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# Anointing Includes Appointing

By HOWARD S. BUSH  
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*"And thou shalt anoint Aaron and his sons, and consecrate them, that they may minister unto me in the priest's office" (Exodus 30:30).*

**T**HE ANOINTING OF A PERSON WAS AN UNUSUAL CEREMONY God used in Old Testament days to announce His prophets, priests, and kings. It was done by pouring oil or smearing ointment on the head or body of the person being anointed.

All of the ceremonies which God gave to the children of Israel were filled with meaning. The tabernacle and its furniture symbolized important types and shadows of God's plan of salvation. Why, then, did He select a ceremony such as pouring oil on one of His prophets, priests, or kings?

The anointing ceremony had an unmistakable connotation as a time of gladness. It suggested the abiding presence of God and His continuing watchfulness over His people. This was something they needed. This was

strongly evidenced when Elijah was commanded to anoint his successor, Elisha. When Elijah was taken away from him, Elisha might have been very sad had it not been for the anointing, which was a great comfort and consolation to him.

However, there was much more to the anointing than just a delightful experience to make someone feel good. The anointing of a king was not merely a part of the ceremonial enthronement either. It was of decisive importance: *it conveyed the power for the exercise of royal authority.*

God's anointing carried with it the power for exercising His work. For example, when Aaron and his sons were anointed, they were given power to minister for God in the priest's office.

King David is another excellent example of God's anointing. He was actually anointed three times. As a teen-ager, he was anointed as a prophetic indication of God's call upon his life to be king of Israel. This anointing comforted and encouraged David. It also helped empower him to press forward in preparing himself to be the man God wanted him to be.

When David was 30, he was anointed king over the tribe of Judah. This anointing opened the door of opportunity for him. Seven years later he was anointed king over all the tribes of Israel, thus giving him unlimited opportunity to serve God as the king of a united nation.

Fortunately, such meaningful experiences were not confined to the Old Testament. The New Testament reveals "how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him" (Acts 10:38). So, in the New Testament, the natural oil or ointment has been replaced by that for which it was only a symbol—the Holy Spirit Himself.

Jesus indicated that this significant, more meaningful anointing was for His followers. In fact, He commanded them to wait for their special anointing—to be baptized in the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:4, 5). It was to be a wonderful experience to comfort and strengthen His followers after He had gone back to the right hand of the Father. But it was not for that purpose alone.

Jesus was careful to point out that the believers would receive power when the Holy Spirit came, but they were to do something with that power. They were to use it in doing His work—witnessing for Him (Acts 1:8). In a concise promise Jesus offered His followers divine anointing. That anointing also included His appointing them to dedicated service for Him.

This dual anointing-appointing of believers conveys power to exercise royal authority just as in anointing kings in the past. The early disciples were given the authority to represent and speak for Jesus Christ, the King of kings.

The fact that the 120 in the upper room on the Day of Pentecost received this dual experience of being anointed and appointed is a matter of scriptural record. They went everywhere telling about their experience and boldly preached the gospel. And God added to the church daily! There is also evidence that this anointing was not just a one-time experience, but the Holy Spirit's anointing remained with them as a source of comfort,

gladness, and help in carrying out the appointment to witness.

We in the twentieth century may also partake of the combined anointment-appointment which Jesus provided, for we are told that "the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" (Acts 2:39).

We can share the anointing of the Holy Spirit. This experience gives us joy, comfort, and strength. But we must also be of service to the Lord. God has a task for each of us to perform. Paul caught the essence of the task in the thrilling verse which our young people, the Christ's Ambassadors, use as their theme verse: "Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in

Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God" (2 Corinthians 5:20).

What greater appointing can an anointed child of God have than to carry the message of reconciliation to needy souls—souls estranged and separated from God. God is not willing that any should perish; nor is He willing that we sit idly by, soaking up His blessings.

God's blessings are not limited. He wants us to walk with Him and live with His anointing upon us. But He also wants us to be about our Father's business of witnessing for Him, of leading defeated and lost souls back to Him.

We cannot overlook the dual provision of God's anointing-appointing. You have a 'divine appointment. Please don't keep your world waiting! ◀◀◀



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# I REMEMBER

By FRANK GRAY



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MY FIRST INTRODUCTION TO THE PENTECOSTAL OUT-pouring of these latter days came in 1917 while I was pastoring a rural Baptist church in eastern Washington. A missionary from the Orient visited our neighborhood and told us of the experience of being baptized in the Holy Spirit accompanied with speaking in tongues. I was not greatly impressed; but later a Pentecostal missionary from Latin America ministered in our church and his spirit and life convinced me there was something very real in his experience. However, I did not yet feel a personal need.

In the late fall of 1917 I visited a small Pentecostal mission in Spokane, and there heard an evangelist with a very positive and convincing message. I consulted with C. C. Douglas, the Methodist pastor in our community, and we invited the evangelist to come to us for a joint meeting. Services were planned for four nights, but the revival continued without interruption for over two months, resulting in the conversion of more than 50 people. Over 40 were baptized in the Holy Ghost, with terrific repercussions in the entire neighborhood.

There was much opposition and persecution, but a very strong and determined group of Spirit-filled believers was established. Both the Methodist pastor and I were expelled from our denominations.

In February 1919 I was led to respond to the invitation of a small group to establish an Assemblies of God church in Tacoma, Wash. There were a number of Spirit-baptized folk here but no English-speaking Pentecostal group in the main part of the city.

While I had received an ordination certificate from the Assemblies of God in February 1918 I was not

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Frank Gray, born August 6, 1883, was ordained to the ministry in 1918 and spent 30 years as an Assemblies of God pastor in Tacoma and Tonasket, Wash. He served as chairman or superintendent of the Northwest District for 25 years (1919-30 and 1937-51). Superannuated in 1960, he now resides at 4118 N. 12th St., Tacoma, Wash.

well acquainted with others in the General Council fellowship. Feeling the need of some closer ties of fellowship and cooperation in our labors for the Lord, I consulted with J. S. Secrist, pastor of Assemblies of God church in Olympia, Wash. Together we invited J. W. Welch to visit us and assist in forming the Northwest District Council. Brother Welch came in June 1919 and with 11 ministers in attendance the District Council was formed. Brother Welch laid for us a firm foundation of what he was pleased to term a "voluntary cooperative fellowship."

Upon this good foundation laid nearly 45 years ago, the Northwest District has continued to develop and grow. From the territory embraced at the beginning of the organization, there have been formed the districts of Oregon and Southern Idaho, as well as the work in the state of Alaska, in addition to the present Northwest District.

My first General Council was at the Stone Church in Chicago in September 1919. There it was my happy privilege to meet many of the good brethren, and form some very close associations that will have no end, though many who were the leaders at that time have been called Home to be with the Lord. I was so deeply impressed with the wonderful spirit of love and unity and sweet fellowship which has not diminished through the years.

Two years later E. N. Bell, who was then the General Chairman, visited the Northwest District and spent four weeks conducting meetings in four of our churches. This further strengthened and established our hearts in this full-gospel way.

I very deeply appreciate the General Council of the Assemblies of God, and the many fine brethren whom the Lord has called and raised up to assume responsibility in its leadership. May God help us to maintain the direction and goals set before us, and occupy until Jesus comes. ◀◀◀

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## Pray Without Ceasing

The Bible says, "Pray without ceasing." or, Pray continually, at every opportunity, without omission. One may ask how much opportunity is there to pray in this busy age? It seems difficult to pray even ten minutes a day. We are tempted to say, "There is no time to pray," but when we stop and consider how important prayer is we realize there is only one thing to do. We must take time away from less important things and give that time to prayer. Other things may be important but prayer is all-important. We can neglect most other matters and survive, but not prayer.

Prayer is the life of the soul. The prayerless life is like a piece of driftwood, floating wherever wind or tide may take it. The soul that prays is like a guided vessel—it has the Pilot on board. It has purpose and direction. It is going somewhere.

If our life is to be meaningful and satisfying, it must have a purpose. We must decide on a worthy goal and bend our efforts toward reaching it. Christ had a goal. "My meat," He said, "is to do the will of Him that sent me, and to finish His work." Paul had a goal: "This one thing I do. . . ." James warned that "a double minded man is unstable in all his ways." Peter said, "Be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer."

Martin Luther, on the night preceding his appearance before the Diet at Worms, prayed: "Do Thou, my God, stand by against all this world's wisdom and reason. Oh, do it! Thou must do it. Stand by me, Thou true, eternal God!" And he was not forsaken.

Our prayer should be: "Help us to serve Thee as Thou deservest; to give and not to count the cost; to fight and not to heed the wounds; to labor and not to ask for any reward but the reward of serving Thee whom our souls love."

Said Thomas a Kempis: "Give what Thou wilt, and how much Thou wilt, and when Thou wilt. Set it where Thou wilt, and deal with me in all things as Thou wilt."

David Brainerd, missionary to the North American Indians, declared: "Lord, to Thee I dedicate myself. Oh, accept of me, and let me be Thine forever. Lord, I desire nothing else; I desire nothing more." The last words in his diary, written seven days before he died, were: "Oh, come, Lord Jesus, come quickly. Amen."

When Paul encountered the risen Christ on the road to Damascus, his prayer was: "Lord, what wilt Thou have me to do?" This became the key to Paul's life—he wanted only to do the will of Christ—and this is the man who exhorted us to "pray without ceasing." It is a good way to begin a life of prayer—and a life of usefulness.

Dwight L. Moody implored: "Use me then, my Saviour, for whatever purpose and in whatever way Thou mayest require. Here is my poor heart, an empty vessel; fill it with Thy grace."

John Hyde, a missionary in India, cried: "Father, give me these souls, or I die." John Knox prayed: "Give me Scotland or I die." George Whitefield said: "O Lord, give me souls, or take my soul!" Such is the spirit of the people who change the world. They are people with a purpose; they are people who pray; they are people who pour every bit of their energy into the cause for which they pray. They live in God and God lives in them. Their very lives are both an endless prayer and an endless proof of the power of prayer.

—R.C.C.



Last fall the Christ's Ambassadors launched "Truth for Youth," a continuing program of spiritual growth and evangelism for youth. The program involves a fourfold pledge: to read a chapter of the Bible daily, to have a time of daily prayer, to carry a Bible or Testament, and to witness to others.

# The **TRUE** Voice of Youth

By OWEN C. CARR

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**D**ING-G-G! THE NOISE RESOUNDED OVER THE CLASSROOM as a well-aimed paper wad hit the metal flower basket near the teacher's desk. The teacher turned from the chalkboard and said, "Class will remain 30 minutes after school!" We did, but we didn't like it. Twenty-five pupils had to explain why they were late getting home. Only one had a reason. But we were all adjudged guilty.

I overheard a conversation once where a man was telling how his car was almost sideswiped by a car from Oklahoma. A woman retorted, "You have to watch those Oklahoma drivers; they'll run you off the road every time." This is not the normal driving habit of *all* Oklahomans; but in one blanket accusation they were all labeled as reckless, careless, and rude.

A children's worker held up a large sheet of paper which had a comparatively small ink spot. "What do you see?" she queried. "An ink spot," was the immediate reply.

"What?" she exclaimed. "Don't you see this big piece of white paper?"

Franklin D. Roosevelt made a grammatical error in

one of his nationwide radio addresses. It was in the newspaper the next day.

"Teen-agers! I don't understand them. The more you do for them, the more they expect. They are rude, thoughtless, and unthankful." Untrue! But how many times have you heard—or said—something similar?

Today's youth has more knowledge, more time, more energy, and more money than any other generation. What a tremendous force! But youth waits to be challenged. If this challenge is missing, adults and leaders are at fault. One man said: "Let's not criticize our young people too harshly. *We* made them what they are."

Those who are not challenged to use their assets creatively will use them destructively. Here is where a quirk of our society shows up. A boy may excel in his studies; prepare for a useful life; marry well; establish a Christian home; pay his bills; serve God, country, and community; and die without a glimmer of public recognition. But when one boy goes wrong he gets his picture on the front page of the daily paper. If he is

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bad enough, he may make the front page all over the country.

This seems to be a trait of human nature—to play up the error, to magnify the bad.

It is estimated that only 5 per cent of today's youth are giving cause for official concern, while 95 per cent are trying to be upstanding citizens and succeeding at it. Men who are accomplishing great things in science today were young people only a few years ago. Today's youth will undoubtedly surpass anything we have seen or dreamed possible.

This is just as true in the church. In fact, this is one of God's promises for the church: "It shall come to pass in the last days... I will pour out of my Spirit... and your young men shall see visions" (Acts 2:17).

Thank God for those who feel a call to work with the 5 per cent. I too have a burden for these, but I have a much greater burden for the wonderful 95 per

cent—our sons and daughters, our hope for the future, the unsung heroes amid today's materialistic world—who are putting their interests in the proper places and using their talents to reach higher goals.

