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By Arthur
Hedley

The Life

For the believer, death means an immediate translation

MAN'S SURVIVAL AFTER DEATH HAS BEEN UNIVERSALLY accepted from the beginning of human history.

To the ancient Egyptians life was a long preparation for death and hereafter. Their art and architecture were alike dedicated to it. Sir Leonard Woolley, a renowned archeologist, in an article on "Digging Up History," takes us back to the days of Abraham (3000 B.C.) and shows how strong was the belief in a life hereafter in those early days.

The spade revealed that when one of the kings of Ur was buried, a great square pit was dug, with a sloping path that led down to it. In one corner of the pit was the vault of the dead ruler. With him were buried all his personal treasures—spears of gold, vases of gold and silver and bronze, an inlaid gaming board to amuse him during his leisure in the life beyond. The entrance to the vault was then walled up. Then down the slope came some sixty to seventy men and women—court officials, musicians, singing women, dressed in robes of state.

After some music, each of them dipped a little cup into a bowl. They drank the contents and lay down drugged. Then the pit was filled in with earth until all were buried. To those buried it was a privilege to continue in the service of their king in another world.

To us this seems to have been a dreadful and futile practice, but it shows how firmly people believed in a future life thousands of years ago.

The Greeks believed that after death the soul lived on as a thin and airy replica of the body. When death visited his family the average Greek drew little or no consolation from his vague and scanty knowledge of life beyond the grave. Inscriptions on the tombs of loved ones bore no word of hope; no mention of a blessed reunion.

The attitude of the bereaved was one of hopeless acquiescence. They yielded their loved one to an inexorable fate, with which it was vain to plead and useless to struggle. No promise of "sunrise tomorrow" cheered that hour of heavy affliction; those whom they buried fell into the dark abyss of nothingness. They

accepted bereavement, suffering, loss, in a stoical spirit without comment, blame, or hope of redress.

On the tombstone of a boy aged twelve his father had this inscription written, "Philip his father laid here his twelve-year-old child, his high hope—Nicotel." Death meant the closing of life's day and the passing into eternal night. The Greek did not question immortality but he drew no consolation from it.

Among the ancient Hebrews the view prevailed that at death a man's shade or ghost went to "Sheol," situated beneath the earth, a land of forgetfulness, shadows, darkness and despair (compare Job 10:21, 22; Psalm 88:10-12). It was a land of no return, a place not to be desired. "There the dead know not anything, neither have they any more reward: for the memory of them is forgotten" (Ecclesiastes 9:5). What survived death was a shadowy resemblance to the once living man; it was bereft of everything personal which characterized him on earth.

But among the pious and enlightened Hebrews there was a growing conviction that the fellowship enjoyed with God in this life could not end with death. Job believed that though his body be destroyed yet in his flesh he would see God, his Redeemer, who would vindicate him to the confusion and shame of his false friends (Job 19:25-27). The Psalmist was convinced that ultimately he would be with God in whose presence he would experience "fulness of joy" and "pleasures for evermore" (Psalm 16:11). In the life beyond he would "be satisfied" when he beheld God's face "in righteousness" and reflected His "likeness."

The Hebrew prophets believed in a resurrection. The righteous dead would be raised by the power of God to share fellowship with Him and to participate in His kingdom (Isaiah 26:19). In Daniel 12:2-3 we have a development of this belief which includes the wicked who will be raised to receive the just punishment for their sins. Thus the way was being prepared for the Incarnation of the Son of God who "came into the world to save sinners" (1 Timothy 1:15), to give us

Beyond

to a life that is "far better."

the sure hope of resurrection and of a life of eternal fellowship with Him in the realms above.

The New Testament is the complement and fulfillment of the Old Testament through its revelation of the life, death, resurrection, ascension and return of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

What of today? What is the view of our Western world in respect to immortality?

It would be true to say most people still believe in some form of life beyond death. A Christian burial is given to the vast majority who pass from time into eternity. At the graveside or the crematorium we bid farewell to the departed "in the sure and certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord," irrespective of a man's past conduct or belief. We leave their eternal destiny in God's hands, who is just in all His ways. A retired Commander of the British Navy, who was an outspoken evangelical and often warned his hearers of the terrible destiny of those who rejected the gospel, said to me one day, "Hedley! We shall meet a lot of people in heaven we never expected to see there." That is true—

*"For the love of God is broader
Than the measure of man's mind;
And the heart of the Eternal
Is most wonderfully kind."*

But it must be sadly confessed that millions, while feebly believing in another life to come, give little thought to it, and it has no influence upon their conduct and character. They live as though it were a matter unrelated to the present. They are so immersed in this world, so attached to their earthly possessions that they have no time, thought, or desire for eternal things.

Many have the vague hope that on the other side they will continue as they lived here but will be far happier. The Bible leaves us in no doubt as to the destiny of those who die unrepentant (see Luke 13: 1-5; 16:19-31; 2 Thessalonians 1:8-10).

Christians believe in a future life vastly different from this present life because they implicitly trust the word

of Christ, the Incarnate Son of God. They believe His witness is true (see John 5:36; 7:17; 8:18); they know it cannot be otherwise since He is "the Way, the Truth and the Life" (John 14:6). He came from heaven, where He enjoyed blessed fellowship with His heavenly Father (John 17:5). With perfect confidence He could speak of that heavenly world to which the redeemed go at death because He came from it. He speaks from first-hand experience. And because He is incapable of deceit He could confirm His statement regarding things eternal with the assertion: "If it were not so I would have told you" (John 14:1-2).

It is true that the veil between earth and heaven is only partially drawn aside, but we know sufficient to be assured that heaven is a reality; that Christ after His resurrection ascended into heaven; that at death we go to be with Him, to join the company of the redeemed, the "spirits of just men made perfect" (Hebrews 12: 23; Revelation 7:9). We have the sure word of Him who said "I go to prepare a place for you, that where I am there ye may be also" (John 14:3).

The Bible tells us that the life beyond is eternal, and that we are in possession of it even now (John 3:36; 1 John 5:11, 12). At death this life of the soul is uninterrupted, and this gives point to the words of Christ, "Whosoever believeth in me shall never die" (John 11:25, 26).

It is the blessed hope of the believer that if the Lord tarries, if His second coming is deferred, he will go to be with Him. For Paul, who was expecting an early martyrdom, death meant an immediate translation to be with Christ which would be "far better" (Philippians 1:23) than continuing in the flesh. Christ meant everything to him. To be with Him, to serve Him in the heavenly realm, Paul regarded as his highest privilege. We have experienced the blessedness of close fellowship with the omnipresent Christ who said, "Lo, I am with you always" (Matthew 28:20). How much sweeter it will be when we see our Redeemer face to face and praise Him for His wondrous love and grace.

*"Saved by His grace I shall meet Him in glory;
What joy will be mine when His face I shall see,
To sing with the ransomed Redemption's glad story:
And there with my Saviour my home will be."*

There is so much more we would like to know about the life beyond; there are so many mysteries to be made clear; but for the present we "walk by faith and not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7). Through faith we have the assurance of the reality. We are certain of the future life God has promised to those who love Him, and from this certain hope we draw comfort, strength, and inspiration. Faith makes eternal things as real to us as our earthly existence. We have "a well-grounded assurance of that for which we hope, and a conviction of the reality of things which we do not see" (Hebrews 11:1; Weymouth's version). We therefore can wait with patience, for soon in heaven our Lord will make all things clear.

*"My knowledge of that life is small,
The eye of faith is dim;
But it's enough that Christ knows all,
And I shall be with Him."*

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Sunday afternoon at the General Council was an unforgettable occasion. Eight thousand people packed Ellis Auditorium in Memphis and overflowed into the Music Hall behind the platform, all of them anxious to see the colorful parade of missionaries in foreign costumes and to have a personal part in the great Global Conquest rally.

The speaker was Morris Plotts, missionary evangelist, and his subject was, "The Crumbling Gates of Hell." Brother Plotts stated that over a billion heathen in the world remain unevangelized.

A cash offering amounting to more than \$8,200 was received during the service. In addition, many made pledges toward the "spiritual attack" that is about to be made on the key cities of Osaka, Santiago, Barcelona, and Lome. Together with the offerings and pledges received in local churches and reported by telephone, the gifts on Global Conquest Day amounted to more than \$70,000.

J. Philip Hogan, chairman of the rally, said that the Assemblies of God has made notable gains in its foreign missions program during the past two years. Total missionary contributions increased and the number of foreign missionaries under appointment reached 830 which, he said, is the highest figure in our history.

Brother Hogan told the Council that the Global Conquest strategy of "attacking" some of the world's great population centers with large-scale evangelistic crusades was resulting in great progress. At the same time, he said, the Assemblies of God is continuing its training program for indigenous leadership in each country, realizing that "in the long view we must build a church of equality and permanence, conserving and consolidating all the way."

The printed report showed that our missionaries are now working in seventy-three countries and we have seventy-three Bible schools, 12,437 national workers, and 947,454 adherents in foreign lands.

All departments of the church have contributed to this forward march of missions. The men have aided the campaigns in key cities through their *Light for the Lost* program. The women have continued to stand by the missionaries with their magnificent *WMC* program. The C.A.'s through their *Speed-the-Light* campaign have provided the missionaries with radio and printing equipment, as well as vehicles of transportation. The boys and girls of the Sunday schools have donated large sums for literature evangelism through *BGMC*.

But the battle is not over. The world is far from being won. More than a billion souls still sit in darkness without the gospel light. "Christianity ranks a poor third among Africa's major religious groups," Brother Hogan reported. "Hinduism is experiencing world revival. In most of the great centers of the Far East, after centuries as a rather passive religion, Buddhism is now becoming vigorously missionary. However, our greatest adversary remains our own deadly lethargy and enslavement by materialism. Were we to really bring to focus on the problem of world evangelism all of our spiritual and material resources, the world could be evangelized in this decade. The ease and luxury of our affluent society have left us spiritually insensitive. We find it difficult to care about the broken and bleeding world because we are not seeing it through the eyes of Jesus, nor are we loving it with His heart."

WATERING THE SEED

A guest in the home of A. B. Simpson rose early one morning to take a walk. As he passed the open door of his host's study he saw him seated at his desk. He noticed Dr. Simpson had finished reading his Bible and had begun to pray. However, he did not drop to his knees beside the desk, nor did he bow his head and close his eyes. Instead, he reached out and pulled toward him a small globe. Turning it slowly, he prayed aloud for all the lost multitudes as the various countries passed beneath his fingers.

Suddenly, unmindful of the guest who was watching, Dr. Simpson put his arms around the globe and hugged it to him. He bent over the globe and wept so that his tears struck the top of the globe, divided, and ran down over each side—until the whole world was wet with his tears of compassion!

Missionaries whom he had trained and sent forth had planted the seed of the Word of God in hearts around the globe—now the elderly mission leader sought to “water” that seed with tears of compassion. God still seeks intercessors who will pray with that kind of spirit.

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WE MUST BEND OR BREAK

During a severe ice storm, trees were heavy laden with the ice which quickly froze to each branch. Many limbs broke off the tall, stately trees and many trees snapped in two. Some were even torn up by the roots as the weighty burden of ice proved too much for them. But the graceful pine trees bent over to the ground and remained there until the warm sun melted their load and they were able to rise again to their upright position.

Often we are like the tall, stately trees—so rigid in our own ways and unwilling to bend ourselves to the circumstances God permits. When the storms of life come upon us we are broken by the weight of our burden. The flexibility and submission inherent in the prayer, “Thy will be done,” will take us unbroken through every storm.

—LOIS ANNE WILLIAMS, in *The Free Methodist*

A GOOD TEST

Some Christian women met in a home for their weekly Bible study. When the leader discovered she had forgotten her Bible the hostess offered to loan hers. She looked where she usually kept it but it was not there. She searched for it, but could not find it, much to her embarrassment. Finally she asked her newly employed cleaning woman, “Mattie, have you seen my Bible?”

The woman responded with, “Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!”

Asked for an explanation, she said, “The first thing I do when I go to work at a new place is to hide the Bible.”

“But why?” asked her employer.

“Just to find out how long it takes the people to miss it. Your Bible is in the linen closet under the sheets.”

—WALTER B. KNIGHT, in *Gospel Herald*



EXALTING CHRIST

If you want your life to be fruitful, exalt Christ. If you want the cooperation and fullness of the Holy Spirit, exalt Christ. If you want to defeat Satan in your ministry and triumph over sin in your life, exalt Christ.

Exalt Him over all doctrines and creeds; exalt Him over all shibboleths and blessings. In Him is the end of strife; in Him is the desire of all nations; in Him is comfort for the mourner and healing for the brokenhearted; in Him is everlasting life. Nothing is aside from Him; nothing is apart from Him; nothing is above Him. He is absolutely all in all.

—*Christian Witness*

PRACTICAL IN PRAYER

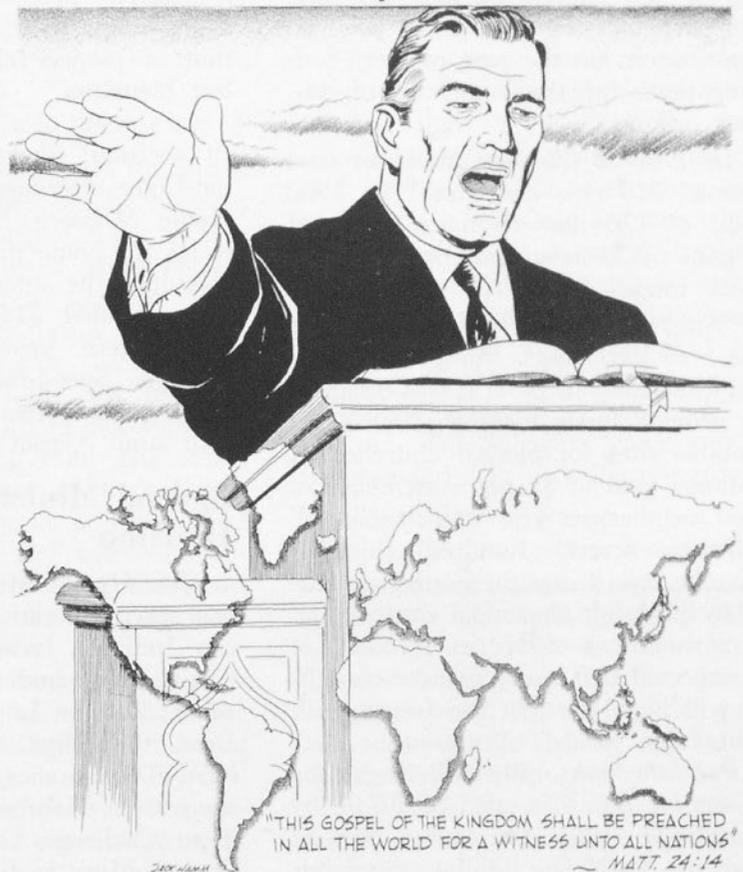
Two little girls from Christian homes had been taught to pray for help in time of need. One morning, as they walked leisurely to school, they looked at a big clock in a window and saw that they were late.

One said, “Let’s kneel down and ask God to help us to get there on time.”

“No,” said the other little girl, “let’s run as fast as we can, and pray as we run!”

