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# Resurrection Realities

By F. B. MEYER

THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST FROM the dead has established the belief in the immortality of the soul on the impregnable basis of fact. There was a time when it was a matter of speculation; an argument founded on the analogy of nature, an inference from the nature of the soul. But since the Gospel of the Resurrection has been proclaimed, life and immortality have been brought to light. We are no longer left to *infer* that men may rise and live in the hereafter. It is enough to say that a Man has risen—the second Adam, the representative Man, the type to which man is being con-

formed. And therefore, as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

The resurrection of Jesus Christ not only established Christianity by putting the divine seal on all that He had done and taught, but it filled the world with a new hope, an ecstasy of delight, a ravishment of joy, which were as great a contrast to the sad forebodings of paganism, and to the uncertainty of religious teachers, as the flowers of May to the gloom of December. We are so accustomed to the assertions of Christianity that we find it difficult to realize how vast was the transformation it wrought on the outlook of the soul of man. Like the women, it had been gazing into a sepulcher; now it greeted the risen Christ and shared His life.

The New Testament is therefore full of this gladness. The new wine of the kingdom fermented vigorously in the new bottle-skins that swelled beneath its touch. The voice of Christian song awoke. The walls of the catacombs bear witness to a triumphant hope that laughed at death and leaped forward to embrace the life that beckoned it. At one time an enthusiasm for martyrdom seized upon the Church, and led multitudes to dare the uttermost penalties of their foes that they might sooner drink the cup of immortality. Women and children, youths and maidens eagerly pressed forward, through stake and wild beast, to quaff the water of life where it issues from the throne of God.

But there are four main aspects in which the resurrection may be regarded.

## DIVINE PERMANENCE

First, that of the Epistle to the Hebrews. These Hebrew Christians had some reason to fear that the religion of Jesus Christ might be only a phase in the growth of a great religious system, and that it might pass away, as the patriarchal had done before the Levitical, or as the Levitical before Christianity. What security of tenure was there? What assurance that their children might not have to relinquish the Church, as they had been called upon to relinquish the temple? What if, after all, there were the elements of transience, the seeds of decay, the little rift of dissolution in this system, of which the name of Jesus was center and circumference, beginning and end!

Such thoughts were met and forever dissipated by the argument based on the resurrection of the Lord Jesus which attested His perpetual existence and priesthood. Four times at least the words are repeated, "a priest forever." Twice the emphasis is laid on the fact that our Lord's priesthood, unlike that of the Levitical priests, is indissoluble and inviolable. They were many in number, because hindered from continuing by reason of death; but He is perfected forevermore, and because He ever liveth is able to save to the uttermost of time, as well as of space, all who come unto God by Him.

## DIVINE VISION

The second aspect is that of the apostle Peter. He is preeminently the apostle of hope. He bids us to be sober and hope patiently for the grace to be brought unto us at the revelation of Jesus Christ, and makes constant allusion to the glorious realities of the unseen and eternal world, on which the Christians of that dark time should set their thoughts. But all his hopes for himself and his

converts were built on the resurrection of Jesus. He blesses God the Father for having begotten them again unto a living hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, unto an inheritance incorruptible, undefiled, and that fadeth not away. The hope of the inheritance was founded on the empty grave. The stone that was rolled away became the cornerstone of the new temple of hope.

The traveler in Norway, who comes across homes and hamlets perched on almost inaccessible heights, or shut in by the mighty rampart of mountain ranges, will find no difficulty in imagining a community contained within itself, and oblivious to the existence of a great outer world. To such a society that world might be a subject of speculation, discussion, and argument. Let us suppose the villagers were accustomed to accompany each other to a certain point on the mountain tract, when summoned by an irresistible impulse to ascend it, but none of those

and raised up with him"; "raised together with Christ, seek those things which are above." If we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. It is Paul's one thought that in the death of Jesus he passed from the old world into the new, and that he was living on the shores of the new world, the world of resurrection and life, the world of which Jesus was King and Lord.

We are risen with Christ in the thought and purpose of God, but we must open our natures wide to the Spirit of the resurrection, the Holy Ghost, that He may conform us to the risen life. The exceeding greatness of God's power that wrought in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead to His own right hand, is waiting to do as much for us, but we must yield to it. It will enter and transform our spirits, then permeate our souls, and finally, when the Lord shall come, it will reach and vitalize our bodies, which will rise in the likeness of the risen Lord.

#### DIVINE TRIUMPH

Lastly, there is the aspect presented by the apostle John. Before Christ's resurrection man thought that night and death were supreme, out of which all things were born, and to which they went. Life might be fair and beautiful, but it was evanescent. Each flower fell before the inevitable scythe, or faded. Each day, whatever the promise of its dawn, died on the edge of the western wave. Each child, however beautiful, passed through maturity into death. And so they fabled the Prometheus the Laocoon, the fall of Troy. Life was profoundly sad to these people, who tried to solve all problems by their intellect, and imagined that at death life became extinct, like the torches they extinguished at the tomb.

The Son of God entered the arena with Death to try the question as to which should be the reigning power in the universe, whether life or death, light or darkness, corruption or immortal strength and beauty. They grappled for mastery, each with the other, in the wilderness, on the cross, and in the grave. At first Death seemed victor. He appeared to triumph over the one Man, as over all other men. The Prince of Life was slain. The hour and power of darkness vaunted their supremacy. And Chaos seemed about to spoil the palace of Life. But it was only for a moment. It was not possible that Christ should see corruption or be holden of death. Life broke from the sheath and hush of death into the rapture of the Easter morn. Death was robbed of its sting, the grave of its victory, and the lord of death of his power to terrify.

As the blessed Lord emerged from the empty tomb, leaving behind Him the adjusted cerements of death, stepping forth into a garden where the spring flowers exhaled their rarest fragrance, it was forever established that life was stronger than death, light than darkness truth than lies, God than sin.

In His life and death and resurrection the Lord Jesus has revealed a life which is stronger than death and hell, and which holds them in its thrall, locking and unlocking them at will. This life He waits to give. He binds it as a victor's wreath about the brows of them that overcome. He carries it with Him as He rides forth conquering and to conquer, until grace reigns through righteousness unto eternal life. ◀◀◀



### A Cry Goes Up!

Poignant with meaning comes the spoken word:  
 "The Christ is risen!" and that word has power  
 As vital to us now as when it stirred  
 His followers' hearts that far-off Easter hour:  
 A golden sunburst after darkest night,  
 A shaft of silver piercing shadowed gloom,  
 A never-failing, penetrating light.  
 That sends its rays into each earthly tomb.

Yes, "He is risen!" Shout the word aloud.  
 This is His day—this is the day He said  
 He would arise—He shed His circling shroud  
 And came forth radiant, risen from the dead.  
 A triumph and a victory—a cry  
 Across the centuries for all to heed!  
 O eager, waiting hearts, look up! Stand by!  
 The Lord is risen—the Lord is risen, indeed!

—Grace Noll Crowell



who passed that point ever returned. Rumors, guesses, ancient legends might declare that there was a world beyond the mountain barriers to which the road led, and where all who had departed were living a fuller and richer life than before; yet still the information within their reach would be mere surmise. Hope would flicker like the will-o'-the-wisp over the marsh. But suppose that one of their number, whom they had known, went along that path, and after being absent for some days returned, and went often to and fro, declaring that the path led somewhere, that there was a better world on the other side, and that they should meet their beloved once more. Think what a change would come over the people's hopes! No longer shadowy and deceptive, but strong, clear, sure. An anchor so surely fixed as to bear the greatest strain. A light so clear that the shadows of uncertainty must flee away. This is the apostle Peter's "living hope."

#### DIVINE ENERGY

There is also the aspect presented in the writings of the apostle Paul. As in respect of the death, so of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, the apostle's constant thought is identification: "Quickened together with Christ

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## Christ Is Risen

Great was the sorrow of the women that early morning hour as they made their way to the tomb of their Lord; but great was their surprise when they reached the sepulchre. For Matthew tells us that the angel of the Lord had descended from heaven, and had rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

When the women looked upon the scene they were filled with fear and wonder, but the angel said: "Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said."

At the angel's invitation they looked in the tomb to make sure it was empty. Then at his command they went quickly to tell the disciples that the Master was risen from the dead, and that He would meet them in Galilee.

The resurrection changed everything for those women, and for the disciples. It changes everything for those who follow Christ today. If our sins have been washed away by the precious Blood there is no sting in death, and neither is there any defeat. Death, instead of being a cruel enemy, is but a servant sent to usher us into the presence of our King.

A poet expressed the thought by picturing a traveler coming to a gate on a mountainside. On the outside of the gate he saw the inscription, "The Gate of Death," but when he touched the gate he found it opened into a new world of brightness and cheer. He entered, and then as he looked back at the gate he saw, written on the inside, the words, "The Gate of Life." It is Christ who makes the difference. Christ abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

Over the grave of a great German painter at Nuremberg, Germany, was placed a single word, "Emigravit" ("He is emigrated"). This epitaph could be used of every person who dies in Christ. "He is not here; he has gone to a better land. He is emigrated." This reminds us of Dwight L. Moody's statement. The great evangelist once said: "Some day you will hear that Moody is dead. Don't believe a word of it. At that moment I shall be more alive than I am now." It was only his empty body that was buried. His spirit had gone to be forever with the Lord whom he loved and served.

The day shall come when every person who has fallen asleep in Christ shall arise from the dead just as the Saviour arose. The Bible says very clearly, "The dead shall be raised." Jesus taught the resurrection while He was on earth, and later He appeared to John on Patmos (Revelation 1:18) and said to him: "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death."

The story is told of a grief-stricken father who wept as he handed the key of his little girl's casket to the keeper of the cemetery. The minister, noticing the father's uncontrollable anguish, said to him: "You think the key to your little child's casket is in the hand of the keeper of the cemetery. Let me tell you, the key to your little girl's grave hangs at the waist of the Son of God, and He will come some morning and use it."

Thank God for the glorious promise of resurrection. Therefore we sorrow not as those who have no hope, but comfort one another with the Saviour's words, joyfully anticipating the hour when all who trust in Christ shall be caught up into His presence to be forever with the Lord.

—R.C.C.

## HOW THE DEACON KNEW

Two irreligious young men were discussing the resurrection, telling each other why it was impossible for them to accept the doctrine. Then a deacon of a nearby church walked by, and in a joking way one of the young fellows called to him, "Say, Deacon, how do you know that Jesus rose again?"

"Well," he answered, "I was talking with Him for half an hour this morning." —*Watchman-Examiner*

## FOCUS ON THE ETERNAL

A man traveled around the world carrying a camera equipped to take pictures as close as five feet and as far as infinity. When he got back home, the only pictures he had were ones he had taken at five feet.

Many people equipped with souls capable of eternal life spend their days with attention focused upon the material things of this short life. A farmer visiting a cathedral in Europe was asked by the guide what he thought of it. His reply was, "Well, it sure would hold a lot of hay."

Like the farmer who stood in the midst of spiritual magnificence and could think of nothing but hay, so even at Easter time there are people who take their pictures at five feet. Easter hats, clothes, and parades are in focus for many.

But the greatest fact of the everlasting gospel is that Christ lives. He puts life in focus with eternity. When the shutter of our lives has been tripped, what kind of pictures will there be? Are we focusing on things earthly or on things eternal?

—WYBURN SKIDMORE, in *The Upper Room*

## THAT'S ALL!

Someone said to Talleyrand, Bishop of Autun during the French Revolution, one of the most astute men who ever lived: "The Christian religion—what is it? It would be easy to start a religion like that."

"Oh, yes," replied Talleyrand. "One would only have to get crucified and rise again the third day."

—*Power*

## God Forbid . . .

That we should ever have to fall in line  
And stand for hours, waiting for our turn  
To gaze upon a corpse entombed in glass,  
Worshiping mortal man's remains and earn  
The praise of fellow workers as we pass!

Are we afraid of people such as this,  
Who hammer out their sickly lies and seek  
To conquer all men with a Judas kiss  
While the Red earth inherits all the meek?

Think hard on your inheritance! Think hard!  
We have no glass-cased body to observe!  
We have the living Jesus Christ, the Lord!  
We have His living presence!

—From Fleming H. Revell Company's book,  
"Thou Shalt Not Fear," by Bud Collyer



## WHICH CHRIST?

A very learned man once said to a little girl who believed in the Lord Jesus, "My poor little girl, you don't know whom you believe in. There have been many christs. In which of them do you believe?"

"I know which one I believe in," replied the child. "I believe in the Christ who rose from the dead."

—*Sunday School Times*

## HE RESTED ON CERTAINTIES

When that great Christian and scientist, Sir Michael Faraday, was dying, some journalists questioned him as to his speculations on a life after death.

"Speculations!" said he, "I know nothing about speculations. I'm resting on certainties. 'I know that my Redeemer liveth,' and because He lives, I shall live also."

—*Gospel Trumpet*

## RESURRECTION HINTS

Some years ago I kept a marine aquarium. As I stood looking at it one summer day I saw on the surface of the water a tiny creature, half fish, half snake, not an inch long, writhing as in mortal agony. With convulsive efforts it bent its head to tail, now on this side, now on that, springing in circles with a force simply wonderful in a creature so small.

I was stretching out my hands to remove it lest it should sink and die and pollute the clear waters, when, lo, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, its skin split from end to end, and there sprang out a delicate fly with slender black legs and pale lavender wings. Balancing itself for one instant on its discarded skin, it preened its gossamer wings, and then flew out of an open window.

The impression made upon me was deep and overpowering. *I learned that nature was everywhere hinting at the truth of the resurrection.* —*Moody Monthly*

## AN INDESTRUCTIBLE FORCE

There is a plant in Jamaica called the *life plant*. It is almost impossible to kill or destroy any part of it. Detach a leaf from the plant, suspend it by a string to a wire, it does not wilt and die. It sends out thread-like rootlets which imbibe sustenance from the moisture of the air. New leaves begin to grow.

The gospel of the grace of God is the *life plant* of the moral and spiritual world. Wherever the gospel goes, it takes root in the lives and affections of the people. No climate, howsoever surcharged it may be with sin, superstition, and entrenched wrong, can kill the everlasting gospel!

—WALTER B. KNIGHT, in *Gospel Herald*

THE NOONDAY SUN FILTERED THROUGH THE TREES making lacy shadows across the garden walk as we said good-bye to our host and closed the garden gate behind us. As we walked down the driveway which is used by pedestrians and for small vehicles, a young lad bounded toward us with a persuasive smile and confident manner, holding out a caravan of wood-carved camels. Fascinated by his wares, I readily made a selection from his basket, and as my husband dropped some coins in his brown little hand I realized we were back in the commercial world again.

However; as we hailed a cab to return to our hotel, then journeyed on through Israel, and out of the Holy Land, my mind kept going back to that beautiful October morning as we sat in the living room of the Keeper of the Garden Tomb, and listened to him relate so vividly some of his many experiences at this beautiful spot in Jerusalem.