If we listen to the voice of the 5 per cent, we will see only the bad. Their voice is loud and easily heard. But there is another voice—the 95 per cent. They call to us to distinguish ourselves as their leaders, to let the power of God be revealed in our lives so they can see how God works. They ask us not to see only the bad but rather the great, wholesome majority.

Look down upon our youth? Never! Today we stand with "hats off" and salute them—our thrill for the present, our hope for the future.

Among them will be a David to accept the challenge of Goliath, a Ruth to walk the separated life, a Daniel with purpose and determination. They are among the 95 per cent. And they are ours! ◀◀

### A SUCCESS STORY



Don Divine's restaurant

# THE DRIVE IN DON DIVINE

BY MARION MATWEYIW  
Reprint from *C. A. Herald*

THE "DIVINE DEACON" OR "WE NEED A LITTLE DIVINE help on this project" are familiar terms around First Assembly, Parsons, Kans. They refer to one very busy man—Don Divine. Don is the youngest member of the deacon board, assistant Sunday school superintendent, teacher of the young people's class, and C. A. sponsor. He is also the owner and operator of his own drive-in restaurant, but the "drive" in Don is owned and operated by the Holy Spirit.

At 26 Don is a successful Christian businessman and an outstanding leader in his church. He launched his own drive-in business at the age of 16—on credit and \$225. Today his restaurant in Parsons, a town of 14,000, employs 10 persons.

Don gave his heart to the Lord as a youngster and has served Him faithfully since.

He always had a lemonade stand in the summer, and by the time he was eight he was ready for bigger things. He and his sister Judy began selling fireworks on commission for their father who operated a service station. The fireworks sales didn't last through the summer vacation, so Don added a line of fish bait.

At 16 Don decided it was time to get down to serious business. He started building a 10-by-10-foot building on a 25-by-75-foot lot, doing most of the labor himself.



Left: on "Deacon Appreciation Day" Don Divine was awarded the loving cup by Pastor Dave Matweyiw. Center: Don plays his saxophone at a C. A.-sponsored service at a rest home. Right: Don leads a discussion in his Sunday school class.

He had a "grand opening" and called his little restaurant the Crumpet Hut.

About two months after the drive-in opened, Carolyn Trammel was employed. Hers is a success story, too—she married the boss. She left the business when their first child was born. That was Christi, now six. They also have two sons, David Alan, four, and Paul, eight months. Carolyn still does some of the bookwork and fills in at the drive-in when necessary.

One day in 1958 Don had a counseling session with his pastor, David Matweyiw. During the winter months Don worked as salesman for a local wholesale candy and paper concern. He could not conscientiously "push" the tobacco products to the customers on his route. He knew this was part of the job and felt he was shirking his duty to his employer, and yet his first duty was to the Lord. Pastor Matweyiw encouraged him to trust the Lord to increase his own business and devote full-time to the drive-in which, incidentally, does not sell any tobacco products.

Don decided this was good advice, and God honored his faith. The growth of the business has been steady. Don has added a barbecue machine, three new fast recovery fryers, a microwave oven, and a five-ton air conditioner. With new equipment and business increasing, he built a new 20-by-26-foot dining room.

Don and Carolyn are both active members of First Assembly, and Sunday finds a "closed" sign on the door of the drive-in. The Divine family is in church. Carolyn donates several days a week to the church as secretary to the pastor. She also assists with the bookkeeping and is Sunday school secretary.

Don is a natural leader. One day in a board meeting he volunteered to teach the class of seniors. The "Hustlers," as they call themselves, are a growing class and the students admire and respect their teacher. The drive-in is always open to them for pizza parties, etc.

After teaching the seniors a few months Don felt he would have closer contact with the young people if he also worked through the C. A. Department. He volunteered, and he and Carolyn were appointed C. A. sponsors. The C. A. Easter breakfast at Divine's Drive-in has become a tradition with the Parsons C.A.'s.

The drive-in attracts people from all walks of life but has a special attraction for youth. This gives Don many opportunities to witness for the Lord. During the *Operation Saturation* campaign, Don took advantage of the little *Chicken* booklets and distributed them not only to his employees but also to his youthful customers. Many came back and asked for copies for their friends.

The "drive" in Don Divine has not only been an asset to his secular business but also to the business of the church. He may be the youngest board member, but his aggressiveness, business ability, ability to meet the public, and faithfulness to the church in contributing tithes, time, and talent have made him an important member of the team.

Don encourages Christian youth to go into the business world where there are not only many opportunities for careers but also many opportunities to be used of the Lord.

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# Youth Has Part in Worldwide Radio Ministry

By VIRGINIA COUCH

**Y**OUTH IS AN IDEALIZED THOUGH HIGHLY CRITICIZED period of life. Some sigh, "Oh, to be young again." Others declare, as a New York newspaper columnist recently did, that we must "stamp out American adolescents!" But young people need understanding, and they need Christ.

The world is anxiously offering its pleasures in exchange for young souls. To avoid such a barter, the church desperately needs to step up its program of youth evangelism. Sensing the urgency of reaching those in the prime of life, *Revivaltime* employs a youth-to-youth plan of ministry.

Approximately 40 talented, Christian young people from Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., are chosen each year to make up the *Revivaltime* choir. Participation in the group is voluntary, and the members are selected by audition. There is no salary. Long hours of practice are involved. Each member sacrifices weekend trips, study time, and extra-curricular activities. But in spite of the inconveniences, there are always many more who apply for membership in the choir than can be accepted. These students are anxious to serve God.

Those applying give various reasons for desiring to sing in the choir. Elizabeth Shuck, junior Bible major, began her second year with the group because she saw God work through them so wonderfully last year. After singing on the weekly broadcast and touring with the choir she "realized what a tremendous work is done through the ministry of *Revivaltime*."

Organ accompanist for the choir, Dennis Young, senior religious education major, rejoined the group for his second year because of the spiritual growth he experienced during the choir tours. He says, "As a soul-winning, evangelistic broadcast, I believe *Revivaltime* is doing a commendable job."

A burden for lost souls led Byron Niles to begin a second year with the choir. "Because I know there are millions around the world searching for truth who may listen to *Revivaltime*," he states, "I chose the broadcast

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Police closed the doors at 7 o'clock when a capacity crowd of more than 1,000 persons filled the Phoenix Junior College auditorium during the Arizona Winter Camp Meeting and District Council, January 28-February 7. C. M. Ward (right), *Revivaltime* evangelist, was featured speaker.

as an outlet for ministry while at CBI. It gives me an opportunity to personally lead someone to Christ."

The wide scope of the radio ministry appealed to Garth McNabb, senior Bible major, who joined the choir in his second semester last year. He lists "tours, with their great spiritual results, rallies and concerts," as enjoyable choir activities in addition to the weekly broadcast. "I chose *Revivaltime* as a ministry," he says, "because of the spiritual emphasis it maintains, the simple message it proclaims, and the great blessing it is to Christians of every denomination and sinners around the world."

"Thanks for letting me be a part of this great ministry," says Melvin Kisser, four-year choir member from Columbia Falls, Mont. "Without flattering or exaggerating, I can honestly say that *Revivaltime* has contributed half, if not more, to my development of a present and future ministry. Bible school has done a lot for me, but the real practical experience of helping meet human needs was gained from *Revivaltime*. I thank God for the privilege of working for God in this manner."

This same attitude is evident in all the choir members. They serve the Lord with gladness. Their greatest reward is the sense of accomplishment they receive. A large harvest of souls has been reaped as a result of their ministry. Headlines such as *76 Saved on Choir's Easter Tour; 55 Souls Saved During Revivaltime Tour; 164 Saved During Summer Tour*, picture the glorious results of the choir's singing and testifying.

It is interesting to note the challenge and blessing that the choir has been to those among its own generation. Seeing fellow young people step out for God has inspired youth across the nation. One boy writes: "It made me a better Christian to know that I have such Christian friends as those in the *Revivaltime* choir. I received a great blessing when the choir came to Manchester, Conn. At least 15 people shook my hand and gave me big smiles. Going home from the service, I had a wonderful feeling inside."

"As I heard your choir sing, 'Jesus Is Coming Again,' I received a new challenge to witness before it is too late," a teen-ager writes from McCook, Neb. "It is a real pleasure to hear your broadcast from week to week.

Your ministry has been a blessing to me. The inspirational singing is an added blessing to the day."

Another writes from Twin Falls, Ida., saying: "As a young person, I look forward to your program each Sunday. Your messages and the choir's songs have been a great help to me spiritually."

A teen-ager's world is complex. He is constantly searching. Those with Christian backgrounds and faith are perhaps seeking God's will for their lives. Those in sin turn to cars, restless music, and wild entertainment to satisfy their feeling of emptiness. The church must deal with this age group.

Throng of teen-agers cannot be reached in the church pew. They never attend God's house. However, the large majority of them own and use radios. Our challenge is to be ready when they flick the switch and turn the dial. Several young people have accidentally tuned in *Revivaltime* and received the full-gospel message unto salvation.

Last month Stephen Lagler wrote from Minneapolis, Minn.: "I will always have a soft spot in my heart for *Revivaltime*. The broadcast reached me every Sunday morning last summer on what used to be my favorite rock 'n' roll station. Your ministry caused me to see my need, and I accepted Christ last August. I have now been filled with the Holy Spirit and hope to attend Bible college next fall. The Lord has done so many wonderful things for me in the short time I have known Him."

This letter came from Syracuse, N. Y. "I am 17 years old. Last Sunday I just happened to be dialing for a rock 'n' roll station when I came to your program. I really enjoyed it and received a blessing from it."

Radio waves are a very effective means of getting the gospel to teen-agers. Broadcast services can reach them regardless of time, place or circumstances. The *Revivaltime* team and choir members are constantly made aware of the urgent need of ministering to youth. Today's efforts and prayer will determine the quality of tomorrow's church. All phases of the broadcast depend directly upon your faithful support. Freewill offerings keep this gospel service on the air. Will you share in the support of your radio voice to millions of the world's youth? Send your offerings to *Revivaltime*, Box 70, Springfield, Missouri 65801.

ONLY GOD KNOWS HOW OFTEN THE QUESTION IS torn from hearts bursting with fear, perplexity, and sorrow: "Does Jesus really care about me in my present difficulty?"

We are not the first to ask it. It may be a whisper or it may come in the form of groans, while we feel half guilty for asking.

But we need not be afraid to ask, nor dread the answer. Long ago the question was shouted above the wild roar of the Galilean sea while the Master was asleep in a little ship.

The disciples, having fought the stormy sea as long as they could, cried in desperation, "Master, carest thou not that we perish?" And the Bible says that Jesus "arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm" (Mark 4:38, 39).

It is natural for us to cry out in our heartache and suffering. And the heart that is ready to trust does not cry in vain.

In their fear the disciples had mistaken Christ's poise for unconcern; they had interpreted His self-assurance as disinterest in their need. But Jesus did care. As soon as they acknowledged their need of Him, He met their need. His answer is revealed in the sudden calm and the gentle whispering waters lapping softly at the hull of the little ship that so recently was ready to sink.

Christ cared enough for His disciples to exercise His divine authority over nature on their behalf, and He is still willing to move heaven and earth on behalf of those who pray to Him in faith.

The disciples actually appealed to Jesus more in desperation than in faith, but the Master awaits just such opportunities. He stands ready to meet us in our extremities—when we have come to the end of self-effort and recognize our need of divine help.

Friend, if you have tried every means possible to secure peace of mind and rest of soul, and all those means have failed, turn to Jesus. If all your own efforts fall short of producing the inner peace you need, it is time to cease struggling and to start trusting in His grace. *When you ask if He cares, you can be sure of the answer.*

The disciples' prayer was unlearned, and even unjustified—but remember, *it was answered!* Christ does not examine the style and content of our prayers so much as our heart's attitude. Do our prayers come from hearts fully dependent upon Him alone for aid? That is what counts.

Knowing the hearts of these distracted men, Christ responded at once to save them. He properly interpreted their poorly phrased cry to mean, "Lord, help us or we perish!" Do not allow imperfection or inexperience to keep you from praying! The Lord's ear is tuned to your *heart*. All He asks is that you call upon Him in faith. He will save you. Call *now!*

Jesus is not willing that any should perish, but desires that all will repent and put their faith in His atoning work on Calvary. He does care. He wants you to bring your problems to Him in prayer, "casting all your care upon him: for he careth for you" (1 Peter 5:7). ◀◀

# Does Jesus Really Care?

By HAROLD KOHL



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**Hong Kong**—A personal worker explains the gospel to a listener.



