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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAID

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A Mother's Prayer

Father in heaven, make me wise,
So that my gaze may never meet
A question in my children's eyes.
God, keep me always kind and sweet,
And patient too, before their need;
Let each vexation know its place;
Let gentleness be all my creed,
Let laughter live upon my face.
A mother's day is very long,
There are so many things to do;
But never let me lose my song
Before the hardest day is through.

M. E. Sangster

A MOTHER'S PRAYER

Now the children are asleep, my Lord, I am tired and would spend a half hour in stillness with Thee.

I want to bathe my soul in Thine infinity, like the workmen who plunge into the surf to shed the dust and sweat of their bodies.

Let my burning heart feel Thine ever-renewing power; let my clouded spirit be lost in the crystal clarity of Thy wisdom; heal my unworthy love in the waters of Thy love which is so true, steady, and deep.

O Lord, I couldn't stand being a mother one more day if I meditated on all my faults. My love walks over my wisdom.

But I love my children.

I know that their little eyes see through me, right to my soul—that they imitate me.

Help me, O Lord, to be good in the deepest of my intentions, good in all my desires.

Make of me what I wish my children to be, with a heart that is strong, true, and great.

Help me not to be annoyed by the little things.

Give me the large view of life, a sense of proportion, so that I can truly judge what is important and what is not.

Lend me strength to be a real mother to my children, knowing how to direct their souls and their imagination, knowing how to help them unfold their dreams and care for their bodies.

Guard them against evil and let them grow up healthy and pure.

This I ask in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

—Envol

MY TWO OLD OAKS

Very close to my house there were two large oak trees. They had stood for more than a century and a half, defying all the storms of time.

One summer lightning struck them both. They didn't seem harmed immediately but when the second spring came I noticed that no leaves appeared. After this, decay set in fast and the downy woodpeckers had many feasts—as well as deep and secure winter homes.

I had been told that oak trees die slowly, so when the tree expert came to take them down I asked why these decayed so quickly. His reply was that white oaks succumb to disease without offering any resistance, whereas red oaks resist disease and die from the top down until only the stumps are left.

I thought how like white oaks many of us are! We

We believe the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God. WE BELIEVE that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. WE BELIEVE in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule over the nations. WE BELIEVE that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the

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seem strong until unexpectedly attacked by the enemy of our souls, and down we then go, much like Peter before Pentecost.

But we do not have to be overcome! God has made ample provision so that we may be "able to withstand in the evil day and having done all to stand" (Ephesians 6:13). We are not to give in weakly when we are attacked, for the Spirit within us is greater than our adversary, and is ready to help us. He will strengthen us "with might by his Spirit in the inner man" (Ephesians 3:16). When the storms come, let us remember the eternal God has promised to be our refuge (Deuteronomy 33:27), and to give us "grace to help in time of need" (Hebrews 4:16). Let us be like red oaks and resist the enemy.

—Francesca Meier

A PRAYER FOR SELFLESSNESS

Make me instantly sensitive to the least taint of impurity and uncharity. Before ever the suggestion has assumed a tangible shape, may I detect it and shelter in Thee.

In my home life may I be made a blessing; its sunbeam when the days are dark; its inspiration when the days are sad and hopeless; its tender comfort when the days are full of pain and tears. May I always think of others before myself; never imposing my private sorrows or moods; ever with the girt loin and the lighted torch; washing my face, and anointing my head, and confiding my griefs to Thee only, that I may ever have—

"A heart at leisure from itself

To soothe and sympathize."

—F. B. Meyer

THE GREATEST PREACHER

Dr. G. Campbell Morgan had four sons. They all became ministers. At a family reunion a friend asked one of the sons, "Which Morgan is the greatest preacher?"

The son looked at his father and promptly replied, "Mother!"

—Gospel Herald

precious blood of Christ. WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer. WE BELIEVE that the baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. WE BELIEVE in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.

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Put It in Writing!

Good business practice requires that important decisions be put in writing. Verbal agreements are sometimes forgotten, and oral instructions are easily misunderstood, but a written record of a transaction or conversation remains as a constant source of reference and a reminder of the original intent.

It would be well if we carried this principle over into our spiritual lives more often. This is one of the many precious lessons I learned from a devout Pentecostal mother. No mother ever was more devoted to God and to her family than ours. We children shall be grateful eternally for a mother who bequeathed to us the heritage of a godly life. To Mother, a promise was something very sacred, and when she renewed her consecration on some particular point she usually wrote it down, signed her name, and kept the note as a reminder of her vow. When I was a boy I sometimes found Mother's notes lying in a drawer, or tucked away in her Bible, or in one of the spiritual books she was reading. I remember one note which bore the words of Frances Ridley Havergal's poem, in Mother's handwriting, with her own signature at the end:

*"Take my life, and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my hands, and let them move at the impulse of Thy love;
Take my feet, and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee;
Take my voice, and let me sing always, only, for my King;
Take my lips, and let them be filled with messages from Thee;
Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold. . . ."*

Often we sing words like these and we mean them with all our hearts, but soon afterward we forget. Perhaps if we would write them down and sign our names at the end, our dedication would be deeper and our commitment more enduring.

Recently we received an interesting letter from an airman at Adair Air Force Station, Oregon. Airman Second Class Delbert L. Kennedy decided that Christians ought to have a Code of Conduct similar to that which is used in military life, so he wrote out such a code for himself. Here it is:

"I am a Pentecostal Christian. I serve in the forces which earnestly contend for the faith once delivered to the saints. I am prepared to give my life in its defense.

"I will never surrender to anxiety, but will trust the Lord for strength. As a Christian I will never give cause for anyone to stumble, who may be watching my life.

"If I am threatened by the enemy I will resist him with all my strength. I will make every effort to succeed in Christian service and to help others find Christ. I will accept neither gold nor glory in exchange for my convictions.

"If I am persecuted I will remember how much Christ endured for me. I will neither do nor say anything which might be harmful to my fellow Christians. I will attempt to guide others into a deeper consecration. I will obey them that have the rule over me in the Lord, and will work with them in every way to further the cause of Christ.

"I will abstain from all appearance of evil to the utmost of my ability. I will make no statements disloyal to my God or His Church, or harmful to its purpose.

"I will never forget that I am a Pentecostal Christian, responsible for my actions, and dedicated to the principles of the Word of God. I will trust in the Lord and in the power of His Spirit.

"By the grace of God these things will I do."

This would be a good code for any *Evangel* reader to adopt. Why not cut it out, sign your name, and keep the clipping in your Bible?

You will find that the signing of your name to any spiritual commitment will make it more definite and more enduring. R.C.C.

The Lamb for the Household

By Charles S. Price



If children cannot be saved by proxy, what can parents do to insure their conversion?

THE BLINDS WERE DOWN IN THE home of old Grandma Simmons. It was a wet, rainy night. I was feeling very tired and chilly as I stepped out of the car to go to the little home where the angel was waiting to carry a soul through the portals of eternal rest. The driving rain on the windshield had made travel very slow and I had plenty of time to think and pray over the words that would be of comfort and consolation in such an hour as this. Gently I knocked at the door.

What a contrast the interior of that little home presented to the cold and rain of the dark outside! In one corner two people were kneeling in prayer, while others stood around a bed that was wreathed with the glory of the Lord and gently patted a thin, wrinkled hand. There was victory in the air. Little did I realize that old Grandma Simmons was going to settle a question in my heart that had never before been answered. And oh, what joy and blessing it was to bring to my soul!

The dear old saint was still conscious. True, there were moments when her mind seemed to be wandering and memory began to fail. But some word of comfort from the people that loved her seemed to bring the tangled threads together again, and she

was able to talk very coherently although her voice was scarcely raised above a whisper. All her children were there. All, however, were not saved. They were all grown and married and all but one were leading exemplary lives as far as the moral standards of this world are concerned.

As I took her thin, wrinkled hand in mine I could hear the rain pattering mercilessly on the windowpane just back of her head. Yet, inside there was an atmosphere of comfort and of warmth even in the presence of death. Of course, every one of her children loved her, and loved her dearly. She knew the gates ajar were waiting to receive her. She knew that probably before the break of another day she would be at home with Jesus. She was happy—there was no doubt about that. There was the sorrow of parting, but also the joy of meeting again in the by and by. It was from those dear old lips that I heard words that were beautiful with the faith of heaven. She looked into the faces of all her children and then said softly and with a blessed assurance:

"My children, I know I shall meet you all there. I have *taken the Lamb for the house*, and my Lord has given me His promise."

That was all. No doubt came across the sunlight of her soul, like a cloud bringing fear and dismay. Even though it was dark outside, the sunlight of a

presence divine was in that room and the faith of a dear old saint was precious indeed in the sight of the Lord. She had taken the Lamb for the house. She was believing God for the salvation of her children. She died happy in Jesus and went triumphantly over to meet her Saviour and wait for the loved ones who soon would come through the cleansing of the blood to their eternal home.

A PRECIOUS TRUTH

The Lamb for the household. Do I believe in it? I most assuredly do. In order to understand it, however, we shall have to ask the Lord to illumine our hearts with a light from the Scripture.

How can a Christian parent be happy in the contemplation that some of the children are lost? To merely rejoice in the salvation of our own souls and not to be affected by the lost condition of those around us is something that even our Lord does not expect us to do. If Jesus could weep with compassion over the lost condition of Jerusalem, it is inconceivable that He should expect us to climb the mountain peaks of glory and rejoice with our heads above the clouds when those we love are wandering in the dark, deep valleys of sin below. Did He not come to give us beauty for our ashes? Was not His mission to impart sunshine for our shadow?

This article by the late evangelist, Dr. Charles S. Price, is reprinted by request.

I am sure in my heart that many of the saints of God are missing some of the richest graces of heaven because they have not discerned the truth of the Lamb for the household.

Does this mean that because a mother is saved that every member of the family is of necessity saved as well? *No!* Ten thousand times *No!* Does it mean that if the father confesses Christ as his Saviour that on the virtue of that confession alone all of the children are covered with the blood? *It certainly does not mean that.* I feel I cannot too strongly emphasize the great scriptural truth I am about to declare.

In God's great plan of redemption it is absolutely necessary and imperative for *every individual soul* to accept the blood that was shed on Calvary as an atonement for sin. Men and women cannot be saved by proxy. They must decide the question of their soul's salvation for themselves. Moreover, it is my firm belief that there are many Spirit-filled and blood-washed Christians whose children have died in sin and who will never see the inside of the gates of pearl. How sorrowful indeed it is to contemplate the truth that multitudes have rejected Christ even though they have been cradled in homes that loved Him. If these things then be true, what becomes of the doctrine of the Lamb for the house?

I would remind you that running all through the Scripture is a truth that thousands of Christians have failed to grasp. It is this: The child of God is an heir of promise. If in all sincerity and faith in Jesus we commit our loved ones to His care and keeping, the day will come when they will surrender their hearts to Jesus. It may be after mother has gone to glory, but they will come home just the same. Perhaps it will be after father has been laid away—but it will not alter or change the promise of our Lord. If in faith and trust we believe God for the salvation of our children, I believe that Jesus simply has to make good His promises and bring them all safely into the fold.

Our trouble is that we destroy our faith and our confidence by our doubts and our fears. We let anxiety rob us of that sweet and blessed peace which the Pilot of Galilee can speak to the troubled water of the soul. If only we could learn the lesson of committing our loved ones to the Lord

as we commit our burdens and our cares—what sunshine would begin to steal through the dark chambers of the heart! To put it in perfectly plain language, it is my belief that if you can commit your loved ones to Jesus and in faith and in confidence trust Him to fulfill His promise, the day will come when the convicting power of the Holy Spirit will be so great they will not be able to resist. While I do not believe they can be saved on the basis of your salvation alone, I believe there is scriptural foundation through your salvation for you to claim their souls before God.

IN EGYPT LAND

Look at this remarkable type that we find in Exodus 12:3. We have the distinct statement here that the Lamb was also a type of Jesus in His atoning ministry, and should act as the

To My Child

"You are so young,
And I, who love you so,
Am held responsible
That you may know
God's love!

"You are so small,
And I, myself so weak,
Must lead you to my Christ
Before you seek
Another way!

"Your little life
Is in my keeping here;
God grant me wisdom, grace,
And godly fear,
I pray!"

substitute and provide the salvation for the entire house. What right have we to separate this beautiful and holy type from all the rest of the typical proceedings? By what authority dare we lay this important typical account to one side while we cling to all of the others?

Every minute incident and detail of that Passover night was so highly typical that we treasure it as being worth more than riches untold. The hyssop was a type. The basin was a type. The angel of death was a type. The house was a type. Pharaoh was a type. The Egyptians were a type.

The lintel was a type. The blood was a type. In fact, the whole transaction offers the most beautiful and complete story of typical salvation that the Scripture affords.

Is it possible that there is one important part of this whole proceeding that was not typical? I cannot believe it. To me it pulsates with the glory of God. It breathes of heaven—it speaks of my salvation and the redemption of those I love. I believe in the Lamb for the house.

I want to bring encouragement to all of you dear people who have sons and daughters out of the ark of safety. You have the promise of God back of you. Trust Him for the salvation of your sons and daughters, and all of those whom you love. Why not begin to believe Him instead of allowing doubts and fears to destroy your peace of mind?

THUS SAITH THE LORD

You have often read Proverbs 22:6. "Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." The wise teacher in this clear and concise statement was emphasizing the same truth I am endeavoring to give you now. He was, of course, bringing into it the law of the harvest that merely adds to the sum total of faith regarding the bringing of the lost ones into the fold. "Plant the seeds in childhood, and," he says, "some day the harvest will be reaped." It may not be in youth or in young manhood. We may have to wait until old age comes and the hand that sowed the seed is no more, yet the harvest home will be gathered in the fertile soil of the heart of the one in which the seed was sown.

Do you remember what Paul said to the jailer the night he was delivered by the power of the Lord from the prison at Philippi? "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved *and thy house*." The condition was "believe." The requisite was faith. The foundation was confidence in God. Here was a living example of the fact that Jesus never lets His servants down. He always does what is best for them.

The condition behind the promise of Paul to the jailer was that they should believe Jesus. If you will believe Him—then He will answer your prayer. It is my firm conviction that the blood-washed child of God has

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*He maketh me to lie down in
green pastures: he leadeth
me beside the still waters*

Number Two in a series of articles
on the Twenty-Third Psalm

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He Refreshes

IN THIS SWEET PASTORAL SYMPHONY, THE FIRST VERSE gives the air, when it tells us that there is no want to the man who lives under the shepherd care of God.

