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Can a Christian Be

The answer seems to be plain enough to one who examines all the teachings of the Word of God.



CAN A CHRISTIAN BE LOST? NOT ALL CHRISTIANS agree. The Reformed churches, the Presbyterian churches, and many Baptist churches follow Augustine and John Calvin in believing a person who is truly saved cannot be lost. Because they believe what Calvin believed, these people are called Calvinistic.

Perhaps you are wondering why Calvinists believe a Christian cannot be lost. Strange to say, it is their desire for consistency which leads them astray.

The Bible teaches both predestination and free will, often in the same passage. (See Mark 14:21; Acts 2:23.) At our human level of understanding, predestination and free will seem inconsistent. We do not understand how a matter can be predestined if it involves free will. Human tendency, therefore, is to throw out either free will or predestination, and the Calvinists throw out free will.

They have assumed that because they do not understand it, it cannot happen. Now isn't that foolish? Why should God be limited to what little we can understand? Let us explore this question, looking first into some of the statements of men and then into the Bible itself.

I. WHAT SOME MEN SAY

A. "Man Is Totally Unable to Save Himself"

This is the first step toward the conclusion that a Christian cannot be lost. On the surface, it looks good. We agree that man is unable to save himself. However, when the Calvinist says that man is totally unable to save himself, he means more than we mean. He means being unable to will to accept the salvation offered by God. In other words, God offers it, but man is not free to accept it. This is the way the Calvinist denies free will.

The Bible reveals that man has the capacity of free will, the ability to make choices. This ability is shown in several ways.

1. *It is shown by our responsibility for our actions.* "If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land: but if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it" (Isaiah 1:19, 20).

2. *It is shown by calls to choose.* "Choose you this day whom ye will serve" (Joshua 24:15). If we could not make choices, such an exhortation would be mockery.

3. *It is shown by the words of Jesus:* "If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself" (John 7:17). Jesus is challenging His hearers to use their wills to put God's will to the test.

4. *It is shown by the invitation to accept Christ as Saviour by an act of will.* "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Revelation 22:17).

B. "God Elects Man to Salvation"

If man cannot choose to accept salvation, as the preceding Calvinistic argument holds, then it is reasoned that God must do the choosing. According to this theory, God chooses certain persons to be saved, and then communicates saving faith to these persons. All others, not being chosen, are lost.

This is the reverse of what we believe the Bible teaches. We believe that a person who has faith becomes one of God's chosen, not that a person is chosen and is then given faith. The Bible says, "Whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins" (Acts 10:43), not, "Whosoever receives remission of sin shall believe." The Bible says "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved" (Acts 16:31), not, "Be saved, and thou shalt

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BY DONALD F. JOHNS

believe on the Lord Jesus Christ." Faith comes first, then salvation through becoming part of the elect Body of Christ. We are predestined because we are part of the Church, not part of the Church because we are predestined. We enter into the Church by an act of free will, but once in it we share in the glorious predestination of the Church as long as we remain in it.

C. "Christ Died for the Chosen Only"

From the preceding step it is reasoned that Christ died only for those whom God chooses, not for the whole world. This is called a limited atonement.

We believe such a limitation of the atonement contradicts the Bible. First Timothy 2:6 says that Jesus "gave himself a ransom for all." First John 2:2 says, "He is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world." "The Lord is... not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9). Christ died for the sins of all men so that "whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Acts 2:21).

D. "God's Grace Is Irresistible"

The next step in the reasoning is to conclude that the grace of God cannot be resisted by those whom God chooses to be saved. In other words, those whom God chooses to be saved will be saved whether they want to be saved or not.

Here again we disagree on the basis of what the Bible teaches. The Bible reveals that men continually resist the grace of God by continuing in their unbelief. Stephen preached, "Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye" (Acts 7:51). It is possible to do "despite unto the Spirit of grace" (Hebrews 10:29).

E. "A Christian Cannot Be Lost"

This is the final step in the erroneous reasoning. If God's grace is irresistible, they reason, then the saints must persevere; or, to say it a little differently, the saints cannot be lost. In other words, "Once saved, always saved."

Have you noticed how much human reasoning is involved in arriving at the conclusion that a Christian cannot be lost? The Calvinists have reasoned from one false belief, the belief that man is not free to accept the salvation God offers, to another false belief, the conclusion that a Christian cannot be lost. And all because they trust their own reasoning more than they trust the simple statements of the Bible.

Take this statement, for example: "Know ye not, that

to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" (Romans 6:16). This statement clearly indicates that death is the consequence of sin. To whom was it written? To the Christians of Rome. (See Romans 1:7, 8). It indicates a Christian can be lost.

II. WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS

A. *A Christian Can Be Lost*

The Bible teaches it is possible for a person who has known the Lord to be lost. Consider the following evidence:

1. *Old Testament warnings.* "When the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die" (Ezekiel 18:24). "Cursed be the man... whose heart departeth from the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:5). There are many such warnings in the Old Testament.

2. *Old Testament object lessons.* Paul often used analogy in his writings, comparing the Church to Israel. That is, he used Israel as an example for the Church. The way God treated Israel is an object lesson of the way God will treat the Church if the Church acts as Israel did. "If God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee. Behold therefore, the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off" (Romans 11:21, 22).

3. *The words of Jesus.* "If a man abide not in me, he is cast forth as a branch, and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire, and they are burned" (John 15:6).

4. *The words of Peter.* "If after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them. But it is happened unto them according to the true proverb. The dog is turned to his own vomit again; and the sow that was

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WE BELIEVE the Bible to be the inspired and only infallible and authoritative Word of God. WE BELIEVE that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Ghost. WE BELIEVE in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal future return to this earth in power and glory to rule a thousand years. WE BELIEVE in the Blessed Hope, which is the Rapture of the Church at Christ's coming. WE BELIEVE that the only means of being cleansed from sin is through repentance and faith in the precious blood of Christ. WE BELIEVE that regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential for personal salvation. WE BELIEVE that the redemptive work of Christ on the cross provides healing of the human body in answer to believing prayer. WE BELIEVE that the baptism of the Holy Spirit, according to Acts 2:4, is given to believers who ask for it. WE BELIEVE in the sanctifying power of the Holy Spirit by whose indwelling the Christian is enabled to live a holy life. WE BELIEVE in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost, the one to everlasting life and the other to everlasting damnation.

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It is one of the great paradoxes of the Christian life that the weaker we may seem, the stronger we may be. When we feel helpless to the point of fainting in the face of life's demands, we are in the very situation where God can give us power; for the Bible says, "He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength."

This power is not human strength. The prophet goes on to say that "even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall; but they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength . . ." (Isaiah 40:29-31). Youths may find it hard to obtain this bestowal of spiritual power because of their great physical powers and self-confidence. Those of riper years who have learned the frailty of human nature and the folly of self-sufficiency have a great advantage for they sense their impotence and recognize their great need of God.

We must always remember it is "not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts" (Zechariah 4:6). Our best resources are not human but divine. The power we need to do the will of God resides in the Lord Himself. We obtain it by being "strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man" (Ephesians 3:16). The spiritual powers arrayed against us are too strong for us to overcome by our own strength or skill. Like Jehoshaphat we need to confess our personal weakness and plead for divine help.

In his prayer the king confessed, "We have no might against this great company that cometh against us; neither know we what to do: but our eyes are upon thee" (2 Chronicles 20:12). That was a humbling prayer for a king to make but it is the kind of prayer the Lord loves to answer, as shown by the miraculous victory He gave to the people of Judah.

The attitude of the apostle Paul shows the secret of his great spiritual power. He wrote: "Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves; but our sufficiency is of God" (2 Corinthians 3:5).

"Christ liveth in me," he declared, "and the life I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (Galatians 2:20).

Reckon yourself to be dead indeed unto sin and alive unto Christ. Count your old life to be past, and nurture the new life by all the means God gives you.

The apostle said, "Ye have put off the old life with its deeds; and have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him" (Colossians 3:9, 10). Our part is only to identify ourselves with Christ, to trust Him, and to appropriate His words in order that we may be partakers of His divine nature. His part is to work in us and through us by His Spirit so that His kingdom is advanced and His Name exalted.

We may be sure He will do His part if we will do ours. Thank God for this secret, all-sufficient source of spiritual strength: "Christ in you, the hope of glory" (Colossians 1:27).

—R.C.C.

I Remember

By J. O. SAVELL



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I HAVE BEEN ASKED TO LOOK BACK OVER THE PAST fifty years of my association with the Assemblies of God and kindred fellowships, and to pinpoint the persons and experiences which made the most lasting imprint upon my life. This I find difficult to do.

I did not have the privilege of attending the historic meeting in Hot Springs, Ark., in April 1914 which was the first General Council of the Assemblies of God, but I was present for the fourth General Council which met in St. Louis, Mo., in October 1916. I was just completing my second year in the ministry. I had had very little contact with the Pentecostal Movement outside my own church which God had raised up under my ministry down in the Mississippi Delta. To be present at the St. Louis Council was a highlight in my life.

To my way of thinking, this General Council proved to be as historic, and perhaps more far-reaching in a doctrinal way, as any of the three preceding sessions.

For lack of organizational guidance, the Movement had become divided over church polity and especially over the matter of the Trinity and water baptismal formula. Some of our prominent leaders and many entire church groups had been re-baptized in Jesus' Name contrary to the formula set forth in Matthew 28:19. This period in our Pentecostal Movement was comparable to the era of the Judges when "every man did that which was right in his own eyes."

With the convening of this fourth General Council there seemed to be a feeling that what we could not settle amicably must be settled by legislation and executed judicially, hence the brethren set themselves to the task

J. O. Savell, born December 8, 1891, was ordained to the ministry in November 1914. He has filled many positions in the Assemblies of God including pastor, evangelist, Bible teacher, district official, general and executive presbyter. Brother Savell served as an assistant general superintendent five years (1953-1957) prior to his retirement. For some time he was not well but God has restored him to health and he now preaches in conventions, ministers institutes, and short revivals. His address is 5802 Tautenhahn Road in Houston, Tex.

of formulating what became known as our Statement of Fundamental Truths. The men who were designated to draft this document were modest enough to state in the preamble: "The human phraseology employed in such statement is not inspired or contended for, but the truth set forth is held to be essential to a full-gospel ministry. No claim is made that it contains all truth in the Bible, only that it covers our present needs as to these fundamental matters." I waited almost breathlessly as each of these articles was reported out of committee to be discussed on the Council floor. I shall never forget how my heart thrilled to see and hear T. K. Leonard of Findlay, Ohio, lead the "floor fight" to win passage of the statement.

Little did I realize at that time that I was seeing the laying of the foundation of a great Movement and was witnessing the signing of what may aptly be called "The Magna Charta" of the Assemblies of God.

When once the basis for fellowship was defined and our doctrinal position was set forth in this Statement of Fundamental Truths, we immediately began to see the growth which has continued to this day.

It was on this occasion that I first met our "founding fathers." Among them were J. W. Welch, E. N. Bell, S. A. Jamieson, D. W. Kerr, A. B. Cox, and T. K. Leonard, of all whom after serving their generation passed on to their reward; and J. R. Flower and Stanley H. Frodsham, both of whom remain among us.

My young life was so impressed by observing these great men move in and out of committee meeting to direct the floor discussion, I forgot the mild privations I endured in order to attend the Council. I had borrowed another man's shoes, I was sharing a double bed with the man who had ordained me in a little Upper Room Mission in San Antonio. We lived on a \$3.50 meal ticket while we were in St. Louis. But we did not speak of privations. We considered ourselves highly privileged to be present at these great Pentecostal meetings. ◀◀



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Pastor Robert M. Argue records a thought for the day, reading from a prepared script. With him are the associate pastors, Allon Hornby (left) and George Atkinson.

automatic installation of its kind in all Canada. Last spring it was so popular they had to keep adding phones until there were seven in use at the same time. The telephone company estimated that at peak use there were approximately 4,000 calls going through each day.

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AS MANY AS 4,000 TIMES IN A SINGLE day the people of Montreal have dialed for "Evangel's Daily Help." The pastors of Evangel Pentecostal Church at Closse and Tupper Streets in Montreal, Quebec, have found the telephone ministry to be a most effective way to extend their evangelistic outreach in Canada's largest city.

A new message is recorded on a battery of telephones each day; and Pastor Robert M. Argue has heard of men and women from many walks of life who dial 933-7521 regularly for spiritual inspiration. Each message lasts for 45 seconds.

A doctor, for example, says he listens every morning. He shuts the door of his office, dials the number, and listens quietly. It is his daily devotional time.

Brother Argue learned that the sports editor of a large daily newspaper frequently dials for this help. Many others on this newspaper staff also have made this a habit—and as a result there has been a noticeable change for the better in the tone of conversation in this newspaper office.

The Mother Superior of a local convent learned that some of the nuns under her supervision were listening

to the telephone messages. She decided she would sample it so she dialed and listened. Her verdict was, "There is nothing wrong with this," so other nuns began to dial.