"We had a visitor here one day," Mr. Mattar began, "who was from Chicago. A big man, very well dressed, all business, with an air of self-sufficiency and no time for minor details. Concerning his visit to the Garden Tomb, he made it clear to me that he was skeptical of the *story*, but because he was writing a book it was necessary for him to see the *place*. I showed him the garden, the place of the skull, and the tomb, and explained it according to the Scriptures as I do to all visitors. But nothing I said or showed him seemed to impress him as being of any significance. At the end of the tour, this man turned and looked at me with hard, cold eyes, and with a half-sneer said to me, "I feel sorry for you. I wouldn't want your job for anything. You tell the same story over and over many times every day. How *monotonous* it *must* be! No, sir, I wouldn't have your job!"

At this juncture, Mr. Matter, who for many years has been a living testimony of the transforming power of Christ in his native Jerusalem, smiled as he recalled the incident; and tilting his head slightly in his inimitable manner, he repeated to us his answer to this skeptic.

"Sir," he replied, "you are right indeed. . . , that is, if my story was *just* a story. Yes, my job would be very

monotonous if it were *just* a story. But this is *also* a story of *my* life. You see, many years ago I came to the realization that my life had no meaning. My heart seemed empty, even though I may have appeared as well off and as adjusted as those around me. I sought to fill this emptiness with the tangible things, then I pursued means that led to bad habits, until I became more wretched and bound as time went by. Then I heard of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, who became the Son of man, that I too might become a son of God. I listened to others testify to His power in their lives to break the bondage of fear, habits and sinful pursuits, and I recognized they had something in their lives that I didn't have; but that I desperately needed.

"Sir," he continued, "I turned my life over to Him, and I have found our Lord to be a living Saviour. Today, instead of seeking pleasure in sinful things, I have real joy in my heart. When my troubles or problems arise now, I do not try to drown them with drink, I simply go to my Lord in prayer for peace and guidance. And I want to *assure* you, He *answers* prayer. Yes, indeed, I have had food put on my table, I have had unsurmountable obstacles removed, and I've had the witness of His presence when I prayed. Sir, the crucifixion and the resurrection of Jesus is not a *monotonous story* to *me*, for He has given me a new life, and will do the same for anyone who will accept Him. No, no indeed, it does not become *monotonous* to me, for it is the very source of my life."

"By this time," Mr. Mattar concluded, "The stranger's countenance and attitude had changed from cold indifference to kindness, and he put forth his hand to clasp my own in parting." "Sir," he spoke gently, "I apologize for my brashness. I am persuaded that you *have* experienced exactly what you have told me, and I appreciate what you have said. In fact, I'm sure this is *not* a *monotonous* story to you. Incidentally, I'm going to mention you in my book." And with those parting words, he hurried on his way.

"You know," and Brother Mattar spoke carefully as though he was evaluating the effect of the Christian testimony, "it seems that for the unregenerated, non-

To the keeper of the Garden Tomb,  
the story is always fresh—

# Old, But Not Monotonous

By BEULAH BRASKER BAYLESS  
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Christian person, there *must* be a *personal* witness to the reality of conversion. So many people who come here seem to think of it as just a part of history; as the resurrection story, etc., but *our Lord is very real, and telling of His love never gets monotonous.*"

I thought of Christ's words recorded in Acts 1:8—"Ye shall be witnesses unto me, both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth." I was glad to find a witness for Him in the Garden there in old Judea. ◀◀

## GLORIES AWAIT US WHEN WE SHALL BE CLOTHED WITH OUR RESURRECTION BODIES

BY GEORGE D. WATSON

ALL OUR BEST THOUGHTS IN CONNECTION WITH THE joys of possessing a glorified body must be formed out of faint analogies and consist mostly of negatives, as it will be in so many things the very opposite of what the body is in the present state.

The bodies of the resurrected saints will be of the same substance they are now; in fact the same bodies, according to Scriptures; but the particles composing them will be transformed from fleshly conditions into a spiritual condition; from the mortal to the immortal; from being subject to physical law, they will be under spiritual law, having passed from the realm of nature into the realm of glory. The apostle says of the resurrected body of the saint, that "it is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body" (1 Corinthians 15:42-44). These four attributes of the glorified body cover the entire range of all the possibilities that we can imagine as belonging to an organism for its everlasting blessedness.

The first attribute is that of immortality, perfect exemption from sickness, death, pain, old age, deformity, and every taint of decay.

The second attribute is that of glory, which implies its brightness, as of light, also its beauty and radiance and sweet attractiveness, possessing every charm of form and motion, and every capacity for the most brilliant expression of thought and feeling.

The third attribute is that of power, angelic energy, which includes supernatural strength over all the forces of nature, such as wind, water, fire, gravitation, storms, lightning, and every known force in the realm of matter. It also includes swiftness of motion, power to fly through space with the ease and velocity of light; as Jesus, after He rose from the dead, could instantly take His body through stone walls without opening a door, or transfer it from the earth to the third heavens and back again in a few moments, and make it visible to men, then invisible, vanishing out of their sight at will.

This word "power" also includes the vast and transcendent exercise of the five senses, of the voice, of the expression, of the features, so that the power of the glorified body of a saint will surpass any known power in all the realms of nature—power surpassing lightning, thunder, cyclones, earthquakes, rolling oceans, blazing suns, shooting stars, or all the combined energies of the armies of earth, or of the combined strength of all wicked men and evil angels. When the armies of Assyria besieged Hezekiah, God sent an angel one night, who, with the brush of his wing, swept the breath out of one hundred eighty-five thousand soldiers, and Jesus tells us that the power of a glorified saint shall be equal to that of the angels.

The fourth attribute is that of being "spiritual," which includes its spotless purity, its being subtle like a flame, or a body of solidified light, with spiritual senses, ecstasies and joys entirely under the sway of spiritual laws, and of such marvelous capacity as to be flooded with divine bliss without being shattered by the torrents of heavenly gladness.

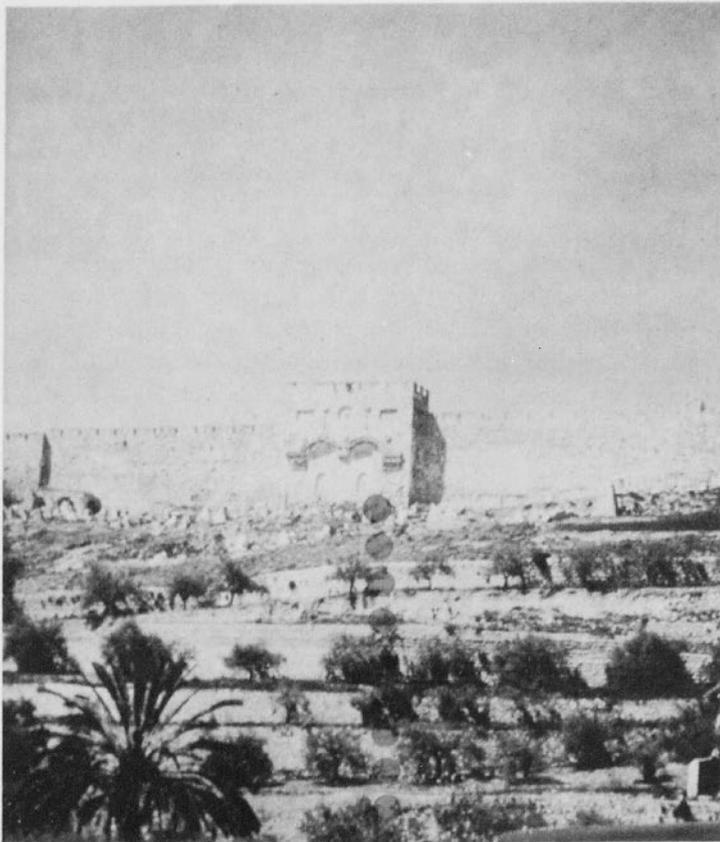
Think of all the joys that the five senses can take in while we are in a natural state; how the eye can sweep landscapes of surpassing beauty, and ocean and mountain scenery of inspiring grandeur, and how the ear can be thrilled with inspiring or subduing strains of music, or the melody of magnificent poetry, and how the senses can drink in sweet odors and delicious tastes, and the manifold pleasures of feeling which cover the body at every pore; and yet, all we know of these material pleasures forms but a hint of those exultant joys of the glorified senses in an immortal body.

Perhaps there will be senses belonging to our glorified bodies which we do not now possess, and of which we have no conception. Our glorified senses will possess a range of action, and quickness and delicacy of power which we cannot now imagine. The eye in our glorified bodies will be both telescopic and microscopic, so that we can see all objects millions and billions of miles away without having to use a telescope, and then we can see the infinitesimal atoms of all things at a glance without having to use a microscope as we do now. What must the joys of vision be, which can sweep out in one tranquil gaze over the multiplied splendor of millions of worlds and at the same time delight itself in piercing through the perfections of God that lie hidden away in every dewdrop and every grain of sand!

At present our ears are capable of receiving only a small range of sounds, and if a sound rises too high we fail to hear it. There are thousands of sounds constantly vibrating through the earth and air, which are either too loud or too low for the capacity of our ears. Now think of the joys of sound in the boundless sweep of celestial music, which a glorified ear can receive.

It would seem that the joys of the glorified bodies of the saints would alone constitute a whole heaven of bliss.

—Selected.



nelled into the holy city on the Sunday before the first Easter. The gate was open then. But it is closed now.

The Garden Tomb is the probable site of the burial of Jesus. It was closed that afternoon. After the body of our Lord was placed in it, a stone was rolled to cover the mouth of the sepulcher. But it is open now!

The closing and opening of these portals dramatize past and future triumphs of the Lord Jesus Christ. Their closings were the accomplishments of man. Their openings are the result of the intervention of God.

The Garden Tomb was sealed shut to keep the Saviour within the sepulchre. The Golden Gate was barricaded to prevent a repetition of the Triumphal Entry of Palm Sunday.

Roman soldiers, at the behest of the Jewish priesthood, sealed the door to keep Jesus in the tomb. Jerusalem's leaders had heard rumors of Christ's imminent resurrection. They imagined His apostles would steal the body to fabricate that fiction—as if the disciples who all, with one exception, forsook Him and fled, were in any mood to risk apprehension themselves and propagate a belief in which they shared no credence! Christ's resurrection was as much a shock to the apostles as it was to the Jewish priests.

The procurator Pilate probably guffawed inwardly when he acquiesced to the priests' and Pharisees' peti-

# The Golden Gate and the Garden Tomb

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MY FIRST GLIMPSE OF THE GOLDEN GATE WAS FROM THE Mount of Olives as I tramped the Palm Sunday road.

Your first sight will likely be from this point of vantage too. For Scripture suggests that all believers may one day behold the Golden Gate, even if never in this lifetime they pursue a pilgrimage to Palestine.

The Golden Gate is the east gate to the old city of Jerusalem. Beyond it, within the crenellated wall, lies the Square of the Temple, where now a shrine of the false prophet usurps the site of Israel's ancient temples. The Golden Gate was also called "the Gate Beautiful" in Bible days. Here Peter and John ministered to the lame man (Acts 3). Of course, Jerusalem's walls and gates have been rebuilt since apostolic times. The present portal, however, is an imposing sight.

A few hours earlier I had gazed at the entrance to the Garden Tomb outside the Damascus Gate of walled Jerusalem. Nearby was the place of the skull, Gordon's Calvary, the probable Golgotha of the Gospels.

Today the Golden Gate is closed—bricked up on the outside and on the inside of its passageway through the walls.

On the other hand, the Garden Tomb is open. The stone which once barricaded its entrance has disappeared, having been rolled into oblivion.

The Golden Gate is the portal through which the palm procession hailed Christ with hosannas joyously fun-

tion, "Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so that the last error shall be worse than the first" (Matthew 27:64). The Roman administrator authorized the seal of Imperial Rome to be affixed to the stone and a garrison to patrol the garden. The nervous Pharisees may have relaxed: "We'll keep that corpse inside the coffin!"

But their devices were frustrated, overruled from above. On Sunday morning the Garden Tomb was open and the sepulchre was empty.

The disciples did not surreptitiously slink into the garden and cart away the body. The Roman seal and sentries guaranteed the absolute impossibility of so daring an escapade. Christ's disappearance from the tomb had to be an inside job! When the angel rolled away the stone, the Scripture does not declare that the Lord of Glory then issued forth from His dark and damp abode. Can you imagine the resurrected Redeemer cooped up in that cavern awaiting release upon the arrival of an angel? Jesus departed from the sepulchre some time before the stone was moved from its mouth. That stone was not rolled aside to let Jesus out, but to let men in to see that Christ indeed had risen from the dead. He lives; and because He lives, we shall live also.

The sealing of the door did not keep Jesus in the

tomb. Nor will the bricking up of the Golden Gate keep Jesus out of Jerusalem.

The present walls of the holy city date from the sixteenth century. Suleiman the Magnificent, sultan of the Ottoman (Turkish) Empire, ordered their reconstruction to protect the holy places venerated alike by Christians, Jews, and Moslems. For the most part the present ramparts follow the line of the old walls of New Testament times and are constructed largely of materials salvaged from their ruins. Authorities believe that the Golden Gate got its present form in the sixth century and was simply rebuilt by the Turks. The portal is a double-arched structure whose twin tunnels are designated "gate of repentance" (the northern arch) and "gate of mercy."

But both arches are walled up. Hardly had the ramparts been reconstructed when orders came to brick up the Golden Gate.

The Garden Tomb had been sealed because of rumors of an impending resurrection. The Golden Gate was sealed because a rumor circulated that Jesus Christ would return and re-enter Jerusalem through that ancient portal. So the Turks took a leaf from the priests' and Pharisees' book and pursued the same strategy which failed on Easter. They sealed the gate to keep Jesus out.

At the moment, their devices seem more successful than that of Jesus' first-century adversaries. The Garden Tomb was sealed a few days. The Golden Gate remains shut after four centuries. But in God's time the walled-up gate will prove no more a barrier for Jesus than did the sealed sepulchre.

When the Israelites under Joshua shouted, Jericho's forty-foot-thick walls of masonry tumbled down. A mere word from the lips of Him whose mouth will brandish a two-edged sword would be sufficient to banish the bricks. If believers' faith can move mountains, how much mightier is a word from the author and finisher of our faith?

