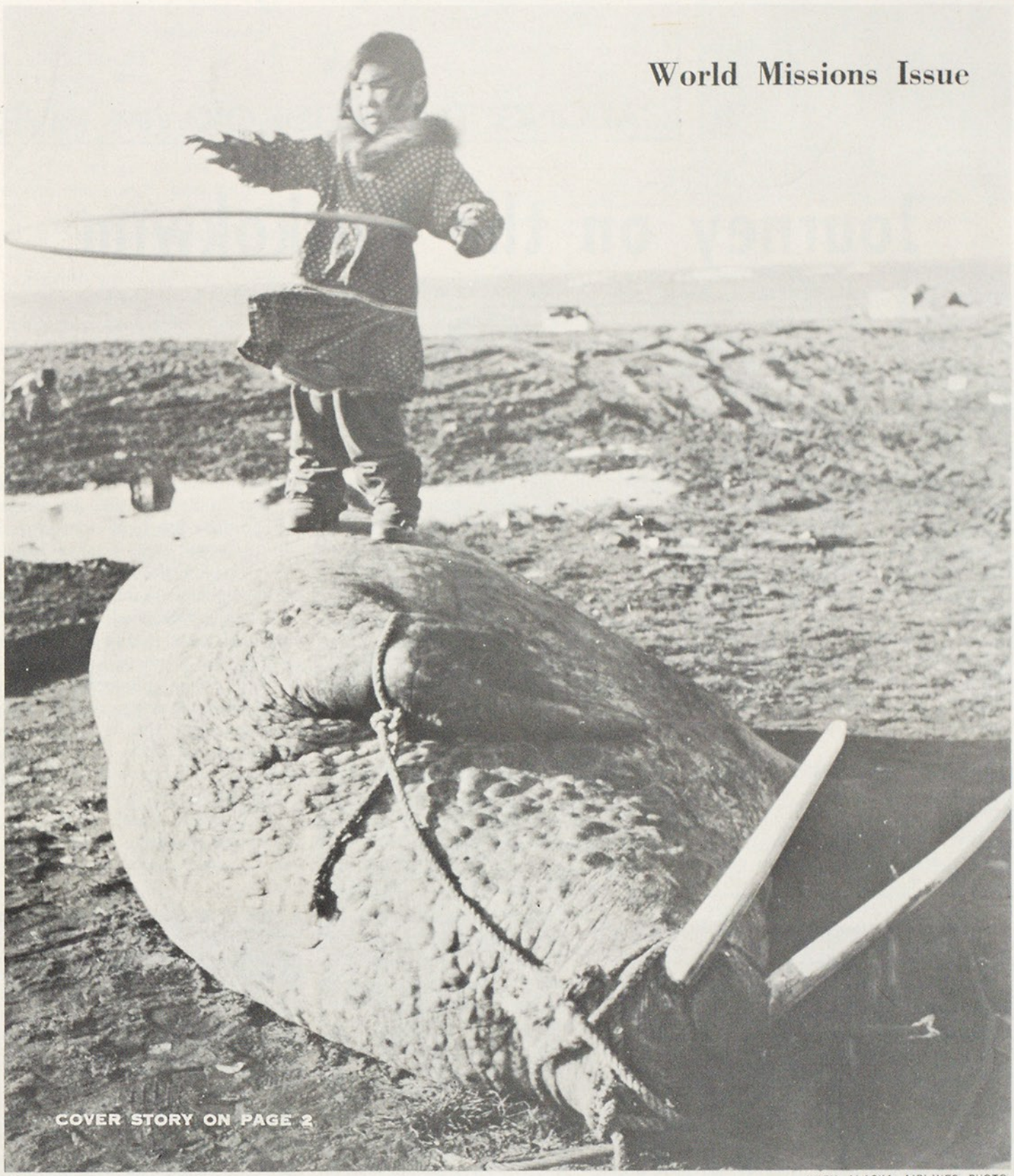
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Will This Eskimo Child Learn the Gospel Too?



Claude and Vivian Malcom



Journey on the Kuskokwim

BY CLAUDE AND VIVIAN MALCOM, McGRATH, ALASKA

OUR MISSIONARY JOURNEY ON THE Kuskokwim River actually began at McGrath by plane. Our hearts had been burdened for some time for many of the people who lived in villages we could not reach with the wheel plane and who could not come to McGrath to hear the gospel. Thus, we had decided to attempt a 370-mile trip by boat and plane from Aniak to Medfra. Traveling by boat would make stopping at every cabin, fish camp, and village possible.

The mighty Kuskokwim River, with its deep channel swinging from one side to the other and its high banks, played an important part in the early history of Alaska. The Russians and natives built forts along it and many battles were fought. Graves marked with three-bar crosses of the Russian Orthodox Church seem to be part of the beautiful scenery.

Yearly the moving of the ice at breakup time cuts off several feet of the river's banks, and many cabins have gone down river with it. At places the river is nearly a mile wide and the water is extremely cold. At this time of year the fish-wheels, used in catching salmon, are turning with the swift tide. Nearby are single cabins or groups of cabins, occupied by Eskimos, Indians, or whites. At best it is a lonely life.

On the way to Aniak we encountered strong 20 to 25 m.p.h. winds, and part of the time we flew only 500 feet above the river in order to have clear vision in the strong rain. We reached Aniak safely and later in the evening when the weather cleared, our son-in-law, Jack Webb, flew the plane back to home-base. We assisted the Marshall Higginbothams, Assemblies of God missionaries at Aniak, in the evening service.

The following day we loaded Bibles, Evangels, Sunday school literature, tracts, a ukulele, food, camping equipment, 81 gallons of gasoline and oil into the 20-foot river boat and departed. It was hard to make much progress up river against the strong wind and the thunder showers, but within the hour we beached our boat at Russian Mission, 10 miles from Aniak. It was not long until Chief Sam Phillip's log house was crowded with people for "church." The heavenly Father's heart must have rejoiced to hear them singing "Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so." At the conclusion of the service several accepted the Saviour.

A young boy then led us to another cabin where his parents, the Moxie Pitkas, presented us with a small wooden shadow box containing a miniature log cabin, cache, trees, and landscape. It was in appreciation for something we had done for them eight years prior.

Our second stop was at Napamute. We arrived in the rain at 10 P.M. Having daylight all night was a great help. The Jack Brinks had retired, but they soon had a warm fire of wood to dry us out and a warm snack to refresh us. Mrs. Brink pioneered a school in this village years ago and he has been associated with the development of the Kuskokwim equally as long. We enjoyed many hours with them and also had a service at Shorty Abruska's.

At Crooked Creek it was good to sit around the large table, after a dinner of baked salmon, singing and talk-

COVER PHOTO

Hula hoop salesmen have penetrated the far north, as shown by this picture of an Eskimo child twirling a hoop atop a huge walrus. Children on the fringes of civilization need Christ more than hula hoops—but will the Church send enough gospel missionaries to reach them all?

—Photo by Frank Whaley, Fairbanks, Alaska (courtesy WIEN Alaska Airlines)



Mild ice break-up on the Kuskokwim River

ing about the goodness of the Lord until midnight with the hotel owner and his family of teen-agers. Going on up river we stopped at cabins at Red Devil where the mercury mine is located. It is a settlement of 100 people and has no church. We made contacts for the future. The trip through the mine was interesting.

The next stop was at Sleetmute, where a missionary is stationed; and then we proceeded on to Stony River. This settlement has around 100 people living along both sides of the river. At one of the cabins we found two women in a bed covered with mosquito netting to avoid the endless swarm of biting insects. They got up and listened attentively to the gospel, and both accepted the Lord. There is no church or school at Stony River but, due to the efforts of Dr. and Mrs. Carpenter who have recently purchased the trading post there, a school has been promised by the Department of Education.

Journeying on from there, we observed only a few cabins as the miles stretched out. At the Deacon Deerfauns' cabin we again sang and talked of the Lord until nearly midnight. We stayed overnight with them. Thankful to be inside out of the rain, we slept in our sleeping bags on the floor.

Late Saturday afternoon we concluded 300 miles of the journey to McGrath. Nearly every occupied cabin along the route had been visited, souls had been saved, much literature had been distributed, old acquaintances had been encouraged, and new openings for gospel work had been made.

There still remained 90 miles to Medfra. After Sunday school and church in McGrath we put literature, visual aid, accordion, and guitar into the plane. Taking Jack and our daughter, Tanya Rose, we made the flight in our Cessna 170 in 20 minutes. Here in Medfra each Sunday afternoon we carry on the Sunday school work started by the Clifford Greedys. This Sunday 65 people crowded into and around the log building which the storekeeper, Bertha Winans, kindly provides for this purpose.

The people watch for our plane to fly over which is the signal for them to get into their boats and come to Sunday school. Souls have been saved here. After a visit with Bertha we took off again from the grassy, dandelion-covered runway and headed for McGrath, waving good-by to the group of

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The 20-foot boat loaded with supplies, ready for the Malcoms' river journey.



The Deacon Deerfaun family who entertained the Malcoms for one night of their trip.



Some of the people who attended the service held in the Abruska cabin.

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FRANCE—*A Mission Field*

BY J. PHILIP HOGAN
Executive Director of Foreign Missions


J. Philip Hogan

Most people have a great deal of difficulty in considering Europe in general, and France in particular, in the category of a mission field. Too many of us feel that to qualify as an area for missionary work, there must of necessity be sordid physical conditions, a low standard of living, backward culture, poor housing, and illiteracy. However, if abject spiritual need is actually the first qualification for missionary objective—and I believe it is—then France rates among the neediest. We look south to Latin America and have prayed and yearned over this land for years. We have sent our missionaries and resources. However, statistically, France is a greater mission field than any single area in Latin America.

Even though the French had the Bible in their tongue before we in the United States, the average Frenchman has never seen one. Protestantism in France numbers less than 2 per cent of the population. In country districts, superstition and fear lead persons to make pacts with the devil. France has more licensed sorcerers and spiritualist healers than she has medical doctors.

Spiritualist occult religions have their own temples, bookstores, and a huge following everywhere in France. Priest-craft and materialism betray a deep hunger of the soul. To fill this void in the human heart, the average Frenchman turns to alcohol. In France, according to the World Health Organization, there are one million full-blown alcoholics with one bar for every thirty-four people.

Our Foreign Missions Department is currently stepping up our cooperation with the existing Assemblies of God in France. To serve the whole French-speaking area in Europe, we have established a very fine Bible school in Andrimont, Belgium. In addition, we are beginning to produce literature both for evangelism and Sunday school work in France. This fall we are delegating one of our finest missionaries, gifted in the French language, to hold conferences and evangelistic meetings in France. Charles Greenaway developed his French fluency during many years of missionary work in West Africa.

In spite of the agnosticism, there is a deepening hunger in this land as evidenced by the crowds that attend revival efforts and the increasing volume of requests for help which we receive here in the Foreign Missions Department. We believe that there is evidence of a real revival in France. Ten years ago there were less than a dozen foreign missionaries there. Today, several of the evangelical bodies are awakening to the opportunities of soul winning in France. No wonder Billy Graham recently said in Paris, "A spiritual revival could sweep France and make an impact on the world." I am burdened for this field. ◄◄

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The Jewish Nation—
YESTERDAY AND TODAY

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THE PICTURE WHICH GOD PAINTS of Israel in the first chapter of Isaiah is certainly not one to be hung in the Hall of Fame. The people were living in open rebellion and sin. In the time of Christ, they exhibited the same attitude. Now, almost two thousand years later, they have not changed.

LIVING IN REBELLION

Rebellion is open resistance to any authority. One of the greatest difficulties in witnessing to the Jew is to get him to listen to God's Word, read it for himself, and apply it. The same spirit prevails among the Jews today that prevailed in the time of Christ when they said, "Away with him," "Crucify him," "Let his blood be upon us and upon our children." Some may act a little more dignified. It may be a wave of the hand, or a shrug of the shoulder, but the same spirit is there. The Jews have not changed in nearly two thousand years. The common remark is, "I was born a Jew and I will die a Jew." They believe in God but not in Jesus.

Let me give you an example. A certain Jewish woman comes into our Center quite often. She prays to God and pleads her goodness. But when we pin her down, her excuse for not believing in Jesus is: "I have been taught differently." She will concede that Jesus was a good man, even that He performed all the miracles; but when we suggest that God became man, she rebels. What God's Word has to say means nothing. She has been "taught differently." Open rebellion against God's Word and the teaching of Jesus is evident.



Ruth W. Toczek

Lately, however, this woman's resistance seems to be breaking down. Recently she took a Bible to read; and the fact that she continues to come to us leads us to believe that some day she will surrender and accept Jesus as her Saviour.

LIVING IN IGNORANCE

The Jew is *willingly* ignorant. Even though the veil has been taken away in Christ, most Jews are not willing to consider His claims. They are so bound by tradition that when they have carried out their ritualistic practice they feel they have done their duty. If one tries to tell them otherwise they will not listen.

The Bible states, "The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his master's crib: but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider." This is God speaking and not man. However, Israel must have a chance to know.

It is the duty of the Christian Church to enlighten Israel. How? Romans 10: 14-15 supplies the answer. We thank God some Jews who have been contacted are already considering and believing.

LIVING IN SIN

Another thing that is difficult to explain to the Jew is that he is a sinner and needs a Saviour. This is hard for him to believe. He is too full of good works. God makes an accusation against Israel through Isaiah. Listen to it: "Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment." If the devil has ever succeeded in deceiving any nation, it is Israel.

But *thanks be unto God for His unspeakable gift.* Every rebellious, ignorant, and sinful heart can be changed by the power of the living Word. Let us continue to believe God for an avalanche of conversions among the Jewish people before Jesus comes. ◄◄

PHOTO BY THE CHICAGO SUN



Jewish boys, wearing the Tallith or prayershawl, sing some of their prayers



Lawrence Olson (left) and G. A. Uldin (pastor of Bethel Assembly in Elkhart, Ind.), speaking at the 50th anniversary celebration of Pentecost in Brazil.

A Half Century of Pentecost in Brazil

BY N. LAWRENCE OLSON
Missionary to Brazil

MARACANAZINHO STADIUM IN RIO de Janeiro, Brazil, was crowded to capacity. Forty thousand people listened to the sixteen-hundred-voice choir as they sang the message of Pentecost, "Ye shall receive power." A two-hundred-fifty-piece band accompanied the vast throng of God's redeemed. It was June 25, 1961—the day which marked the 50th anniversary celebration of Pentecost in Brazil.

On the platform beside the leaders of the Pentecostal movement in Brazil were Christian members of the Brazilian Congress, a state governor, a representative of another state governor, a major, representatives of all leading denominations, and Pentecostal leaders from the United States, Sweden, and other lands. The name "Jesus," emblazoned in gold lettering across the platform of the huge auditorium, was foremost in the messages and songs given. Veteran Missionary Daniel Berg was presented a gold medal by the Brazilian brethren in loving recognition of his unselfish labors during the past fifty years. The late Brother Gunnar Vingren was honored posthumously. His son Ivar, who is a missionary to Montevideo, Uruguay, acted in his father's behalf.