Montreal is largely a French-speaking city. In fact, it has more French-speaking people than any other city on earth except Paris. But there are some 440,000 people in Montreal who can speak English. They comprise 22 per cent of the city's two million people and all of them are potential listeners to the "gospel by telephone." Many of them will not attend a Protestant church but in the privacy of their home or office they can dial for this daily thought from the Scriptures.

Pastor Argue and his two associate ministers, Allon Hornby and George Atkinson, take turns at going to the battery of telephones in the sound control room of the church and making the daily recordings. One day the theme was, "Be still and know that I am God." Another day it was, "Seek ye the Lord while he may be found." Occasionally it is a prayer. The name and address of the church are always mentioned at the end.

The telephone company says Evangel Pentecostal Church has the largest

the front of the church so that all who wish to listen may do so. It is also advertised in the newspapers. Sometimes it is done through curiosity ads. The number also is printed on little cards which are handed out by members or placed in public places.

Last October, when the pastors were very busy preparing to entertain the annual convention of the Pentecostal Fellowship of North America, they did not have time to record a new message one day. At least two dozen people let the pastor know that yesterday's message had been repeated. They thought it was a mistake.

One day Brother Argue and Brother Hornby (who is the pastor's son-in-law) were eating in a local restaurant and one of the waitresses said: "Would you be the men I have heard on the telephone? Your voices sound like those I heard from the Evangel Pentecostal Church." They replied in the affirmative and invited her to visit the church. She came; and as a result she was saved, and began bringing other waitresses to the services.

"Evangel Church has always been very missionary minded," says Pastor Argue. "Our congregation takes very seriously the Great Commission—'Preach the gospel to every creature'—and while we are endeavoring to do our share in the great foreign missions and home missions programs, we want to seize every opportunity to evangelize our own community also. We think the telephone ministry is one way to accomplish this." ◀◀

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washed to her wallowing in the mire" (2 Peter 2:20-22).

5. *The words of Paul.* "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils" (1 Timothy 4:1).

6. *The words of Hebrews.* The person who tramples the blood of Christ underfoot by turning away from Him and who insults the Holy Spirit can expect nothing but judgment. (See Hebrews 10:29). It is possible to draw back. (See Hebrews 10:38, 39.) The fact that the persons to whom Hebrews was written were thinking about returning to Judaism did not make their turning away from Christ less serious. The person who turns away from Christ for any reason can expect to be lost. "That which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned" (Hebrews 6:8).

The doctrine "once saved, always saved" clearly does not correspond to the teaching of the Bible. The Bible teaches it is possible for a person who has known the Lord to be lost. Persons who turn away from Christ place themselves on the side of the crucifiers, not on the side of the Crucified One. (See Hebrews 6:6.)

B. How a Christian Can Be Lost

1. *He can willfully abandon Christ.* This is the kind of falling away referred to in the Book of Hebrews. The Jewish Christians considered returning to Judaism, probably in an attempt to avoid persecution. Such an abandonment involves putting the Crucified One to an open shame, trampling His blood underfoot, and insulting the Spirit of grace. (See Hebrews 6:6; 10:29.) Probably very few Christians would make such a conscious decision to desert Christ, but it sometimes happens. The Bible nowhere teaches that a person loses his ability to make choices after he accepts Christ as Saviour. In fact, it indicates the contrary is true. (See Romans 6:16.) The person who chooses to accept Christ remains free to reject Christ later if he wills to do so.

2. *He can move away from Christ a step at a time,* not fully realizing what is happening. This is what more often happens. A series of seemingly minor decisions can have the same cumulative effect as one major decision. For this cause, we must consider not only the effect of each decision we make, but also the direction in which the decision indicates we are moving.

C. How a Christian Can Remain Secure

1. *There is no security in sin.* The belief that a Christian cannot be lost may encourage weak, unstable, immature Christians to live loose Christian lives, or even to live lives which are not Christian. Such people may think, "If I cannot be lost, if I am eternally secure I can do anything I want to do and still be saved."

The ultimate consequence of this belief may be loss of salvation. For although there is security in Christ

there is no security in sin. The person who thinks, "I am eternally secure, so how I live doesn't make any difference," may discover too late that the way he lives does make a difference. "If we say that we have fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie, and do not the truth; but if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (1 John 1:6, 7). Fellowship with God and continual cleansing from sin are possible only as a person walks in the light of God's truth and confesses his sins. (See 1 John 1:9.)

2. *There is security in Christ.* Our spiritual security is based on our relationship to Christ. We are safe as long as we are in Christ but there is no security apart from our union with Christ. While we are in Christ nothing in all creation can separate us from Him. Nothing, that is, but ourselves.

Nothing from outside can sever our union with Christ and threaten our safety. "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Romans 8:35, 38, 39). Many of the things Paul listed as being unable to separate us from the love of Christ and of God, Paul himself had already experienced. (See 2 Corinthians 6:4, 5; 11:23-28; 12:10; Acts 14:19). He knew from experience that nothing from outside could threaten his spiritual safety. Yet Paul was still concerned about his spiritual welfare. "I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection," he said, "lest that by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway" (1 Corinthians 9:27). He was determined that no choice of his would put him outside of Christ where he would not be secure. We need that same determination.

Chrysostom, the great Church leader of the fourth century, was threatened with banishment by the Roman Emperor if he remained a Christian. Chrysostom answered, "Thou canst not, for the world is my Father's house; thou canst not banish me." Then the Emperor threatened to kill him. Chrysostom replied, "Nay, but thou canst not, for my life is hid with Christ in God."

Chrysostom was then threatened with confiscation of all his earthly goods. He answered, "Nay, but thou canst not, for, in the first place, I have none that thou knowest of. My treasure is in heaven, and my heart is there."

Finally the Roman Emperor threatened, "I will drive thee away from man, and thou shalt have no friend left." Chrysostom was firm when he made his reply. "Nay, and that thou canst not, for I have a Friend in heaven, from whom thou canst not separate me. I defy thee; there is nothing thou canst do to hurt me." He knew that nothing outside of a man can separate him from Christ. A man can be separated from Christ only if he himself chooses to be separated.

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Part of the potash works at Sodom on the Dead Sea.



Aerial view of the thriving, modern city of Tel Aviv.

By Louis Hauff, Pastor, First Assembly of God, San Bernardino, California

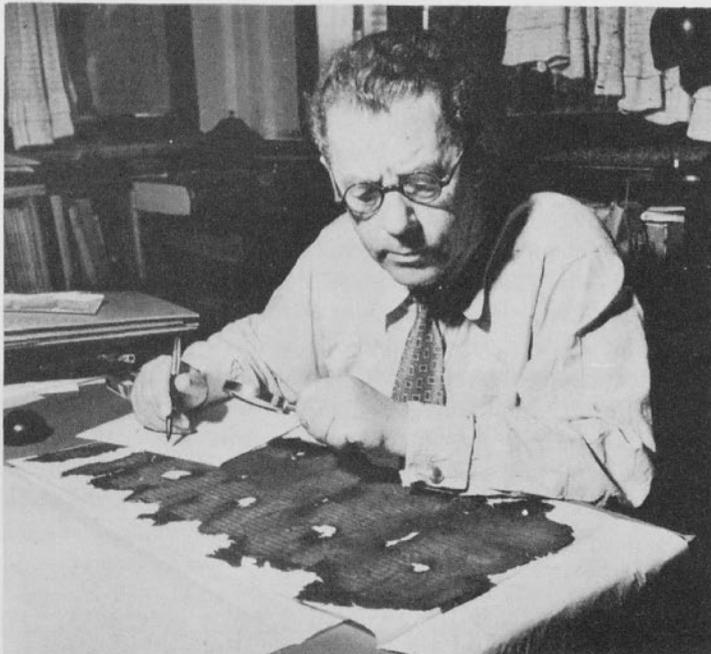
[PART ONE: ISRAEL RESTORED TO PALESTINE]

THE BOOK OF ISAIAH CONTAINS MANY PROPHETIC references to the restoration of Israel in the promised land, and the discovery of the entire Book of Isaiah among the famous Dead Sea scrolls has brought about a re-examination of this Old Testament book.

These scrolls were hidden about A.D. 70 when the Jewish nation was defeated and scattered by the Roman army under Titus. It is a remarkable coincidence that they should be found at about the time the present nation of Israel was being formed.

In the book *Israel Today* Ruth Gruber states that the drama of Israel's own birth had its counterpart in the discovery of the Dead Sea scrolls. She suggests there may be a sign of destiny in the fact that both occurred on the same day. On November 29, 1947, the nations of

Professor Sukenik deciphering Dead Sea scroll of Isaiah which dates back to the second century B. C.



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the world were voting in New York to partition Palestine and create a Jewish state. On that same day, in Jerusalem, Dr. Eleazar Sukenik, Professor of Archaeology at the Hebrew University, carried home from Bethlehem the ancient leather scrolls.

That night while Dr. Sukenik was examining the scrolls in his study, his son Mati was listening on his short-wave radio to a broadcast from Lake Success, New York. After midnight he rushed in to tell his father that the United Nations had voted to give the Jews a home of their own. This prepared the way for the birth of the Jewish state. The Jews and the scrolls had both come home!

For nearly 1,800 years a regathering of Jews to Palestine and the formation of a nation seemed impossible. However, a number of Bible scholars long had believed and preached the restoration of Israel. When Theodore Herzl (who died in 1904) founded Zionism and talked of a homeland for the Jews, he negotiated for Uganda in Africa. At that time W. E. Blackstone, a writer on prophetic themes at the turn of the century, sent him marked copies of the Old Testament showing the Jewish homeland *must* be in Palestine. These marked copies are now on display at the site of Herzl's grave in Jerusalem.

In 1908 Mr. Blackstone wrote his book *Jesus Is Coming*. Included is a chapter entitled, "Israel Is to Be Restored." He said: "Read the declarations of God's Word about it. Surely nothing is more plainly stated in the Scriptures." He referred to 15 different chapters in Isaiah (and to other Old Testament writers) which spoke of a glorious restoration in store for Israel.

But how could Palestine be a homeland for the Jews while the Turks still controlled it as they had for 400 years? This suddenly became possible during World War I.

When General Edmund H. H. Allenby, commander-in-chief of the British forces in the Middle East, came on the scene he led his forces from Egypt to Palestine.

ISRAEL IN ISAIAH

(David Ben Gurion was with him as well as Levi Eshkol, Israel's new premier.) The very name Allenby had an awesome effect on the Arabs. They saw in it a combination of two Arab words, *Allah*, meaning "God," and *Nebi*, "prophet."

Allenby was a devout man. He did not want to shed blood or desecrate the holy places of Jerusalem. Camped on the outskirts of the city, he prayed for God's direction. He felt led to send his airplanes over it to reconnoiter. This threw the Turks into a panic and they fled to the north, leaving the city undefended. (I have visited the British Military Museum in London and read the official records which verify the fact that Allenby's forces took the city without firing a shot!)

John Finley who traveled with Allenby as Red Cross representative wrote: "What he has accomplished would seem a miracle, something of supernatural achievement." But did not Isaiah prophesy in 31:4, 5: "So shall the Lord of hosts come down to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof. As birds [airplanes] flying, so will the Lord of hosts defend Jerusalem; defending also he will deliver it; and passing over he will preserve it"?

With the Turks defeated, the way was opened for the Jews to return to Palestine. The famous Balfour Dec-

laration was made November 2, 1917, wherein the British Cabinet promised Palestine as a national home for Israel. One month later, on December 9, 1917, General Allenby entered Jerusalem. The League of Nations ratified the Balfour Declaration in 1922, and Great Britain was granted a mandate over Palestine. This opened the way for Jewish immigrants to settle on the land.

The Jewish settlement grew rapidly. The population increased from 55,000 in 1917 to 650,000 by 1948. It is an amazing fact that more than one million Jews have now been regathered to Israel from 100 nations of the world. The one-millionth Jew arrived in August 1961. Thousands more have been added by birth to the families in Israel, and there are now over two million Jews living in Palestine.

When we visited Israel in 1961 our guide read from his Hebrew Bible: "Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim" (Isaiah 49:12). He said in his Bible it reads "China" in place of "Sinim." And amazing as it seems, there is a large group of Jews who have returned from China to settle in the land of Israel.

All twelve tribes are represented in Israel, and the flag of each of the tribes has been flown on Mount Zion. Twelve different postage stamps in honor of the twelve tribes have been issued.

In the book *Stranger Than Fiction* Lewis Browne has written: "This is the story of the Jew, that strange man who will not die. Through thirty or more centuries he has wandered about on earth, despised and rejected, bruised and beaten, yet all the time wandering on. Egyptian, Canaanite, and Philistine; Assyrian, Chaldean, and Persian; Greek, Roman, and Saracen: all these and more have marched over him in pride. With their kings and priests, their tyrants and princelings, they have marched over him in vainglorious pride—only to fall and die by the roadside. *But he, the Jew, still lives on!*"

(Next week: Part Two, "Israel a Nation of Destiny.")

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For further study of this significant subject send \$1.00 to the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Mo. 65802 for a copy of the book *Israel in Bible Prophecy*, by Louis H. Hauff. Ask for Book Number 2 EV 532 "Israel in Bible Prophecy."