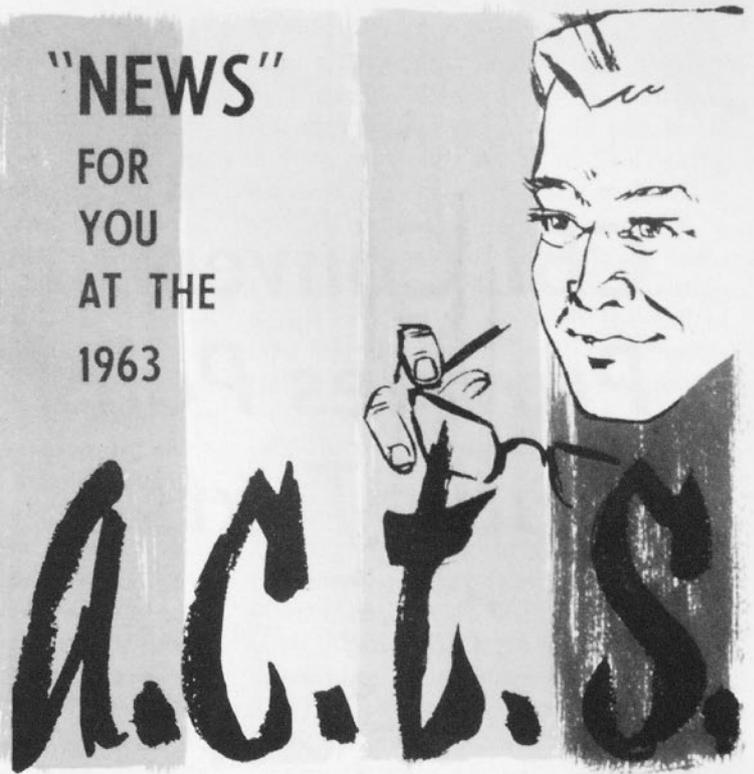
For that matter, Jesus emerged from the tomb before the stone was rolled from the entrance. He entered the upper room on Easter evening; "the doors were shut" (John 20:19), but Jesus entered anyway. Our glorified Lord could pass through the Golden Gate without displacing a single brick or morsel of mortar!

But evidently the Golden Gate will be thrown open again. For He who ascended to heaven from Mount Olivet will return thither and from there re-enter Jerusalem to establish His kingdom (Acts 1:10-11; Zechariah 14:4). The Garden Tomb is open today. Who knows how soon the Golden Gate will be open too?

When I saw the Golden Gate it was closed, bricked up within the walls and without. I did not pass through it then.

I expect to see the gate again, and it will be open, when "the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, . . . and all nations shall flow into it" (Isaiah 2:2). And all who experience the resurrection life which burst from the empty tomb of Christ, who died for our sins and rose for our justification, can share the chant adoring Jesus, "Thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests, and we shall reign on the earth" (Revelation 5:9-10). ◀◀

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# CBI Convention Provides Polish Study Texts

By PHILIP CROUCH

*Campus Missions Fellowship Sponsor*

CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE'S ANNUAL missions convention was a highlight of the current school year. The convention was planned and conducted by the Campus Missions Fellowship under the direction of Cliff Christiansen, CMF president and one of CBI's missionary interns in British Honduras last summer.

Wesley Hurst, Secretary of Promotions for the Foreign Missions Department, was principal speaker. Norman Correll, Global Conquest Representative, also participated in the convention.

This year's theme was, "The World Shall Know . . . That Christ Is King." Posters and bulletins prepared by the Foreign Missions Department were used to advertise the convention on campus.

The booths, which were an impor-

tant part of the convention, developed naturally around the chosen theme. In the foyer of Evans Hall the large glass panels were covered with paper marked to depict a wall. In one strategic spot a shaft was simulated as breaking through the "wall" with the words, "Breaking through the Bamboo Curtain that they might know that Christ is King!" In the chapel entrance a "Berlin Wall" was erected with the words, "Eurasia Shall Know," above it. Above the chapel choir loft was a world map and the inscription, "The world shall know . . ."

The dramatic presentation that opened the convention set the theme indelibly in the minds of the students. While students in authentic native costumes from home and foreign mission fields marched down the aisles of the chapel, a narrator told of the darkness, fear, distress, wickedness, and of spiritual needs around the world. An appeal was given which will long be remembered. The students were urged to pray, to give, and to commit their

lives in willing surrender "that the world might know that Christ is King!"

The convention project was to make possible the translation of Bible study texts for Poland. It was stated that it would take \$50 for each text. The first night's offering was \$50.50. Before the convention was over, CBI had provided for the translation of seven books in the Polish language.

Is a convention to be judged by its results? Perhaps, if you can fully know the results. In terms of commitment to life service, these results can only be judged in the light of eternity. In terms of financial response we know that books will be translated, foreign Bible schools will be assisted, a Global Conquest revival center will be helped, and next summer four more student interns will gain first-hand missionary experience on nearby mission fields.

Furthermore, the students of CBI are determined that "The World Shall Know . . . That Christ Is King!" ◀◀



Wesley R. Hurst (left), Cliff Christiansen, and Philip Crouch read advertising for the missions convention at CBI.



The Latin American booth won first place at CBI missions convention.



This booth depicts a "shaft of light" breaking the "Bamboo Curtain."

# Transition in Tanganyika

By MRS. ELTHA FURMAN  
*Missionary to Tanganyika*

"WE MUST CONQUER IGNORANCE, poverty, and disease," spoke Mr. Julius Nyerere, new prime minister of Tanganyika, on the new nation's independence day. The tropical sun shone on the sparkling harbor of Dar es Salaam. Tall coconut palms swayed in the soft breeze. A vast crowd stood at quiet, respectful attention. The elaborate decorations and festivities were forgotten as Mr. Nyerere challenged his people with the staggering task before them.

Ignorance, poverty, and disease! Does even Mr. Nyerere realize what a gigantic task he is undertaking? Tanganyika has a population of 9,000,000 Africans, 103,000 Asians, 13,000 Arabs along with several thousand Europeans.

*Ignorance.* Coming from other parts of Africa, one might think that Tanganyika is making rapid strides toward educating its people. One sees schoolhouses here and there along the road. Some are small, thatch-roofed mud buildings. Others; large, modern brick ones. Throngs of schoolboys in khaki shorts and green shirts, and girls in green dresses play together as they go home from school. Yet with all this, 80 per cent of the men and 89 per cent of the women are illiterate.

*Poverty.* The average income of these 9,000,000 Africans is about \$65 a year. One needs only to go to the rural areas to see the pitiful poverty of the majority. The extreme want is heartbreaking. A large per cent of the

## CORRECTION

The story entitled, "Winning a Witch Doctor," which we published December 30, 1962, was written by E. Hodgson. It occurred in the Congo. Due to an unfortunate misunderstanding we indicated that it occurred in Upper Volta and that it was written by John Hall.

country is dry bush land which produces practically nothing save a few scrawny cattle, sheep, or goats. The crude huts, the squalor, the barren land makes one exclaim, "What *do* these people eat? How can they eke out an existence?" Beggars on the streets cry, "Njaa! Njaa!"—hunger, hunger.

*Disease.* Three out of five children die under two years of age. Tuberculosis, leprosy, pneumonia, malnutrition, parasites take their toll. A white band of cloth tied around the women's heads is a sign of mourning in one tribe. There are times when it seems that one-third or more are wearing white bands. During the long, cold rains this year one man said, "We have stopped having funerals in the village. So many people have died we are too tired to mourn any more."

Mr. Nyerere, we admire you for undertaking such a task. But even if there were sufficient resources to hire teachers, economists, and doctors, how long would it take to reach these millions in the deserts, mountains, along the lakes and rivers, in the remote villages?

Ignorance, poverty, and disease! What a challenge! Teachers, economists, and doctors can do a great deal to alleviate the appalling conditions. But are ignorance, poverty, and disease Tanganyika's greatest needs? If these were conquered, would deprived Tanganyikans need nothing more?

## Mrs. John Garlock CALLED HOME



God in loving tenderness has opened the gates of heaven and chosen another of His children to enter its splendor. Earlene (Rains) Garlock, wife of John Garlock, went to be with the Lord at 11:40 p.m., Sunday, March 3 in Ventnor, N. J. She had been ill for two weeks with influenza complicated by double pneumonia. Burial was in Caldwell, Kansas.

At an early age Earlene Garlock consecrated her life to the Lord. After high school in Caldwell, Kans., she enrolled at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Mo., and later attended Bethany College in Lindsborg, Kans., to prepare for the Lord's work. A talented musician, she taught piano while a student at C.B.I. She also taught at South-Eastern Bible Institute, Lakeland, Fla., while Brother Garlock was head of the Music Department.

Would this end darkness, fear, superstition, witchcraft, and the evils of heathenism? Would this wipe the hopelessness from faces that do not know the joy of salvation? Would this bring hope to the despairing, joy to the sorrowful, peace to the restless? No, a thousand times no! Tanganyika needs Christ! Tanganyika needs Christian homes; young people with the call of God burning in their souls! She needs churches full of Spirit-filled believers.

The Assemblies of God in Tanganyika is on the threshold of a great new era. At the last conference an all-out indigenous policy was adopted. Elton Hill has been with us the last few months to act as leader and adviser of the work. For this we thank God. We ask everyone who has a missionary burden to earnestly pray for Tanganyika during this transition. Pray that the national workers may be able to understand the Bible pattern for missions. Pray for the missionaries that great wisdom, patience, and compassion may be theirs. Pray for revival to visit this needy land, so that the name of Jesus will be glorified and His coming hastened.

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With her husband, Sister Garlock served two terms as a missionary. When she and Brother Garlock first went to South Africa in 1949 they were asked to take oversight of the South African Bible Institute in Brakpan, Transvaal—a new training school for white people. Brother Garlock served as principal of the school during most of their ten years in Africa.

Willing to serve the Lord anywhere He desired, Brother and Sister Garlock accepted missionary appointment to teach at Central Bible Institute, Tokyo, Japan, but before they could go to Japan their plans were changed. While they were itinerating, Brother Garlock was asked to take a position as editor of Foreign Missions Department publications in Springfield, Mo. and he took up these duties on February 1, 1963.

Rather than have their daughters—Linda Jean, 12, and Melody Lynn, 7—change schools in the middle of the term, it was decided that Sister Garlock and the girls should remain in Ventnor until the end of the school year.

Because of Sister Garlock's love for music, a memorial fund has been established to place a piano in an overseas Bible school.

# THIS PRESENT WORLD

## Easter

### Newspaper Features Resurrection

It is the custom of *The Atlanta Journal and Constitution* (Atlanta, Ga.) once a year to feature the Resurrection story on the front page. Last Easter the newspaper said:

"Today there is but one news story on the front page. No headline could say it more clearly than the simple, 'He Is Risen.' As is *The Journal-Constitution's* practice, Khrushchev, atom bombs, and even John F. Kennedy are banished from page one on this joyful day. The story which does occupy our front is greater than the news which moves today over our teletype machines. It is a story which has given joy to untold millions throughout the last 1,900 years."

Every article on page one was some form of Easter message.

## Youth

### Dr. Bihl Becomes New President of Youth for Christ International

Carl J. Bihl, vice president in charge of national development for Youth for Christ International, has been elected president of the nondenominational organization. He succeeds Dr. Ted C.



ELECTED—Carl J. Bihl (right), new president of Youth for Christ International, shown with Wendell G. Collins, director of YFC Teen Teams.

Engstrom who retired April 1 after heading Youth for Christ for six years.

Dr. Bihl stated he is particularly concerned with the spiritual life of young folk in their teens. "It is during the teen years the great decisions of life are made," he said. Citing a survey, he said 75 per cent of persons who leave the church do so during junior high school years, while 85 per cent who make a commitment to Christ do so by the time they are eighteen. "For this reason, especially, it is important to make every effort to reach the teen-age mind," he declared.

### Threefold Approach to Youth Problem in New England

The New England Fellowship of Evangelicals, representing over 800 churches, has planned a "threefold approach" to the problem of juvenile delinquency. It will open a boys' town, appoint social workers, and use a program of parent education. It is felt that if the moral and spiritual delinquency of adults can be overcome, the youth problem will disappear.

## Sacrifices

### Missionaries Slain by Reds

Two members of the Wycliffe Bible Translators were slain in South Viet Nam on March 4 by Viet Cong (Communist) guerrillas. Shot down without apparent reason or provocation were Elwood Jacobsen, 36, an Evangelical Free Church missionary from Foreston, Minn. and Gaspar Makil, 36, a U.S.-educated Filipino missionary. They were engaged in a study of mountain dialects which they were seeking to reduce to writing.

The killing occurred after a jeep in which the two men and their children were traveling was stopped by a Viet Cong roadblock for what seemed to be a routine check. It was in a convoy of thirty vehicles. Two other persons were slain by the sudden burst of a machine gun: Janie, four-month-old daughter of the Filipino missionary and his wife from La Junta, Colo.,



SLAIN—Elwood Jacobsen, Protestant missionary in South Viet Nam, shown with wife and child.

and a Vietnamese man. Another child was seriously wounded.

The incident occurred on the Saigon-Dalat highway, one of the main arteries in South Viet Nam which is commonly traveled by Americans. Although banditry on the highway is not uncommon, violence to civilians has been rare.

### Captured Missionaries in Viet Nam Reported in Good Health

Three American missionaries captured in May 1962 by Red guerrillas in Viet Nam are alive and in good health, according to recent reports released by the Christian and Missionary Alliance. The missionaries were captured by Viet Cong raiders at an Alliance-sponsored leprosy hospital. It was thought they were taken to care for wounded Viet Cong men.

The leader of the raiding party which kidnapped the missionaries was captured recently. He said he had been with them until a short time before his capture. The missionaries are Dr. Ardel Vietti of Houston, Tex., head of the leprosy hospital; Archie Mitchell of Ellensburg, Wash.; and Daniel Gerber of Dalton, Ohio.



Answered by Ernest S. Williams

# YOUR QUESTIONS

*Do you think we should observe Easter when the name originally referred to a heathen goddess?*

I am told that the term "Easter" can be traced from Eastre, the ancient Teutonic goddess of spring. In the Primitive Church the death and resurrection of Christ were celebrated in conjunction with the Jewish Passover, but the Nicene Council in 325 A.D. officially separated the Christian festival from the Passover by changing the date to make it correspond with the observance of the pagan carnival called "Easter." Instead of honoring the goddess of spring, the people were taught to honor the resurrection of Christ on this occasion. The old term is still used in some lands. The Greeks call it "Pascha." So do the Russians. The Swedes call it "Pask." The French call it "La Paz." These terms stem from the Hebrew "Pesah" which means "to pass over." On Good Friday we commemorate the fact that "Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us," and on Easter we celebrate the glorious fact that "He is risen." The goddess of spring is long forgotten; the term now denotes the celebration of the Resurrection.

*Why does Easter always come on Sunday if the time of its observance is based on the seasons of the moon?*

It is based on lunar reckoning (that is, the seasons of the moon) only partly. Easter has always been related to the time of the Passover, the date of which is determined by lunar reckoning. For many years there was a controversy over the date of Easter. Eventually it was decided that Easter should be "the first Sunday after the first full moon that falls on or next after the vernal equinox (March 21 in the Gregorian calendar); if the full moon happens on Sunday, Easter is celebrated one week later" (Webster).