—*Gospel Herald*

Divine Imperative



313 New Churches Opened in Biennium



A Report to the General Council at Memphis, Tennessee

By G. F. LEWIS
Executive Director of Home Missions

THE BURDEN OF HOME MISSIONS IS that upon all flesh in this generation shall come the grace of God. To this end, during the biennium the *Breakthrough*—8000 program was launched.

Church Extension Division

Progress in the Church Extension area has been very encouraging. The desire to reach our generation *now* has generated new interest in the opening of new churches across the land. Of particular significance is the rising concern on the part of local congregations for the launching of pioneer efforts.

In 1961-62 the Assemblies of God opened 313 new churches. The 1962 total of 176 new churches indicated a gain of 39 new churches over the 1961 total.

"Sites for Souls," the new facet of the *Breakthrough* program, was launched early in 1963. It was designed to provide funds for the purchase of suitable sites for pioneer churches. A national goal of \$1 per Assemblies of God member per year was established. Already several hundred churches have become "Sites for Souls" churches by pledging an annual contribution of a minimum of \$1 per member. It is expected that many pioneer churches will be blessed in the future with "Sites for Souls" allocations.

Breakthrough rally offerings for "Sites for Souls" totaled \$5,507.97 by March 31, 1963. Of course, this is just the beginning of the "Sites for

Souls" project which presents a great potential for assistance to pioneer churches in obtaining suitable sites.

Church Building and Planning Commission

A total of 144 blueprint sets have been sold since the beginning of the "Plans for Pioneers" program in 1955 and 37 sets were sold within the last two years.

Speed-the-Light

The Home Missions Department transferred \$106,186.90 in Speed-the-Light funds to districts for construction of pioneer churches during the last biennium.

As a result of a 1961 General Council decision, five per cent of Speed-the-Light offerings is returned to the Home Missions Department for vehicles for home missionaries. For the biennium, the amount received for vehicles totaled \$15,667.81. Eight vehicles were provided during 1962 through Speed-the-Light funds for home missionaries on American Indian and Alaska fields.

Special Ministries Division

The Home Missions Department has seven Special Ministries: American Indians, Jews, Prisoners (Teen Challenge is under the Prison Division), Foreign Language Groups, the Deaf, the Blind and Alaskans. We have 708 churches, 35 regular outstations, three Hebrew Missions, and two Teen Challenge Centers operating in Special Ministry fields. (A new Cen-

ter is being opened in Los Angeles.)

As of March 31, 1963, there were 339 home missionaries under appointment, as compared with 310 March 31, 1961. More than 100 home Missionaries have been appointed in the last five years.

Statistics

Reports from the Special Ministry churches for the current years of 1961-62 provide the following statistics: 11,666 people were converted, 2,785 were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and 2,216 were baptized in water. Sunday school attendance totaled 41,191 for 1962 (not counting the deaf groups) and averaged 58.1 per church. Special Ministry churches have contributed substantial amounts to all departments of the General Council.

Alaska

The general picture of Alaska is the most encouraging we have had. The Assemblies of God has 36 churches and three regular outstations, as well as other preaching points and two orphanages in Alaska.

The Arctic Coastal area has greatly developed in the last few years. There is an outpouring of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit are in operation among the Eskimo people.

The Indian work of the interior has been holding steady but has suffered for lack of workers. There have been some most encouraging developments among them and several have been baptized in water and in the Holy Spirit.

Southeast Alaska has shown a

marked development and strengthening of the works. There has been almost a complete change of personnel here recently. Some of the most challenging opportunities are in the Lower Yukon area and among the native population of Fairbanks and Anchorage.

Indian

On American Indian reservations, the Assemblies of God has 106 churches and 34 other preaching points (including 15 new churches and 16 new outstations during 1961-62). Seven Alaska Indian congregations and two Indian outstations are included in these totals.

Deaf

Appointed workers among the deaf minister in 93 cities and 26 states and some minister in state schools for the deaf. A National Deaf Convention conducted in Springfield, Mo., in April, 1962, was well attended.

Five Assemblies of God Bible

schools offer courses in the sign language for hearing students who wish to minister to the deaf.

Blind

The Assemblies of God provides the only full-gospel literature in Braille. One missionary has been appointed to assist the Home Missions Department in producing this literature which is sent free to the blind upon request. Several lay workers are also helping with this ministry. Gospel tapes are available on a loan basis for blind persons who have tape recorders.

Prison

In 1962, a new Bible study course was added to the seven provided by the Prison Division free of charge to prisoners. Thousands of these courses were distributed. *The Pentecostal Evangel* is mailed to all state and federal institutions in the United States and Canada and to many young people in reformatories. ◀◀

them this; but something in the faces of the little knot of people gathered around the door made me stop. Nearly all had loved ones who were out there in the storm. I told them I would try, with God's help, to do what I could.

One of the Eskimo men and I made the plane ready. We wrote messages on heavy cardboard and placed them in burlap sacks with heavy weights to drop them. Then we prayed for guidance and wisdom for a successful trip. Upon take-off the light plane was swept into the air in less than two hundred feet. In seconds we reached an altitude of 300 feet. This proved to be our ceiling in mist and fog. The little plane shook violently and was driven like a leaf before the wind. Out over the heaving ice pack and black water we went.

The fog thickened and began to freeze to the windshield. I felt I must turn back. Suddenly the fog opened in a great corridor before us giving perfect visibility far out to sea. To the left and to the right the wall of fog was heavy. We had been flying over fifteen minutes searching for the camps when suddenly there they were! The turbulence was so severe I dared not get too low among the rough ice ridges. Opening the window I instructed Dave, the Eskimo lad who accompanied me on this trip, to drop one sack, being careful not to foul the elevators and rudder.

The first drop scored a hit about thirty feet from the main camp. When we saw that the message had been recovered we gained altitude and circled for the trip home. Heading back over the ice we could see the village a gray blur in the distance. Perspiration dripped from my hands as we battled the winds on the homeward trip. Coming in for a landing I had to force the plane to the ground as it seemed virtually to stand still in the air. The villagers came out to meet us and help with the tying down of the plane.

In the next twelve hours over thirty men with dog teams, equipment, and small boats had made their way safely across the ice to the shores of home. Then watching, they saw their former campground disappear on the horizon to be swallowed up in the distance. How thankful we are for the plane. How thankful for the providence of God and the protection and guidance of His great hand. ◀◀



Warning by Air in the Arctic

By IDA C. PIPER
Wainwright, Alaska

SPRINGTIME HAD BROKEN THROUGH the winter here in all her warmth and aesthetic beauty. The thirty-foot snow drifts were rapidly shrinking under the violent rays of twenty-four hours of sunlight. Rivers of water were breaking through the ice and flowing madly beneath the ice cap into the ocean. Out on the open tundra brown patches of earth had begun to show. Ducks, geese, trumpeter swans, sea gulls, and many songbirds had returned to brighten the landscape and fill the air with their praise.

The Eskimo people were moving to their little white tents which they pitch beside rivers along the frozen ocean at this season. The whale crews were still out. One white whale had been caught, but they were still looking for the big black fellows.

Then one evening we were caught in the grip of a final Arctic blow.

Twenty-five miles out to sea the whale crews were encamped on the massive ice pack. Nearer, on the home shores, the gales opened up a great crevice in the ice that grew steadily wider as the greater pack broke away and drifted before the gale. Steadily the gale mounted in force. At times it reached 35 to 40 knots, accompanied by fog and freezing rain. The whale crews were unaware of the danger. It was near midnight and we were comfortable by the fire when suddenly there was a knock at the door. It was Eskimo friends bringing word of the stranded men.

They asked me to take the plane and fly out to the camp to warn the whalers of their danger in time for them to escape back to shore. My first thought was to refuse such an impossible trip in this extreme weather. It would be suicide. I started to tell



Deaf group at Sedalia, Mo., is pictured with Pastor Floyd Buntensch and family (front row, second, third, and fourth from left) in whose church they have services.

LET ME BE DEAF

(A MINISTER'S PRAYER)

BY MILTON DAVIS, MINISTER TO THE DEAF IN SEDALIA, MISSOURI

Minister to the deaf in Sedalia, Missouri

PLEASE DO NOT MISUNDERSTAND MY title. This is definitely not a plea for the loss of my hearing. Far from it, for I sincerely thank God for the ability to hear the beautiful sounds of His creation. No, my desire is not to stop hearing, but rather to enter into the world of the deaf so that I may better minister to them. My aim is to be conscious of the deaf in all that I do. It is this idea that leads me to pray, "Let me be deaf."

First, I ask, let me be deaf in my *thoughts* and *expressions*. This is one of the first steps to master in any kind of work among the deaf. Because of their inability to hear, education of the deaf is understandably slow and difficult. In spite of tremendous progress along this line, most deaf people still do not think or talk in the same manner as the hearing do. Their thoughts are not always expressed in complete, grammatically correct sentences, and they usually use simple words. Their minister needs to be able to think in their language so he can understand and help them.

One outstanding characteristic of the deaf is the frankness of their thoughts and words. For example, they do not hesitate to call a person a sinner (even in his presence) if

he is unsaved. I do not criticize them for this: instead I commend them. Too often we hearing people have a middle ground; but to the deaf, sin is sin. A person is either on God's side or the devil's; he cannot straddle the fence. Let me be as the deaf in facing the important issues of life. Let me *think* as they think; let me understand them that they may, in turn, understand me as I present to them the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Let me be deaf, also, in my *emotions*. It is often difficult for a hearing person to understand the emotions of the deaf, although they experience emotions just as we do. They have both joy and sorrow, both love and anger; and their minister needs to understand and share these emotions in order to help them. Let me share their defeats, and let me share their victories. When they are crushed by the weight of some burden, then let me also feel the pressure that I might intercede to God for their needs.

Finally, let me be deaf, I pray, in my *actions*. Of course, any encounter with the deaf is an experience filled with actions—signs, charades, and pantomimes—for the deaf communicate mostly with their hands. It is this communication that I wish to per-

fect. I pray for quick correlation of eye and mind so I may receive from them the ideas they are trying to communicate. And then, when I attempt to teach them, I plead for clear thoughts and expressive hands, for these are so essential in a ministry such as this.

Also included in the actions of the deaf are their spiritual experiences. One who has had no contact with the deaf may wonder if these people can have the same Pentecostal experiences that the hearing do. The answer is yes. Deaf people are saved; many are healed; and several have even received the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues.

Take, for example, the case of a deaf lady in Sedalia, Mo., where I minister. After her salvation she became interested in the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Having understood that He was for "all that are afar off" and not just for the hearing, she began to seek for her infilling. After praying for some time at the altar, she became slightly discouraged and returned to her seat. Suddenly, there burst from her mouth words she did not know nor control, and she felt as it were an electrical shock from her foot to her head. After speaking in another tongue for some time, she realized that the Holy Spirit had visited her.

The lady's husband had tried for four months to understand salvation and the Holy Spirit. Then one night God's presence came upon him as he lay in bed, and he began to praise God in words that he knew were not his own. Yes, the deaf do have experiences of Pentecostal blessing—experiences in which I want to share and rejoice.

In his first letter to the church at Corinth, Paul said, "I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some" (1 Corinthians 9:22). I have made this verse my motto. Therefore, although I strongly desire to retain my hearing, in the light of Paul's words I continue to pray, "Let me be deaf, that I may understand and minister to the deaf." ◀◀

NOTICE

The John E. Gerrards are starting an Assemblies of God church in Brigham City, Utah. If you have friends, relatives, or former church members in this area, please contact the Gerrards and they, in turn, will get in touch with them. Write: John E. Gerrard, Box 397, Brigham City, Utah.

PRISON PROGRAM ADVANCES

By PAUL R. MARKSTROM
National Prison Representative

"MEIN KAMPF" WAS A REFLECTION of the selfish, satanic drive of men—a drive which caused the peoples of the world sorrows such as they had never before experienced. In contrast to this satanic drive we have the compelling Christ-love of the history of the Prison Division of the Assemblies of God. This kind of love is commonly referred to in the Bible as "compassion."

Today, we often hear and use the word "sympathy" to denote a feeling of sorrow and pity. What a prisoner, often a victim of circumstances, needs is best expressed in the word "empathy." This term suggests the ability to place one's self in another's situation, not merely to say, "I pity you," or, "I feel sorry for you," but to be able to say, "I understand; let me help you; follow me and I will lead you to Calvary."

In order to fulfill this commission of positive help the Prison Division is launching into four major areas of endeavor: (1) promoting the Bible courses available and assisting prisoners to study the Bible; (2) training and preparing interested ministers to become prison chaplains; (3) following up prisoners as they are released; (4) enlisting the aid of our churches.

The goal of the Bible correspondence courses, which the Assemblies of God distributes free of charge to prisoners across the land, is to effect salvation and rehabilitation of the prisoners. These courses have been warmly received by prison authorities throughout the country. A chaplain in the East wrote, "I want to express my appreciation for these courses. You are to be commended for this gesture. I wish you could be here to observe

the good that is accomplished; the inmates are so thankful."

Another chaplain writes: "Again I would like to assure you that these courses have been a real blessing to many of our inmates. God's promise that His Word shall not return void certainly applies to this Bible study ministry."

A prisoner writes: "To me this has been one of the greatest thrills I have ever received, accomplishment of this Bible course. I have received wonderful blessings from the answers I have put in this book. The answers I have found in my Bible have enlightened me and given me a greater courage and determination to study further and learn more. I know I have found the life God intended for all of us to lead and have. I have found peace and serenity through prayer and meditation. Through this course, I have learned much more than I thought would be possible. Through Christ I pray He will give me the knowledge to understand better this wonderful Book, the Bible."

These are just a few of the comments we have gleaned from the many letters of appreciation for the privilege of studying these courses. They are meeting a need, giving the prisoners knowledge of and confidence in the Bible, leading them to Christ and preparing them for free society. More courses will be added in the near future.

There are many devoted prison chaplains, but more are needed. Since the Assemblies of God has been a pioneer in the field of meeting spiritual needs of prisoners, we should prepare more chaplains for this important ministry.

In the last month, there were three chaplain vacancies which we desired to fill, but could not. Some states only require their chaplains to be recognized members of their respective churches. However, the qualifications for prison chaplaincy in many states include a degree, ministerial experience, and clinical training.

It is becoming increasingly appar-
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Offerings for any of the Special Ministries of the Home Missions Department should be mailed to:

**Assemblies of God
HOME MISSIONS DEPARTMENT**

1445 Boonville Avenue
Springfield, Missouri 65802



VIEWPOINT

BY R. L. BRANDT
National Secretary of Home Missions

VIEWPOINT HAS A LOT TO DO WITH perspective. The perspective of the man living in a dense forest is far different from that of the man flying over the forest.

As I write this I am flying over the farm land of Kansas. Spread out as far as I can see in every direction is a vast checkerboard of fields of every imaginable shape and size. If I were on the ground I know my perspective would be entirely different, being restricted by my viewpoint.

Home missions is like that. It is possible to have a very limited vision, and it is also possible to have a broad perspective.

Circumstances dictate individual perspective. Some are limited by relative confinement to a single community.

But everyone can broaden his personal perspective.