Jaffa oranges and grapefruit being loaded for shipment at the port in Haifa. Exports have risen from 3.9 million cases in 1948-49 to 8.7 million in 1961-62.

ISRAEL OFFICE OF INFORMATION PHOTOS



A field of the El-Cotton Farming Company, an Arab-Jewish cooperative in Upper Galilee. Cotton was introduced into Israel in 1951 and already provides about two-fifths of Israel's needs.

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Tenth Anniversary Rallies and Testimonials
Ten Successful Years of Worldwide Ministry

TEN NATIONWIDE RALLIES AND A TESTIMONIAL DINNER highlighted the celebration of the first decade of *Revivaltime* broadcasting on the ABC radio network, and marked the beginning of the eleventh year.

As the *Revivaltime* team and broadcast friends commemorated ten successful years of network radio ministry in December they gave thanks to God for the growth of the Radio Department and the results of *Revivaltime's* ministry.

Members of the *Revivaltime* team attending the rallies in Chicago, Akron, Boston, Columbus, Little Rock, Minneapolis, Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Houston were C. M. Ward, speaker; Bartlett Peterson, executive director and narrator; D. V. Hurst, national secretary and rally director; Lee Robbins, soloist; and Cyril McLellan, choir director.

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Many long-time friends were present for the Tenth Anniversary testimonial dinner. Special guests included E. S. Williams, former general superintendent and first national radio speaker for the Assemblies of God; Dr. E. R. Bertermann, president of the National Religious Broadcasters, Inc.; Stanley Whitcanack, Church of the Nazarene radio executive; Lil (Sundberg) Anderson, former *Revivaltime* soloist; and E. L. Anderson, mayor of Springfield.

T. F. Zimmerman, guest speaker for the testimonial dinner, expressed the fellowship's thanks for the contribution the Radio Department has made in the past ten years to the expansion of the Assemblies of God around the world. He challenged the fellowship to look forward to even greater growth of the radio ministry in the future. ◀◀



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DEPORTATIONS

1. C. M. Ward (left), *Revivaltime* speaker, stands with E. S. Williams, former General Superintendent and first radio speaker for the Assemblies of God national broadcast.
2. D. V. Hurst (center), presents the Radio Department's golden microphone awards for ten years of service to C. M. Ward and C. T. Beem.
3. Three members of the *Revivaltime* team, D. V. Hurst, Bartlett Peterson, and C. M. Ward, cut the 10th anniversary cake.
4. *Revivaltime* team and guests sitting at the table of honor.
5. One of the ten anniversary rallies was held at the North Highland Assembly of God in Columbus, Ga., with Pastor J. W. Ellsworth.
6. C. M. Ward speaking at the rally in Columbus, Ga.
7. A portion of the *Revivaltime* choir and soloist Lee Robbins at the rally in North Little Rock, Ark., where Phinis A. Lewis is pastor.
8. Crowd attending the rally at First Assembly in North Little Rock.
9. Bartlett Peterson, executive director of radio, awards General Superintendent T. F. Zimmerman, the first radio director, a citation of honor plaque for leadership in producing the first Assemblies of God national radio broadcast. A similar plaque was given to E. S. Williams.
10. C. M. Ward stands beside *Revivaltime* literature display. The past ten years *Revivaltime* has published and distributed more than four million pieces of literature.
11. E. R. Bertermann, president of the National Religious Broadcasters, Inc., was a guest at the Tenth Anniversary dinner.



THIS PRESENT WORLD

Schools

Bible Reading Required in Idaho Schools

A suit filed at Moscow, Idaho, will test the constitutionality of the Idaho law which requires Bible reading in public schools. Signed by some Protestant churchmen as well as parents, the complaint was filed in U. S. District Court. The suit was welcomed by school authorities, who feel it may be the "best means of clearing up a confused situation."

Massachusetts Schools Told to Obey the Law!

A public school district in Massachusetts that was ignoring the U. S. Supreme Court ban on devotional Bible reading was directed "to obey the law of the land" by a state supreme Court justice. Justice Paul C. Reardon said his decision made "null and void" a 108-year-old state law which required that portions of the Bible be read daily in all public schools.

North Brookfield's School Committee was the only one of the 351 boards in Massachusetts to ignore the Supreme Court decision and state directives.

Controversy Raised Over Supreme Court Motto

It is reported that Chief Justice Earl Warren has rejected the inscribing of "In God We Trust" inside the U. S. Supreme Court building because it would detract from "the total concept of the building."

Representative Robert T. Ashmore, South Carolina Democrat who sponsored the bill in the House to provide such an inscription, retorted: "There is no logic whatsoever in the flimsy claim that these four words of enduring faith would mar the abstract beauty of the walls of the Supreme Court building."

Minnesotans Favor Religious Activity in Schools

A Minnesota Poll survey revealed that 78 per cent of the state's adults are opposed to eliminating religious activity from the public schools in the manner that was voted recently at Red Wing, Minn. The Red Wing school board, in addition to prohibiting prayers and Bible reading in classrooms, directed that religious atmosphere should be kept out of public concerts, pageants, and annual programs.

Those opposed to the Red Wing decision were asked why they felt this way. The answers were varied, as follows:

37 per cent said religion should be taught in schools; it's part of education.

21 per cent said the Red Wing ruling went too far; there's a limit to separation of Church and State.

17 per cent said religion and prayers in public schools won't hurt anyone.

11 per cent said this country was founded on God and religion; we are a Christian nation.

8 per cent said training in school may be the only

religious instruction some children get.

5 per cent said the Red Wing decision deprives a majority of their religion.

4 per cent said each community should decide this question for itself.

10 per cent gave other reasons or simply could not explain why they felt this way.

School Prayers Permitted in New Hampshire

Schooltime prayers continue to be banned in some New Hampshire schools in spite of the fact the State Board of Education will permit religious exercises on a voluntary basis.

Governor John W. King asked Attorney General William Maynard for a ruling on the situation. Mr. Maynard said the decision rests with the local school board in each case. He said voluntary prayer meetings before or after school or during recess do not violate the Supreme Court's ruling. He also said it is proper for school officials and teachers to call regular meetings during school hours for silent prayer, or for students to read any prayers or tracts they may have brought to school with them.

Movies

Famous Actress Censures Modern Movies

Dorothy Lamour, an actress who once shared lead roles with Bob Hope and Bing Crosby in Hollywood, now is a housewife and mother, living in Baltimore. Recently she was interviewed by Art Linkletter who asked her opinion of today's movies. She replied:

"I will not permit my teen-age children to watch many of the pictures of today, for there are things they would see which they might consider right and try to do them themselves, and they are wrong."

Film Industry Condemned by Actor

At a convention in Washington, D. C., sponsored by Southern Baptists a motion picture and television actor denounced the film industry for glorifying loose living.

Gregory Walcott, often cast in the role of a rugged detective, said the greatest threat to America today is not Communism but its own moral decay—exemplified by alcoholism, sexual immorality, and pleasure seeking.

Hollywood "has glorified loose living," Walcott said. "You have made free love, drinking, divorce seem perfectly natural. In the movie houses of the world you have presented a poor picture of America: cut-throat businessmen, west side slums, crooked politicians. You have made the Christian religion, the faith of our fathers, seem a narrow, bigoted, ignorant way, not to be desired. You have constantly given the Protestant minister the image of being a weak simpleton. He has been made a Milquetoast, a caricature, or a lecherous Elmer Gantry."

Israel

Sanctuary Provided for Biblical Animals

Israel's Ministry of the Interior has allocated 3,750 acres for a reservation in the Negev to save from extinction animals which were commonplace during Biblical times. According to zoologists, the Negev was once the home of such animals as the gazelle, ostrich, wild ass, and Arabian oryx. The gazelle is the only one which has survived the onslaught of animal and human hunters. Other species will be brought from abroad to breed on the reservation.

Israel Economy Prospering

Israel's economy continues to expand. The rate of sustained growth now exceeds that of West Germany and Japan. David E. Bell, Administrator for the U. S. Agency for International Development, told Congress that the 10 per cent yearly increase is one of the highest rates of sustained growth on record.

There is no unemployment problem in Israel but rather a labor shortage. Some 40,000 jobs are open for skilled and semiskilled workers, it is reported.

National Product High in Jewish State

Israel's production rose during the first eight months of 1963 at the rate of 10 to 12 per cent.

The annual per capita national product of \$600 in the Jewish State (compared to \$100 average for Asian and African countries) in effect placed her outside the category of still-developing countries.

With annual exports per capita of about \$240 (including visible and invisible exports) she now overshadows such traditional exporting countries as Japan with \$75 (in visible exports).

Water Turns Deserts into Fertile Fields

Israel is laying hold of such prophecies as Isaiah 43:20 ("I give waters in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert, to give drink to my people, my chosen") and doing what she considers to be her duty to find water. Mekorot, Israel's national water company, is to start large-scale drillings in Wadi Phi, some eight miles south of Arad in the Negev, to tap the underground pool of fresh water located there last year by test drillings. If found in sufficient quantities, the water will be useful to the new industries planned in the region and might even facilitate agricultural development.

In 1964 water is scheduled to flow into the arid Negev through a pipeline nine feet in diameter. Traveling all the way from the Sea of Galilee in the north to the desert area in the south, the water will irrigate many thousands of acres now lying waste.

Efforts to find an economical means of removing salt from ocean water are continuing. Another experiment about to be launched will "steal" water from the sea by means of coastal groundwater collectors. The collectors will tap the subterranean flow of fresh groundwater into the sea almost at the sea's edge.

Experiments to irrigate with sea water have been successful in the Negev. Various commercial crops as well as trees and gardens have been successfully cultivated by irrigating with sea water under certain soil conditions, it is reported.



Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

Is it possible for a Christian so to live that he never sins?

A Christian may live a devoted life before God, but who would dare say that such a Christian never errs? If we were able to become perfectly faultless we would not need a Saviour; our own righteousness would be enough. But the purest Christian feels his constant need of the atoning perfection of the Lord Jesus in his life.

Is it right for a person to claim the baptism with the Holy Ghost who has not spoken in tongues since the time he was filled with the Spirit?

If a person is satisfied with his experience in the Spirit, I would not do anything that would hinder his faith, or cause him to cast away his confidence. Let him continue to rejoice in the Lord and seek God for every fresh manifestation of divine blessing.

In our Sunday school quarterly I read that fine flour might be used as a sin-offering under the law. How could this be, since "without the shedding of blood there is no remission"?

Read Leviticus 5:6-11. The key words are, "But if he be not able..." God so desired to provide redemption for all that if a person were too poor to provide two turtle doves or two young pigeons as a sin-offering, he might "bring for his offering the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a sin-offering."

Thank God, no one today is too poor to bring a blood offering for Jesus has provided it. He shed His blood for the remission of the sins of the whole world, and we have only to claim His atoning work by faith.

We are being told that Jesus could not have sinned. Is this correct?

There are those who believe that since Jesus was "God manifest in the flesh," and since "God cannot be tempted with evil," Jesus could not have sinned.

If Jesus could not have sinned, He hardly became the last Adam, the One who would overcome where the first Adam failed. His temptations, then, would have been only for the purpose of showing that He could not sin.

He "was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin" (Hebrews 4:15). He came "in the likeness of sinful flesh" (but without the sinful nature) and "took upon him the seed of Abraham," the humanity of fallen man with his human weaknesses, but without his fallen nature. If He could not have sinned, He never fully identified Himself with our humanity.

Whether one believes that He could not have sinned, or that He could have, the wonderful fact is that He did not sin.

If you have a spiritual problem or any question about the Bible, you are invited to write to "Your Questions," The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802. Brother Williams will answer if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope.

Peter's Confession of Faith

Sunday School Lesson for February 16, 1964

MATTHEW 16:13-23; 1 JOHN 4:12-16

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

THE QUESTIONS OF JESUS (Matthew 16:13-15)

Christ was about to break to His disciples the sad news concerning His coming sufferings and death. Therefore He sought to strengthen their faith for the ordeal by calling forth from them a positive declaration of their faith in Him.

"Whom do men say that I the Son of man am?" He asked. According to popular opinion, Christ was recognized as far above the ordinary religious leaders of His day, and comparable to John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah. Though the people thus admitted there was something supernatural about Him, they would not accept Him as God's Messiah, the virgin-born Saviour!

"But whom say ye that I am?" What others may think of Christ is of only relative importance. This is an eternal question, a personal question, which each of us must answer for himself, a question upon which the destiny of every man's soul depends!

THE CONFESSION ALL MUST MAKE



PETER'S CONFESSION (Matthew 16:16)

"Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." It is difficult for us to realize what a tremendous confession this was. It is true that John the Baptist had spoken of Christ as "the lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world," and Satan and demons had recognized Him. But Peter was the first man, after observing at close range the life and ministry of Jesus, to give such a full and complete testimony to the nature, office, and person of Jesus. In saying what he did Peter was recognizing this Son of man as the Son of Jehovah, as the Messiah, the Anointed One promised by prophets.

