agreed with the Master-Chief."

Here Tall Eagle swung into his own language, then back to English with, "I agree with you, Master-Chief.

"Give us today our daily bread. And forgive if I should not have come back from the desert reservation. You see, whenever I read in your Bible your promise to lead us beside the still waters, it made me homesick for our green valley and the willows along the river. I think you understand.

"Please, will you walk and ride with us to those straight-walled hogans in the sky that were seen by my father, Chief Black Bear, as he rode his spotted pony? I agree with you."

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Home Missions Magazine



By Ruth Lyon

Water in Desert Places

The home missionaries are taking the Water of Life to the Indians who live on desert reservations



Congregation outside the Indian Assembly in Casa Blanca (Marcia McCorkle, pastor)

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD MINISTRY ON the Gila River Reservation in Arizona has made notable progress. This reservation is inhabited by about 5,000 Pima and Maricopa Indian people. The parched, uncultivated land cries in vain for water. There is none.

In 1959, the Casa Grande *Dispatch* published a story of the Pimas' plight.



Members of the Casa Blanca church who have been wonderfully healed through prayer

The article stated that the great majority of Pimas and Maricopas on the 373,000 square-acre reservation had no water available for drinking and cooking nearer than two (and in some cases ten to twelve) miles from their farm homes.

We appealed to readers of *The Pentecostal Evangel* for offerings to drill a well on the San Tan property which would so greatly help to relieve the suffering of these needy people. There was a good response; and today there is a well on the church property for which the members of the San Tan Assembly are extremely grateful. (The U. S. Department of Public Health and Welfare finally did drill a well about a mile and three-quarters away, but to provide pipes to the Mission would cost a prohibitive amount.)

The first Assemblies of God Indian churches on the Gila River Reservation were started by Mrs. Alta Washburn some twelve or thirteen years ago in the Maricopa Colony and among the Pimas near there.



The San Tan congregation almost covers the truck which is used to bring them to church

The Caleb Smiths started a work in the San Tan and Casa Blanca communities a year or so later. The people here are all Pimas, with the exception of the Maricopa Colony.

The Smiths were followed by several other missionaries who worked in both the San Tan and the Casa Blanca communities. Later Missionary Edna Gripp decided that the communities could be better served by having two churches, rather than one. She was at that time traveling over fifty miles for each service, trying to pick up the people from the two communities and bring them together for services.

Sister Gripp raised money and built a new church in San Tan. Then she contacted Marcia McCorkle to see whether she would take the remaining "sandwich" (a type of architecture) church in Casa Blanca (built by Brother Teagle), which she did. This move has proved to be a wise one. Whereas the average Sunday school attendance of the combined communities was about 30, now it is 30 in the San Tan church and 28 in Casa Blanca.

A new parsonage is a very urgent need at Casa Blanca.

Just as water has been scarce and precious on the Gila River Reservation, so the "living water" was unknown until evangelical missionaries took the gospel to these neglected desert areas. Today, grateful Christians testify to the transforming power of God in their lives. There will be Pima and Maricopa Indians in heaven because people were willing to sacrifice to get the gospel to them. None of the sacrifices will go unnoticed by the Lord who said, "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Rev. 22:17). "Whosoever" includes the Pima and Maricopa Indian people. ◀◀



San Tan Sunday school children (Edna Gripp, pastor, at right front)



Spotlight on Evangelism

COMPILED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM, 434 WEST PACIFIC ST., SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI

► TYLER, TEX.—A great revival, of three weeks duration, was concluded on June 4 with Evangelist and Mrs. Lee F. Hargis. Over 100 received salvation, healing, or the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Twelve new members were received into the church, and 20 were baptized in water.

—B. L. Greene, Pastor

► CHOWCHILLA, CALIF.—A fine three-week revival just concluded at First Assembly with Evangelist Don Martin of Arlington, Tex. The convicting power of the Holy Spirit was present in a marvelous way as individuals knelt for salvation. Numbers were also healed in answer to prayer, one of whom was a man who had been deaf in one ear for fifty years.