The first "want" which, according to the verse, he who belongs to Christ shall never know, is the "want" of God. Then Psalm 23:2 breathes the very spirit of rest. What a delightful scene! It is the scorching hour of an Eastern noon. The air is stifling with fever-heat, and all the landscape is baking in the awful glare. The very stones upon the hills burn the feet that touch them. At such a time, woe be to the flock without a shepherd; and woe to the shepherd who cannot find the shade of some great rock or some cool pasture.

But there is no such failure here. The stream once foamed and fretted over its rocky channel, leaped from ledge to ledge, and dashed itself into a mass of froth and foam. No sheep would drink of it then. But now it flows quietly as if it were asleep—hardly a ripple on its face. Every flower, tree, and image is clearly mirrored on its surface. On its banks the pasture is always green. The very air is cooled by its refreshing presence. No drought can come where that river flows; and the flocks, satisfied, lie down to rest on the tender grass.

We all need rest. There must be pauses and parentheses in all our lives. The hand cannot ever be plying its toils. The brain cannot always be elaborating trains of thoughts. To work without rest is like overwinding a watch; the mainspring snaps and the machinery stands still. There is more permanence than many think in the commandment which bids us rest one day in seven.

But there is no part of our nature that cries more urgently for rest than our spiritual life. The spirit of man, like the dove, cannot be wandering with restless wing; it must alight. We must be able to lie down in green pastures or to pass gently along the waters of rest. There are three things needed ere sheep or human spirits can rest.

1. *A consciousness of safety.* The growl of a lion, the bark of a dog, the presence of a little child, will be quite sufficient to spoil the rest of a flock of sheep. And how can we rest as long as we feel ourselves exposed to the attack of the roaring lion of the pit? Who can rest so long as eternal destinies lie uncertainly in the balances?

Against all this our Shepherd Jesus has provided. He Himself has met the great adversary of our souls and has forever broken his power. We can never forget that awful

conflict between the two—the malice of the one; the strong crying and tears of the Other, and His anguish and bloody sweat. It was not a time when we could throw the balance of our weight into one scale or the other; we were rather the prize for which the battle was fought. On the one hand stood cruel and bloodthirsty destruction; on the other was mercy yearning to deliver. In the final end the Good Shepherd gave His life for the sheep. No coward was He. His treasure was at stake. The flock was His own, given Him by His Father; and He laid down His life for it.

But in that death He slew our enemy, just as two antlered champions of the woods have sometimes been discovered side by side in death because the one, in his own death throes, had struck the other with a mortal wound. But God "brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant." And now He lives to guarantee our safety. He has suffered all there is to suffer. He has mastered all the opposition there is to encounter. He has secured us everlasting deliverance from the slaughter knife, from the demands of the divine law, and from the consequence of our own sins. "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again."

And now, O timid soul, be at rest! The blood-red brand which is upon thee is a sure token that thou art safe. In all moments of peril or dread, softly murmur His Name, "Jesus, Jesus," and He will comfort thee by His presence and by His voice, which all His sheep know.

2. *Sufficiency of food.* A hungry sheep will not lie down. But the shepherd who can provide it with plenty of good pasturage will soon bring the most restless animal to rest.

We can never rest so long as our spiritual hunger is unappeased and our thirst unslaked. How slow we are to realize this. Yet the whole drift of human life seems impelled by the aching void within. Conscious of their hunger, men try to satisfy it with the husks that the swine eat; but they try in vain. There is no answer to

Self-Renunciation

We must learn to give up not only our wrongs but even our rights. It is little that we should turn from sin. If we are to follow Christ and His consecration, we must turn also from things that are not sinful, and learn the greatest lesson of self-renunciation, even in rightful things....

There are many things which are not wrong for you to keep and hold as your own, but which, if kept, bring loss to Christ and even greater loss to you.

Abraham gave up his Isaac and received him back with a new touch of love—as God's Isaac now. We shall find that most of the lives that count much for God had somewhere in them a great renunciation, where the dearest idol was laid upon Moriah's altar, and from that hour there was new fruit and new power.

—A. B. Simpson

the unrest of the inner man until the voice of Jesus is heard saying, "He that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst." Oh, to "eat of the flesh of the Son of Man" and to "drink His blood" in moments of intimate communion. This is life. This is eternal satisfaction.

The Word of God may fitly be compared to green pastures. There is nourishment there for all hungry hearts. The pastures never become barren. They are as green and fresh today as when they were first issued by the Holy Spirit.

There are many spiritual realities corresponding to the waters of rest. What is the Lord's Day but a water of rest? or the hour of worship? or the long period of illness and convalescence?

3. *Obedience to the Shepherd's lead.* The tenderest shepherd cannot bring a flock of sheep to rest unless they follow him. If they lag far behind him, if they go

astray from him, if they take their own several ways, then however good the shepherd's intentions may be they cannot but be thwarted and frustrated.

This test of following the Shepherd's lead is very important. It is by no means strange that we lose our rest when we run hither and yon. We substitute our plans for His. We insist on our schemes. We do not look up often enough to see which way He is going and what He would have us to do. And so our rest is broken and lost. We must "follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth" if we would be led to the living fountains of water which are fed from heavenly springs.

Sigh not for the rest of God as if it were impossible of attainment. The Good Shepherd waits to make you lie down, and to give you the water of life to drink. Only trust Him. Hand over to Him all that breaks the stillness of your spirit and take from Him His own deep, sweet rest. " "

GOING FORTH WITH THE KING

To be with our King will be our highest bliss for eternity, and surely it is the position of highest honor and gladness now. But if we would always *be* with Him, we must always be ready to *go* with Him.

"The Son of God goes forth to war"—do we go with Him? His cross is "without the gate." Do we go "forth unto him without the camp, bearing his reproach?" Have we this week—this day—loyally gone with our King wherever His banner, His footsteps, go before?

It is only now that we can go with Jesus into conflict, suffering, loneliness, weariness. It is only now that we can come to the help of the Lord against the mighty in this greatest battlefield. Shall we shrink from opportunities which are not given to the angels?

There will be no more suffering with Him in heaven, only reigning with Him; no more fighting under His banner, only sitting with Him on His throne. But today we may prove our loving and grateful allegiance to our King in the presence of His enemies by rising up and going forth with Him—forth *from* a life of easy idleness or selfish business *into* whatever form of blessed fellowship in His work, His wars, or, it may be, His sufferings, the King Himself may choose for us.

We have heard His call, "Come *unto* me." Today He says, "Come *with* me."

—Frances Ridley Havergal, in *My King*

THE DESIRE OF THE KING

"So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty" (Psalm 45:11). Can this mean us? What beauty have we that the King can desire? For the more we have seen of His beauty, the more we have seen of our own utter ugliness.

What, then, can He see? "My comeliness which I had

put upon thee." "The beauty of the Lord our God upon us." For "he will beautify the meek with salvation." And so the desire of the King is set upon us.

Perhaps we have had the dreary idea, "Nobody wants me!" We never need grope in that gloom again when the King Himself desires us! This desire is love active, love in glow, love going forth, love delighting and longing. It is the strongest representation of the love of Jesus—something far beyond the love of pity or compassion. He takes pleasure in His people; delighting in them; willing that they should be with Him where He is, with Him now, with Him always. His is the love that does not and will not endure separation—the love that cannot do without its object. "So shall the king greatly desire thy beauty."

Oh, why do we morbidly look to see how much *we* love? It is like trying to arm ourselves with a thermometer, and perhaps only ends in doubting whether we love at all! Let us look straight away at His love and His desire! Think of Jesus actually wanting you, really desiring your love, not satisfied with the love of all the angels and saints unless you love Him too—needing that little drop to fill His cup of joy! Is there no answering throb, no responsive glow?

"Lord, let the glow of Thy great love
Through my whole being shine!"

—Frances Ridley Havergal, in *My King*

EXERCISING PRAISE

Praise is our highest exercise. In *prayer* we often approach God for more or less selfish reasons. In *praise* we adore Him for what He is in Himself.

However tired or weary you may be, see to it that the morning hour of devotion begins with the keynote of thanksgiving and adoration. It is marvelous how this quickens the pulse of the soul and reacts upon every moment that follows.

—F. B. Meyer

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END OF THE ROAD

By ELEANOR ELIASON MEIER



Loneliness, infirmity, and mental lapse—can this be the end of the road for a godly mother?

SHE SAT IN A CHAIR STARING OUT the window, her careworn face completely void of expression. Occasionally she played with the wedding ring on her finger. Now and then she made small noises as if talking to herself.

As I stood there in the small room watching her, knowing she was totally unconscious of my visit, I felt a flood of thought and emotions rise within me. Strongest was a feeling of rebellion against old age—and *this*. Was *this* the end of the road for a dedicated Christian mother?

Her mind at times was that of a child. Then in sudden flashes she would be her once-brilliant self. Never was she heard to complain. At times she would involuntarily cry out in pain, but her smile was ready for anyone who spoke—her gratitude for

kindness was touching. Compassion filled me as I thought back to what she once had been.

My earliest recollection of her was someone who rocked me, sang gay little tunes, and fed me sugar cookies. She never minded my digging in her closet in which I always found hats, shoes, and old clothes to try on. When I would tire of this she would take me on her lap and tell me stories.

Often she told me about her youth. It was only through these stories that I learned of the hardships she had known. The poverty, sickness, and worry the family had gone through had become a part of her. But these things she seemed to count as nothing. The one thing she had found hard to bear was her lack of formal education.

Because there were so many chil-

dren in the family she had to work out in order to go to school. Even then she had opportunity of finishing only the fourth grade. Money won by working in the fields like a man was too dear, in her father's estimation, to be wasted on books. It had to be sent home. During the rest of her life she felt this handicap. Her illiteracy was the one thing she resented.

Marriage had brought her little benefit in material wealth, but it added to her sources of joy. She possessed the admirable trait of finding beauty and happiness everywhere. Even the smallest flower could fill her with rapture. Beautiful above everything else to her was the love she shared with her husband and children. Three of her children died while still babies, and each time a little bit of her died. Yet she could still give genuine sympathy that healed the loss in others' hearts. And the three children waiting in the Gloryland was what made heaven so real to her.

According to her, Sunday school was a necessity for every child. It mattered little whether they were her children or a neighbor's. In the remote area where she raised her family, long periods often elapsed while the little church awaited a minister. But that did not affect the Sunday school hour or prayer meeting for her. Even when the roads made it necessary to walk part of the ten miles she came—and never alone. The children she brought considered it a great lark to be pulled on her sled, their feet kept warm by the bricks she had heated in her wood stove before leaving.

Her own house was the scene of the weekly prayer meeting. Steeped as it was in prayer, her home became the focal point for combatting all the problems of the community. It was not uncommon for her children, running in from play or school, to discover her kneeling in the kitchen with someone who needed help.

It seemed she could solve every child's problems. Every stray animal

found a home with her. There wasn't a sick person within fifteen miles that had not tasted her cooking or heard her words of cheer. People often asked how she could keep so happy with so many trials. The answer was always the same: "I know God."

It was true! To her, God was not a strange being in the sky who did not care about human beings. He was a friend, a helper—someone she knew and talked with daily. He was the strength and center of her life.

Her God-given peace calmed the fears of those who came in contact with her. She still had that peace when her husband died. They had been so close—I wonder now how she was able to carry on as she did! Life must have seemed empty without him. She lived for ten years after his death, making others happy.

I was thinking of what she had done for others when she turned to me and said, "The little boy—did they find him? He's only four, you know."

Her words brought back to me something I had almost forgotten. She had nearly died in trying to save a neighbor boy's life. The little lad had wandered from home. His absence was not discovered until late at night. The parents had called all the neighbors to join in the search. It was a flat land and the snow drifted for miles. She was the one who found him early the next morning, lying in a snowdrift. And for days they thought

her life would follow his. But some great force inside her proved to be the victor. Now her mind had wandered back and she thought they were still searching for that little boy.

I could not help the burning questions within me. All of the doubts and secret worries of a young Christian and a teen-ager rose to the surface. These things that had troubled me seemed climaxed in this dear one before me. She had lived her life for others—was this her reward? Was this the price one received for a lifetime of toil? She had been so wonderful! The world had so few like her. Why should she suffer in the end? Feelings of resentment filled me.

For days afterward these thoughts haunted me. One day we received the call we were expecting. We raced to her side and barely beat death. I held her hand and looked down on her face. I was amazed at what I saw. *The peace that had been with her all through life was still there!*

She turned and opened her eyes. When she saw me she smiled and pulled me close. Her last words have never left me. "Remember, dear—*only one life, 'twill soon be past; only what's done for Christ will last.*"

I recalled the motto that had hung on the wall of her home. Perhaps it had seemed trite to others—now it explained volumes to me. It made me see and understand how in her illness her mind was clear on one subject alone—her Saviour. The names of her

children had vanished from her memory, their faces had grown unfamiliar to her, but the redemption story remained as beautiful and clear as when she first accepted it. Every nurse and doctor who came to minister heard that story of love. Every patient placed within her room was given the golden opportunity of accepting her Friend and Saviour too.

The words found in Leviticus 19:32 suddenly contained new meaning for me, "Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head and honour the face of the old man." Now I could understand how Solomon could declare, "The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness" (Proverbs 16:31).

Gone was my bitterness and dread of old age, for with my eyes opened I saw now that the end of the road for this dear mother was not senility—nor even a quiet cemetery plot—but an eternal reward. In that moment I saw the real person instead of the worn-out frame. And what I saw was *still* beautiful.

By putting Christ first in her life she had built for herself an eternal happiness. By giving to others, sharing with them all her material and physical and spiritual resources, she had laid up for herself a treasure in heaven which passing years and ravages of old age could not touch. There was nothing to be feared in death to one who had lived her "one life" like that!

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To Mother

Of childhood memories I recall,
The ones of Mother tower all;
And through the years I can't forget,
She stands in clearest silhouette.

From school each day I turned my feet
To seek her for a bite to eat,
And found she, too, was seeking "bread"—
Kneeling in prayer beside the bed.

Her prayer was talking with a Friend
On Whom she knew she could depend;
And in those prayers I know that she
By name must oft have mentioned me.

She washed the clothes, prepared the food;
To her it was not servitude.
She sang with sweetest, glowing face,
"The Cross—Not Greater Than His
Grace."