PIONEER MISSIONARIES

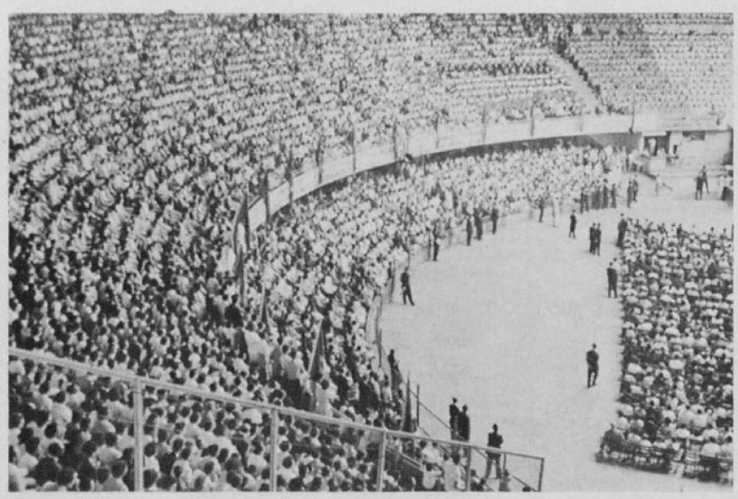
It was just fifty years ago that two young Scandinavian missionaries, Gunnar Vingren and Daniel Berg, arrived in Belem, North Brazil, near the Amazon River. An uncomfortable journey in third-class accommodations on a freighter had failed to cool the Pentecostal fires so recently kindled in their hearts when they received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Almost penniless and dressed in heavy clothing unsuitable for the tropics, the missionaries dragged their worn suitcases to a park bench to evaluate the situation and see what God would have them do next.

Miracle after miracle had marked the pathway of these two men to Brazil. Pentecost had come to the South Bend, Indiana, area a few years after the turn of the century, causing people to come from far and near to see the moving of the Holy Spirit. Brother Vingren, a Baptist minister who had recently been filled with the Holy Spirit, was among these. At this South Bend revival Brother Vingren met Brother Berg as they were entertained in the home of Olaf Uldin.

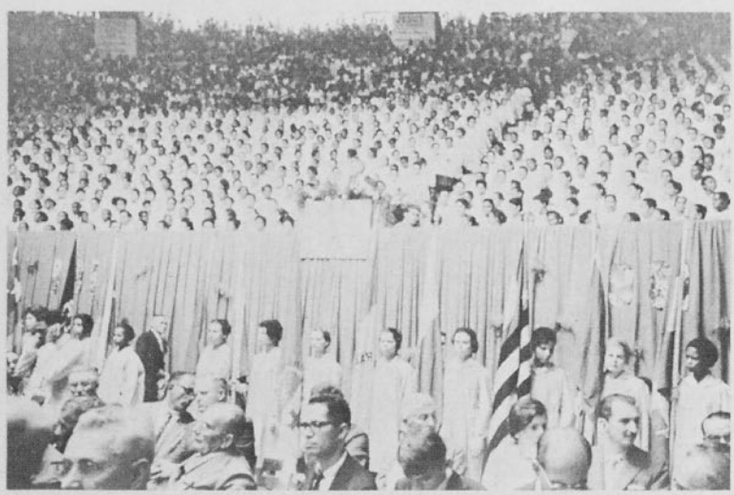
The Holy Spirit moved upon Brother Uldin while the two young men were in his home, and he prophecied that these two young preachers were to go to a place called Para. Not knowing where such a place might be, they searched the maps in a nearby library and found it to be a state in northern Brazil. Taking this as a leading from the Lord, Brother Vingren and Brother Berg set out to do His will and, like Paul and Barnabas, these men of God soon found themselves in the foreign land of Brazil. The same God who called them also protected them from danger and harm.

DIVINE PROTECTION

Brother Berg tells how, on one occasion, they were conducting a baptismal service, in spite of danger from fanatical Catholics who tried to stamp out the new doctrine that had come to their community. As Brother Vingren was reading from the Word, a huge branch of a tree fell beside him. Tell-tale ax marks showed it to have been the work of someone wanting to kill the missionary and the *crentes* (believers). However, neither the missionaries nor the believers were hurt. In a moment they heard a thud and saw someone, shaking his fists, bound off into the forest. It was a wealthy farmer—the worst of the persecutors—who



Part of the crowd of 40,000 at the Maracanazinho Stadium in Brazil.



The 1600-voice choir at the 50th anniversary of Pentecost in Brazil.

had cursed the *Protestantes* and had wished that a jaguar would eat them because two of his best hired men had become believers.

Immediately after the baptismal service, a young Christian came running to the missionaries and excitedly said he had seen a jaguar with something in its mouth. Fearful that it could be one of their number, they hurried to the scene. Arriving, they found a man's leg and an old straw hat covered with blood. These were identified as belonging to the very man who had wished the jaguars would eat the Christians!

Transformed for Service

Miracles of conversions without number have taken place through the past half century. Jose Gomes Moreno, a young football player on the Sao Paulo Corinthians soccer team, was leading a profligate life of carousing and sinful pleasure. Many times he came home at three or four in the morning to add still further grief to his father's heart. In a certain game he kicked the ball and instead of making a goal it went into the stands. It struck a woman a near fatal blow on her chest. Unconscious, she was carried to her home. Jose began to feel the sharp prickings of conscience saying to him, "You good-for-nothing! See, now you're going to be up for murder."

Fearful lest the police should come for him, the next day he went to visit the accident victim, Dona Amelia, and timidly asked her how she was. Learning it was the soccer player who had come to see her, she let loose with a torrent of invectives: "You're a bum, you good-for-nothing!" Having heard that before from his own conscience, Jose hastily agreed and left.

Two or three months passed. One day Dona Amelia called him over. She wanted to tell him that some crentes (believers) had been to see her and had told her that "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" and that this Jesus can transform wicked people. "He could straighten you out too, you worthless creature, you!" she added. "You should go to their church." She herself, a seemingly good moral Roman Catholic, felt no need of Christ for herself, but this Jose, he surely needed Him!

So, obediently, and only to be able to tell her he had complied with her wishes, the young athlete went to the "Assembleia de Deus" on a Sunday night, May 31, 1931. Little did he think that this visit was to change the course of his life. Knowing absolutely nothing about spiritual things, he thought: "I've seen Jesus in the circus, in the cinema, and theater; but I've never seen Jesus in a church! I wonder what He'll look like." Jose thought Jesus was some kind of an actor he would see physically. A voice kept saying to him, "Don't go," or "Let it go till tomorrow or the day after." But he could not shake off the idea that sooner or later he would have to tell the injured woman whether or not he had gone to that church. So, just to get it over with, he decided to go, and go he did!

That night the missionary pastor preached from Matthew 11:28, 29, and his words were a perfect description of the life and actions of the football player who was now in a Protestant service for the first time in his life. It all came out—the loose living, the sinful pleasures, and even the petty stealing from his father. "You're killing your father," warned the preacher. Young Jose before had read avidly from such books as Dante's *Inferno* in hopes it would change his ways, but it had only caused him fear and horror of death. But this sermon, anointed by the Holy Spirit, was different. Where could the preacher, a perfect stranger, have learned of Jose's life? Gradually the light dawned; he saw that this Jesus, of whom the minister spoke, was his true way of escape from sin. "This young man should come forward and give his heart to Christ," the pastor pleaded. Knowing full well it was for him, Jose quickly went forward and prayerfully confessed his sins to Jesus. When he arose he was a transformed man.

Three days later Jose was at prayer meeting and asked the folk to pray for him. He was afraid there was something seriously wrong with him because for three days he had not been able to smoke! Then the missionary said, "Never again will you put a cigarette to your lips because Jesus transforms your life." And he never smoked again!

Some months later Jose again visited Dona Amelia, his elderly and ailing victim. This time it was to report that he had actually been to the "Assembleia de Deus" church, that the Lord had indeed saved him from his wicked life, and that he wanted to pray for her that she might be healed of her suffering. "Jesus saves and heals," he joyfully announced, since by now he had also received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Dropping to his knees beside her bed, he prayed an extremely loud prayer and then said, "Dona Amelia, in the name of Jesus, arise. You're healed!" And she got out of bed, took nourishment, and in no time was a strong and well woman. She and the whole family were saved and filled with the Spirit.

For over two years, until her death, Dona Amelia was an outstanding light for the gospel among her people. As she died the glory of heaven filled her room. She had once said to Jose, "You're like an angel of God." Such was the change for the better she had noted in him. This was remarkable as previously she called him a "good-for-nothing bum."

Jose Gomes Moreno continued to serve the Lord and was ordained to the ministry in 1936. Today he maintains an excellent radio ministry in metropolitan Sao Paulo. Who can doubt that this is the supernatural work of the Holy Spirit?

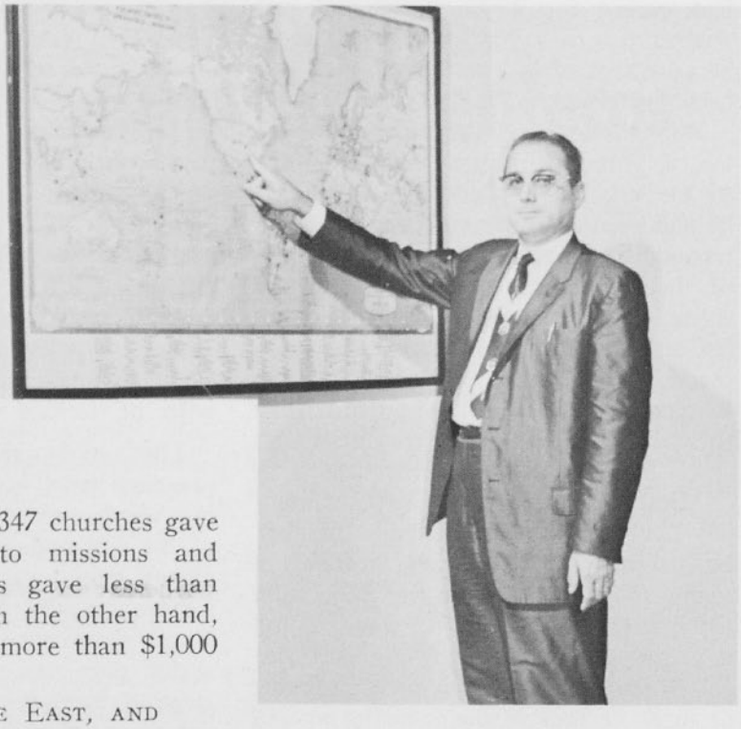
After Fifty Years

The Brazilian Assemblies of God has long since had national pastors in places of key leadership, while maintaining friendly ties with like Assemblies of God organizations in the United States and the Scandinavian countries. By cooperation, a PUBLISHING HOUSE was established in Rio de Janeiro. It produces tons of Pentecostal literature in the Portuguese language. Also an effective RADIO MINISTRY over powerful stations reaches the whole nation and other South American countries in Rio de Janeiro. BIBLE SCHOOLS for the training of Brazilian Christians are functioning. TEMPLES by the hundreds have been erected to preserve the results of evangelism, some of them the largest Pentecostal churches in the world. ORPHANAGES and HOMES FOR THE AGED are also a part of the Pentecostal program in Brazil, as well as DAY SCHOOLS and MEDICAL DISPENSARIES.

Truly God has added His blessing to the preached Word, the personal testimony, and the printed page. The Spirit has brought life and blessing to multitudes. These in turn have become the witnesses to their own people. All glory be to Christ who prophesied: "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 Judea, and in Samaria and unto the UTTERMOST PARTS of the earth"—to Brazil! ◄◄

MISSIONS IN REVIEW

By J. Philip Hogan
Executive Director of Foreign Missions



THERE IS CONTINUED STEADY growth in our missionary work overseas in spite of critical situations in many countries of the world. The direction taken years ago by our missionaries in opening Bible schools and establishing indigenous churches reflects itself in the ever-increasing numbers of national ministers reported. The Assemblies of God leads all evangelical groups in many countries in the number of nationals assuming spiritual leadership in their own churches.

In the light of world conditions, the wisdom of this God-inspired plan is obvious and is reflected in the statistics of this report which has been prepared with the assistance of our field and divisional secretaries. There are now 798 missionaries under appointment of our Foreign Missions Department, serving in 71 mission fields overseas. The latest reports from these fields indicate there are 12,657 national workers, 12,459 churches, and 985,241 believers associated with the national Assemblies of God groups. There are 2,509 students enrolled in our 71 overseas Bible schools.

FINANCE

During the 24 month period April 1, 1959, through March 31, 1961, offerings received for Foreign Missions, plus offerings reported by our Assemblies as given direct to Assemblies of God missionaries, amounted to $9,503,579.69. Also during this same 24-month period, $294,694.31 was returned to the districts and $69,892.97 was transferred to the National Home Missions Department under the World Missions Plan, making a total of $9,868,166.97 in Foreign and World Missions offerings.

1. Over the past two years an average of 71 per cent of our churches gave a missionary offering.

2. During the calendar year of 1960, reports indicate that 347 churches gave absolutely nothing to missions and 2,180 other churches gave less than $100 to missions. On the other hand, 1,291 churches gave more than $1,000 each to missions.

EUROPE, MIDDLE EAST, AND SOUTHERN ASIA DIVISION

Europe is well covered with Bible schools. *Global Conquest* has been able to help the brethren in the Netherlands establish a Pentecostal Bible school in Groningen. The Assemblies of God is the sole owner of the French-speaking Bible school in Andrimont, Belgium. The school at Erzhausen, Germany, has been in operation for these past twelve years. A new four-story Bible school building finished at a cost of $56,000 (but appraised at $150,000) was dedicated in Rome, Italy.

Through BGMC we have established a revolving literature fund in Europe which permits the producing of several thousand pamphlets and tracts. A new print shop has been opened in connection with the Belgium Bible school, and the German Bible school operates a printing plant which produces hundreds of thousands of pieces of literature for Sunday school work and youth work.

Reports from Egypt state that, in the forty years of Pentecostal experience in Egypt, there has not been such unity, love, and a desire to move forward for God. We now have the title to our valuable property in Cairo due to the faithful efforts of Brother George Carmichael. It will be remodeled into an evangelistic center.

Our representative in Jordan, Ayoub Rihany, reports perfect liberty to preach the gospel in that land. We are able to distribute thousands of Bibles and gospel portions written in the Arabic language. Through *Global Conquest,* revival services have been conducted in many of the cities in Jordan and scores have been saved.

On April 1, 1961, our work in Jerusalem, Israel, was placed under the supervision of Z. W. Kofsmann, a Spirit-filled, highly educated Hebrew. In connection with our Jerusalem property a bookstore is maintained, and there is the possibility of a Bible school being opened there.

Through the years thousands of believers have been brought to Jesus through the labors of our missionaries in North India. Mark Buntain recently built a fine church in Calcutta and plans to add a school building. In the spring of 1960, Andrew McDearmid dedicated one of the finest church buildings in Lucknow. Willis Long recently returned to India to erect a new church in Assansol, and Sister Alta Wyckoff has started a new work in Durgapur, erecting a house of worship as well as a parsonage.

Splendid revival meetings have been held in various places, and progress is reported by many other missionaries.

There are four Bible schools and one trade school in South India. In addition, Kenneth Weigle operates an outstanding correspondence school which serves over 12,000 students in the five major languages of southern Asia. There is a healthy revival spirit in India.

AFRICA DIVISION

With a sense of destiny as to their place in a modern world, the African

countries are earnestly striving to throw off the inherited weaknesses of all colonial peoples. All of Africa is going through this revolution. Some countries are making the transition peacefully while others, such as Congo, are experiencing an upsurge of heathenism and brutality.

As the field secretary has visited country after country, he has reported amazement and joy at the growth and stability of the national church in an unstable and often antagonistic environment. Our indigenous program, our Bible school training centers, and our literature work all are designed to meet the present pattern of challenging Africa.

Our Congo missionaries, who were evacuated twice from that country, report that our churches have withstood opposition and persecution. The Bible school continues its training program; the evangelists and pastors continue unabated in their work under the guidance of a national presbytery. The entire work is being financed by the Congolese!

South Africa presents another pressure area, for in this country there are one million white people who arbitrarily control the lives and destiny of eleven million Negroid Africans. Outbreaks of racial violence have occurred, but in spite of these problems a great spirit of revival prevails.

Three general programs are receiving special attention and encouragement in Africa today: (1) strengthening and improving of our Bible schools, (2) unifying and amplifying of our literature work to meet the challenge of a growing literacy, and (3) encouraging of a more intense evangelistic program.