How can it be done? The National Home Missions Department exists for this very reason—to bring into focus the entire field on the homefront. The department's staff is engaged constantly in accumulating information and in painting word-pictures for the benefit of those who cannot see for themselves. And these word-pictures are available to all.

In the area of Church Extension several items are available. These include a Church Extension booklet containing general information, a variety of pamphlets covering special phases of Church Extension activity, mimeographed material regarding needy areas of the country, and a new booklet entitled "Vital Issues." This latter is an accumulation of material which has appeared in this column during the past several years.

Pamphlets are also available on each of the Special Ministries including Alaska, American Indians, Deaf, Blind, Jews, and Prisoners. A composite booklet dealing with all of these areas in abbreviated form is likewise ready for distribution.

Why not broaden your perspective? Write today for the material you desire. ◀◀



This is the congregation at the new Assembly of God in Madrid, Spain.



A pharmacy was transformed into a chapel.

FOREIGN MISSIONS

God's Moment for Madrid

BY ADELE FLOWER DALTON

MISSIONARY TO SPAIN

MADRID—A CENTER OF TWO MILLION inhabitants... a capital rapidly becoming accepted as the most beautiful in all Europe... a city with wide avenues, splashing fountains and brilliantly hued gardens spread out beneath towering trees.

Overshadowed by a culture that reaches far backward into the nebulous centuries before Christ was born, the ever-lengthening streets of this vast metropolis today teem with modern vehicles. Just beneath the surface of the earth a network of subways—*metros*, we call them—rush to and fro with their human cargo. And just a short distance from one of the *metro* exits stands the pharmacy which has been transformed into Madrid's first Assembly of God.

For twelve long years we have prayed that God would open the way for us to take the Pentecostal message into this fabulous city. But how could we? Without sufficient workers to adequately care for our already-

existing responsibilities, how could we open a new work a long day's journey from our Assembly in Ronda? It seemed impossible. But still we prayed earnestly that God would do the miraculous. And that is exactly what He has done!

When Pepe Palma first expressed his desire to minister he was so young that the other members of our Ronda Assembly tolerantly smiled. But Pepe was serious, so serious that after he left Ronda to find work in Madrid he studied course after course of Bible lessons by correspondence. His marriage to Rosita, who is a consecrated young woman, only deepened this desire. Last year when my husband and I visited them in the capital, we were profoundly moved by the measure of spiritual anointing that rested upon Pepe. This is what gave birth to our conviction that we had reached God's moment for opening an Assembly of God in Madrid.

"Pepe," my husband advised, "look

for a building we can convert into a chapel."

As he looked, we and the members of our Ronda Assembly prayed that God would guide him to the place of His choice and supply the funds we would need for the "key" (the privilege of moving in) which is an integral part of such a transaction in Spain. Just a few days later, as he walked down the street, Pepe's attention was drawn to a recently vacated pharmacy, so near the *metro* exit that anyone in Madrid could attend the services. Within the week, my husband helped Pepe negotiate with the owner. God had already given us the \$500 he was asking for the "key." Immediately Pepe began transforming the building into a chapel.

That first Sunday, even before the building could be remodeled, eighteen spiritually hungry people met with my husband to worship the Lord in the apartment where Pepe and Rosita live. This informal but historic meeting was

the embryo out of which was born our first Assembly of God in Madrid. Since then, the attendance has doubled. In Spain, this is nothing short of miraculous. Already, we have asked for and been promised an apartment adjacent to the chapel, to house this mushrooming Sunday school.

Call this new work an outstation of our Assembly in Ronda, if you

wish. Although 385 miles away, I suppose that is what it really is. While my husband has been helping Pepe with the necessary arrangements, our Ronda Assembly has been backing him up with fervent prayers.

Now, in historic and beautiful Madrid, on the street called *Camino de Valdeirivas*, you can find our newest *Asamblea de Dios* in Spain. ◀◀

Sold for a Cause

BY MRS. BERNARD BRESSON

MISSIONARY TO NIGERIA

THE MCGOUGH FAMILY, BASTROP, LA., is up early to get everything ready for the livestock competition. The teen-agers rush to the pigpen to prepare the two choice barrows which have been separated from the rest of the pigs. The barrows were chosen to be exhibited because their weight was between 100 and 240 pounds, they had good muscle tone, and proportioned figures.

Much time had been spent training these pigs. Twelve-year-old Brenda can lead them any direction by tapping their snouts. They will step high and prance.

The young people scrub the barrows and clip the hair out of their ears and from their tails. Steve, thirteen, makes sure all the mud holes in the pigpen are covered for fear their work might be in vain. After breakfast the twins, Janette and An-

nette, sixteen, powder the white hair and oil the black.

At the exhibit the pigs obediently follow the taps on their snouts and are led to their assigned pens. The judges check the barrows closely. Brenda receives a purple ribbon for her Reserve Champion and Steve receives a trophy for showmanship. The barrows are sold.

Later, in a missionary service in Bastrop, the teen-agers want to contribute to missions. They think of their pig money. At the close of the service they speak to their parents and their pastor, James E. Allen. He turns to my husband and says, "These teen-agers want to buy bedroom furniture for your Nigerian home with their pig profits."

"This is yours, Brother Bresson," they say proudly, "because we had a purple-ribbon pig!" ◀◀



Brenda and Steve McGough gave their "pig money" to missions.



CALL TO ACTION

J. Philip Hogan

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF FOREIGN MISSIONS

PENTECOST IN LATIN AMERICA

RECENT EVANGELICAL PRESS RELEASES have carried statements such as these: "One out of every three Protestants in Latin America is a Pentecostal." "In Chile nearly ninety per cent of the people are of Pentecostal persuasion." "In many of the large cities of Central and South America Pentecostals outnumber other Protestants two to one." "In every corner of the hemisphere, those who especially stress the Holy Spirit, who re-emphasize Pentecost, or who are newly open to the phenomena of faith healing and the glossolalia, are growing in number."

There are large indigenous Pentecostal movements in Latin America that have no integral relationships with groups in the Northern Hemisphere. However, the Assemblies of God shares in the unprecedented opportunities afforded full-gospel witness in Latin America today. During the last biennium our work has grown in every area. We have gained more than nine hundred churches and outstations in the past two years.

One country after another is experiencing waves of Pentecostal outpouring. More than two thousand have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit in the space of a few months in Guatemala.

In Ecuador, which we entered only last year, we already have two healthy works in the city of Guayaquil.

In the past few months British Guiana has experienced strikes, political upheaval, and racial foment to the extent that even ordinary mail was suspended for many weeks. Yet, it is one of the fastest growing of our fields. In 1963 alone our missionaries there report that nearly nine hundred people have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit and a large central church is under construction in Georgetown, the capital.



Hundreds attended the Global Conquest tent crusade in Chongju, Korea.

Chongju: Global Conquest in Action

BY TOMMY REID, MISSIONARY-EVANGELIST

THE PURPOSE OF EVANGELISM IS NOT ONLY TO REAP a harvest, but to conserve the harvest God gives us. Korea is responding to God as perhaps no other country is doing. Everywhere we ministered in Korea, multitudes gathered to hear the gospel. They responded to God in faith, and we saw the greatest miracles of our lives. Cripples sprang to their feet, blind eyes were opened,

short legs were lengthened, deaf ears were made to hear.

But as we traveled through Korea, our hearts were burdened. There was a tremendous harvest, but there was no way to conserve it unless we could provide church buildings to house the new congregations. The great harvest in Seoul was being maintained through the presence of the Revival Center. But in other cities many of our congregations were worshipping under little structures of canvas and tin.

Such a city was Chongju, a metropolitan area of 100,000. Nestled in the hills of South Korea and surrounded by rice fields, Chongju was the center of commerce for an entire province. Pastor Sook was doing a fine work among the people of this community, but he had no building to house his congregation.

We were planning to go to Chongju for a Global Conquest Crusade. We felt we must build a revival center so the harvest could be conserved. Plans were laid; we sent a letter to America for help, and people began to respond. We were able to tell Brother Sook there would be a Global Conquest Crusade and that soon there would also be a Global Conquest Revival Center in his community. The harvest would be saved!

By the time we arrived in Chongju for our Global Conquest Crusade, we learned that the foundation was going to cost much more than we had expected. How were we to finance this additional amount?

The church must be completed as soon as possible. Brother John Hurston, pastor of the Center in Seoul, said, "I believe the Christians in Seoul will assist in the



This is the Global Conquest Revival Center in Chongju.

completion of this church." The Seoul congregation was happy to help. Work on the Chongju center was not delayed. It continued all through our crusade.

Night after night, God blessed our meetings. People from many different denominations attended the services. A local radio preacher, who had always felt that Pentecostalism was heretical, attended. The next Sunday he announced to his radio audience, "The Assemblies of God preaches the Bible the way it should be preached!"

God gave us favor with the entire area. The crowds increased each night. Miracles were in evidence, and hundreds responded to the invitation for salvation. And when the crusade ended these people would have a new church where they could worship God!

It is the express purpose of Global Conquest to form indigenous churches. Therefore, outside funds completed

only the exterior of the building, and the local congregation was responsible for completing the interior. The congregation is accomplishing its task.

During the crusade a leading electrician was converted. He donated all the electrical work on the building. Later he also donated funds for the plastering, and helped with the ceiling.

Other members of the congregation sacrificed to finish the floor and other items. These people know that this is their building; they have completed it!

This is God's plan for world evangelism. It was the plan of the apostle Paul, who built a work for God in every city where he evangelized. This is the plan of Global Conquest. Let us support our Assemblies of God program for bringing multitudes to Christ. Let us support Global Conquest! ◀◀◀

A BAG WITH HOLES

BY DON W. HILLIS, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR, THE EVANGELICAL ALLIANCE MISSION

TEN YEARS FROM NOW, INCOME WILL BE UP 20 PER CENT. You will have a four-day working week and probably a guaranteed annual wage. You will own two of the 8,000,000 cars on the U. S. highways. One of your cars will be jet-propelled. You will be able to fly from New York to London in five hours.

Your house will be heated and lighted by the sun. Built-in cooking units will be cleverly hidden behind sliding doors. Automatic eyes will open and close the windows as the temperature and weather change. Plastic cans, precooked meats, and microwave cooking methods will be commonplace. Your color TV set will cost about \$300, while a wrist-size radio will be purchased for \$25 at any corner drugstore.

These are not the predictions of a dreamer. They were made by a research institute which spends \$6,000,000 annually in the study of such matters.

BIGGER BARNES

This growing hurricane of material prosperity presents to the earnest Christian an unbelievably subtle temptation. The spirit of a covetous materialism (which is idolatry) can overtake him as quietly and unobtrusively as the falling of a shadow across his path. In order to keep up with the tide of social progress, he finds that a bigger and better job is indispensable. This in turn, requires a bigger and better office, farm, or factory. A bigger and better home and car naturally follow. Nor is this jigsaw complete without a bigger and better church.

Once upon a time there was a man who decided to build bigger and better barns. God said he was "a fool" for laying up treasures on earth (Luke 12:20, 21).

Materialism is the most popular and best advertised of all pagan gods in America. Newspapers, magazines, billboards, store windows, offices, and homes vie with one another in giving him space. He is incarnate in a thousand shapes and forms. He is ever present. He is attractive to the eye, a thing to be desired. His devotees number in the millions. Even churches succumb to his attractions. A billion-dollar-a-year construction

program enables us to worship in more luxurious buildings, sit in more comfortable pews, and sing out of better hymnbooks than ever before.

CLOTHED IN PURPLE

How very closely this approximates the man who was clothed in purple and fine linen! He fared sumptuously from day to day, while one made of the same flesh and blood sat at his gate, cold, hungry, and sick.

On the mission fields of the world today, the dogs of a dozen idolatrous religions are licking the sores of a cold, hungry, and sick humanity. We have the God-given "garments" to warm the heart, the "bread" to feed the soul, and the "balm" to heal the wounds. Woe be unto our Christian experience if we do not joyfully share these treasures!

If we are to be saved from this eating and drinking, giving and taking, buying and selling, greedy and grasping generation, we must covet only that which involves us in the work of God and contributes toward bringing men to Christ.

If we are to win nations for which Christ died, we must practice the deliberate discipline of walking in the footsteps of Paul, who counted not his life dear unto himself but looked upon all personal gain as refuse in order that he might know Christ and make Him known.

If the task of world evangelism is to be accomplished in this age, it will be done by men who have set their affections on things above and who seek first the kingdom of God. The rest of us are simply earning wages "to put it into a bag with holes" (Haggai 1:6).

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Wife Insurance

A message for husbands only

—by Ada E. Tomlinson

STATISTICS REVEAL THAT ONE OF three marriages in our nation fails. Leland F. Wood, in his book *Harmony in Marriage*, says, "A person who succeeds in marriage is a real success in life although he may fail in many other things, while any other success will hardly comfort one who makes a failure at home."

A successful marriage calls for harmony in every area of life: spiritual, intellectual, emotional, social, and physical. The husband's position as head of the home affords him good opportunity to strengthen the ties that bind the hearts of his family together.

God's Word says, "Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing" (Proverbs 18:22). Also, in Proverbs 19:14, "A prudent wife is from the Lord." In Ecclesiastes 9:9, the husband is exhorted to "live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest." In Deuteronomy 24:5, he is told to "cheer up his wife which he hath taken."

Peter advises the husband to give honor to his wife "as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life" (1 Peter 2:7). In turn, the wife is to love, honor, and be in subjection to him. This is easier for her if her husband carries out his role of loving her the way Christ loved the Church.

Billy Sunday once said, "If you want your wife to be an angel, don't treat her like a devil."

A man may work hard and spend hours juggling figures so that he can give his wife a lovely home, fine furni-

ture, and beautiful clothes, but that alone is not wife insurance. She will appreciate these things, but she is being cheated if she does not have *him*, and a portion of his time and personal interest.

There are seven "C's" which constitute a good "wife insurance" policy. They are as follows:

Comradeship. A wife is more than a housekeeper and mother. She is helpmate, lover, and friend to her husband. She desires to share her husband's prayer life, work, intellectual pursuits, friends, hobbies, and social activities. Married love must be nour-

The Home

by Florence Pedigo Jansson

The home is more than walls and roof
And hearth and sturdy floor;
The home is fond communion held
Through rest and household chore.
A house is but an outer shell;
The home, a house refined,
And furnished from the richest store
Of soul and heart and mind.
The home, a family stronghold, stands—
Embodiment of care;
A love-inspired retreat whose walls
Are shaped around a prayer.

—Selected

ished on mutual interests if it is to grow. Common purposes and ideals strengthen a comradeship, and the strongest bond of all is their common faith in God.

Courtesy. A woman can forgive her husband for not providing little luxuries, but she feels it very keenly if he ignores her or treats her discourteously. Thoughtful gestures such as holding her coat, opening doors, and helping her into the car increase a man's wife insurance without cost to him.

Psychologist Smiley Blanton, in his book *Now or Never*, states his belief that the main cause of divorce in this country is not alcoholism, or infidelity, or wife beating, but the masculine habit of ignoring wife and children at meal times—and the feminine habit of "interrupting in mid-anecdote."

Both of these traits are forms of rudeness. First Peter 3:8 exhorts us to "be courteous." If anyone ought to practice good manners and consideration for others it is the Christian. The oil of Christian courtesy makes any home run smoother.