She gave the "widow's mite"—her all;
Did "what she could"—'twas far from
small.
She lived in great humility
With faith in God—and faith in me.

She gave advice—and asked it, too;
How proud I was when asked my view!
She spanked with love more than with
rod—
At that same knee led me to God.

I sometimes dream that she is here
To smile and fill my heart with cheer;
And though she's gone, still here today
Are memories of her godly way.

Her Saviour is my Saviour, too,
I'm trusting Him to lead me through;
And when I've crossed the Great Divide
I'll find her standing by my side.

—E. Richard Pickens



THIS PRESENT WORLD

Archaeology

Ancient Roman Nails Found

Seven tons of hand-made nails, dating from Roman days and believed to be of the type used at the crucifixion of Christ, were found near Glasgow, Scotland, on the site of an old Roman camp at Inchtuthill. Almost a million nails were found by Professor I. A. Richmond, professor of archaeology of the Roman Empire at Oxford.

Fifth-Century Church Found at Philippi

Archaeologists have discovered the ruins of a huge Christian church on the site of the ancient city of Philippi near Kavala, Greece. The well-preserved church of the basilica style is believed to date from the fifth century A.D.

The Bible indicates that Philippi was the first place on the European continent where the Christian gospel was proclaimed. Paul's Epistle to the Philippians is a book rich with deep spiritual truth and one wonders how well the worshipers at this church grasped this truth by the fifth century.

Meetings

Christian Railroaders to Meet in Maryland, June 12-15

Members of the Railroad Evangelistic Association, an interdenominational group of born-again men and women who are associated with railroads, will meet at Sandy Cove, Maryland, for their annual conference. The meetings will be held June 12-15 in the chapel on the Christian Conference grounds at Sandy Cove. A number of Assemblies of God members are active in the association.

Alliance Church Marks 75th Anniversary

The Christian and Missionary Alliance is commemorating the 75th anniversary of its founding this year. In conjunction with its annual convention in Miami, Fla., it is sponsoring a city-wide evangelistic crusade in

the Dade County Auditorium, May 13-20, with Evangelist Merv Rosell as night speaker.

The Alliance, organized in 1887 by the late A. B. Simpson, has only 68,000 members on the rolls of its 1,200 churches in the U.S. and Canada, and yet stands seventh among Protestant denominations in the scope of its missionary operation, including 860 missionaries in twenty-three overseas fields.

The comparatively small denomination has a separate missionary budget of \$4,500,000 for 1962 which is almost \$70 per member for the year.

Clergymen

Alan Redpath Resigns at Moody Church

Alan Redpath, pastor of the historic Moody Church in Chicago since 1953, has resigned to accept a call to the Charlotte Chapel in Edinburgh, Scotland. He will leave in October to

take the pulpit which has previously been filled by W. Graham Scroggie and J. Sidlow Baxter.

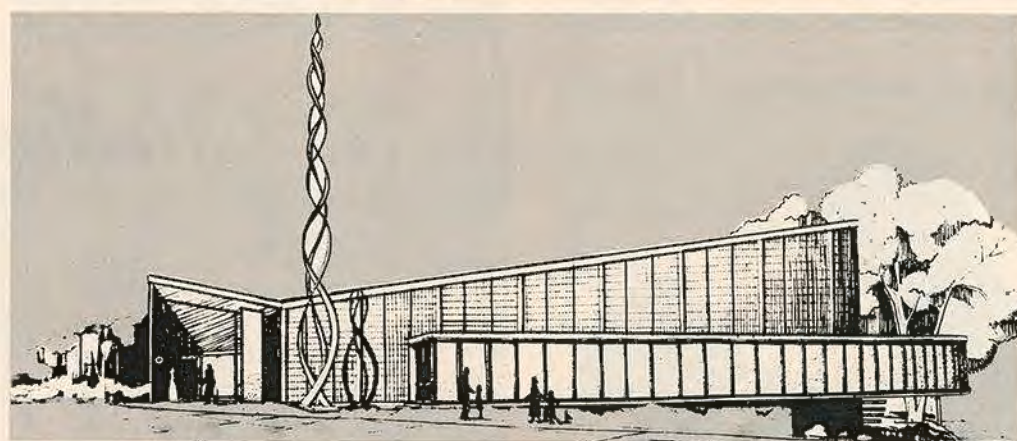
Moody Church was the site for the 1961 annual convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America.

Red Clergyman Loses

A vicar of the Church of England was defeated in Sheffield, England, when he campaigned as a Communist for a post on the Municipal Council. Alan Ecclestone was reported to be the first Anglican clergyman in England to have sought office under the Communist banner.

Buffalo Ministers Meet with Funeral Directors

More than three hundred local ministers and funeral directors recently attended a seminar on "grief work" at the University of Buffalo (N.Y.) School of Medicine. A psychiatrist from the Massachusetts General Hospital underlined the vital roles played



SERMONS FROM SCIENCE PAVILION—This is a drawing of the beautiful modern "Sermons from Science" building which is located right in the heart of the 74-acre grounds of the Seattle World's Fair. This structure which covers over 4,000 square feet has an auditorium accommodating 300 people plus counseling rooms. Cooperating in the activities of the Pavilion throughout the fair are over thirty evangelical denominations and organizations from the Greater Seattle (Wash.) area, including the Assemblies of God.

World's Fair visitors at the Pavilion will witness presentations by Dr. George Speake, who is associated with the Moody Institute of Science of Chicago. His program will consist of a number of scientific demonstrations calculated to show the relationship between God and science. In addition to the "live" presentations by Mr. Speake, Sermons from Science films will be shown.

Anticipating that many will want to know more about the claims of Christ, Sermons from Science will have 1,000 counselors available to guide those who make a decision to follow Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour. The fair opened on April 21.

by the clergy, funeral directors, doctors, and nurses in caring for the bereaved.

"The sympathetic person who tries to patch over his friend's grief for the death of a loved one," he said, "may be doing more harm than good." No attempt should be made by those in attendance, he said, to suppress or deny "legitimate expressions" of emotional grief. Holding back the emotions and giving sedatives and tranquilizers, in his view, can be harmful and delay the necessary recovery.

Methodist Ministers to Preach Outdoors

A hundred Ohio Methodist ministers will leave their pulpits this summer to preach in the open at county fairs, state parks, on street corners, on church and courthouse steps, and in drive-ins and shopping centers.

They will be participating in a program of "unconventional evangelism," which Bishop Hazen G. Werner has described as vital in reaching the unchurched.

"It's a new term for something very old," he told the clergymen at a one-day conference in Columbus. "We will be following in the footsteps of the founder of Methodism, John Wesley, who preached to coal miners in the fields near Bristol, England."

Bishop Werner told the ministers that forty per cent of the nation's people are unchurched and that many of them have even forgotten the name of the church they once attended. "You have to go to them if they won't come to you," he said.

Foreign

Religious Freedom Promised in Algeria

Leading churchmen in Paris hailed the incorporation in the Algerian ceasefire agreement of guarantees of religious freedom and other human rights in the prospective new African state. They said these guarantees in a state to be governed by a Moslem majority were of great importance to the Christian and Jewish communities.

The agreement stipulated that "the Algerian state will unreservedly subscribe to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and will base its institutions on democratic principles and on equality of political rights between all citizens without discrimination of race, origin, or religion."

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

YOUR QUESTIONS



* *What is the difference between "verbal" inspiration and "plenary" inspiration we hear some talking about?*

According to Webster's Collegiate Dictionary, plenary means: "full, entire, complete; fully constituted." Therefore, plenary means that all Scripture (in the original text) is inspired of God. This means that the Bible is God's complete revelation to man, and every part of it is to be honored and obeyed. By its doctrine and life are to be guided. All of it "is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: that the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

The dictionary defines verbal as: "word for word; literal; as, a verbal translation."

* *Since Jesus said, "Judge not," and, "Thou shalt love thy neighbour," is it not wrong to execute capital punishment?*

We are warned against careless, personal judgments which we might make without proper consideration. But there are laws which must be followed; otherwise the world would be plunged into anarchy.

The crime of murder is among the greatest; therefore, for the protection of the many against this crime, He instituted capital punishment. "Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed..." (Genesis 9:6). This is to be carried out under the decision of a court of law and not by a spirit of personal vengeance.

* *Do you interpret the statement, "With his stripes we are healed" (Isaiah 53:5), to mean physical or spiritual healing?*

I believe it includes both. In Matthew 8:16, 17 we are told that Jesus ministered physical healing to the multitudes in order to fulfill this prophecy of Isaiah 53:4—"Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows." Then, Peter applied this Isaiah passage to spiritual healing—the healing of the soul: "That we, being dead

to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed" (1 Peter 2:24). While provision is made for physical healing, that does not mean that we may now obtain immortal life. As yet, only our souls are redeemed. We are still a part of a groaning creation, awaiting the coming of Christ when our bodies will be redeemed. See Romans 8:22-23. As long as we remain in these bodies we may be the victims of sickness, sorrow, and death.

* *You say capital punishment is scriptural. I deny this from the New Testament. All you quote is from the Old Testament.*

It seems to me that the New Testament supports the Old Testament on this question. See 1 Timothy 1:9, 10 and Romans 13:1-4. All the ungodly are under the condemnation of the law, and "by the law is the knowledge of sin" (Romans 3:20).

Man is redeemed from the curse of the law through salvation in Christ, but should man break the law of human government he must bear the sentence imposed by that law. Also, if man violates God's moral law he is guilty before God.

* *Since the Bible speaks against drinking blood, why did Jesus say, "Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you" (John 6:53)?*

Jesus did not mean we should literally drink His blood or eat His flesh. He meant we must partake of the grace of salvation which He provides. This is shown by His explanation, "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life" (John 6:63).

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. Brother Williams will answer either in this column or by a personal letter (if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope).

The Function of Members Within the Body of Christ



By EDGAR W. BETHANY
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THE GREATEST HONOR, RESPONSIBILITY, and opportunity that can come to a mortal in this life is the privilege of being associated here and now as a member of the Body of Christ.

"Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular" (1 Corinthians 12:27), is the concluding statement of a most illuminating dissertation. In it the Holy Spirit through the apostle sets forth the association, the relationship, the inter-dependence, and the individual responsibility of the different members within the Body of Christ as they function under the direction of Christ, the living head.

Every member of this interrelated company is redeemed by the blood of Christ (Acts 20:28). The born-again one is brought into his respective place in the Body by God the Father at the time of his conversion (1 Corinthians 12:18). He may be energized by the Holy Spirit for a special functional operation (1 Corinthians 12:8-10).

Every member is called upon to perform one of seven functions (Romans 12:6-8), and after he receives the gift (*Gr. dorea*) of the Holy Ghost there is bestowed upon him one or more of nine rich operations or manifestations. The ninefold fruit of divine love (Galatians 5:22) sweetens each life to frictionless operation "that there be no schism in the body."

Several requirements for members are set forth as necessary in order to attain true coordination and strong spiritual growth. There is, first of all, the merging of the personality and the blending of the ministry of each individual member into the unity and

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good of the whole. "For to each a manifestation of the Spirit has been granted for the common good" (1 Corinthians 12:7, Weymouth). Note the repetition of the words "one" and "same" throughout this chapter.

The second necessary principle (1 Corinthians 12:15, 16) is the recognition of the importance and the correct evaluation of the individual member's place in the Body by the member himself. Here he is exhorted "Not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith" (Romans 12:3). Serve, work, worship, accomplish, but do not exalt yourself, is the scriptural rule for all.

A right attitude of appreciation for each fellow member is a very important precept. "Why dost thou set at nought thy brother" (Romans 14:10)? Why call him zero? Why devalue or downgrade the work or ministry of anyone "for whom Christ died"? It is easy to assume a superior air because of our talents or accomplishments and "set at nought our brother." When aggressive disciples saw demons being cast out by brethren who were indisposed to join their band, they sought to stop them. The Master's rebuke was, "Forbid them not."

The irreparable havoc that denominationalism and narrow sectarianism has wrought in the whole Body of Christ is tragic. May the Assemblies of God ever remain a fellowship based on the blood of Jesus Christ.

The concluding great truth (v. 23) deals with the humbling of the talented and the prominent, and the lifting up of the member of low degree—bestowing honor where a person is awkward or lacking. This obliterates schism and promotes Holy Ghost harmony. Talent creates pride. Talented persons who are also humble are scarce today as always. Yet the law of divine love provides for each to seek the good of the other without petting or pleasing self. "Love thy neighbor as thyself" is listed by Jesus as a *must*.

Nobody is complete without eyes for vision, ears for hearing, nose for discerning of pleasant or foul odors, mouth for expression and communication, arms and hands for accomplishment, and feet for erect locomotion. Every member is needed in the Body of Christ!

These outward members, important

as they are, are dwarfed in importance when compared to the heart that warms and pumps the blood of divine compassion to every member, or to the lungs by whose power of prayer and praise heaven's oxygen is fed into this stream.

Then we consider the massive digestive system that turns food into energy and marvel that in this Body God's Word is made into divine life for each and every member. These hidden organs, by direct contact with the living Head, work day and night without recognition, praise, or prodding.

Some intercessor must breathe the divine oxygen of the heights that the blood stream of the Church may be constantly charged with compassion for the sick, the erring, and the lost. Some teacher or writer must grind the grain of divine truth exceedingly fine that the infantile and the invalid may have suitable bread with their milk of the Word. Hundreds of prophets or ministers must study thousands of hours to separate truth from error and "rightly divide the word of truth," that a balanced diet may be fed to the Body of Christ.

Each member serves and preserves the whole Body. The mouth that sings, praises, and prophecies also receives and masticates food for every member of the Body. The nose that discerns also furnishes breath to the entire Body. The feet and legs carry the weight of every member for they are "pillars in the church." The hands become calloused by labor that the whole Body may have comfort and sustenance.

Thus as the members graduate into perfect coordination "having the same care one for another" the Jew and Greek are brothers, the field marshal and the private are pals, the baron and the butler are one in Christ Jesus. Nationalism disappears, station and position melt into nonexistence, and the bonds of divine love that secure the members firmly one to another also secure the entire Body to Christ Jesus the Lord and living Head.

As each member fulfills his God-assigned task in the Spirit of Christ and in the energy of the Holy Spirit according to the rule of the Book, "the body by joints and bands having nourishment ministered, and knit together, increaseth with the increase of God" to the praise of His excellent name. Amen.