**Colombia**—Bible school student teaches a Sunday school lesson on the streets of a Bogota suburb.

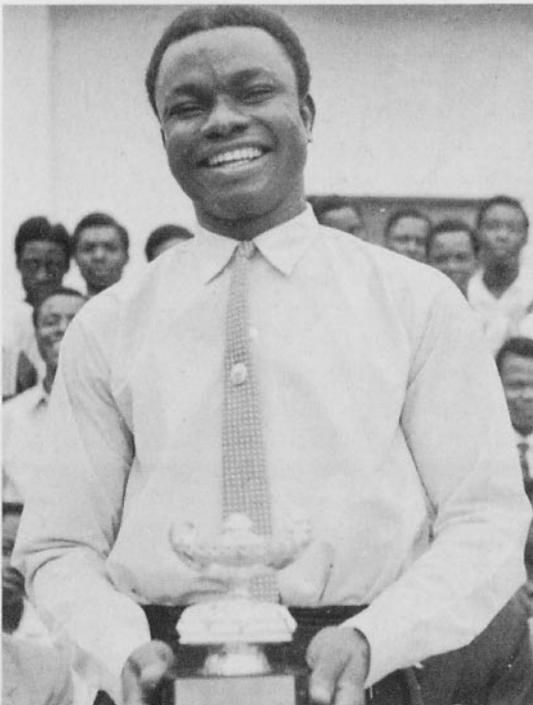


**India**—This trio traveled throughout India last summer to promote the opening of a new India state to the gospel.

## National C.A.'s Minister on All Our Mission Fields



**Argentina**—This C. A. committee is an important part of the Buenos Aires revival center.



**Nigeria**—Aba C.A. smiles happily after receiving a Bible quiz award at a C. A. rally.

**Japan**—C.A.'s conduct a street meeting.



# Cho Yonggi—C.A. in Korea

By M. L. KETCHAM  
Field Secretary for the Far East



Cho Yonggi

**C**HO YONGGI WAS A YOUNG COLLEGE STUDENT IN PUSAN, a city located at the southern tip of Korea. Like most Koreans he was tough, resilient, resistant to pressures. His was a searching mind, seeking reality wherever he could find it—in Christianity, Buddhism, materialism. . .

Into his life came one of the most zealous of missionaries, Lou Richards. This ex-insurance salesman had a boldness for witnessing which included the lowest coolie as well as army generals and cabinet members. Cho, gripped by Brother Richards' dynamic gospel message, was soundly converted and filled with the Holy Spirit. He then enrolled in the Assemblies of God Bible school in Seoul.

At this time the Seoul Bible school was far from being a "sophisticated" institution. It reflected the spirit of the times, for South Korea was still reeling from the blows of bitter warfare. Buildings were demolished, the economy was stagnated, communications were blasted. There was disorganization and poverty on all sides. To escape the bitter Korean cold, refugees huddled in holes dug into rocky hillsides and in pits dug into the sands of the Han River Valley.

The Assemblies of God Bible school had only temporary quarters. Students lived on relief food and studied in makeshift classrooms, but the school had something positive to offer—rugged self-reliance, spiritual fervor, the firm conviction that Pentecost was the answer to all of Korea's needs!

Cho was graduated. What would he do now? A little financial help was available for pioneer workers, but Cho felt this was not for him. He had learned about indigenous church principles, about reliance upon the Lord. He would practice what he had been taught, what he firmly believed—that the infilling of the Holy Spirit alone provided enough backing to meet any problem.

A few miles north of Seoul, Cho found a barren hilltop where some farmers were tilling the soil. He could sing, he could testify. Children gathered. Farmers

left their bullocks and plows and came to listen, a pine tree their only shelter. Soon a thriving Sunday school was established.

A discarded United States Army squad tent was patched up and erected under the pine tree. The Holy Spirit graced the meetings which were now being held nightly. Revival fires fell. Souls were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. Hurrying footsteps beat pathways through the Korean mud to this tent which had become a gospel lighthouse. A church congregation was born.

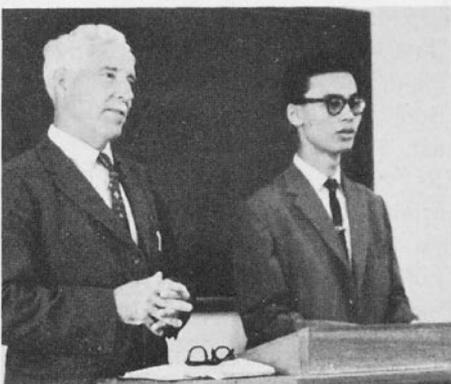
Soon the tent was inadequate. Another was donated. The two were joined, wooden extension sides were installed, newspapers were used to "paper" the inside of the roof. Pot-bellied stoves were installed and mats were put on the floor. Almost overnight a solid congregation of 300 people was brought into being. This young man, still in his early twenties, was leader of a congregation which included lawyers, schoolteachers, and doctors. With divine inspiration and authority he guided them into spiritual maturity, stability, and monolithic unity.

All during this time God had been moving throughout Korea. Needy, desolate Korean people had been seeking the fullness of the Spirit to meet their needs. Assemblies of God missionaries had secured a lot in the heart of Seoul at densely populated West Gate. A congregation had been formed and a tabernacle-type building had been constructed. Missionary John Hurston, who was in charge, needed a qualified national associate. The call went out to Cho. Would he leave his congregation at Tae Cho Dong to work in the Seoul Revival Center? Yes, he would. Taking a few of his choice workers with him, Cho joined forces with Brother Hurston.

In three years this team, working together in closest cooperation, developed the Seoul Revival Center into the second largest church in Korea, that land of great churches. With a congregation of 1,500 people, it is the largest full-gospel church in the Orient and one of the largest in the world. The building, no longer adequate to house this constantly growing congregation, is being doubled in size.

This church's outreach covers all of Korea. Revival is spreading as people who have been saved, healed, and filled with the Spirit in the Revival Center witness to their relatives and friends.

Praise God that young men of the caliber of this Korean C.A. are being saved, called, and trained through the ministry of Assemblies of God missionaries around the world. The future development of this great Pentecostal revival is assured as more and more "Cho Yonggis" are trained in Assemblies of God Bible institutes.



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A Hong Kong C.A. interprets as author M. L. Ketcham preaches.  
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# Teens Witness to MILLIONS



BY LEE SHULTZ, COLLEGE YOUTH REPRESENTATIVE, NATIONAL C. A. DEPARTMENT

**A**FTER I HAD READ THE FIRST FEW lines I knew this was for me." This was the testimony of a junior high girl who found a "Chicken" tract on the floor of a school bus.

"When I came to the words, 'God is going to speak to you through this book,' I knew He was speaking to me," she related. She also gave the tract to one of her friends. As a result, both girls accepted Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

A young man serving in the Air Force reserve was on duty in Wichita Falls, Tex. In a servicemen's lounge he found a "Chicken" tract. Having recently been saved, he was thrilled with the message he read and began using the tract to witness to others. "A lot of people have read it, but I always manage to get it back," he said. Stamped on the back of the tract was "Assemblies of God Church, Virginia, Minn." This young man from southern Minnesota, stationed in Wichita Falls, Tex., found the tract first distributed by a church in northern Minnesota. He told me about it in Boulder, Colo. The C.A. in Virginia, Minn., who first distributed that tract had no idea of the miles it would travel and the number of people who would read its message.

These incidents happened very recently as a result of a literature evangelism program started about a year ago. In January 1963 the National C. A. Department launched its mass literature evangelism crusade, *Operation Saturation*. The gospel tract used was "Chicken," with a hard-hitting,

bold, teen-slanted message that got through to youth. A goal was set to distribute 1,000,000 copies. Within three weeks the goal was surpassed and the program gained momentum until the total now stands at over 4,500,000 copies distributed. Reports from C. A. groups concerning the initial thrust of the program show that at least 1,000 conversions were recorded in the first few weeks.

Many C. A. groups accepted the challenge of *Operation Saturation* and literally saturated the schools in their communities. Not only were students saved as a result, but teachers as well. One teacher read the entire tract to his class. A teen-ager said, "It was not unusual for kids to stop me in the hall at school and ask for a 'Chicken' tract."

The Chi Alpha chapter at a large university placed 500 copies on its table during orientation. In a short time the tracts were gone and students continued to ask for copies. At another college, a student put 200 copies in his dorm and had the opportunity to witness to many fellows personally. At another university where copies were distributed, two students telephoned and asked for guidance in accepting Jesus Christ.

Although "Chicken" was written and designed primarily for use by and among teen-agers, it has leaped all boundaries. Requests for quantities have come from school principals, teachers, doctors, lawyers, administrators of juvenile institutions, prison chaplains, businessmen, and denominational pastors.

The second phase of literature evangelism called *Probe* was launched in May, 1963. It featured the use of a tabloid-size newspaper called "The Last News" which contained messages centered in the second coming of Christ. Again, a distribution goal of 1,000,000 was set. Although the newspaper was more costly and not as convenient to use as "Chicken," the goal was surpassed and it was necessary to print the second million. A layman who took teams of teen-agers into parking lots of supermarkets said, "We didn't have to hand them out; the people asked for them as we walked by."

In September 1963 a third phase of the program was launched called *Truth for Youth*. This program is more extensive than just distributing literature. It is a basic spiritual growth and witnessing program that challenges youth to join the crusade by pledging themselves to four significant steps: (1) have a time of personal prayer every day; (2) read a chapter from the Bible every day; (3) carry a Bible or Testament at all times; and (4) witness to other youth.

*Truth for Youth* packets contained a pledge card, a witnessing plan of action, a prayer and Bible reading chart, a Bible guide, and the "Eternal Life Assurance Plan." This plan, similar to a life insurance policy, contains a step-by-step approach to salvation. By reading it to a friend (as a salesman would read a policy to his client) a C.A. can lead another young person to a personal commit-

ment. C.A.'s distributed 75,000 *Truth for Youth* packets.

*Truth for Youth* is a continuing program which offers regular helps through the *C. A. Herald* Bible-reading guide and feature articles. Twice a year (spring and fall) literature crusades are launched which will provide complete plans for participation and a gospel witnessing tract.

A college-level *Truth for Youth* witnessing program, *Person to Person*, is being launched in April, 1964. This program is offered to college youth in the March-April issue of *Campus Ambassador*. A step-by-step procedure is outlined to help them use a new, unique piece of literature called "One Way for Modern Man." This unusual book is the Gospel of John in J. B. Phillips' translation, dramatically illustrated with 20 full-page pictures of modern life in a big city. The *Person to Person* program shows how to mark and use this Gospel in person-to-person witnessing. "The Best Gift," a gospel portion containing the second chapter of Acts, will also be distributed with this program. This chapter has been published in a pocket-size edition with black and white illustrations done in modern style.

May 17-24, 1964, has been set for launching the *Truth for Youth* Spring Crusade. This crusade will feature a gospel tract called "Trapped" (similar in size and format to "Chicken") and a Bible-marking plan, "What to Do Till the Pastor Comes," which shows how to mark the Bible to present the plan of salvation. Once again the goal set for distribution is 1,000,000. "Trapped" probes at a deep-seated problem and exposes the trap many have fallen into when they have confused lust with love. Complete plans and helps are available for launching this crusade.<sup>1</sup> Some groups are already making plans to invade their communities, schools, and surrounding areas during the crusade.

The Fall Crusade will fit into the format of election time, featuring a unique conversation-opener campaign button and an attractive full-color card tract.<sup>2</sup>

The overwhelming response of C.A.'s to these literature evangelism crusades and their pledge to join *Truth for Youth* are evidences of their intense desire to be actively involved in witnessing to the lost. Since the launching of *Operation Saturation*

in January, 1963, our teens have witnessed to nearly 6,000,000 through this literature evangelism program. Hundreds of teen-agers have been brought to a new experience through this involvement in witnessing. As a result, churches have experienced revival.

Just the other day a pastor called long distance and reported a revival among his youth. He said youth in the community are receiving the Holy Spirit. He wanted material they could use to reach other teen-agers. "Chicken," "The Last News," and "Trapped" are forceful materials to put into their

hands." Why not use these materials in your church?

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<sup>1</sup>The spring quarter 1964 "C. A. Guide" contains 12 pages of helps for the "Truth for Youth" Spring Crusade. A copy of this issue is available for 45c from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri 65802. A special packet about this crusade has also been mailed to each Assemblies of God church.

<sup>2</sup>The "Truth for Youth" Fall Crusade is planned for September 13-20. Program helps for this crusade are in the summer quarter 1964 "C. A. Guide." (A year's subscription to this youth leaders quarterly manual is available for just \$1.50 in the U.S.A.; \$1.75 outside the U.S.A.)