THE FOUNDATION OF THE CHURCH (Matthew 16:17-20)

In His reply to Peter's confession, Christ set forth some important truths:

1. Spiritual truth is not arrived at by unaided intellectual perception but is revealed by the Holy Spirit (see Galatians 1:16; Ephesians 6:12; 1 Corinthians 2:14; Hebrews 4:12).

2. The Church while built upon Christ may be said just as surely to be built upon men. The statement, "Thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church," has been for centuries the subject of raging controversy. Some take the position that the rock of which Christ spoke was Peter's testimony—the eternal truth which he uttered. Others believe Christ was referring to Himself. The Roman Catholics hold that Peter is "this rock." The writer feels it is no evasion to admit truth in all three positions.

We may admit that the "rock" meant Peter without accepting all the unscriptural implications and assertions which have been drawn by the Roman Catholic Church. Peter was indeed the first leader of the early church and may be said to have laid its foundation on the Day of Pentecost. In Ephesians 2:20, Paul tells us that the Church is "built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone."

Summing up, we may say that Christ is the chief Cornerstone of the Church, so that it is built on Him; Peter's testimony, which contains truth vital to salvation and the kernel of the gospel preaching, may also be said to have a part in the foundation of the Church; yet, again, the Church is built upon the ministry of those chosen men who were empowered by the Holy Spirit under the direction of Christ the Living Head.

THE CENSURING OF PETER (Matthew 17:21-23)

After assuring the disciples of His own ultimate triumph, and that of the Church as related to Him, Christ specifically informed them of His coming suffering, death, and resurrection. Immediately, Peter protested with words which meant, "God have mercy on Thee and spare Thee!" Jesus recognized that Satan was using Peter as a tool and again was trying to turn Him from the Cross (see Matthew 4:10). How quickly the human tongue can turn from the sublime to the Satanic, and how easily a Christian may vacillate between keen spiritual perception and gross carnality! Only the power of the Spirit can tame the human nature and tongue!

There is no use walking anywhere to preach unless we preach as we walk.

WARNING—DEER CROSSING

While driving through the beautiful mountain country we noticed many signs along the highway: "Warning—Deer Crossing." The signs usually were located on high slopes with streams running below, and the deer would have to cross the highway to reach the water.

As we drove along we also passed little churches here and there, and the words of David came back to us with new force: "As the hart panteth after the water brooks, so panteth my soul after thee, O God" (Psalm 42:1). For people are thirsty, too. Like the deer, they pant for the streams that will mean the difference between parched souls and spiritual joy—between eternal death and everlasting life. These houses of God are watering places for His children. Here the Water of Life is found, through prayer and preaching of the Word. Thank God for sanctuaries where our souls may find the streams of blessing for which we pant in life's hot journey.

—CARMEL R. FIELD



Reflections

How can I look into the blue,
Blue sky of God's domain
And hold a burden, hoard a
grudge
Or from a prayer refrain?

How can I think of Calvary
And not go on my knees?
Or close my eyes until I say—
"Dear God, forgive me, please"?

—Esther Belle Heins

READY FOR IMPRINT

Only melted gold is minted. Only moistened clay is molded. Only softened wax receives the die. Only broken hearts can take the imprint of heaven.

If that is your condition wait beneath the pressure of the Holy Spirit. He will leave the image of Jesus upon you.

—Selected

HOW TO QUENCH THE SPIRIT

You do not need to do some great evil, some deadly sin, to quench the Spirit. Just cease to rejoice, through fear of man and dread of being peculiar; be prim and proper as a white and polished gravestone; let gushing joy be curbed; neglect to pray when you feel a gentle pull in your heart to get alone with the Lord; omit giving hearty thanks for all God's tender mercies, faithful discipline, and loving chastenings—and soon you will find the Spirit quenched.

He will no longer spring up joyously—like a well of living water within you.

—Herald of His Coming



SELF-CONTROL

"The fruit of the Spirit is... *temperance*," or self-control. What is the characteristic of Christian thought? Sanity, balance of mind: the self-control which has faith in all God's Word, which sees all sides of a truth, which aims at that sublime equipoise of soul which is God's. In dress, inconspicuousness; in diet, moderation; in drink, sobriety; in temper, mellowness; in action, modesty; in success, humility; in defeat, steadiness; in desire, self-restraint; in all things, self-mastery. "Let your forbearance"—your moderation—"be known unto all men. *The Lord is at hand*" (Philippians 4:5).

—D. M. PANTON

THERE IS A LID THAT FITS

In Romans 8:28 we read: "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose."

Our small granddaughter was sitting on the floor, happily playing with a bottle and its lid, putting the lid on and off repeatedly. Suddenly she stopped and, closing her eyes, said: "Thank You, Father, for this nice bottle and the lid that fits."

How often we find ourselves with a "bottle" in our lives which seems to have no lid that fits! We are in circumstances over which we have no control, and which apparently can be of no benefit, yet—God says, "All things work together for good," so somewhere along the road there is the lid that fits the bottle!

—RUTH THOMPSON BANKS

KEEPERS OF THE SPRINGS

Once a certain town grew up at the foot of a mountain. Up in the hills a forest dweller became the Keeper of the Spring. He kept the stream clean so that the water came to the town clear and pure.

The city council found in the budget the salary of this man and, being economy-minded, they decided he was not necessary. So they built a cement reservoir. But the water was not the same; soon a green scum befouled it. Then an epidemic raged and sickness came to every home.

The city council met again and sought the services of the Keeper of the Spring. He began once more to go his rounds and pure water began to sparkle in the cleansed reservoir. Mill wheels turned again, and sickness waned, and children laughed as they played in the sun.

I pay tribute to the Keepers of the Springs. There never has been a greater need for them or a time when there were more polluted springs to be cleansed.

—PETER MARSHALL



OFFICE IN A BEEHIVE

By PHIL MANGUM and MERLIN LUND
Missionaries to South Africa

IN THE OLD MINE SHACK SHRIEKS of delight mingled with the angry buzzing of bees. African boys, their heads and arms covered with sacks and plastic film, were searching for the queen bee. From time to time the boys came running and leaping out of the building pursued by angry bees who had found cracks in the boys' armor.

When we moved from Nelspruit to the Rand we obtained this shack rent-free as an office for our literature program. But the huge swarm of bees under the floor, having remained undisturbed by man or beast for years, thought this was their rightful domain.

We had hired a group of African boys to evict them and this rainy afternoon they had gleefully begun the operation. Eventually they located the queen bee. Gallons of sticky, golden sweetness were scooped into every available container.

This building is now the temporary office and shipping department for the new Assembly Press. It is located near Johannesburg, the industrial and business center of South Africa—at the very doorstep of a vast, newly developing chain of African townships.

We have now rented a store building near the office and have ordered new printing equipment from Sweden and the United States. Recently we also purchased a six-acre piece of land on which to build a permanent publishing house. It is located in a strategic area north of Johannesburg in a section called "Kyalami," Zulu for "my home."

Our policy is to print only gospel literature, first for our own work and then for other evangelical missions.

The Solna offset perfecting press we obtained from Sweden is now linked to the American Baum folder so that paper for tracts, booklets, and



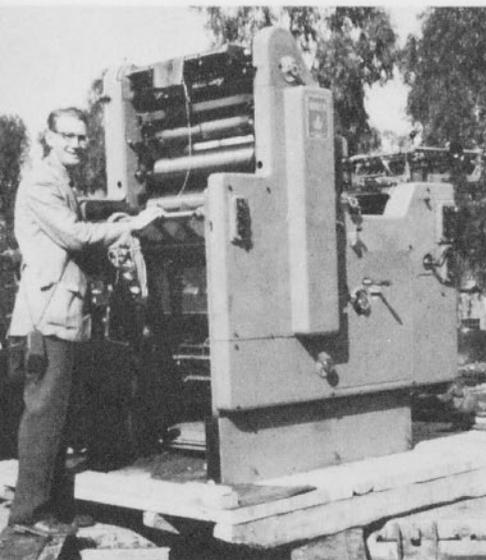
Missionary Merlin Lund is assisted in the office by his daughter Jennifer at the typewriter.

sections of books is fed into a continuous automatic feeder on the press and comes out the other end printed on both sides, folded, trimmed (glued if necessary), and ready for delivery—all in one operation. We have learned that no other printing equipment in southern Africa compares with it for efficiency.

With this modern and efficient printing equipment we are able to produce literature at a lower cost, thereby enabling the missionary dollar to reach more souls for Christ. Already 2,000,000 pieces of gospel literature—including tracts, gospel papers, and Bible courses—have been printed in a dozen languages.

A series of 12 Sunday school courses is being prepared with matching visual aids. This will form a three-year systematic study of the Bible and will be printed in English, Zulu, Sesuto, and possibly Afrikaans. The tremendous need for Christian literature in the scores of African languages was never greater than it is today. The new Assembly Press is established to meet this need.

Funds are needed to complete outstanding payments on the printing equipment as well as on the Kyalami site, and prayer for the success of this new literature outreach in southern Africa will be sincerely appreciated.



Missionary Phil Mangum (left) supervises the unloading and installation of new offset press. At the right Mrs. Lund distributes literature produced at South Africa's Assembly Press.

Protected in Persecution

By ELBERT W. BROWN
Missionary to Indonesia

THE EXPERIENCE OF ONE OF OUR workers in Indonesia, Joseph Lattu, reminds us of the troubles Paul and other apostles suffered at the hands of persecutors, as recorded in the Book of Acts. The worst opposition Paul encountered came from the religious Jews, and Brother Lattu similarly has been opposed by church leaders; but in spite of great difficulties he has persevered and God has blessed his ministry.

Brother Lattu, 27 years old, was sent to preach the gospel in the Islands of Babar, South Moluccas. Those islands are very rocky so that people who want to travel from one village to another cannot go on foot but have to ride horseback. The inhabitants, though professing to be Christians, are still bound to old customs and superstitions. Black magic is practiced especially by their clergy.

Brother Lattu arrived in Tapa, the capital of the Islands of Babar, on October 20, 1962. The next morning he was visited by a preacher of another church who declared these islands were under the jurisdiction of his denomination. Brother Lattu was told to leave at the first opportunity.

On October 31, Luther Day, the clergy of the island held services around Brother Lattu's house. Pulpits were erected, one of them only three meters from his bedroom. The sermons preached from those pulpits were all aimed at our organization. Afterwards the leader of those who criticized our church was arrested by the police.

One day Brother Lattu was visited by some men. One of them, a preacher, began to criticize the work of the Holy Spirit and imitated the gift of tongues. Brother Lattu warned him to stop because the Bible says we must

not blaspheme the Holy Spirit. Not long afterwards this man became paralyzed at the left side of his mouth. The paralysis spread to half of his body and a few days later he died.

In the meantime Brother Lattu continued to do personal evangelism. He won several souls to the Lord in another village, Tela. The elders of the local church in that village presented a petition to the village head requesting the departure of Brother Lattu. This was done several times but through the Lord's intervention the village head did not grant their petition.

Time and again Brother Lattu and his co-workers were driven away from their house. The preacher of the local church forbade his people to rent their houses to him, whether as a lodging place or as a temporary meeting place. Once when Brother Lattu succeeded in renting a house to hold services, people nailed the windows and doors shut so no one could enter. Another time when the service was about to start people came and threw out the chairs and benches so the meeting could not be held.

Several times people purposed to beat Brother Lattu, even to kill him, but these evil plans were defeated by the Lord.

Not only were Brother Lattu and his co-workers persecuted, but the people they had won to the Lord in Tapa and Tela also. A young woman who had received the Lord as Saviour was dragged out of her house and commanded to deny the Lord, but she remained true.

An old woman who had been healed of paralysis was dragged out of her house and beaten with a large stick.

The conversion of a man who worked for the army so infuriated

his wife that she came and destroyed many of Brother Lattu's possessions. Later her husband was beaten with an oar until it broke in pieces, but this brother testified that he did not feel any pain, and no marks were left on his body.

False reports and false charges about Brother Lattu were spread through all the villages of the islands. Some said he was a false prophet, even a false christ who accepted worship from his people. Another report was that the people were being healed because he used witchcraft.

Once he was accused of having caused a woman to become insane; but after the believers fasted and prayed this woman was healed, and she is still following the Lord.

In May, 1963, Brother Lattu was called before the local government because of his activities. He was ordered to pay a large fine because the house he rented for a meeting place had been torn down by the people of Tela! But the police knew he was not responsible for what had happened, and he did not have to pay this fine.

The work in Tapa still has no permanent meeting place, but through personal work there is now a group of 13 believers who are wonderfully saved from their sinful lives. We believe the Lord will continue to honor the faithfulness of His servants and many more souls will be won to His kingdom in these islands. ◀◀

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Breakthrough by Faith in New England



By JOSEPH C. STANLEY, Groton, Connecticut

THE LORD SAID, "IF YOU LAUNCH out by faith, I will show you great and mighty things." This was the promise given to me, my wife, and our small group of people who had begun holding prayer meetings in a little community on the east coast. Our burden was for the city of Groton, Conn., which had no Pentecostal work. My wife and I, who already felt the call of God to the area, picked up the challenge given in that prayer meeting by the Spirit of God, and held our first Sunday evening evangelistic service on July 6, 1961, at the Groton Grange Hall.