Candor. Honesty is important in every relationship, and distortion of the truth, broken promises, or any concealment of real feelings can ruin a marriage. Confidence begets confidence. There must be mutual respect and trust if the ship of matrimony is to weather all the storms of life. The sea may grow stormy, but if there is frank discussion of problems of business, children, finances, or other matters as they arise, the waters will soon be calm again.

Communication. This is the meeting of hearts and minds through speech or touch. It is a joining or transmitting of thoughts and feelings to another. It is a giving and receiving. One of the greatest barriers to understanding is the refusal to talk things out. Keeping thoughts and feelings bottled up inside not only produces neurotic individuals but is often the cause of poor relationships. In Malachi 3:16, the prophet speaks of Christian communication thus: "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another: and the Lord hearkened and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and thought upon his name."

Robert Louis Stevenson said, "There are no persons so far away as those

who are both married and estranged, so that they seem out of earshot, or to have no common tongue."

Compliments. A man should continue to compliment his wife after their marriage. He found it easy enough when he was courting her, but often he forgets when he has won her that she still retains the qualities that attracted him in the first place. Someone has said that life after marriage changes from "Moonlight and Roses" to "Daylight and Dishes." It need not be so.

A few words of love and appreciation from her husband can cause a wife to blossom forth into a new person (or into the one he married). She will cook a better meal, bake a better pie, and be a better companion. The hunger for appreciation is universal. Everyone must receive love in some form in order to exist. Love and appreciation can be expressed both in words and in deeds.

Compromise. This can save many a day and make for good wife insurance. In marriage it is important

that each be flexible enough to see the other's point of view. There are many angles to almost any situation, and the pliable person finds a way to work things out satisfactorily. For instance, a wife may want to attend an art exhibit, while her husband prefers a hike in the woods. He may compromise by hiking to the Art Institute. Next time she will be willing to walk in the woods with him. He may offer to help with the dishes to give her time to work with him in the yard.

Credence. A strong belief in one's self, in his partner, and in God is necessary if a marriage is to succeed. A man must learn to accept reality. It is not always easy. What he can change, let him change; what he cannot change, let him tolerate in the knowledge that "love covereth a multitude of sins."

A husband can walk confidently beside his wife down the path of life with sweet contentment and assurance, if he memorizes and practices the seven "C's" of wife insurance. ◀◀

Prison Program Advances

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ent that degreed men with ministerial experience and clinical training are desired. Clinical training is available. It includes a three-week seminar at a leading penal institution, for which a state university will give academic credit. Following this, an extensive year's internship in clinical training (with stipend) has been extended to the Assemblies of God. Those interested in prison chaplaincy are invited to contact the national prison representative of the Assemblies of God for more information.

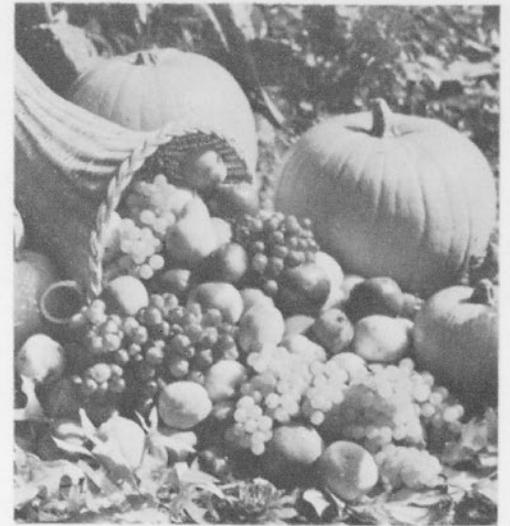
The way back from prison to free society is a long, lonely road beset with many snares. When a man is not able to bridge this gap he soon becomes what is known as a "two-time loser." The term "ex-con," which is often thoughtlessly used of men returning to free society from prison, is unjust and cruel, especially when a man's family is involved.

Many men who have been saved while in prison face release with the fear that they will not be accepted into the Christian community. These

are the men that the church needs to understand and to greet with, "Brother, let me help you." What these men need is spiritual support to help them bridge the gap between life in prison and life in a free society. The road back can be beautiful if Christian brethren extend a helping hand.

In order to carry out our four-fold ministry to prisoners we must have the support of our constituency. We ask that you pray with us about this venture. There is a heavy financial drain upon the Prison Fund for the purchase of supplies; but, thanks be to God, the need has always been met. If God should lay it on your heart, whatever gift you contribute will be most welcome at this time. We desire to see Christian love manifested in all our churches toward men and women behind bars. What is needed is genuine love which gives without expecting anything in return. This is the true *compassion* that should motivate all of us, not only for the prison ministry, but for every cause which would bring glory to the Master.

The full potential of prison ministry, as revealed in these four areas of endeavor, can be realized only as we all accept our God-given responsibilities to our fellowman. ◀◀



October 6 to 12 is

'Spare' Time

Spare time? Harvest Festival! A time to spare what you can for the kitchens of Hillcrest Children's Home and Bethany Retirement Home.

Our shelves are empty again. Last year's Harvest Festival contributions of food have been put to good use, producing growth and energy and health to almost one hundred orphaned youngsters at Hillcrest; and a proper diet for the retired ministers, missionaries, and widows who reside at Bethany. We have plenty of storage space, and can handle any amount of food and housekeeping supplies which you can spare. Food in any manner is welcomed: for example, we can use everything from staples and canned foods to fresh fruit and meat, and meat on the hoof.

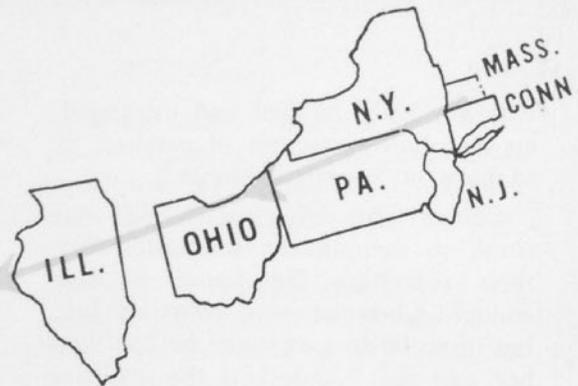
Assemblies of God are asked to participate in Harvest Festival: with churches in the southcentral region showering Hillcrest with groceries; churches in the southeastern region taking food to Bethany; and all other churches contributing to both by helping to pay the grocery bill. All contributions of money should be addressed to:

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Department of Benevolences
1445 Boonville Avenue
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Italian Branch WMC Celebrates Third Birthday



Now Embraces 20 Organized Groups from Coast to Coast

BY TINA MASELLI, DISTRICT PRESIDENT

IN JUNE, 1963, AT SCHENECTADY, N. Y., DURING THE district council of the Italian Branch of the Assemblies of God, the infant district of WMC's celebrated its third birthday. Seventy women met at an early breakfast to hear Mrs. Joseph Flower, New York district WMC president, who was guest speaker.

Geographically, the Italian Branch WMC district reaches from the north Atlantic coast to the Pacific. It embraces seven and one-half states, California, Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Western Massachusetts. Since their organization in 1960, these WMC's have grown to include twenty groups with a membership of 326. Their first president, Mrs. Jean Foti left for the mission field after a short term of office, but not before she had surveyed the entire area for group interest. An itinerary of each state was impossible, but the response to questionnaires justified organization of WMC's on a district level. Mrs. Tina Maselli was appointed by the presbytery to succeed her.

In 1961 and 1962, sectional rallies were held. Longed-for fellowship was realized among the women and a new interest in missions became evident. Recently the

district has been divided into three zones, Northern, Central, and Southern. A resident zone representative arranges rallies, promotes fellowship and projects, and aids in starting new groups.

The district WMC president mails a monthly communication to each leader. These letters contain announcements and news of meetings on the local areas, needs of missionaries, and prayer requests. The annual WMC Day is observed throughout the constituency, and regular tithe offerings are sent to the National WMC Department.

An outstanding meeting in the memory of the women is their first WMC breakfast, in June, 1962, in Pitman, N. J., when Mrs. Mildred Smuland, National WMC Secretary, was the featured speaker.

The work of the Italian Branch WMC's has included a project called "Dollars for Bibles" which provided Scriptures for converts in Australia where Jean Foti, the first president, and her husband are missionaries. They have "Given with Zest for the Printing Press" which was recently installed in Rome, Italy.

For Bethany Orphanage in Rome the WMC's have supplied "things that make orphanages seem more like homes." Belgian Congo has received unnumbered yards of bandages. Afghans and blankets have gone to Assiout Orphanage in Egypt. Warm clothing has been shared with various missions in South America.

A special home missions project, "Fur coats for Alaska," was promoted. A regular flow of supplies goes to Hillcrest Children's Home, and Indian reservations are remembered. Districtwise, WMC groups have contributed toward the furnishings of the Pine Grove camp grounds at Malaga, N. J.

Interest in Missionettes has been cultivated. A group of twenty Junior Missionettes of the Pentecostal Christian Church of Camden, N. J., honored their mothers at a banquet in June, 1963.

"Most of our help has gone to Italian missions because of the desperate needs among our missionaries in Italy that we, as an Italian district, understand best," says Tina Maselli. "However, we as an organization stress an enlarged vision and are seeing a progressive effort in all five avenues of WMC service. Our district motto is 'A generation to serve,' so *we minister as unto Christ.*"



Mrs. Mildred Smuland (left) and Mrs. Tina Maselli, Italian Branch WMC leader, at second annual breakfast.



Mrs. Bertha Stawinski, founder and president of Paraguay's Women's Missionary Council, at the first annual National Convention.



Missionaries and delegates at the first National Convention of the WMC's in Asuncion, Paraguay.

PARAGUAY GROUP THREE YEARS OLD

BY BLANCA R. DE AQUINO

IN 1960, BERTHA STAWINSKI, MISSIONARY IN ASUNCION, Paraguay, saw the potential of an organized effort among the women of that country. After a period of instruction and a time of orientation the Women's Missionary Council of Paraguay was created on a national basis.

Blanca R. de Aquino, Paraguay, writes: "The psalmist tells us that 'they that sow in tears shall reap in joy.' This truth was manifested when the WMC of the Assemblies of God got together for their first anniversary, October 21, 1961. Under the direction of our founder and president, Mrs. Stawinski, the women have received many blessings with the inspiration that 'It is more

blessed to give than to receive.' We have been able to provide good used clothing for our workers and their children. Much needed items have been given at Christmastime.

"As a special project we have had the pleasure of giving white tablecloths to five churches for their communion tables. The missionaries and local pastors have encouraged us and helped with offerings, so we are very much interested in helping each of our Assemblies of God in every way we can.

"Interest in the women's work is spreading. Other assemblies are organizing their own WMC groups. For all these things we give praise to the Lord!" ◀◀

Missionary Outfit Supplied

TYPICAL OF WMC MINISTRY TO OUR MORE THAN 800 foreign missionaries was the outfit supplied the Robert Allens by Arizona WMC members. At a district WMC rally the Allens were presented with a number of small



Mrs. Lois Gribling (at pulpit), Arizona WMC president, presents gifts to the Robert Allens.

appliances in addition to an automatic washer, dryer, and dishwasher.

Complete clothing outfits for the family, an abundance of linens, and some funds toward their return fare were also given to the Allens.

Mrs. Allen had suffered an arm injury and in thanking the women for the work-saving appliances she said: "Words cannot express the joy and the encouragement this has been to me. My injury had caused me to feel I was a burden to the work. This wonderful equipment will allow me to do the work and ease my husband's heavy load."

Breakthrough in Nebraska

Mrs. L. E. King, district WMC president of Nebraska, points to a signboard marking the location for the new church in

Cozad, Nebraska. As a part of the national "Breakthrough" program, the WMC's purchased the lot by saving dimes. The building will be started in the early spring of 1964.





More Missionette Honor Stars Crowned

By CHARLOTTE SCHUMITSCH

SEVEN HONOR STARS IN ONE LOCAL MISSIONETTE CLUB undoubtedly sets a record. And the fact that the club sponsor also completed all of the work on the *Stairway to the Stars* Achievement Program and became an Honor Star is also rather unusual.

Anita Conn, Missionette sponsor from the Bunker Hill Assembly of God, Coos Bay, Oreg., is to be commended for her accomplishment in leading her girls and encouraging them to become Honor Stars, and becoming one herself. Many hours must be spent in doing the work of the four steps of the achievement program plus the extra requirements for Honor Stars.

The seven girls were crowned Honor Stars at the Oregon District Camp Meeting in July. One of them, Diane Ridings, was only twelve years of age. The first girl to complete her work was Pearl McMillan. Miss McMillan is now acting as a Junior Missionette Sponsor. The other five girls crowned at camp were Marina Newton, Earlene Bales, Sandy Martin, Dixie James, and Brenda Hasley.

Mrs. F. J. Walton, Oregon District WMC President, has reported that Ruby Wolfe of Bend, Oreg., also has become an Honor Star. Her sponsor is Kathy Bruzelius.

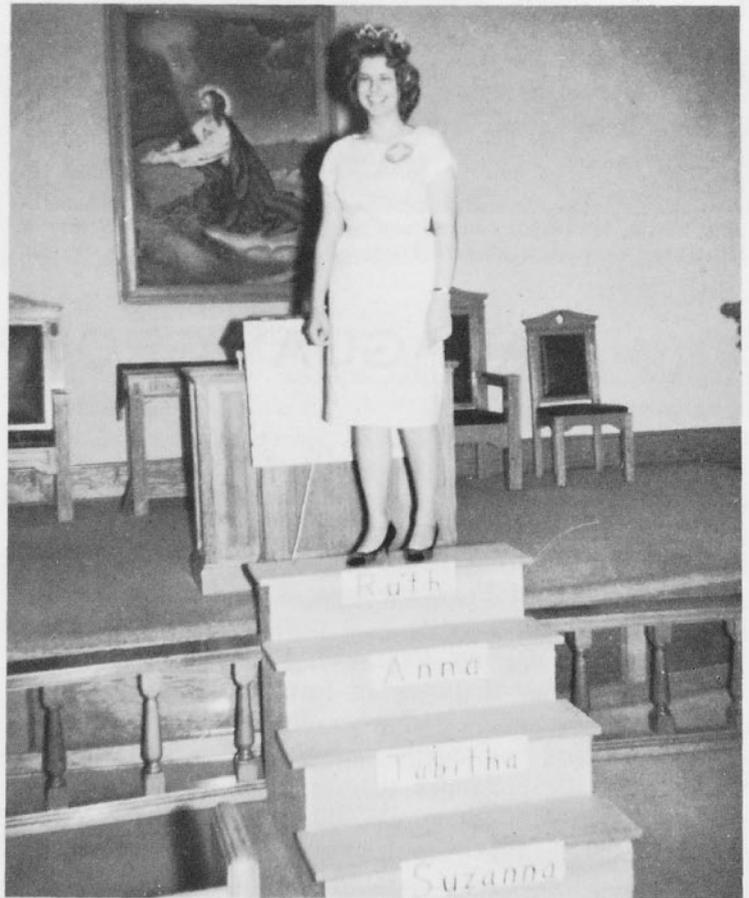
At present Oregon has more than eighty active Missionette Clubs. New clubs are being formed regularly. District Missionette Director, Mrs. Darlene Kaufman, and Mrs. Walton are enthusiastic about the Missionette program and do all they can to promote it.