<sup>3</sup>These evangelism pieces are available at actual cost plus postage and handling from the Gospel Publishing House, Springfield, Missouri 65802. (Order by title and number.) "Chicken" (34-4675) or "Trapped" (34-4676): \$6 for 1,000; \$3.25 for 500; \$1 for 125. "The Last News" (8-5846): \$16 for 1,000; \$9 for 500; \$2.75 for 100.

## Universal Reading of Acts 2 Recommended by Bible Societies



For the first time, the United Bible Societies is asking millions of Christians around the world to join in reading Acts 2, verses 1-47, on Pentecost Sunday.

The suggestion is that the Biblical passage be read at public worship services at noon in each time zone. If the morning worship service continues beyond 12 o'clock noon it is suggested that the chapter be read in unison at the conclusion of the service.

Residents of islands in the South Pacific ocean, just west of the international dateline, will be the first to read the chapter together. Then, in each successive time zone, the reading will be taken up at high noon by other Christians in city churches, in rural chapels, on ships at sea, and wherever men and women are assembled for worship. The reading will be in the national language of each area.

The American Bible Society has published the chapter in a pocket-size booklet with black and white illustrations done in modern style. Copies can be obtained for only three cents each in the King James, Revised Standard, or New English Bible Version in English, or in Spanish or French. Orders should be addressed to the American Bible Society, 450 Park Avenue, New York, N.Y., 10022, and should be mailed immediately to assure delivery by Pentecost Sunday, May 17.

"The experience of Pentecost," says Dr. Laton E. Holmgren, general secretary of the American Bible Society, "is considered by many to have marked the beginning of the Christian Church as a missionary and evangelistic enterprise committed to carrying the saving Word of God to the whole world. For us, as we read again of that first Pentecost, it can be a time to renew our Christian faith and purpose, and to rededicate ourselves to sharing the good news of Jesus Christ with others."

To those who believe that Acts 2:4 is not merely a historical incident but a pattern of the Baptism that all Christians should receive today, this universal reading will have special significance. As we participate in it let us pray that God will again pour out His Spirit upon all flesh, so that Pentecost shall be repeated, and the gospel shall be preached in every nation for a witness to every creature, not in the power of man but in the power of God "with signs following."



As one of the second generation in the Pentecostal Movement I cherish my heritage. I wish to perpetuate it.

BY WESLEY R. HURST, JR.

**O**MINOUS CLAPS OF THUNDER AND pelting rain overtook us as we rode our bikes across the Fargo-Moorhead Bridge. My brother Dewey and I were frightened. We had misjudged the time when the storm would break.

As we pedaled furiously, we shouted our fears to one another. High winds had preceded the downpour. We both supposed the 40- by 60-foot gospel tent must have blown down. We were camped beside the revival tent and it was our responsibility to tighten the ropes and drive extra stakes to hold the guylines in the event of high winds, but we had slipped away after the service for a bike ride to Fargo.

We prayed as we rode toward camp. When we got there we found one corner of the tent was down and flapping in the wind and rain. One lone man was struggling with the ropes and stakes, trying to keep it from blowing over. It was Dad. He had been awakened by the storm and had come to see how we were getting along—only to find that neither of us was there!

Without a word we boys grabbed

post malls and extra stakes and began to secure the main lines of the tent. The three of us worked feverishly for 30 minutes. I can still see my father's rain-soaked face and his wet hair hanging over his eyes as he finally looked at us. We had won the battle against the storm.

We went inside the tent, turned on the lights and sat down. Dewey and I were teen-agers in high school then—two sons of a Pentecostal preacher, pioneering the work of God in Moorhead, Minn., in a gospel tent. I shall never forget the remorse and shame of that moment. But this, too, is part of the rich Pentecostal heritage that is ours.

Our family's Pentecostal experience began in 1928 when Dad was pastor of the Advent Christian Church in Annandale, Minn. While pastoring there he became increasingly hungry for God. Mother was the first to receive (in our living room) the mighty infilling of the Holy Spirit with speaking in other tongues. Within the week the Lord gloriously filled my father while he prayed in his study. Following this, the Lord sent an outpouring of His Spirit and in a little over

a year more than 60 people in this church were filled.

Miracles of healing took place. Mrs. William Shannon was healed of near-total paralysis. She had been consigned to an early death by the doctors of Mayo Clinic. She is still alive today, nearly 35 years later.

It was shortly after this that Dad bought a 40- by 60-foot meeting tent and trailer and launched out in faith. The trailer was designed to form a three-room tent for the family—Dad, Mother, Dewey and I, and our two sisters, Pauline and Ruth. We started out in Pentecostal tent revivals, knowing very few other Pentecostal people and having no knowledge of the Assemblies of God fellowship.

Three or four years of this itinerant Pentecostal ministry brought us in contact with the Assemblies of God. We began to attend the Lake Geneva Bible Camp in Alexandria, Minn. I vividly remember the ministry of Charles S. Price, A. G. Ward, A. A. Wilson and other pioneers. In a missionary meeting, following Brother Ward's message, I gave all the money I had—\$2.63! It was my pop and candy money which I had saved for weeks for this special camp time. God used this to do a work in my heart.

We stayed in the tent-trailer at the edge of the grounds, arriving before

At the age of 80, Dad Hurst lives at Lincoln, Nebr., and is still active in evangelistic meetings. Both his sons hold offices at the national headquarters of the Assemblies of God. Wesley, formerly a missionary in Tanganyika, is secretary of the promotions division of the foreign missions department. D. V. (Dewey), formerly the national secretary of radio, was recently named coordinator of the new commission on spiritual life—evangelism.



W. R. Hurst, Jr.



W. R. Hurst, Sr.



D. V. Hurst

the first service and remaining until the last prayer meeting was over; we didn't miss one meeting. The camp-grounds were always teeming with life and excitement—spiritual excitement. From these meetings Pentecost spread as the Spirit sent people into remote sections of the north central states as full-gospel messengers.

It was at this same camp in 1934 that I was gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit. It happened at two o'clock in the morning. As God filled me, He called me. The battle of the ages became vivid to me during that spiritual experience. I learned that "we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers." I felt called to battle and although I was only 12 I became amazingly aware of the purpose of the power that He was giving me. I recall this Holy Ghost experience so vividly. Jesus came to me, spoke to me, filled me, and asked for my life. Praise His Name, He is wonderful!

This is my heritage—the Pentecostal infilling, real and sufficient for today and every day. As a member of the second generation in this movement of the Spirit, I cherish this heritage.

Subsequent years taught our family many things. We learned of the manifestations of the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Spirit became precious and communicated Jesus to us and to the congregations of which my father was pastor.

I remember an incident in Superior, Wis. A deacon, Brother Ackley, was in earnest prayer, speaking in other tongues in a prayer service one evening, and following his prayer a young man who had studied Spanish said: "This man has been praying for China in perfect Spanish. He has been praying for the Christians in China, naming the provinces. The Christians in each province have been the burden of his prayer."

After this unusual experience the 20 or 30 people gathered in prayer began to praise the Lord, for it was a fulfillment of the scripture, "We know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself maketh intercession."

Following this time of praise, Brother Ackley again began to pray in other tongues. For some time he continued to intercede, feeling moved upon by the Spirit of God. At the conclusion of this manifestation a registered nurse,

**Two score and ten years ago, our Heavenly Father brought forth upon this continent a new movement, conceived in the liberty of the Spirit, and dedicated to the proposition that all believers are recreated with equal rights to the baptism in the Spirit.**

**Now, we are engaged in a great war against sin, testing whether that movement, or any other movement so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. This country is a great battlefield of that war.**

**In a large sense, this ground is dedicated—it is consecrated—it is hallowed by the brave men—living and dead—who fought for the faith. It is consecrated far above our poor power to add or detract.**

**It is for us, the living, to be dedicated to the unfinished work which they who fought here thus far so nobly advanced. It is for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us—that from these honored pioneers of Pentecost we take increased devotion to that great cause, for which they gave the last measure of devotion—that we here highly resolve that these men shall not have labored in vain—that this movement, under God, shall have a new birth of Pentecost, and that the glorious full-gospel faith, purchased by the Saviour, energized by the Spirit, and redounding to the glory of God, shall not perish from the earth.**

—Ralph W. Harris

who had been a missionary in India and was then working in the local hospital, asked to speak. She said: "I am not Pentecostal; I have never been in a Pentecostal meeting before. I do not understand your worship, but as

this man prayed I understood him, for he prayed in perfect Hindustani, and again he prayed for China. He prayed for the provinces of China and for the Christians in each of these provinces. He indicated in his prayer that great trouble would face these people and that they would need the comforting power of the Holy Spirit."

This was in 1941. After this woman's testimony the people again gave God praise and glory for the mighty power of His Holy Spirit and the efficacy of this Pentecostal experience. These testimonies remain vivid in my memory.

In the second year of my ministry in South Dakota, at the district council at Mitchell, God again confirmed the reality of the supernatural power of His Holy Spirit. I had been experiencing struggles and questions. In that meeting Henry Mock came to me. Brother Mock had been in Cuba and he told me that while speaking in tongues I had used Spanish, including

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Dad Hurst and his boys, Wes and Dewey (photographed at Moorhead, Minn., 1938)



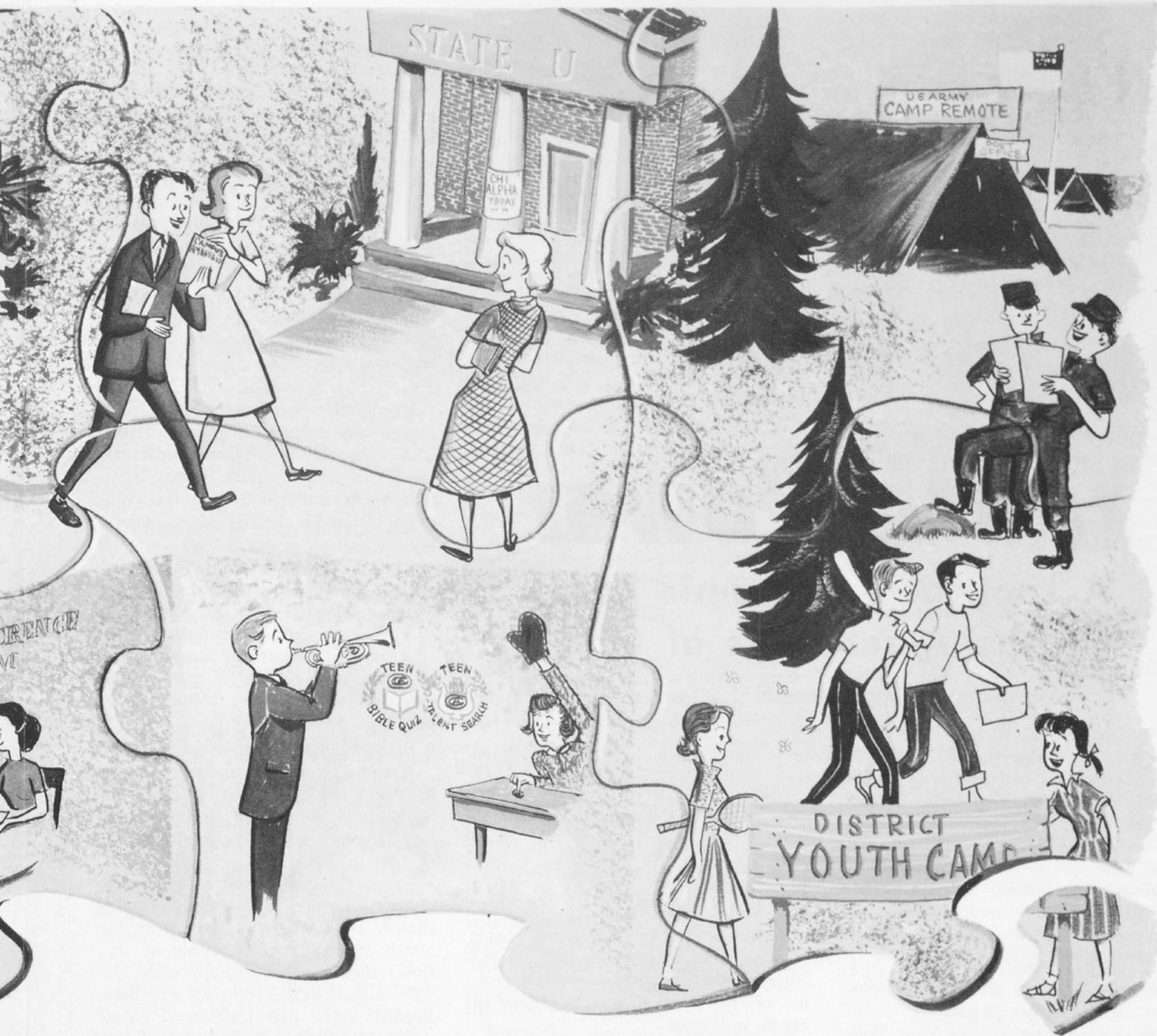
# INTERLO

The various ministries of our National C. A. Department are not a puzzle to be solved but a picture to be understood. Here in one department—dedicated to winning, serving, and conserving youth—are a half dozen divisions of the work, each busy in its own area while tightly *interlocked* with other areas.