A Word from an Executive Presbyterian
on the Subject of Church Membership



Identified as Members of His Church

Although some may not consider it important to be members of the church, God has demonstrated that He is vitally concerned with the enrolling of His people. This fact is demonstrated in both Old and New Testaments.

That there were abuses of the privilege of identifying God's people under the Old Testament and of seeking identity with God's people under both Testaments none can successfully deny. Nevertheless it is recorded in Acts 2:47 that "the Lord added to the church daily such as should be [were being] saved."

What condescending interest God shows in men by daily adding to His heavenly roster of "called out" ones those who are being redeemed on earth! Assuredly those who are being redeemed, if they appreciate this kindness of the Lord in identifying them above, should be eager to identify themselves on earth with that body of God-honoring believers that have turned heavenward. What an exalted privilege this is. No longer are they citizens of earth primarily, "... but fellow citizens with the saints, and of the household of God."

As Christian ordinances are given to symbolize the grace we have received, so identification with the church is a privilege that should be welcomed by every believer, symbolizing that one has become a member of the body of Christ.

—M. B. NETZEL

The Ever-Living Church

Come, let us join our friends above

That have obtained the prize,
And on the eagle wings of love
To joy celestial rise.

Let all the saints terrestrial sing
With those to Glory gone;
For all the servants of our King
In earth and heaven are one.

One company we dwell in Him—
One Church above, beneath—
Though now divided by the stream,
The narrow stream of death.
One army of the living God,
To His command we bow;
Part of His host hath crossed the flood,
And part is crossing now.

Our old companions in distress
We haste again to see,
And eager long for our release
And full felicity.
E'en now by faith we join our hands
With those that went before,
And greet the Blood-besprinkled bands
On the eternal shore.

—Charles Wesley

ARGENTINA: CRISIS IN THE MAKING

By RAYMOND T. BROCK
Foreign Missions Editor



National pastor supports himself as a boatmaker while pioneering two churches.

FLYING FROM BOLIVIA INTO ARGENTINA takes us over seemingly impenetrable jungles. Seated beside us is a young Bolivian student enrolled at a university in Buenos Aires. He is anxious to discuss Pan-American problems with North Americans.

"Democracy is right," he observes, "but it is too slow. I think my people will accept communism because we are in a hurry."

As our Latin friend continues to discuss Russian triumphs, we begin to get an insight into his thinking. We see the correlation between years of Roman Catholic domination and communistic propaganda. Our friend avows his faith in the Catholic religion of his fathers and finds it easy to accept the controlled thoughts of either Catholicism or communism because both give him a mental sense of security. Such is the case with many of the twenty-two million people who live in Argentina.

When we arrive in the capital city of Buenos Aires and walk its crowded streets, the words of the Latin student ring in our ears. We see the historical monuments which glorify the heroic fighters of the past and we are aware of the fact that Argentina, even though an independent republic, is still searching for freedom. This freedom will

not be found in force or military strength but will be found only in the Christian way of life.

Watching troops posted at the strategic intersections of the city during the Punta del Este conference points to the precarious state of tranquility. Over the troubled land hangs the shadow of Castro on one horizon and the shadow of Peron on the other. Crisis is in the making.

It is a thrilling change of mood that meets us at the chapel in Don Torcuato. Missionary Louie Stokes takes us to see this new building which will be dedicated on Saturday. The Hungarian freedom fighter who is painting the interior is only one of many who have escaped the tyranny of Europe to search for freedom in the New World.

Pastor of this chapel is a skilled auto mechanic who was a deacon in the Hidalgo Evangelistic Center in Buenos Aires before he started this outstation. Although he is on vacation from his job, he is busy visiting his people and doing house-to-house visitation.

On our way back to the mission house we stop to visit the boatmaker-become-pastor. An immigrant from Italy, this pastor settled in Argentina and became a skilled artisan. One of

his boats won an historic race between Buenos Aires and Rio de Janeiro. After that triumph, however, he became a mental patient and was unable to work for four years. Persuaded to visit a salvation-healing campaign, the man was healed and restored to complete health. Now he supports himself by building boats and pastors two growing Assemblies.

An important factor in the development of the Assemblies of God in Argentina is the Bible Institute of the Rio la Plata. The campus is a former German estate in the suburb of Lomas de Zamora. Where ambassadors of Germany once lived, ambassadors for Christ are in training. Missionary Verne Warner serves as director of the school and its twenty-five students. It is in this beautiful setting that the future of the Argentine church is being charted, for Argentina has a strong national church with Paul Sorensen of the Canadian Assemblies serving as superintendent.

It is our privilege to participate in several days of Bible school workshop with the American, Canadian, and Argentine brethren at the Bible school. Graduates of this school are working not only in their own country, but in Uruguay, Paraguay, and Chile. We are impressed with the



Field Superintendent Paul Sorensen (right) interprets as R. T. Brock ministers in the Hidalgo Street Evangelistic Center.



Missionary Louie Stokes greets the congregation at the dedication of the new Assembly of God in Don Torcuato, Argentina.

dedication of the teaching staff, but conscious also that the housing and library facilities are far too inadequate to meet the existing need for trained workers in Argentina.

On Hidalgo Street in Buenos Aires is the Evangelistic Center which also houses the office of the Union of the Assemblies of God in Argentina and a well-equipped bookstore. The converted shoe factory makes an excellent auditorium. Pastor Louie Stokes has declared this "Christian Education Night." It is thrilling to participate in the service with the members of the Bible institute faculty.

Using the Spanish they have learned during their missionary career in Peru and Chile, Alva and Louise Walker present the cause of Christian education to the congregation of about 350 who have come for this special week-night service. Before we speak, we listen to the beautiful baritone voice of a Bible school student. Brother Stokes informs us that Antonio Ricardo Olarte was a Peronista terrorist when he was only fifteen. Throwing his youthful energies into political intrigue, this young man saw the emptiness of the world and invited Christ to fill the void in his life. Antonio has dedicated his talent to Christ and is now preparing for the ministry.

As we minister to the congregation through the interpretation of Brother Sorensen, we thrill to the response of this enthusiastic congregation. During the altar service, when numerous young people offer themselves in dedication to Christ, it is a joy to see one young lady filled with the Holy Spirit as she sings in an unknown language and then sings the interpretation in Spanish. We are told that she was saved only a few weeks earlier in a street service, and we rejoice in this unique spiritual experience.

When it is time to leave Buenos Aires and Argentina, our hearts are warmed by the fact that we have such a strong force of workers—missionary and national—in this largest city of South America.

Next week: "Uruguay—Land of Pleasure"

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Cross Exchanged for a Crown

ANOTHER FAITHFUL WARRIOR HAS EXCHANGED his cross for a crown. Edwin A. Beck went to be with his Lord on March 17, 1962, following a short illness.

The Becks recently returned from Ceylon where they had ministered since July, 1959, as missionary evangelists. Brother Beck served as missionary supervisor of the Colombo Gospel Tabernacle in the capital city of Ceylon. Under his direction the congregation grew, the Sunday school was reorganized, and teacher training courses were begun. He was also secretary of the Ceylon Missionary Field Fellowship and conducted evangelistic campaigns throughout the island.

In a letter home, Brother Beck stated, "During the last two months we have witnessed the power of God working in the lives of the people. More than one hundred persons have come to God for salvation and a number have been filled with the Holy Spirit."

For twenty-five years Brother Beck ministered in the Wisconsin and Northern

Michigan District as a pastor, assistant superintendent, and (for two years) as superintendent. While serving as superintendent he supervised the development of Spencer Lake Bible Camp—the district campgrounds.

In 1956 he and Mrs. Beck took a leave of absence from their church in Green Bay, Wis., to go on a missionary evangelism tour. They ministered in the Far East and parts of Africa. In response to their ministry in West Africa, they were asked to return for extensive evangelistic campaigns.

After returning home the Becks traveled extensively, at their own expense, raising funds for missions.

Tentative plans were made for their return to Africa; however, an emergency arose in Ceylon. They graciously consented to the request of the Foreign Missions Department to minister there until another missionary could be found to take over the work.

They resigned their church in Green Bay in the summer of 1958 to give full time to missionary evangelism.

At the time of his Homegoing, Brother Beck was again considering evangelistic ministry in Africa. He is survived by his wife, who before their marriage was Florence M. Blossom, a missionary to Ghana, West Africa. —Marion E. Craig

MISSIONARY News Notes



GOING: Returning to the Congo for another term are **Gail Winters** and **Lillian Hogan**.

Margie Nickell and **Betty Savage** (South Texas) have been appointed to Liberia and have already taken up their duties on the Liberia-Guinea border.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jones have returned to Bolivia for another term of service at Tarija.

COMING: **Mr. and Mrs. Morris Williams** are on furlough from Nyasaland and are living at 3230 N. Grant, Springfield, Mo.

The **Paul Brutons** have returned from Tanganyika and may be reached % E. L. Saxelid, 1217 Ross Avenue, El Dorado, Ark.

On furlough from Upper Volta are the **Charles Petroskeys** who may be reached

% Frank Maxwell, 2909 14th Street, N. W., Canton 8, Ohio.

Also on furlough from Ghana is **Miss Pauline Smith** who is staying at 3211 Limestone Road, Wilmington 8, Del.

Home from Liberia are the **Joseph Judahs**. Their address is Route 1, Box 378, Seale, Ala.

Now staying at 611 South Main, Olivet, Mich., is the **James Barnard** family, on furlough from Liberia.

Miss Adeline Wichman is on furlough from Ghana. She is living at 1908 N. Owaissa Street, Appleton, Wis.



Betty Savage



Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jones



Lillian Hogan



Gail Winters

A Missionary Mother Decides That— ETERNITY IS NOW

BY HARRIET SCHOONMAKER
Landour, Mussoorie, North India



IT WAS A BEAUTIFUL DAY. THE SUN was shining with October crystal-clearness, the sun was bright blue, and the breeze tangy with autumn coolness. I was washing clothes—a job which I *can* like—and what a day to do it!

But I was *not* enjoying washing clothes. My mind was half a day's leap ahead—to the letters I needed to write, and the sewing I wanted to do, and the articles which had been requested—all of which I wanted to do *at once*. There was that notice of a parcel to be called for at the express office, too, and if only I could finish the correspondence in time I might be able to plan how I would redecorate the boys' room.

If only there were not so many things pressing I might have time to—what was that? Oh, I had forgotten that kettle and it was boiling over! I made a dash for the kitchen. Returning to the sink, I began once more to squeeze the sweaters up and down in the white suds. And I began to think.

Why was I standing here feeling irritable and impatient and dissatisfied? Why was I so inefficient that I could not remember the details of what I was doing—while thinking of the things I was *not* doing? I was doing something right now that I liked to do, and in the perfect circumstances for doing it. I had to admit that though I *can* enjoy writing articles, and going to town, and cooking—even writing letters if I am leisurely about it—most of these things I do with a vague sense of dissatis-

faction simply because I am not yet doing something else! It was then that these words popped suddenly into my mind: *Eternity is now*.

Let me try to tell you how it came to me. Time is something that belongs to this earth. It is made up of past, present and future. Eternity is a new dimension in which the sequence of events does not count and the only thing important is the knowledge that I am now face to face with God.

Most of our worries are about things that have already happened or that we expect to happen. It is to face these fears that we have no strength. We generally find sufficiency to face the situations of the present.

Glen Clark challenged me once in a book I read long ago. He said some-

thing like this: "Like the stars set in perfect and unclashing orbit by the hand of God, so Jesus Christ moved through this life in an orderly manner. He moved from one event to another with the majesty of divine order. He was unhasting and unrelenting."

Jesus brought eternity to earth. In His manner of life it was evident that He lived *now*. The future did not alarm Him. He said, "Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof."

Neither did Jesus ever indicate that the past worried or haunted Him. His present was so committed that His past could hold no regrets. He could surely have spoken the words that His follower, Paul, later uttered, "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark"—present tense.

And as I walk with Him at this moment I want to enjoy what I am doing *now*. I want to *like* doing the hundreds of things which He has caused me to like to do—*each at the time I am doing it*. I do not want my race for the future to steal my leisure to rejoice with Him now. I want to leave yesterday behind and not embrace tomorrow with today's weary hastiness.

I want to open my arms to eternity in the person of Jesus who walks with me at this moment. I want to be "forever with the Lord." Isn't that eternity—now?



AS JESUS WAS SPEAKING TO THE WOMAN at the well in Samaria, He declared this great truth concerning worship: "God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." Going back one verse we notice that He said, "The Father seeketh such to worship him."

Think of it—God is looking for those who will worship Him! He wants this above everything else. Nor is He primarily concerned with the place or the form of our worship. Jesus told the woman of Samaria that it wasn't important whether or not she went to Jerusalem to worship, as the Jews thought—just so the worship was offered in spirit and in truth.

Certainly while God is pleased when we come before Him in worship, He could get along without man's worship, for Jesus declared that He could make the very stones cry out with praise.

But because God has created us for worship, we human beings cannot get along without it. Worship is a basic need of humanity. Every person is born with the potentiality of worship and without it life is lacking and incomplete.

So we find man must worship something or someone. Many do worship things—or idols. Others seek pleasures of sin to satisfy the inner longing for worship. Communism worships the state. Every nonworshiper of God substitutes some object of worship. The psalmist expresses man's need in a very lovely way when he declares, "My soul thirsteth for the living God."

What is true worship? As one definition reads, it is the act or feeling of adoration. Adoration is an emotion composed of profound admiration, utmost love, and deep reverence.

Worship is the spirit bowing in adoration and contemplation of the almighty God. It is the heart being lifted to God and bowing before Him in deep humility. Because this humility is an integral part of worship, spiritual people do not boast of their spirituality.

Worship is the spirit's finding God and becoming absorbed in God.

On the Lord's day the apostle John was in the Spirit. He forgot all about the rocky, barren island on which he was held prisoner. His surroundings meant little for his spirit was absorbed in God. Here on this isle of exile wonderful visions of God appeared to him. True worship is the only thing

WANTED: TRUE WORSHIPERS

BY HERMAN R. GRAMS

Pastor, Assembly of God, Santa Barbara, Calif.

that can so clear the human perception that we lose sight of all else but God.

As John continued in this wonderful experience he saw Christ in the heavens. Angels ministered to him. He was overwhelmed with God and fell before Him as one dead. We may not have quite such an experience as this, but surely it would be good for us to learn how we may become absorbed in God as we worship.

There are means that can help us to get to that place. Some have learned the secret of entering into His presence with singing. And what better way is there to find God than through sacred, spiritual song? But let us be sure that our song is geared to worship rather than to the exciting of the mere soulful emotional nature.