—Floyd W. Baker, Pastor

► HUMBOLDT, KANS.—The congregation here was encouraged and blessed during a two-week revival under the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. W. O. Ziegler of Salem, Oreg. Sinners were saved, believers filled or refilled, and many testified to God's healing power. The dedicated prayer life and the anointed preaching of the evangelists was an inspiration to everyone, and was rewarded with God's power and presence around the altar each night.

—Ray C. Eskelin, Pastor

► SEMINOLE, OKLA.—An evangelistic crusade of five weeks' duration was recently enjoyed at First Assembly of God with Evangelist Dwayne Friend. A total of 37 were either saved or reclaimed and 13 filled with the Holy Spirit. Revival was emphasized several months prior to the crusade with the result that sinners and backsliders began to respond in the very first service of the revival. The Holy Spirit dealt with some high-school athletes until they were either saved, reclaimed, or filled with the Holy Spirit.

An outstanding conversion occurred when a Christian woman went to the home of an

acquaintance. She talked and prayed with her and pointed her to Christ. She came at a most opportune time because the friend was preparing to take her own life. Upon being won to the Lord she said, "I'm so glad you came—just think, if you hadn't I'd be in hell right now!"

—Paul Savage, Pastor

► EAST DETROIT, MICH.—Evangelist Paul Hild just closed a successful revival here at Calvary Assembly of God. Over 150 children, as well as many adults, attended the church for the first time. A number were saved and some received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. It has been a year since the new church was dedicated. God blessed the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. William Andrews at the dedication revival when many were saved or reclaimed. The ministries of William Grams and Harold Davis also brought great blessing.

—D. D. Roehl, Pastor

► PORT ANGELES, WASH.—God blessed the talented ministry of Evangelist Esko Rentola, chalk artist, during two weeks of meetings at Elwha Assembly of God. At the conclusion of one of the drawings a young woman arose, went to the altar, knelt, and received a beautiful infilling of the Holy Spirit. Nine were saved or reclaimed, eight were filled with the Holy Ghost, and three were refilled. Several claimed healing. The Indian people here need special prayer because of the alcohol problem.

—Bernard W. Ellsworth, Pastor

► GARY, IND.—A very successful evangelistic campaign was conducted during the month of May at the Gary Full Gospel Tabernacle with Evangelist Richard Vinyard. More than 100 were saved or reclaimed and as many received the baptism in the Holy Spirit or were refilled. Many new people visited the church during the meetings and several families continue to attend.

—Karl D. Strader, Pastor

► NELSON, MO.—The Assembly here continues to rejoice in the blessings of God following a revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Mark Popejoy of Marshall, Mo. Their ministry in preaching, singing, and altar work brought great results. One couple, on the verge of divorce, was reunited after one member became saved and the other was reconsecrated to God. Several others were reclaimed, and believers were filled or refilled with the Holy Ghost.

—D. Glen Hall, Pastor

► LONACONING, MD.—Excellent crowds attended a two-week revival at the First Pentecostal Church here under the ministry of the Peiffer-Harden Evangelistic Team of Windsor, Va. The anointed ministry in music and preaching brought great blessing to the congregation.

—Charles E. Fussell, Pastor

► BALDWIN PARK, CALIF.—In one year of ministry here at First Assembly many have found Christ and there has been an outstanding move of the Holy Spirit in the church. Evangelists who have contributed to the spiritual growth of the church have been T. Texas Tyler, The Singing Callicoats, the Couriers quartet, and Kenneth and Evelyn Harris. A number of miracles of healing have taken place. God laid His healing hand upon a woman with a large growth which vanished instantly. A man was healed of a goiter as he worshiped the Lord. For three weeks God poured out His Spirit upon the audience as Ernie Rogers ministered. Twenty-four knelt for salvation and 12 were filled with the Holy Spirit, two of whom were ladies from other denominations. One of these women is now active as a Sunday school teacher and worker in the church. Sunday school attendance has doubled, breaking a seven-year record of 154. Sinners are being saved and believers filled with the Holy Spirit in the regular services.

—Burl Rogers, Pastor



Attendance at the First Assembly of God, Baldwin Park, Calif. during the meeting with Evangelist Ernie Rogers. (Burl Rogers is pastor).



Partial view of attendance at First Pentecostal Church, Lonaconing, Md. during meeting with Peiffer-Harden Team. (C. E. Fussell, pastor).

EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN CALENDAR

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Enterprise	First	July 26—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	H. P. Trawick
	Trussville	Argo	Aug. 13—	Douglas Bartlett	Sadie Leopard
Ark.	Texarkana	Central	Aug. 6-20	Billy Barron	A. C. McGaugh
Calif.	Banning	*A/G	Aug. 8-13	Ralph & Edith Coe	J. F. Walls
	Jackson	A/G	Aug. 13-27	Wilford M. Frazier	Julius Gilbert
	Los Angeles	Western Ave.	Aug. 6-13	Harry E. Fisher	Warren L. Hill
	Oxnard	A/G	Aug. 6-20	Charles Crabtree	Wesley Goodwin
	Redding	A/G	July 30—	Wilford M. Frazier	Harold Byram
	Riverside	LaCadena Dr.	July 31-Aug. 20	Kenny & Lois Irwin	D. F. Ferguson
Colo.	Southgate	*Firestone	Aug. 6-11	Christian & Mrs. Hild	Harry J. Steil
	Pueblo	Central	Aug. 9—	Ron Prinzing	C. F. Ferguson
Fla.	Keyville	A/G	Aug. 8-20	Paul Alessi	J. T. Denham
Ga.	Waycross	First	Aug. 8-20	Roger Wood	L. G. Grice
Idaho	Emmett	*A/G	Aug. 13-25	Jim & Betty Sconce	James C. Hicks
Ill.	Alton	Edwards St.	Aug. 6—	Joseph De Grado	Lloyd Shoemaker
	Canton	A/G	Aug. 8-20	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	Willis A. Akridge
Mich.	Owosso	A/G	Aug. 8-13	Robert J. Price	Roscoe Berthume
Minn.	Bloomington	First	Aug. 8-13	The Tanner Team	Arvid Kingsriter
Mo.	Golden City	A/G	Aug. 6-20	Jim Chandonnet	Warren Dewitt
	Marshall	First	Aug. 8—	Malcolm Reid	Ward Popejoy
	Mexico	A/G	Aug. 13-18	C. A. & Mrs. Snively	Merle White
	Webb City	First	July 30—	Ronnie & Mrs. Thomason	A. M. Roberts
N. Mex.	Albuquerque	Revival Tab.	Aug. 8—	Hubert Surratt	W. F. Watkins
N. Y.	Raton	First	July 30-Aug. 13	Tommy & Linda Crider	A. R. Aman
	Greene	Upper Page Brook	Aug. 8-13	Musical Wellards	Jack Isbister
Oreg.	Olean	*Bethel	Aug. 13-20	John Tkaczuk	Jack L. Steves
	Brookings	A/G	Aug. 8-20	Wayne Fagerstrom	Willard Spencer
	Roseburg	A/G	Aug. 6-20	Orrin & Ann Kingsriter	Clyde O. Ross
	Sweet Home	A/G	Aug. 8-10	Olshefski Musical Tm.	W. Price Rutledge
Pa.	Blairsville	First	Aug. 2-20	Leon Morrow	Edward Gunder
	New Kensington	**Gospel Tab.	Aug. 6-20	William Farrand	Asa C. Martin
Tex.	Dallas	Evangel Temple	July 31-Aug. 6	George Hayes	Bracy I. Greer
	Richardson	Central Express	Aug. 8—	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	W. G. Glidewell
	Victoria	First	Aug. 6—	W. O. Henin	D. L. Blackburn
	Gleed	Gleed Valley	Aug. 1-13	Gaidies-Wagner Team	Ed. Westerfield
Wash.	Newcastle	***A/G	Aug. 6-11	Bob Olson	Howard Cummings
Canada	Prince George	B.C. Pent. Tab.	July 24-Aug. 20	Oliver & Fern Johnson	M. Horban

* Children's Revival

** Tent Revival

*** Teen 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.

► **COLUMBUS, GA.**—A most profitable revival has just been concluded at the Buena Vista Rd. Assembly of God with Delbert Freeman as the evangelist. Many were saved during the two-week campaign. Good crowds attended each night, including many new folk. At the close of the meeting 14 were baptized in water and 19 received into church membership.
—Henry Hughey, Pastor