Mother's Day, 1963, was a red-letter day for Judy Haupt, Petersburg, Va., for it was then she was crowned the first Honor Star in her local church as well as in the Potomac District. Judy was also crowned at the district camp meeting on Missionette Day.

Judy's sponsors, Mrs. Frances Flood and Miss Emily B. Crostic, report that she has done excellent work and they are proud of her. Judy testifies that climbing the *Stairway* helped her grow spiritually.

There are fifteen Missionettes in the club at First Assembly, Petersburg, Va. They have visited hospitals and homes for the aged. In addition to taking the patients a special treat, they sang to them. Shut-ins were remembered on special days. Just before Mother's Day the girls honored their mothers at a tea. The girls made the refreshments. One project was to prepare greeting card awards for missionaries returning to Nigeria, West Africa.

Missionettes gives girls an opportunity to work for the Lord. Girls who participate show definite spiritual growth. The club gives them valuable Christian fellowship with other girls, and provides a means of inviting other girls who may not know the Lord. Girls are finding that being a Missionette is a wonderful and rewarding experience.



Judy Haupt, Petersburg, Va., was the first Honor Star to be crowned in the Potomac District.



Pearl McMillan (at top) was the first Honor Star to be crowned in the Oregon District. At right Darlene Kaufman, state Missionette director, crowns Anita Conn, Missionette sponsor of Coos Bay, Oreg. The girls from top to bottom: Brenda Hasley, Dixie James, Earlene Bales, Merina Newton, Sandy Martin, Diane Ridings, Ruby Wolfe.



SURINAM-

A Challenging New Mission Field

TO MOST PEOPLE SURINAM IS ONE OF THOSE FARAWAY places with strange-sounding names. This country, formerly known as Dutch Guiana, lies between British Guiana and French Guiana on the northeast coast of South America. Brazil borders Surinam to the south.

Columbus sighted the Guiana coast in 1498, but the Dutch were the first settlers and the English were the colonizers. Surinam is not a Latin American country in any sense, except geographically.

With a 55,400-square-mile area, Surinam is roughly the size of Florida. The country is divided geographically into a coastal strip, a zone of savannahs, and a forested mountainous region which is virtually unexplored. The country's vegetation is luxuriant. Giant palms fringe the river banks. Innumerable varieties of fruits and vegetables are grown.

Communication with the interior is mainly by waterways, but eighty miles inland the rivers are cut by falls and cataracts, beyond which only small canoes are used. A 250-mile road is currently being pushed through the jungle. Paramaribo and much of the surrounding country is bisected by polders and canals. Small wonder Hollanders liked this country, so reminiscent of their homeland in this respect!

Paramaribo, the capital and chief seaport, lies on the Surinam River, thirteen miles inland and "only minutes away from almost impenetrable jungles and rain forests." Once an infamous slave center, this city of 113,000 now boasts a jet airport, Zanderij. Surinam's Dutch heritage is at once apparent in the city's architecture. The city's wide streets are surfaced with tiny sea shells and the movements of pedestrians and vehicles produce a slight crunching sound.

Surinam was originally a plantation settlement and today eighty per cent of the people make their living from the land. Agriculture is largely confined to the



coastal belt. The major crop is rice, raised as a staple of local diet and also for export. Other exports are citrus and coffee.

Bauxite (aluminum ore) is the principal mining product and export. Surinam provides nearly sixty-five per cent of the bauxite used in the United States. The country's vast forests supply valuable lumber.

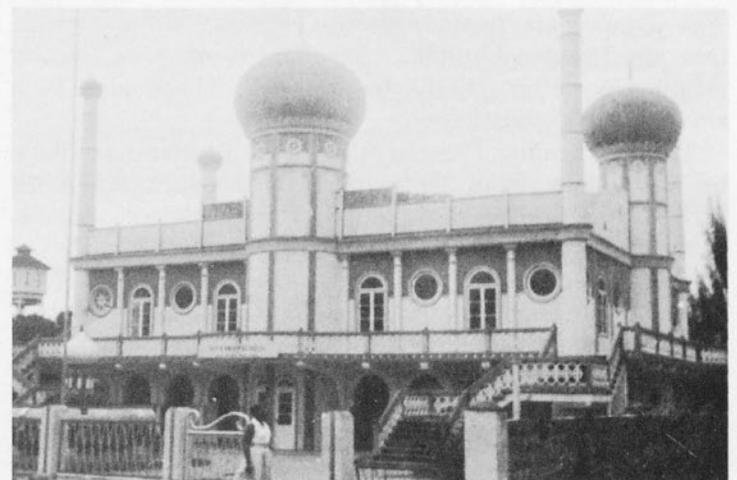
The climate, though tropical, is tempered by northeast trade winds which sweep the coastal region. The average temperature on the coast is 80° and the annual rainfall ninety inches.

The Dutch made their first trade contacts in 1598, but it remained for the British to establish a government and colonize. Surinam was ceded by the British to the Dutch through the Treaty of Breda in 1667, in an exchange for the Dutch claim to what is now New York City. In 1954, when Dutch colonial status ended and the country became an autonomous partner of the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the name was changed from Dutch Guiana to Surinam, a name derived from an Amerindian tribe.

Surinam's population of 300,000 is a mosaic of many



Open marketplace in Paramaribo, the capital of Surinam



One of the many Hindu temples in Paramaribo



A Surinamer displays the national flag.



Sunday school congregation stands outside the Paramaribo Assembly.

racial groups. The varied peoples of this exotic country are best symbolized by its flag which features a white shield on which five stars are enclosed by a circle. Each star represents one of the races of man—black, white, red, yellow, and brown. The population includes aboriginal Indians, descendants of Negro slaves (called Creoles and Djukas), Indonesians, East Indians, Chinese, 5,000 Europeans, and some 3,000 of other nationalities. The resultant population is an international and interracial complexity.

Education is stressed in Surinam; literacy is high even in the hinterland. Resident and traveling teachers conduct classes wherever a blackboard can be set up. The official language of the country is Dutch but English, Javanese, and Hindi also are widely understood. In addition there is a colorful native language called Takitaki, which contains not only African and English words but also a sprinkling of French, Portuguese, Spanish, Dutch and Hebrew.

Surinam is a country of many religious followings. The Creoles are predominately Christian, either Protestant or Roman Catholic; Surinamers of East Indian origin are either Hindu or Moslem. There also is a small Jewish community.

The outstanding Protestant work in Surinam was done by Moravians from Germany who began their work early in the 18th century among the aboriginal Indians. Their missionary efforts later extended to Bush Negroes and plantation slaves. The Dutch Reformed Church later established mission stations in Surinam. Today various mission boards have representatives in the country.

Assemblies of God contacts are of recent origin. When the general manager of Radio Omroep of Paramaribo visited British Guiana in 1958 he was attracted by the *Revivaltime* broadcast which he heard over Radio Demarara in Georgetown. Upon his return to Paramaribo

he arranged for the broadcast to be released in this city; thus the first Pentecostal message reached Surinam.

In January 1959 Evangelist John D. Tubbs, an American Assemblies of God minister, held an evangelistic crusade in Georgetown, British Guiana. While there he heard about the spiritual need of neighboring Surinam and consequently made a survey trip. He learned that many Surinamers were listening to the *Revivaltime* broadcast but that no worker was available to follow up this interest. Some months later Evangelist Tubbs returned to Paramaribo and was offered free airtime for one local radio program each week for one year. As a result of this contact and the ministry of *Revivaltime* a nucleus of believers developed. After a year in Surinam Brother Tubbs appealed for a Dutch-speaking minister from Holland to come and reap the seed which had been sown. In answer to this appeal, an evangelist from Holland arrived in October 1961 and a local theatre was rented for services. During the following three months the city of Paramaribo was stirred as large numbers responded to the call for salvation and many received the Pentecostal experience. The evangelist was not permitted to remain in Surinam because of immigration restrictions.

In order to help conserve the results of the revival, Brother Tubbs located a building which was planned for a dance hall but never completed. Through the help of Global Conquest a down payment was made on the property and it was remodeled to serve as an evangelistic center. This first Assemblies of God church in Paramaribo and all of Surinam was dedicated on September 2, 1962. Missionary Paul Palser from British Guiana was the guest speaker. John DeCock, a young worker who was originally from Holland, went to Surinam with the approval of the Foreign Missions Department and served as pastor until the summer of 1963.

When Brother Tubbs left Surinam it was felt advisable to appoint a missionary to supervise the growing work. John Verbarendse, one of our missionaries serving in Costa Rica, was chosen for this assignment. Because he had spoken Dutch in his childhood he had some linguistic preparation for the task in Surinam. The Verbarendses made the transfer in October, 1962.

"We are challenged with the possibilities of the work here," wrote Brother Verbarandse soon after arriving in Surinam. "A week ago I assisted John DeCock in a baptismal service where fifteen were baptized. The church rented two buses to transport 100 persons to the river. We feel it is a privilege to preach the gospel in this virgin territory."

More recently the Verbarendses reported, "In addition to the services in the Evangelistic Center we have four outstation services a week. We now have a Bush Negro worker who has returned to his village to start a church. To visit him I must travel by boat for eight hours. During a recent outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Paramaribo seven were filled and many refilled. It has been one of my most thrilling experiences. It is wonderful to see the people's enthusiasm to witness to others, to study the Word of God, and to attend all the services."

The response to the gospel in Surinam indicates this to be God's hour for advance in this challenging new mission field.

—Christine Carmichael

The Powerful Preacher

Sunday School Lesson for October 6, 1963

ACTS 2:14-24, 37-40

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

Peter's sermon on the Day of Pentecost was not only a powerful evangelistic appeal resulting in the conversion of three thousand souls, but it was also a masterpiece of logic and argumentation. In it he explained the supernatural manifestations and proved both their scripturalness and that the Jesus whom the Jews had crucified was the Lord and Messiah! His sermon contained:

1. *An Explanation of the Supernatural Manifestations* (Acts 2:14-21). Times have not changed. People still react with amazement, bewilderment, and even scorn, to the manifestations of the Holy Spirit and to speaking with tongues. In answer to the question, "What meaneth this?" and to the accusation, "These men are full of new wine," Peter pointed out that these onlookers were actually witnessing the fulfillment of the familiar prophecy of Joel 2:28-32.

It is a good thing, when we are questioned, to be able to reply, "This is that." Let us know the Word as Peter did! When challenged he could readily prove the scripturalness of the experiences which he and his brethren had received. Afterward this same Peter left us the admonition: "Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you" (1 Peter 3:15). Are we diligently acquainting ourselves with the Word so that we can give an intelligent and Biblical testimony?

2. *A Proof of the Resurrection and Messiahship of Jesus* (Acts 2:22-36). In the minds of Peter's hearers, the two words—"Jesus" and "Messiah"—were not at all related. Hence, to demonstrate that Jesus was the Messiah, Peter connected these two words by a series of unanswerable proofs. The Jews did not believe in the resurrection of Jesus and, although many of them did believe that He was "a man approved of God" (v. 22), they denied His Messiahship. Peter declared the resurrection to be a *fact* (v. 24) by affirming: (1) It was *predicted* by David in Psalm 16:8-10. These verses he quoted and from them drew the inevitable conclusion that since David's body *did* see corruption, the words could only refer to Christ. (2) It was *attested* by all the disciples present. "We are all witnesses." (3) It was *proved* by the outpouring of the Spirit. The disciples knew Jesus was in heaven because He had now spoken to them and through them by the Holy Spirit whom He had sent (v. 33). Having proved his point, Peter now drives home the inescapable conclusion (v. 36)!

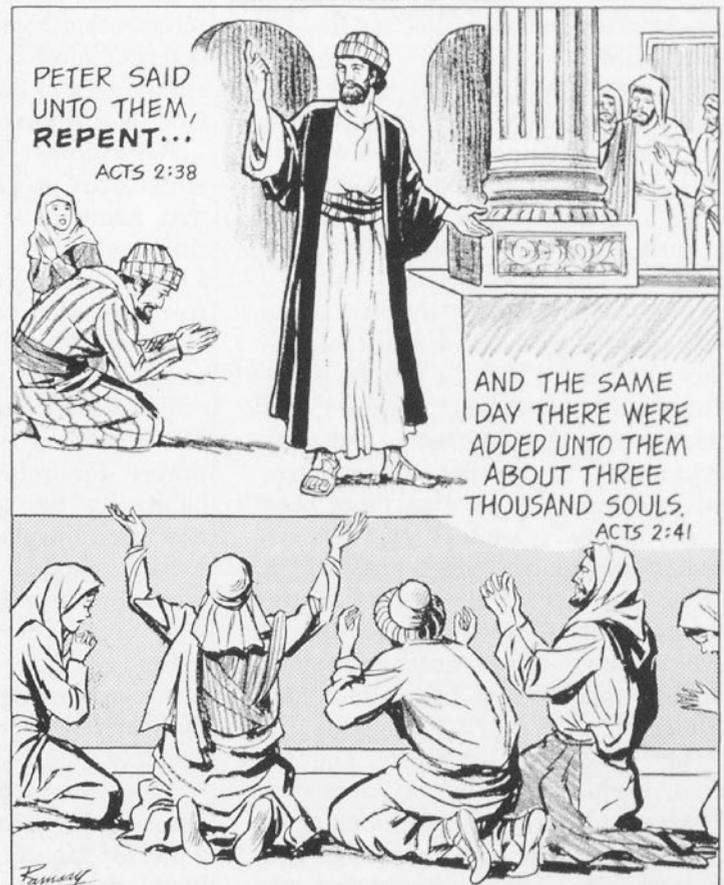
3. *Directions for Receiving the Gift of the Holy Ghost* (Acts 3:37-39). Pointed preaching accompanied by the Spirit's anointing brings conviction! When the conscience-stricken multitude cried out, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" Peter pointed out that if they

truly repented and received water baptism as a symbol of that repentance and conversion which followed they, too, might receive the Spirit's fullness!

There is nothing in Scripture which teaches that people today must go through a more or less prolonged season of "tarrying" in order to receive the baptism in the Spirit. Prior to Pentecost the disciples waited only because the Spirit had not yet been given (John 7:39). But at Pentecost He *was* given, and since that time His fullness may be experienced immediately after conversion. This happened in the case of those of the house of Cornelius (Acts 10:46), as well as in the case of certain converts at Ephesus (Acts 19:1-6).

For the first three centuries in the history of the church it was normally expected that new converts would receive the fullness of the Spirit as soon as they were saved. All delay, therefore, must be on the human side. Thousands of believers in all denominations today are receiving the Spirit's fullness in simple faith as soon as they hear of their privilege. God is no respecter of persons. We cannot merit the Baptism. We cannot earn it. We need not beg for it. The stream of the Spirit has been flowing for nineteen hundred years. Jesus said: "If any man thirst, let him come to me, and drink" (John 7:37)! ◀◀

PENTECOSTAL POWER





DURING THE PAST FEW YEARS AN increasing amount of evidence has been collected that proves cigarette smoking is dangerous to health. For the first time the American Heart Association has officially favored active steps to discourage cigarette smoking because it is harmful to health.