*How can a person deal with sinful thoughts?*

Sinful thoughts are suggested to all of us. Only when we harbor them in our hearts do we become guilty of sin. If sinful thoughts come, reject them by lifting your heart to Jesus and turning your mind to other thoughts.

*Why don't we practice a love feast or agape in connection with the observance of the Lord's Supper, such as the Early Church practiced?*

Scripture indicates that a love feast, consisting of a meal, was enjoyed by the Early Church in connection with the Lord's Supper. However, the love feast was abused. It became an inordinately lavish banquet. Paul therefore wrote to the church at Corinth recommending that regular eating should be done at home and that eating in the church should be confined to the observance of the Lord's Supper (1 Corinthians 11:17-27). The Church today follows Paul's admonition.

*Is it scripturally proper to call a Christian minister "reverend"?*

The term "reverend" is found only once in the Bible (Psalm 111:9), in which case it is attributed to God. However, reverence means to show ordinary respect as well as veneration. Mephibosheth did *reverence* to David (2 Samuel 9:6). Children should *reverence* their parents (Hebrews 12:9). Wives should *reverence* their husbands, showing them honor as the head of the family (Ephesians 5:33).

To address a Christian minister as "reverend" is an expression of honor and respect to him as a servant of God. There is a need for more reverence (but not worship) to be shown to the worthy minister.

*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).*

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# New York Assembly Reaches Out to Neighbors

By JOSEPH R. FLOWER  
*Superintendent of the New York District*



The new church under construction at Earlville, N. Y., is scheduled for completion soon. Arden Morton is pastor.

A CHURCH NEED NOT BE LARGE TO do extension work in nearby communities. Proof of this is evident in the opening of a work in the country community of West Brookfield, N. Y.

Last July 15, Stephen L. Reese, a member of the board of the Earlville, N. Y., Assembly of God, began services in a meeting house erected by the Society of Friends in 1900. This was the result of a burden Brother Reese had carried on his heart for about three years. For many years the church flourished under the Friends, but due to a population shift it had been closed for some time.

Permission had been granted for the use of the building, which seats 125, providing the property is maintained by the Assemblies of God. Two new Sunday school rooms are being constructed in the balcony.

The Sunday school has been averaging 32, and a top attendance of 43 in the Sunday afternoon worship service has been reached. A fine group of young people has been organized as Christ's Ambassadors. They meet each Sunday following the worship service. The auditorium was recently filled for the showing of a Billy Graham film, after which four decisions for Christ

were made. Altogether thus far, eleven have decided for Christ.

A number of folk from the Earlville church, including the pianist, the song leader, and Sunday school teachers, help regularly. The Earlville church itself has only been in existence since July of 1955, when it began under the ministry of Dean Harrison in a store front, with about 15 persons attending. The attendance now averages around 50. The present property, which is a large house situated in the heart of the village, was purchased in September of 1957.

Arden Morton came to serve as pastor in April, 1960. A new building, costing approximately \$15,000, is now being constructed, and is scheduled for completion this spring. It will be 40 by 48 feet in size, with a beautiful cathedral glass front, and will accommodate 160 persons in both Sunday school and worship services.

Earlville Assembly is one church that is doing its share in "Break-through—8000." This is the way we shall succeed in reaching our goal nationally. ◀◀



This was the attendance one winter Sunday at West Brookfield, N. Y. A board member of the Earlville Assembly has been conducting services in the Friends Church at West Brookfield since last July.

## PRAYER REQUEST

The Home Missions Department has been informed that Oscar D. Butterfield, pastor at Fairbanks, Alaska, received an injury which crushed and almost disintegrated a disc in his back. Brother Butterfield is desperately in need of prayer.



Speed-the-Light funds contributed toward the building of this pioneer church in Springfield, Colo.

# Hunting Trip Results in New Colorado Assembly

By RUTH LYON

A HUNTING TRIP! A CITY WITHOUT an Assemblies of God church! A challenge! A new church! This is the sequence of events which led to the opening of a pioneer work in Springfield, Colo., a town of 2,000, in August, 1960. Now, a brand-new Assemblies of God church houses a fine little congregation in Springfield, the county seat of the "Broomcorn Capital" of the United States. The town was settled by the promoters of a Land and Town Company from Springfield, Mo., and on incorporation in 1889 adopted its name.

While driving through Springfield on a hunting trip, the Leland E. Bascoms became burdened to open a church in this thriving Colorado town. They have been in the ministry since 1924 and have pastored eight churches in Oklahoma, Texas, Arkansas, and Colorado. Having helped to start four new works, the Bascoms still have the pioneer spirit. From this family, two sons, two sons-in-law, one daughter and one daughter-in-law are ministers in the Assemblies of God.

After much prayer, Brother and Sis-



Stephen L. Reese (left), pastor of the new West Brookfield, N. Y., Assembly, stands with Pastor Arden Morton of the Earlville church.

ter Bascom felt it to be God's will for them to resign their church, Bethel Heights, at Gentry, Ark. In August, 1960, they held the first service in Springfield in the Legion Hall, which they rented for the following nine months. Fifteen people attended the first meeting. For the first month of services, attendance averaged 23. Now it averages 30. The Bascoms bought a tent and used it one summer. Two other Assemblies families moved to Springfield about the time the Bascoms began services and they furnished the music for the services.

The next step was to buy a lot for \$500. One family contributed \$300. Soon the little congregation began to build a church.

The church borrowed \$2,000 from the National Home Missions Department and \$300 from the district revolving fund, and received \$750 from district Speed-the-Light funds. It was not sponsored by any church or group. The building is 30 by 50 feet, with three Sunday school rooms, a nursery, and two rest rooms. The church cost around \$4,000 for material (labor was donated) and is appraised at \$13,000.

Springfield's strategic position as the county seat increases the potential for full-gospel ministry in the area. It is the hub around which the economic activity of Baca County revolves. The town has three school buildings, one a beautiful new high school. In 1960 Baca County ranked twenty-first among the nation's leading agricultural counties for sorghum acreage. In 1947 Baca County was the richest agricultural county in the nation in per capita income. The primary source of income among its 6,500 inhabitants is ranching and farming.

Baca County's plentiful pheasant, wild turkey and antelope attract many hunters in season. A small petrified forest, Indian paintings, an aban-

doned copper mine, and Robber's Roost on the Cimarron River (a hang-out for rustlers who used to extract toll fees from trail herds crossing the river) add to the county's interest.

Baca County has a colorful history and is rich in Western and Indian lore. Wagon trains cut the South Sante Fe



L. E. Bascom is pastor of the new Assembly in Springfield, Colo.

Trail across its boundaries. In pioneer days Baca County was the scene of many large roundups and trail herds.

The area comprising Baca County was claimed by Spain in 1541, and in 1823 became a part of Mexico when that country declared its independence. In 1836 when the Republic of Texas was established, it belonged to that nation, and was an integral part of Texas when it was admitted to the Union in 1845, but later was ceded to the United States as public domain. It was included in Kansas Territory when it was created in 1854, and in Colorado Territory when organized in 1861. It was a part of Las Animas County when Colorado entered the Union in 1876, and became a separate county by act of the State Legislature in 1889.

The influence of our new church in Springfield is already telling for God in the community. Pray with the enthusiastic pastors and congregation for a great ingathering of souls. ◀◀

# Are You Wondering Too?

By EVANGELIST TOMMY BARNETT  
Kansas City, Kansas

*Many sincere friends are wondering what it means to be "saved," not realizing how very simple it is.*



WHILE PRESENTING THE GOSPEL IN a city in northern California, I was approached after one of the evening meetings by an elderly, well-educated businessman, and questioned as follows:

"Look here, sir! There are hundreds of religions in this country, and the followers of each sect think theirs the only true one. How can a man like me discover the real truth?"

I considered this question for a moment, and then I replied, "Hundreds of religions, you say? That's strange. I've heard of only two."

"Oh, but surely you know there are more than that?"

"Not at all, sir. I admit that I find many shades of difference in the opinions of those comprising the two great schools. However, there are but two. The one covers all who expect salvation by their doing; the other, all who expect salvation by something being done for them. So you see, the whole question is very simple. Can you save yourself, or must you be saved by another? If you can be your own savior, you do not need my message. If you cannot, then you may well listen to it."

The man looked at me for a moment, and then said, "I believe you are right, but it would be so helpful if you could give me a further explanation of what is meant by being *saved*."

After my audience with this man, I began to give serious thought to the countless millions in the world today who would not know what I was

talking about if I were to ask them, "Are you saved?" Perhaps you are also wondering...

"Saved" is one of the most wonderful words in the English language. Yet, it is a word feared by many. Although it brings comfort, confidence, and assurance to many, it is extremely offensive to others. Some have tried to boycott it altogether.

It is not a complicated word invented by theologians. It is a common Biblical word. However, in some religious circles it is no longer circulated as freely as it once was. In other circles it has suffered devaluation, and many people feel that it has passed out of fashion. BUT it is still the *one word* that declares the true reason for Jesus Christ, God's beloved Son, being dispatched to this world on an errand of mercy. He came to earth so that men everywhere could be *saved*. This is what Jesus said He had come to do. This was the heart of the apostles' message. It sums up the whole divine program of God in the world. It is the point of Jesus' coming; of His life, His death, His resurrection, His coming again! It is the theme of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation.

Today millions of men and women testify to the experience of "being saved." They are not boasting! They are bearing witness to something that has happened to them—a work of divine grace in their lives. They actually have an inner assurance of their eternal well-being.

The "saved" man gives no credit to

himself—puts no confidence in himself. He simply trusts Christ. He believes in the redemptive work of Christ, and in the Word of His promise. He is not proud, just grateful! It is not conceit when a man believes he is saved. Nor is it humility not to believe it. If Jesus Christ is to be trusted, and if the Bible is to be taken seriously, then men ought to be aware of being saved. Men ought to glorify God because of it.

Think what God has provided for mankind through the gift of the Lord of Glory. God, looking down from the gates of heaven, saw this planet, doomed, damned, crushed, and bound for hell. He saw you and me struggling beneath our load of sin, bound and unable to free ourselves. He made His decision in the council halls of eternity. The angelic hosts bowed in humility and awe as heaven's Prince of Peace, the Lord of lords, who could speak worlds into being, got into His jeweled chariot, went through the pearly gates, and across the steep of the skies. And on a still Judean night, while the stars shone in their splendor, and the escorting angels sang His praises, Jesus stepped out of the chariot, threw off His heavenly robes, and became a human Babe. He came to this world to save and redeem man from the consequences of sin.

So you see, to be "saved" means exactly what it says. It means to be SAFE! It means to be safe from the penalty of sin. It means to be safe eternally! This is the only true security available to man in this world today.

Being saved does not mean we are sinless. It does not mean the saved man will never sin or fail. But, it does mean that God has provided a Saviour, whereby all men may receive forgiveness for sin. It does mean that man has repented and asked God's forgiveness and help to overcome temptation. Being saved means that a man is trusting in the grace of God, that he has received the gift of grace, which is eternal life through Jesus Christ. The saved man is not working for salvation, he has RECEIVED it! He already has it. It is a gift from God, through His Son, Jesus, our Lord and Saviour.

And so, dear friend, this is God's message to you. You can be saved if you want to be. God loves all men. The person who is not saved is the

person who refuses the gift of God, for "the blood of Jesus Christ, his Son, cleanseth us from all sin." This is the detergent, the remedy, the cure for the ills of the human race.

If you are disillusioned, confused, bewildered, and beset by the temptations of sin, Christ offers the hope of forgiveness. If you wrestle with a thousand moral and intellectual prob-

lems, He offers peace of mind and "joy unspeakable and full of glory."

"God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8).

If you are wondering, there is hope for you, whatever your sins may be. When you come to Jesus Christ by faith and receive Him as your Saviour, you will be saved! ←

As a result of the rally, these Men's Fellowship groups are going out into their areas with the Christ's Ambassadors to distribute the newspapers.

The results of this literature crusade have been so gratifying that the committee has decided to sustain this phase of evangelism throughout the summer.

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A similar program is being launched across the country by the National Christ's Ambassadors Department of the Assemblies of God. Using copies of *The Last News*, our youth will minister to teens and adults in a special evangelism outreach called PROBE.

PROBE is a follow-up to the unusually successful "Operation Saturation," during which teens distributed almost 3,000,000 copies of a tiny booklet called *Chicken*. Projected figures indicate that nearly 1,000 teens accepted Christ as Saviour as a result of this winter evangelism program.

Dates for PROBE nationwide are May 19-26, coinciding with graduation activities in many areas of the country. The National C. A. Department has set a goal to distribute 1,000,000 copies of *The Last News* to teens and adults during that week.

Copies of *The Last News*, the evangelism piece for PROBE, are now available from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield Missouri, at the following rates: \$16 for 1,000; \$9 for 500; and \$2.75 for 100. This gospel newspaper is sold at actual production cost plus postage and handling. Because it is made available at cost, orders must be placed in multiples of 100. A free sample of *The Last News* will be sent on request to the National C. A. Dept., 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo.

## 'PROBE' LAUNCHED IN NEW YORK CITY

ONE OF THE MOST SUCCESSFUL LITERATURE programs ever launched in New York City is now in progress. Teen Challenge workers, together with Christ's Ambassadors and other Christian workers, have been invading the streets of the nation's largest city with a unique tabloid-size newspaper called *The Last News*. The headline of this gospel newspaper screams, "CHRIST IS COMING." Thousands of these newspapers have been distributed in subways, high schools; Times Square, and wherever crowds gather.

This unique newspaper has a sudden and dramatic impact. Adults especially have been stirred by its message.

The newspaper carries actual photographs of earthquakes and disasters which have taken place in the past few years. The prophetic significance of these events is brought into focus in accompanying stories.

The Teen Challenge team in New York City has set its goal to distribute 250,000 newspapers. Nearly 100,000 have already been distributed. Workers have been stirred by the fact that a majority of the people who receive the newspaper have never heard the message of Christ's impending return. They have been spurred into action by this verse: "And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him" (Matthew 25:6).

PROBE was launched in cooperation with the Men's Fellowship of the Huntington Station Assembly of God, Long Island, New York. At the invitation of Arthur Holmberg, Men's Fellowship director, Dave Wilkerson (Teen Challenge director) conducted a rally at Huntington to present the challenge. Five other sectional Men's Fellowship groups cooperated, and over \$2,000 was raised for the project.

LAUNCH PROBE—Pastor Graves (holding newspaper) joins other members of the Teen Challenge committee in looking over the first shipment of 100,000 copies of "The Last News," a gospel newspaper being distributed successfully in New York City. Left to right are: Charles Shaffer; Reg Yake; William Behr; Frank Reynolds; Lt. Col. J. DeSanctis; Arthur Graves; Capt. Paul Delena; R. Stanley Berg; and Dave Wilkerson.