► **SEDALIA, MO.**—First Assembly rejoices in a successful two-week revival with The Tanner Team of Willmar, Minn. The variety of instrumental and vocal numbers, as well as the preaching of the Word, was an inspiration to all. Several were saved or reclaimed, and others were healed by the power of God. The revival brought blessing to all departments of the church.
—Floyd T. Buntenbach, Pastor

► **GREENVILLE, OHIO**—First Assembly enjoyed a mighty move of God during a recent revival conducted by Evangelist Joe Ragsdale of Oklahoma. Sinners were saved, believers filled with the Holy Spirit, and many testified to physical healing. The evangelist's musical ability and anointed preaching of the Word drew many visitors. Attendance and offerings broke all previous records. The fire of revival continues to burn in the hearts of the people. J. Anthony Silva is pastor.
—Shirley Marker, Publicity Chairman

► **OLNEY, ILL.**—Services reminiscent of camp meeting days were enjoyed at First Assembly here under the ministry of Glenn Utley, pastor of the Community Heights Church in Granite City. This was one of the best revivals ever held in this Assembly. As prayer was offered for a man who had been suffering from a heart ailment, he was completely healed. Two persons were saved and three others received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.
—Martin Doolin, Pastor

► **FT. FRANCES, ONT., CANADA**—Calvary Temple rejoices in a wonderful move of God among the young people during a recent meeting with Evangelists Bob and Pat Ludwig of Plymouth, Ind. The dedicated musical talent and the anointed preaching brought blessing to all who attended the services.
—H. Ray Colver, Pastor

► **KNOXVILLE, TENN.**—Island Home Assembly recently enjoyed a soul-stirring revival with Evangelist B. R. Minton of Tallahassee, Fla. The preaching emphasis was upon prophecy, featuring a 33-foot dispensational chart. Many were brought closer to the Lord as they were made aware of the imminent return of the Lord. There was a consistently high attendance throughout the two-week campaign.
—Lyle M. Hadler, Pastor

► **BETHEL, OHIO**—Prior to a recent three-week revival conducted by Evangelist Paul Van Winkle of Terre Haute, Ind., Bethel Assembly received a message in tongues and interpretation to the effect that God was "about to do a new thing." During the revival campaign many persons were saved, others received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and still others were drawn closer to the Lord. The blessings of God continue in the regular services.
—Felix O. Coyle, Pastor

► **NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARK.**—Ten persons were saved and four received the baptism in the Holy Spirit during a recent youth revival conducted by Evangelist Eddie Swartout at the Conway Pike Assembly of God. Crowds were not extraordinary, but there was an unusual moving of the Holy Spirit upon the services. God greatly used the evangelist's testimony of deliverance from a life of sin. The young people, especially, were touched.
—William M. Pounders, Pastor

SOUTH TEXAS DISTRICT RE-ELECTS OFFICERS

McALLEN, Tex.—At the ninth annual South Texas District Council, which convened here June 5-7, action was taken to change the time of the annual convention from June to March. The main speaker at the council was Raymond L. Hudson, superintendent of the New Mexico district.

Officers re-elected were: Kermit Reneau, superintendent; Lonnie Bowlen, assistant superintendent; Willis E. Berry, secretary-treasurer; Jack Fellers, Sunday School director; Mrs. Kermit Reneau, WMC director; Mrs. Willis E. Berry, WMC secretary-treasurer; J. O. Savell and W. S. Graham, general presbyters.

Twenty-one candidates were ordained on the final day of the convention, and the meeting closed with a missionary rally at which over \$3,500 was raised (in cash and pledges) for world evangelization.

PASTOR'S TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY

RIVERSIDE, Calif.—Commemorative services were held at the First Assembly of God on June 17, on the occasion of Pastor and Mrs. Carl A. Goad's twentieth anniversary. The congregation enjoyed a fellowship dinner in the park following the morning worship service.

It was in June 1941 that the Goads became pastors at Riverside. Joining in the celebration was their son Clarence, associate pastor.

On the following day the church was host to a sectional fellowship meeting when ministers and friends from about fifty churches assembled. The meeting was in charge of the sectional presbyter, Alton Todd. The sermon was preached by Floyd W. Woodworth of Arcadia, former superintendent of the Southern California District.