A 1960 report by a special committee of physicians and scientists showed death rates in middle-aged men from heart attacks were 50 to 150 per cent higher among heavy cigarette smokers than among non-smokers. "The data strongly suggests," the American Heart Association said, "that heavy cigarette smoking may contribute to or accelerate the development of coronary heart disease or its complications."

Current issues of *Reader's Digest* have presented strong evidence of tobacco's harmful effects on the human body. "Cigarettes have spread a new plague through our population, scientists have discovered. It is emphysema, a lung ailment which leaves its victims gasping for breath," Earl Ubell reported in the *New York Herald Tribune* from a seminar of the American Cancer Society in La Jolla, Calif.

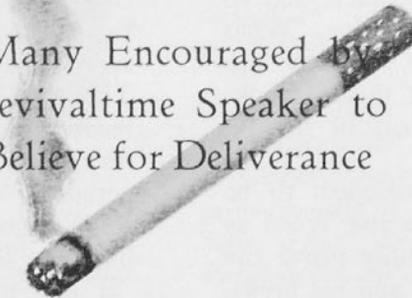
Leroy Collins, president of the National Association of Broadcasters, told broadcasters not to ignore mounting evidence that tobacco smoking inflicts "a serious hazard to health," but to curb their radio and TV advertising.

Habitual smoking is a financial as well as a physical and spiritual liability. E. Ruth Pyrtle, a former president of the National Education Association, said: "Ignorance and narcotics tend to standardize, weaken, and defeat people. . . . Has there been in all history . . . such a vast demonstration of the sheeplike qualities of the human race as the spread of the tobacco habit? Can we afford to spread such a habit whose cost is greater than the total cost of free public education?"

The "little roll of finely cut tobacco, enclosed usually in paper, for smoking" (Webster's definition), gets a mysterious grip on people. Cigarette smoking is habit-forming and few ad-

Delivered from the Enslaving Habit of Smoking

Many Encouraged by Revivaltime Speaker to Believe for Deliverance



By VIRGINIA COUCH

dicts can break the habit by themselves. A Higher Power than self-determination is needed to break this enslaving and destructive custom. And God has delivered many.

Revivaltime has encouraged and stimulated people's faith in God so that many have been delivered from smoking in answer to believing prayer. Letters from one-time smokers, now freed by the power of God, testify of *Revivaltime's* part in their deliverance.

From Michigan a man wrote: "Sometime ago I wrote you asking prayer for relief from my smoking habit. By the grace of God, it has now been more than two months since I have smoked. I know you will be pleased to hear that the Lion of Judah who breaks every chain has broken mine."

Accompanying a recent contribution to *Revivaltime* was this short exploration:

"The ten dollars enclosed in this letter is the money which would have gone for cigarettes for this month. I know that you will find a far more

worthy use for it in the work of the Lord."

There need not be a waste of money on the monthly "cigarette allowance." At any time one can come to God for help. He will give both moral and physical courage for victory over smoking.

A young girl of Churchville, New York, expressed gratitude for *Revivaltime's* intercessory prayer and her miraculous deliverance:

"Praise God, He has answered our prayers. I wrote you asking prayer for my deliverance from smoking. I had been a slave to cigarettes since the fourth or fifth grade.

"I received an answer to my letter and was delivered the next day. What victory! I am lost for words to express my thanks to all of you for helping me with this problem."

Other letters with similar messages continually encourage the *Revivaltime* team. A mother wrote from Wenatchee, Washington: "I want to thank God for answered prayer. I wrote *Revivaltime* for prayer in behalf of my son and daughter-in-law who were backslidden. They now have been restored. My son has been delivered from cigarettes for the first time in 20 years. Both he and his wife have received the Holy Spirit."

Writing from Boothbay Harbor, Maine, a lady said: "I wrote asking that you pray for me that I might be delivered from tobacco.

"Here is something I think will interest you. I was baptized in the Holy Spirit, and a week later I stopped smoking completely. Thank you for your prayers. I know God heard you and answered."

From Mt. Pleasant, Pennsylvania, a man wrote: "I do want to let you know that I received your letter in answer to my prayer request. God took the desire of smoking away. I have not used one cigarette since. I thank all of you who prayed for me."

Faith that can move mountains, divide seas, change the unchangeable, and perform the impossible, can also abolish harmful habits. *Revivaltime* proclaims to millions that divine deliverance from evil is available. Supported by the offerings of interested friends, *Revivaltime* broadcasts the full gospel in all its power. Jesus cannot fail. Send your offerings to support this radio ministry to REVIVALTIME, Box 70, Springfield, Mo. 65801.

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE & CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala. Dotham	First	Oct. 2-13	L. M. Addison	Max McNab
Jackson	First	Oct. 2—	Jimmy & Mrs. Swaggart	Eugene Hartley
Ozark	First	Oct. 2-13	Woodrow Oxner	Luther Tadlock
Ariz. Mesa	First	Oct. 6—	Roland Hastie	V. L. Hertweck
Phoenix	Faith	Oct. 1—	J. W. & AvaNell Walker	Willis Hirschy
Tucson	First	Sept. 26—	Don Carroll	L. G. Gilmore
Ark. Fort Smith	Central	Sept. 24—	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	Donald Nye
Jacksonville	First	Sept. 22-Oct. 6	Johnny Hays	Lester Burton
Malvern	Glen Rose	Oct. 1-13	James A. Doan	W. W. Golden
Calif. Buena Park	First	Oct. 1—	Tommy & Esther Lance	O. D. Burkett
Chowchilla	A/G	Oct. 1—	Bob Griffin	Fred Kirkwood
Denair	*A/G	Sept. 29-Oct. 4	Virgil Warens	Virgil London
Eureka	Henderson Center	Sept. 29-Oct. 13	Fisher-Cheek Team	Lorin Short
Fortuna	A/G	Oct. 1-13	Gary L. Archer	Kirk Soper
Fullerton	First	Oct. 2-13	The Tanner Team	Lloyd J. Cagle
Modesto	Central	Oct. 1- 6	Paul Clark	Donald Bogue
S. San Francisco	First	Oct. 6—	L. L. Ferguson	Carl E. Ctrright
Taft	*First	Sept. 29-Oct. 4	Christian Hild	Leonard Palmer
Colo. Greeley	First	Oct. 1-13	E. G. Rasmussen	H. I. Maley
Conn. Stamford	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 1-13	Joe Johnson	Roy Johnson
Waterbury	East Mountain	Oct. 2- 6	Gene Burgess	R. B. Suhl
Fla. Panama City	Bayou George	Oct. 2-13	Doug Bartlett	T. C. Earnest
Ga. Americus	First	Sept. 29-Oct. 11	Russell Peavy	Leroy Sanders
Ind. Bedford	First	Oct. 1-13	J. E. Friend	James West
Indianapolis	Abundant Life	Oct. 2-27	The Sunshine Party	Ted Vibbert
Shelbyville	A/G	Oct. 2-20	Jerry Stegall	Eugene Hamon
Iowa Sioux City	First	Oct. 1-13	Fred R. Diehl	Kenneth D. Baker
Waterloo	First	Sept. 25-Oct. 13	Musical VanderPloegs	Russell Thompson
Kans. Oberlin	A/G	Sept. 29—	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	Lyal McCormack
Olathe	First	Sept. 29-Oct. 13	Don Logan	E. E. Henley
Osborne	A/G	Oct. 1-13	Ray C. Eskelin	H. M. Hollis
Mass. Revere	Parkway	Sept. 29-Oct. 13	Oren & Inez Paris	Corbett C. Grace
Mich. Bay City	Glad Tidings	Oct. 1-13	Duane Wessman	Charles Davenport
Benton Harbor	Fairplain	Sept. 29-Oct. 13	K. E. Matschulat	D. G. Foote
Muskegon	East Broadway	Oct. 2-13	Jerry & Joy Spain	Edward E. Froats
Minn. Dodge Center	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 1-13	Dick & Nancy Messner	H. L. Hagemeister
Mo. Buffalo	A/G	Sept. 30—	J. T. & Mrs. Davis	R. C. Pickney
Pacific	A/G	Sept. 29-Oct. 13	Glenna Byard	Gaylon Vinson
Mont. Fairfield	A/G	Oct. 1-13	Norman & Evelyn Hays	W. J. McRae
Great Falls	Bethel	Sept. 24-Oct. 6	Wesley Pollet	A. H. Miller
Miles City	A/G	Oct. 1- 6	Bob & Pat Ludwig	Paul McNece
N. J. Atlantic	Grace	Oct. 1-13	John & Faith Stallings	Robert LeMon
N. Mex. Clovis	First	Oct. 1—	Jimmy & Lenete Merritt	Melvin Sasse
N. Y. New York City	Trinity	Oct. 1-13	Jack Peters	Irene Genco
Poughkeepsie	Faith	Oct. 1-13	Dan & Anita Bogdan	Ira E. Elliott
N. C. Hertford	A/G	Sept. 29—	R. F. Parker	Albert G. Eller
N. Dak. Fargo	First	Oct. 2- 6	Paul Hild	O. W. Apple
Fargo	*First	Oct. 1- 6	Paul Hild	O. W. Apple
Ohio Conneaut	A/G	Oct. 1—	Arnold & Anita Segesman	Earl E. Hart
Orrville	Calvary	Oct. 1—	Harold W. May, Jr.	Kenneth Wireman
Van Wert	A/G	Oct. 1-13	W. W. Martin	Donald Steele
Okla. Duncan	Banner	Sept. 30-Oct. 13	Harold J. Baker	Dale Jennings
Sapulpa	First	Sept. 25-29	The Men of Song	W. A. Voland
Oreg. Brookings	A/G	Sept. 30-Oct. 11	Roy Lee	J. D. Gillham
Portland	Evangel Temple	Oct. 2-13	Ed Cole	Joseph Dunets
Pa. Bellwood	Pentecostal	Oct. 2-13	Ralph A. Creider	B. Gregory Fisher
Freeport	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 1-13	Oren & Inez Paris	A. D. Skymer
Harrisburg	First	Sept. 22-Oct. 6	Paul Olson Party	J. L. Pittman
Lancaster	First Pent.	Oct. 6-11	J. G. Hall	Ira Stanphil
Philadelphia	*Highway Tab.	Oct. 4- 6	Dave & Pat Johnson	Howard Roberson
Wellsville	Victory FG	Oct. 1- 6	Curtis Sample	James Keifer
S. C. Greenville	Southside	Oct. 1-13	Bob McCutchen	J. L. Gallman
Tenn. Knoxville	Island Home	Oct. 1-13	Harry V. Vibbert	J. W. Jordan
Knoxville	Woodlawn	Sept. 24-Oct. 6	Frank Martin	Jacob L. Schaffer
Tex. Austin	Glad Tidings	Sept. 15-29	Dewey L. Heath	Elmer W. Barnes
Dallas	Oak Cliff	Sept. 22—	The Lummer Party	H. C. Noah
Freer	A/G	Oct. 6—	Bob Huie Party	J. J. Land
Graham	A/G	Oct. 1-11	B. R. Minton	Freddie Howard
Houston	Denver	Oct. 1-13	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	Paul A. Ansohn
Wash. Pasco	First	Sept. 29—	The Musical Mathans	Leonard Philp
* First		Sept. 29-Oct. 4	Charles Senechal	Leonard Philp
*A/G		Oct. 6-11	Charles Senechal	George J. Davis
W. Va. Chattoary	A/G	Sept. 29-Oct. 13	Hale-Turner Team	D. B. Watson
Petersburg	A/G	Oct. 1-13	Frank C. Sharp	Robert Smith
Wileyford	Faith	Oct. 1—	Daniel Summa	Howard Reckley
Wis. Milwaukee	Grace Church	Oct. 1- 6	Ray & Elaine Leonard	Howard C. Lecher
Canada Ottawa, Ont.	Bethel Tab.	Oct. 6-13	Wallace S. Bragg	Gordon R. Upton
China Lainan	A/G	Sept. 29-Oct. 6	Stanley McPherson	R. J. Bolton
Taichung	A/G	Oct. 7-13	Stanley McPherson	Melching-Plymire

*Children's Revival

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Just Think What BGMC Means!

BY MRS. WHEELER ANDERSON
Ghana, West Africa

JUST THINK! IF IT HAD NOT BEEN for BGMC, Ibrahim might never have received the infilling of the blessed Holy Spirit!

Ibrahim Peke* is today the pastor of a growing church in Blengo-Peke a village of the Brong-Ahafo region, Ghana.

"Those people are experiencing the nearest thing to what I believe early Pentecost was," said one missionary after he had visited Ibrahim's church. But this had not been so always.

Ibrahim was a young man who had inherited his father's holdings and, because of his wealth, he was a man of considerable standing in the community. He became responsible for the erection of the dance pavilion and for bringing in dance bands for the worldly pleasure seekers. He provided whisky and beer and became a heavy drinker himself. His mother was a Christian and was praying for his salvation, but he persecuted and threatened her because of her faith. His was a wicked and sinful life.

Then one day God stopped this young man. Two of Ibrahim's closest

friends were killed in a terrible accident and he himself became "sick unto death."

In his pain and agony, he remembered his mother's Christ.

"My son, won't you agree for the Christians to pray for your healing?" pleaded his lovely dark-skinned mother.

"Oh, Mother, I shall die if someone does not help me. Yes, yes, if you think I can be healed, let them pray," replied Ibrahim.

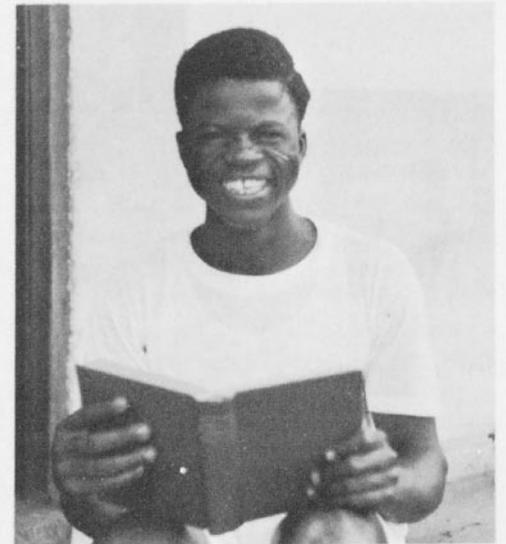
The Christians prayed. Ibrahim was completely healed, and he became an ardent Christian and a great prayer warrior.

Ibrahim was thrilled and thankful for what God had performed in his life. Not only did he forsake his sinful life, but now he longed to guide into the narrow way the people in his community whom he had so recently directed along the broad way.

"Come, come!" he invited. "Come to my house. We shall pray God and He will help you in whatever way you need. God will hear."

Ibrahim opened his heart and home to all who needed physical or spiritual help. Before long, quite a group of African believers was worshiping regularly at his house. Then came persecution.