There is tremendous power in music and in song. Heathen walk through fire in the inspiration of music. Young people do strange things when under the influence of jazz. Business people have learned that the proper type of music in their establishment will increase their sales. It is time we learned that music and songs in our churches must be chosen with the idea of worship, and not for physical emotion or aesthetic pleasure alone.

The spirit can find God through praise. Thus it is most important that in our services we take time to praise the Lord both audibly and quietly. The spirit reaches God through prayer and testimony. Even in the act of giving, the spirit is able to worship and to come in contact with God. Then through the Word we are directed to the greatness of the Lord and to His wonderful works to the children of men. So every part of the service must be planned and directed with worship in mind.

Worship results in man's spirit becoming saturated with God.

When Simon Peter was saturated

with self he was quick to rebuke his Lord. He was ready to fight with the sword and he went so far as to cut off the ear of the high priest's servant.

But when Peter was saturated with God things were different. On the Mount of Transfiguration he was ready to build three churches. It takes dedication to be ready to build even one! On the Day of Pentecost he boldly declared the Word and three thousand souls were saved. At the Gate Beautiful he spoke the Word with authority and the lame man was healed.

What was the secret of all this? Ah, Peter had come from the upper room where for days he had waited before God in worship. And during that time when he and the other disciples were "continually in the temple, praising and blessing God" (Luke 24:53) he had become saturated with God and filled with the Holy Spirit; miracles followed!





























God wants us to come to Him and be thus filled with His power—herein lies our strength over the enemy. This is where our victory comes. Through worship we are made ready for the fight.

God seeks worshipers. He is pleased when we learn to adore Him. Let us cultivate the habit of worship, for this is the great need of the hour. //

FOR THE JUNIOR READER

PICTURE PUZZLE

BY DICK CHAMPION

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Matthew 5:9

Sunday's Lesson

"RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH"



A BETTER PLAN

Sunday School Lesson for May 20, 1962

JOHN 1:29; HEBREWS 9:11-14, 23-28

THE GREATER PROCLAMATION (John 1:29)

"The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." It is difficult for us to imagine the impact of John's announcement upon those who heard him on that day by the Jordan River! No introduction of Christ to Israel could have been more loaded with meaning. And—make no mistake about it—John's audience fully understood the implications of what he said. This, he said, was the Messiah; this was the One to whom every Old Testament sacrifice pointed!

THE GREATER PROVISION (Hebrews 9:11-14)

The writer of Hebrews continues his theme of previous chapters, showing Christ's superiority both as priest and as offering to every priest and offering under the Old Covenant.

The Better Tabernacle. "But Christ having appeared an high priest of good things to come, through the greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this creation" (Hebrews 9:11, Alford). The earthly tabernacle with all its furnishings and ceremonies typified or pictured invisible but

very real spiritual things. This tabernacle was composed of two parts, each called in itself a tabernacle—the first called "the sanctuary" (1, 2), the second called "the holiest of all" (9:3) or "the holy place" (9:12). The thought of the writer is that just as the earthly high priest passed through the first tabernacle in entering the holy place, so Jesus passed through the heavenlies into the holy place in heaven where God dwells. The Hebrews to whom the Epistle was written were overestimating the greatness of the earthly tabernacle and the writer would have them know that its only greatness lay in the fact that it pictures "the greater and more perfect tabernacle" (the heavenly tabernacle) which was not made with human hands, neither was a part of this material creation.

But what are the good things to come of which Christ is the minister? These include all the blessings of full salvation (Ephesians 1:3), the "incorruptible inheritance" of 1 Peter 1:4, the "things hoped for" in Hebrews 11:1, and the "powers of the age to come" in full manifestation (Hebrews 6:5). How are all these things made possible for us? Through Jesus' sacrifice of Himself. And there at the Father's right hand He waits today to dispense to us all "good things" of which we have need!

The Better Sacrifice (Hebrews 9:12). Again we have a contrast between the heavenly and earthly. The high priest taking the blood of calves and goats entered into the holy place once a year to make atonement for the sins of the people. But Jesus, by the perfect and complete sacrifice of Himself, has entered once forever into the real holy place in heaven and there provided eternal redemption for us. "There is therefore now no condemnation!" Hallelujah!

Better Results (Hebrews 9:13, 14). Animal sacrifices brought only ceremonial cleansing ("sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh"). Under the Law, a man coming in contact with a dead body became defiled. This defilement could be cleansed only by the sprinkling upon him of the ashes of an heifer (Numbers 19). If a man became physically defiled, or was guilty of trespass against a neighbor, forgiveness for the outward act could be effected by the blood of a goat, but the individual's heart might remain unchanged (Leviticus 5:1-6; 6:1-7).

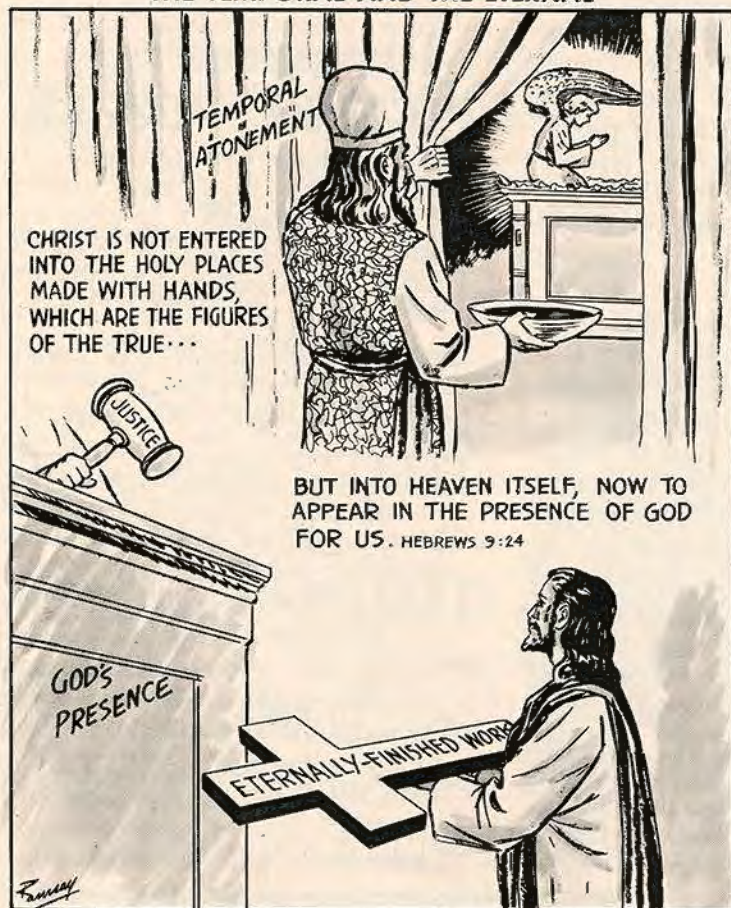
And now the writer drives home a wonderful truth. If mere animal blood did have some power, "how much more shall the blood of Christ... purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?" How does the blood of Jesus purge the conscience? By removing the terror of guilt. Let us consider what is meant by dead works:

1. *All religious acts done in an attempt to merit salvation.* A certain man was under great conviction in a gospel meeting. He attempted to ease his conscience by handing the man next to him a sum of money and telling him to give it to the preacher—that was a dead work!

2. *All outward acts in which there is no real spiritual life and devotion to God.* We "serve the living God." Said Spurgeon, "Let us have no more dead works, no more dead singing, no more dead praying, no more dead preaching, no more dead hearing. Let our religion be as warm and constant and natural as the flow of blood in our arteries." A living God must be served in a living way.

—J. Bashford Bishop

THE TEMPORAL AND THE ETERNAL



THE LAMB FOR THE HOUSEHOLD

(Continued from page five)

fallen heir to a rich and gracious inheritance.

THE STORY OF SAM JONES

One of the most remarkable illustrations of this truth is the conversion of Sam Jones. His old father was dying in Georgia. The village was Sam's own home town, Cartersville. Sam Jones had gone deep into sin and had become a drunkard. He had lost his law practice and had seen what money he possessed slip through his fingers as he walked the broad highway of self-indulgence and sin. When the doctor told his dear old father there was no hope, he called his wife to his side and said:

"My dear, I want you to go down town after Sam."

She put on her quaint old Southern shawl and went down to the place where she knew she could find her wandering boy. In a little while he was by the dying bed of his father. There was no lack of faith in the old man's plea. There was confidence in Jesus. He told his boy how years before the Lord *had given him the promise that some day* he would be

brought into the fold. He told his son that it would only add to his cup of happiness if he could see with his own eyes that glorious event consummated before the angels sang his welcome home. Sam Jones broke. Kneeling by his father's bedside the promise of the years was made good. He found Christ as His Saviour. Then, perhaps like old Simeon, the father raised his hands and said: "Let now Thy servant depart in peace, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation."

Jesus never fails! How mightily did the Spirit of the Lord rest upon that new convert as he went forth to preach the gospel! Some of the greatest cities in America were shaken by the convicting power of the Holy Ghost and thousands found Christ as a personal Saviour through his ministry. And somewhere in the glory an old father is telling the angels that Jesus never fails and is just as good as His promise.

CLAIM YOUR CHILDREN FOR JESUS

Mother, you have a right to claim your children for Jesus. Father, it is your inheritance that you plead the

Lamb for the household. I am not saying that your loved ones cannot be lost, but I am saying that they can be saved. I know that in the eternal Word we have ample foundation upon which to build a life of confidence and assurance toward God. Some day all of the children will be gathered in.

Do not let fear destroy your faith. When Jesus died on Calvary and shed His precious blood for the remission of our sins He was the antitype of the Lamb that was slain on the Passover night. Between the dark night of Egypt and the tragedy of Calvary there was an unbroken line of the fulfillment of a divine plan. It was a lamb for the household in Egypt. Then why should we not claim the Lamb for the household at Calvary? They believed God *then*. Let us believe God *now*. " "

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35 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. Eric Johnson will sail shortly for the Belgian Congo. . . . You can get *The Pentecostal Evangel* from now until the end of 1927 for 50c. . . . R. Elmer Baker has resigned as pastor in COLORADO SPRINGS, COLORADO. . . . Marvin L. Smith says that ill health has caused him to give up playing the trombone and he will sell his horn. . . . Among those newly ordained and affiliated with the fellowship are V. G. Greisen, Byron D. Jones, Oscar Davidson, and Milton T. Wells.

25 Years Ago

Evangelist Cecil Grice has just had a series of meetings in OMAH, WASHINGTON where Andrew S. Teuber is pastor. Among the converts was a young man named Victor Trimmer. . . . Pastor A. A. Wilson of KANSAS CITY reports fine meetings with Dr. Charles S. Price. . . . A. C. Lane of WACO, TEXAS announces forthcoming meetings with Hiram A. Brooks, Jr. . . . Carl Alcorn has accepted the pastorate in PASADENA, TEXAS. . . . Among the newly ordained are Charles G. Shaklee and Ben D. Hodge. . . . Fern Huffsetuttler and Verbal Askew have had good meetings in COFFEYVILLE, KANSAS for V. G. Greisen.



The ancient buildings of Taos Pueblo in northern New Mexico rise five stories into the sky.

Indians of the Southwest

In the first part of this article, published April 29, J. K. Gressett gave us a picture of Indian life in Arizona and of Assemblies of God work among the Indians there. The scene now shifts to New Mexico.

INDIANS OF NEW MEXICO

By RAYMOND H. HUDSON

Superintendent of the New Mexico District

THE LAND OF THE NAVAJO IS ONE of the most scenic areas in the country with many outstanding points of

interest. Although striking in its beauty, this land is usually low in productivity. In this arid country, under intensely difficult living conditions, the Navajos not only thrive but increase in numbers.

A century ago there were perhaps 10,000 of them. Today more than 84,000 Navajos comprise the largest Indian tribe in the United States. There are some 5,000 families residing in New Mexico.

In New Mexico, as in Arizona, houses (hogans) scattered about the reservation are usually built of logs and sometimes of rock and are covered with adobe (mud). Families often have several hogans and move from one to another with their animals. These people support themselves in diverse ways: agriculture, stock raising, lumbering, arts and crafts, and some off-the-reservation employment. There is an ever-increasing amount of mineral resources, chiefly uranium, and some oil and gas on this land. In spite of the size of the reservation,

it cannot support its people adequately. Today the great majority of the Navajos live in poverty.

Among the fields of ripening grain ready to be harvested for the Master is this challenging population of Navajos. Only since 1953 has there been any concentrated effort by the Assemblies of God to establish permanent missions among these people in New Mexico. God has blessed every effort and now we can report that some 700 Navajo Indians are attending the various missions and outstations, and many have been saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

The first work to become effective was begun by Charlie Lee and his wife on the reservation at Shiprock. For several years ground work was done through hogan visitation and many hours of prayer. After about eighteen months, the first soul came to the Lord. Today the congregation at Shiprock numbers approximately 300. Soon a new auditorium will be completed and the old one converted into educational facilities. We are trusting that many more Navajos in this area will soon come to know the Lord through the ministry of Brother Lee and the influence of this church.

Other missions reaching the Navajo people are at Gallup, Grants, Farmington, Bloomfield, and Albuquerque. Outstations ministering to the Navajos are located at Manuelito, Tcito,



Raymond H. Hudson

Carson, Magdalena, Kirtland, and Acoma.

Two well-known *Apache* groups are to be found in New Mexico. *Mescalero*, a reservation of some 460,000 acres of open grazing and timberland, is located in the center of the Lincoln National Forest in central New Mexico. There are approximately 1,200 Apaches residing in the area. These people are engaged principally in cattle raising, lumbering and, to a limited extent, farming. The tribe is making much progress toward utilizing its resources and in efforts to extend tribal enterprises on the reservation. These Apaches are industrious and advancing.

The *Jicarilla* Apaches are located on the reservation in northern New Mexico and number about 1,200 also. They pattern many of their ways, such as the planting of corn, beans and squash, after the Pueblo Indians. They also have taken on some of the religious ceremonies and rituals of the Pueblos. With its headquarters in Dulce, the tribe has been realizing some returns from oil and gas leases and from lumber sales.

At Mescalero there is a lovely Indian Assembly of God church with a congregation of approximately 100. F. William Olson and family went to the reservation in 1953 and began to make contacts as ground work to beginning a mission there. The Lord graciously blessed the work of this family and many of the Mescalero Apaches have been saved, healed, and filled with the Spirit. Recently Brother Olson resigned this work and was succeeded by the Carl Conleys.