Since the very beginning, every step has been a step of faith. Obtaining use of the Grange Hall in a town which has very few buildings suitable for services was an answer to prayer.

A month later we started Sunday

school and morning worship services. Shortly after, the new church stepped out and purchased a 2½-acre site for a future building. The bank granted a loan to be paid off in two years, but God wonderfully moved and it was paid off in one-fourth of the time. It was not long before the church outgrew the Grange Hall, as the Sunday school hit 81 in eleven months.

When the time came to discontinue holding services there, we prayed earnestly and the Board of Education voted to let our congregation use the Fitch Junior High Annex building. Services have been here from February, 1963, to the present.

A youth group, a Women's Missionary Council, and Missionettes have been established. The latter two meet in homes.

The largest attendance was last Easter, when nearly 150 people turned out to hear Chaplain Linzey, guest speaker at the morning worship service. Ordinarily, the services have been fluctuating around 100. On the second anniversary of our Sunday school the attendance reached 103. Two months later we broke that record with 108. Since then it has reached 126.

Groton, birthplace of the *Nautilus*, is the submarine capital of the world. It is also the home of the Groton Coast Guard Training Station and General Dynamics, Electric Boat Division, where nuclear-powered Polaris subs are built. Due to the city's rapid growth (population of over 30,000) new highways are being built, and a new bridge, which is to span the Thames River, will cause the church to lose its property to the state. Since land is expensive and hard to find,

we are praying earnestly about this matter.

In spite of all obstacles, people have been faithful, and I attribute the growth of the church to the well-attended prayer meetings, the sincere dedication of the people, and their giving to Missions. The church partially supports the George Downs family in Alaska and the Milton Kerstens in South America. The church also gives monthly to the Servicemen's Division. It is cosponsoring *Revival-time* on station WNLC (New London, Conn.) every Sunday evening from 6:30 to 7. During a recent missionary convention the church pledged over \$1,500 for missions in 1964.

Numbers have taken a stand for Christ. One outstanding experience was that of the custodian of the school. An encouraging number have been baptized with the Holy Spirit and some have been healed by the power of God. Several students from Central Bible Institute have been helping in this new work during the summer months including Don Anderson, Marilyn Anderson, and Dean Sherman.

House-to-house visitation has been a big feature among our youth. Every Saturday morning they cover hundreds of homes, giving out *Evangelists* plus a personal invitation to attend the new church.

God has given us a *breakthrough* in Groton. The people are praying that someday they will have a church building of their own. Our present contract with the school has to be renewed every three months. Faith in God can bring many more *breakthroughs* in New England. ◀◀

NEW CHURCH FOR NORTH SYRACUSE, N. Y.

A NEW ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CHURCH HAS been opened to serve the Greater North Syracuse area. The church is surrounded by the following towns: Liverpool, Cold Spring, Baldwinsville, Belgium, Euclid, Clay, Cicero, North Syracuse and Mattydale. Hancock Air Base is also located in this area.

Any Assemblies of God people moving into this rapidly growing area should contact Leon L. Miles, pastor, Assemblies of God Church, Box 271, North Syracuse, New York, or phone 478-5350.

The congregation is using the former Morgan Road Methodist Church located on Morgan and Wetzel Roads, Liverpool. *Sites for Souls* has purchased a 3½-acre site on Buckley Road, North Syracuse, as the future site of the new church.



Joseph C. Stanley (left), pastor of the Assembly in Groton, Conn., and William Cook, Sunday school superintendent, proudly display the new attendance record on Rally Day. Since that time it has reached 126. The church was begun in July, 1961. As yet it does not have its own building but has acquired a building site by faith.



Joseph Maggiore listens to a gospel tape prepared especially for the blind.

Being Blind, Yet I See

A Personal Testimony by Joseph Maggiore

MANY TIMES I WANTED TO COMMIT suicide after I realized I was becoming blind. I began losing my sight at the age of eight. No one at the orphanage where I lived at that time seemed to understand my difficulty.

When I was 14, doctors suggested I be sent to the Baton Rouge School for the Blind. There, for the first time in my life, I found someone who loved me. He was one of the employees at the school who also had been brought up as an orphan. He understood my loneliness and tried to help me feel wanted. He asked me to assist him with the younger blind children, and he paid me for helping him.

Was I thrilled to have my own spending money! This was the first time in my life I had had money to spend as I wished. By the time I was 19, Jesse and I had become close friends. He was like a father to me.

Before attending the school for the blind I thought everyone attended the Roman Catholic Church. I was surprised to hear there are Protestants and people of other religions. One morning I asked Jesse to take me to the Baptist church he attended. This, however, was against the rules of the school, as I was Roman Catholic.

Later I did have the opportunity to attend this church once. My heart was touched that Sunday morning, although I did not understand all I heard. I had many questions in my mind because of my previous training.

Soon after this a shocking tragedy came to my life. One morning as I was helping the children at 7 a.m., I said, "Where's Jesse?" No one seemed to know. I searched the building but could not find him. A short time later I went to his room to make the bed, as I often did. As I went to

one side of the bed, I stumbled. There on the floor was Jesse. I shook him, but there was no response. I called for the house-mother. She came to the room and told me Jesse was dead.

I thought my heart would break. I was told to go to breakfast, but I could not eat. I hurried from the dining room back to Jesse's door. I had been told not to go in, so I stood sobbing outside. Soon they came to take Jesse's body. Jesse's preacher then came and talked with me. He tried to explain different matters to me. Nothing seemed to comfort me—my friend was gone!

After finishing school in Baton Rouge in 1950, I was placed in a trade school for two months. While attending this school I heard of a revival campaign. Many had been healed at the meetings, and the man who told me about the meetings wanted me to go to receive my sight. This was the first time I had been in such a meeting and everything seemed so strange. The evangelist asked me whether I had been "born again." I asked him what he was talking about. He tried to explain, but I couldn't understand what being "saved" meant.

I felt impressed to return to the meeting the next night. That night I sat by a young couple who were kind to me. They were concerned about my spiritual condition and offered to bring me to the meeting each night in their car. Each night I went to the prayer room. I didn't know how to pray, but my newfound friends tried to teach me. One night especially I felt a great burden upon me and cried and cried. Suddenly it seemed I felt a strong arm around me, and I also seemed to hear Jesus, say, "Son, I love you, I love you." The Lord knew it was love that I needed.

I said, "Jesus, come into my heart right now." From that moment on, I felt like a new creature. I went away from the church rejoicing in my soul. I returned home and destroyed all the statues I had been worshiping. Later I called the priest at the orphanage and told him I was saved. Attempts were made to persuade me to return to the Roman Catholic Church. I was told I lost my salvation when I left the Church. But I answered, "Oh? I lost salvation? I just found Jesus. I just got saved."

I am thankful God is no respecter of persons. He saved me and also filled me with the Holy Spirit. Helen Keller could neither see with her natural eyes, hear with her natural ears, nor speak with her natural tongue, but she said, "I thank my God that I can see through the eyes of the soul." I am thankful that my spiritual eyes have been opened to the gospel. I am now trusting God to open my physical eyes.

I have been receiving *The Pentecostal Digest* for some time. This monthly Braille magazine contains articles from *The Pentecostal Evangel*. I am thankful for this magazine and the *Adult Student* quarterly. In *The Pentecostal Digest* I learned about tapes which were being produced for the blind by Fred and Edna Sweeney, blind Christians in Janesville, Wis. These tapes also contain articles from *The Pentecostal Evangel*. I have now been receiving them for more than a year and they have really been a blessing to me.

Please continue to support this ministry with your financial support and your prayers. Through this ministry many spiritual eyes of the blind in this country and foreign countries can be opened. ◀◀

'Faithfulness' to Be Theme of 1964 Loyalty Campaign

FAITHFULNESS WILL BE EMPHASIZED in the Sunday schools during the annual Loyalty Campaign which will begin the Sunday after Easter and continue through Pentecost Sunday.

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" is the theme of the campaign plans drawn up by the National Sunday School Department.

Haydn, one of the great Austrian composers of the eighteenth century, gave this reason for the cheerfulness of the music he wrote:

"I cannot make it otherwise; I write according to the thoughts I feel. When I think upon God my heart is so full of joy that the notes dance and leap, as it were, from my pen. . . ."

We Pentecostals have often heard visitors at our churches comment: "The singing is what attracts me. Such

joy is expressed!" And, like Haydn, we can reply, "When we think of the goodness of the Lord—His great faithfulness to us—our hearts cannot help but respond in songs of praise."

Psalm 92 tells us that "it is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord . . . to shew forth [his] faithfulness." As we think of our Father's love and give praise to Him, others will be attracted to this One who alone can give joy.

The purpose of the Loyalty Campaign which will run from April 5 through May 17 will be to encourage us to show our gratitude by a return of faithfulness to the Lord.

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness" is the theme and the sub-themes for the seven weeks of the campaign call attention to the many aspects of His

faithfulness. Each also will make evident the way in which we may respond to God's love.

On the first Sunday God's faithfulness in *redemption* will be in focus. Our response, as we think of His glorious salvation, is a desire to tell others of eternal life.

The second week will remind us of His faithfulness in giving us *His Word*. Our thanks will be reflected by renewed effort in Bible study.

The third week recalls His faithfulness to *His Church* and will admonish us to live daily in proper relationship to Christ, our Head.

Loyalty Sunday Number Four speaks of God's graciousness in giving a Christian *country* for our heritage. The church must exert its influence to maintain our nation as a God-fearing land.

Temporal blessings showered upon us will be thought of during the fifth week of the campaign. We will be encouraged to give thanks for the bounties He bestows.

The Lord has been so faithful in His care of our *families*. The sixth week of the loyalty emphasis will re-

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An introductory copy of the Loyalty Planner is already on its way to your church. It contains descriptions of campaign materials, a poster, and a whole section of planning helps. To make it easier for departmental leaders and campaign chairmen to plan effectively, additional 1964 Loyalty Planners are available at 25c each. Use the handy coupon at left. Order early—Easter will soon be here!

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Pentecost Sunday is the climax of the campaign. Faithful to the promise, Christ sent the *Holy Spirit* on the waiting disciples. As we recognize that His faithfulness is the same today, we will respond by seeking the fulness of the Holy Spirit for our own lives.

Again, as in former years, a number of items will be offered to assist in building loyalty through the Sunday school. The basic unit for encouraging attendance uses a musical motif and the theme, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." To a music staff will be added musical notes for each of the seven Sundays.

The Loyalty Planner will be sent to each church. In the Planner will be ideas for each Sunday of the campaign. A poster, an order form, and complete information on saleable items also will be included in the Planner. Four post cards, crown clip awards, two newspaper mats, dodgers, a bookmark for those who are present all seven Sundays, and other helpful items will be offered for sale by the Gospel Publishing House. All will carry out the theme of the campaign, "Great Is Thy Faithfulness." ◀

Healed of Hay Fever

AS I WAS SITTING IN CHURCH AT Central Assembly of God on July 7, 1963, I was very uncomfortable and humiliated. I had a severe attack of hay fever and it caused my nose to itch very badly. I had scratched and rubbed my nose until it was bruised.

I thought I had better go home but my pastor said I was just where I needed to be. He called me to come forward and said that God would heal me. He anointed me with oil (James 5:14) and prayed for me. Right then and there God healed me.

I received a lasting healing. I have not been disturbed with hay fever or an itching nose from that night until now (November 22, 1963).

I do thank God for His great way of healing us when we will let Him.—Mrs. Iva Whitney, Haughton, La.

(Endorsed by pastor W. W. Stott, Central Assembly of God, Haughton, La.)



Christian Youth and the Secular Campus

By HELEN JOAN WELLS

HOW WONDERFUL IT MUST BE TO ATTEND a thoroughly Christian college, particularly an Assemblies of God school. It is a privilege to be cherished. The many advantages are obvious—Christian fellowship on the campus, chapel services where God can move by His Spirit, classes that are taught by Spirit-filled men and women.

But it is obvious also that all Assemblies of God young people cannot attend our schools. There are too many students, too few schools. Besides, the training some of us need is not offered by Assemblies of God colleges as yet.

And would it not be a pity if there were no Spirit-filled young people on the campuses of secular colleges to witness for Christ and point spiritually hungry students to Him?

I for one shall never cease to be grateful that God had an ambassador on the campus of my school of nursing who could show me the way of salvation—and I am thankful that she had the courage to let her light shine.

However, she had her moments of discouragement. There were times when she keenly felt the lack of fellowship on her college campus. As this eighteen-year-old freshman coed left a Tuesday meeting of an interdenominational, supposedly evangelical, group on campus, she asked her-

self, "How dead can Christians be? Will I ever return?"

Although the local Assemblies of God church could partially meet her needs, she yearned for Christian companionship among her classmates—and that particular year none of her college chums attended her church. She was lonesome; nevertheless she declared that the Lord had led her to a secular campus.

Why would God place a Christian youth in such a situation? Considering *two* possible reasons may perhaps help other students on secular campuses to live more effectively for the Lord. Also, they may reassure parents or help them understand better how to encourage and strengthen the college student.