Far East Division

The three "isms"—Communism, nationalism, heathenism—continue to mold events in the Far East. In the midst of these confused pressures, the Assemblies of God can report startling advances in some areas; steady, foundational progress in others.

The most significant growth has been in the Philippines. Unofficial estimates by national officials indicate that communicants have doubled during the past year, giving a total of 35,000 at this time. Bethel Temple in Manila, with around 8,500 in attendance at its main and branch Sunday schools, is now the largest evangelical church in the Orient.

Korea has been a problem area during the past year. The Missions Department found it necessary to send the field secretary to Korea for a prolonged stay. With the active assistance of government officials, property matters were straightened out and title deeds adequately secured. At the recent General Conference, God miraculously manifested His power. There is now a great spirit of revival, with greater unity of purpose and greater dedication than ever before. We can now rapidly develop the Korean *Global Conquest* program, erect the Revival Center in Seoul, put up our beautiful new Bible school plant, and progress with literature, radio, evangelism, church establishment, and construction.

Japan truly presents a tragic picture. A few years ago it could have been won for Christ if Christendom had presented a strong, spiritual, united front. Today, doors of opportunity are fast closing. But the Assemblies of God has every right to be proud of its efficient, spiritual church organization. Today the Assemblies of God is the largest evangelical Church in Japan.

Progress on other fronts is equally encouraging. Hawaii has proudly reached the half-way mark on its "Five-Year Plan" to become a district of the General Council. Burma (the most indigenous mission field of the Assemblies of God) recently held a great tribal convention right up on the China border. Malaya has been "reeling" under the impact of revival campaigns. Indonesia is making fine progress under *full* national leadership. Formosa has tried, most effectively, the idea of having special English Bible school courses for the intelligentsia. Samoa is opening a Bible school.

The Far East conference held in Hong Kong in July, 1960, left an indelible impact on the whole Far East field. Today there is unity, harmony, and a spirit of expectancy on all sides.

Latin America and West Indies Division

Our work in Latin America and West Indies area has not been untouched by the political unrest which is sweeping the world today. Cuba has been the most directly affected. Most of the missionaries have been withdrawn from that area, but we still have two missionary couples working in the Bible school. Missionaries and nationals report that there is still splendid opportunity for preaching the gospel, and advances continue to be made. Other countries are seething with unrest and nationalism. There is a new sense of urgency about our task in Latin America.

The Assemblies of God in Brazil is celebrating the fiftieth anniversary of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in that country. Uruguay is enjoying the first general Pentecostal revival in its history, with new churches being established.

Since the last General Council new Bible schools have been opened in British Guiana, Brazil, Uruguay, Haiti, and Colombia. Jamaica Bible Institute is preparing to open in October, 1961. Night classes for the training of workers are now being conducted in several large cities including Caracas, Venezuela; La Paz, Bolivia; Santiago, Chile; Buenos Aires, Argentina; and Montevideo, Uruguay. The number of Bible schools in the Latin America and West Indies area now is 28.

A director has been appointed to promote Sunday school work throughout Latin America. The first inter-republic Sunday school convention was held in April of 1961.

Evangelistic center buildings have been completed in the last two years in La Paz, Bolivia; San Salvador, El Salvador; and Managua, Nicaragua.

In line with the emphasis of *Global Conquest,* a special Bible school committee studied plans for a uniform program in our Spanish-speaking Bible schools. Their report is proving to be of great practical benefit. Also, steps have been taken to stimulate *Global Conquest* activity in the line of evangelism and entering new cities. Several republics have formed their own local committee to promote *total evangelism* in their countries. ◄◄

He Was Not Willing

He was not willing that any should perish;
Am I His follower, and can I live
Longer at ease with a soul going downward,
Lost for the lack of the help I might give?
Perishing, perishing! Thou wast not willing,
Master, forgive, and inspire us anew;
Banish our worldliness, help us to ever
Live with eternity's values in view.

—*Lucy Rider Meyer*

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FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST

Africa

WIFE OF AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TEACHES SUNDAY SCHOOL

Mrs. Violet MacKnight, wife of the American Ambassador to Togo, has taught in the Lome Assemblies of God Sunday school for more than a year, reports Missionary David Wakefield. When Mrs. MacKnight left Togo recently, the Togolese Christians presented her with a gold cross as an expression of appreciation for her ministry among them.

LOCAL CHIEF CONVERTED

"Chief Kachere, who has been our staunch but unsaved friend for many years, was recently saved," reports Missionary Morris Williams of Nyasaland. "At the opening of our Bible school the chief and his wife knelt at the altar in the mission and gave their lives to Christ. Chief Kachere rules over hundreds of villages and counts his subjects by the thousands."

MISSIONARIES RETURN TO ORIENTAL PROVINCE

Assemblies of God missionaries have returned to the Congo to resume work they were forced to leave last March, reports the Field Secretary for Africa, E. L. Phillips. Due to government stability and control it has been possible for two couples to return to mission stations in the Stanleyville area. The J. W. Tuckers have returned to Paulis. John Friesen has returned to the print shop in Andudu.

Nine missionaries to the Congo who are now home on furlough will return to the field within the next year.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION IN PRIMARY SCHOOL IN GHANA

Opportunity has been given for religious instruction classes in the Saboba primary school, reports Missionary Helen Kopp. She has been invited to teach these classes which meet three times a week. Pray that these boys and girls may be won for Christ.

Indonesia

NINE STUDENTS GRADUATE AT BETHEL MOLLUCAN BIBLE INSTITUTE

Workers and graduating students of Bethel Mollucan Bible Institute gathered recently for the Indonesia district conference, reports Missionary Anthony Sorbo. During the evening services, six came forward for salvation and four workers were ordained for the ministry. At the conclusion of the seminar, the Bible school graduation was conducted. Nine students were graduated from the three-year Bible school.

Malaya

HONG KONG GRADUATES PIONEER IN MALAYA

A new work has been opened in Aulong Village, Taiping. Two graduates of the Eccelsia Bible Institute, Hong Kong, are endeavoring to establish this as an indigenous church.

North India

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL EXPANDS

Two new classrooms have been added to the high-school department of the James Harvey Memorial School, reports missionary Rosslyn Robinson. Prior to this addition many students wishing to enroll had to be turned away because of limited classroom space.

The James Harvey Memorial School, located in Nawabganj, is the only Assemblies of God school for boys in North India. Here they learn about the Lord while doing their regular school work. Three hundred and fifty boys are enrolled.

In the primary department, Bible, arithmetic, Hindi, social studies, general science, gardening, English, art, and crafts are taught. Pray that God will continue to use this Christian school as a lighthouse for His honor and glory in North India.

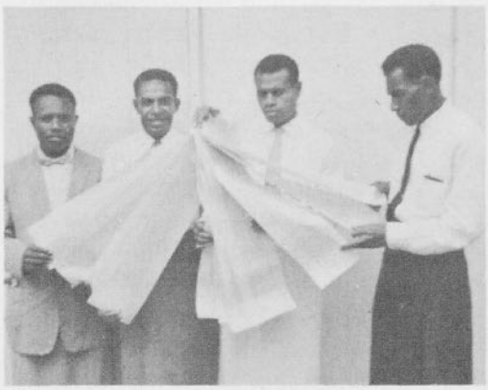


Lome Assemblies of God Sunday school. Mrs. MacKnight sits to the right of Brother and Sister Wakefield.

British Guiana

REVIVAL BRINGS INCREASE IN GEORGETOWN SUNDAY SCHOOL

Eleven received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and several were converted in a recent revival service conducted in Central Assembly, Georgetown. The James Brankelts of the New Mexico District were the evangelists. "The Sunday school also showed an increase with 280 in attendance on a recent Sunday," reports Missionary Paul Palser.



Nationals examine galley proofs of Gospel of John in Fijian language.

Fiji

GOSPELS PRINTED IN FIJIAN LANGUAGE

The Gospel of John is being printed in the Fijian language with funds supplied by LIGHT FOR THE LOST, reports Missionary Adrian Heetebry. The complete Bible has previously been printed in Fijian, but this is the first Gospel portion to be printed separately for mass distribution throughout the islands.

Philippines

SAN JOSE ASSEMBLY EXPERIENCES PENTECOSTAL REVIVAL

Though handicapped by bad weather, lack of electricity, and the busy season for farmers, successful revival services were held recently in San Jose, reports Missionary Warren Denton. "Night after night God moved in a different way, pouring out His Spirit in old-time Pentecostal power. People came running to inquire, 'What meaneth this?' Eight received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and nearly every one of the workers and Christians received fresh infillings of the Spirit. At the close of the services, conducted by Missionary Daniel Marocco, thirty young people knelt to dedicate their lives to Christ."

Morning and evening services were conducted, and open-air services were held in the market place and in nearly villages in the afternoons.

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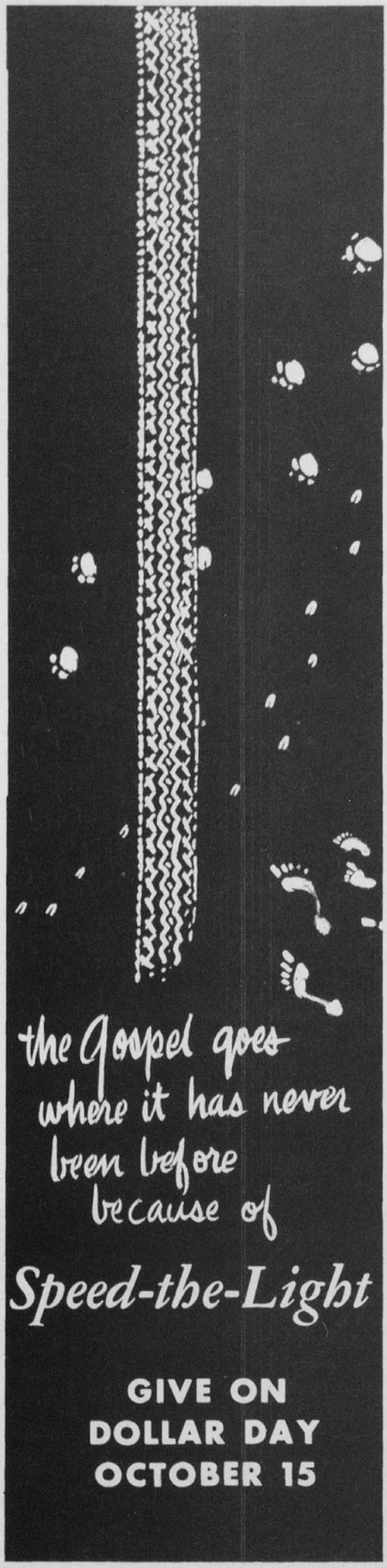
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OUR SCHOOLS— A Spiritual Bulwark

BY CHAS. W. H. SCOTT
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THE STATEMENT MADE BY THE LORD JESUS, WHEN He spoke of the last days as the time when men's hearts would be failing them for fear of the things that are coming on the earth (Luke 21:26), graphically describes world conditions today. The peril of impending destruction by atomic attack, problems of the United Nations, the confusion, strife, and intrigue involving power politics, the inroads of communistic philosophies, which point up the difficulty of bargaining with atheists, all emphasize what is happening in this generation. Besides this, we continue to be faced with moral and ethical problems: the problem of lying, which is called propaganda; the problem of selfishness, which is called nationalism or self-interest; the problem of greed, which is known as profit or good business; the problem of license, disguised as liberty; and the problem of lust, masquerading as love.

This seems to geographically describe the conditions referred to in Proverbs 30:11-14, which speaks about a generation "that curseth their father, and doth not bless their mother . . . that are pure in their own eyes, and yet is not washed from their filthiness . . . whose teeth are as swords, and their jaw teeth as knives, to devour the poor from off the earth, and the needy from among men."

Our modern educational system contributes much to these conditions as it seeks to divorce God and His commandments from today's curricula, so that the Lord Jesus Christ is unknown and His teachings are studiously avoided. While the laws of nature are taught, the moral and spiritual laws are ignored. Vital subjects like sin, repentance, and redemption through the Blood have no place in its philosophies. Religion is made a subject of debate or ridicule. Agnosticism has taken the place of certainty in doctrine, thus undermining the very truths which gave life to our nation in its early years. Such hypotheses can be the break in the dike that will jeopardize the future of our nation —by the spiritual decay within, and the moral decline without.

We cite these spiritual and moral deficiencies, which are so apparent on every side, to emphasize the fact that although the outlook is dark and forboding, still to us who are Christians these are days of unmatched opportunity; these are days of tremendous challenge, days which call for dedicated men and women who will put on the whole armor of God and go out to fight the good fight of faith even though opposed by the powers of darkness, remembering that "greater is He that is in you than he that is in the world."

Like Esther, who was described by Mordecai as having come to the kingdom for the time of national emergency which threatened her people, I believe that the Bible institutes and colleges of the Assemblies of God, which are spread across our nation have become a spiritual bulwark and a distinct force for good. They are places where our young people can secure an education in an atmosphere compatible with their beliefs.

The objective of these schools is to prepare young men and women to take their place as leaders of the movement. The records show that our colleges have supplied the ministers and missionaries who have been used of God in establishing and developing the program which has resulted in the growth of this Assemblies of God fellowship throughout the world.

Brother Scott delivered this address at the inauguration of President Robert Moore of Eastern Bible Institute, Green Lane, Pa.

About 90 per cent of our missionaries have been trained in Bible institutes and colleges, and an equal percentage, having received similar training, have responded to the call of the ministry in the homeland. Besides these, there are thousands of trained laymen working in our churches and Sunday schools who are living witnesses for Christ. These, too, have received their education in our Bible colleges.

History shows that when secular education failed, when technological advances exceeded moral and spiritual growth, when civilization seemed doomed to extinction, God raised up Bible schools where men and women were trained not only for church leadership but also for world leadership.

The history of the United States reveals that Harvard, Yale, Princeton, and other early schools of America were founded for this express purpose of providing a place of learning for the glory of God. Harvard's charter, written in 1643, included John 17:3, "And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." It is indeed unfortunate that many of these objectives have been lost from our great universites.

As a movement we must see that our schools live up to the objectives which they have set for themselves; namely, the maintaining of a strong evangelistic program and a firm adherence to strict doctrine, as well as an urgency to fulfill the instructions of the Great Commission, and a resolve to provide a God-centered, Christ-honoring curriculum of high spiritual and academic quality in a Pentecostal atmosphere. This will result in education which is not naturalistic and man-centered but supernaturalistic and God-centered, an education which is not based upon a secular view of life but one that is based upon that revealed in the Scriptures. Its philosophy rests not upon human speculations but upon truth set forth in the written Word and made manifest in the person of Christ. In the words of the apostle Paul, it means the "bringing into captivity of every thought to the obedience of Christ," which, being interpreted educationally, means bringing every field of knowledge and every aspect of life into relationship with the truth of the Scripture and to Him who is the "way, the truth, and the life."

When we consider the course of world events, the problems and tensions of our times, the insecurity and uncertainty all about us, it is our responsibility to offer to this generation through our schools the opportunity to hear, to ponder, to study, and to obey the Word of God in this age of fear. An education based upon the Bible is unique in that it is the revelation of God's truth, which remains eternally contemporary. To make these truths evident to the students, we must have a Spirit-filled faculty, made up of Spirit-anointed teachers, dedicated to the task of providing the young men and women who sit in their classrooms with a knowledge of the Word of God, "which is a light to the feet and a lamp unto the pathway"; with an acquaintanceship with Jesus Christ as the panacea for the needs of this generation; with an enduement of the Holy Spirit, which will make those about us take knowledge that we have been with Jesus. These provisions, combined with a curriculum of academic excellence, will help to make the Bible institutes and colleges of the Assemblies of God a spiritual bulwark for this generation. It will cause men and women to rise up and bless the educational program of our fellowship.

