

FILE COPY



JULY 12, 1964  
TEN CENTS

# THE PENTECOSTAL evangel

NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD



MOUNT HOOD AND THE HOOD RIVER VALLEY, OREGON. COURTESY UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD

*In This Issue...*

Compulsions of the Apostle Paul

How Well Do You Know Jesus? • How Young Is Too Young?

Your Sins Can Be Cancelled • Healing Testimonies



by

**M. L. KETCHAM**  
Assemblies of God  
Field Secretary for the Far East

# Compulsions of the Apostle Paul

Paul lived under a mighty compulsion to do the will of God. And it was not a temporary urge. It was a constant life-long compulsion such as marks the men who shape the history of the world.

**R**ECENTLY, IN REREADING THE WRITINGS OF PAUL, I was impressed with his many words of action, such as *exhort, stand, strive, must, persuade, dare, run, follow, labor, attain*, etc. These words reveal the heart of Paul. If we could reduce them to a common denominator it would be the one word *compulsion*. Paul certainly lived under a mighty compulsion to do the will of God.

Paul had only mediocre physical endowments; he was an erstwhile enemy of Christ. Yet God used him to change Christianity from a Jewish sect into a tradition-shattering, world-embracing religion. What made Paul the man he was? I believe it was a master passion in back of a mastermind surrendered for the Master's use.

Individual crises often produce men whom we might call "heroes for a day." Such was Gideon; such was Samson. They rose to a single challenge, and then like a comet passed off the scene. But there are others such as Paul who could rightly be called "heroes of eternity." These are the men who shape the history of the world, who live under constant compulsion to fulfill their work. At least four compulsions motivated Paul's ministry:

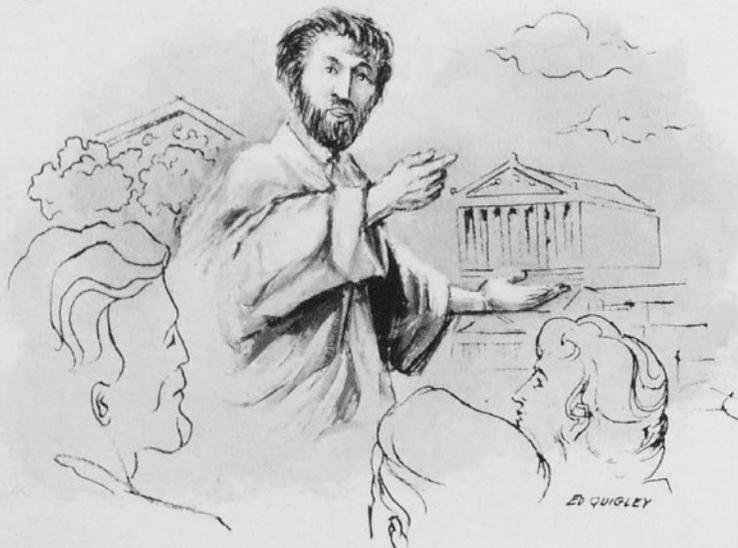
## 1. THE COMPULSION OF GRATITUDE

His was a great love. He had been the persecutor, the enemy. He had breathed out "threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord." He was the dragon, the inquisitor. If it had not been for the experience of the Damascus Road he would have gone down in history as a Borgia, or as an Ivan the Terrible. But he met Christ and became a new man.

On the Damascus Road Saul came in contact with the Lily of the Valley, the Bright and Morning Star, the Fairest of Ten Thousand, the One Altogether Lovely. And this wonderful Christ forgave his hardness of heart, his truculent attitude. In one sentence of surrender Paul placed himself at the Master's disposal: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" From this moment forward, Paul's life was a constant paean of praise, a votive of gratitude to the One who could save him, "chiefest of sinners." He was forgiven much; he could love much.

## 2. THE COMPULSION OF A HIGH CALLING

Paul spoke of "apprehending that for which I also am apprehended." Happy is the man who finds his destiny, his reason for living. Christ said, "To this end was I born." And Paul speaks of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus. He says, "I magnify my calling."



He was "called to be an apostle by the will of God." Again he says, "For the hope of Israel am I bound with this chain."