By **EVANGELIST WALLACE S. BRAGG**  
*Spokane, Washington*

# Parents, Be Pentecostal

IN THE PENTECOSTAL EXPERIENCE God has provided for all hungry-hearted people a great spiritual legacy. It is for children as well as adults. The apostle Paul teaches that it is greater than anything preceding it (2 Corinthians 3:7-11).

It is not merely a shout and a dance, a freedom from man-made laws of religion, or a denomination. Pentecost is a God-given experience. And those who enjoy this rich experience today are called Pentecostal.

The initial outpouring of the Holy Spirit occurred on the Day of Pentecost. This feast was regularly celebrated by the Hebrew people as a time of special thanksgiving unto God for the harvest bestowed upon them. The spiritual empowerment by the Holy Spirit was a fulfillment of type and shadow related to this special occasion.

So significant were the happenings and results of that occasion (Acts 2:

4) that it has become our solemn duty to preserve this great gift from God in all its scriptural fulness, power, and reality. We should observe its practices and teach them to our children in all completeness, so that they in turn may possess the true Pentecostal experience and pass it on to future generations. When Moses was about to descend from the mount, God said to him, "Look that thou make them after their pattern, which was shewed thee in the mount" (Exodus 25:40). As long as we honor the Pentecostal pattern set forth in the Book of Acts, our God will be with us.

Ministers and parents need to emphasize the precious Pentecostal truths before their children and congregations. It is not enough to rest upon a past personal experience; we must be Pentecostal daily.

Fathers and mothers, be Pentecostal before your children! Let them know that you have accepted Christ as your

personal Saviour. Live and practice the Christian life and its principles before them. Teach your children the way of salvation and lead them to Christ in your home.

Let your children hear you pray earnestly—fervently—as Jesus' disciples heard Him pray. His faithfulness in prayer brought His disciples to Him with the request, "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11:1). Honor God by conducting your own family altar service daily. Bring into it every member of your family, even the infants; exclude none. Make this the most important activity of your daily routine. Remember, the family that prays together, stays together, not only for time but also for eternity.

Parents, let your children hear you speak in tongues. Do not be afraid to live this Pentecostal experience before your family. They too need to know the sweetness and comfort of Isaiah 28:11, 12, "For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing."

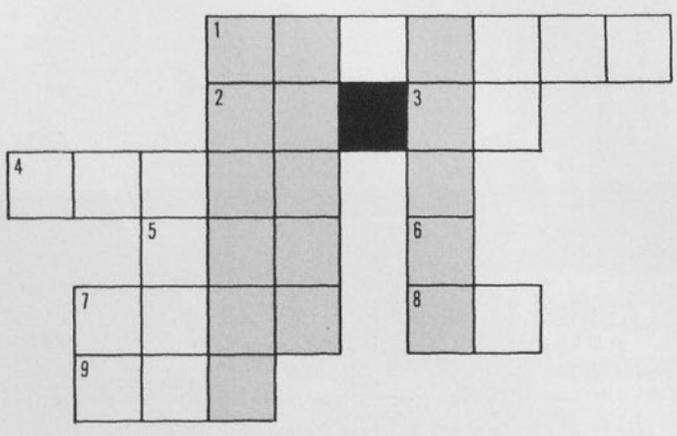
Let your children know that you firmly believe in divine healing, by turning to the Lord for healing when sick. Give the Great Physician every opportunity to heal them. While we would say nothing against the medical profession, it is our duty to indoctrinate our little ones in the faith that



## MESSAGE OF EASTER

YOUNG READER'S FEATURE  
BY DICK CHAMPION





Some words are missing from the Bible verses below. Fill them in on the puzzle, plus two other words whose meanings are given below.

All words in the puzzle go across. But when you have filled in the puzzle, you'll find the message of Easter up and down in the gray squares.

**ACROSS:**

"He is (9) \_\_\_\_\_ here, but is risen" (Luke 24:6).  
 "Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen (1) \_\_\_\_\_ (5) \_\_\_\_\_, and the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in (6) \_\_\_\_\_ place by itself" (John 20:6, 7).  
 "And it came to (7) \_\_\_\_\_, that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them" (Luke 24:15).  
 "And he said unto them, What manner (3) \_\_\_\_\_ communications are these that (8) \_\_\_\_\_ have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?" (Luke 24:17).  
 (2) \_\_\_\_\_—an informal way of saying hello.  
 (4) \_\_\_\_\_—very, very hungry.

**ANSWERS:**

*Christ lives today.*

1—clothes; 2—hi; 3—of; 4—starved; 5—he; 6—a; 7—pass; 8—ye; 9—not. The message, up and down, in the gray squares—

Jesus heals all manner of sickness. He is the Great Physician today. A young mother testified recently that her baby boy suffered with earache. Her praying had not brought relief. But when her husband came home from work he took the little lad into a bedroom to pray. Presently he returned and the boy was healed completely. God had answered prayer.

Their faith was strengthened, and an example in faith had been set before their child.

Acts, the great textbook on Pentecost and its results, clearly shows the marvelous and varied ministry of the Holy Spirit through the lives of the apostles. How happy we should be to teach and preach its doctrines, and to practice and maintain them before the

eyes of our children in this new generation.

In order to preserve our Pentecostal emphasis, characteristics of the Early Church need to be stressed. In Acts 1:14, they were as one people in prayer and supplication. Acts 2:1 finds them all with one accord in one place. Acts 2:46 tells of their united at-

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## 'Mother' Bender Called Home

MRS. WILLIAM BENDER OF NEW CASTLE, Pa., affectionately known to her friends as "Mother Bender," was called to heaven on January 11, 1963. Her pastor, S. W. Brewer, has kindly written an account of her Homegoing for the benefit of the many EVANGEL readers across the U.S. and in foreign lands who knew and loved Mother Bender.

Sister Bender arose early on Tuesday morning, January 8, to read her Bible and to pray, but found she could not read. She was ill, but not seriously, and stayed in bed that day and the next. On Thursday she was up and sat in her rocker in the afternoon and evening.

During these days she often praised the Lord for His goodness and sometimes she would give utterance in other tongues. Twice she sang the chorus:

*Trust in the Lord and don't despair,  
He is a Friend so true;  
No matter what your troubles are,  
Jesus will see you through.*

Some birthday mail arrived on Thursday and she enjoyed the greetings and letters. In the evening she and Dad Bender, with their daughter Ruth, had devotions together as usual. After reading the Scriptures they read a portion from *Traveling Toward the Sunrise*. These were the words she enjoyed so much:

*Thou standest on the threshold  
Of days which are unknown,  
Thou standest at the gateway  
Of paths unmapped, unshown;  
But God Himself is with thee,  
Thy Saviour, Keeper, Friend,  
And He will not forsake thee  
Nor leave thee to life's end.  
Thou standest and thou askest,*



Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bender

*"What have the days in store?"  
He answereth thee, "Blessings!  
Yea, blessings more and more."  
What form each blessing taketh  
Thou mayest not yet know,  
But blessing upon blessing  
He waiteth to bestow.*

On Friday, her 89th birthday, Mother Bender arose at seven o'clock and sat for an hour in the rocker; then she went to bed and to sleep. Shortly after nine that morning a change was noticed; she breathed heavily. In five minutes she answered the call of the Lord and went into the presence of the One she loved. What a birthday!

One of the grandchildren commented: "There is a sense of peace and joy in knowing that Grandma is standing today where she prepared all her life to stand."

When the younger grandchildren heard that Jesus had taken Grandma to heaven, they said, "It's time to sing, 'In the Morning of Joy.'" This song was sung by the congregation at the church funeral, and again at the grave, together with the hymn, "I Will Meet You in the Morning, Just Inside the

Eastern Gate." After the singing there was a most comforting message in tongues and interpretation.

Mother Bender, orphaned at an early age, always had a great love for any who were in need. Her home was always open to young people. Many were the ones she helped.

She taught the young men's Bible class for years and her prayers were ever for her "boys." Later she taught in the Junior Department until she was eighty years old.

Not only the Sunday school but the cause of missions also was very close to her heart. Missionaries and other ministers found a welcome in her home.

She was one of the stalwart saints of early-day Pentecost. Last year she and Dad Bender marked their sixty-fifth wedding anniversary, rejoicing in the faithfulness and mercy of the Lord. They had seen all of their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren saved.

All seven of their own children are active in the service of the Lord. Two sons, Gordon and Ralph, are Assemblies of God ministers. Two daughters, Mrs. Norman Spong and Mrs. Irving Meier, are wives of Assemblies of God ministers. Their daughter Ruth was a missionary in Liberia for several years, and since that time has served faithfully in the home church continuously. The other two children are Christian businessmen; both of them are active church and mission workers, and members of the Gideons.

Pastor Brewer writes: "I felt it was a great privilege to have known this wonderful Christian mother and homemaker. Her funeral stands out as unique in the blessing and sweet presence of God, among all the funerals of my twenty-five years' ministry. Praise God for what He can do with and through a yielded life!"



# A Promise Fulfilled

Sunday School Lesson for April 21, 1963

1 KINGS 4:20, 21, 26-34; JAMES 3:17, 18

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

The reign of Solomon was the golden age of the nation of Israel. In his days Israel reached heights of glory to which after all these centuries they still long to return. Solomon's reign may be viewed typically as a foreshadowing of the reign of Christ over that kingdom for which we are taught to pray, "Thy kingdom come." It is in this typical aspect that we shall treat the lesson.

## THE KING

"And God gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much, and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the sea shore." It was for this Solomon had prayed (1 Kings 3:5-9) and God had granted him his request. Nor did Solomon ask selfishly seeking keenness of perception, sagacity, and knowledge in order to exalt himself over others, but rather that he might guide properly the destiny and guard the welfare of God's chosen people. This God-given wisdom was the secret of the prosperity and blessing which attended his reign.

Similarly, Christ is designated by Paul as "the wisdom of God" (1 Corinthians 1:24), "in whom are hid all

## WHAT WE NEED TODAY



the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Colossians 2:3). Isaiah 11:2 declared, "The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding." Among other attributes it is the wisdom of Christ which is the root of the blessedness which shall characterize His reign on earth.

## THE KINGDOM

1. *Its Extent.* Solomon's empire included the territory from the Euphrates River on the east to the Mediterranean Sea on the west, and to Egypt on the south, thus fulfilling in part God's promise to Abraham in Genesis 15:18. Psalm 72, which is either descriptive or prophetic of Solomon's kingdom, can be strictly true only of the kingdom of Christ who "shall have dominion from sea to sea." We see not yet "all things put under him," but the time is coming when "the kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ" (Revelation 11:15).

2. *Its Duration.* Solomon's reign lasted only forty years. Christ shall "reign forever and ever."

## THE SUBJECTS

1. *Their Number.* "Judah and Israel were many, as the sand which is by the sea in multitude." This fact should remind us that innumerable multitudes shall stand before Christ and rule and reign with Him (Revelation 5:11; 7:9; Daniel 7:10).

2. *Their Character.* Solomon ruled over Gentiles as well as Jews which reminds us that when Christ reigns on earth He shall rule over a people among whom no distinction of race, color, or creed shall be known.

Practical considerations also arise out of the greatness of the number of people over whom Solomon ruled. Says one writer: "But think of a great nation—what complex relations; what slumbering energies; what rich resources; what mines of undeveloped thought; what boundless possibilities of good or evil, of glory or of shame! Consider... the tremendous responsibility of those who are set to guide its forces, to guard its interests, to control its destinies." At the outset of his reign Solomon keenly felt this burden of responsibility. He asked, "Who is able to judge this thy so great a people?"

## THE REIGN

Solomon's reign was: (1) *Joyous and Prosperous.* "Eating and drinking and making merry"—such things in themselves are not sinful, nor indicative of carnality, unless carried beyond the bounds set by God. This joyousness and prosperity which Israel enjoyed is but a faint foretaste of the "joy unspeakable and full of glory" which shall characterize the kingdom over which Christ shall rule on earth. (2) *Peaceful.* "And he had peace on all sides round about him." This peace was a fulfillment of the prophecy which attended Solomon's birth; his very name means "the peaceful one." The peacefulness of his reign was the outcome of his wife and just rulership.

Here again are both typical and practical truths. Christ is "the Prince of Peace." When the government of this world is upon His shoulders, righteousness shall cover the earth and peace shall abound. The practical truth is that true wisdom and righteousness in the life of an individual or nation tends to produce peace (Isaiah 32:17; James 3:18).

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# WHY JESUS TARRIES



*Can it be that Jesus is holding open the door of salvation for one more penitent?*

By EVANGELIST MARLON JANNUZZI  
*Molalla, Oregon*

ONE OF THE GREATEST PROMISES JESUS gave His disciples was that of His second coming. In John 14:2, 3 He said, "I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, *I will come again*, and receive you unto myself." On the day He ascended to heaven two angels also bore witness that He would "come [again] in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven" (Acts 1:11).

This promise is the hope of the church. Paul told the Thessalonians to "comfort one another with these words," and encouraged Titus to keep looking for the "glorious appearing" of our Lord.

Still, precious as this promise is, God has withheld the fulfillment of it for almost two thousand years!

Many look with confusion at this unexpected delay. Some say, "My Lord delayeth His coming," and begin to eat and drink with the drunken, forsaking the life of holiness and separation they once lived. But rather than stagger through unbelief at the promise of God, let us remember that in His great plan there is a reason He tarries.

It is not prophetic technicalities nor satanic opposition that delays our Lord's return; but a much more personal matter. Prophecy has been fulfilled to the point where Jesus said we should "lift up [our] heads; for [our] redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28). Satan, though he tried, could not hinder Jesus on His first mission to earth, nor will he thwart God's plan now. Possibly you and I

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are more responsible for our Lord's delay than many other factors we may suggest.

Peter wrote, "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, *not willing that any should perish*, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). This means He tarries that more may be saved; He does not want to shut the door of mercy to any. This is both basic and ultimate: *He tarries for souls!*

## ON A WORLDWIDE SCALE

Jesus is tarrying for souls on a worldwide scale. "And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; *and then shall the end come*" (Matthew 24:14). I believe it was Oswald J. Smith who said, "What right has any man to hear the gospel twice, until every man has heard it once?" God wants every man to hear the gospel; He is waiting for them to hear. He is waiting for our missionary program to catch up with the demands. He waits for us to see the need of a lost world, and accept the challenge to meet that need.

The heathen are our responsibility, and every Christian must become a "missionary" if we are to reach them. Some say, "I'm a Christian, but I don't believe in missions." If Christ had not become a "missionary" to this world, leaving His home in heaven to lay His life down on "foreign soil," there would be no Christianity. You have a debt to missions!

Some feel no obligation to support the mission program of the church, but if we fail to reach the heathen while we have opportunity we defeat the purpose of God. Christ told His followers to "go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Every Christian should be willing to go if God calls him to a foreign field. Those that cannot go should "pray without ceasing" for those that do, and support them systematically with a monthly offering. God has given us the time and means to take the gospel into all the world. If we fail Him the blood of many who have not heard may be required at our hands.