For example, the *C. A. Herald*, one phase of our ministry, is related to the individual C.A. and the local church. It is a monthly communicator for all other activities. The *C. A. Guide*, issued four times a year, is a manual for the local C. A. leader. *Campus Ambassador*

is directed to college young people and is only one part of the college youth program, which includes Chi Alpha organizations on campuses across the country. (The C. A. Department also cooperates with the Department of Education in its scholarship program.) The Servicemen's Division publishes *Reveille*, *At Ease*, and servicemen's tracts. It serves not only "rank and filers" in service but our Assemblies of God chaplains, too.

The C. A. Department—through several publications, an annual conference, and a closely *interlocking* relationship—works with the district and sectional C. A. leaders.



# DOCKING...

This includes all phases of the program from know-how to evangelism (under the banner of *Truth for Youth*) to youth camps (the department publishes materials for these, too). Bible Quiz and Talent Search programs interlock C.A.'s with the church—conserving them as future leaders. Speed-the-Light, which district leaders have promoted so successfully, provides a unique ministry for local groups while serving the missionaries—interlocking several ways. (Last year alone, C.A.'s raised over \$400,000 for missions.)

Finally, GOAL relates all C. A. activities through a standard of excellence for the local group.

*Interlocking!* That's why our puzzle is incomplete—for in all directions our National C. A. Department ties in with others—other departments of our national Assemblies of God headquarters and with district, sectional and local ministries. Yes, whether you are a teen-ager or older, the National C. A. Department *interlocks* with you or with someone you know and love.

Fifty-one weeks of the year we're busy doing all the things we've mentioned. But for one week, National Youth Week and C. A. Day, we thought we'd help you *get the picture*—the *interlocking* picture.



These are the five men who have served as national C. A. secretary since the C. A. department was organized in 1941. From left to right they are: Ralph W. Harris, now editor of church school literature for the Assemblies of God; Harry Myers, pastor of Fremont Tabernacle, Minneapolis, Minn.; Don Mallough, pastor of Faith Tabernacle, Tulsa, Okla.; Dick Fulmer, missionary to American servicemen in western Europe; and Owen Carr, current national C. A. secretary.

# Youth-Power

## A Look at a Dynamic Force in the Assemblies of God

BY DICK CHAMPION, EDITOR, C. A. HERALD

**I**N THE 50 YEARS OF ITS EXISTENCE, the Assemblies of God has grown from an extremely small group to one of the major religious organizations in the U.S.A. It has attracted and used the power of youth—Spirit-anointed youth taking their places beside Pentecostal veterans to spread the gospel everywhere.

### EARLY BEGINNINGS

About 10 years after the Assemblies of God was organized, youth work began taking positive form. Both the Northern and Southern California Districts share the honors of beginning.

On May 30, 1925, 30 young people from 13 northern and central California churches assembled at Glad Tidings Assembly, Oakland. They chose the name, "Pentecostal Ambassadors for Christ," and laid the groundwork for their youth work. Later that year, Wesley R. Steelberg was elected first president of the P.A.C.'s.

Also in the spring of 1925, A. G. Osterberg, pastor of the Fresno Full Gospel Tabernacle, organized his young people as "Christian Crusaders." The organization spread to other churches in the San Joaquin Valley. Carl Hatch, in charge of youth work

at Bethel Temple, Los Angeles, heard how God was blessing these young people and asked if such an organization could be enlarged to include youth in his area. In 1928, this youth work became a program of the Southern California District and Carl Hatch was elected president.

Arkansas also had organized young people's work as early as 1925. David Burris, who later became superintendent of that district, was in charge of youth programs.

### Choosing a National Name

In 1925 Carl Hatch had suggested the name *Christ's Ambassadors* for the youth of Bethel Temple, basing this on 2 Corinthians 5:20: "Now then are we *ambassadors for Christ*." This name later was adopted by the youth of Southern California.

Through effective publicity in *The Pentecostal Evangel* and other channels, this name "Christ's Ambassadors" became well known throughout the fellowship. Young people in various parts of the country organized as Christ's Ambassadors. A few years later, in the interest of unity, the Pentecostal Ambassadors for Christ dropped their original title; thus, Christ's Ambassadors became the name

for all youth in the Assemblies of God.

In 1926 at an Oklahoma C. A. convention Arthur Graves (then associated with the Gospel Publishing House), Bert Webb and Floyd Hawkins (then Oklahoma C. A. president and vice-president, respectively) chose the design for the C. A. emblem.

In 1927 the first official recognition of Christ's Ambassadors was given by a General Council. A resolution defined the relationship of the C.A.'s to the local church and to district councils.

### The "C. A. Herald"

During the next years, C. A. work moved along well in most districts. The *Christ's Ambassadors Herald*, started in 1925 by Carl Hatch, began to take a national scope, reporting C. A. activities throughout the country.

The 1937 General Council decided the *C. A. Herald* would be published at the headquarters of the Assemblies of God. Robert C. Cunningham, now editor of *The Pentecostal Evangel*, was named editor of the *Herald*, which now has a circulation above 27,000 monthly.

### National Youth Conferences

National Youth Conferences began in Springfield, Mo., in 1940. These conferences were held each summer for six years with a peak enrollment of 650 in 1944.

From these conferences grew the district-sponsored summer youth camps. In 1962 (the latest year for which statistics are available at this time) there were 73 camps with 13,927 campers and 2,169 staff members. Records show that 1,408 were saved and 1,321 filled with the Holy Spirit at these camps—besides many other spiritual victories won.

This year the National Youth Conference is being revived to supplement the district youth camps and further increase interest in youth ministry. The 1964 conference will be held on the campus of Evangel College, Springfield, Mo., August 17-21.

### THE NATIONAL C. A. DEPARTMENT

In 1941 the General Council was asked to establish a national Christ's Ambassadors Department to be a clearing house for ideas and suggestions for improving C. A. work and to provide more literature to assist youth work.

William E. Pickthorn was asked by the Executive Presbytery to survey the needs of C.A.'s. He conferred with other youth leaders and with the executives of the Assemblies of God.

The following 10 objectives were determined, to cover the scope of youth activities:

1. Achieving Bible acquaintance.
2. Developing the habit of prayer.
3. Attaining the more abundant life.
4. Maintaining Christian standards in life.
5. Witnessing individually for Christ.
6. Cooperating in evangelism.
7. Enlisting for missionary action.
8. Promoting church loyalty.
9. Sharing in stewardship.
10. Conserving leisure time.

In February 1943 Ralph W. Harris, Michigan District C. A. president, was invited to Springfield to write for youth and to work toward establishing a National C. A. Department. The 1943 General Council meeting six months later authorized the department and Brother Harris was asked to head it.

#### The "C. A. Guide"

One of the immediate projects of the department was to launch a program publication for leaders, the *C. A. Guide*. To help meet a growing need for indoctrination, the *Guide* included a quarterly study course in each issue beginning in 1959. These are known as the "Assemblies of God Training Series—Youth."

#### Ministry to Servicemen

Before the U.S. became involved in World War II, the Assemblies of God began printing *Reveille*, a servicemen's paper which became an un-

usual success among the military. Millions of copies were produced; hundreds of servicemen found Christ through reading this periodical. Myer Pearlman was the originating editor.

As the war continued, the fellowship saw it must do more to minister to servicemen. In January, 1944, the Servicemen's Department was established. It began a ministry of correspondence and its mailing list quickly grew to 100,000 names.

But after World War II, this work rapidly decreased. Since most ministries to servicemen involved those of C. A. age, the department was renamed the Servicemen's Division and became a part of the National C. A. Department. This division carries on a vital ministry to about 9,000 servicemen. *Reveille* is still published and is highly respected in military circles. One high-ranking chaplain referred to it as the best religious item produced for servicemen.

#### Speed-the-Light

An opportunity for C.A.'s to have a definite part in missions came shortly after the National C. A. Department was formed. The philosophy of Speed-the-Light was born through noticing the abundance of equipment made available for the armed forces in World War II. The idea for C.A.'s: to put at least one piece of equipment at the disposal of every Assemblies of God missionary.

The idea caught on. Speed-the-Light was launched in January, 1945, with a goal of \$100,000 for the first year. This seemed unreasonable to many people, but by the end of that year the C.A.'s had given \$113,375.39.

From that time on Speed-the-Light vehicles have been sent to mission

fields all over the world. In 1946 the program was expanded to include printing and radio equipment.

C.A.'s set a new yearly record in giving in 1963 with \$413,000. Total giving should pass the five-million-dollar mark before the end of 1964.

#### Ministry to College Students

The "College Fellowship" was started in 1947. Its major ministry was printing a magazine for a limited number of college students.

Later, both the division and the magazine were renamed *Campus Ambassador*. The magazine is now mailed five times during the school year (free) to about 4,000 Assemblies of God students attending non-Assemblies colleges and universities.

Collegiate-level C. A. groups, called Chi Alpha chapters, are now formed on college campuses. (The name "Chi Alpha" is derived from the Greek letters for "C" and "A".)

A full-time college-youth representative was named in 1963, thus further strengthening the program through contacts with college students.

#### Bible Quiz and Talent Search

Increased use of Bible Quiz and Talent Search programs by district C. A. departments led to incorporating these in the national youth program. The first national Bible Quiz competition was held during the 1963 General Council. The first national teen Talent Search and the second national Bible Quiz are scheduled to be completed at the National Youth Conference in Springfield, Mo., August 17-21, 1964.

#### LOOKING AHEAD

Youth do not usually dwell on history or past accomplishments. To youth the important areas are the present and the future.

The Assemblies of God will continue to progress as long as Spirit-anointed youth find their places in its ranks. Many of the present leaders of the Assemblies of God have had important training as leaders of C.A.'s. Many leaders of the future will continue to come from the ranks of those who have served as C. A. leaders.

For the present and the future, the enthusiasm and vision of youth, coupled with the maturity and experience of the veterans of the faith, will continue to form a combination to move forward under the anointing of God's Spirit. ◀◀



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The first piece of Speed-the-Light equipment purchased by Christ's Ambassadors was this Sikorsky amphibian plane. It made aeronautical history in Liberia, West Africa, for it was the first nonmilitary plane ever to fly in that country. The pilot, E. L. Mason, a C.A. from Texas, was knighted by the Liberian President for his contribution to the country's aviation.  
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# Youth Lends a Big Hand

The Breakthrough—8000 program needs the participation of Assemblies of God youth. Read how C.A.'s in Colorado and Utah found a way to help a pioneer project.



Some Colorado C.A.'s (top photo) and Tooele, Utah C.A.'s joined in a visitation crusade in Tooele.

PASTOR MILTON NEWMAN OF THE NATIONAL *Breakthrough* church in Tooele, Utah, is thrilled with the help he has received from C.A.'s. A week of door-to-door visitation by youth of Colorado and Utah has contributed to the success of the new church recently established in Tooele.

Rocky Mountain District C. A. President Darrel Madsen sought for a project that would effectively use teenagers who consecrate to the Lord for service and too often find no outlet. After conferring with Pastor Newman, D-Cap Madsen arrived in Tooele, Utah, last August 11 with a team of 12 selected and highly talented young people from Colorado. Their mission was to leave a personal witness at every home in Tooele (a town of approximately 5,700) and to conduct special services in the evening. Seven local youth joined them.

Each day began with a time of devotion and seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit, from 8:30 to 9:30. The team members stated many times that they felt this to be the key of all the success. Sections of the city were then assigned to teams of two who went from house to house. The 10 teams received a generally warm

welcome as they introduced the new Assemblies of God church with a crusade brochure and a copy of *The Pentecostal Evangel* and extended an invitation to attend the evening services. They distributed 2,500 copies of the Campaign Issue of the *Evangel*



Darrel Madsen

and could have used more. Some had opportunity to pray in the homes. Within four days, the teams made about 3,000 door-to-door calls in Tooele and the surrounding area.

The services were well attended with over 85 visitors, of which approximately 65 were local and a record attendance of 93 in the Sunday school. The prayer room was well filled each evening with many seeking for the Holy Spirit for the first time.