When one of our generals was asked by the Senate Defense Committee, "What do you want us to give you so that we may be protected from Russian aggression?" he startled them with this answer, "Give me men—men who know God—men who know how to pray!" This is a challenge to all of us to back our colleges, which are serving our young people so acceptably, by our prayers and with our moral and financial support.

Our young people can prepare for life in a Pentecostal atmosphere in the following schools: Bethany Bible College, Central Bible Institute, Eastern Bible Institute, Evangel College, North Central Bible College, Northwest Bible College, South-Eastern Bible College, Southern California College, and Southwestern Bible Institute. ◄◄

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The funds of missionary societies depend not so much on the condition of men's purses as on the state of their soul. Unless a man cultivates a habit of systematic giving when he had not much to give, he will give little when he is rich. —*Samuel Chadwick*

September Is Education Emphasis Month



Ladies of Riverside, Calif. display articles made for the Korean deaf.



Deaf group in Erie, Pa. made clothing for deaf girl at Hillcrest Children's Home.



Deaf ladies of Flint, Mich. enjoy a time of fellowship.



Choir robes made by the deaf ladies in Seattle, Wash. for Calvary Silent Temple.

The Ministry of the Hands

BY MAXINE STROBRIDGE

THE OUTSTRETCHED HANDS OF Christ show love and compassion. In the story of the loaves and fishes, Christ met the need of a hungry group of people. When mothers brought their children to the Lord for blessing He "took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them" (Mark 10:16).

The most wonderful ministry of the hands of Jesus is that they were nailed to a cross for your sins and mine.

There are many other illustrations in the Gospels which tell us how Jesus used His hands to minister to individuals. As Jesus descended from the mountain, after the Sermon on the Mount, a leper came from the crowd and worshiped Him. "And Jesus put forth his hand, and touched him . . ." (Matthew 8:3). Immediately the leper was made whole.

A certain ruler had a very sick daughter. He expressed his faith in Jesus by saying that if He laid His hand on his daughter she would live. Jesus ". . . went in, and took her by the hand, and the maid arose" (Matthew 9:25). Jesus was never too busy to stretch out His hands to help others.

There are many ways we can use our hands to minister to others. Missionaries to the Deaf are using their hands to minister in the sign language to those who use this means of communication. Hundreds of deaf persons have been saved as a result. The Christian Deaf are anxious for the Deaf around the world to "hear" of Christ. Several deaf groups in the United States have organized Women's Missionary Councils to help the missionaries who are faithfully laboring in various parts of the world among the Deaf and the hearing. These WMC's have dedicated their hands for the Master's use. They desire to minister to others "as unto Christ."

One of the most important ministries of all WMC groups is prayer. Paul says in 1 Timothy 2:8, "I will therefore that men pray every where, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." Only as our hearts are clean can we lift up holy hands to God in prayer and intercession. During the journeys of the children of Israel, Amalek came and fought against them. During the battle Moses, Aaron, and Hur went to the top of the mountain. Moses lifted his hands toward heaven and interceded for Israel. As long as Moses interceded, Israel prevailed. When his hands became heavy, Aaron and Hur held his hands up for him. The final victory was won because of the faithfulness of these three men.

Missionaries around the world today are fighting a hard battle against the powers of darkness. The WMC groups recognize their responsibility to hold up the hands of the missionaries through intercessory prayer.

The spiritual need of the Deaf in foreign countries has been heavy upon the hearts of the deaf ladies. An example of this great need was revealed in a recent letter from a deaf Filipino. He stated that there are 65,000 deaf people in the Philippine Islands, and there is not one Protestant church reaching these thousands for Christ.

Another letter from a missionary in Mexico asks, "How can we reach the poverty-stricken deaf in this country?"

The deaf WMC groups have been helping to provide for the material needs of the Korean Deaf. Clothing, blankets, etc., are sent to Betty Haney,

an American government employee in Seoul, and distributed by her. As a result of Betty's ministry to deaf Koreans in the past three years, many have found Christ as Saviour. More than 250 deaf boys and girls attend a Bible story hour conducted by her on Saturday afternoons. Many of these children are orphans as a result of the Korean War and are in dire material need. Deaf ladies in America are adopting these orphans by supplying their needs each month.

A short time ago, a hearing native Korean pastor felt the call to minister to the Deaf. He has learned the sign language and is now ministering to the Deaf in Pusan and four other Korean cities. The deaf groups in America are providing for his support which is only $35 a month. Some groups are also providing visual aid materials and other equipment helpful in his work.

The deaf WMC's also feel the responsibility of reaching the unsaved ladies in their own areas for Christ. These ladies are invited to the meetings and often attend for the purpose of being with their friends. In the WMC meeting they hear of Jesus who can become their best Friend and Saviour. The devotional part of the WMC meeting is considered most important. Devotional thoughts given in the sign language reach unsaved deaf ladies for Christ and give the Christian ladies spiritual strength. The ladies worship the Lord with their hands, using the sign language.

Deaf WMC ladies do many things helpful for the local church. They believe in the WMC slogan, "The heart of the church with missions at heart." It is often necessary for the ladies to make drapes, etc., for the meeting place of the Deaf. One group made choir robes for the deaf choir. Deaf families also often have material needs. The local WMC group stands ready to help meet these needs.

The work of the WMC's may often be unnoticed, but the ministry of their hands is important in spreading the gospel around the world. Their theme Scripture, Ecclesiastes 9:10, should be followed by all. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might."

OKLAHOMA WMC CONVENTION HIGHLIGHTS

Mrs. Robert Goggin, Oklahoma district WMC president, reports that the 1961 WMC convention held July 14 (in connection with the district camp at Oklahoma City) was "the greatest we have ever had." With some 2,000 in attendance for both the morning and afternoon services, enthusiasm ran high as missionaries presented the challenges and victories of their various fields.

Large quantities of food and linens were displayed across the front of the tabernacle. Missionaries present were given over $1,000 in checks. Three hundred pieces of stainless steel flatware and a check for $300 were presented to Southwestern Bible Institute. Over $1,000 in cash and $700 in pledges was received toward the special need of veteran missionaries to Brazil, Mr. and Mrs. Virgil Smith.

The morning service spotlighted Oklahoma Missionettes, and the Stairway to the Stars achievement program was presented by Elva M. Johnson, National WMC Representative.

Following an inspiring missionary parade in the afternoon, featuring native costumes from many lands, a group of Kickapoo and Otoe Indians from Red Rock, Oklahoma, sang and played in their native languages. When they finished singing, the drummer presented his skin drum to R. E. Goggin, Oklahoma district superintendent. Gifts from missionaries to the Navajos were presented to Mrs. Goggin during the service.

WMC Day at the Oklahoma district camp, as in many other districts, is not limited to women but has become a time when the entire district focuses on the needs of its missionaries and seeks in every way to help.



Mrs. Robert Goggin (left) presents WMC check for $50 to newly-approved missionary to Liberia, Opal Poag.

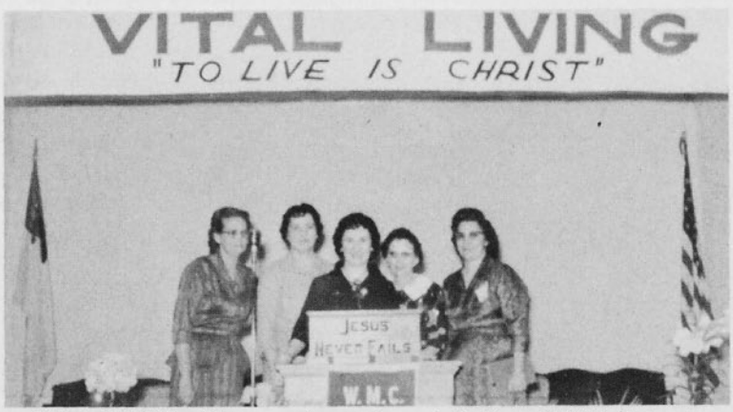
Indiana's First District WMC Retreat

Nearly 200 WMC's from Indiana, Illinois, and Pennsylvania gathered for the first Indiana District WMC Retreat held at Merom College, Merom Bluff, Ind., in April.

Zella Anthony, district WMC president, reported that the three-day retreat, with "Vital Living" as its theme, was blessed of God in an unusual way from the very beginning. Merom College facilities were crowded out, and the retreat will have to be held in larger quarters next year.

Speakers at the retreat carried out the theme by presenting different aspects of vital Christian living in these perilous times. Irene Van Winkle, editor of the Indiana District *Envoy*, says, "It was truly one of the most refreshing times many of the ladies have ever experienced, and they returned home with new determination to make each day count in vital living for the Lord."

Both WMC and Missionette retreats are held annually in an increasing number of districts and are a source of renewed inspiration and consecration to all who attend.



District WMC officers and speakers at Indiana WMC Retreat.



Morning devotions at Merom Bluff overlooking Wabash River.

Missionettes
AUXILIARY OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY COUNCIL



This fine group of Junior Missionettes and their sponsor, Mrs. E. L. Tedeschi, are from Bethany Assembly, Springfield, Mass. Several more girls have joined the club since this photo was taken. Girls from 9 through 11 years are Junior Missionettes.



Mrs. A. R. Teal sponsors these Missionettes from Walla Walla, Wash. They are shown with some of their projects which were completed during the last Christmas season.



Shown at their installation service are the Missionettes from Bethel Temple, Tampa, Fla. Mrs. David A. Stone, sponsor, is at the far left. They prepared and took treats to the Bethany Home, sang carols for the patients, and enjoyed testimonies of several retired missionaries living at the Home.

These Happy Missionettes are from Templo Bethania, Niles, Calif. They meet twice a month with their sponsor, Lucille Arias, and her assistants, Inez Limon and Bebe Muela. The church belongs to the Latin American Branch of the Assemblies of God.



Pastor Speaks for Missionettes

By Charlotte Schumitsch

"I would encourage any pastor to have a Missionette Club organized in his church if he does not presently have one. It can be a blessing to any church, and there are probably anxious girls just waiting to do something for the Lord, but they don't know what to do." Thus writes W. L. Schultz, pastor of Glad Tidings Assembly, Newport Beach, Calif.

The Missionette Club at Glad Tidings Assembly was organized last May with Marlyn Wright acting as sponsor. Since that time the group has been very active, and several new girls have come into the club through the enthusiasm and prayers of the girls and sponsor.

Some of the girls' projects have been to wash and iron all of the curtains and draperies in the church and Sunday school rooms and to wash the windows inside and outside. The Missionettes stamp and fold all tracts distributed through the church. They also clean the church thoroughly once each month. Their current project is to make stuffed animals for the church nursery.

The Missionettes of Newport Beach are typical of the nearly 22,000 girls who now belong to the more than 2,000 Missionette Clubs around the world. Junior Missionettes from 9 through 11 and regular Missionettes from 12 through 17 years are finding varied avenues of service through their clubs. Many foreign and home missionaries can testify that Missionettes are helping them to further the work of the gospel.

Free information telling how to organize a Missionette Club is available upon request from the WMC Dept., 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.



Above are the Missionettes from First Assembly, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The girls have completed many projects including May baskets for the local hospital, braided rags for the WMC's to use in rug making, and singing at a local rest home. The girls baby-sit without charge so WMC's can attend their own meetings. Sponsors are Mrs. Gil DeHamer and Mrs. Roger Simpson.

Glad Tidings Assembly, Newport Beach, Calif. is the home church of these Missionettes who are shown with their sponsor, Marlyn Wright, far right of photo.





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BOYS AND GIRLS MISSIONARY CRUSADE

Out of the Flames

A true story of tragedy and death, but also of salvation and a boy soul winner

BY RONNIE HEMBREE

THE HAROLD HICKS FAMILY, WHO lived near Honolulu, Hawaii, went to bed that Sunday night just about as usual. But this night was to be different. Tragedy and death were to be the unfortunate lot of this family of seven.

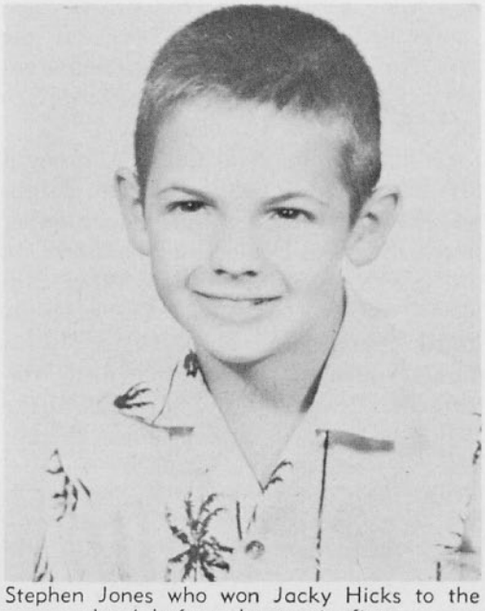
Shortly before three o'clock on that fateful night, a fire started somewhere in the frame house. The blaze flashed through the house in a matter of minutes, and neighbors were awakened by the screams of trapped children. Attempts to reach five members of the family failed. Only two girls, ages eighteen and twelve, managed to break open a window and escape. A father, mother, two small brothers and a baby sister perished in the fire.

The story is one of sadness. But hidden behind its tragedy is one bright spot. Although most of the Hicks family was wiped out, a nine-year-old Christian boy had been able to lead the oldest boy, Jacky, to the Lord before his untimely death.

Stephen Jones, the young soul winner, attends the Kailua Assembly of God on Oahu. Steve's father is a deacon of the church which is pastored by Brother and Sister L. G. Meier, missionaries to Hawaii. Steve has known Christ for most of his life, and finds serving God a great pleasure. He works hard to bring other boys and girls to Sunday school and church.

Steve lived across the street from the Hicks family and became a close friend to Jacky, who was ten years old. Steve and Jacky played together often, and Steve constantly invited his young friend to attend church with him. Finally, after much coaxing, Jacky went with Steve and found that he liked the church.

Later Kailua Assembly sponsored a vacation Bible school, and the two boys attended together. Jacky liked VBS and at the close of one service, Steve took his friend to the prayer room. All the other children were outside playing, but Steve was more interested in Jacky's soul than in having fun. He told his friend about Christ and how He could forgive sin—how Jesus loved everyone and that heaven was being prepared for those who serve Him. Other things connected with the Christian life were explained to him.



Stephen Jones who won Jacky Hicks to the Lord before the tragic fire.

The next night, at the close of the service, the minister asked how many wanted to accept Christ as their Saviour. Jacky was the first to respond. He walked down to the altar with Steve and there gave his heart to Jesus. Tears streamed down his face as he asked Christ to come into his life and forgive him of his sins.

On the following Sunday, Jacky gave his testimony in church. When he had finished, the director of the VBS asked him questions about his newfound salvation. Jacky's replies revealed that Steve had well instructed his friend in the way of salvation.

Several weeks passed and Steve continued to bring Jacky. On the last Sunday that Jacky attended church, he approached the pastor and requested that the church pray for him. The kind minister laid his hand on the boy's shoulder and prayed as Jacky joined in the petition that he would be kept true to Jesus. Although Steve had invited the rest of the Hicks family, they had never come to church.

On the following Sunday, the tragedy struck. When Steve learned of the death of his young friend, he cried until he could cry no more. For weeks he was brokenhearted. But along with his grief over the loss of a close friend, there was joy in the knowledge that although Jacky was dead, his soul is in heaven with Jesus.

Today, Stephen Jones has pledged himself to be a greater soul winner for God. The entire church in Kailua has been stirred by this young lad's dedication to God and his example of soul winning. Steve looks forward to the time when he will meet Jacky in heaven, but until then he has decided to work hard for Jesus to bring others in.

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American Indian ministers are doing their part in



Evangelizing the AMERICAN INDIAN

Compiled by RUTH LYON

DAVID BRAINERD, THE FIRST MISsionary to the American Indians, did not die in vain. His vision and zeal for the evangelization of the Indians cost him his life before he was thirty years old—the sacrifices and hardships he endured to win the first Americans to the Lord proved too great for his frail body—but an excerpt from his last letter to his brother reads: "I declare, now I am dying, I would not have spent my life otherwise for the whole world."