ANNOUNCEMENT

OLD UNION CAMP MEETING—Aug. 8-20 at Cumberland, Md. Richard Owens, speaker. Frank Fratto, Chairman.

WITH CHRIST

GLYSTMA S. ALLEN, 83, of El Dorado, Arkansas, went to be with the Lord June 2. She was a licensed minister in the Arkansas District and was superannuated for some time before her homegoing.



Al Rediger

Evangel College Council to Hear Noted Speakers



J. R. Ashcroft

Training to meet today's opportunities for service through the power of the Holy Spirit will be the theme of the 1961 meeting of the Council of Evangel College. The triple meeting of businessmen and pastors, high-school students, and Ladies Auxiliary members, will be held October 10-13 at Evangel College, Springfield, Missouri.

A new awareness of Evangel's role in preparing young people for lay Christian service on the foreign field as well as at home has been growing at the college. Dedicated students are accepting the challenge. This program, old as the New Testament, calls for careful thought and receiving New Testament power. These are the goals of the Council meeting.

Pentecostal speakers will include J. Robert Ashcroft, president of Evangel College and Central Bible Institute; Al Rediger, layman president of the Council of Evangel College; and Dennis Bennett, an Episcopal clergyman. Brother Bennett has been baptized in the Holy Spirit and has been instrumental in leading others into this precious experience.

What other groups are doing through education will be the subject of the two other main speakers. Dr. George Ford, executive director of the National Association of Evangelicals, will speak on the successful activities of the Catholics.

At a special rally Paul Harvey, radio

commentator and news columnist, will deal with combatting Communism through education. Mr. Harvey will speak in the Shrine Mosque (which has a seating capacity of 4,000) on Wednesday night, October 11.

Each day of the three-day convention program will start with an early morning prayer meeting. During each day separate programs have been arranged for businessmen and ministers, high-school students, and Ladies Auxiliary members. Joint meetings will be held with the main speakers.

Classroom visits and tours will be featured for the high-school students. The Council meeting is open, and pastors and laymen are urged to attend. The \$10 registration fee will cover all meals for the three days, including the closing banquet; free lodging in a private home; and tickets to the Shrine Mosque rally. Reservations may be secured by writing to the Public Relations Department, Evangel College, Springfield, Missouri.

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ing the Holy Ghost fire burning brightly in our souls. God desires to see the fruit of Pentecost ripening in our lives.

We have reached a focal point in the Pentecostal Movement. With all of our blessing, growth, and multiplication of endeavor, we stand at a crucial point and must take seriously our commission. God did not fill us with the Spirit to give us mere personal enjoyment. He has invested a tremendous price in us. Will God have His capital returned to Him? We have the option to dissipate, squander, waste, or lose the power of the Spirit. How much better it is to guard, keep, and hold it to our bosom, diligently maintaining the glow.

What is the present challenge to Pentecostalism? We must keep inviolate and intact our heritage. We must guard against waste or dissipation and keep with all diligence this Holy Ghost treasure.

In Acts 1:8 Jesus said, "Ye shall receive power by the Holy Ghost coming upon you" (as Henry Alford translates it). The apostle Paul in Ephesians 5:18 said, "Be filled with the Spirit." In each case the implication is that we must keep the blessing God has given to us up to date and current. We cannot be satisfied with a historical remembrance of the twenty-five- or thirty-year-old experience. God grant a mighty outpouring of the power of Pentecost in our hearts today, tomorrow, and each tomorrow until Jesus comes!

Let us maintain this experience by exhibiting it in our living. The Pentecostal movement emerged out of a holiness revival. There are many foxes that would destroy the vine. Too many people are flirting with the world, taking a dim view of a life identified with the crucified One. God deliver us from the self life and give us the Christ life. Let us deplore those things that eat at the vitality of our experience. If it took separation from the world to receive the experience, it is going to require continued separation to maintain the revival.

Live the life God wants you to live; shun that which is evil and cleave to that which is good. Turn your back upon the beggarly elements of this world. Paul said, "Having begun in the Spirit are ye now made perfect by the flesh?" Never! We must maintain a "soldout" life full of vitality, strength, and vibrancy.

We must hold fast to our testimony.