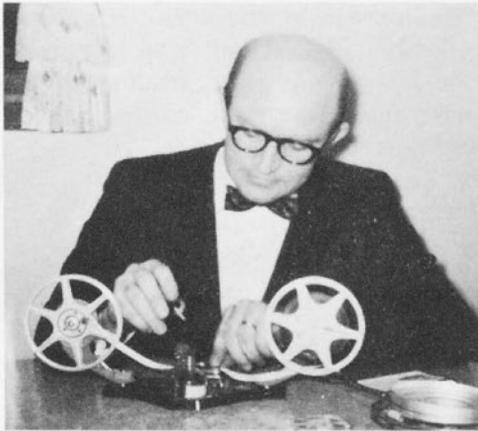
Barbara Madsen filed the reports brought in each day by the teams. Although the city is overshadowed by the Mormon religion, the teams discovered over one hundred prospects with over a hundred more potential prospects. Mrs. Madsen listed names in three categories to help the church in determining the best prospects for immediate follow-up work. She left a working file that will be a source of contacts for the local church for many months.

The people of the local Assembly opened their homes to the visiting teams which helped very much in defraying the operational expenses. Several churches received offerings to send their youth. Some of the C.A.'s paid their own train fare, so intense was their desire to work for the Lord.

"It was thrilling to hear the teams when they would return to the office each day and tell of their experiences," says Brother Madsen. "We were all excited about this new program from beginning to end. There was an impression of destiny in our hearts. These young people will never be the same for they have found a definite purpose, plan, and provision for their lives." ◀◀

Colorado and Utah C.A.'s in action in evening services in the new Tooele Assembly. Pictured at the extreme right are Mrs. Darrel Madsen and the C. A. office staff for the Tooele crusade.





Harry Brotzman, minister at Elgin, N. Dak., has produced a gospel film for the deaf.

# A D-CAP'S MINISTRY TO THE DEAF

## "Signs of Life" Film Produced for Those Who Cannot Hear

ONE OF MY DUTIES AS THE NORTH Dakota C. A. president is to direct the summer youth camps. During our 1963 Teen Camp one of the girls on the staff and several campers had very wonderful spiritual experiences. The staff member was under the power of God for 16 hours. She spoke in other tongues and in beautiful sign language simultaneously most of this time. My wife and I and another counselor were able to understand and interpret the signs she was using.

After the chapel service on the following morning the Spirit of God continued to sweep over the campers. That morning three other girls, none of whom had studied the sign language, gave praises to God in the sign language. This experience proved to us in a new way that God is interested in the deaf.

My first contact with the deaf ministry occurred while I was a senior in high school in 1953. A minister to the deaf regularly interpreted the Sunday services at Bethel Temple, Sacramento, Calif.

A few months later I entered Bethany Bible College in Santa Cruz, Calif., to prepare for the ministry. There I watched with interest the students who were learning the sign language. One day I talked with some of these students about ministry to the deaf. A short time later I was invited to accompany four or five of them to visit a deaf couple. My heart rejoiced that night as I watched Beatrice Curtwright (now Beatrice Berry) lead this couple to Christ.

A short time after leaving BBC (while living with my parents in Scottsbluff, Neb.), I heard about a deaf boy living in the area whose

mother attended our church. Although I knew only the manual alphabet I decided to try to talk with the deaf boy. I visited him in his home and invited him to church. To my surprise five deaf friends came with him to Sunday school the next Sunday.

What a time I had trying to teach with only a knowledge of the manual alphabet! The deaf began teaching me some signs. This Sunday school class was the beginning of a regular deaf class in Scottsbluff. Mrs. Ben Wilson, the mother of the deaf boy whom I visited, now teaches this class.

In 1956 I continued my preparation for the ministry at Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo. For one semester I audited the sign language class taught by Lottie Riekehof. The next semester I enrolled in the advanced sign language class. I soon began to travel regularly to nearby cities to help minister to the deaf.

In 1957 I met Joyce Woodcock (who became my wife in June 1959). After Joyce returned to her home town of Altoona, Pa., in the spring of 1958 she began services for the deaf in the Altoona area. During this time Joyce taught the sign language to interested hearing persons.

I moved to Pennsylvania in March 1959 and worked with Joyce in ministry to the deaf. After our marriage we pastored a small church in Bell-



The Harry Brotzmans talk in the sign language with a deaf couple in Hettinger, N. Dak.

wood, Pa. In addition to this, we ministered monthly to the Church of the Brethren deaf group in Roaring Spring, Va.

I had a monthly paper, *The Silent Crusader*, which I began printing while I was still in Nebraska. We continued to produce this monthly publication until we left Pennsylvania in 1961 to accept the pastorate in Elgin, N. Dak.

At the present time we are pastoring a hearing church in Elgin, N. Dak. Because of the sparse population in this area, we are not conducting regular services for the deaf, but we have had the opportunity to minister to the deaf at various times.

I especially remember leading one deaf couple to Christ. They came to a service at which I was ministering in Cando, N. Dak. This was the first time they had had the opportunity of attending a church service presented in the sign language.

For several years my wife and I have been considering the possibility of producing gospel films for the deaf. This possibility began to become a reality after we talked with a hearing lady about a film in sign language for her deaf sister. The first "Signs of Life" 8mm production includes information about the deaf, a song in the sign language, a visit with a deaf couple, and a short message about God's love. Featured in the film is a young deaf couple living in Hettinger, N. Dak.

We are now considering producing a gospel service in the sign language as the second "Signs of Life" film production. We feel this new phase of ministry will prove very effective in reaching the deaf who are scattered in isolated areas. ◀◀

# Isaiah's Messianic Prophecies

Sunday School Lesson for April 19, 1964

ISAIAH 9:1-7; 11:1-5

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

In our lesson text we have an example of what is called "the law of double reference," whereby the inspired prophet's predictions concerning persons or events near at hand become the means of foretelling other events which may occur centuries later. Isaiah predicted the destruction of the Assyrian kingdom and the contrasting indestructibility of Israel, and he foretold the coming of One who shall set up a kingdom which shall last forever, even the kingdom of the King-Messiah.

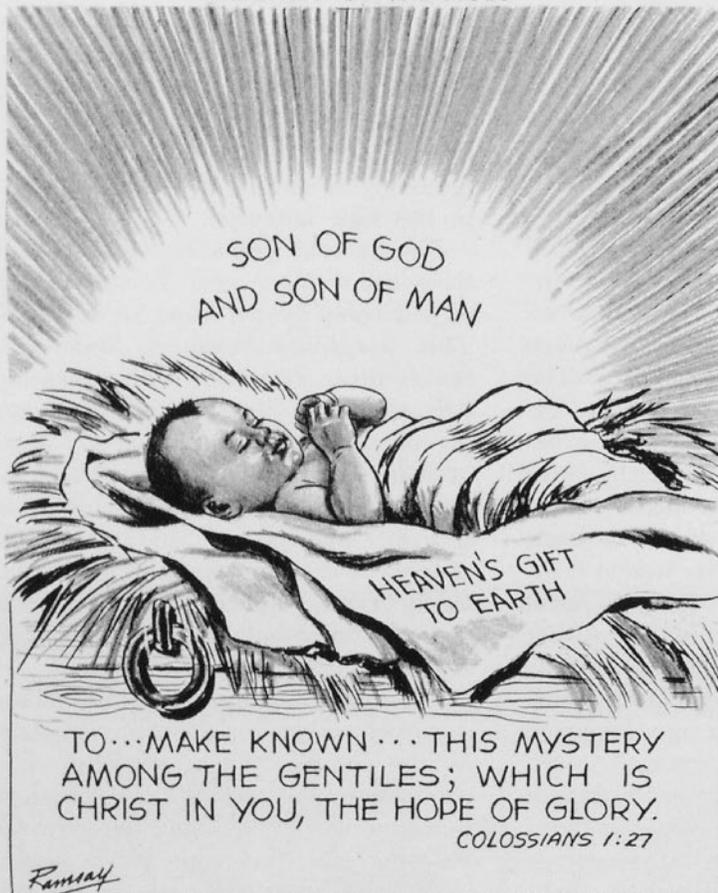
## THE KING'S NAMES (Isaiah 9:6, 7)

"Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder." The first two of these clauses were fulfilled when Christ was born in Bethlehem; the third will be fulfilled when Christ returns to earth, overthrows Antichrist's rule, and sets up on earth His own kingdom of everlasting righteousness.

"His name shall be called *Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*"

The word *wonderful* may also be translated "miracle."

## MYSTERY OF THE AGES



Christ was indeed THE miracle of the ages! His birth, character, ministry, death, resurrection, and ascension were all miraculous. In His saving grace, healing power, baptizing power, sanctifying power, and keeping power, He is indeed wonderful—miraculous!

He is the greatest of all *counselors*, able to advise and help us with every problem.

He is the *mighty God* with power to uphold the weak. He is not only man but very God. "In him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in him" (Colossians 2:9, 10).

The name *Everlasting Father* does not identify Christ as the Father, for He is actually the Son in the Godhead. The literal rendering is "father of eternity," meaning the Author of eternal life to them that believe. Human fathers die, but Christ is eternal in His relationship with His own.

*The Prince of Peace* is a title which reminds us: (1) "He is our peace" (Ephesians 2:14), having reconciled us to God by His atoning death on the cross. (2) He is the Preserver of our peace, enabling us to have inward poise and calm in the time of sorrow, stress, and strain. (3) Finally, He will establish upon earth a kingdom of peace from which all injustice and sin shall be forever abolished.

## THE KING'S LOWLY ORIGIN (Isaiah 11:1)

In the closing verses of chapter 10, Isaiah had described the permanent ruin of Assyria. But here in contrast he has predicted the continuance of Israel. She shall be brought very low, cut down; but a new shoot shall sprout from the stump. At a time when Israel has been reduced to a hopeless estate under Roman oppression, a humble maiden from a humble village in despised Galilee shall give birth to a Child, a "Branch" who shall grow into a mighty tree!

## THE KING'S SPIRITUAL ENDOWMENT (Isaiah 11:2, 3)

These verses describe the anointing which shall rest upon the King-Messiah to fit Him for the task of ruling the nations. He shall possess the following qualifications:

"*The spirit of wisdom*"—the gift needed by all leaders who are called upon to settle difficult cases. (See 1 Kings 3:12, 16-28; John 8:1-11.)

"*The spirit of understanding*"—the ability to rightly discern and solve problems of human relationships.

"*The spirit of counsel and might*"—the ability to guide men in their most difficult problems and severest troubles, and to form wise plans for their lives.

"*The spirit of knowledge.*" In these days when even in religious circles human knowledge is exalted, we do well to remember that no psychologist or psychiatrist can solve spiritual problems apart from the Holy Spirit!

## THE KING'S ADMINISTRATION (Isaiah 11:4-9)

Christ's reign on earth shall be characterized by perfect impartiality, perfect justice, perfect law enforcement, perfect faithfulness, and perfect peace!

Daniel Webster, one of America's greatest statesmen, uttered this solemn warning over a hundred years ago: "If we abide by the principles taught in the Bible, our country will go on prospering; but if we and our posterity neglect its instructions and authority, no man can tell how sudden a catastrophe may overwhelm us and bury all our glory in profound oblivion."

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# Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

*What is meant by being "not under the law, but under grace"? May a believer in Christ ignore the law?*

The principles of the law of Moses never change, but Christians are saved by faith in Christ, not by trying to keep the law. Christ, rather than the law, is the example and object of our faith. If we obey Him, we will actually keep the moral law given by Moses.

*What does the expression, "where the worm dieth not," mean? (Isaiah 66:24; Mark 9:48).*

It is generally accepted that the worm refers to conscience, warning that in hell conscience never dies and remorse never ends.

*Does the mention of the great cloud of witnesses in Hebrews 12:1 indicate that these witnesses are now watching us? Do those who have gone to heaven know what is happening here on earth?*

I do not know. I think the picture of the great cloud of witnesses as spectators is figurative, based on the Roman contests which were watched by large crowds of people. The writer would have us think of the Old Testament overcomers as sitting in the galleries watching while we, as contenders for the faith, are likened to gladiators in the arena fighting against our adversaries.

*When Paul said, "I die daily," did he refer to bodily death or death to personal desires as some teach? (1 Corinthians 15:31).*

First Corinthians 15 is devoted to the subject of physical death and resurrection of the body. When Paul said, "I die daily," he meant that he faced physical death all the time. He stood in jeopardy every hour (v. 30), and fought, as it were, with beasts (v. 32). But there is a lovely lesson here for us. Daily we meet circumstances that try the soul. Jesus had this in mind when He said, "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." To serve Christ we must die to self, mortifying any desire that is contrary to the will of God.

*How do you reconcile Paul's strong teaching that he "that worketh not, but believeth on him that justifieth the ungodly," is saved by faith (Romans 4:5), with the teaching of James that "though a man say he hath faith, and have not works, can faith save him?" (James 2:17).*

Paul is speaking of men's efforts to obtain salvation through their own works. James is speaking of good works that are done after we are saved. If our salvation has not resulted in lives of Christian virtue by the indwelling Holy Spirit, our profession of faith is empty. We are saved through Christ's atonement, by divine grace, apart from human merit, that we might bring forth the fruits of righteousness.