More than two hundred years have passed since Brainerd ministered to the Indians. But through the years others, inspired by his shining example, have caught and carried the torch of evangelism to these people he loved.

Today, 20 or more American Indian evangelists and missionary-pastors are among the nearly 170 appointed Assemblies of God home missionaries among the Indian people. That is remarkable in the light of a statement made by one denomination, published in *The National Fellowship of Indian Workers* Magazine: "In the sixty years that we have been working on the reservation, there has never been an ordained Navajo working among his people." In the last two years, more than 1,500 conversions were reported by our missionaries on the Indian field. Charlie Lee, our Navajo pastor in Shiprock, N. Mex., has the largest Assemblies of God Sunday school in the state.

The Assemblies of God is reaching more than 70 reservations and over 100 tribes, but there are over 200 reservations (including colonies, pueblos, rancherias, and other small Indian lands) and 180 tribes yet unreached to challenge us.

Following are highlights from the lives of some of our native Indian workers.

In the *New York District* on the St. Regis Indian Reservation, Andrew Maracle, a Mohawk Indian, is missionary-pastor. He was born on the Six Nation Indian Reservation in Ontario, Canada, which is the settling place of the Iroquois Confederacy.

A man from Holland first brought the full gospel to the reservation. Brother Maracle's mother and grandmother were the first Pentecostal believers on the Six Nation Reservation. When Andrew was five years old (he was the third youngest of eight children), his mother and his baby sister died. Before her death, the mother said to the father, "Joe, will you promise to take care of Andrew? Keep him with you, for some day God will use him in His work." The tragic day came when the older children had to be placed in the Mohawk Institute. Andrew and the younger brother stayed with the father, but finally even the baby brother was adopted out, which made young Andrew feel he had now lost all.

The boy was placed in the care of a clan mother in the Long House religion and became an adherent of the rituals, dances, and ceremonies. Later they moved to the Tyendanago Indian Reservation, and he lived there several years. The frequent moves made education difficult. Andrew began attending the Church of England and was confirmed but found no peace. His father married again, and he was placed in another home where he lost faith in God and humanity due to the treatment he received.

Finally the boy ran away and lived in the woods. At the age of fourteen, after aimless wandering, he secured a job in a canning factory. An accident resulted in a broken wrist, arm, collar bone, and a fractured skull. Doctors in the hospital pronounced him dead and he was placed in the morgue! But one of the nurses placed her compact mirror near his mouth and detected a slight breath. The boy was rushed into the operating room and the next morning consciousness returned.

The daily newspaper already had printed the account of his fatal accident! Brother Maracle believes his mother's prayers were surely following him.

Still seeking happiness that always seemed to elude him, Andrew Maracle plunged into sin for seven years. Finally, on the Deseronto Reservation during a great revival, he found peace with God. Feeling incapable, he ignored the call of God on his life for ministry for a time. After a serious accident and while in the hospital, he made the consecration to preach the



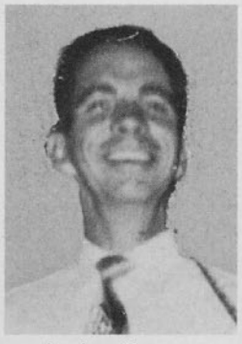
Charles Hunt



George Forrest



John McPherson and George Effman



Luther Cayton



Andrew Maracle

gospel. Soon afterwards he was wonderfully healed.

Two months later, Brother Maracle was admitted as the first Indian student at Zion Bible Institute. He was married to Lillian Ross in 1939. They now have five fine sons. The Maracles have built a new Indian church in Hogansburg, N. Y.

In the *North Carolina District,* Charles Hunt is a Cherokee Indian pastor at Rowland. He served in the Korean War and acquired the "drink" habit. After the war he went to Philadelphia, Pa., to get work. When he was twenty-three years old, a lady from Highway Mission Tabernacle asked him to come to Sunday school. That was the first time anyone had ever invited him to church, and he had traveled over most of the United States! He began attending Sunday-school and became convicted through his study of the Bible. During this time he married.

This young Cherokee had become involved with the law and could see no way out. One of the men in the Sunday school class, however, kept asking him to stay for the church services. The second time he stayed he was converted. The Lord helped him out of his legal trouble, and he attended Eastern Bible Institute for one year. He then felt impressed to return to his people to minister.

The Hunts rented an old store building, and Highway Mission Tabernacle bought them a church bus. The Sunday school now runs over 200. Many have been saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. They are trying to get land to build a church.

In the *Northern California-Nevada District,* George Effman heads the Indian work. Brother Effman was born on the Klamath Indian Reservation in Oregon where his father worked for the government. The family moved to Chiloquin, Oreg., when George was ready for the seventh grade. His parents attempted to interest their son in church, and he finally went with them. The boy was convicted and surrendered to the Lord.

Brother Effman attended Northwest Bible College in Seattle, Wash., and was graduated in 1942. Receiving papers with the Northwest District, he pastored six months and later obeyed the call of his heart to minister among the American Indians. He spent eight years on the Quiliyute Reservation at La Push, Wash., and then became pastor of the Healdsburg, Calif., church for another eight years. While here he did a great deal of missionary work among the Indians. The Indian Fellowship was then organized in the district to help promote the Indian work, and Brother Effman was chosen as its president. The Effmans reside in Sacramento, Calif., and have three children.

John McPherson, a Cherokee Indian, assists Brother Effman in the district Indian work. Brother McPherson has been engaged primarily in evangelistic work the past eight years. He also is a children's evangelist and a missionary to his people. The McPhersons live in Sacramento.

John McPherson's parents both followed the Indian religion which employs witchcraft. His father was saved in a Salvation Army street service in Drumright, Okla. Young John attended Chilloco Indian School in Oklahoma on the Otoe Reservation. He served honorably in the Air Force during World War II. While stationed in San Bernardino, Calif., he found the Lord in an Assemblies of God church.

Brother McPherson later worked in the local church in Oklahoma, serving as a Sunday school teacher and C. A. leader. In 1949 he answered the call to full-time ministry. While pastoring his first church in Webbers Falls, Okla., he attended Northeastern College in Talequah. He also attended Connors College, later enrolling at Bethany Bible College in Santa Cruz. After this he pastored a church in Orland, Calif., for one year and then began his present evangelistic ministry.

In McDermitt, Nev., George Forrest, a Pitt River Indian, pastors a church for Paiute, Shoshone, and Washoe Indian people. His wife is of Klamath and Pitt River descent. When George was fifteen his father died. The boy began working on a ranch where he stayed for sixteen years. Through his employers, who were Baptists, he was led to the Lord in 1927. At that time there was no full-gospel work in the county. In 1931 a full-gospel mission was started and one year later Brother Forrest received the Baptism.

Feeling a call to his people, Brother Forrest, with his family, began witnessing among the Indian people. His former employer was so impressed with his sincerity that he bought him a little church for services and encouraged him to preach to his people.

Brother Forrest pastored this little church for eleven years and also did evangelistic work among the different tribes in other states from time to time. One of Brother Forrest's sons is a minister, and one daughter is married to a minister. All the Forests' four children are married.

Luther A. Cayton, of Cherokee Indian blood, missionary-pastor at Yerington, Nev., was born into the home of a Kentucky Methodist minister, being next to the youngest of nine children. Born with leakage of the heart, the boy was not expected to live long; but God spared his life and he now has no heart trouble. His bones were so brittle they would break with his own weight, but God also healed this condition.

His methodist father preached holiness, and the conference moved him about in several of the eastern and midwestern states. The family lived in Springfield, Mo., for several years.

When Luther married, his wife and he became members of the Nazarene Church in Lawrence, Kans. Later, the Lord led them into the Assemblies of God, where they became Sunday school teachers and received the Baptism. They moved to Kansas City, Kans., where Brother Cayton worked in the aircraft factory as a foreman. Ten years later they moved to California where Brother Cayton was employed by another aircraft company at top pay.

While helping in the church in La Mesa, the Lord burdened the Caytons for ministry to the Indian people. In San Diego County there are sixteen different reservations of Mission Indians and at that time very few had heard the gospel. After working among the Indians in San Diego County for a time, they pastored two other Indian churches before becoming pastors of the Yerington, Nev., church where they have been located for six years. The Lord has helped them to build a new church at Yerington and the work is progressing, having a good outreach through outstation and radio activities. The Caytons have one grown son.

(To be continued)

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Home Front Highlights

News Briefs From the Home Missions Fields

PRISON MINISTRY

Willmar, Minnesota

A group of Willmar Assemblies of God church members cooperate with other churches in a Gideon-sponsored service each Sunday morning at the city jail. Dwight Johnson is the leader of the Assemblies squad.

Many prisoners have been reached with the gospel through this concerted effort, and an encouraging number have given their hearts to the Lord. Lives have been marvelously changed. Sometimes there are only a few prisoners present; at other times from 25 to 30. Brother Johnson has received letters from former inmates as far away as New York thanking the Gideons for the new start they received in these services. The workers plan to begin jail services in surrounding communities also.

Arlington, Virginia

Jewell Bain, who assists in Assemblies of God jail services in Arlington, Va., writes: "We feel that the jail work is very important. It cannot be emphasized too much. We testify and preach to many, especially Catholics, who have never heard the true Word of God before. Just this past Sunday two members of a gangster syndicate knelt to give their hearts to the Lord. We pray that others may get a burden for this type of ministry."

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Wisconsin-Northern Michigan District

Due to the work of the Holy Spirit in the Indian churches of the district, it has been necessary to provide permanent church buildings and improvements in each of the stations. There are now new Indian churches in Couderay, Oneida, and Keshena, Wis. Extensive improvements have been made at Morgan Siding.

Home missionaries have been afforded the privilege of itinerating in the district to give the congregations first-hand reports of the Indian work and to spark an over-all enlargement of vision for Indian missions.

Little Boston, Washington

The William Ulins, missionaries at Little Boston, received a check from the Homeland Missionary Band of Northwest Bible College to help them on their building needs.

Flagstaff, Arizona

On June 8, the Indian Mission at Flagstaff was dedicated. The church is one year old. Brother Owen, the district presbyter, preached in the afternoon and J. K. Gressett, district superintendent, brought a challenging evening message. The WMC's of the white church in Flagstaff prepared and served a delicious dinner.

Ajo, Arizona

Janet Decker, who was assisting the Alvin Boohers at Guadalupe, has been called to pastor the Indian church at Ajo.

Correction

The Fred Cruses are located in Parker, Ariz., not in Whiteriver as stated in the July 30 "Highlights."

Guadalupe, Arizona

Last March, Alvin Booher, missionary to the Deaf in the Guadalupe Indian Assembly, was critically injured in a fall while working on the church. For a time his life hung in the balance, but God undertook. Due to a kidney injury, which he suffered in the fall, he had to re-enter the hospital in Phoenix, July 4, in preparation for an operation. After an examination, the doctors informed Brother Booher he did not need one, which was a direct answer to prayer. The Boohers are grateful to all who stood by them financially and in prayer during this trying time.

Appointed for Service

The Home Missions Department welcomes into its ranks seven new missionaries who are well qualified to serve in the home missions fields to which they have been appointed.

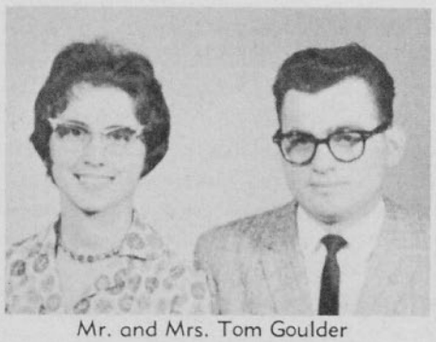
The Jerry D. Holders of Pampa, Tex., will minister among the American Indians. They have been supplying for the Paul Evanses at Whiteriver, Ariz. The Holders pastored the Full Gospel Assembly at Mobeetee, Tex., and hold credentials with the West Texas District. Mrs. Holder attended junior college at Southwestern Bible Institute, Waxahachie, Tex. Brother Holder majored in theology at Southwestern Bible Institute.

Pearl Philipp, recently returned from missionary service in East Pakistan, has been reappointed by the Home Missions Department to the American Indian field. Sister Philipp worked among the Apache Indians before going into foreign service. She is a graduate of Southwestern Bible College and holds credentials with the North Texas District. She will again work among the Apaches in the Whiteriver, Ariz., area.

The Thomas Goulders of Springfield, Mo., will minister to the Deaf. Brother Goulder is a graduate of Central Bible Institute. At present the Goulders conduct services for the Deaf in Sedalia, Mo., where Floyd Buntenbach is pastor.

Brother and Sister Arvin W. Glandon will serve on the Alaska field and are at present supplying for Ken Andrus, pastor at Fort Yukon. Both are graduates of Northwest Bible College and hold credentials with the Northwest District. The Glandons previously taught in Alaska native elementary schools.

Hilda Cree, sister of Rodger Cree, pastor at Sells, Ariz., who has recently been appointed to American Indian ministry, is assisting the Crees at Sells.



Mr. and Mrs. Tom Goulder



Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Holder



Pearl Philipp

Lower Elwha, Washington

Evangelist and Chalk Artist Esko Rentola conducted a summer revival in Lower Elwha Assembly with encouraging results. Nine Indians found Christ as Saviour and eight received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. A number of healings were reported also.

LaPush, Washington

Revival fires are burning in the LaPush Indian Assembly where Mrs. Jesse L. Blevins recently conducted an evangelistic meeting. New people attended the services, and the Sunday school increased. Some have been saved, and the Christians have greatly benefited from Sister Blevins' faith-building ministry. The building here is inadequate for the congregation and the pastor, E. Rentola, is very anxious to begin a building program when funds permit.

ALASKA MINISTRY

Transferring

The Oscar Butterfields are transferring from evangelistic ministry in Alaska to ministry among the American Indians on the reservations. They are at present at 32910 Cedar Drive, Elsinore, Calif.

Ketchikan

William Ponge, pastor at Ketchikan, is well again after a bout with pneumonia and a painful intestinal blockage. This city has been hit very hard with unemployment. More than 60 per cent of all the work force is idle. The local pulp mill closed down, and fishing is depleted. Many families have left Ketchikan, and most of the people who remain are on relief or welfare.

Seward, Alaska

A spirit of revival is stirring in the Seward Assembly where the Robert Cousarts pastor. The Lord has saved souls, baptized people in the Holy Spirit, and healed the sick.

One Sunday morning a teen-ager, visiting from another church, came to the altar and was saved. She brought her two brothers, a sister, and a neighbor girl to the evening service with her. Her sister gave her heart to the Lord and was also baptized in the Holy Spirit. Several of the young people were reclaimed and many rededicated their lives to the Lord.



Congregation at Seward, Alaska, where Robert Cousart is pastor.

The sectional fellowship meeting was conducted in Seward, July 4, at which Maxine Strobridge, national representative of the Deaf and Blind Divisions of the Home Missions Department, was the speaker. The mother of the two teen-age girls mentioned above came forward for salvation. Revival fires continued to burn. ◄◄

NEW CLOTHING NEEDED FOR ALASKA CHILDREN'S HOMES

Please do NOT send *used* clothing to the Alaska Orphanages. Usually there is very little of the materials sent which is suitable for the children.

Addresses can be furnished of missionaries in Alaska or on Indian Reservations who desire used clothing for distribution.

Journey on the Kuskokwim

(Continued from page three)

native folk who seem to appreciate so much the privilege of having Sunday school.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: This article clearly indicates that Alaska is still a vast mission field and will be for some time to come. The problems of communication and transportation are ever-present. Missionaries are able, at the very best, to visit some of the isolated and scattered villages of Alaska only occasionally. Gasoline is very expensive. To keep boats and planes in repair and operating is no small item. It is only as those in other states share the burden financially that the missionaries find it possible to expand their ministry. Many of them are living on extremely limited budgets, for the cost of living in Alaska is excessive.