I can never forget some of the experiences I had in the foothills of the Himalayas many years ago while studying the Bengali language. From Darjeeling most of the tourists would climb to the vantage point of Tiger Hill 7,000 feet high to view Mount Everest. Those of us who were a little more rugged would head out toward Everest itself, that goal towering 29,141 feet, clothed in iridescent snows, always beckoning onward. Many times the trail would lead downward into mists and fetid malarial swamps of Sikkim and Bhutan. But then we would climb upward and reach a higher plateau; then down again, and upward to Phalut; and then down again and upward to Sandakphu, with Everest constantly in the distance, beckoning! Of course, 16,000 or 17,000 feet was as high as nonprofessional climbers could ever get, but Everest was still there, a clear-cut goal.

I wonder if we have found our personal "Mount Everest," our goal, ever beckoning us on, challenging us to new activities, to a fresh dedication of our lives to Christ? Men who never realize God's high calling as it relates to them personally are the ones who vacillate and fail on the pathway of life. Those who have heard the clarion call of a destiny revealed to them by God, and follow that call, are the ones who succeed from the eternal viewpoint.

### 3. THE COMPULSION OF AN ASSURED DOGMATIC

Paul had a "know-so salvation." For false doctrines he had scathing words—"fables"; "vain janglings." Paul could say with assurance, "I know whom I have believed, and am persuaded that he is able..." (2 Timothy 1:12).

For three years Paul was in the college of the Spirit in the Arabian desert. For two years, those silent years in prison in Caesarea, he sat at the feet of Christ! Then he could say, "For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you..." And he could say, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel... let him be accursed... For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ" (Galatians 1:8, 12).

This assured dogmatism of Paul was a product both of revelation and of experience. Paul had seen the Philippian jailor accept Christ in a moment of time, and thus he could say, "For I am not ashamed of the gospel of

Christ, for it is the power of God unto salvation." And to the end of his life he could say, "I have kept the faith." His knowledge of the truth and power of Christ was one compulsion that kept Paul ever moving toward the great goal of his life.

### 4. THE COMPULSION OF MANKIND

In every man Paul could see the image of God Himself, and he had a mighty compulsion to restore that image, recreate that man through the transforming power of the gospel.

We hear Paul say, "I must see Rome." But the Rome he wanted to see was not the Circus Maximus, nor the Colosseum, nor the baths of Caligula. He wanted to see the souls of the men in Rome, those men who held the destiny of the world in their hands. He knew those tribunes, those centurions, those governors went everywhere from Imperial Rome throughout the world. Paul wanted them to be permeated with the gospel, to spread it wherever they went.

Sometimes, in an unguarded moment, I have mentioned that it has been my privilege to visit 78 different countries. But I feel checked—why should I boast about that? After all, my concern should be for the souls of the men of those countries. When I go to Japan, I should not think only of the beauty spots; I should not think only of the human dynamos; but I should have a great burden and compassion to see that Japanese drive and energy sublimated and become a motivating force for spreading the gospel of Christ.

When I come in contact with that very refined Chinese culture, I should have a passion that this culture might come to full flower in the setting of Christ's teachings.

When I visit my Polynesian friends in the Central and South Pacific, I should have a burden that this graciousness, this charm, this idyllic manner of life might embrace the beauty of our Lord and Saviour.

When I come in contact with Moslems, my burden should be that the zeal, the fire, the energy of the Moslem faith be dedicated to spreading the message of the cross of Christ.

To me, one of the highlights of the life of Christ was His weeping over Jerusalem, and the cry of His heart which the sleeping city failed to hear, "O Jerusalem, Jerusalem..." Truly this revealed the burden and the heart of Christ—the burden for mankind!

I like to think of Moses pleading with God, "Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin—and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book" (Exodus 32:32).

Paul had the same burden—Achaia, Macedonia, Rome, Spain, the Jews: "For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh" (Romans 9:3).

"My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you" (Galatians 4:19).

"I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some." Paul became a tentmaker, a sailor, a soldier, a philosopher, a martyr, a pilgrim, in his compulsion to "save some."

All of us have goals and ideals. Whether we attain them or not will depend upon our compulsions. If we are motivated by the same forces that made Paul consider, "What things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ," we too may be "heroes for eternity."



# THE PENTECOSTAL evangel

NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT, SAITH THE LORD

PUBLISHED CONTINUOUSLY SINCE 1913

JULY 12, 1964

NUMBER 2618

Official Voice of the Assemblies of God  
1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Mo. 65802

BERT WEBB, *Executive Director*

ROBERT C. CUNNINGHAM, *Editor*

LESLIE W. SMITH, *Layout Editor*

NORMAN PEARSALL, *Art Consultant*

CARL G. CONNER, *Circulation Manager*

## DEPARTMENTAL EDITORS

John Garlock, Foreign Missions; Ruth Lyon, Home Missions; F. W. Colbaugh, Radio; D. V. Hurst, Spiritual Life—Evangelism; Burton W. Pierce, Men's Fellowship; Johnnie Barnes, Royal Rangers; Everett James, Light for the Lost; Verne MacKinney, Speed-the-Light; Frances Foster, Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade; Ann Ahlf, Women's Missionary Council; Charlotte Schumitsch, Missionettes.