*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.*

## MOMENTS OF INSPIRATION

### MORE IMPORTANT THAN GOLD

During the gold rush, a Colorado preacher took some time off to go prospecting. Soon he was giving all his time to searching for gold. Suddenly he realized his mistake. He therefore climbed to a high peak and, opening his handkerchief which contained the gold dust he had washed so laboriously, he shook it out upon the ground and held the handkerchief up to the wind as if to cleanse it.

There is no disgrace in making money if it is made honestly, but there is a very great danger that we become obsessed with one desire at the expense of our spiritual life—the desire to possess material things that have no spiritual value.

—ROBERT FAIRNIE, in *Redemption Tidings*

### OVERCOMING EVIL

It is not enough to denounce evil and complain about what is wrong in the world. Evil must be overcome with good. There is no blessing in returning evil for evil. It only perpetuates evil. God's blessing and approval come when you "do good" to those who wrong you. Two wrongs have never made a right. But doing good can right a wrong. Returning good for evil will create a chain reaction of blessing for you, your family, community, and the whole world.

Try avenging the "wrongs" in your life with doing "right" things. You will be happier and the spirit of Christ will be revealed through you to bless others. "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."

—MARGARET MUSE ODEN, in *Pentecostal Holiness Advocate*

## His Claim of Love

Let heathen rage and stand in unbelief—  
My heart, my thoughts are fixed, O God, on Thee!  
Though self or friends of world shall bring me grief,  
The love of Christ alone hath claim on me!

Let voices call—not one shall turn my face  
From Him who gave Himself to set me free—  
My ears are deaf to everything but Grace  
That binds my life to God eternally.

—ELTHA N. FURMAN

### COURAGE

"In whatever arena of life one may meet the challenge of courage, whatever may be the sacrifices he faces if he follows his conscience—the loss of his friends, his fortune, his contentment, even the esteem of his fellow-men—each man must decide for himself the course he will follow. The stories of past courage can define that ingredient, they can teach, they can offer hope, they can provide inspiration. But they cannot supply courage itself. For this each man must look into his own soul."

—JOHN F. KENNEDY, in *Profiles in Courage*

## NOT "UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES"

A certain Christian, when asked how he was feeling, had a standard reply. "Oh, all right, I guess, under the circumstances," he would say. One of his friends grew weary with hearing this. He detected a certain amount of self-pity in the gloomy answer and said, quite candidly, "Why are you always *under* the circumstances? It's time you learned to live *above* them." And he quoted Ephesians 1:3 which says we are seated together with Christ in heavenly places and blessed with all spiritual blessings.

There is no place for gloom or self-pity in the life that is risen with Christ. The Christian life is a life of victory; by the grace of God we can be triumphant in every situation.

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## A MAN'S GIFT

In the days of King Croesus of Lydia, the ability to tell a tale spontaneously at a court dinner was considered a mark of nobility. Aesop, a slave agile of tongue and memory, had long amused the nobles with legends which he embellished with his sharp wit.

One night the king was so impressed with Aesop's ability that he made a public declaration of the slave's freedom, saying: "You have the earmarks of nobility, and now you shall belong to nobility and no longer be known as a slave."

Solomon said, "A man's gift maketh room for him" (Proverbs 18:16). Aesop's gift, used to the best of his ability, lifted him from slavery to nobility. He was not rewarded simply because he had the innate talent, but because he developed and used it. God has given to each of us a talent, and whether it be large or small we have the responsibility to develop and use it, not alone for our personal pleasure and advancement, but for the blessing of others as well.

—KATHERINE BEVIS

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## THE GLORY OF DISCIPLESHIP

It is true that following the Master involves taking up the cross, unquestioning obedience, and many times self-sacrifice. But there is another side to discipleship, and the Bible uses rich imagery to describe it: "With joy shall ye draw waters out of the wells of salvation . . . finding streams in the desert . . . springs in the valley . . . wine that maketh the heart glad . . . oil that makes the face to shine . . . bread that strengtheneth the heart . . . anointing . . . still waters . . . green pastures . . . beauty for ashes. . ."

For every cross there is a tree whose leaves still rustle with a message of mercy from God. Every trial is matched with strength. In every drought there is a spring in the valley, or a stream in the desert. For the spirit of heaviness there is a garment of praise. For the thorn in the flesh there is added grace. For the long middle mile as well as the last weary one there is renewed strength and His everlasting promise, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end. . ."

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# Evangelism **BREAKTHROUGH**



LOWELL, IND.—Full Gospel Assembly of God was blessed by the ministry of Evangelist Rose Marie Meringola of Long Island, N. Y., in a two-week meeting closing February 2. One was saved, and six received the Baptism. Many folk from other churches attended.

—James M. Wright, Pastor

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TALLAHASSEE, FLA.—Evangelists Michael and Peggy Lord recently led a "God Save America" Crusade of five services at the Pine Grove Assembly of God here. Some 10 were saved or re-

claimed, two were baptized in the Holy Ghost, and the Sunday school showed a good increase.

—Mrs. Virginia Lemieux, Pastor

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SHADE GAP, PA.—Fair Ridge Pentecostal Assembly of God recently closed a three-week crusade with Evangelist Frank J. DePolo of Canonsburg, Pa. Over 30 came forward to surrender to Christ as near-capacity crowds refused to be hampered by the snow and cold. Several testified to healing. A growing spirit of revival is evident among the saints.

—Betty C. White, Pastor

CUPERTINO, CALIF.—The Tanner Team of Willmar, Minn., was with the Assembly of God here in special meetings, January 21 to February 2. The services were well attended. Some 20 sought the Lord for salvation. Others made new dedications to the Lord. Sunday school attendance was the highest for several years.

—H. Russell Baker, Pastor

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PORT HUENEME, CALIF.—Recently the First Assembly of God held one of the most outstanding crusades the church has ever had. Johnny Barton and co-

worker Michael Lasky were the evangelists. In the two weeks over 20 were saved, 30 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, many were refilled, and the church took in 20 new members. The Sunday school attendance records were broken with 262 present. There are plans to build a new auditorium and educational department in the near future. On the closing night the evangelist took up \$4,000 to purchase a new Hammond organ and to extend the present auditorium to house the ever-growing congregation.

—J. H. Edmonds, Pastor

## Assemblies of God Work Growing in City Where It Began 50 Years Ago

REVIVAL FIRES ARE STILL BURNING in Hot Springs, Ark., the city where the Assemblies of God began in April 1914.

There are three Assemblies of God churches in Hot Springs today: First Assembly (George E. Chambers, pastor), Central Assembly (Grover C. Kirksey, pastor), and Faith Assembly (W. H. Magby, pastor).

Two other churches nearby are the Pleasant Hill Assembly, six miles outside the city limits (Charles Cozort, pastor), and Peaceful Valley Assembly, eight miles out (Virgil Blaylock, pastor).

Hillcrest National Children's Home, housing about a hundred



Congregation at First Assembly of God in Hot Springs, Ark., during recent revival with Evangelist Ernie Eskelin.

boys and girls, is located in Hot Springs. It is owned and operated by the Assemblies of God.

For many years the Arkansas District Campground at Hot Springs has drawn many thousands of Assemblies of God people to the city for summer camp meetings. It has 324 beautiful acres.

First Assembly recently broke all attendance records during a

revival conducted by Evangelist and Mrs. Ernie Eskelin. There were 501 present in Sunday school.

"Over 450 new people attended our church for the first time," says Pastor Chambers. "Much of the success was due to the TV programs that featured the Eskelins."

"The new \$75,000 Sunday school annex has been the answer for the

growing congregation," he adds.

There is a revival spirit at Central Assembly, too. "Our attendance is increasing," reports Pastor Kirksey. "Our average for the past year was 94 and we are presently averaging 118."

The church is looking for greater victories yet, as a result of a revival campaign with Maurice and Mrs. Lednický beginning March 17.



Revival fires are burning at Central Assembly (left) and Faith Assembly in Hot Springs. There were 66 in Sunday school at Faith Assembly when the photo was made.

# EVANGELISTIC EVENTS



M. J. Groves, Sunday school superintendent, is shown (left) with Pastor G. E. Chambers and Evangelist Ernie Eskelin. Attendance jumped from 303 to 501 in one week.

Faith Assembly recently had a one-week revival with Evangelist Charles Chambers during which four were saved and two were baptized with the Holy Spirit.

"A revival spirit has been in the church ever since," according to Pastor Magby. "Someone has been saved or filled with the Holy Spirit in almost every service.

"The C. A. class has about 20 members. Some of them have been holding services in nearby rural areas. Although this is a young church, the Sunday school is averaging over 60."

The prayer of the Hot Springs churches is that the revival fires will spread and be felt throughout the community more widely in the future than at any time in the past.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**POTOMAC DISTRICT C. A. CONVENTION**—May 29-30 at Vienna Assembly of God, N. Vienna, Va. Dave Wilkerson, director of Teen-Challenge in New York City, speaker. Also ministering at high schools in Washington, D. C., on Thursday and Friday, and at the Vienna Assembly on Sunday.—by Anderson Phillips, pastor.

**HOMECOMING JUBILEE** at Christian Assembly, Youngstown, Ohio, on May 1-3. Former pastors and guest speakers participating. Fellowship dinner at the church on Saturday evening.—by S. S. LoPresti, pastor, 5050 S. Avenue Ext., Youngstown, Ohio.