The Alaska Fund has been in the red and missionaries have not received needed assistance. Your offering, clearly designated for ALASKA MISSIONS, is urgently needed. Send it direct to the Home Missions Dept., 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo.



Agents of the Infinite

EVEN GOD NEEDS AGENTS. According to Webster, an agent is "one who acts for, or in the place of, another, by authority from him."

When Jesus was on earth He was, in a very definite sense, God's agent. Through Him, God spoke, God acted, and God revealed Himself. When God would impart the water of life to the woman at the well near Sychar, Jesus was His agent. When God would quench the Spiritual thirst of the worshipers at the feast in Jerusalem, again His agent was Jesus. (John 7:37, 38). Always He worked through His Son.

God still desires to speak, to act, and to reveal Himself. But to do so He must have agents. His intention and desire is that every believer shall be His agent.

To convict the world of sin, His agent is the believer. He works through the believer by the Holy Spirit. Jesus stated, "He dwelleth with you and shall be in you" (John 14:17) and then explained, "And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment" (John 16:8).

To satisfy man's spiritual thirst, again His agent is the believer. On the great day of the feast Jesus offered the water of life to all who would come to Him, but with almost the same breath He made a potential agent of each believer by adding, "He that believeth on me . . . out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water" (John 7:38).

Finally, to reveal Himself to men, His agent is always the believer. When the angel visited the praying Cornelius the instructions were, "Call for one Simon . . . he shall tell thee what thou oughtest to do" (Acts 10:5, 6).

The extent to which we make ourselves available as agents of the Infinite will determine the extent to which God will reach our generation. If God is going to reach the unsaved of this generation, He is going to do so through the believers of this generation.

Men Write to Revivaltime From More Than 32 Prisons

By LOIS HOKANSON



Gene Reeves

MORE THAN A YEAR AGO A MAN IN the federal prison at Fort Worth, Tex., wrote to *Revivaltime* for the first time. For three weeks he, along with a number of other prisoners, had been listening to the broadcast over the prison radio. The broadcast comforted him, but he was having a fierce struggle trying to find God again. In his letter he requested prayer for himself, his family, and three other inmates.

At once *Revivaltime* sent Gene Reeves a booklet, *Thou Shalt Be Saved,* and placed his name on the prayer lists. For nearly eight months there was no word at *Revivaltime* from Gene Reeves, but God had already started answering prayer.

Within a month after he first wrote, Gene found Christ in the penitentiary. He studied the book by C. M. Ward, *Thou Shalt Be Saved,* over and over. One sermon in the book, "In the Church But Unconverted," particularly impressed him. Other books and sermons he obtained from *Revivaltime* also added to his understanding of the Lord.

Very shortly after his conversion, the charges in Texas against Gene were dropped. However, because he had become a Christian, he decided to return to Oklahoma where he had an old charge against him. Even though it meant he could not yet return to his wife and three little girls, he wanted to make everything right. God was still working things out for Gene—the sentence in Oklahoma was only three years long, and from the first day he felt God's blessings.

Because of the prayers of his wife and her church—First Assembly of God in Duncan, Okla.—Gene became an outside trusty in two months. In February he was sent to work in Western Oklahoma Tuberculosis Sanatorium at Clinton, Okla. His first act, after becoming an outside trusty, was to write for the Bible study courses for prisoners published by the Home Missions Department. He has completed five courses, with high grades on each.

As soon as he arrived at the state hospital, Gene discovered there was no place of worship. Therefore, at once he organized a service in the hospital chapel for the other trusties and some staff members. The first Sunday twenty-eight attended; the next week, thirty-five; and services have continued to grow. The young people from an Assemblies of God church in Clinton have helped with the music, and this new convert-prisoner usually brings the brief message.

By July of this year three trusties and four patients had been saved since the meetings were started. One, a very old man, was seriously ill with tuberculosis.

The chaplain at the sanatorium has commended Gene highly. "I became acquainted with this young man a few months ago," he wrote. "He impressed me from the beginning that he had been genuinely saved. He is very much interested in the salvation of other prisoners. And through his interest, at least one other prisoner recently made a confession of faith in a special chapel service for prisoners, or rather trusties. I believe him to be honest and sincere in what he claims. He is very interested in promoting religious services for the trusties now with this hospital.

"At his request the chapel has been assigned to him to see that it is always ready for any service, day or night. He takes great pride in his work, and insofar as I am able to tell he is doing a good job with this hospital.

"I believe that this young man is a *Christian,*" he concluded, "and that ought to be recommendation enough for any man."

Gene Reeves is one of a number of prisoners who have written to *Revivaltime* from more than thirty-two penal institutions. Many others, like Gene, have been saved through the *Revivaltime* broadcast and literature ministries. In several institutions, no visitors are allowed on Sundays, and radio is the inmates' only contact with the outside world. *Revivaltime* is often an encouraging end to an otherwise bleak day.

A prisoner from Mansfield, Ohio, sent the following testimony: "I wrote to you asking prayer for my wife to be saved. She was in as deep sin as I was, but the grace of God has saved us both. Our home was broken but will be made anew when I am released. One of my old cell mates has repented and received Christ as a result of listening to your sermon about two months ago."

Another prisoner, this one in Fresno, Calif., wrote to *Revivaltime* as follows: "I received your answer to my request and was very happy to receive those fine books. I have accepted Jesus as my Saviour. I am feeling better and have a new outlook on life. Pray for me that I may live a better life for our Saviour, Jesus Christ."

You can share in this ministry to men behind bars by assuring us of your prayers and support. Write to *Revivaltime* today and let us know that you, too, have this ministry on your heart. The address is REVIVALTIME, Box 70, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI.

In many penal institutions the inmates are not permitted to see any visitors on Sunday. POSITIVELY NO SUNDAY VISITS FOR INMATES WHO ARE AT THE INSTITUTION OR "E" DORMITORY is the rule at one state prison. Radio is the only contact these inmates have with the outside world on the Lord's Day, so gospel broadcasts like Revivaltime mean much to them.

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OF RADIO

GOD IS MOVING BY HIS SPIRIT! THIS is an inescapable fact! Hungry hearts across America are finding a satisfaction of soul in the blessed infilling of the Holy Spirit.

This, I believe, is another sign *we are in the end times*. We do not have long in which to work. The Good News must be "published" in every way possible. Every "crash" program available must be used. A sense of *extreme urgency* must grip the believing church. It cannot be "business as usual." The "ends of the world" are upon us!

This is why evangelism by radio is so important *now*. Radio "fills the air" and "gives the winds a mighty voice." It makes the gospel available to all who *want to hear* and all who *must hear*. The church has no alternative but to use the fastest and most encompassing means of communication available. Radio is as a gift from God to the church today!

And *Revivaltime* is as a gift of God to our movement. A great foundation has been laid with this service. It is time now to alert ourselves to the possibilities available and to increase the outreach of this service in a marked way. *Revivaltime can get the attention of the nation if we will give it the coverage of stations it deserves*. But not until every church shares each month in a *Revivaltime* missionary offering can this be done.

We now have 350 stations—but over three thousand are available. *Revivaltime* should be on one thousand stations! Will your church help to make this possible?

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I continue to be impressed by the *home missions beachheads* being established by *Revivaltime*. For example, Northern New England is one of our most needy home missions areas. One of *Revivaltime's* good releases is in Portland, Maine. Within the radius of this outreach there are eight cities or towns in which there is already an Assemblies of God church. But there are twenty-six more cities or towns in this same radius from which *Revivaltime* receives personal contributions for its support. Such beachheads offer real promise for future expansion should Jesus tarry!

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From down in the Caribbean we received this letter: "I listen to your *Revivaltime* broadcast regularly coming through the radio station in Vieques, Puerto Rico. I enjoy the songs and messages and I'm happy to let you know that I have accepted the Lord Jesus Christ to be my personal and indwelling Saviour. I'm praying for you continually that the Lord will enable you to go on with His good will spreading the gospel until He comes."

* * *

And a young lady, for whom the *Revivaltime* prayer partners prayed, wrote this:

"First of all I would like to thank you for praying about a request that my mother sent in about a year ago. I was going with a Catholic boy and she requested that you pray that it would be broken up. The Lord marvelously answered and sent along a fine Christian fellow for me. We are planning to be married in December."

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Souls are being saved! Prayer is being answered! The *Revivaltime* congregation is growing! Will you share in this great reach for souls?

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See you next month?

Revivaltime Giving

TOP DISTRICTS

January 1 to July 31, 1961

TOTAL GIVING

1.	Eastern	$9,545.58
2.	New York	9,254.55

AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1.	New York	$ 59.32
2.	Nebraska	54.34

INCREASE IN TOTAL GIVING

1.	Ohio	$2,325.79
2.	South Florida	1,788.21

INCREASE IN AVERAGE GIVING PER CHURCH

1.	Ohio	$ 12.63
2.	Arizona	10.54

GREATEST INCREASE IN NUMBER OF CHURCHES GIVING

1.	Southern Missouri	17
2.	Northern California-Nevada	16
3.	North Texas	16

GREATEST INCREASE IN PERCENTAGE OF CHURCHES GIVING

1.	New York	9%
2.	Tennessee	9%

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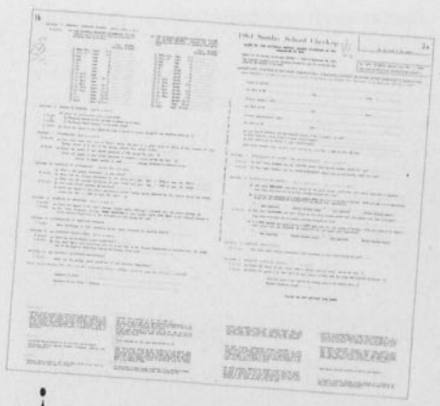


Checkup day!

Today, September 24, has been designated as annual Checkup Day. This is the time of the year when Sunday school leaders collect information about their Sunday schools and record that data on the Checkup forms supplied by the district office. After both copies have been completed they are to be mailed immediately.

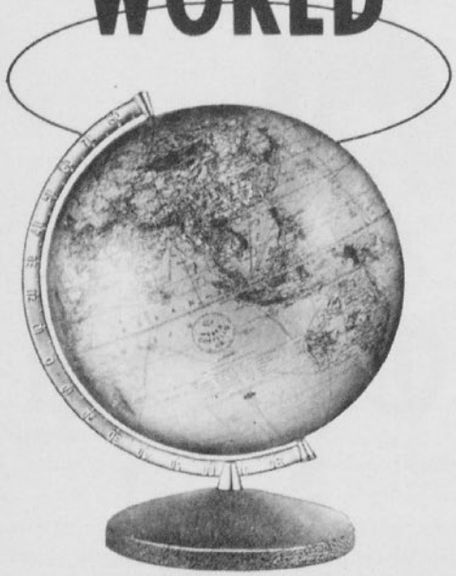
You will be glad you filed an annual Checkup because you will readily see the effectiveness of your school during the past Sunday school year. Any weaknesses in the school will also be brought to light.

If you have failed to receive a Checkup form, contact your district office.



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Training Workers in Ghana



Emmanuel

BY JAMES KESSLER
Missionary to Ghana

I AM COMPLETELY "SOLD" ON THE idea of training national ministers for the work of the Lord in foreign lands. In these days of "population explosion" we cannot keep pace with the need for Christ's witness merely by sending missionaries. I feel constrained to train others who will help in spreading the gospel.

The Ghana Bible Institute is dedicated to the task of training national ministers. Recently the Lord made it possible for us to relocate the school. A beautiful 30-acre tract of land has been secured in Saltpond. Already the first building is under construction. But more important is the fine group of young men who have consecrated their lives to Jesus Christ and are now studying the Word.

The testimony of Emmanuel is typical of these consecrated young men.

"About ten years ago I was a boy in secondary school," he says. "Reading my Bible one day, I saw where God promised His Holy Spirit to them that ask. Amazement filled my mind and immediately a desire was born in my soul.

"I had never heard anyone speak of this experience, but as I continued to read, I found that the evidence was speaking in an unknown tongue. For four months I prayed every day that God would give me His Holy Spirit.

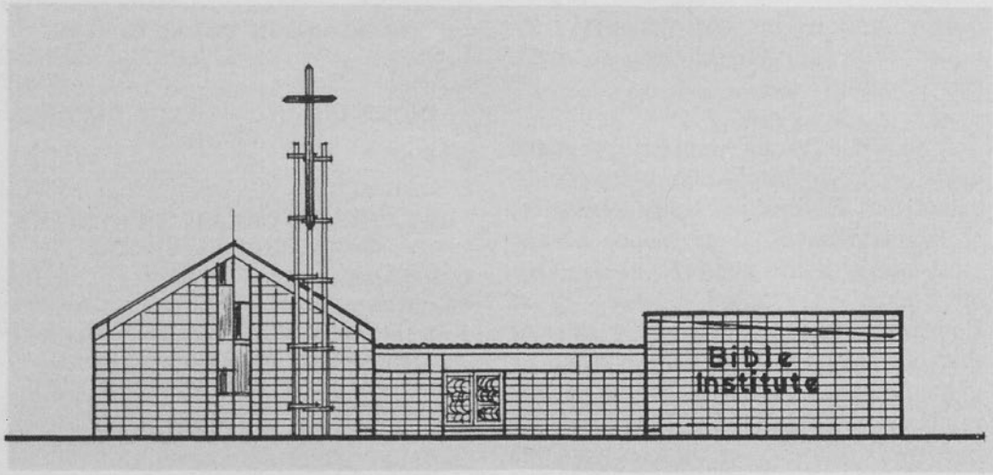
"Vacation time came and I was in my home town, Aburi. As I lay down to sleep one night, I told the Lord that He had not answered my prayer after four long months, so I must conclude that He had not accepted me. I felt I was not His child. Wrapped in deep sorrow, I slept. As I slept a dream came to me in which I spoke in a tongue I had never heard, and a fire was kindled in my heart.

"It was several days after, while praying, that the evidence of God's Spirit came to my lips. This time I was awake and my soul was satisfied.

"Since that time the 'Fire' has pushed me on and on to tell others of God who will give His Holy Spirit to them that ask."

Praise God for what has been done! Continue to "pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest."

If you should like to help provide the new buildings needed in Saltpond for the Bible Institute, send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, 434 W. Pacific St., Springfield, Mo. Designation: *Southern Ghana Bible Institute.*



Sketch of new Bible Institute at Saltpond, Ghana



A Visit to Spain

SPAIN (ESPANA) OCCUPIES THE larger part of the Iberian Peninsula in southwestern Europe, sharing it with Portugal which bounds it on the west. Since a 300-mile chain of massive mountains forms her northern border and virtually isolates her from the rest of Europe, the boundaries of Spain have been scarcely disturbed by the events of history. The strongly fortified Rock of Gibraltar, which guards the entrance to the Mediterranean from the Atlantic, is a well-known landmark near the southern tip of the country.

Spain's scenic beauty, historical cities, Moorish castles, interesting customs, and gay fiestas attracted an all-time record of nearly six million tourists in 1960.

Madrid, the capital, a city of two million, dominates the high central plateau. Situated at an altitude of 2,000 feet above sea level, Madrid is the highest capital in Europe.

Barcelona, an impressive city of nearly 1,500,000 on the Mediterranean coast, is the main commercial center and the chief seaport of the country.

With the discovery of America for Spain by Columbus in 1492, Spain's "Golden Age of Colonization" began and lasted for 200 years. Although Spain's colonial power has long since come to an end, marks of her civilization, her language, and her religion have been preserved in the nations she once ruled.

In 1936, an insurrection led by Generalissimo Franco started a civil war which ravaged the country and caused great suffering. When Madrid fell in 1939, Franco was named Chief of State, a position which he still holds.