Twentieth-Century Pentecost

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deep humility. *God resisteth the proud but He giveth grace to the humble.* God is looking for an expression of true humility. Let us go down before Him.

Revival was the result of a deep consecration—not half-heartedness, nor partial dedication. It was complete dedication, yieldedness, and abandonment to the Holy Ghost. The Pentecostal movement began as an expression of a simple people. Let us not wrap ourselves in robes of self-sufficiency nor

retreat into self-satisfaction. We must remain simple, trusting people whom God can use and bless.

Let us depend less on human psychology and technique. We should develop a spiritual sensitiveness which will keep the fire of Pentecost alive. A characteristic element of Pentecostal services is spontaneity. There was a time when we came together and waited upon God, allowing Him in the sovereignty of His own will and purpose to work in our midst by the expression, manifestation, and administration of the Holy Ghost.

Guarding the elements of this revival, let us withstand invasion by keep-

Brethren, we are living in the closing days of time. World forces are being drawn together and sharp lines of demarcation are being established. As Pentecostals we need to be careful how we cast our lot with any force allied with the unfruitful works of the world.

Within the past few weeks news releases have indicated that three Pentecostal denominations have applied to the World Council of Churches for membership—two in Chile and one in Yugoslavia. We are not personally acquainted with these groups, nor do we know their reason for joining hands with the World Council of Churches. But, brethren, these are not days in which to compromise! We have been commanded in Ephesians 5:8, 11, "For ye were sometimes darkness, but now are ye light in the Lord: walk as children of light: and have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."

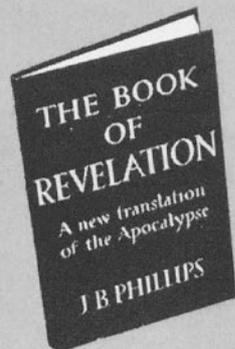
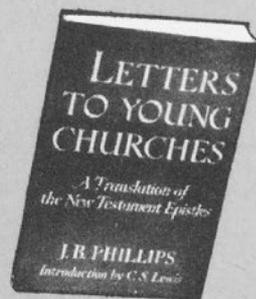
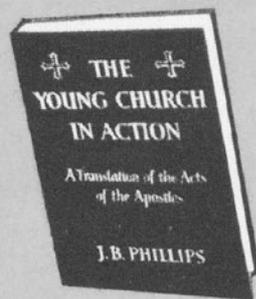
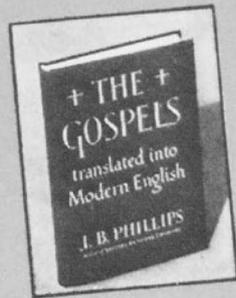
Regardless of efforts of the World Council of Churches and the National Council of Churches who assay to call us "brethren," we are miles apart. Nor can we afford to compromise with them on our more basic, sacred, God-given, heaven-blessed position, including the infallibility of God's Word, the Virgin Birth, the atoning death of our Lord and Saviour, His resurrection, and His bodily return.

Those who would compromise on these positions or who would join hands with those who compromise are unknowingly being used as tools against us, not for us. We have been commanded, "Come ye out," and "Be ye separate." This is our calling and God's answer to compromise, modernism, and liberalism. No individual has been authorized by the General Council of the Assemblies of God to speak in favor of, or to support, the Ecumenical Movement.

Last, and most important, we must maintain this twentieth-century revival and keep the spiritual life of our Movement. We can afford to dispense with some phases of our programs, but we cannot afford to lose the spiritual life that made us a separated people. I pray God that He shall keep us faithful, true, steadfast, and unmovable in the faith which was once and for all time delivered unto the saints. You have a responsibility when you go back to your country and your church. Will you carry with you a renewed determination that, under God, we will keep that which God has committed unto us?