**DEDICATION** of Calvary Tabernacle, Dolton, S. Dak., Apr. 13-14. C. M. Ward, speaker.—by Keith Winrich, pastor.

## WITH CHRIST

J. FRED JACKSON of Elvins, Mo., went to be with the Lord January 24. He was 74 years old. In 1925 he was licensed in the

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Opp	Westview	April 15-26	Bobby & Mrs. Jackson	J. E. Wellborn
	Sylacauga	Trinity	April 14-26	Alfred Allen	Max Cloud
Ark.	Hope	First	April 8-19	Frank Martin	B. J. Willhite
	Malvern	Oak Grove	April 6-19	Leonard Negrin	John Lackey
Calif.	Arvin	Meridian	April 19-May 3	E. J. Stufflebeem	Tom Melroy
	Galt	Bethel Temple	April 17-29	Ernest Rogers	C. D. Holloway
	Gilroy	Glad Tidings	April 12-17	Wayne Pyzer	David Hood
	Kerman	Grace & Truth	April 14-26	Marvin Schmidt	A. H. Drake
	Lodi	First	April 12-13	Marvin Schmidt	Gene C. Forrest
	Los Angeles	Western Ave.	April 19-May 2	Bender Team	Warren Hill
	Madera	Grace	April 15-26	Norman Jones	Jack Holt
	Red Bluff	Bethel Temple	April 14-26	Ray & Elaine Leonard	James A. Benney
	Taft	First	April 19-May 3	Joe C. Burkey	Leonard Palmer
Colo.	Loveland	A/G	April 8-19	Marrles Moore	Leon P. Mitchell
	Monument	A/G	April 6-13	Paul Wilson	S. W. Kastle
Ga.	Griffin	Faith Temple	April 14—	Nettie Parham	Clarence Jackson
	Griffin	First	April 14-19	J. B. Woolums	E. P. Pruett
Ill.	Camp Point	A/G	April 17—	Lolita Thompson Barner	Vernon Henson
	Granite City	Community Hgts.	April 12-19	Wilburn H. Fisher	Glen Utley
Ind.	Sullivan	First	April 14-19	Harry V. Vibbert	James Reed
Iowa	Muscatine	A/G	April 19-May 3	K. E. Matschulat	Lloyd Eflin
Kans.	Arcadia	A/G	April 12-26	Lloyd Middleton	A. R. Nichols
	Kinsley	First	April 14-26	Ervin & Mrs. Asiatico	H. D. Mathews
	Olathe	A/G	April 14-26	Steve & Pat Rexroat	Ernest E. Henley
	Stockton	A/G	April 19-May 3	Knott-Olson Team	—
	Topeka	First	April 14-19	Stanley P. McPherson	Paul E. Lowenberg
Ky.	Beechwood	A/G	April 14-24	J. E. Friend	R. C. Dock
La.	Mansfield	First	April 12-26	C. B. & Mrs. Anderson	Forrest Helton
Md.	Cabin John	Riverside	April 19-May 3	Peter DeLeon	John M. French
Mich.	Rapid City	A/G	Mar. 29-April 12	Roy Brooks	Hernan J. Maloney
Minn.	Little Falls	A/G	April 14-19	Musical Palmers	Kenneth Freiheit
Mont.	Billings	First	April 16—	Diehl Evangelists	Walter Buck
	Libby	A/G	April 14-May 3	Walter & Ruth Lascelle	Fred A. Dalton
	Malta	A/G	April 19-May 1	Charles Senechal	E. L. Enget
	Shelby	A/G	April 12-17	Charles Senechal	Elmer M. Trygg
Mo.	Harrisonville	A/G	April 12-19	C. M. Smitley	Joe Williams
	Liberty	First	April 14-26	John & Faith Stallings	Herschel Phillips
	Marshall	A/G	April 15-26	Arnold & Anita Segesman	Warren LaRose
	St. Louis	*First	April 13-19	Dick & Nancy Messner	Aubrey Grindstaff, Jr.
	St. Louis	Words of Life	April 19-26	Michael & Peggy Lord	Luella Plunkett
	Sullivan	First	April 19-May 10	Glenna Byard	A. W. Pettet
	Vulcan	A/G	April 12-26	Samuel Calk	James Bradberry
Nebr.	McCook	First	April 14-19	Bennie R. Harris	C. A. Sailors
	Milford	A/G	April 14-26	Norman & Evelyn Hays	Paul D. Sherman
N. J.	Woodbury	Full Gospel	April 7-19	Werner & Mrs. Johnson	Harry J. Knisell
N. Y.	Huntington	A/G	April 14-26	Duane M. Wessman	Charles Shaffer
	Syracuse	A/G	April 14—	Bobby Black	Leon L. Miles
Ohio	West Carrollton	A/G	April 15-26	Culpepper-Gourlas Team	Richard Pasquale
	Youngstown	Highway Tab.	April 15-19	Musical Lebsacks	E. J. Schlossmacher
Okla.	Ada	First	April 15-26	Erwin Moore Trio	Frank Jones
	Webbers Falls	A/G	April 19—	Kenneth Harris	N. B. Rayburn
Oreg.	Bandon	A/G	April 14-26	Lloyd Portin	Karl Becker
	Garibaldi	A/G	April 14-May 3	Marlon Jannuzzi	Don Jacobson
Pa.	Bedford	Bedford Valley	April 14-26	Daniel Summa	Ervin Mason, Sr.
	Carlisle	Bethel Tab.	April 14-26	Malius Davidson	Curtis Sample
	New Castle	Full Gosp. Tab.	April 14-19	Ralph A. Creider	Thomas V. Cross
	Tyrone	A/G	April 14-26	Stan Morris	David A. Blattner
Tex.	Arlington	Pantego	April 12-26	Maxine Willis	William Jackson, Jr.
	Clute	A/G	April 15-26	A. C. & Mrs. Caloway	E. J. Mills
	DeSoto	A/G	April 19-May 3	J. C. & Mrs. Campbell	R. L. Clemmons
	Lampasas	First	April 12—	John Robinson	J. S. Haynes
Va.	Vienna	A/G	April 19-May 10	H. M. Harrison	Anderson Phillips
Wash.	Bellevue	Neighborhood	April 14-26	Tanner Team	Earl J. Hance
	Medical Lake	A/G	April 19-May 3	Lowell & Andrea Wood	Harris Shane
W. Va.	Weston	A/G	April 14-26	Frank J. DePolo	Joseph Moscufo
Wis.	Alma Center	A/G	April 14-26	Darryl & Kathy Olson	Clyde Hicks
Wyo.	Sheridan	**A/G	April 14-20	Christian Hild	Paul Holt
Bolivia	La Paz	Evang. Center	April 19-26	Bob Hoskins	Bruno Frigoli
Canada	Simcoe	Calvary Tab.	April 14-19	Bob & Pat Ludwig	J. E. Cleeves

\* Children's Revival \*\* Youth-A-Rama

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Southern Missouri District where he did evangelistic work.

L. V. MILLER, 41, of Mt. Vernon, Tex., died of a stroke December 12. He was a member of the North Texas District, having been licensed in 1955. At the time of

his Homegoing he was pastoring a Home Missionary work at Mt. Vernon. Pastor Miller is survived

by his wife and three children. ROBERT W. ITRICH, 46, of Monroe, S. Dak., fell peacefully asleep in Jesus January 2. Brother

Ittrich was an ordained minister with the Assemblies of God since 1954. Besides serving as an evangelist he pastored in Indiana, Oregon, South Dakota and North Dakota. Survivors include his wife and three children.

# LETTERS

EVANGEL READERS WRITE

## "I REMEMBER" SERIES ENJOYED

I have enjoyed reading the reminiscences by some of our Assemblies of God veterans who are still with us. As these have appeared in the *Evangel* they have reminded me of some of the experiences my dear husband (A. B. Cox, who is now in heaven) and I had in the early days of the Movement.

I could write a book of reminiscences but I realize there is a limit to the amount of space you can give to these stories. From 1908 to 1918 we preached the gospel in rural communities in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Maryland, and West Virginia, and I well remember when my husband attended the first General Council at Hot Springs.

How God met us in those wonderful days of revival! There are still ministers and missionaries on the fields today who came in during those early days. They are still preaching the same gospel, and God is still answering prayer in the same way. Praise Him!

In 1918 we went to Dayton, Ohio, started the church there, pastored it for 28 years, and it is a monument in that city today still reminding us of the faithfulness of our wonderful God.

—DORA L. COX  
839 North Pine, Anaheim, California

## SAVED 55 YEARS AGO

I was saved in 1909 in what was known as "The Old Sheep Shed," a meeting place located near Mercer, Mo. My good husband, George Shepherd, who went to be with the Lord in 1956, was saved at the same time.

In 1914 my husband and I attended a Bible training school at Hot Springs, Ark., and while we were in Hot Springs we were privileged to attend the first General Council of the Assemblies of God.

I remember how the blessing of the Lord came down at that first General Council, and I was thrilled to have the opportunity to attend the last General Council at Memphis in 1963, and to know the same Lord was present to bless as He was in 1914.

I have more gray hair than I did 50 years ago, and I am not as spry as I was, but I thank God that He still opens doors for me to minister to His glory. I will be 77 on July 29, 1964. I hope to be like Moses to the end, that my natural force will not be abated, nor my eye grow dim relative to His great program for my life.

—NELLIE SHEPHERD  
2414 North Main, Trenton, Missouri

## BAPTIZED 54 YEARS AGO

I would like to add my testimony to those of the "veterans of the faith" who are recounting God's blessings in this "year of jubilee."

It was in October 1910 that the Lord baptized me with the Holy Ghost when I was 18. I was in a Holiness mission in East Pittsburgh, Pa., when we heard that the Spirit was falling 20 miles away (at Wilkensburg, Pa.) the same way as at Azusa Street in Los Angeles. We went to the meetings there and the presence of God was so real. Tom Float was the pastor. He would invite different ministers who had the experience (such as D. W. Kerr, David McDowell, Joseph Tunmore, Brother Boddy and Brother Erdman) who were used of the Lord to lead us into the deeper life of the Spirit.

Some of the Holiness brethren of our association, when they heard of this Pentecostal baptism, searched the Scriptures and came to the decision that this thing was not of God. Oh, how much blessing they missed! Those meetings at Wilkensburg were in a long storeroom. It was packed with people. God surely was there.

Later the Lord called me to China and I worked with Blanche Appleby for a time. After returning to the U.S. I affiliated with the Assemblies of God. I married and the Lord blessed me with two sons, of whom Vernon is the older. He is pastor of the Assembly in Brookville, Pa., which he started when there were only two people in the congregation besides his own family. Today it is a thriving church. We do praise the Lord for all His goodness.

—ELIZABETH KUNKLE BOYER  
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service—morning, noon, and night—and were convinced of the truth of their teaching.

It was not until 1908, however, that I was filled with the Spirit. The following year I attended the School of the Prophets in Houston, Tex. Our instructors were E. N. Bell and D. C. O. Opperman.

A number of us were ordained to the gospel ministry on April 3, 1909. Among them was Grover Cleveland Mangum, who later became my husband. Brother Mangum and I worked together for 40 years as evangelists and pastors until the Lord took him Home in 1949.

With our collaborator, the late William Burton McCafferty, we went to Hot Springs in 1914 to attend a Bible school. Later that year we were in attendance at the convention which turned out to be the first General Council of the Assemblies of God.

—SARAH C. MANGUM  
1002 Woodland, Fort Worth, Tex.

## A MIRACLE IN 1914

I received ordination Oct. 6, 1912, as a member in good fellowship with the local Assembly of God at the Gospel School, Findlay, Ohio. Among my newspaper clippings from those early days is one from the *Alton Daily Times* dated March 16, 1914, which describes a Pentecostal revival meeting as follows:

"The most remarkable feature of the meeting was the testimony of Chester Walker who said in part: 'People, I am a sinner. But I want to say this little child I hold in my arms (looking down at his two-year-old baby) was dead, choked to death, and was fully dead 10 minutes. Brother Kirkpatrick and his wife were taking supper at my house, and Brother Kirk prayed until his wife said, 'Frank, he's dead and it's no use now. You might as well quit.' But something told him to hold on and presently the baby opened his eyes and began to cry. His heart had stopped beating and he was cold. I know God raised my child from the dead. I thank Him.' Many souls were converted as a result of this miracle."

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—WM. F. KIRKPATRICK  
1109 14th Street, Modesto, Calif.

## A CHERISHED SPIRITUAL HERITAGE

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colloquial expressions peculiar to the people around Manacas, Cuba, where the Bible school in which he was ministering was located. He further stated that when the message was interpreted by Pastor Lloyd Wead from western South Dakota the interpretation was as if he in the natural were telling the people what had been communicated by the Spirit in other tongues. At this point of my spiritual experience this meant much.

Thirty years have passed since I was filled with the Holy Ghost. There is spiritual excitement as we pause to look at the past victories of the Pentecostal movement, but greater excitement as we contemplate our glorious future. Our hearts quicken in anticipation. For the vision is clearer now. God's purpose is to pour out His Spirit upon all flesh. We are living to see it. His power shall be increased!

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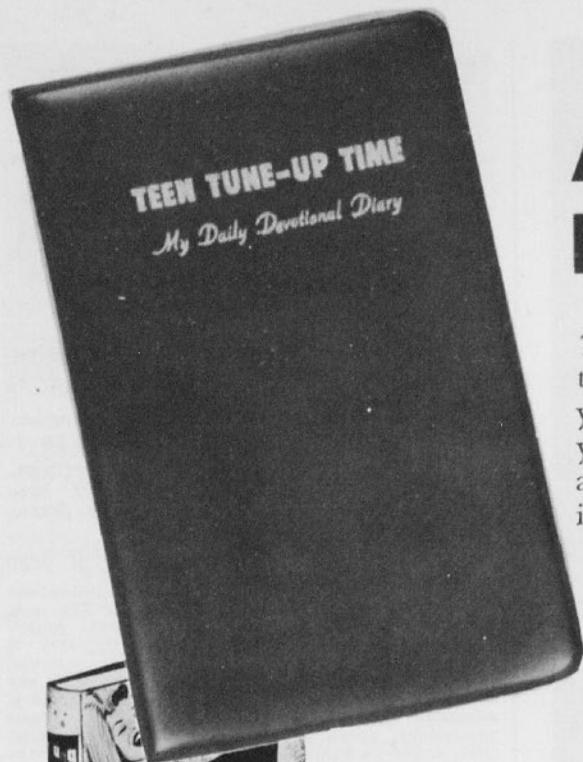
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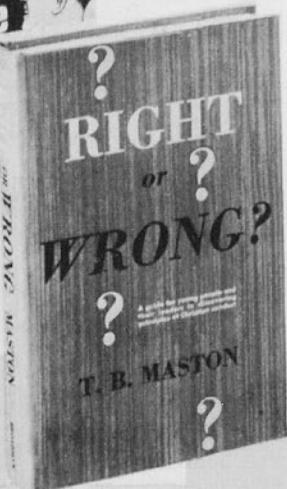
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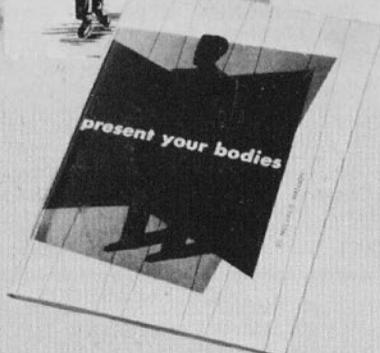


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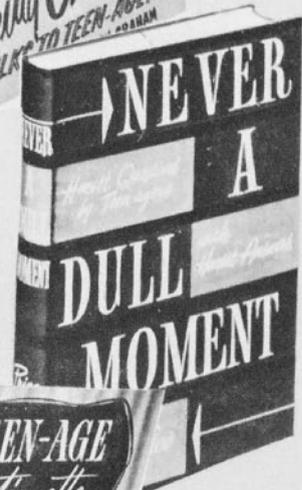
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