Presently the Lemy Pikes are working at Dulce and they have been able to see some response to the preaching of the gospel there. They have a nice church building and they too are seeing Apache souls saved and blessed as they are brought under the influence of the Word of God.

New Mexico is the home of many of the *Pueblo* Indians. There are nineteen of these villages scattered mainly along the Rio Grande valley. These Indian friends number about 20,000. The Pueblo people are noted for their craftsmanship. Originally basket weavers, they turned to pottery-making of great artistic merit. They are essentially a farm people, but some have diversified with sheep and cattle-raising.

All the communities have kivas—

ceremonial chambers that are dedicated to religious ceremonies and to council meetings. Each pueblo has at least two kivas, except at Laguna, and some have as many as seven. Usually the Spanish Mission church is located outside the pueblo proper. The basic faith of the Pueblo Indians, a deeply religious people, is that "man and nature must live in harmony together." Tribal activities continue to be associated with ancient sacred rites that have lasted through the centuries.

Some wonderful Christians from the various pueblos worship together in the Indian Assembly of God in Al-

buquerque. The L. E. Davises are seeing their labors rewarded in the Indians' acceptance of the gospel and in many of them becoming established in the Lord. Other missions in reach of the Pueblos include Espanola, San Ysidro, and an outstation at Acoma.

"Rewarding" is the comment of those who have observed the efforts of the various Assemblies of God workers to evangelize the Indians of New Mexico through the past eight or nine years. God certainly is moving to manifest His Son to the honest, openhearted Indians, and day by day more of them are accepting the Lord.

NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT PHOTOS



The Pueblo Indians in New Mexico were living in villages when the Spaniards found them in 1540. The outdoor adobe ovens, which resemble large beehives, are landmarks around the Indian pueblos.

TWO MINISTERS TELL HOW GOD HEALED THEIR CHILDREN

Fractured Skull Took Girl to Brink of Death

THE DOOR OF MY LIVING ROOM FLEW open. Standing in the doorway was my neighbor and in her arms she held my two-year-old daughter, Anita. Through trembling lips she stammered, "Brother Barnes, I just struck your little girl with my car. She was crossing the driveway as I was backing out and I didn't see her."

Anita's little face was white and ashen. There was a deep dent in the back of her skull where the automobile had struck her.

The date was April 3, 1961. The time was 10:05 A.M. Immediately my wife and I rushed our child to Dr. John Thompson, our family doctor, whose office was in the city of Electra, Texas, where we were pastoring at the time. Dr. Thompson made a quick examination. His advice was to rush her by ambulance to Wichita Falls General Hospital some twenty-five miles away.

Expecting that brain surgery was necessary, Dr. Thompson alerted Dr. Edwin Bebb, an outstanding brain surgeon residing in Wichita Falls.

Immediately upon our arrival at the hospital, X rays of Anita's head were made. Reviewing the film, I could see a dark jagged line which indicated a fracture running from the top of her head to the back of her ear. I knew our little girl was critically injured.

With a grave look on his face, Dr. Bebb explained the seriousness of the situation. The injury was in such an area, he said, that if the inward swelling increased too much it could stop her heart or her breathing.

"It will be forty-eight hours before the swelling reaches its zenith," Doctor Bebb explained. We could only wait . . . and pray.

Some members of my congregation began calling ministers in our area, requesting them to pray. One minister interrupted his broadcast and called his radio audience to prayer. In a

short time a number of minister friends were at the hospital to stand vigil with us.

Those in the room were silently praying; outside the door in the hall others were silently praying. In the waiting room people were praying. One man prayed all night. Thank God for praying friends.

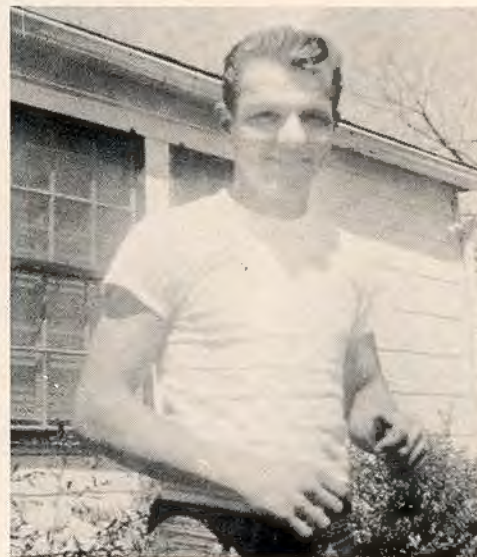
Each time we looked into the tiny face in the hospital bed, our hearts ached. I remembered the sweet, "cute" things our little girl had done. Just the day before she had climbed up into a chair and declared, "My name is Nita Ruff (Ruth) Barnes." Lifting two chubby fingers, she had proudly boasted, "And I'm two years old." Only a few minutes before the accident she had paused at the door and said, "Mommie, I be a good girl."

I remembered her little arms around my neck and her baby voice saying, "Daddy, I love you."

My wife slipped her hand into mine and whispered, "I have always wondered if I could give up my baby if God wanted her. Now I know."

Then she whispered a prayer that echoed in my own heart: "Dear God, if it is Your will to take our baby, please, dear God, let there be a reason." A calmness seemed to flood her heart and mine. We knew our baby was in God's hands.

Early the next morning the doctor checked Anita. As he examined her, a strange look came across his face. In a hushed voice he declared, "The inward swelling has gone down. In-



Howard Strange

stead of increasing as we expected, it has decreased."

This doctor, who loved God and who prayed before each of his operations, further stated, "Someone bigger than man was here last night!"

Two days later my wife heard Anita suddenly start singing, "Jesus Loves Me." Through tears of gratitude my wife softly said, "Yes, darling, Jesus does love you."

Five days after the accident Anita was released from the hospital and sent home. A few days later she was up and playing again. Great indeed is our God! He performed a miracle of healing and gave us back our baby.

—by Johnnie Barnes
Springfield, Missouri

(Brother Barnes, an ordained minister in the Assemblies of God, now is a member of the staff of the Department of Men's Fellowship at the denominational headquarters.)

Doctors Gave Boy One Chance in a Hundred

THE OTHER DAY AS I WATCHED MY son Howard lifting the heavy bar bells over his head time after time, I marveled at the ease with which he handled them—and praise welled up in my heart toward God.

For fifteen months ago the doctor said Howard had only one chance in a hundred to live through the night.

Howard had been critically injured in an automobile accident. All the ribs on his right side had been smashed, the lung cavity punctured, and the lung deflated. His pelvis was broken, and he was bleeding from the kidney. There were five large lacerations from one temple to the other. An object had struck him just above the right temple, pulverizing a part of the skull.

It happened in December, 1960. We were pastors in Henryetta, Oklahoma, at the time and Howard had gone to Muskogee with a college basketball

team. The coach phoned us at fifteen minutes before midnight to say that a student's car, in which Howard was riding, had been involved in a very serious accident.

We drove immediately to the Muskegon General Hospital not knowing what to expect. When we arrived our son was still on the operating table. He was in a state of shock. After they had moved him from the emergency room into an intensive care unit, the doctor took me aside and told me he could promise us nothing. He said there was only one chance in a hundred that Sonny would live until morning.

But we prayed, and we called home to ask some of our church members in Henryetta to pray. Some of them prayed all the rest of the night. When morning came, the doctor was amazed at the improvement he found in Howard's condition. He said he now had one chance in ten. The next day he said Sonny's chances of living were better still. However, he warned me that if he pulled through he would be in the hospital at least six weeks, after which he would have to remain at home for an indefinite period.

Five days later, after taking four pints of blood and seven quarts of glucose, Howard's name was removed from the critical list. Two weeks after the accident he was able to come home. One week after that he was able, with some assistance, to walk to the table to eat. After another week he was riding in the car and going to a restaurant.

Our son was back in college less than two months after the accident. When I look at the scars on his forehead I recall how, when he was lying in the hospital in a state of shock, he took my hand, not knowing what he was doing, and placed it on his smashed ribs, and said, "Pray for me here, Daddy." Then he moved my hand down to his hip and said, "Pray for me here, Daddy." Then he would hold my hand and say, as he gasped for breath, "Pray that I can rest."

Only the scars are left, but they remind us of that night when God went with us through the valley of the shadow of death. The scars tell us that God can (and will) do anything when His people pray.

—by H. A. Strange
Pastor, First Assembly of God
Paris, Texas

NATIONAL GOAL OF HOME MISSIONS ADVANCE...

CHURCH EXTENSION



ONE CHURCH FOR EACH 10,000 POPULATION

NEWS FROM NIXON, NEW JERSEY

Heartening news has come from Norman Kirk, pastor of the Assembly of God church in Sayerwood, N. J. He has started a Sunday school in Nixon, N. J., and had 45 people present November 5, the first Sunday of this new effort.

Visitation and distribution of *The Pentecostal Evangel* have been responsible for much of the success of this new venture. Plans are underway to establish a church in this community to be called "Evangel Assembly of God," which will express the effectiveness of the magazine used in house-to-house visitation.

PILOT PROJECT LAUNCHED IN NORTH TEXAS

The North Texas church extension

project, "A Thousand Who Care," has met with success. Recently a down payment on a new church site in Grand Prairie, where Jim Morrison pastors, has been made available through this program.

Pledges are solicited for this program to help build new churches throughout the district and people are responding enthusiastically. North Texas is thus sponsoring its own Breakthrough program in cooperation with the National "Breakthrough—8000" program.

Saved or Lost?

Can a person know where he is headed? Can he be sure he is on the right road, the one that will make this life worthwhile and the next one safe and secure in heaven? Can he know whether he is saved or lost?

Yes, this information is furnished us in the Word of God. While we may not know what lies immediately ahead of us, we can know positively that we have eternal life. In spite of all the claims that "you can't know till you get there" the Bible makes it plain that you can, for it says: "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life" (1 John 5:13).



I CHALLENGE EVERY PIONEER MINISTER'S SON TO SUPPORT AND PROMOTE AGED MINISTERS' ASSISTANCE

Wesley R. Hurst, Jr., Public Relations Director of the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions Department, says:

"I am the son of a pioneer minister, and because of this I know the extreme poverty which accompanies a man's burning desire to spread the full gospel in unsympathetic communities; and I can feel with my father a passion frustrated by the indifference of those he tried to reach. But because I am the son of a pioneer minister, I know also what it means to reap the benefits of my father's consecrated efforts. Today I am able to minister in fine churches which other men pioneered and can reap where they have sown the Word.

"A great number of those who laid the groundwork of the Assemblies of God are today in ill health and this, coupled with financial worries (for many have absolutely no source of income), leaves nothing for them but desperation. My personal conviction is this: If I failed to support Aged Ministers' Assistance I would, in effect, fail my own father. To give financial assistance to those who have no more to give is the very least we as a fellowship can do.

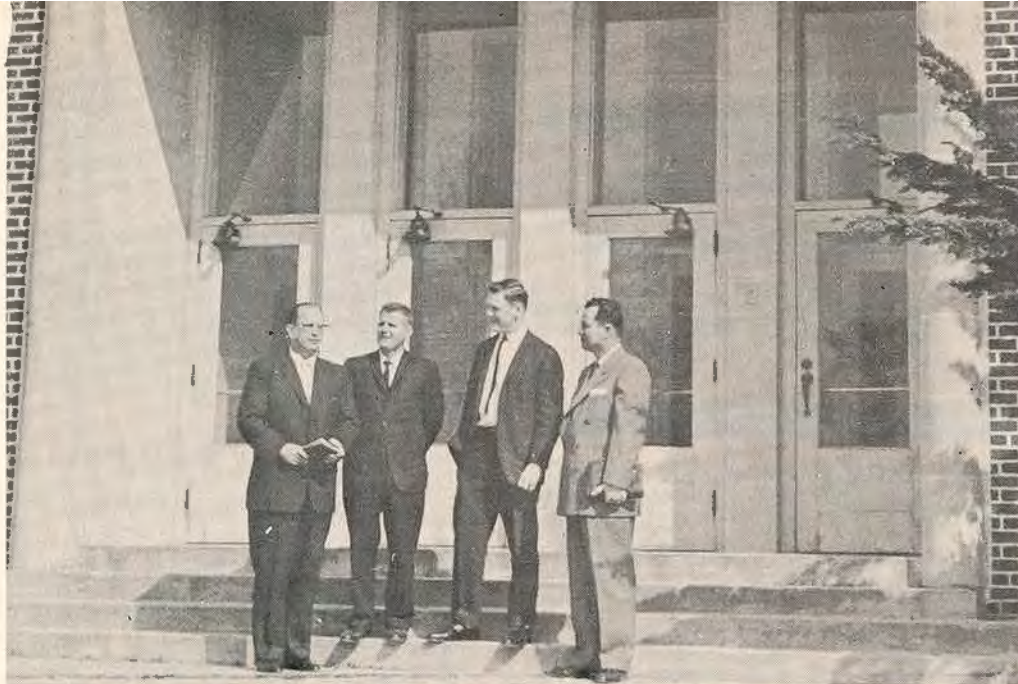
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By LOIS HOKANSON



Leaving the Blytheville, Arkansas, high school where C. M. Ward was speaker for the Religious Emphasis Week are (left to right) Brother Ward; L. D. Harris, principal; Jim Mayes, student council president; and A. J. Frank, pastor of the Blytheville Assembly of God.

High School Leader Reports 'Success'

C. M. Ward Featured as Speaker During Religious Emphasis Week

RELIGIOUS EMPHASIS WEEK AT THE high school in Blytheville, Arkansas, began this year "just as the others had started," Student Council President Jim Mayes said, "but the first

night's service changed the whole outlook."

C. M. Ward, *Revivaltime* speaker, was minister this year for the annual religious program sponsored jointly

by the high-school student council and the Blytheville Ministerial Alliance. According to the *Blytheville Courier News*, attendance at the nightly services was the best "in the history of the event."

"Success" was the word chosen by Jim Mayes to describe the special meetings. "Good attendance continued throughout the week," he commented. He also praised the good discussion and the "after effects."

In his letter thanking Brother Ward for speaking throughout Religious Emphasis Week, Principal L. D. Harris said, "Your messages to the students have been well received, as evidenced by the large crowds present at each service. Student participations at the services this week have been the largest we have had."