The country's long and colorful history has contributed to the character, physical appearance, language and customs of its nearly 30,000,000 inhabitants. For the most part the people dress like other Europeans, although there is traditional apparel which the people wear at fiestas. The picturesque Andalusion costume is the one usually featured by tourist agencies.

Spanish (originally the dialect peculiar to Castile) is the official language of the country. However, other regional dialects are in use. Many Spaniards are bi-lingual, speaking Spanish in addition to their regional dialect.

Spain is predominantly an agricultural country. It is the world's foremost exporter of olives and olive products and ranks second to the United States in the production of oranges. Other important crops are wheat, barley, oats, almonds, and rice.

Under Generalissimo Franco, Catholicism was re-established as the state religion. Although Article VI of the Spanish Bill of Rights says, "No one shall be persecuted for his religious beliefs nor molested in the celebration of his private worship," frequent attacks on Protestants are made through the radio and press. Efforts have been made to suppress Protestant believers by bringing economic pressures, even to the point of boycotting them and denying them civil rights. When one or both parties are ex-Catholics, obstacles are often put in the way of a Protestant couple desiring to be married.

Protestant gatherings are confined to buildings that have been granted government permits. In all of Spain, it is reported, there are less than two hundred such permits, and a new one is rarely granted. An evangelical place of worship may not be built to resemble a church; no cross may be displayed outside; nor may any sign be placed where it will be visible from the street. Only through personal witnessing may a congregation announce its services. However, in spite of these restrictions, there is a growing Protestant community in Spain.

It was in the early 1930's that Tage Stahlberg, a Swedish missionary, took the message of Pentecost to Madrid. At present there are two full-gospel churches in that city. A fine Spanish pastor ministers to both congregations.

Mr. and Mrs. Roman Perruc accepted the Lord while they were living in New York City. Mr. Perruc was a Cuban, and Mrs. Perruc was born in Spain. They felt led to bring the Pentecostal message to her homeland and in 1947 arrived in La Coruña, a city on the Bay of Biscay. As a result of prayer meetings held in their home, the



The Paseo de Colon runs the length of Barcelona harbor.

first Assemblies of God church was started in Spain.

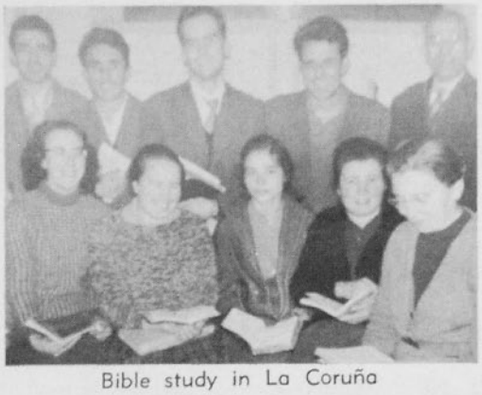
Some time after beginning, Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Lamas, Spaniards who had been converted in Cuba, returned to La Coruña and for some months assisted the Perrucs. When the Perrucs left to minister in another part of Spain, Mr. and Mrs. Lamas took over the responsibility of the La Coruña work and still minister there.

In Gijon, a city of 100,000 on the Atlantic coast, there is an Assemblies of God church which is presently pastored by José Rego Sanchez, a young man who was formerly a member of the Assembly in La Coruña.

At about the same time that Tage Stahlberg went to Madrid, an English Pentecostal missionary, Mabel Bax, went to minister in Ronda, a city in southern Spain. There she found a nucleus of Pentecostal believers. Later this work was turned over to Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Thomas, British Pentecostal workers. They were forced to abandon their mission and return to England at the outbreak of the Civil War.

It was fourteen years later, in 1950, that the Perrucs went to Ronda and discovered a group of ten believers who, without leadership, had managed to maintain their identity as Protestants and to survive in spite of the anti-evangelical sentiments that existed. The Perrucs pastored this work until Roy Dalton took it over the following year.

Since that time ninety-six believers have followed the Lord in water baptism. Seventy-five have received the baptism of the Spirit. Many of the members have moved from Ronda, most of them in search for work in Spain's industrial centers. Some have gone to other European countries. But the Lord has added new people to take



Bible study in La Coruña

their places in the Ronda Assembly. In 1960, the Sunday school had an average attendance of 120.

In 1949, Missionary Hugh Jeter contacted a Spanish family in Barcelona, who had accepted the Lord in the United States. They expressed a desire for someone to establish a Pentecostal church in Barcelona, and when the Kenneth McIntyres arrived in 1952, this family offered the use of their living room for services. The room was soon crowded out, and a hall was rented. The hall was later closed when a government permit was refused.

Upon hearing of the plight of this congregation, a Spanish pastor of another denomination kindly offered the use of his church on nights when he was not conducting services. A number of people were saved and filled with the Spirit during the two years our congregation worshiped in this church. Under the direction of Ruth Weitkamp, a Sunday school convention, teachers training course, and two vacation Bible schools were conducted.

When the McIntyres returned to Barcelona, after an absence of two years, they found that most of the believers had remained true to the Lord and were earnestly praying that God would provide them with their own place of worship. Then, quite miraculously, a small brick building became available to the church, and the opening service was held in October 1957.

Since that time many have sought the Lord for salvation, a number have followed the Lord in water baptism, and most of the believers have received the Pentecostal experience. Two branch Sunday schools have been opened 15 miles from Barcelona. In March 1961 a new preaching point was opened to the McIntyres 24 miles north of the city.

In order to engage in radio ministry, Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Jeter transferred from Spain to Tangier, Morocco, in 1954. Thousands of families in Spain heard about salvation in Christ through the broadcasts. There were many definite conversions. This radio station is now closed, but much fruit remains.

In the historical land of Spain are approximately 30,000 Protestants out of a total population of 30,000,000 (one-tenth of one per cent). Evangelicals number about 14,000. Entire provinces are without even one Protestant place of worship.

Regional night Bible classes being conducted in our churches by Ruth Weitkamp and Trella Hall are meeting with success. So far more than forty students have enrolled. There is spiritual hunger in Spain. "Search the Scriptures" is the significant motto chosen for this training program. "My word . . . shall not return unto me void," is God's promise to His co-laborers.

Six Assemblies of God missionaries are currently serving in Spain: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McIntyre, Ruth Weitkamp, and Trella Hall. These representatives need the undergirding of our prayers.

—*Christine Carmichael*





Congregations in Barcelona (left) and Ronda (right) continue to grow under the guidance of missionaries and Spanish national leaders.



By JANE PARKER

Love That Child OR ELSE!



HOW WAS THE DAY IN COURT, MY good Samaritan?" Don asked his pretty wife.

"Oh, Don, it was enough to really scare me."

"Why scare *you*, Sharon? How could it possibly involve you like that? Weren't you just there with Linda to give moral support to her while she was facing the judge?"

"Yes, of course. And this wasn't like a regular court, you know. It was a hearing in the judge's room. But what I mean is, that judge really could make a person feel the seriousness of being a parent. I think he must be a Christian. Really, Don, he said some things that *were* scaring—things I hadn't realized before—about psychology, and scars on personalities.

"Linda got pretty serious about it all, too. She said it helped her to have me with her. Of course, they brought her Tom from the juvenile hall, but Linda never even spoke to him—her own son! I just can't understand her. Sometimes I feel it is no use trying to be a good neighbor to her."

"Remember she has no husband, Sharon. She doesn't live a normal life."

"That's just it. She told me she has never been married, and that she hated Tom even before he was born. In a way you can't wonder that Tom is already in trouble with the law even though he is only ten years old. I know the judge pitied him. One of the things he said was that unless a baby between the third and twelfth months of his life has love shown him by someone to whom he can return his latent love ability, it is possible he may never be able to give or receive love." Sharon shuddered.

"That sounds pretty extreme, doesn't it?"

"But Don, it's really true. Doctors have discovered that some babies who are cared for in the hospital must have affection or they won't thrive. I heard of a case where the baby wasn't responding to treatment at all, and the doctor told the nurses what it needed was 'T. L. C.' When they asked if that was a prescription, he said it was a very good prescription—'Tender Loving Care.' So the nurses tried it—they just picked the baby up at intervals, and loved it awhile—and it worked."

"Well, I hope this delinquent mother took the lecture to heart."

"Don, *I* took it to heart. Listen to this: 'The absence of love in a family results in conspicuous scars in character and personality. Seventy-five per cent of such scarred children will be in court before they are twenty-one years old.' "

"What did you do, take notes? The judge really must have given a lecture to furnish you with all you've written there!"

"Well, this *is* horribly important—even for us. Think of our Cindy maybe marrying a boy who wasn't loved as a baby. He'd ruin her life!"

"Is it factual that a starved-for-love baby might be incapable of loving all its life?"

"The judge says it is a proven fact."

"Wonder what they'd say about all this down at our new church? They talk a lot about God's being love."

"You know the reason I think this judge is a Christian is because he talked about that. In fact, he said a child that was starved for love might not be able to grasp the spiritual truth that *God* is love."

"In other words, if you have never known a mother or someone who loves you, you may never be able to understand that there is a God who loves you. Ummm. Pretty fundamental." Don looked thoughtful.

"That isn't all. Look at these five requirements the judge gave for rearing children that you can be proud of. He thinks they will work in almost all cases. These are things parents—not children—must provide."

Don read:

1. A father who shows his affection in ways the child can understand. This is manly for the father, basic for the child.

2. A mother who loves the child and lets the child feel that love.

3. Discipline established by the father on a firm, kindly standard.

4. Supervision of the child: knowing where and with whom he is at all times. This includes teen-agers.

5. Doing things together as a family so each one feels he is a part of a cohesive unit. This includes such things as reading aloud, playing together, going on outings, telling stories—especially about your own youth. This helps establish the parent as a hero in the child's mind, instead of some fictitious character from fairyland.

Don whistled. "Sounds to me like raising a family is a big job! What do we do now? Do we just decide from here on out I'm going to show my love adequately and have a family that sticks together in loving unity?"

Sharon smiled. "You know, Don, we can't *do* better without *being* better. You spoke of the church. That is one of the things I am really glad for. Surely as parents we can't do without the help offered us there, and we must trust God for the love and wisdom we need to raise our Cindy right.

"The judge told Linda that without a husband it was up to her to love and care for her son enough for both parents. She's going to have to change her attitudes. It's not Tom's fault that he came into the world. The judge said that Tom must have loving care even if they have to find a foster home for him."

Sharon thought a moment—then added: "I believe God could help even Linda and her poor Tom. She has promised to go to Sunday school with us next Sunday. Do you think the pastor would go to see Tom at the juvenile hall? I'm going to ask Him."

Don took Sharon's hand in his. "Remember the text he preached on last week? Now is a good time to prove it true—'For with God all things are possible.' " ◂◂

Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"

SAUL, THE ZEALOUS PHARISEE

Sunday School Lesson for October 1, 1961

ACTS 7:57-60; 8:1-3; PHILIPPIANS 3:1-7

Apart from Jesus Himself, Paul is undoubtedly the greatest personality in the Bible. His life, from the time of his conversion, serves as a model for any Christian. His influence, powerful as it was during his apostolic ministry, is far greater today than ever. His epistles are indispensable in the life of the believer who would grow in grace.

SAUL'S MISGUIDED ZEAL. Acts 7:57 to 8:3.

The Holy Spirit particularly calls our attention to the fact that Saul of Tarsus witnessed the death of Stephen. There is little doubt that Saul also heard Stephen's unanswerable arguments with certain rulers of the synagogue, and that he also listened to Stephen's defense before the Sanhedrin, of which Saul himself may have been a member.

As we read the above verses, the events leading up to Saul's conversion on the road to Damascus become clear.

First of all, as Saul listened to Stephen's defense he must have been struck by the unanswerable logic of his sermon. The outline of Israel's history and repeated resistance of the Spirit of God, as presented by Stephen, was undeniably accurate and true.

Second, Saul was powerfully moved by Stephen's conduct under pressure and in the face of death. Men who were hypocrites, liars, and impostors did not die as Stephen died—with the serenity of heaven upon their countenances and a prayer of forgiveness for their murderers upon their lips.

A terrific battle then began in the mind and heart of Saul. He was troubled and in great conflict for, even as a sinner, Saul was a man of utter sincerity.

Thus it is not strange that we find Saul, after Stephen's death, trying to appease an aroused and awakened conscience by acts of renewed zeal; namely, his untiring and energetic efforts in imprisoning and putting to death as many Christians as he could. See Acts 22:19, 20; 26:10, 11.

Some practical considerations from all this: (1) Men may be very sincere and yet be sincerely mistaken. We do wrong to conclude that all sinners are insincere. Again, it is evident that sincerity in religion is not enough. Paul was perfectly sincere in thinking he was doing God service by imprisoning Christians and putting them to death. Sincerity must be coupled with truth in order to have any saving value. (2) Sometimes over-conscientiousness is simply an attempt to compensate for a guilty conscience. Men have been known to try to cover up gross sin by being very strict in other matters.

THE FUTILITY OF SAUL'S RIGHTEOUSNESS. Philippians 3:1-6.

These verses were written by Paul more than twenty years after his conversion. Paul is endeavoring to show the Philippians that no amount or variety of human righteousness has any soul-saving merit, nor is it the ground of any confidence. Paul is not belittling something he did not possess. On the contrary, he points out that if any one had grounds for obtaining religious merit from God, he did:

(1) Paul was not a proselyte, circumcised when received into the Jewish church; he was Jewish by birth and had the rite of circumcision performed at the prescribed time.

(2) "Of the stock of Israel," that is, a pure Israelite, descended on both sides from Abraham.

(3) "Of the tribe of Benjamin;" born in the famous tribe which never veered in its loyalty to King David; the tribe which after the captivity united with Judah and the Levites and returned to Jerusalem to rebuild the temple; the tribe of Esther and Mordecai.

(4) "An Hebrew of the Hebrews." Paul was of the choicest and purest of Hebrews in that he spoke the Hebrew language in contrast with the Hellenistic, or Greek-speaking Jews.

(5) "As touching the law, a Pharisee." Paul belonged to the religious sect which was more strict than all others in its devotion to the law of Moses.

(6) "Touching the righteousness which is in the law, blameless." That is, Paul had rigidly lived up to all the multitudinous requirements and duties of the law. He was blameless in observance of all its ritual and customs.

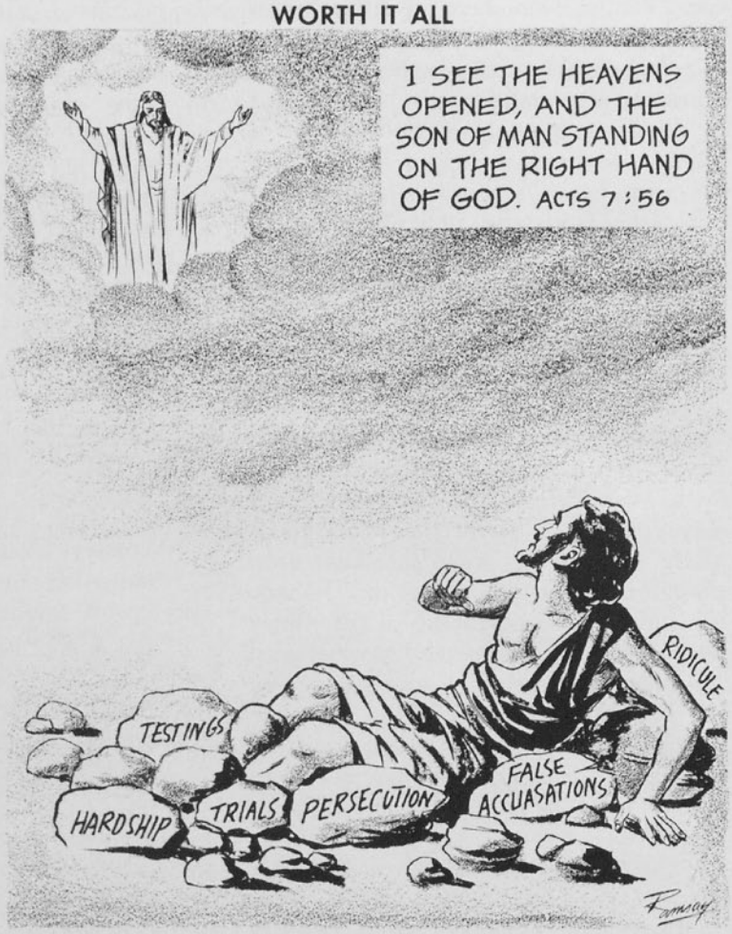
(7) "Concerning zeal, persecuting the church." As we have said above, Paul's zeal was expressed in his untiring persecutions of God's people.