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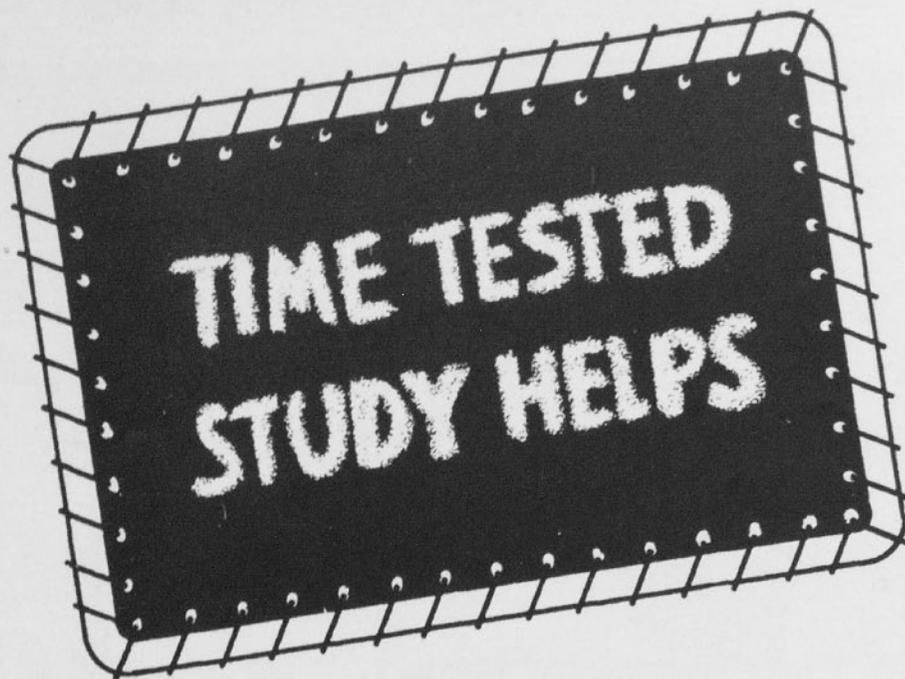
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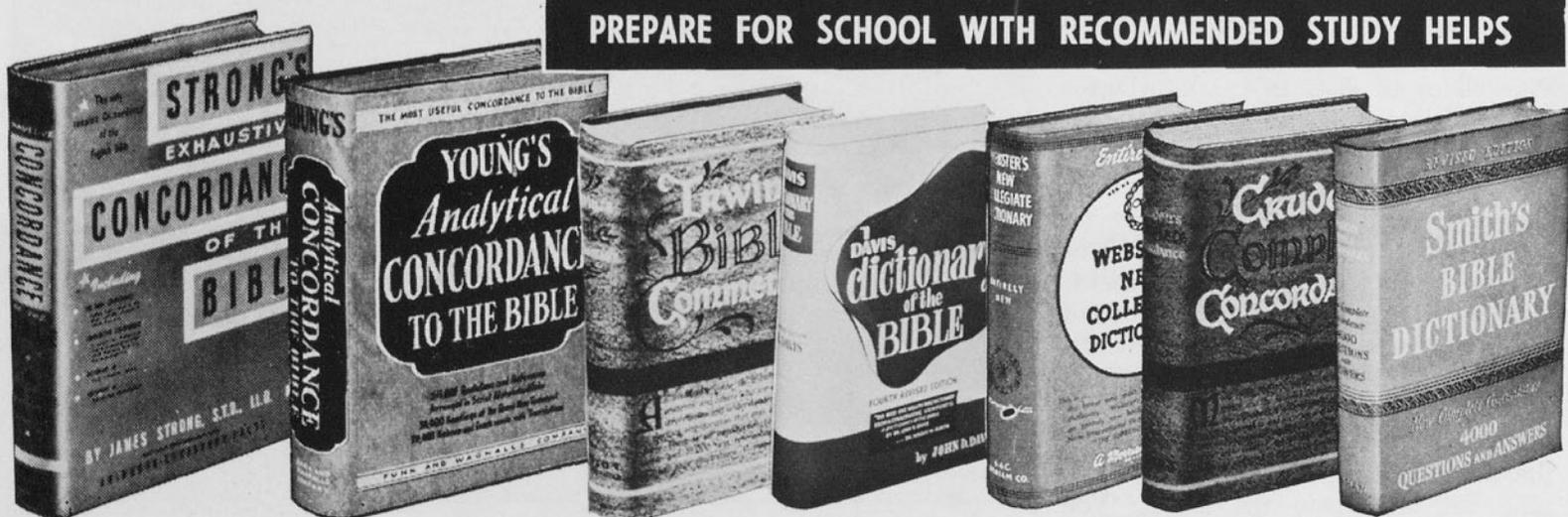
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Kenneth is the son of Edwin Berndt, who was a faithful church and jail worker for many years. A number of the former jail workers have gone to be with the Lord.