## ON A LOCAL SCALE

He is tarrying for souls on a local scale. Your community is part of the

# New Materials Now Available for National Family Week

NATIONAL FAMILY WEEK (MAY 5-12) will receive new emphasis in Assemblies of God churches across the country this year. The National Sunday School Department at Springfield has prepared a special mailing to pastors which tells about new materials now available for emphasizing Christian home life.

At a time when the family unit of American life is gravely weakened by the increase of divorce and lack of strong moral principles, an awakening to the importance of Christian standards for families is greatly needed.

The Sunday school and church cannot do in one or two hours a week a task which Christian parents ought to be doing every day. Christian training is basically the responsibility of the parents. The church and Sunday school can only assist.

For this reason the Sunday School Department has prepared a new book-

let, *For the Christian Family*, which outlines ways of conducting family worship, how to lead a child to Christ, and other pertinent matters. Copies of this booklet would make appropriate gifts for all families in the church.

A mailing giving full information about this and other items for National Family Week was sent to Assemblies of God pastors around April 1st. Samples were included in the mailing. In addition to the above-named booklet there is a family worship pledge card with an area for each member of the family to sign.

Materials also are being provided to assist pastors in stressing a revival of the family altar in every home.

Any pastor who fails to receive this mailing may obtain free samples from the National Sunday School Department, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri. National Family Week begins May 5 and ends on Mother's Day, May 12.

## General Superintendent Emphasizes Importance of Christian Homes

Development of many outside activities has taken a heavy toll on the Christian home in recent years. Yet, perhaps no single force has as strong a bearing on growth of the church as does the well-ordered family life.

There is no way of telling what great tragedies might be avoided if the needed emphasis were placed on the importance of the family as a unit. Divorce, juvenile delinquency, unhappiness, nervous disorder, and many other problems might be wiped out if the family had daily Bible reading, prayed together, and honored Christ in all phases of home life.

During the annual Family Life Emphasis we urge all pastors to stress the importance of the Christian home and to lay a renewed emphasis on Biblical standards in family life. It could mean the difference between a strong and weak church in years to come.

—By Thos. F. Zimmerman

reason He tarries. He is waiting for you to have revival in your church, and see your friends and loved ones saved. He does not want to shut the door before your loved ones get in.

Many today take a cold indifferent attitude toward the work of the church. How foolishly we spend the time God gives us without doing anything of spiritual value! Every day is another opportunity for us to be a witness in our community; to lead some soul to Christ; to "stand in the gap" through prayer, and share the burden of the church, working with our pastor to win the lost.

The story is told of a pastor who decided to resign from his church because no souls were being saved. While talking to the deacons about it he discovered that they had not been witnessing. They promised that if he would stay and give them another chance they would witness. He consented, and in the first week one deacon won eleven souls! Altogether they won thirty to the Lord by the first Sunday. Jesus has tarried to give us

another chance to win our friends. He is counting on us!

### ON A PERSONAL SCALE

During His lifetime Jesus often went out of His way to minister to a single person. He drew crowds of thousands, but never lost His concern for the individual. Once He purposely waited by a well while His disciples went to town, just to preach to a Samaritan woman. On another occasion He crossed the Sea of Galilee to help a poor demon-possessed man for whom few, if any, had any concern. He is just as interested in the individual today. You and I are part of the reason He tarries. He is waiting for us to "make our calling and election sure!"

Many Christians in these last days have become indifferent about spiritual things. Where there once was great zeal for God, there is often lukewarmness now. Remember, it was the lazy unprofitable servant—the one who hid his talent—that lost everything and was appointed a portion with the unbelievers and hypocrites.

Jesus tarries that we may put all our talents to work; that we may stir ourselves and prepare our hearts for His coming. Let us not grow weary, "for yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry" (Hebrews 10:37).

If you are not a Christian, Jesus has tarried to give you another chance to accept Him. He is "not willing that [you] should perish, but that [you] should come to repentance." He does not want to come and find you unprepared. However, you must not take lightly your opportunity to accept Christ. He will not tarry forever. If you ever intend to be saved, "now is the accepted time!" This may be the last day He will tarry, and the last chance you will ever have to be saved!

As we consider current world events, we must surely realize that the end is near. How much longer our Lord will tarry, no one can say. "Therefore, be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh" (Matthew 24:44). ◀◀



# Great ABC Radio Advance Places Revivaltime on Many New Stations

## Greater Support Needed to Meet the Increased Airtime Costs

By D. V. HURST  
National Secretary of the Radio Department

A RECORD NUMBER OF 434 STATIONS now air the *Revivaltime* broadcast service. With this increase in number of stations releasing *Revivaltime* and its wonderful full-gospel message, there also are greater airtime costs which must be met.

An upsurge of new interest in radio stations affiliating with the ABC radio network has developed since the introduction of the new network format with news-on-the-hour. At present there are 426 ABC-affiliated stations. Many of these new stations have elected to accept *Revivaltime* into their programming schedule.

As a part of the ABC radio network contract, any individual ABC-

affiliated station may elect to release *Revivaltime* and receive pay for the airtime cost. Thus, it is mandatory that the radio department meet this additional cost each time another ABC-affiliated station desires to take the *Revivaltime* broadcast service from the network wire. Such new stations releasing the broadcast service have increased our weekly cost by more than \$300.

In 1953 the General Council in session recognized the great opportunity to place *Revivaltime* on the ABC radio network and commissioned the radio department to contract for time. This was done, and in December 1953 the broadcast service went "live" on the

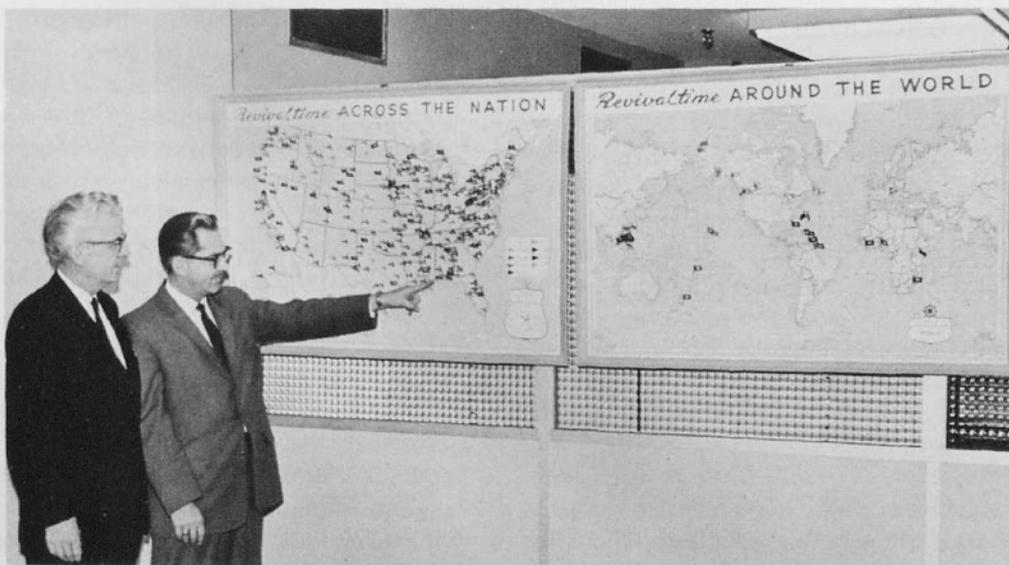
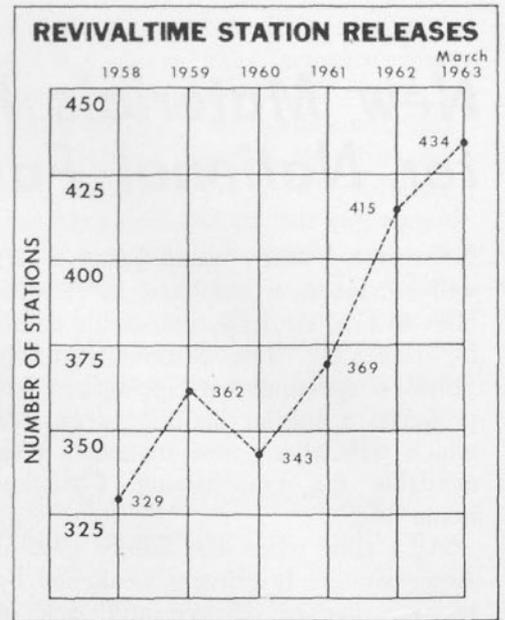
ABC radio network. The contract has been renewed each year since that time, making possible the release of *Revivaltime* on many of the most powerful stations in the nation.

This was an answer to long-standing prayer by many throughout our fellowship. The full-gospel message was now being proclaimed "across the nation and around the world." We rejoice that additional radio outlets are now available to us. Most religious broadcasters find it impossible to get such network time. *We must continue to use this opportunity to extend our full-gospel ministry.*

While there has been some increase in giving to *Revivaltime*, it is far from sufficient to meet the additional costs now facing us. In order to take advantage of every one of these unusual radio opportunities, *we must have your help immediately to meet this emergency.*

During each of the first three months of 1963 we have failed to meet the increased costs of keeping *Revivaltime* on the air. This pattern cannot continue. We must meet our obligations regularly each month. *You can help us by sending an extra offering this month, either through your church or direct to REVIVALTIME, BOX 70, Springfield, Missouri, U. S. A.*

Less than twenty-five per cent of our Assemblies of God churches now contribute to *Revivaltime* regularly. If each church will give one dollar each week our financial needs will be met. Increase your church's outreach for lost souls by including *Revivaltime* in your church's giving. ◀◀



Executive Director of Radio Bartlett Peterson and National Secretary D. V. Hurst look over the maps showing the current number of *Revivaltime* releases around the world. The maps, which are constantly updated as new stations are added, are on display in the Radio Department.

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# Parents, Be Pentecostal

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tendance at the place of worship and unity in doctrinal belief.

In Acts 4:24, the church is found united and standing up well under pressure. Opposition and persecution were being felt, but the early believers stood their ground and refused to deny their experience with their Lord. Persecution, instead of splitting their ranks, strengthened and emboldened them in the gospel.

Possibly the most practical test of their unity was found in the area of their material needs (Acts 4:32). Their godly love for one another was proven by their willingness to share their possessions so that none might suffer want.

The manifestations of the Spirit must be honored in our services. It is written, "Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings" (1 Thessalonians 5:19, 20). God will make much of the one who makes much of the Holy Spirit. We cannot expect genuine Pentecostal results in our services when we use human methods only. Let us not be fearful to defer to the Holy Spirit in our services. The Holy Spirit knows the way to open hearts that are closed to Him.

It was the phenomenal that brought rapid growth in the early days of this great movement. It will serve the same good purpose today and in the future. If we reject these operations of the Holy Spirit in our services, what are we more than any other church? Herein lies our distinctive Pentecostal testimony.

One of the great features of our Pentecostal services has been the bright, joyous, triumphant testimonies of God's power in lives. There is great persuasiveness in a personal testimony. Let us keep testifying to the saving grace of God so more souls may be persuaded to follow Christ. We need to retain our testimony services.

Nothing can substitute for the sound preaching of the whole gospel of Jesus Christ. "It hath pleased God through the foolishness of preaching [not foolish preaching] to save them that believe" (1 Corinthians 1:21).

## Crusade Issue Still Available

A quarter million copies of last week's special Crusade Issue of THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGEL were printed and thousands of extra copies have already been shipped. Orders are coming in from churches and individuals alike. Be sure to mail your order before the supply is exhausted. The price is only \$2.50 per hundred copies, postpaid to any U.S. address. Minimum order at this special price, 100 copies.

Nothing will take the place of the pure unadulterated Word of God preached under the anointing of the Holy Spirit. God still honors His Word.

As we have been faithful in the past, God wants us to retain this Pentecostal treasure. It is our glorious privilege to preserve it for our children. God has given us standards, let us maintain them. May we be faithful to our Pentecostal truths in the home and in our churches. God help our ministers and our parents to BE Pentecost! ◀◀



## CHRISTIAN EDUCATORS CONFERENCE

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD



### JUNE 7-9

## ATTENTION: PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS

The Department of Education of the Assemblies of God is convening a special conference of Christian educators. One of the prime purposes is to explore the role of the Christian teacher in the public school. Dr. Richard Strahan of Houston, Texas, will be featured. Mail the coupon for complete information.

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# Evangelism BREAKTHROUGH

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



LAYTONVILLE, CALIF.—First Assembly had a good revival meeting with Evangelist Doug Payne of Olive, Calif. Many hearts were stirred and sinners saved. A woman was healed of an affliction from which she had suffered 14 years. The church especially appreciated the evangelist's awareness of the distinction between entertainment and revival.

—C. L. Myers, Pastor

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HORNBECK, LA.—The Assembly of God here reports a profitable five-night meeting with Evangelist B. W. Flanagan. The church was edified and rejoices over the salvation of a teen-ager. Prior to this a successful meeting was held with Evangelist and Mrs. A. G. Calaway. Attendance and interest in the timely messages were the best ever.

—H. E. Moss, Pastor

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LAKELAND, FLA.—Skyland Chapel Assembly reports a fine revival with Evangelist Charles Cooper of Jacksonville, Fla. Several were saved, and some were filled with the Holy Spirit. The meetings were well attended.

—Sammy Mizell, Pastor

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YELM, WASH.—Old-time Holy Ghost conviction was evident in services conducted at the Assembly of God here by Evangelist L. H. Sheets of Los Angeles, Calif. One teen-ager was saved, four backsliders knelt in repentance, 13 persons were filled with the Holy Spirit, and three refilled. Meetings held previously by Evan-

gelist C. G. Roberts helped to prepare believers for this wonderful outpouring of the Spirit.

—K. R. Oldham, Pastor

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ORLANDO, FLA.—A truly refreshing atmosphere pervaded the revival meetings at the Conway Assembly conducted by Evangelist Robert J. Price of Michigan. This resulted in record attendance. One person was saved, one baptized in the Holy Spirit, and a number healed through the power of God. Every service was begun with prayer, Bible reading, and a brief exhortation from the pastor. Various persons participated as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. As a result, the congregation is learning the possibilities of "being continuously filled with the Spirit." There is an urgent spirit of expectation in the services, and a burden for evangelism in this community.

—Charles V. Newbold, Pastor

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CUERO, TEX.—In the latter part of November a fellow pastor, N. L. Lestarjette from Mission, Tex., held a few nights of meetings at the Assembly of God here. God so used this young man, who was preparing to go to the mission field, that the meeting was continued for two weeks. It has been years since such a mighty moving of the Spirit of God has been manifested. People were prostrated under the power of God and some received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. A spirit of revival continues.