(1) The Lord may use the secular campus as a *training ground* for future service. We recognize (as already mentioned) the many advantages offered by a dynamic, Bible-teaching, church-related school. As Gary Eisenhower suggested in the *C. A. Herald* of May, 1962, even a youth planning a secular career should "consider a year in Bible college." I might add, he should *prayerfully* consider it.

On the other hand, we may overlook one offering of the secular school—practical, daily experience of living

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He Turned Away from Lincoln

"As I gazed on him my heart sank. He was very homely and to my notion he seemed uncouth and without dignity. My young eyes could not see through the homely husk the whitest soul a nation knew."

By **RONNIE HEMBREE**
Hammond, Indiana



RECENTLY A KENTUCKY NEWSPAPER REPRINTED A speech given in 1909 by Colonel Andrew Cowan. The occasion was the cornerstone-laying at the Lincoln shrine in Hodgenville, Kentucky. Colonel Cowan recalled a significant event from his early army days.

"I was twenty years old," he said, "and was stationed near Washington when President Lincoln came to our camp one blazing hot day in June of 1861. I ran to the colonel's quarters to feast my eyes on a president.

"There was Abraham Lincoln surrounded by nearly a thousand men of our regiment and as I gazed on him my heart sank. He was very homely and to my notion he seemed uncouth and without dignity. He was shaking hands right and left while the sweat streamed down his strong homely face. On his head was a 'plug' hat, weather-beaten and faded. He wore a faded linen duster coat. I was but a boy; my young eyes could not see through the homely husk the whitest soul a nation knew. *I turned away without shaking his hand.*"

The last time Cowan saw the president was just three months before his assassination. By this time the years had taught him much, and he knew he was honored as he shook the president's hand and looked into that warm and kindly face. Cowan confessed in his speech how foolish he had been to judge this great man by his appearance.

Centuries before this a greater than Lincoln was also

rejected by a vain young man. A rich young ruler came to Christ with the question, "What good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life?" "Keep the commandments," Jesus said. And the young man answered, "All these things have I kept from my youth."

Then Jesus touched the real issue. "If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor... and come follow me." The young man failed to see any future in following the Man of Galilee, so he went away sorrowful.

History is filled with examples of those who have turned away from Christ the Son of God, just as young Cowan did from Lincoln. "Man looketh on the outward appearance," and is often deceived.

There are certain apparent reasons why men turn away after a superficial look at Christ. At first glance, His teachings do not appeal to the intellect; but they are concerned with man's deepest needs.

Man finds it hard to believe that all he has to do is to "Come," and "Believe." Therefore, man with all his "knowledge" seeks a more complicated and "logical" way. But the common people heard Christ gladly. They did not need high-sounding dogmas or scores of platitudes. They just needed peace and healing and forgiveness. They had little difficulty in accepting His offer, while those who were schooled in religious law would rather argue than accept.

Each generation has had its share of men who turned away from Christ and influenced others to do so. Paine, Ingersoll, Henley, Voltaire, and a host of others have come and gone. But have any of their teachings brought liberty, peace, or joy to man? Has the best they could offer given comfort in crisis, glory in the grave, or singing in sickness? Not even the atheists themselves claim such for their teachings.

But Christ offers all this and more. His simple way of salvation can be accepted because it works. The highly educated and scholarly Paul said, "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God; for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them because they are spiritually discerned" (1 Corinthians 2:14). Again he said, "It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe" (1 Corinthians 1:21).

The Christian way lacks the luster that appeals to fleshly appetites. To be like Christ is to be "unlike" ourselves. Fleshly lusts and desires are to be subjected to Him.

The natural man shuns "going the second mile." It is not easy to "turn the other cheek." Human nature is not attracted to "losing one's life" even to save it. Therefore the Christian way is not appealing to the natural man.

The other day at the grocery my wife noticed a can of vegetables with a most attractive label. The can was less expensive than the kind she usually buys. Attracted by both the price and the label, she purchased it; but the contents did not measure up to the beautiful label, and we went back to our usual brand.

Because neither the label nor the cost of Christianity appears attractive to the natural man, many turn away from Christ. They cannot see that the benefits of Christianity far exceed the cost to them.

Peace cannot be purchased but it comes as a result of accepting Christ. *Deliverance* from years of bondage is to be found in Him. There is *joy* beyond measure in knowing Christ and having Him live in us. There is *security* in knowing that He who holds the future of the world also holds our personal future in His loving hands. There are so many hidden values that the cost to us is really deceiving. Christ never takes anything away or demands we rid ourselves of anything unless He offers something much better in its place. Yet just as the young soldier turned away from Lincoln, so many turn away from Christ because of foolish pride.

During World War II a German officer was taken prisoner by the French. He was badly wounded and a blood transfusion was required to save his life. When he learned the blood was British he refused the transfusion, saying, "I would rather die." And he did.

We say he was foolish, but are we not more foolish if we let pride of intellect or fleshly desires keep us from the greatest gift ever given, God's own Son? Take Him as your personal Saviour today! Accept His invitation to abundant life. He is saying to you: "Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28). ◀◀

Scripture is a sweet-scented herb, and the more you rub it, the more it emits its fragrance. —Martin Luther

THIS WEEK'S COVER

NEW FACILITIES FOR SOUTH HOUSTON ASSEMBLY.—Since moving into the new educational building, the South Houston Assembly of God has enjoyed a good growth in church and Sunday school membership. Addition of the two-story educational building is the latest development in a ten-year period during which C. C. Swaim has been pastor.

The educational building was erected alongside the existing church auditorium, connected to it by a hallway which is part of the vestibule extending across the front of both buildings.

A new brick front was built on the auditorium, with new glass entrances, giving a total frontage of 100 feet.

The rock-faced brick structure is completely air-conditioned. The ground floor has folding doors that open the C. A. hall and classrooms into an assembly area. The pastor's study, adult classrooms, beginner department, nursery class, baby nursery and kitchen are all on this floor.

The second floor contains three Sunday school departments with an assembly room for each. The primary department assembly area is furnished for children's church.

The entire cost of the building program will be about \$82,000. This will make the evaluation of the church property approximately \$150,000 including two adjacent lots given to the church by the Mayor of the city for parking space. The church is situated at York and El Paso in South Houston, Texas.

"Being located so near the new Space center with its great residential area, we trust the Lord will give us many souls," says Pastor Swaim. "Fifty to sixty have been added to the Sunday school in the past year, including a number who have been saved and filled with the Spirit in our regular services. There have been 25 additions to the church. We are grateful for all who have contributed to the progress of the South Houston Assembly of God."

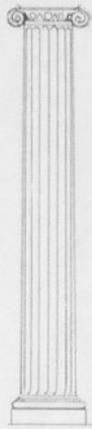
MUSEMENTS FOR MINORS • BY DICK CHAMPION

Who Said It?

1. "Let not your heart be troubled."
2. "Create in me a clean heart."
3. "A merry heart doeth good like a medicine."
4. "Trust in the Lord with all thine heart."
5. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart."
6. "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked."
7. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God."

ANSWERS:

1—Jesus (John 14:1); 2—David (Psalm 51:10); 3—Solomon (Proverbs 17:22); 4—Solomon (Proverbs 3:5); 5—Moses (Deuteronomy 6:5); 6—Jeremiah (Jeremiah 17:9); 7—Jesus (Matthew 5:8).



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REVIVAL SWEEPS NORTH CENTRAL DURING WEEK OF MEETINGS

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN. — Evangelist Paul Hild, an alumnus of North Central Bible College, was invited to conduct a week of meetings in the early part of this school year and his ministry sparked a spiritual move that swept through the entire student body. The revival flame melted the atmosphere to a degree not known for years.

"It's not too often these days that we see dancing in the Spirit," said one faculty member, "but this was evident during the week of special meetings. One student danced and leaped before the Lord for over an hour.

"What a joy to see those 'slain under the Power' having sweet communion with God and then suddenly breaking forth in an unknown tongue. As the students came through to their Baptism, the waves of glory rose anew over each one standing by."

Brother Hild's sermons on prayer, power, and faith stirred the students. They made new dedications to the service of God. They confessed their faults one to another and cleared the way for the Lord to move among them by His Spirit.

This week of spiritual renewal set the tone for a blessed and successful semester of schoolwork.

At the fall meeting of the Board of Regents, plans were made to reorganize the Layman's Council. Each section of the three member districts is selecting a member, and each district is appointing a district director. "The goal," says G. Ray-

mond Carlson, president of the college, "is to enlist a much larger group of interested laymen who will participate in matters pertaining to the operation, outreach, and development of North Central Bible College.

NEW LIBRARY DEDICATED AT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLLEGE

COSTA MESA, CALIF.—Southern California College registered another important gain in its "Decade of Progress" program with the dedication of the new library building. L. E. Halvorson, District Superintendent of the Assemblies of God, officiated at the ceremony which was held on Saturday, November 2, 1963.

Goal of the "Decade of Progress" program is \$3,000,000 of new buildings on the campus by 1970, the 50th anniversary of the college. Already since 1960 a new science laboratory and a student union and gymnasium have been obtained. A current project is the laying of the groundwork for new men's dormitories which are to be completed in 1964.

The library, designed to accommodate a student body of 500, was built at a cost of \$185,000. Included in its over 9,000 square feet of floor space are reading and reference rooms, an audio-visual room, a fire-side study lounge, and two conference rooms. The building was designed to hold 40,000 volumes, about double the present holdings.

Located on the mall and adjacent to the chapel, the new library symbolizes the aim of Southern California College to provide the highest in educational, spiritual, and aesthetic opportunities for Assemblies of God young people.

SOUTHWESTERN STUDENTS ENGAGE IN BIBLE READ-A-THON

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.—The Bible continues to be the most prominent book on the campus of Southwestern Assemblies of God College, as indicated by a recent read-a-thon.

In the third annual Bible-reading project sponsored by the speech department, 88 persons participated. Blake Farmer, Dean of the college, read the first chapter of Genesis during chapel on Tuesday, October 29. The last chapter of Revelation was read at 11:43 a.m. on Friday, November 1, making a total of 73 hours and 38 minutes.

The nonstop reading campaign is one of



The Bible read-a-thon at Southwestern was broadcast over the local radio station at intervals by way of telephone.

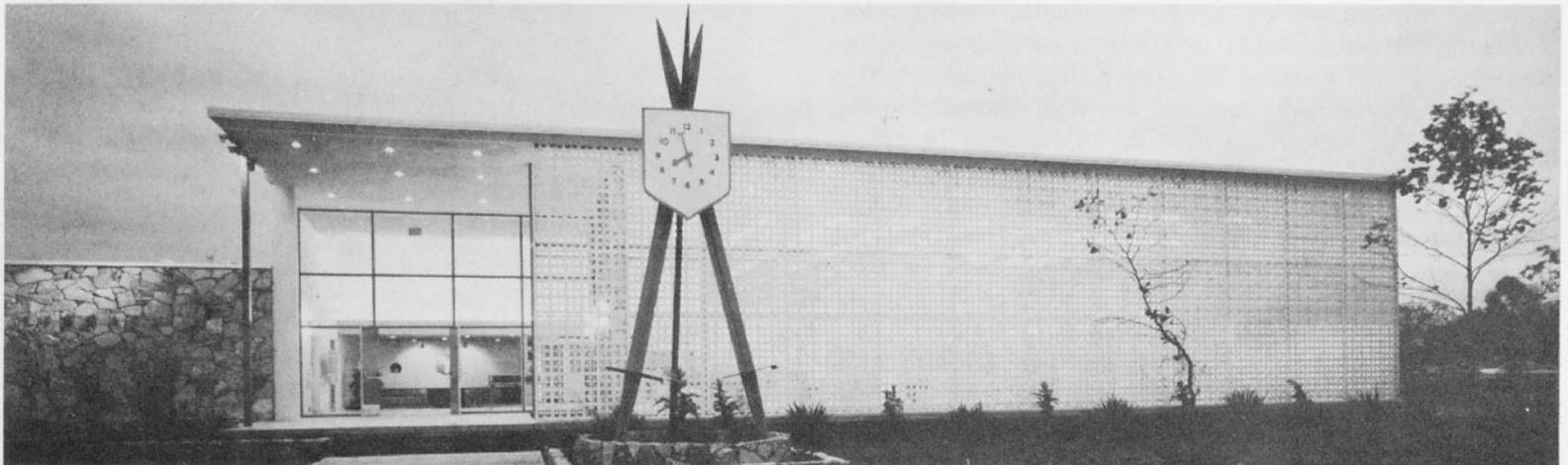
several ways by which the Word of God is emphasized on the SAGC campus. The practice of daily Bible reading in private devotions is encouraged among all the students. The Bible is given a central position in chapel and classroom alike.

CBI STUDENTS ATTEND PRISON SEMINAR

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—As part of a program to familiarize seminary students with problems of prison inmates and their families, several students from Central Bible Institute and Evangel College spent five days at a seminar at the Moberly Security Prison, Moberly, Mo., November 15 to 19. They were accompanied by Paul R. Markstrom, national prison chaplain for the Assemblies of God, and T. A. Kessel, dean of Central Bible Institute.