"Ibrahim is a crazy man. He has



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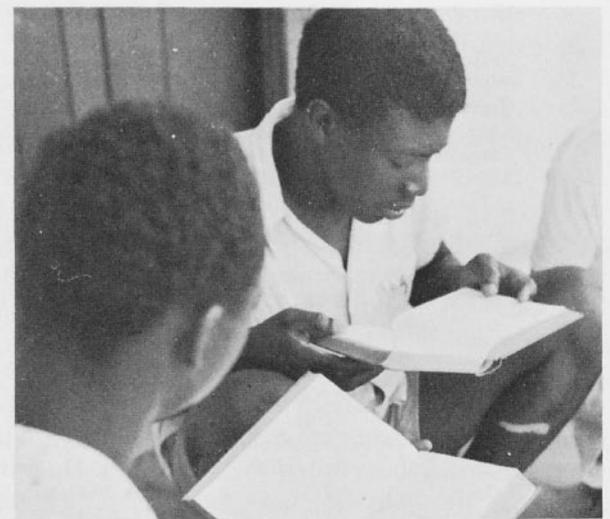
no sense," cried the non-Pentecostal Christians. "If you go to his house to have church or to pray, we will not allow you to attend the true church, our church, nor permit your children to attend our schools!"

Poor Ibrahim! He was confused and perplexed. He had given his heart to Jesus, yet these church people would not let him worship and serve Christ as his heart told him. What should he do? Give up and go back to dancing and drinking?

In this turmoil of mind and heart, Ibrahim went to visit his brother-in-law, Mr. Darkey, who lives at Tamale, an interior town far from Blengo-Peke. Mr. Darkey is the organist for our Assemblies of God church.

"Come to church with me, Ibrahim. It's Bible-study night. The missionary will give a lesson. It will make you feel better," said Mr. Darkey.

"Very well. I shall go along with you," replied Ibrahim.



Bible school students in Ghana hold their new Bibles given to them by Missionary Wheeler Anderson. At right students eagerly read their treasured copies of God's Word.

As the two men joined the service, Ibrahim became aware of something he had never before seen in a church. All the people were so happy and full of joy. He listened to the missionary's message. He felt the presence of God's Holy Spirit.

He thought to himself, "That missionary is not crazy and yet she is speaking of the Holy Spirit. She has been to college; she is educated; yet she is preaching about this same Jesus whom I love. This is what I and my group who are seeking God with me have been wanting. I must find out more about this way."

Several months before, Brother E. L. Phillips, field secretary for Africa, had answered our question with the reply, "Yes, there are BGMC funds available to help you open a bookstore in Tamale."

Because of this, we had BGMC books and literature to distribute when Ibrahim came to us soon after that Friday night service.

"Please, I have a church at Blengo-Peke. We believe just like you. We want to be just like you are. Have you some books I may study so I'll know what to teach my people so we can be Assembly of God?" pleaded this earnest man.

Later, as Ibrahim told the story, he said: "Soon I had the doctrine books, *What we Believe*, and *Pentecostal Truths*. I returned to my village and began to read and study these books together with my Bible. I said, 'If this is the truth, if this is God's way, we want it. We will try it on Pentecost Sunday.' We fasted from Wednesday, and on Pentecost Sunday thirty-five of my people received the Holy Spirit's filling as on the Day of Pentecost. We have found God's Word



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is true. Now we really believe in God, the Father Almighty, and in Jesus Christ, His Son, and in the Holy Ghost. Because of the books! The books you gave us."

Just think! If it had not been for BGMC, Ibrahim and his group of Ghanaians might never have received the blessed Holy Spirit. If it had not been for BGMC, that church in Blengo-Peke might not be there today.

How thankful every missionary is for this helping arm of BGMC. It means reams of new paper for the printshop. It means hundreds of books

and Bibles for distribution in villages and towns. It means drums of new, back-dated Sunday school literature to use in schools and stores. BGMC means there is a supply for the missionaries when they need literature.

Keep up the good work, boys and girls. You are helping to spread the gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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The 16th annual PFNA Convention will convene Oct. 29-31 in Montreal, Canada. First service on Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 9:30 a.m. For room reservations write R. M. Argue, pastor of host church, Evangel Pentecostal Church, 1235 Crosse Street at Tupper, Montreal, Canada.

TODAY IS CHECKUP DAY 1963

The day of the great parade is here at last. Today, by submitting their Checkups, thousands of Sunday schools from all parts of the country will be represented in this nation-wide parade.

Before mailing your Checkup, a last minute review will provide an orderly parade.

FOREIGN NEWS DIGEST



Attentive crowds listened to the Chinese evangelist in Singapore.



Many requested prayer for spiritual help in the Singapore campaign.

Singapore

Revival Visits Faith Assembly

God has been doing wonderful things in Faith Assembly. A formerly well-known movie actress from Hong Kong, whom the Lord saved several years ago conducted meetings here.

Large crowds of people who had seen Madam Kong's films came to the services. They listened as she preached Christ and

Him crucified. She also preached strong messages on the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Under her ministry many received this wonderful experience.

People of other denominations came from all parts of Singapore to the services. About one thousand crowded into the churchyard the last night.

Many souls were saved, demons were cast out, and hundreds sought God for a deeper walk with Him and for the infilling of the Spirit. Several were reclaimed. The church people are revived and refreshed

in the Spirit. An atmosphere of prayer and seeking God prevails in all the meetings.

Sister Charlotte Rodgers of the Oregon District stopped Sunday on her way to India. The two messages she preached were in keeping as a follow-up of the evangelistic campaign.

—Edna Devin

Fiji

Evangelistic Center Rises in Lautoka

"The new Assemblies of God church is really going up fast." ... "That American Padre is working very hard on that new church." ... "This will be Lautoka's largest and most beautiful church!"

These remarks are heard almost every day on the streets and in small shops downtown as we continue to erect the evangelistic center in the heart of Fiji's second largest city, Lautoka.

God is pouring out His Spirit upon our congregation week after week. Our small rented hall is crowded out, making a larger evangelistic center a necessity.

The altar calls on Sunday nights are thrilling; it is a beautiful sight to see young Fijians coming to receive Christ as Saviour, sitting or kneeling on native mats while one of our Christians leads them to salvation.—Ralph Elmore

Japan

Nationals Receptive to Gospel

The possibilities here in this area of Japan are tremendous. On every side of us we glimpse virgin territory where the surface has hardly been scratched by missionary efforts. We can branch out in any direction without conflicting with other churches because churches do not exist.

In each meeting we sense the hunger of the people and the urgency of the hour. We had been told that the Sendai area of Japan is very hard to work in—that the people are very unreceptive and unthankful. No Assemblies of God missionary has worked here for many years. We have found the negative reports were exaggerated. The receptiveness of the people has caused us great joy.—Clyde Bradburn

Basutoland

Vacation Bible School at Leribe

Last month we held a vacation Bible school at Leribe, one of the outstations in northern Basutoland.

Snow covered the mountains all around us and we shivered from the cold. Two little kerosene heaters did their best to keep our inadequate building comfortable but it was still miserably cold. We were amazed at the number of children and young people who faithfully attended the school in spite of the weather. Average attendance for the two weeks was 126.

The theme of the school was "The Good Shepherd." Each opening session had a special feature such as an object lesson or illustrated talk. One little girl went home to ask her father if he knew what "food for the spirit" is. The lesson had been about two kinds of food, with a piece of bread and a Bible to illustrate it.

A "Bible time shepherd" made quite an impression when we dressed one boy in clothes like those worn in the time of Jesus and explained each garment.

We were rewarded for our efforts when a number of parents as well as two officials of the district Education Department came to the closing exercises.

Six Basuto teachers worked untiringly in the school. One of them was a young girl who herself had been saved at a vacation Bible school at the mission station in 1959!—Hilda Olsen and Peggy Anderson



Gertrude, saved in the 1959 Vacation Bible School, taught in the 1963 school.

Liberia

Revival at Girls School

For a long time we have been praying for revival at Newaka Girls School. During May 27-June 7 we shortened classes so we could have services at 10:15 a.m. and 3:30 p.m.

It was difficult for a few days because the children were indifferent. God anointed the national preacher we asked to speak and gave him some messages which were needed. One particular message just fit two palavers we had had that afternoon.

On Wednesday we could feel a softening. Thursday came the real breakthrough. Freddy, one of the few boys at the school, began praying in earnest. Usually he preferred to play rather than work, study or pray. He started to leave the room but could not stop crying. He tried to confess something to the pastor but was crying so hard he could hardly talk. Finally he knelt and continued to pray.

At 6:15 everyone was still praying—including the cooks.

Friday they prayed until 12:30 a.m. Four were saved, four were filled with the Spirit and two were baptized in water.—*Ellen Marie McCormick*

Bolivia

From Idols to Pulpit

Two brothers returned to their home in the Bolivian high lands entirely different from when they had left the day before. Their ears had heard strange things. In response to the appeal made by the evangelical preacher, the two men had surrendered their lives to God. They were new creatures in Him!

They testified to their family of the things they had experienced. Not only were the lives of the young brothers changed, but their family was also changed. Before hearing the gospel they kept a chapel in their back yard where they burned candles and worshiped images. After hearing the gospel, they burned the chapel to the ground—all that remains are ashes and charred ruins.

One of the brothers now pastors the Assemblies of God church in Lajma, Bolivia, the church where he first heard the gospel preached by a minister from the Assembly in Oruro about 44 miles away.

There are now 67 on the roll of the Lajma Assembly, and the church has sent two of its members to Bible school. At first the congregation underwent persecution from the townspeople because they refused to take part in the fiestas. After I made several trips from Oruro to Lajma to talk with government officials, the Pente-

costal Christians were guaranteed freedom of worship. They are now building a church. Using planks for seats, they have already had a service in the new building. One hundred people attended.—*T. O. Johnston*

El Salvador

Travels 45 Miles to Confess Christ

"I have accepted the Lord privately in my heart. My life has been changed. I came these 45 miles tonight because I wanted to state publicly, with all you as witnesses, the fact that I accept Him as my personal Saviour."

Dr. Samayoa sat down after addressing the twenty people gathered for the Friday night Bible study attended by people of the upper social class.

There was a hush over the group. I stood before them wondering how to proceed. Then I simply asked if there were others who wanted to follow in Dr. Samayoa's footsteps. Immediately, five raised their hands.

I asked them to stand and was about to repeat the "penitent's prayer" with them when another, Doris Mencia, raised her hand. She moved us all by asking brokenly, "I wonder if I might more fittingly kneel than stand?" We knelt, and six more people—normally considered out of reach of the gospel because of their higher social standing—were born into the Kingdom of God.—*Paul Finkenbinder*

Nyasaland

Bible School Growing

There is nothing unusual about people going to Bible school. But when you are a missionary living among people to whom the most elementary knowledge of God is foreign, seeing others attend becomes wonderful—the search of hungry hearts for the Word of God!

Thirty-six men and women attended Nyasaland Bible Institute at Dedza this year. The fact that many of the wives came also can be the key to a successful ministry in this country. By custom, the authority of the home is delegated to the wife's family, so the presence of the wife stands for family approval.

Many students came who had never before been in a Pentecostal atmosphere. God's Spirit moved wonderfully during the school term. Nine students were filled with the Holy Spirit in one day. Only a few left the school without receiving this experience.

Our goal for the 1964 school term is six months of school instead of three.—*David Bland*

Forty Attend New Bible School in Sierra Leone

Forty enthusiastic young men eagerly waited for the opening of the first Assemblies of God Bible school in Koindu, Sierra Leone. When the school opened, the students eagerly began their studies, anxious to learn all they could from us so they could serve the Lord in a greater capacity.

Several nights a week the students preached the gospel in surrounding villages. Almost every Sunday there were new people in the Koindu church as a result of this evangelization.

The first semester of school is

over and we are now concentrating on constructing permanent school buildings—a chapel, classrooms, and dormitories.

Building construction is difficult in Sierra Leone. Sand for cement must be dug by hand out of the river. Rocks must be dug from the ground and crushed to make gravel. Because of termites, buildings must be constructed of concrete blocks. Boards used in finishing must be hand sawn. In spite of these difficulties God is blessing our building program.—

Jonathan Glover

MISSIONARY NEWS NOTES



Mr. and Mrs. James Kessler



Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Turner



Mrs. Charlotte Heetebry



The Paul Pipkin family

Three missionaries have returned to their respective fields after furlough: The James Kesslers, Ghana; the Wayne Turner family, Dahomey; and the Paul Pipkins. Mr. Pipkin will be in charge of the Formosa radio work while Missionary Garland Benintendi is on furlough.

Mrs. Charlotte Heetebry has transferred from Fiji to Germany to assist Missionary Richard Fulmer with his office work.

A number of missionaries are now on furlough: The Robert McClays and Paul Schoonmakers from India; Charles Woolevers, East Pakistan; the Alfred McGrews, Indonesia; Mr. and Mrs. Norman Backman, Liberia; the

Elvin Grundys, Sierra Leone; Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Stewart, Colombia; the George Flattery family, Senegal; Phyllis Bakke, Philippines; and the Paul Williscroft family, Germany. Eugene Bascue (Dahomey) has joined his family who preceded him to the U. S. several months ago. Roy Dalton arrived in the U. S. from Spain in June to join Mrs. Dalton already on furlough.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sholtis are the parents of Arthur, Jr., born June 18.

Morris Devin's new address is Djl. Sirnasari 1, Bandung, Indonesia. The Robert Frivolds' furlough address is 816 N. E. 98th Street, Seattle, Washington.

Homefront Highlights

VBS ECHOES

Many encouraging reports of VBS and Children's Crusade activities in Alaska and among the American Indians have reached the Home Missions Department. Many children have been saved and all who attended have received excellent Bible teaching and instruction in Christian living. How important it is to reach these "jewels" for Christ while they are young! Vacation Bible School is a fruitful means of evangelism, especially on Home Missions fields. Gaining the interest and confidence of the children through VBS, missionaries often find the doors of homes opening to them and their ministry.

JEWISH MINISTRY

New Kensington, Pennsylvania

Mrs. Helen Kostick, missionary in New Kensington, reports they now have Sunday services including a Sunday evening Bible school for children, as well as weekly Bible study and prayer services. A one-week revival meeting drew the attention of a number of Jewish people to the services and blessed the congregation. This work is in a new location and is in the pioneer stage.

New York, New York

Mrs. Gertrude Clonce reports that four were saved and one baptized in water through her ministry during May and June.

Chicago, Illinois

Due to illness, it has become necessary for Mrs. Louise Kaufmann to leave the staff of Shalom Center, our Hebrew Mission in

Chicago. This leaves Mrs. Ruth (Witt) Toczec without much-needed assistance in operating the Mission. Ernest C. Sumrall, pastor of the Stone Church, is in charge of the Jewish work in Chicago. Prayer is requested for this Mission.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE MINISTRY

Miami, Florida

The Andres Romans, appointed missionaries to the Spanish-speaking in Miami, conduct a special class to teach some of the Puerto Rican members of Spanish-speaking churches how to read and to write. These people are anxious to be able to read the Bible for themselves in Spanish. There were 25 enrolled in the first class.

Kathleen Belknap, director of the Evangelical Refugee Center, is in need of a touch from the Lord for a hip injury. Doctors say she will require surgery and her hip will be in a cast for nearly two months. She has just spent two months in the hospital with a hepatitis infection. Prayer is requested for this urgent need.