PAUL'S COMPLETE DEPENDENCE UPON CHRIST. Philippians 3:7.

"But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ." The many things in which Paul once boasted he now repudiates, because he sees how completely valueless they are as far as spiritual merit is concerned.

—*J. Bashford Bishop*

WORTH IT ALL





The Family Altar



MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS . . . . DAILY BIBLE READINGS . . . . BY R. G. CHAMPION

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

READ: Hebrews 13:1-7

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

FOR THE PARENT: This passage emphasizes: (1) the importance of loving one another, v. 1; (2) the importance of hospitality, v. 2; (3) bearing the burdens of suffering Christians with them, v. 3; (4) purity and faithfulness to marriage vows, v. 4; (5) keeping away from covetousness, v. 5; (6) learning contentment, v. 5; (7) remembering that God is always with us, v. 5; (8) knowing that God is our helper and that we need not fear man, v. 6; (9) respecting our spiritual leaders and following their example, v. 7.

QUESTION TIME: What are some important truths this passage brings out? Why don't we need to fear man (v. 6)?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Elsie Isensee (Spanish Literature Division), Springfield, Mo.; Rex Jackson, Nigeria; Chaplain (Captain) Jules Ballas, Germany; Mrs. E. A. Sorbo, India; Mrs. Donald Leach, Alaska.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

READ: Hebrews 13:8-16

LEARN: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8).

FOR THE PARENT: From this passage point out: (1) the unchangeableness of our Saviour, v. 8; (2) we can receive stability from Christ to enable us to remain strong in the faith—so that we are not accepting strange doctrines, v. 9; (3) our Christian privileges, v. 10; (4) we have this privilege because of Christ's death on our behalf, vv. 11, 12; (5) we should be willing to bear the reproach of Christ, v. 13; (6) our hope of heaven, v. 14; the sacrifices we bring which will please God, vv. 15, 16.

QUESTION TIME: What sacrifices does the Christian offer to God (vv. 15, 16)? How do we know that Christ is unchangeable (v. 8)?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Alfred F. McGrew, Indonesia; Henry E. Mock, Peru; Clarence W. Ollson, Argentina; Mrs. A. E. Wilson, Togo-Dahomey; Mrs. L. F. Wilson, South Africa.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

READ: Hebrews 13:17-25

LEARN: "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account" (Hebrews 13:17).

FOR THE PARENT: In this passage the writer emphasizes: (1) Christian obedience to those in authority, v. 17; (2) the reason for this obedience, v. 17; (3) his personal prayer request, vv. 18, 19; (4) his reminder of the work of Christ, v. 20; (5) the continuing work of God in the Christian's life, v. 21; (6) his request that they heed the words he had written to them, v. 22; (7) personal news and greetings, vv. 23, 24; (8) the apostolic benediction, v. 25.

QUESTION TIME: Why should the Christian obey those who have authority over him (v. 17)? What is the purpose of Christian perfection (v. 21)?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Mrs. Virgil Zeigler (Indian), Arizona; Mrs. Agnes T. Beckdahl (superannuated), North India; Mrs. Iva S. Gilbert, Hawaii; Mrs. Paul Pipkin, Japan; Lillian H. Trasher, Egypt.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

READ: Acts 7:57-60; 8:1-3; Philippians 3:1-7

LEARN: "The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple" (Psalm 119:130).

FOR THE PARENT: Additional material on "Saul, the Zealous Pharisee" will be found on Sunday's Lesson page.) This lesson begins this quarter's emphasis on the life of Paul. Naturally, it must begin with Saul before his name was changed to Paul. Discuss his life as a persecutor of the Early Church, showing the zeal with which he went about this activity. But then point out how zeal can be misguided as Saul's was.

QUESTION TIME: How would you describe the character of Saul before he was converted? What warnings do you see in this?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Billy R. Bray, East Africa; Miss Hilda Meyrick, Venezuela; Stephen Vandermerwe, Tanganyika; George Effman (Indian), California; Arthur Stoneking (Indian), California.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

READ: Isaiah 14:12-15; Ezekiel 28:14, 15, 17; John 8:44; Genesis 3:1; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Matthew 13:19; Revelation 20:2, 10, 15; James 4:7; Psalm 91:3 (Sunday's Lesson for Juniors)

LEARN: "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8).

FOR THE PARENT: The first six lessons of this quarter deal with the subject of salvation. This lesson introduces our enemy, Satan, showing why the plan of salvation is necessary. From the Scriptures bring out characteristics of Satan. Then show how we are able to conquer him and his temptations as we rely on the Lord.

QUESTION TIME: What are some of the characteristics of our enemy, Satan? How can we conquer him?

MISSIONARY BIRTHDAYS: Miss Lula Belle Hough, Hong Kong; Mrs. Leland B. Good, Bolivia; Paul V. Greisen, Hong Kong; Benjamin H. LaFon, Honduras; Hazen D. Wolverton, South Africa.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

READ: 1 Kings 16:29-33; 17:1-6 (Sunday's Lesson for Primaries)

LEARN: "My God shall supply all your need" (Philippians 4:19).

FOR THE PARENT: Discuss the wickedness of the kings of Israel, especially Omri and Ahab, and how they brought God's anger upon themselves and their people. Sin must be punished. Discuss the prediction that Elijah made that it would not rain—this was God's way of punishing the wicked. And yet the righteous, including the prophet himself, also had to go through this drought. But show how God cared for Elijah.

QUESTION TIME: Why did God send drought to Israel? (See above.) How did God take care of His prophet (17:2-6)?

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

DEDICATION of new Assembly of God, Corning, N. Y., Sept. 24, 3 p.m. Joseph R. Flower, district superintendent, speaker.—by Norman G. Love, pastor.

41ST ANNIVERSARY AND HOMECOMING, Oct. 1 at Bartons Chapel, near Murchison, Tex. Former pastors and friends invited.—by G. L. Greer, pastor.

WORKERS TRAINING—Sept. 26-Oct. 8 at First Assembly of God, Tucson, Ariz. Virgil and Edythe Warens, instructors.—by Leon Gilmore, pastor.

DEDICATION AND HOMECOMING SERVICES—October 1 and 2 at Bethel Assembly of God (27th and South Seneca), Wichita, Kans. Speakers: Claude J. Utley, district superintendent; Paul C. Samuelson, district secretary-treasurer. Monday services, 10:30 a.m., 2 p.m., 7:30 p.m. All former members and friends invited.—by John T. Morar, Pastor.

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STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ariz.	Tucson	* First	Sept. 26-Oct. 8	Virgil & Edythe Warens	Leon Gilmore
Ark.	DeQueen	** First	Oct. 1-13	Gerald Brewer	Robert Fox
Calif.	Baldwin Park	First	Sept. 24-Oct. 4	Willard C. Peirce	Burl Rogers
	Gardena	First	Sept. 17-Oct. 1	Zambos-Elwood Team	M. W. Roll
	Modesto	Neighborhood	Sept. 26-Oct. 8	Denny Davis	Roy Blakeley
	Novato	Northland	Sept. 12-24	Denny Davis	William Vickery
	Oroville	First	Oct. 1-15	John & Mrs. Stallings	Charles R. Shuss
	Richmond	** Central	Sept. 26-Oct. 1	Don & Pat Hall	Russell Griffin
	Santa Ana	First	Sept. 26-Oct. 1	Ralph & Edith Coe	E. W. O'Dell
	Shafter	* A/G	Sept. 17—	David O. Bunch	A. B. Farmer
	Visalia	First	Sept. 20-Oct. 8	Orrin Kingsriter	Harvey Mitchell
	Wilmington	Boulevard	Sept. 26-Oct. 1	Bob & Pat Ludwig	H. W. Ezell
Conn.	New London	** Glad Tidings	Sept. 24-Oct. 6	Victor Etienne	David Clifford
Fla.	Crestview	Auburn	Sept. 25-Oct. 8	Douglas Bartlett	Arnice English
Ga.	Atlanta	Wash. St.	Sept. 20—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	Jimmy Mayo
	Augusta	First	Oct. 1—	Nettie Parham	Johnnie Moore
Idaho	Lewiston	First	Sept. 24—	Wesley W. Fleming	Frank McAllister
Ill.	East Moline	First	Oct. 1-13	Edgar Rasmussen	Novin Buntenback
	Marion	A/G	Oct. 1-13	Jeremiah Hanley	Norman Surratt
Ind.	Bloomington	First	Sept. 30-Oct. 14	J. I. Carroll	Donald Carroll
	Kokomo	First	Sept. 10-24	A. G. & Mrs. Calaway	Howard Watkins
	Lebanon	First	Sept. 20-Oct. 1	Charles Crank	John Washler
Iowa	Ames	A/G	Sept. 19-Oct. 1	Norman & Evelyn Hays	Norman Tosten
	Clarinda	Faith Tab.	Sept. 19—	C. A. Nicholson	G. R. McGhghy
	Davenport	El Bethel	Sept. 24-Oct. 8	Joseph De Grado	Ralph McCaulley
	Davenport	West Side	Sept. 25—	Dedelow-Friederici Tm.	Elton Bell
	Keokuk	A/G	Oct. 1-13	Edgar Rasmussen	Allan Ullestad
	Oxford Junction	A/G	Sept. 17-Oct. 1	Cox-Brown Team	Ramon Booth
Kans.	Topeka	*** Faith	Sept. 10-24	Jimmy Brown	Oliver W. Hollis
	Williamstown	First	Sept. 24-Oct. 1	Jerry & Mrs. Roberts	A. E. Peasley
Ky.	Lexington	First	Sept. 19-Oct. 1	Joe Villanova	E. C. Bredbenner
La.	Rayville	A/G	Sept 24—	Joey & Mrs. Laird	A. B. Downs
	Shreveport	Bethel	Oct. 1—	Freddie Richardson	C. V. Kemp
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	St. Joseph	A/G	Sept. 24-Oct. 8	The Bender Team	C. Mulvaney
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N. Dak.	Crosby	A/G	Sept. 26-Oct. 8	The Grabans	Leslie King
Ohio	Conneaut	A/G	Sept. 27—	Arnold & Anita Segesman	Earl E. Hart
	Lebanon	Chapel	Sept. 17-24	Christian Hild	Paul Wetzig
	Newark	First Trinity	Sept. 26-Oct. 8	L. G. (Buddy) Creel	G. Z. Kulik
	Stow	Miss. Chapel	Sept. 12-Oct. 1	Andrew & Mrs. Basell	Dewey Hale
	Toledo	* A/G	Sept. 24-29	Bob Olson	G. G. Martin
Okla.	Oklahoma City	Sunny Lane	Sept. 19-Oct. 1	Billy D. Guthrie	Robert L. Hill
Oreg.	Milwaukee	* First	Sept. 24-29	Gladys Triplett	Bennie R. Harris
	Waldport	A/G	Sept. 24—	L. H. & Mrs. Sheets	Alva E. Wunder
Pa.	Scottdale	First	Sept. 19-Oct. 1	Ken & Jackie Haddaway	Samuel Freno
	Waynesboro	Calvary	Sept. 12—	Richard Owens Party	George Hatchner
S. Dak.	Edgemont	A/G	Sept. 10—	Bonetta Rabe	Harry C. Meyer
	Sioux Falls	Hilltop Hghts.	Sept. 26-Oct. 8	Robert A. Paul	Ralph E. Hilton
Tex.	Amarillo	First	Sept. 24—	Hubert Surratt	E. R. Foster
	Burkburnett	First	Sept. 17-Oct. 1	The "Evangelicals"	L. H. Finney
	Galveston	First	Oct. 1-15	Mike Wright Family	Eddie Hundley
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ONE DAY A MINISTER WAS PREACHING IN LONDON'S FAMOUS Hyde Park. A heckling Communist in the crowd pointed to a man in rags. He cried, "Communism can put a new suit on this man." The preacher promptly answered, "Christ can put a new man in that suit."

Christ is the answer to the world's social problems. The trouble with society is *man*. Christ reaches the core of the problem—the human heart. Then old desires, false attitudes, and evil habits go. A man becomes a new creature, born from above, with a Christ-centered set of values.

More than a century ago, John Ruskin, famous English art critic and reformer, wrote a book, in which he relates his experience of searching for something disgustingly dirty, in order to display it as a symbol of absolute filthiness. Underfoot he found suitable material—the black slime from a footpath in a smoke-stained manufacturing town.

He analyzed this filthy slime, and found it contained four component parts. These elements are clay, soot, sand, and water.

The worthless clay particles, said the author, can crystallize into a hard, transparent lump. When it does, its value soars. It becomes a gem, a sapphire, highly prized for its beautiful blue color.

The dirty soot can become an octahedron mass of pure carbon. When this happens, it acquires amazing hardness, luster, and flash of color. Its ugly blackness mysteriously disappears. Now its crystals refract and disperse light. Behold, a precious stone, with brilliant luster and display of prismatic colors to thrill the heart of some bride! A diamond, we call it now.

Let's look at the sand. Tiny particles of sand can arrange themselves in mysterious, infinitely fine scales or plates, to reflect blue, green, purple, and red rays of light. Then these grains of sand are miraculously transformed into a thing of beauty and value—a translucent stone called opal.

Last of all, we consider the water. It can become a teardrop wrung from a penitent heart. Or a pure white, beautiful crystalline star of a snowflake. Or a wide ocean carrying great ships and uniting continents. Life-giving water—more precious than all the gold in all the world! Men have fought and died for a few drops of the refreshing fluid. Without it, no luscious fruit, no golden grain, no fragrant flower could grow.

As God can transform common clay, soot, sand, and water into priceless objects of marvelous beauty, so can He change the vilest sinner into a shining saint. He can put a new man in that suit.

An American traveler in China once asked his rick-shaw driver if he had ever read the gospel story. The man replied, "No. But I have seen it."

The American was puzzled until the coolie explained, "I have seen a man who was the terror of his village, with his cursing and his violent temper. He was an opium smoker, a criminal, and as dangerous as a wild beast. One day he heard the religion of Jesus preached. Since that time, he has become gentle and good, and has thrown away his opium pipes. No, I have not read the gospel, sir. But I have seen it, and it is good."

Shining saints, twice-born men, are desperately needed today, to give light and life to this dark, sinful world. The trouble with society is not head trouble. Educating a devil will not make him a saint—just an educated devil. Putting a new suit on his back will not put salvation in his soul. Filling his pockets with dollars will not give him treasure in heaven.

As easily as God changes worthless clay into sapphires, sand into opals, and dirty soot into sparkling diamonds of great price, so He can make the drunkard sober, the fallen woman pure, and teach the blasphemer how to pray.

The Bible says: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ . . ." (2 Corinthians 5:17, 18).

Full surrender to God, commitment, perfect love, the victorious life, dedication—call it what you will. The Bible says, "Ye must be born again." Only this rebirth can make you a new man in Christ. This is no new creed; it has been preached for centuries. Yet many dear people—even some faithful churchgoers—have never experienced the transforming power of God.

If such be your case, we urge you, in the words of Scripture, *Be ye reconciled to God.* —*Gospel Herald*