"I feel sure," he continued, "that your messages have been an inspiration to many young people to prepare themselves for Christian adulthood. Many students have mentioned to me the various qualities they like in your messages—humorous, down-to-earth, realistic, sincere, terse, to-the-point, and interesting because of your wide travels and experience."

Contributing to the success of the spiritual emphasis was, according to Charles D. Long, faculty member, "not only the inspiring speaker but also the work and spirit of the students. Almost everyone played some part in this particular religious event."

"The speaker was one of the most interesting I have heard, and he certainly appealed to the students," he added. "I am sure that this week also influenced in a special way those students who rarely attend church."

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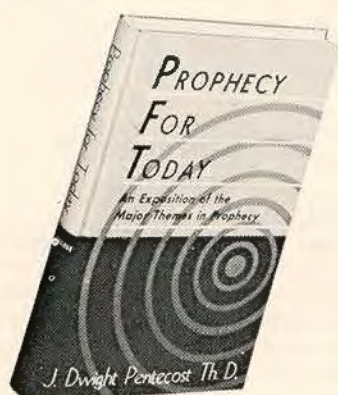
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Sundays, 10:30 P.M.



Pastor A. J. Frank (left) and Edythe Bandy (center), program director of KOSE at Osceola, Ark., discuss with C. M. Ward the local release of *Revivaltime*. Don Whitney, general manager of KOSE, says, "*Revivaltime* is one of our most highly rated religious programs."

PROPHECY for TODAY

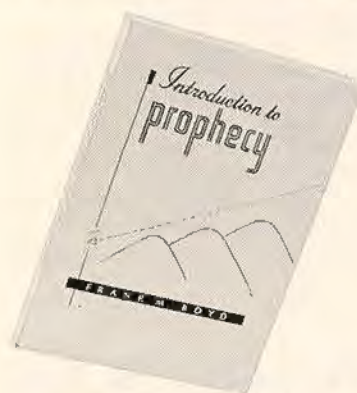


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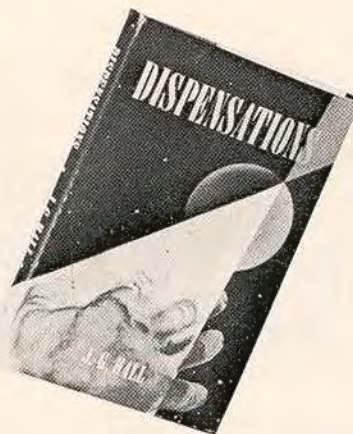
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Evangelism BREAKTHROUGH

DEPARTMENT OF EVANGELISM, 1445 BOONVILLE AVE., SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI



AVENAL, CALIF.—Evangelist and Mrs. Don Hall of Los Angeles recently concluded two weeks of meetings at the Assembly of God here. Several were saved, others were filled with the Holy Spirit, and there were some outstanding healings. According to old-timers in the church, this was one of the greatest moves of the Holy Spirit ever seen here.

—Finis E. Bradshaw, Pastor

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GARLAND, TEX.—What was termed the greatest revival in the history of the church was recently held at Rose Hill Assembly under the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. James Merritt of Georgia. Many were saved and many were baptized with the Holy Spirit. Several were healed of various afflictions. The Sunday school record was broken with a high of 175 in attendance. The offering records were also broken; enough pledges were raised each week for a radio broadcast, and \$500 was raised for a new church building which will be erected soon.

—E. D. Maxfield, Pastor

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ADRIAN, MICH.—From the very first service of an eight-night revival with Evangelist and Mrs. J. W. Wooldridge of Durant, Fla., God began to pour out His Spirit. Six prayed through to old-fash-

ioned salvation and ten received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. One of this number was a young Spanish girl. A church member, who had been instrumental in encouraging this teen-ager to receive the Holy Spirit, conversed with the girl in perfect Spanish though she had never learned or spoken a word of that language in her life. There were 30 first-time visitors. Though the weather was extremely inclement, our Sunday school averaged 390.

—Arthur G. Clay, Pastor

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LAKEWOOD, COLO.—First Assembly reports a very successful revival just concluded by Evangelist and Mrs. E. L. Surratt of Las Cruces, N. Mex. The congregation was stirred by the Bible-centered, Holy Ghost-anointed preaching. The results were indeed gratifying as a large number were filled with the Holy Spirit. A wonderful revival spirit continues in the regular services with individuals being saved and filled with the Holy Spirit.

—Hubert Surratt, Pastor

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HONOLULU, HAWAII—During the first two weeks of February, special meetings were conducted at the First Assembly of God here with Evangelist and Mrs. Albert Reid and Evangelist Tommy Reid. There were a number of

outstanding miracles of healing wrought by the power of God. The ministry of the Word and the inspirational music was a great blessing to young and old alike. The church is enjoying a continuous revival.

—Eldon Vincent, Pastor

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LEWISTOWN, MONT.—An unusual move of God was noted among the young people of the Assembly of God here during a revival concluded February 18 with Evangelist Wesley E. Pollet. High-school students, of their own volition, asked if they could come to the church to spend their noon hour in prayer. This they continued to do throughout the services. Six individuals were saved, two were reclaimed, and three were baptized in water.

—Thomas F. Johnston, Pastor

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MEMPHIS, ARK.—A unique program of sermons and songs drew many newcomers to First Assembly during a two-week campaign just concluded on March 25 with Evangelists Bob and Jeri Winford. As a result the lost heard the message and were drawn to Christ. In addition to the five adults who were saved, some 38 children made professions of faith in the children's services. Doubtless many of these will be genuine and lasting conversions. Two in-

dividuals were baptized in the Holy Spirit and four were baptized in water.

—Basil Edwards, Pastor

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Breakthrough in Damascus

DAMASCUS, MD.—We are a pioneer church in this cattle country, having begun on June 4, 1961, with an opening Sunday school attendance of eight. The work has been growing steadily and on February 27, 1962, we launched an evangelistic effort called the "Greater Damascus Healing Crusade" in order to make Christ known in our community.

Evangelist Homer Peterson, Sr. preached the power of the miracle-working Christ every night for three weeks, and God gave us 42 decisions for Jesus and five were baptized in the Holy Ghost.

God delivered one sister from a large goiter, a little girl from an eye disease which would have caused blindness in one eye, and still others from a multitude of afflictions and troubles.

We saw record-breaking Sunday school attendances on all three Sundays during the crusade. The last Sunday, March 18, we had 65 present in spite of a dozen absentees due to virus.

If God will give us a Breakthrough (as He has), it is my conviction He will do the same for other pioneer churches.

—James O. Wade, Jr., Pastor

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May 14-20 to be Bible Emphasis Week at Seattle World's Fair

SEATTLE, WASH.—With the assistance and encouragement of the American Bible Society, many churches in the Greater Seattle area will be sponsoring a Bible emphasis week (May 14-20) during the Seattle World's Fair in an effort to focus the attention of the public on the Bible as the written Word of God.

Seattle's Mayor Gordon Clinton has issued a proclamation setting aside May 14-20 as "Bible in Century 21 Week" and area pastors have been requested to read this proclamation from their pulpits on Sunday, May 13. Pastor Glenn M. Horst of Calvary Temple, Seattle, writes that he and his congregation are giving enthusiastic support to religious emphases during the World's Fair.



The forceful presentation of the Word of God coupled with the inspiring musical renditions provided through the anointed ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Charles Crabtree of Bangor, Maine captivated the audience at the Putnam City Assembly of God in Oklahoma City, Okla. Pastor F. Don Rippe reports the blessing of God upon this entire revival as Christ was exalted in the service.

Assemblies of God Chaplain Wins Commendation

Chaplain Talmadge F. McNabb (Captain), Assemblies of God minister, recently received a commendation for "outstanding accomplishments and meritorious service" for his work with military personnel in France. The citation read in part:

"As chaplain of the United States Army Ammunition Depot, Trois Fontaines, France, Captain McNabb distinguished himself by exercising the highest degree of ecclesiastical knowledge and devotion to duty.

"His complete understanding of and ability to resolve the personal problems of others has attributed immeasurably to a high state of troop morale and gained the respect and admiration of the entire command complement. During the majority of his assignment in this command, Chaplain McNabb provided coverage for three Army chapels, an area normally served by two chaplains. Notwithstanding this extra workload Chaplain McNabb, through tireless effort and application of unsurpassed organization, ability, and ingenuity, has transformed a chapel that was far below desired standards of appearance and sanctity into a true and worthy place of worship.

"Further, he has organized, nurtured, and witnessed the growth of five *Protestant Men and Women of the Chapel* groups, which are among the finest in Europe.

"Chaplain McNabb's outstanding service and meritorious accomplishments reflect great credit upon himself, the chaplains corps, and this command."

In addition to the above commendation, Chaplain McNabb received an official letter of appreciation from the minister in charge of the Reformed Church, Parish of Bar-le-Duc, for developing a program for better American-Franco relations. The letter stated: "Chaplain McNabb has created between the American Protestant community and the Meuse France District Protestant community very deep bonds that were very much appreciated by both sides. The discussion groups organized by Captain McNabb allowed us to discover our two countries and to construct a durable understanding between American and French people. Contacts between American soldiers and our French personnel, through this program, have promoted immeasurably better understanding of one another and a higher appreciation of each other's country."

Captain McNabb is currently



Chaplain Talmadge F. McNabb

the regimental chaplain of the 4th Regiment, U. S. Army Training Center, Fort Knox, Kentucky.

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Esther Kerr Rusthoi Promoted to Glory

Mrs. Howard W. (Esther Kerr) Rusthoi, 53, of San Marino, Calif., went to be with the Lord April 8 after an illness of many years. Sister Rusthoi and her husband were in the International Church of the Foursquare Gospel for many years. She composed more than fifty gospel songs, among them the well-known, "When We See Christ." Her brother, Phil Kerr, preceded her in death over a year ago.

Brother Rusthoi had only recently given up his pastorate in Los Angeles in the hope that he could nurse his wife back to health. Sister Rusthoi, daughter of a veteran Assemblies of God minister, was known and loved by many thousands throughout the Pentecostal Movement.

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Bishop Mason with the Lord

Nearly 12,000 persons attended the funeral services for Bishop C. H. Mason, 98, held in the Mason Temple auditorium, Memphis, Tenn., on November 28, 1961.

Death came to the elderly Negro leader in Detroit, Mich., on the eve of the 54th convocation of the Church of God in Christ. He had been ill for some time.

During the past half century Bishop Mason was chief apostle and spiritual leader of the church which he founded in a Lexington, Miss., cotton gin in 1887. Today the organization started by Bishop Mason has churches and affiliations in all of the fifty states and in twelve foreign countries. Official sources list the membership at several million.

British Pentecostal Leader Passes

Principal George Jeffreys, one of Britain's greatest evangelists and founder of the Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance, died at his home in Clapham, London, England, on January 26.

Brother Jeffreys' ministry first came into prominence when he conducted meetings in Northern Ireland, during which time the Elim movement commenced. The movement, begun in 1915, later spilled over from Ireland to other parts of the British Isles. Large meetings were held in many of the major cities and as a result numerous churches were started. His spectacular ministry took many turns. At the Royal Albert Hall on Good Friday in 1928 he baptized 1,000 candidates in a specially constructed font.

Brother Jeffreys was a born leader, and under his direction the Elim movement grew rapidly. It was an occasion of sadness when he later withdrew from his own organization; he subsequently started the Bible Pattern Fellowship. However, his unflagging zeal for souls continued to the time of his Homegoing, and he was held in loving esteem by the leaders as well as the rank and file of the Elim movement.

An overflow crowd gathered at Kensington Temple in West London for the funeral services on February 1 to pay tribute to the beloved leader. Representatives from every section of the Pentecostal movement in western Europe were in the congregation in honor of the departed Principal.

God Calls Assemblies Ministers Home

WILLIE D. SAULS, 43, of Aubrey, Tex., went to be with the Lord February 23, after an illness of about eighteen months. He was a licensed minister with the North Texas District and had engaged in evangelistic work.

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WILLIAM H. CLARK, 89, of Mesa, Ariz., went to be with the Lord March 3. He was an ordained minister with the Arizona District and served as pastor and evangelist. Brother Clark was superannuated in 1947. Survivors include his wife and children.

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W. G. WORKMAN, 77, of De Soto, Mo., passed away February 26 as a result of pneumonia. Brother Workman was one of the veteran ministers of the Southern Missouri District, having been ordained in 1918 and served in pastoral and evangelistic work in southern Missouri ever since. In 1952 he was superannuated. Survivors include his wife and four children.

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GLEN W. GILDER, 41, of Overland, Mo., passed on to be with Christ on February 25. Brother Gilder was ordained in the Southern Missouri District in 1946 and served as pastor and evangelist. Pastorates served were in Versailles, Normandy, Overland, St. Louis, and Lutesville, Mo. He is survived by his wife, Fern O. Gilder (also an ordained minister) and four children.

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LEO B. HINTON, 51, of Spokane, Wash., passed away March

7. Ordained by the Montana District in 1940, he engaged in pastoral and evangelistic work in that district. At the time of his death, Brother Hinton was conducting a campaign in Helena, Mont. He preached the opening service on Tuesday night and very suddenly passed away on Wednesday morning. Survivors include his wife and four children.

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PAUL H. RALSTIN, 67, of San Jose, Calif., passed into the presence of his Lord on February 14 after a lengthy illness. Brother Ralstin was ordained in 1918 in the Oklahoma District. Much of his time was spent in evangelistic ministry throughout the country but he was pastor of several well-known churches for various periods. In 1933 he transferred to the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. After four years he transferred back to the Assemblies of God in the U. S. and made his headquarters in California from then until the time of his Homegoing, with the exception of some years spent in pastoral ministry in Chicago (1941-47). In 1959, upon reaching age 65, Brother Ralstin was superannuated. He is survived by his wife and one daughter.

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THOMAS L. CONLEY, age about 77, of Glendale, Ariz., passed on to his eternal reward February 10. He was ordained in 1933 in the Texas District but was a member of the Arizona District at the time of his Homegoing. Brother Conley had pastored in O'Donnell, Westbrook, Levita, Gatesville, and

Mount Calm, Tex.; and at Dexter and Cliff, N. Mex. Since 1949 he has been superannuated. He is survived by his wife.

MRS. IRENE A. ALLISON, 64, of Knoxville, Tenn., passed away March 8, as a result of brain cancer. Sister Allison was an ordained minister in the Tennessee District and served as pastor and evangelist. She was superannuated last September.