Following a schedule which began at 5:30 each morning, the students conducted voluntary case study interviews with inmates, worked in supervisory capacities in the prison food service, laundry and housing units, and read professional literature on prisons, prisoners, and their problems. They received a complete orientation in prison life.

Enthusiastic reports of the five-day program were given by both the students and the sponsors who attended. The idea of the seminar was to interest seminarians in chaplaincy programs at prisons. It gave them a look at the prisoners, and gave the prisoners a look at them. A prison official



The new library at Southern California College was designed to hold 40,000 books. The building has reading and reference rooms, an audio-visual room, a fireside study lounge, and two conference rooms.



Part of the group attending the Prison Seminar at Moberly, Mo., discuss the schedule they followed, beginning at 5:30 each morning. Left to right are Chaplain Paul Markstrom, students Don Stuckless, Roger Simmon, and Manford Craig, and Dean T. A. Kessel of Central Bible Institute.

said: "I think we've had a very fine reaction from the inmates. They've felt that these men came to help them, without pay, just because they're interested. It has been very stimulating to the men."

One ministerial student said: "Not only was the trip an educational experience, but it was a deeply moving spiritual experience to see that religion plays such an important part in the rehabilitation of these men, and to see a state institution putting this into practice. It has opened my eyes to the needs of incarcerated men."

EVANGEL STUDENTS VISIT NEW ORLEANS

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Thirty-eight Evangel College language students and guests visited New Orleans over the weekend of November 29. Accompanying them on the chartered bus was Mrs. Alice Bowers, assistant professor of modern languages at Evangel.

New Orleans was selected for the field trip because of the strong historical French influence and the many French-speaking people in the area. However, students of German and Spanish, in addition to those studying French, made the trip.

The students took part in Sunday services in the Westwego, La., Assembly of God, pastored by Paul Radke, and the Allemands, La., Assembly of God, pastored by Cecil Janway. Both churches have a large proportion of members who speak both English and French. In both services the students sang choruses in French and gave one-minute testimonies. Mrs. Bowers brought greetings in French, and Paul Demchuk, a senior at Evangel, preached.

Staying in the homes of the church people, the students had opportunities to practice their French conversation. They also toured the French Quarter of the city, ate French food, and took an excursion on a Mississippi riverboat.

Both churches presented the student group with offerings to purchase additional books for the Evangel College library. A check for \$50 for the library drive was given to President J. Robert Ashcroft in a brief ceremony after the students returned to the campus.

Evangel offers a major in modern languages, with instruction in French, Spanish, and German. Modern language majors completing their education requirements may be certified as public schoolteachers.

TOTAL ENROLLMENT UP FIVE PER CENT

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Enrollment in nine Assemblies of God Bible schools and colleges has reached 3,172 for the current term. This is a five per cent increase over last year's figures, according to statistics recently released by the denomination's Education Department.

More than 60 per cent of the students are enrolled in theological studies and the remainder in liberal arts. Liberal arts training has increased from 13 to 39 per cent since 1956 when the organization opened its first liberal arts college.

Assemblies of God schools have 312 more men students than women. The student-faculty ratio among the nine colleges averages 23 to one.

Students and faculty members in the nine colleges contributed more than \$53,000 to missions during the 1962-63 school year, the department reports indicate. Southwestern Assemblies of God College, Waxahachie, Tex., led in total giving with more than \$13,000. Second in total giving was North Central Bible College, Minneapolis, Minn., with more than \$11,500.

Assemblies of God schools are located in all regions of the United States. The denomination has seven Bible colleges (including two junior college programs), two four-year liberal arts colleges, and two high schools. Day schools are sponsored by Assemblies of God churches in various cities.



They Need Your Help!

Even to a minister, the idea that life may soon be over could be disturbing—especially if he has to worry about money. And many of our precious Assemblies of God ministers, missionaries, and ministers' widows have been unable to invest for future retirement years. These aging pioneers of Pentecost live from one day to another with no promise of financial help to meet even the ordinary needs of living.

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The board of directors, the administration and the faculty of Southern California College are pleased to announce that on January 7th, 1964, the college was admitted to membership in and accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges. We wish to express sincere thanks for the splendid contribution and services you and the department of education have rendered to us in this achievement.

O. COPE BUDGE, PRESIDENT
 Southern California College

Evangelism **BREAKTHROUGH**



ST. JOSEPH, MO.—Wyatt Park Assembly of God here was blessed through the ministry of the A. R. Vander Ploegs of Toledo, Ohio. The "Musical Vanns" were scheduled for only four nights, but God so moved that they continued the second and finally third week. Many souls, including entire families, came to the Lord. In the last Sunday morning service 17 were saved. Believers were filled with the Holy Spirit. The attendance was the best in years.

—Wm. B. Friend, Pastor

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BUCKEYE, ARIZ.—A recent revival meeting was held by Evangelist J. D. and Mrs. Tackett of Fayetteville, Ark., at the Assembly of God here. Several backsliders were reclaimed, a number of others received a new touch of God, and some were healed. On the closing night there was a special move of God among the young people who began to praise and worship God. A new freedom in the Spirit is now enjoyed in the meetings.

—Clyne A. Jones, Pastor

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ST. LOUIS, MO.—The ministry of the Word by Evangelist Robert Holland of Georgia was very effective in the meetings which

closed Nov. 17 at the Friendly Assembly of God here. Several were saved and two baptized in the Holy Spirit. The attendance was very good.

—L. C. Ramsey, Pastor

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HARTSHORN, MO.—The Assembly of God here was encouraged by the ministry of Evangelist Woodrow McCall of Cabool, Mo., in a recent one-week revival meeting. The Sunday school is growing, and revival fires are still burning.

—Loyd J. Ice, Pastor

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BREVARD, N. C.—Faith Assembly of God here will not soon forget the revival with Evangelist Chester Freede of Port Charlotte, Fla. Several were instantly healed, five were filled with the Spirit, and 13 were saved. The first Sunday following the meetings there was a 40 per cent attendance increase—an all-time winter high.

—V. Crandall Miller, Pastor

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WARRENTON, VA.—Evangelists Jim and Tammy Bakker were a blessing in a two-week revival at the Assembly of God here. The crowds increased each night, and several came forward for salvation or consecration.

—R. J. Baggs, Pastor

LORAIN, OHIO—During Evangelist Tommy Barnett's ten-day crusade at the Broadway Assembly of God here conviction rested on every service. Over 100 came forward for salvation, others made new dedications to the Lord, and several were filled with the Holy Spirit.

—K. A. Smith, Pastor

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TAMPA, FLA.—A number knelt at the altar seeking salvation during a recent revival at the Sulphur Springs Assembly of God here with Evangelist and Mrs. Arnold Segesman of Ohio. The revival climaxed a four-week attendance program during which a lighthouse was built in front of the Church. One brick was added for each first-time visitor. During the Segesman revival services alone there were over 200 first-time guests.

—Joseph R. Hardt, Pastor

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HAMLIN, PA.—A visitation of the Holy Spirit was experienced in a three-week revival meeting with Evangelist Walter Kronberg of Paola, Kans., at the First Pentecostal Church here. As the people responded to a call for days of fasting and prayer, deep conviction came upon sinners and backsliders. Over 25 came to the

altar to accept Christ, and 20 received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

God's power was present to heal. Lumps disappeared, a blind eye was opened, a man's leg lengthened one inch before the eyes of all. Arthritic pains left, and people were delivered from other troubles. Five testified to victory over the tobacco habit. The Sunday school attendance climbed steadily with 274 the last Sunday. Over 50 people attended the Assembly for the first time.

—George Butrin, Pastor

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WAPATO, WASH.—Four were filled with the Holy Ghost, and many others were refilled, healed, or otherwise blessed in a three-week revival crusade at the Pentecostal Assembly of God here. Glen Shinn from Covina, Calif., was the evangelist.

The Sunday morning after the meetings closed three persons—a young married couple who had "broken up" and a young father—were at the altar seeking God. The Sunday school attendance reached 252.

—P. C. Walcher, Pastor

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KANSAS CITY, KAN.—Evangelist and Mrs. A. R. Vander-



Young people carrying flags at the Youth-arama Rally.

VICTORY CRUSADE LED BY EVANGELIST PAUL HILD

STORM LAKE, IOWA.—A six-day victory crusade was held at the Assembly of God, reports Vernon L. Huffey, pastor.

One of the highlights of this crusade was a Youth-arama Rally at the Junior High School. The youth marched into the high school with Christian and American flags.

The service in charge of Evangelist Paul Hild was a challenge to young and old.

The Storm Lake *Pilot-Tribune* in publishing an account of the rally had this to say: "It proved that young people don't want crime but do want Christ. Juveniles don't want delinquency, but Christianity."

EVANGELIST COMBATS EVIL LITERATURE WITH GOOD

HURON, OHIO—The Assembly here has enjoyed an outstanding revival campaign led by Evangelists Michael and Peggy Lord of Wing, Ala. Some church members took time off from their work to attend the meetings. Others swapped shifts in order that they might not miss the blessings.

Twenty-six were saved and 10 filled with the Spirit. During the revival the evangelist and pastor canvassed the newsstands of the city and found some which would let us place *Evangels* on their racks for the public to receive free of charge.

Michael Lord said: "We cannot allow copies of the *Evangel* to gather dust while the newsstands are filled with trash. People should take all used or surplus copies of the *Evangel*, write 'Free' on them, mark the name of their church, and ask permission to place them



Pastor Rhinehart (left) and Evangelist Lord outside newsstand where they placed free *Evangels* on the racks. Pastor Rhinehart plans to keep *Evangels* in newsstands throughout the area.

on newsracks in grocery stores, drugstores, etc. Those copies of the *Evangel* will give customers an alternative to trashy literature. It may shame someone out of purchasing printed filth."—Jerome Rhinchart, Pastor

Ploeg were with the First Assembly of God here in special meetings, October 16-27. The services were well attended. Some 20 sought the Lord for salvation, and a number were filled with the Holy Spirit. Some of those saved are now active members of the church. —U. S. Grant, Pastor

LIGHTHOUSE CHURCH MOVES FROM BROOKLYN TO RIDGEWOOD

RIDGEWOOD, N. Y.—The new home of Lighthouse Assembly of God Church at 59-11 67th Ave., was dedicated on November 10, 1963. This marked fifty-four years of history for this congregation.

Ministers participating in the dedication service included Arthur Graves, Darrel Mitchell, William Behr, Arthur Stegen, and Joseph Flower.

For 38 years the members worshiped at the former location at 71 Himrod St. in Brooklyn. This building has been sold to another church.

Since the early days of Lighthouse Mission (first located at Myrtle Ave. and Hart St.) many souls have been saved, many believers filled with the Spirit, and countless sick ones healed as the Word has been preached and practiced. Missionaries have been sent out to China, Japan, Egypt, Palestine, and other foreign lands.

The light of the full gospel continues to shine clearly from the new Lighthouse under the leadership of Arthur Stegen who has been pastor since 1953.

425 HEAR CANTATA BY NBI CONCERT CHOIR

BAPTISTOWN, N. J. — The Evangelaire Concert Choir from Northeast Bible Institute, Green Lane, Pa., presented a Christmas cantata in central New Jersey with 425 people in attendance in the two services.

The ministry in song was a great inspiration. Brother and Sister Gerald Fortunato are the choir leaders.

—By James Occhipinti
C. A. Director, Central N. J.

THREE KILLED BY EX-CONVICT INCLUDING ASSEMBLY PASTOR

ASHEVILLE, N. C.—West Asheville Assembly of God was the scene of a great tragedy on Sunday evening, December 1, 1963. An ex-convict entered the meeting, shot his former wife, killed the pastor, and then committed suicide.

Walter Bailey, an ex-convict, came into the church carrying a

sawed-off, double-barrel shotgun. He was looking for his divorced wife who was attending the service. It was around 8 p.m.

The pastor, Lester Cobb, left the pulpit and walked down the aisle to meet the gunman. He tried to reason with Bailey, promising that if he would put down the gun or leave the church no charges would be pressed. Bailey shot the pastor in the chest. He died almost instantly.

The gunman soon found his former wife, Mrs. Bailey, hiding between the seats and shot her. She died about one hour later.

Bailey then pointed the gun at his own chest, pulled the trigger, and died immediately.

Brother Cobb was 40 years old. Ordained in the Mississippi District of the Assemblies of God in 1950, he pastored in Noxapater, Miss., and later he transferred to the North Carolina District.

Eight years ago he went to Asheville and started the West Asheville Assembly. The work grew under his capable ministry and at the time of his sudden Homegoing construction was under way on the second unit of the church building.

A Cobb Memorial Fund has been set up to complete the church which seemed to be his one great desire.

Brother Cobb is survived by his wife, the former Loraine Kennedy,

a son, and three daughters, their address being 82 Belmont, West Asheville, N. C. At the funeral his fellow ministers, including district officers, and a host of friends gave expression to the great love and high esteem they had for the faithful pastor who, like a hero on the battlefield, died in the line of duty.