—A. H. Roever, Pastor

AMARILLO, TEX.—First Assembly enjoyed a one-night service with Evangelist Raymond T. Richey of Houston, Tex. It was a time of spiritual refreshing. A child who had been afflicted with twitching of the eyes was instantly healed.

—E. R. Foster, Pastor

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JACKSONVILLE, ILL.—A new youth hall was completed and a "Teen Challenge" started during recent meetings at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist Johnny Barton and co-worker. Despite sub-zero weather there was a good attendance with many newcomers present. The Holy Spirit moved upon young and old alike. Sinners were saved, and believers received the Baptism almost every night of the one-month crusade. The church was especially thrilled as God moved upon the hearts of some local gang leaders who were converted and in turn led their friends to Christ and into the infilling of the Holy Spirit. After accepting Christ as Saviour, they went to the chief of police and to the probation officer to confess their previous misdemeanors. The blessings of God continue upon the regular services.

—W. A. Gardner, Pastor

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BAUXITE, ARK.—Much benefit was derived from a recent revival at the First Assembly of God here with Evangelist Yvonne Pennington of Louisiana. Six persons were saved, six others reclaimed, and five baptized in the Holy Spirit. However, the results of this meeting could never be calculated in numbers alone. It was a revival where every family in the church received a special blessing from God. The evangelist's awareness of the moving of the Spirit was particularly appreciated.

—Fagan J. Flowers, Pastor

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MARION, IND.—Attendance was exceptionally good during a recent revival at Westside Assembly with Evangelist Leland Lebsack. Twenty found Christ as Saviour and several believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. More than 300 were present for the last service when the evangelist gave an illustrated sermon on the great Judgment Day. The people were visibly moved to prepare for eternity. Westside Assembly, which began as a pioneer work five years

ago with eight present the first Sunday morning, has had a continuous revival recently with as many as 437 in Sunday school. Average attendance last year was 283.

—A. W. Thomason, Pastor

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ST. ALBANS, VA.—First Assembly was recently blessed by a great campaign under the ministry of the Musical "Vanns." It was one of the best-attended revivals in the history of the church. In three weeks over 100 visited the church for the first time. Over 20 knelt for salvation, and one received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. A spirit of revival continues and two persons have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit since the meetings closed in January.

—R. L. Mallory, Pastor

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CLINTON, ILL.—A most glorious campaign has just ended at the Assembly of God here with Evangelist Joseph DeGrado and family. Each night of the three-week revival sinners were saved—many of them from deep sin. A large number of persons were filled with the Holy Spirit and scores testified to divine healing. Despite bad weather, crowds were the best in the history of the church.

—C. R. DePrenger, Pastor

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OAKDALE, LA.—Calvary Assembly experienced a gracious visitation of the Holy Spirit recently in a revival with Evangelist Charles B. Taylor of Houston, Tex. The anointed preaching and singing blessed and inspired the congregation each night.

—Clarence E. Teagle, Pastor

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ADRIAN, MICH.—In a pre-dedication revival at Bethany Assembly of God, the ministry of Evangelist Arthur F. Thornton of Saginaw, Mich., was signally blessed of God. Brother Thornton's morning Bible studies on the gifts of the Spirit and his evangelistic preaching at night were well received by the people of this community throughout the two-week meeting. A Methodist minister from Ohio and part of his congregation traveled fifty miles to attend these meetings in quest of more light on the baptism of the Holy Spirit and to earnestly seek the Promise of the Father at the altar of prayer.

—Arthur G. Clay, Pastor



Part of the 360 who attended Sunday school are shown in front of the Westside Assembly in Marion, Ind., during the meeting with Evangelist Leland Lebsack. A. W. Thomason is pastor.



### CHURCH AT ADRIAN, MICH., NOW DOUBLED IN SIZE

Bethany Assembly of God in Adrian, Mich., now worships in a building twice the size following dedication of a large addition. The pastor, Arthur Clay, is shown in front of the recently enlarged structure which stands on a three-acre tract with a large parking lot.

Brother Clay has been pastor at Adrian since 1951. The church outgrew its former facilities and moved into a new building in 1956. Less than five years later the congregation voted to tear out one wall and add a large wing which doubled the seating capacity of the sanctuary and the Sunday school facilities. The present building (appraised at \$200,000) will seat 700 persons in the main auditorium. It also has two smaller auditoriums on the ground floor and thirty classrooms and offices.

## Many Pentecostal Experiences Reported in Upper Midwest

MINNEAPOLIS (Religious News Service)—“Speaking in tongues” has become a growing phenomenon in Upper Midwest Protestant churches.

Hundreds of pastors and laymen in Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota claim to have experienced the “spiritual speaking.”

Although it has been confined mainly to small prayer groups and private devotions, many congregations have become divided over its use and value. Related experiences in “spiritual healing” also have been reported.

When a Christian speaks in tongues, he makes ecstatic utterances that cannot be identified as human language, except by the gift of interpretation.

Because of the questions the current phenomenon has raised in the American Lutheran Church, a panel was devoted to the subject at a national pastors’ convocation at Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul.

(A recent article in the *Lutheran Standard*, organ of the ALC,

reported that about two dozen pastors and several hundred laymen of the denomination have had “speaking in tongues” experiences. The article said a denominational commission was studying “these reported manifestations of the Holy Spirit’s power.”)

On hand to evaluate the phenomenon at the seminary convocation were a North Dakota pastor and a Montana church official who reportedly have had first-hand acquaintance with it.

The pastor, the Rev. Richard J. Beckmen, Reeder, N. Dak., said the phenomenon is “but a small part” of a larger movement credited to the Holy Spirit which is bringing new spiritual power to ministers and laymen who seek it.

Dr. Reidar Daehlin, Great Falls, Mont., said he had concluded that the phenomenon “filled a hunger to personalize the Christian faith” and gave church members a chance for expression. At the same time, he warned there are dangers in the movement.

Pastor Beckmen was invited to participate as one who engages in “spiritual speaking” while Dr. Daehlin, president of the ALC’s Rocky Mountain District, took part as one who had counseled many pastors in his district involved in the movement.

Mr. Beckmen said the church “will find tremendous renewal and tremendous power if it will be open to what the Holy Spirit has to offer.”

Dr. Daehlin said he felt it would be a mistake for the ALC to either condemn or encourage “speaking in tongues.” He said it

is “dangerous” to overrate a certain gift because it is more “sensational” and noted that the phenomenon provided “a ready-made opportunity to classify the ‘haves’ and the ‘have-nots’” which he deplored.

Pastor Beckmen, in answer to questions, said the speaking was “an expression of praise which has released within me power to praise God that I never knew existed.”

There are times in prayer groups, he said, when he feels “especially led” to pray in tongues. When he does, usually more than one person can “interpret” what he said and there is “edification” for the whole group.

Some division over the question of “spiritual speaking” was later reported in one suburban Minneapolis Lutheran church where the pastor and others who claim the

“gifts” of the Holy Spirit told about their experiences at a congregational meeting called by the church council.

The pastor later told a reporter that the movement had brought a “deeper spiritual life, a stronger faith and an awareness of Christ in everyday life” to many members of his congregation.

Some 200 persons across the Twin Cities’ area have been attending informal meetings devoted to Bible study and prayer, as part of the movement locally.

The meetings, held in a south Minneapolis Lutheran church, have continued for five hours and longer and have included “speaking in tongues” and prayers for healing.

Those attending seek a deeper spiritual life for themselves and a revival for the Church, it was explained.

## ‘Speaking in Tongues’ Spreads to Yale University

NEW YORK (Religious News Service) — Pentecostal-style “speaking in tongues,” a growing phenomenon in traditional denominations in the Midwest and California, has spread to the New England campus of Yale University in New Haven, Conn. About 20 young men, most of them affiliated with the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship at Yale, have told university chaplains that they have experienced “tongues” and received the “baptism of the Holy Spirit,” according to a special report in the March 3rd issue of *The Living Church*, an Episcopal weekly published at Milwaukee. The magazine carried pictures of several students interviewed.

The faculty of “tongues” is recounted in the New Testament in Acts 2:4. On the Day of Pentecost, it says, the apostles “were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” The spread of the manifestation, which is usually confined to Pentecostal churches, has been reported in various parts of the country for the last two and a half years.

Robert V. Morris, 21, of Detroit, president of the Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship at Yale, estimated that the “tongues” phenomenon had been experienced by between 2,000 and 10,000 Episcopalians. Last fall the Episcopal



### NEW CHURCH DEDICATED IN CHATTANOOGA, TENN.

The new sanctuary of the First Assemblies of God Church in Chattanooga was dedicated recently. Earl Blythe, Tennessee District Superintendent, was the guest speaker.

According to the pastor, Charles O. Lee, approximately \$20,000 in labor and material was donated by members and friends of the church in constructing the new building. J. O. Lowe, Sr., was the contractor. In addition to the main auditorium the building (size 52 by 120 feet) has a C. A. hall, Sunday school rooms, office, pastor’s study, nursery, and baptistry.

## LELAND SHULTZ NOW WORKING WITH CHI ALPHA GROUPS

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Leland G. Shultz, former director of C. A. and Sunday school work in the Minnesota District, is now associated with the National C. A. Department. He is serving as College Youth Representative of the Assemblies of God.

Brother Shultz, a native of California, graduated from Southern California College, Costa Mesa, with a B. A. Degree in Theology. Beginning his ministry in 1948, he was ordained by the Northern California and Nevada District of the Assemblies of God in 1951. He has served as pastor at Jerseyville, Ill., Oakland, Calif., Slayton, Minn., and Sherburn, Minn.

While in Minnesota he served on the staff of North Central Bible College, Minneapolis, and edited *Minnesota Youth*, a religious publication.

In his new capacity Brother Shultz will work with more than 12,000 Assemblies of God students who are attending secular colleges.



Leland G. Shultz

Establishment of Chi Alpha (C.A.) chapters on college campuses throughout the U.S. will be his major duty. He also will edit *Campus Ambassador*, the Chi Alpha publication produced by the Assemblies of God for all college youth.

Brother and Sister Shultz and their four children are residing in Springfield.

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House of Bishops issued a statement on "new movements" in the Church, such as faith healing and speaking with tongues, urging Episcopalians to be "generous and charitably critical" towards those who have these experiences.

The young men at Yale said they felt moved to speak with tongues after a visit to the campus by the Rev. Harald Bredeesen, pastor of the First Reformed Church of Mount Vernon, N. Y., last October. Mr. Bredeesen is on the board of directors of the Blessed Trinity Society, Van Nuys, California, which is dedicated to charismatic renewal of traditional church life through "tongues," spiritual healing, and other manifestations. The Society publishes *Trinity*, a quarterly magazine, which contained testimonials by the Yale students in its Christmastide issue.

### OVER 400 STUDY STEWARDSHIP BOOK

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN—More than four hundred Sunday school workers registered for the annual training course held this year in Milwaukee's Gospel Tabernacle. C. M. Ward, *Revival-time* speaker, was the instructor.

Each year a dozen or more Assemblies of God churches from the city and suburbs of Milwaukee cooperate to sponsor and produce this mutually advantageous training program. John Bryant, city

Sunday school chairman, expressed his pleasure with the gratifying results and asserted he was doubly pleased since the number registered this year was doubled over 1962. Each session was entertaining, instructive, and captivating as Brother Ward taught. *This Is Stewardship*, by George Brazell, was the training course manual used. Participating pastors were Howard Lecher, Wilbur Mandigo, John Bryant, Jerry King, Ralph M. Davis, Harbey Flaherty, Elmer Bryant, John Wannemacher, John Rohrer, Azof Jashinsky, and John Congellier.

### GOSPEL PREACHED AT COUNTY FAIR

DOUGLAS, ARIZ.—First Assembly of God in Douglas actively participated in the 1962 Cochise County Fair.

"When the director of the Fair Organization remarked that no churches ever displayed at the fair, we quickly offered our services," writes Pastor Clarence L. Collins. The president of the Chamber of Commerce, learning of this, requested the church to present an afternoon of sacred music and singing Sunday.

The display booth was arranged to show activities of various departments of the church, as well as the cardinal doctrines of the Assemblies of God. The Women's Missionary Council, Sunday School, Youth, and Men's Fellowship departments were presented.

In addition to distributing gospel literature, the church presented Western-style gospel singing programs Friday and Saturday afternoons. The fair project offered many priceless opportunities to present Christ to persons who never darken the door of any gospel church.

### REVIVAL AMONG CENTRAL NEW JERSEY C.A.'S

BAPTISTOWN, N. J. — The young people of the Capital Section of New Jersey have been enjoying some of the greatest services of their lives in the past six months.

A high tide of God's blessings came recently when the Evangelaire Concert Choir from Northeast Bible Institute, Green Lane, Pa. presented a sacred concert.

Many of the C.A.'s never experienced the power of God as it was manifested so richly that night. There were 211 in attendance. As a result of the concert seven were saved, seven others reclaimed, nine refilled with the Holy Spirit, fourteen rededicated their lives to the Lord, and five were called into the ministry. The Capital Section C.A.'s are on the move.

—by James Occhipinti

Sectional C. A. Representative

### COLLEGE BAND AND CHOIR ON TOUR

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Area-wide concerts by the Evangel College Concert Band and Choir will be held at Indianapolis and St. Louis in April.

On Monday, April 18, they will be in the Intro-Zaring Theater, Indianapolis.

On Friday, April 19, they will be at the Kiel Auditorium in St. Louis.

In each case the concert will begin at 8 p.m. Earlier engagements included a concert in Chicago on April 6 and one in Detroit on April 8.

The concert choir and band will present a dramatized musical program, "Living Sound and Song," with narration, special backdrop, and lighting effects. The program will include classical, patriotic, and sacred music.

Jesse Peterson, head of Evan-

### CORRECTION

In the March 10th issue of the *Evangel* we published a picture of the new church home of the Assembly of God in Greenfield, Ind. James F. Rowell is the pastor of this church but due to a typographical error the name appeared as James F. Flower. We regret this mistake.

gels' music department, will conduct the concert band; and Hope Collins, a member of the Evangel College music faculty, will direct the concert choir.

The programs are sponsored by the Assemblies of God churches and cooperating organizations in each city. Ticket sales are under the direction of local committees.

### CHURCH REDECORATED

FAIRLAND, OKLA. — The Long Assembly of God near Miami, Okla., has lately undergone a complete redecoration, with the addition of new pews.

At the dedication service on February 3 the church was honored with the presence of three former pastors: Ray Rickner, Preston Roberts, and E. J. Brooks. There were several of the older charter members among the crowd.

—by W. C. Vernon, Pastor

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL NAE CONVENTION—April 23-25 at Statler-Hilton Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

9TH ANNUAL NEW YORK DISTRICT COUNCIL—May 13-15 at First Assembly of God, Hyde Park Blvd., and South Ave., Niagara Falls. U. S. Grant, speaker. For reservations write Host Pastor Albert Fisher, Sr., 2186 Langdon Rd., Ransomville, N. Y. —by Paul R. Buchwalter, district secretary-treasurer.