The other photo shows the entire group that went to the county jail for



services. At the left is Harry Gross, a converted Jew. Next to him (holding guitar) is Silas Skaug, who formerly played in a dance orchestra; while Kenneth Berndt can be seen in the back. The man with bow tie is Randy McMullen, a church board member. Next to him is Wesley Bauer, son of a minister, and the other guitar player is Arbor Chapin.

Many prisoners have been saved through these services. Not only have the inmates been helped, but the prison work has helped to keep the spirit of personal evangelism alive in the church as well.

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The Very Thing You Need

*Some precious thoughts on prayer, bequeathed to us
by a great Christian of days gone by*

by James H. McConkey

THE LORD JESUS SAID, "YOUR FATHER KNOWETH WHAT things ye have need of before ye ask Him" (Matthew 6:8).

Not only as we ask does God give us "something," not only does He give us "good things," but He gives us the very thing we need. "My God shall supply all your need." God always gives us the very thing that we need in prayer, whether we get the thing we ask for or not. What more could we want than this?

Prayer is the soul's cry to God to meet some great need. The particular petition put up is only the soul's interpretation, for it is often conscious of need, but fails in coming to God in prayer to rightly translate that need into petition. So God looks deeper than the words upon the lips and meets the secret need of the life, which is the real, even though unconscious, cry of the heart. That cry of the heart is real prayer. The word of the lips is often only our mistranslation of it. We know not how to pray as we ought. Thus there may be unanswered petition, but in the profoundest sense there is never any unanswered prayer.

We offer this experience as an illustration: one summer, with body broken in health, we were spending the vacation time on the shores of the Great Lakes. On account of physical weakness, sailing was the only recreation possible. Day after day we sailed the beautiful bay, and under the blessing of God were slowly regaining the lost strength. One day when sailing in the midst of the bay, the wind suddenly died out. Our boat was utterly becalmed, with not a breath of air astir.

The surface of the bay was like a mirror, so still and motionless. The hot rays of the August sun beat down upon the weak body, and we knew that unless help soon came we would be in desperate straits indeed. We had come out with a stiff, fresh breeze, and naturally we began to pray for a breeze to take us back. We prayed and prayed for an hour for a breeze, but none came. The bay still lay like a mirror, motionless, the water not roughened by a single ripple.

But by and by over toward the shore we espied a black speck creeping around the point that projected out into the channel from the village whence we had started. It came nearer and nearer and soon disclosed the bent form and the whitened head of the old fisherman host with whom we were staying. As he drew near we greeted him with,

"Well, Grandfather, I am glad to see you. What brought you here anyhow?"

"Well," he said, "I knew you were not strong and could never row that great boat in to shore, so I felt as though I ought to come out and search for you, and here I am." He got into the boat, and bending his sturdy form to the ash oars, in twenty minutes we were safe in the quiet of our own room.

Then and there the Lord taught us a lesson. We had prayed for a breeze. God had denied the words of our petition, but the real prayer of our heart was for deliverance, and that God had heard and signally answered. Let us be thankful for the God who always gives when it is best. Let us be grateful also for the God who refuses when it is not best. We would not have any other kind of God if we could. We could not trust any other kind of God if we would.

Thank God that though we may make mistakes in asking, God never makes any mistakes in giving. He may fail to give us the thing we ask, but He never fails to give us something. And if that something is better than we ask, and always the very thing we most need, what more could we desire? Would we have it otherwise? Behold, even for the beginner, the certainty of all prayer in these great promises of God.

Everyone that asketh receiveth—something.

Everyone that asketh receiveth—good things.

Everyone that asketh receiveth—the very thing he needs.

Everyone that asketh according to God's will—receiveth the very thing he asks for.

*Ask God for what you need each day,
Your every need He will supply;
He knows the hardships of life's way,
And on His love you can rely.*

*Thank God for what you have today,
Each gift comes from His gracious hand;
Thank Him for hearing when you pray—
Great things for you the Lord has planned.*

*Trust God. Tomorrow and its needs
Will also be by Him supplied;
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