In July, the workers at the Center were greatly encouraged with the results of a Friday night service at the chapel with Jose Berrio as the special speaker. The meeting had been announced previously during the Center's radio program. The church was packed. Fifteen came forward for salvation after the service. Most of them were newcomers. Many have testified that they have been saved or healed through hearing the radio program.

The evangelistic campaign in

Miami, which is backed by our Spanish churches in the area, was off to a good start when this information was compiled. Daniel Del Vecchio and Rudy Cerrullo were speakers. The crowds at the beginning were between 300 and 400.

New York City

The Protestant Church Directory published by The Protestant Council of the City of New York lists 2,442 Protestant and Orthodox churches in the five boroughs and in Nassau and Westchester counties. This total includes 308 Spanish-speaking churches. Editors of the Directory estimate that 50 per cent or more of these Spanish-speaking churches are related to Pentecostal bodies.

There are now 18 churches in New York City affiliated with the Assemblies of God.

TEEN CHALLENGE MINISTRY

New York City

Teen Challenge Center is sending seven young men, former addicts and gang members, to the Latin American Bible Institute in La Puente, Calif., this fall. Two who were previously sent to the school by Teen Challenge have already finished their first year with high marks. They were instrumental in getting the Teen Challenge Center in Los Angeles in operation since they initiated a Teen Challenge Team among the students at LABI. Sending the boys to school is a big undertaking financially, but the Center is trusting God to provide.

The *Good Housekeeping* maga-

zine's condensation of the book, *The Cross and the Switchblade*, has brought excellent response all across the nation. David Wilkerson, director of Teen Challenge in New York, was interviewed on Art Linkletter's TV program recently.

PRISON MINISTRY

Mansfield, Ohio

Following is an excerpt from a letter received in the National Home Missions Department from Benjamin K. Sorg, Protestant Chaplain, Ohio State Reformatory: "Again I'd like to assure you that these Bible courses have been a real blessing to many of our inmates. God's promise that His Word shall not be returned void certainly applies to this Bible study ministry. I would also like to say that we are grateful for the four subscriptions of the *Pentecostal Evangel*. These copies are read, and passed from cell to cell."

Northern California-Nevada

The Prison Division of the Home Missions Department wishes to commend the Northern California-Nevada District for its prison outreach in providing its district bulletin for the Protestant chaplain. The chaplain has written that he can distribute all of these magazines the district can send.

ALASKA MINISTRY

Fairbanks

God is blessing the Fairbanks church spiritually and in attendance. On a recent Sunday, 13 were baptized in water after the service. Two GPs were gloriously saved and threw away their cigarettes. Several have received the Holy Spirit lately.

Yakutat

Donald H. VonWald and other workers are beginning a work at Yakutat and have no permanent building yet. They recently had a wonderful Sunday evening service at the Fish Camp, twelve miles out from the village.

Point Hope

The Earl McKenzies are supplying at Point Hope for the Alvin Capeners who are in California on furlough.

Fort Yukon

The Robert D. Umphreys have arrived at Fort Yukon to take charge of the church there.



Owen Mincks reports the Children's Crusade conducted during the camp meeting at Moreau on the Cheyenne Reservation in South Dakota was well attended.

AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Whiteriver, Arizona

A new daughter, Theresa Ann, joined the Paul Evans family on April 10. The Evanses, missionary-pastors at Whiteriver, report that several were saved and six received the baptism of the Holy Spirit in a recent revival. Brother Evans baptized 11 persons in water at the close of the meeting.

The Denton Section of the North Texas District, and others, made it possible for the Evanses to have a 1956 Chevrolet-54 bus.

Couderay, Wisconsin

The John Gundersons are the new pastors of the Signor Indian Mission at Couderay, following the resignation of Larry Foster. Brother and Sister Gunderson formerly were pastors of the Lodgepole Indian Mission near Dodson, Mont.



Olline Dingman, Stanfield, Ariz., stands beside the truck which the Indiana District enabled her to purchase.

Stanfield, Arizona

Olline Dingman, who had rheumatic fever recently, is much improved. The disease affected her heart and she would appreciate prayer for her complete recovery.

Chambers, Arizona

Charles Kumley, Jr., reports that while he and his family were traveling to Arizona to begin work among the Indians, his trailer jackknifed and overturned. No one was injured. They are ministering in the Burntwater area.

Pocatello, Idaho

Several were saved and some were baptized in the Holy Spirit in the Pocatello Indian Assembly, where the J. T. Kindalls minister, during a recent revival with Mary Reed of Boise, Idaho. This is the first time anyone has received the Baptism in this new church. Their Sunday school attendance has reached 80.

Manuelito, New Mexico

Congratulations to June Pearson, missionary at Manuelito, and James D. Mills of Clatskanie, Oreg., who were united in marriage July 16. Brother and Sister Mills will continue missionary work at Manuelito.

Friant, California

Bill G. Keys is the new pastor of Table Mountain Indian Assembly of God at Friant, Calif.

The Sunday school has shown a marked increase lately with an average attendance of 66. The church building is only two years old and the property is quite large with room for expansion. However, there is no parsonage and the pastor lives in a house trailer.

Eager, Arizona

Congratulations to Edna Griep and Clarence Graetz who were united in marriage at the Winslow Indian Assembly of God July 22.

Ft. Yates, North Dakota

Attendance was encouraging at the Ponderosa Village tent meeting conducted by Missionary George Waldrep during July. The village is one mile from Fort Yates. This is a new work and people are showing interest in the services.

San Carlos, Arizona

The A. M. Cranstons, who have been supplying for the Fred Cruses at Parker, Ariz., are now in San Carlos assisting Bonnie, daughter of the Oliver Treeces, while the Treeces take a rest.

Nixon, Nevada

The Wesley Ericksons report that although their mailing address is Reno, they minister at Nixon, Nev., on the Pyramid Lake Reservation, fifty miles from Reno. Over 150 attended an inspiring Indian Fellowship Meeting June 1-3 at Nixon. Two were saved and several were reclaimed. George Effman was the main speaker.

Nedrow, N. Y.

Missionaries Thelma Miller and Caroline Kingsley at Nedrow are rejoicing over their first baptismal service held July 9, 1963. Four converts were baptized.

Phoenix, Arizona

The Lonnie Thomases, their daughter, and Lena Billie, a Navajo student at the All Tribes Bible School in Phoenix, distributed over one thousand booklets and tracts at the Indian Pow Wow in Flagstaff this summer. A tent meeting on the Salt River Reservation near Phoenix is planned by the Phoenix Indian Mission for early fall.

Cayuse, Oregon

The Robert Ruarks, who recently moved to Oregon to work among the Umatilla Indians, find this a very needy field. The area seems almost untouched with the gospel. Already, four young people and one man have been saved.

Chandler, Arizona

Missionary J. O. Brown is grateful for the jeep truck purchased through a Speed-the-Light grant. The Browns assist Martha McCorkle at the Casa Blanca Indian Mission. They are now building the walls to the new church. It will seat about 300 when finished.

Toadlena, New Mexico

Mrs. Gene Steele, who ministers at Newcomb with her husband, was recently hospitalized for ten days. She is now at home and her condition is improving.

Canyon Day, Arizona

On the last night of the Apache Indian Camp on the Fort Apache Reservation, a scorpion stung Mrs. Leo Gilman, missionary at Canyon Day, on the arm at least four times. This was the most dan-

gerous kind of scorpion and one sting is sometimes fatal. The missionaries and Indian Christians prayed several hours after the service until the Lord touched Sister Gilman. She has suffered no ill effects.

This summer members of the Canyon Day Church have painted and finished the church auditorium. Results of a July revival at Canyon Day with the Robert Caudles of Tulare, Calif., were encouraging.

Appointed to Home Missions Ministry

THREE NEW COUPLES ARE ENTERING home missionary fields and one couple is being re-appointed. Also, Mrs. Dorothy Bear of Flagstaff, Ariz., is newly appointed to American Indian ministry.

The Leonard Olsons were first appointed to Alaska ministry in 1952, and served eight years, pioneering the work at Haines. They are returning there to replace the Wesley Hansens who have left Alaska for health reasons.

Brother and Sister L. Gillam Lyon of Brooklyn, N. Y., have been appointed to Teen Challenge work in New York. The Lyons have spent thirty years in pastoral and evangelistic ministry. Brother Lyon is an ordained minister of the Ohio District. His wife will serve as a house mother at Teen Challenge Center. In addition to assisting her husband in his work, she has been active in child evangelism, Sunday school, and C. A. ministry. The Lyons have a daughter Rebecca.

Mrs. Bear is assisting Rowena Chaves in the Indian Mission at Flagstaff, Ariz. She has had experience in children's work, VBS, and Sunday school teaching, and holds credentials with the Kansas

District. She made a study of Indian missions in Arizona and visited some of the missions before entering this field.

Albert and Vesta Cranston of Visalia, Calif., are appointed to the American Indian ministry and have been on the field for some time. They are presently assisting Bonnie Treece at San Carlos, Ariz., while Bonnie's parents, the Oliver Treeces, take a rest.

The Cranstons are licensed with the Southern California District.

The Cranstons have three small children. Brother Cranston is experienced in pastoral and missionary work. His wife taught in Sharon Bible School, Madera, Calif., five years, where she was Dean of Women for three years.

Otis and Jean Lichlyter of Springfield, Mo., have had experience working among American Indians in the Southwest. They returned to Springfield, Mo., where he has been attending Central Bible Institute and promoting Indian Missions whenever possible. He was graduated in 1963. Now these dedicated young people with their two children are on their way to Aniak, Alaska, where they will serve as pastors.



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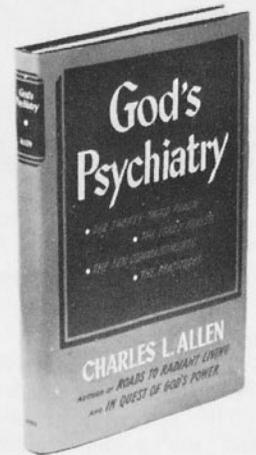
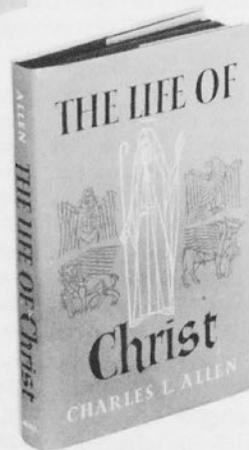
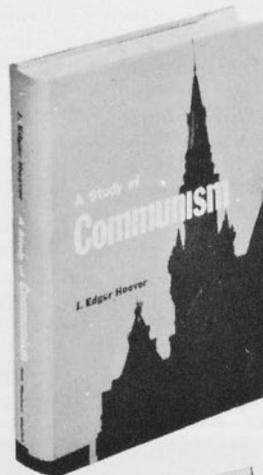
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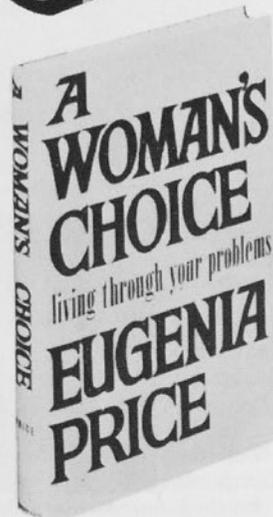
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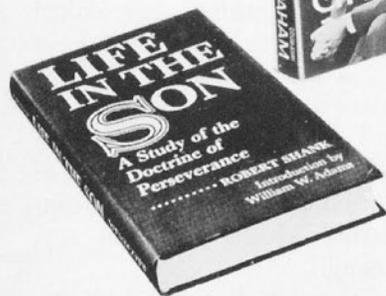
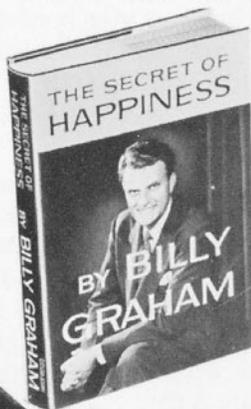


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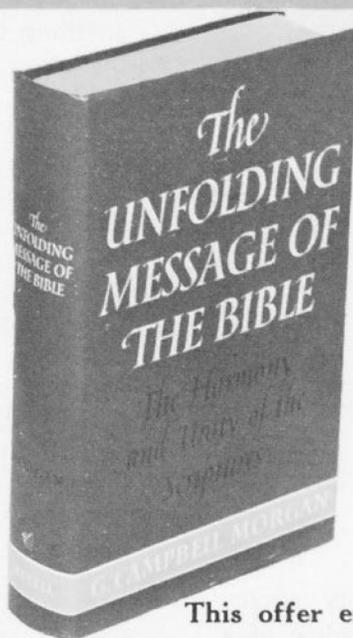
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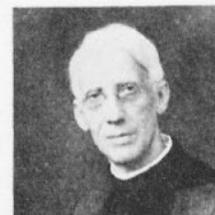
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TWENTY-FOUR YEARS IN THE NEW YORK CITY POLICE Department have proved to me, beyond a shadow of a doubt, the truth of the verse of scripture which says, "Men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil" (John 3:19).

Under cover of darkness and behind closed doors men conspire and connive to break the law. In the large cities of this country fighting crime has long since ceased to be a matter of placing a man in uniform in a public place to maintain law and order. Each advance in science that assists law enforcement agencies in the fight against crime has brought with it the problem of the use of the new scientific aid by those outside the law to defeat the law.

Each year finds the American people spending more and more to fight crime. Just saying "Crime doesn't pay" won't make it so. The satisfactory solution to any problem can best be found by starting at its source. The reason men love darkness is because their deeds are evil. The reason men are evil is because "the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (Jeremiah 17:9).

Criminologists have suggested any number of answers to the problem of crime; the law enforcement agencies of America are doing their best; in many cases policemen have sacrificed their lives in the endless fight against crime, but only the Bible goes right to the source.

Psalms 119:9 asks this question: "Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way?" Or in words of today, "How can a young man go straight?" Thank God, the answer can be found in His Word. The same sentence continues: "By taking heed thereto according to thy word."

God's Word says: "Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

How can man be "in Christ"? Very simply: "If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Romans 10:9-10).

Perhaps some of you as you read this tract may say to yourself, "Well, this might certainly apply to those with whom the police must deal—thieves, murderers, robbers, drunkards, and the like—but I've never done anything to run afoul of the law, nor must I resort to the cover of darkness to hide my deeds."

Friend, it might well be that you have lived an upright and commendable life. For you, the question of sin poses a different problem. God's words ring out with authority in Romans 3:23: "For ALL have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." It may be hard for you to see this, but can you honestly say you never have sinned? Have you never broken ONE of God's laws? Again the Bible speaks: "For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in ONE point, he is guilty of ALL" (James 2:10).

"For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do" (Hebrews 4:12-13).

In a court of law a defendant must be proven guilty "beyond a reasonable doubt." Imagine standing in a court and watching (projected on a screen in view of the judge, jury, lawyers, spectators, and your own unbelieving eyes) a moving picture of the unlawful acts you have tried so hard to deny.

This may be a crude illustration but it brings out the point. Hebrews 9:27 reminds us: "It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." God makes no mistakes; there will be no "hung juries" or "mistrials." There will be no suspended sentences, or periods of "parole" or "probation," but quick, just and accurate judgment by the Judge who knows even "the intents of the heart."

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