50TH ANNIVERSARY

50TH ANNIVERSARY and Golden Jubilee of the Southern Missouri District Council, Apr. 7-9 at Central Assembly of God, Kansas City, Mo. Wesley Morton, guest speaker.—by James E. Griggs, district secretary.

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Enterprise	First	Feb. 4-16	Charles H. Harthern	Howard P. Trawick
	Excel	A/G	Feb. 10-23	Bob & Joan Brantley	John W. Sowell
Ark.	Booneville	First	Feb. 12—	Carl L. Tillery	J. W. Bobo
	Pleasant Plains	A/G	Feb. 10—	Tommy & Mrs. Carpenter	James E. Rose
Ariz.	Walnut Ridge	Midway	Feb. 9-16	A. G. & Mrs. Caloway	Lehman Rorex
	Mesa	First	Feb. 9-23	Arnold & Anita Segesman	V. L. Hertweck
Calif.	Atascadero	First	Feb. 16—	Bob Huie	Horace Rowan
	Buena Park	A/G	Feb. 18-29	Royce Peterson	O. D. Burkett
Richmond	Central	Central	Feb. 10-16	Garfield J. Unruh	Russell E. Griffin
	San Jose	Bethel	Feb. 16-23	Watson Argue	L. R. Keys
Soquel	A/G	A/G	Feb. 12-14	Watson Argue	J. Reuben Davis
	Tracy	First	Feb. 16-21	Charles Senechal	Claude Wood
Fla.	Ft. Lauderdale	Oakland Park	Feb. 11-23	Bob & Jeri Winford	W. C. Land
	Jacksonville	Riverside	Feb. 9-16	J. Earl & Mrs. Douglass	Ernest W. Zilch
Mulberry	First	First	Feb. 2-16	Bobby & Mrs. Jackson	T. A. Williams
	Fort Valley	A/G	Feb. 16—	Nettie Parham	Johnny Carroll
Meigs	Zion's Grove	Zion's Grove	Feb. 9-16	Russell Peavy	Charles D. Ward
	Payette	A/G	Feb. 11-16	Wesley F. Morton	Artus E. Rainwater
Ill.	Bloomington	First	Feb. 9—	Cox & Brown Team	Willis Akridge
Ind.	Bloomington	First	Feb. 16-Mar. 1	Gladys Pearson	Robert J. Ferguson
	Crawfordsville	First	Feb. 12-23	G. A. & Mrs. Snively	John Smith
Hobart	Calvary Temple	Calvary Temple	Feb. 9-23	Wilburn H. Fisher	Frank Fortier
	Lafayette	A/G	Feb. 11—	Donald & Mrs. Lunsford	Charles Hackett
Valparaiso	A/G	A/G	Feb. 16—	Jerry Stegall	John Pastore
	Salina	Rose of Sharon	Feb. 11-23	Ray C. Eskelin	Gerald Eden
Mich.	Detroit	Southfield	Feb. 11-23	Joel R. Palmer	Robert L. Clark
	Hattiesburg	Bethel	Feb. 15—	Paul J. Graban	Paul R. Jech
Pascagoula	Bethel	Bethel	Feb. 9-23	Don Logan	Kenneth Erwin
	Kansas City	First	Feb. 9—	John G. Hall	R. A. McClure
Morehouse	A/G	A/G	Feb. 10-23	Willis-Hall Team	Terzah Perry
	Franklin Square	Bethel	Feb. 12-23	Kudra Musical Team	Albert B. Andreasen
Ohio	Eaton	First	Feb. 5-16	Culpepper-Gourlas Tm.	Harold L. Duncan
	Girard	Summit	Feb. 11-16	Bob & Pat Ludwig	Richard Barth
New Lebanon	A/G	A/G	Feb. 11-23	John Higginbotham	Terry T. Diehl
	Niles	A/G	Feb. 5-16	Musical Lebsacks	Paul Emery, Jr.
Warren	First	First	Feb. 11-23	Duane Wessman	Herbert Eicher
	Okmulgee	North Side	Feb. 9-23	S. B. Douglass	Olen T. Craig
Seminole	Old Glory	Old Glory	Feb. 9-23	Harold Baker	B. L. Alexander
	Lebanon	A/G	Feb. 10-Mar. 1	John Irish Smith	H. D. Robeson
Tenn.	Goodlettsville	Millersville	Feb. 9-16	Doyle (Gene) Burgess	H. C. Meek
	Greenville	Wesley Street	Feb. 9-16	Samuel Calk	Joe Newby
Wash.	Oroville	A/G	Feb. 9-16	Lowell & Andrea Wood	Jene Wagner
	Richland	A/G	Feb. 11—	Bobby Black	George Davis
W. Va.	Pennsboro	First	Feb. 11-16	Irving & Mrs. Howard	Louis P. Jensen
	New Castle	A/G	Feb. 11-23	Steve & Pat Rexroat	Howard Cummings
Canada	Edmonton	Central Pent. Tab.	Feb. 16-Mar. 1	Tommy Barnett	Bob Taitinger
	Saskatoon	Elim Tab.	Feb. 11-16	John French	H. D. Honsinger
Chile	Santiago	Dist. Camp Meet.	Feb. 1-16	Bob Hoskins	Wesley Bjur, Chm.
India	Nagappatinam	Stadium	Feb. 15-28	Quentin Edwards	Doris Edwards, Miss.

Due to printing schedule, announcements must reach *The Pentecostal Evangel* 30 days in advance.

NOTICE OF BOND REDEMPTION

by
The General Council of the Assemblies of God
 Springfield, Missouri
 to

Holders of General Council of the Assemblies of God Administration Building Bonds

A call for redemption of certain bonds of The General Council of the Assemblies of God, Springfield, Missouri, known as its First Mortgage Serial 5% Bonds Series A, dated September 1, 1960, is hereby given.

The General Council of the Assemblies of God, a corporation, in accordance with the terms of the Indenture of Trust securing said bonds which is recorded in the office of Recorder of Deeds of Greene County of Missouri, in Book 1204 at page 509 and supplemental in book 1258 at pages 296-298, has elected to redeem and pay to the bearer or if the bond is registered as to principal, then to the registered holder thereof, the following listed bonds on March 1, 1964.

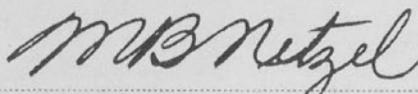
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The Secular Campus

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in the world. Our Lord prayed not that His followers be taken out of the world, but that they be protected from all the evil in the world (John 17:15). If young people are to go "into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," they must learn, in one way or another, to communicate with the people of this world. We need more Spirit-filled Christians who can "speak the language" of the business and professional man. Furthermore, standing firm for one's convictions in the midst of worldly philosophies can strengthen and mature Christian youth.

But, it will be pointed out, some may be unable to stand firm. Some may grow weaker instead of stronger in this sink-or-swim training school. Nevertheless, if a yielded and dedi-



cated Christian is clearly led by the Lord to a secular campus, both he and his parents may confidently expect an all-wise and all-powerful God to protect him and to work all things together for his good (Romans 8:28).

(2) The student should expect not only to learn, but also to *serve*. Too often in the rush of preparing to live tomorrow, we forget to live today. But today the college campus is one of the most strategic mission fields of the world. Today's colleges educate tomorrow's business, professional, and political leaders.

A familiar activity on the college campus is the "bull session." Many things may be shared in bull sessions—sometimes even the Lord Jesus Christ. If the Christian student listens, he will learn that many of his classmates are searching for answers. They are away from the shelter of their parents' beliefs. They are confronting conflicting ideas. For the first time they may be forced to acknowledge the futility of a second-hand religion.

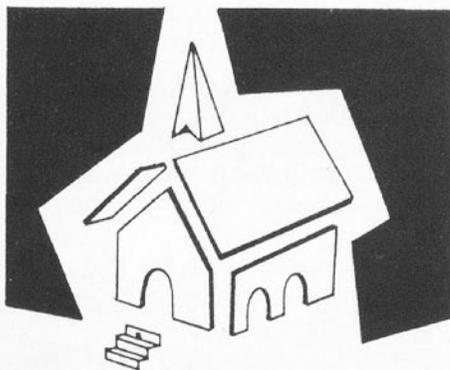
Furthermore, college youth study the problems of a chaotic world. The idealism of youth believes there must be a solution. Finding none, one student becomes bitter or cynical. Another may decide that philosophy or science holds the answer. But if a living Christ is presented by a classmate who shares their quest for truth, a significant number will accept Jesus as their Answer. I was one such person.

Although church-related, my school of nursing failed to expose me to a vital Christianity. Furthermore, since I was immersed in the activities of my own church, I was not a "prospect" for an evangelical Sunday school. But God found a way. Some classmates invited me to an interdenominational student group. There I heard the simple gospel—over and over and over.

I began to notice my classmates had an inner assurance which I lacked. Even more important, shining through the lives of my classmates was the love of Christ.

Later, while attending a state university, I experienced the joy of having a part in leading other students to Christ. It was here, too, that I met the puzzled young coed who was mentioned earlier. We had sweet fellowship in the Lord. We worked together, played together, prayed together. In time, I became receptive enough for her to share with me the concept of the baptism with the Holy Spirit. One spring evening, in the solitude of my room, my Lord wondrously filled me with His Spirit.

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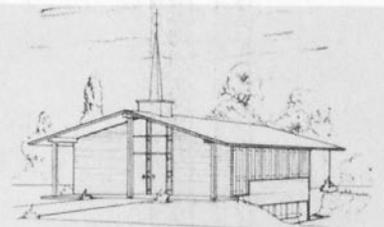
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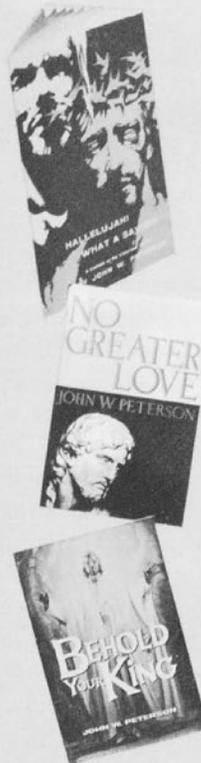
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Search Me, O God!



By Evelyn Witter

AFTER TWENTY YEARS OF MARRIAGE, life for my husband and me seemed to be getting harder all the time, instead of easier as we had anticipated. Because labor costs had increased, my husband tried to run our big farm with little or no help. The demands and needs of the children became greater as they progressed to the higher grades in school. My aged and ailing mother, who made her home with us, needed increasing nursing care.

In those difficult days my only release was to blame everyone else for the tensions that were pulling at my life. I took a self-pitying view of the fact that Bill was so busy with his work he could not give me a lift with mine.

"If Bill would rent out part of the land he could help me with all the work around here," I often grumbled. Or I would tell myself miserably, "If he weren't so particular about whom he hired he wouldn't be worn out all the time. He could find *some* kind of help if he wanted to badly enough. He just doesn't care about helping me!"

The fact that the children did not take me into their confidences disturbed me. But I put the blame wholly on them. "There's no living with them," I complained. "They're spoiled rotten. They think only of themselves."

When Mother's bell rang often, taking me away right in the middle of an important chore, I would tell myself: "If she were more consider-

ate she'd think of everything she wanted at one time. After all, she has nothing to do but lie there and think up what she wants next!"

Looking back now, the surprising thing to me is that through all this period I considered myself a good Christian. Didn't I tithe? Didn't I do my share at church?

After a year or more of this confusing, tiresome, and burdensome way of life, there came one particularly wearisome day that I remember well. My demanding family finally went to bed, but I couldn't relax enough even to lie down. I wandered aimlessly around the darkened house wishing for rest. In the living room the lone light shone on the Bible lying on the table, as though beckoning me.

I leafed through the Book aimlessly, pausing at the Psalms. My eyes fell on this prayer in Psalm 139: "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me."

The full import of the words swept over me as I stood alone, quiet and in need. Suddenly I realized that when God searched my thoughts He found ugliness. I realized the reason I was not getting along with others was that I was not getting along with myself. . . .

That was the beginning of my learning to live with myself. When I first started to search myself, to discover what kind of person I was inside, what I saw was not pretty. It was not easy to take inventory of my in-

ner thoughts. It would have been easier and more pleasant to run away from them. I saw that I was stubborn and unreasonable. Many times I spoke out of ignorance, and I was often too opinionated. I had been guilty of talking without listening to what the other person had to say, and of dictating to my loved ones without consulting their wishes.

When I let the Lord show me my faults, I found strength to confess and discard them. This made room for new thoughts, Christian thoughts. I welcomed Christ to live in my heart. And when He took charge, joy and hope and love for my fellowmen came sweetly and softly into my consciousness.

As time went on, Bill and I could discuss our work objectively. We found ways to help each other.

The children began to respond to my uncomplaining relationship with them, and to the deep love I had really always had for them. They no longer evaded me, but sought me out for confidences.

Mother's attitude toward her illness changed, too, when she sensed our genuine interest in her welfare. And how much easier she was to care for!

My changed attitude has affected our whole family, and it all began the night I dared to pray, "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts: and see if there be any wicked way in me—then release me of it, and let goodness and mercy take its place." ◀◀