EASTERN DISTRICT C. A. CONVENTION—Apr. 11-12 at Jaffa Mosque, Altoona, Pa. B. Owen Oslin, speaker. Music by the Couiers Quartet, Potsdam College Brass Ensemble, and Evangel College Concert Band.—by Chester P. Jenkins, D-CAP.

SACRED CONCERT by King's Choralists of Central Bible Institute, April 16, 8 p.m. at Bethlehem Church, Richmond Hill, Queens, N. Y.—by Wm. J. Behr, pastor.

DEDICATION AND HOMECOMING—Apr. 22 at First Assembly of God, Chowchilla, Calif. Afternoon and night services. New Sunday school annex to be dedicated. Also South San Joaquin Sectional Fellowship.—by Floyd W. Baker, pastor.

DEDICATION of First Assembly of God, Kingsport, Tenn., Apr. 14 at 2:30 p.m. John W. Roush, speaker.—by Edward Roush, pastor.

### WITH CHRIST

JAMES R. LONG, 75, of Whiteville, Tenn., recently went to be with Jesus. Receiving his first ministerial credentials in

# EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

1955 as a licensed minister and a member of the Indiana District, Brother Long did evangelistic work and pastored in Mt. Vernon (1958-59) until they moved to Tennessee. He pastored a short time in Savannah, but due to ill health had to retire from full-time ministry. Brother Long is survived by his wife and three children.

CHARLES E. ROBERTS, 84, of Eureka, Calif., died recently of a heart attack. Ordained in 1935 and a member of the Northern California-Nevada District, Brother Roberts held pastorates in Fortuna and in St. Helena, Calif. He was superannuated in 1943.

CHARLES N. CRONE, SR., 68, of Mechanicsburg, Pa., went to his eternal reward January 8. His death was attributed to a heart attack. A licensed minister with the Eastern District, Brother Crone was instrumental in bringing the Pentecostal message to York County, Pa., by his pastorates in Roblers, Dover, Newville, and Mechanicsburg. He is survived by his wife and four children.

LOLA BRETHOUWER, 45, wife of Kenneth Brethouwer who is pastor of the First Assembly of God in Ogden, Utah went to be with Jesus on December 14. She was a member of the Rocky Mountain District, having received ministerial license in 1949. Other than her husband, Sister Brethouwer is survived by five children.

BESS D. ANDERSON, 85, of Groves, Tex., fell peacefully asleep in Jesus on December 2. An ordained minister for 52 years, she was present when the General Council of the Assemblies of God was organized in 1914 at Hot Springs, Ark. Sister Anderson served as evangelist and co-pastor in Texas with her husband who preceded her in death in 1960. She was a member of the South Texas District. Sister Anderson is survived by a daughter.

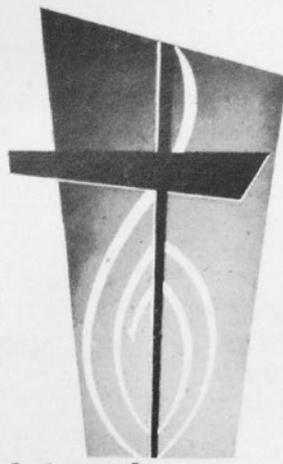
MILTON W. RICHARDS, 78, of Wilmington, Del., went to his reward in glory on January 17. Ordained in 1925 and a member of the New York District, Brother Richards served as pastor and evangelist. The pastorates he held were in Rochester, N. Y., (1926-27); Wilmington, Del., (1927-39); Long Branch, N. J., (1942-46) and Albany, N. Y., (1953-55). From 1946 to 1953, Brother Richards ministered as an evangelist. He was superannuated in 1956. Brother Richards is survived by his wife, Ruth (a licensed minister), and a son.

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR	
Ala.	Phenix City	First	Apr. 7-19	Woodrow Oxner	W. L. Baker	
Ark.	Malvern	First	Apr. 14-28	A. G. & Mrs. Calaway	J. C. Dickinson	
Calif.	Arvin	Meridian	Apr. 7—	Tommy & Darlene Beard	T. J. Lemons	
	Auburn	* First	Apr. 16-21	Virgil & Edythe Warens	Paul R. Keeth	
	Azusa	First	Apr. 14-28	H. M. & Mrs. Barfoot	Al Jacob	
	Covina	A/G	Apr. 21—	Bobby Black	J. B. Lindsay	
	Crescent City	A/G	Apr. 14—	L. H. Sheets	D. L. Rhodes	
	Davis	A/G	Apr. 21—	Lloyd Perera	Melvin Johnson	
	Fallbrook	A/G	Apr. 2-14	David Bunch	C. D. Holley	
	Laytonville	First	Apr. 8—	Ray & Elaine Leonard	C. L. Myers	
	Salinas	Alisal	Apr. 14-28	T. P. & Mrs. Beck	Joe D. Wright	
	Santa Rosa	First	Apr. 14-28	Ralph I. Cranston	W. O. Vickery	
	Tranquillity	A/G	Mar. 31—	Dorothy Foster	Louis Lee	
	Colo.	Grand Junction	Bethel	Apr. 17—	Dewey L. Heath	W. F. Wilson
		Lakewood	First	Apr. 7—	D. L. Brankel	Hubert Surratt
	Fla.	Tampa	Sulphur Springs	Apr. 13-21	Don Parker	J. R. Hardt
Ga.	Augusta	Lakeview	Apr. 14-21	Jeffrey Smith	A. G. McCall	
Idaho	Fort Hall	Indian	Apr. 16-21	Wesley Pollet	John Bennett	
	Granite City	First	Apr. 17-21	John French	Paul Evans	
Ill.	Rock Falls	A/G	Apr. 10-14	The Tanner Team	H. W. Lutz	
	Wood River	First	Apr. 14-28	Winferd Mack	E. R. Bucher	
Ind.	Lebanon	* A/G	Apr. 16-21	Paul Hild	John Washler	
Iowa	LeClaire	Full Gospel Tab.	Mar. 31-Apr. 14	Bonnie M. Ruble	William Lane	
	Hiawatha	Calvary Temple	Apr. 14—	George Gregg	Sarah Pittman	
	Hutchinson	** First	Apr. 9-14	Christian Hild	Russell Rexroat	
	Kansas City	Maple Hill	Apr. 3-21	L. M. Addison	Moses Copeland	
	Olathe	A/G	Apr. 14-28	Joe Johnson	E. E. Henley	
	Topeka	First	Apr. 10-21	Musical Lebsacks	Paul Lowenberg	
	Mich.	East Tawas	A/G	Apr. 16-21	Daniel D. Roehl	George Krish
		Monroe	A/G	Apr. 9—	W. J. Domm	Eldred Jukuri
	Minn.	Muskegon	East Broadway	Apr. 9-21	Jerry & Mrs. Roberts	E. E. Froats
		St. Louis	A/G	Apr. 9-21	A. F. Thornton	R. G. Muirhead
Miss.	Brainerd	A/G Tab.	Apr. 18-21	Bob & Pat Ludwig	Melford Olson	
	Minneapolis	City of Lakes Ch.	Apr. 17-19	C. M. Ward	W. A. Katter	
Mo.	Hattiesburg	** First	Apr. 16-19	Christian Hild	Blan M. Stout	
Mont.	Maplewood	Revival Tab.	Apr. 3-14	Roland Hastie	A. L. Burnett	
	West Plains	A/G	Apr. 8—	Loyd Middleton	G. A. Gaddis	
Nebr.	Shelby	A/G	Apr. 16—	Norman Erickson	Elmer M. Trygg	
N. Dak.	McCook	First	Apr. 17-21	Mel Jennings	C. A. Sailors	
	Westerville	A/G	Apr. 7-21	C. M. Smitley	Harley Stahl	
Ohio	Irvington	Calvary Temple	Apr. 14-28	Johnny Garrison	Reginald Yake	
	Bismarck	Evangel Temple	Apr. 9-21	Frank Martin	Lloyd Jorgenson	
Okla.	Grand Forks	A/G	Apr. 16—	Joseph DeGrado	W. L. Serdahl	
	Akron	A/G	Apr. 6-20	Musical Vanderploegs	R. D. Dobbins	
Oreg.	Wadsworth	** First	Apr. 14-21	Tommy Wilson	Charles S. Celentano	
	Enid	First	Apr. 3-14 (a.m.)	W. D. Rice	Earl Kelly	
	Muskogee	First	Apr. 14-28	Kenneth McGee	S. J. Colburn	
	Owasso	First	Mar. 31-Apr. 14	J. W. Henegar	Charles Tomlinson	
	Pauls Valley	First	Apr. 14-28	Al Davis	Billy McCarty	
	Tulsa	Lewis Avenue	Apr. 14 (p.m.)	W. D. Rice	John L. Human	
	Pa.	Creswell	A/G	Apr. 14-28	Paul VanWinkle	Thermon A. Scevers
		Clairton	Calvary Pent. Ch.	Apr. 16-21	Olshevski Musical Tm.	J. Clayton Sheridan
	Tenn.	Clearfield	Glad Tidings	Apr. 14-28	J. B. Woolums	James Snyder
		Fallentimber	Hollentown	Apr. 14-28	Carrie B. Hunsberger	J. B. Kelly
Freeport		Gospel Tab.	Apr. 14-28	J. E. & Mrs. Douglass	C. F. DeArmitt	
Kingsport		First	Apr. 7-14	John Eller	Edward Roush	
Tex.	Memphis	Hollywood	Apr. 14-19	Bob Olson	T. E. Scruggs	
	Amarillo	San Jacinto	Apr. 14—	Ervin & Mrs. Asiatico	J. E. Burkhalter	
Wash.	Andrews	First	Apr. 7—	James H. Black	R. V. Luna	
	Dallas	Bethel Temple	Apr. 14-22	Bob Hoskins	Jess Jackson	
	Dallas	Skyline East	Apr. 14-28	Jerry Dee Hill	C. A. Bird	
	Houston	Shady Oaks	Apr. 7-17	Melvin Boatright	Billy Sanders	
	Lubbock	Faith	Apr. 9-21	Bob & Jeri Winford	Sam Waganer	
	Whitehouse	First	Apr. 16—	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	J. T. Davis	
	Yoakum	First	Apr. 14-21	Bob Huie	Arthur E. Hokett	
	Va.	Norfolk	Fairmount	Apr. 14-28	L. C. (Buddy) Creel	D. E. Stewart
		Centralia	Calvary Tab.	Apr. 14—	Lummer Party	O. L. Danielson
	W. Va.	Seattle	Richmont	Apr. 14-19	J. G. Hall	R. E. Southard
Spokane		First	Apr. 14-28	Bob Watters	C. Ralland Bixler	
Wyo.	Oak Hill	Bethel	Apr. 19-21	John Eller	Herbert E. Sublett	
	Ranson	Calvary	Apr. 9-21	H. B. Kelchner	William P. Reed	
Canada	Newcastle	A/G	Apr. 9-21	Jerry & Joy Spain	Howard Cummings	
Japan	Halifax, N. S.	First	Apr. 15-21	W. Clifford Nelson	A. R. Kalamen	
	Tokyo	A/G	Apr. 21-May 19	Donnell-Holler Team	R. A. Hymes, Chm.	

\* Children's Revival

\*\* Youth Revival

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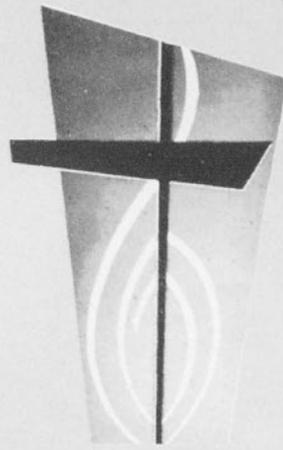
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# Tickets Please!

CLAIRE HAD BEEN ATTENDING THE CITY OF LAKES Church (Assemblies of God) in Minneapolis for several months. One day she said, "Pastor, I wonder if you would have time to visit a friend of ours? His name is Harry Ryder. My husband shared a room with him at the hospital, and talked with him about the Lord."

Pastor W. A. Katter consented immediately. He offered earnest prayer for Harry and made his way to the Ryder home.

Upon entering the house, the pastor stated how happy he was to have Claire present in the church services, and to meet her friends. He learned, from his conversation with Mr. and Mrs. Ryder, that Harry had retired. He was sixty-two years of age.

"What was your business?" the pastor asked.

"Railroading," replied Harry. "I



Pastor W. A. Katter

was with the Milwaukee Road for forty-three years."

"An engineer?" inquired the pastor.

"No, a conductor," answered Mr. Ryder. He mentioned that during the past three years he had not attended church very often. He had suffered two minor strokes during this time.

The pastor stated that the railroads had been very good to him. He said that whenever he had a preaching engagement at some distant point, whether it were in Minnesota or outside the state, he had but to go to the transportation office and he would be issued a free trip "pass."

"Suppose now," he said, "I got on your train, Harry. You are the conductor. After traveling some distance you come to me and you say, 'Tickets, please!' And suppose I don't have a ticket. But I say to you, 'Oh, I thought you would understand. They told me that all I had to do was to call for a pass, but I didn't bother to do this. I decided I would just explain the situation to the conductor...'"

Harry replied, "I would have to put you off the train at the next station. It would be my duty."

"Of course you would," the pastor said. "You would have to do your duty. Now let's think of another railroad we are all traveling—the road of life. The Lord is the Conductor. Soon He will be coming along asking you for your ticket or pass—it's free, you know, for the Bible says, 'The gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.' Suppose you had to say to Him, 'I knew that Christ died for our sins, but I never did anything about it.'"

Harry nodded. He was following very intently.

"The Bible says, 'Repent, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out,'" the pastor continued. "It also says, 'Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.' Harry, have you ever done this? If not, the Conductor would be compelled to put you off this heaven-bound road."

"I see the point," said Harry.

"How about taking care of the matter right now?" the pastor urged.

Both Mr. Ryder and his wife agreed that this was the thing they should do. The three knelt together in the living room of the home. The pastor prayed, asking the Lord to forgive their sin. Both Mr. and Mrs. Ryder yielded their hearts to Christ and put their trust in Him. The pastor pointed them to such Scriptures as Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, John 1:12, Acts 2:21. For the first time the Saviour became real to this elderly couple.

The pastor shook their hands and departed, happy because he had been able to direct two more sheep into the fold of the Good Shepherd.

Two weeks later the church phone rang. It was the Werness Funeral Chapel. Harry Ryder had gone to be with his Lord and the widow had requested that Pastor Katter should take the funeral service.

Brother Katter found it easy to preach this funeral. He knew that Harry was carrying a "pass" so he was prepared to meet the Conductor.

"I give unto them eternal life," said Jesus, "and they shall never perish..."