JOHNNY HOSKINS, 34, of Bend, Oreg., passed away February 13. He had been ill for about a year with a heart condition. Before losing his health he gave his best to gospel work. He was ordained in the Oregon District in 1951 and served as pastor and evangelist in that area. He is survived by his wife and two children.

EDUARDO CASAREZ, 68, of San Antonio, Tex., passed away January 13. Brother Casarez, an ordained minister with the Latin American Branch of the Assemblies of God, ministered as pastor and evangelist. Pastorates served were in Welch, Big Spring, Post, and San Antonio, Tex.

CONFERENCE FOR PENTECOSTAL TEACHERS

The Department of Education of the Assemblies of God is anxious to receive names and addresses of Pentecostal teachers in public elementary schools, high schools, and colleges. A national conference of Pentecostal public school teachers is being planned.

If you know any teachers who might be eligible to attend, please forward their names and addresses to the Department of Education, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo.

HOMECOMING AT HILLCREST

HOT SPRINGS, Ark.—The first homecoming for Hillcrest Children's Home will be held June 1-3. The first service will be on Friday at 7 P.M.

Milton Davis, a charter resident at the Home who is now studying at Central Bible Institute, will be the speaker at the banquet on Saturday at 6 P.M.

Sunday activities will include a message by Chas. W. H. Scott, executive director of the Department of Benevolences, in the morning service at First Assembly of God, Hot Springs; and open house at the Home beginning at 2 P.M.

All former Hillcrest residents, staff members, and friends of the Home are invited. For further in-

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Calif.	Chowchilla	First	May 16-27	Marvin Schmidt	Floyd W. Baker
	Covina	A/G	May 20—	J. G. Hall	Judge Lindsey
	El Monte	Calvary	May 6—	David O. Bunch	William McKay
	Fullerton	First	May 16—	Ken George Team	Lloyd Cagle
	Oakland	First	May 9-14	Ernie Eskelin	Paul C. Schoch
	San Bernardino	Central	May 22—	J. W. & Mrs. Walker	Ronald Wiseman
	San Diego	Linda Vista	May 15—	Walter & Ruth Lascelle	Merlin G. Fortner
	Santa Monica	A/G	May 20—	Watson Argue	P. H. Hawtin
	Stockton	East Side	May 15—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	A. R. Trotter
	Vallejo	North Vallejo	May 15—	Archie & Mrs. Phelps	Virgil Eldridge
Colo.	Denver	Clad Tidings	May 13-27	Don Hall	R. C. Schachterle
	Lakewood	Daniel's Gardens	May 13-27	Jerry & Mrs. Roberts	Hubert Surratt
Fla.	Bartow	A/G	May 16-27	Milford Addison	D. N. Asbury, Jr.
Ca.	Moultrie	Northside	May 13-27	E. J. Stufflebeam	Chas. D. Ward
Idaho	Sweet	A/G	May 15—	Gospel Evangel-aies	L. D. Lock
Ill.	Downers Grove	A/G	May 11-13	Norman & Evelyn Hays	Royce Shelton
	Flora	A/G	May 13-27	Robert & Mrs. Salter	S. L. Mills
Ind.	Palatine	Hope Tab.	May 15-27	Norman & Evelyn Hays	Howard Nelson
	Peoria	Central	May 16-27	Musical Lebsacks	Robert Farquhar
	Savanna	A/G	May 13-27	Cox-Brown Team	Blanche Abney
	Ellettsville	A/G	May 15—	J. I. Carroll	Edward Helton
Iowa	Farmersburg	A/G	May 13-20	Harry V. Vibbert	John Dearing
	Crinnell	Glad Tidings	May 13-18	Victor Etienne	James Hearn
	Iowa City	First	May 6-11	Victor Etienne	George Mullen
	Le Claire	Full Gosp. Tab.	May 20—	Joseph De Grado	Jess L. Hammer
La.	Lineville	A/G	May 20-June 3	Bonnie M. Ruble	Norman Hale
	Baton Rouge	First	May 9-27	R. R. Morrison	Lee Duhon
Md.	Havre de Grace	First	May 15-27	J. B. Woolums	John Pittam
Mich.	Chelsea	First	May 15-20	John Higginbotham	H. S. Bilotta
Minn.	Rochester	A/G	May 13-18	Bob Olson	O. E. Carter
Mo.	Canalou	A/G	May 20-June 3	Glenna Byard	Roy C. Bennett
	Independence	First	May 15—	Donnell-Holler Team	Al Stricklin
	Kansas City	Sheffield	May 20—	A. J. Chandonnet	C. W. Quattlebaum
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AREA-WIDE WORKERS TRAINING—May 16-20 at Bethel Assembly of God, Chambersburg, Pa. Mrs. Robert S. Beisel, in-

structor. (Willis Murray is pastor.)

HOMECOMING—June 24 at Assembly of God, San Marcos, Tex. Everyone who ever attended this church please write to Mrs. Tommy Zarnow Ball, Box 130, San Marcos, Tex. whether planning to attend Homecoming or not.

CAMPUS COLUMN

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NATIONAL EDUCATION SECRETARY

Evangel College and CBI Sponsor Music Seminar

SPRINGFIELD, Mo.—Evangel College and Central Bible Institute have concluded their first annual music seminar at Springfield, Mo., for church music directors and high-school students.

Registration for the event, held in February, was over 250, including music directors and other church musicians, ministers, and high-school and college students. During the two-day clinic the students rehearsed under the direction of guest clinicians James Boersma, band, and Mrs. Audrey Mieur, choir.

A concert was presented each evening. The first was a sacred concert by the Evangel College band and the choral groups of Central Bible Institute and Evangel College, including a 200-voice massed choir. The concert on the closing night was by the high-school musicians under the direction of the guest clinicians.

In his keynote message to the music directors, J. Robert Ashcroft, president of Evangel Col-

lege and Central Bible Institute, noted the Bible speaks of the morning stars singing together at the creation of the world (Job 38:7). It also mentions the trees clapping their hands (Isaiah 55:12).

"God must be musical, to have put so much music in the universe," President Ashcroft declared. "And it takes the Holy Spirit to bring out the highest and best in our music today."

In a panel discussion, President Ashcroft stated that very few Christian songs are written in a minor key, but other religions use the minor key exclusively. "The minor chord might make me aware of my sad condition, but the major chord reminds me of what God can do about that condition," he explained.

President Ashcroft said the two basic functions of sacred music are inspiration and worship. It should also bring the individual into a closer relationship with others, he concluded.

Max Eleiott, music director at Central Assembly of God, Springfield, Mo., another panel member, stated that a good church music program is never developed unless all the leaders of the church are vitally interested in the ministry of music. He called for more personnel trained in church music to fill the need in local churches.

Another panelist was Edwin Anderson, head of the music division of the Gospel Publishing House printing department of the Assemblies of God. He asserted there is a need for defining the purpose of church music. The purpose should be twofold, to contribute to the spiritual life of the believer, and to reach the unbeliever, he stated.

"We must re-evaluate all that we have been doing with the ministry of music," Brother Anderson continued. "The effectiveness of



Clinician James Boersma directed the clinic band composed of high-school musicians on the closing night of the seminar.

sacred music cannot be determined by its popularity or musical worth, but by whether it does what it is supposed to do."

Guest clinician Audrey Mieur, head of the Mieur Choir Clinic, Hollywood, Calif., commented that it is better to have a choir presentation that is completely simple but done well and with the Lord's anointing, than to have the best available singer who does not sing so the heart is reached.

Urging a special night weekly for rehearsal and spiritual emphasis for the church choir, Mrs. Mieur called the choir one of the greatest opportunities for challenging youth.

Clinician James Boersma, who is instrumental music editor for the Rodeheaver Hall-Mack music publishing company, outlined means of starting graded church choirs. He suggested starting with the junior age, teaching them to sing melody only. "Don't let them ruin their voices by trying to get too much volume, but neither should you make them introverts," he cautioned.

For teen-age choirs, Brother Boersma suggested using arrangements which let the boys' voices carry the melody part of the time. "This helps keep the teen-age boys interested in the choir," he explained.

Chairman of the music seminar was Jesse Peterson, head of the

Fine Arts Division at Evangel College.

SCC Alumnus to Edit Historical Papers

COSTA MESA, CALIF.—Wendell Garrett, an alumnus of Southern California College, has been named Associate Editor of The John Adams Papers, an edition of the papers of the Adams family sponsored by the Massachusetts Historical Society and published by the Belknap Press of the Harvard University Press.

Wendell attended SCC 1947 to 1949. Since then he has attended the University of Delaware where he received his M. A. degree.

He has done extensive work in the field of colonial American history. His master's thesis was written on the topic, "An Inventory Study of the Homes of Newport, Rhode Island, 1700-1800," an investigation based on the inventories and wills of the people dying intestate, and on the records which the Probate Court requires to be made at death.

Wendell then received a fellowship for research in Colonial American History at Harvard University. He says he enjoys his work at "the Adams factory," as he calls it. Reflecting on his studies at SCC he says, "They have proven invaluable to me."



The clinic choir, directed by clinician Mrs. Audrey Mieur (at the piano), sang in the closing concert of the joint Evangel College-Central Bible Institute music seminar.

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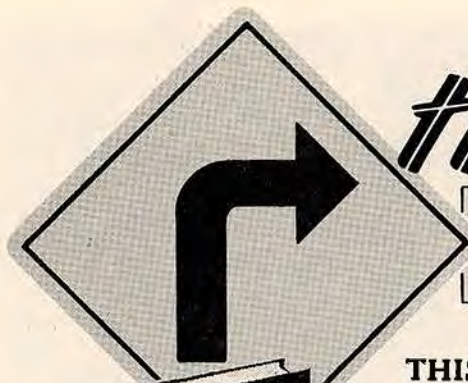
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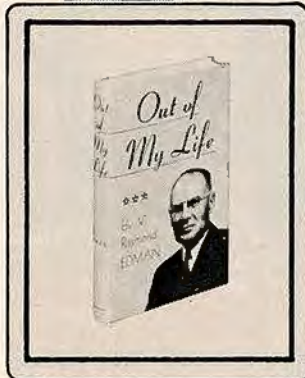
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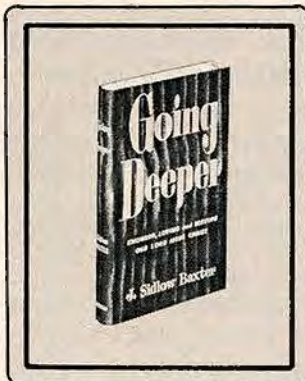


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When I left, he came down to the boat with me, and standing there on the beach with tears in his eyes he said he did not have anything to pay me, but that he was very grateful for my coming to see his neighbor. I can see him yet standing there, with his white hair flowing in the breeze and that kindly face as he said, "I can't pay you." Pay! I never had such pay in my life! How strangely we gauge pay for our services!

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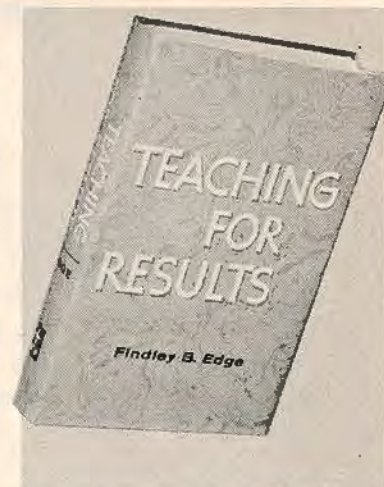


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Honor Thy Mother

By WILLIAM WARD AYER



MOTHER'S DAY GIVES US A SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY TO FUL-fill the scriptural injunction, "Honor thy mother." How far we have come from the days of honoring "thy father and thy mother!" Today's most deadly attack upon our civilization is made upon the home. It is sad that much of the motherhood of the day is not instilling in the minds and hearts of childhood the Christian ideals of the past. Any time America loses its godly motherhood, Christian America is gone. "My son, hear the instruction of thy mother: For they shall be an ornament of grace unto thy head, and chains about thy neck" (Proverbs 1:8, 9).

Why is motherhood so important for good or for ill? It is because of the divine sanctity of the home. Home is earth's first, foremost, and most fundamental institution. It was established by God in the Garden of Eden. And motherhood is the heart of the home.

Literally millions of people have sung these sentimental words:

*"When I was but a little child, how well I recollect
How I would grieve my mother with my folly and
neglect;*

And now that she has gone to heaven,

I miss her tender care:

O Saviour, tell my mother I'll be there!

"Tell Mother I'll be there in answer to her prayer;

This message, blessed Saviour, to her bear.

Tell Mother I'll be there, heaven's joy with her to share.

Yes, tell my darling mother I'll be there!"

This song has caused strong men to weep their way to Jesus, remembering as they did the childhood influence of their mothers upon their lives. The power of their mother's prayers and the influence of their mother's lives upon them bore fruit as these people saw their need of the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

Memories of mother may truly bring us back home to the simple things. Perhaps it will bring us back to

the kingdom of God. On Mother's Day, a good confession might be:

*"O Mother, when I think of thee,
'Tis but a step to Calvary.*

*Thy precious hand upon my brow
Is leading me to Jesus now."*

Many will remember their mother's songs. They will feel a mother's influence in the song she sang in their childhood, remembering perhaps her voice in the church choir. Maybe the songs and hymns of the country parlor, sung there by mother and father and all the children, will come back to memory.

Others will remember their mother's prayers. It is surprising how many of the "great" of earth have attributed their success to the influence of their mothers. Abraham Lincoln said: "I remember my mother's prayers, and they have followed me; they have clung to me all my life. All that I am and hope to be I owe to my angel mother."

Some will remember their mother's admonition and chastisement. Modern mothers may talk a great deal against prohibitions, repressions, and all the rest, but the old-time mother who spanked on occasion, and whipped when it was needed, did not raise a bunch of lawless, lazy juvenile delinquents lacking respect for God or man. Most of them raised respectful God-fearing children.

What would you give to be able to obliterate the years, turn back the universe, and live one blessed hour of yesterday? How cheap our present day would appear if we could only do that. Many of the things to which we have become accustomed would nauseate us if we could go back to other days of godliness and purity.

On this Mother's Day, with all the tender memories crowding into consciousness, permeating your whole being with their fragrance, will you not say "Yes" to Jesus? The word of surrender may go winging its way through this universe to the throne of God. "O Saviour, tell my mother I'll be there."

—American Tract Society