## EDITORIAL POLICY BOARD

Bert Webb (Chairman), R. J. Bergstrom, E. W. Bethany, G. R. Carlson, N. D. Davidson, G. W. Harcastle, Sr., D. H. McLaughlin, Kermit Reneau, R. H. Wead.

## EXECUTIVE PRESBYTERS OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD

Thos. F. Zimmerman (Gen. Supt.), Bert Webb, Gayle F. Lewis, C. W. H. Scott, H. S. Bush, J. P. Hogan, Bartlett Peterson, M. B. Netzel, R. J. Bergstrom, E. W. Bethany, G. R. Carlson, N. D. Davidson, G. W. Harcastle, Sr., D. H. McLaughlin, Kermit Reneau, R. H. Wead.

## SUBSCRIPTION RATES

Addresses in the U.S. and U. S. possessions: Single subscription, \$2.50 a year; \$4.75 two years; \$7.00 three years. Special introductory offer \$1.00 for 20 weeks. Bundle rate (minimum of four subscriptions, all mailed to the same address) 65c for 13 weeks, \$2.25 for a year, on each subscription. Canadian addresses: Single subscription \$3.00 a year; \$5.75 two years; \$8.50 three years. Bundle rate (minimum of four subscriptions, all mailed to the same address) 78c for 13 weeks, \$2.75 for a year, on each subscription. Foreign lands (except Canada and PUAS countries\*): Single subscription \$4.25 a year; \$8.25 two years; \$12.25 three years. Bundle rate (minimum of four subscriptions, all mailed to the same address) 91c for 31 weeks, \$3.50 for a year, on each subscription.

\*PUAS—Canadian rates apply to all countries in the Postal Union of the Americas and Spain. See your postmaster for a list of these.

Printed in the U.S.A. Second-class postage paid at Springfield, Missouri.

## STATEMENT OF FAITH

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

( Average paid circulation in May  
185,018 copies weekly )

EDITORIAL COMMENT

## God-Anointed Music

The ministry of music will be emphasized at the National Music Conference to be held at Springfield, Mo., August 17-21. Edwin P. Anderson and his associates have arranged an outstanding conference program which will benefit hundreds of church musicians, choir leaders, music directors, ministers, and other Christian workers who wish to serve the Lord through song and instruments.

What is music? Sidney Lanier, the poet, said that music is love in search of a word.

Franz von Liszt, the noted composer, described music as the universal language of mankind by which human feelings are made equally intelligible to all.

But no verbal definition can fully describe a force that is spiritual by nature. One might as well try to define the New Birth! William James, the noted psychologist and philosopher, tried to do this and he decided that conversion cannot be explained adequately in psychological terms. All he could say was that it changed human lives and was a real quality in regenerated men and women. So it is with music: we can only say it is a force with marvelous powers to move the human spirit either for better or for worse.

Historians tell us that music once lifted Philip the Fifth of Spain out of a serious mental illness. The king had fallen into a state of total dejection. He refused to be shaved, and could not compose himself enough to appear in council or to attend to other royal business. The queen, after exhausting other schemes, remembered that the king was highly susceptible to music, so she tried musical therapy. She brought Carlo Farinelli, a young singer from Naples, to give a concert in a room adjoining the king's apartment. The king was so moved by the music that he summoned the singer to his bedside. First he loaded him with compliments; then he asked how he could reward such talents. Farinelli replied that he desired nothing for himself but only that the king would permit his attendant to shave him, and that he would make his appearance in the council as usual. The king yielded, and from that time his mental sickness left him. Music had worked the cure.

This incident from the 18th century reminds us of another story, much earlier, when David's sweet music broke the evil spell that was upon old King Saul. Music has often been used of God to soften the human heart and make it receptive to His will.

We find it so in worship. How often the mind has been dull, and the spirit heavy, until harmonious notes of sacred music have touched a responsive chord in our hearts and suddenly we have found ourselves entering into an attitude of worship.

How often, in an evangelistic service, a song of Christian testimony or exhortation has found its way down into sinners' hearts when the words alone without their musical wings would have failed.

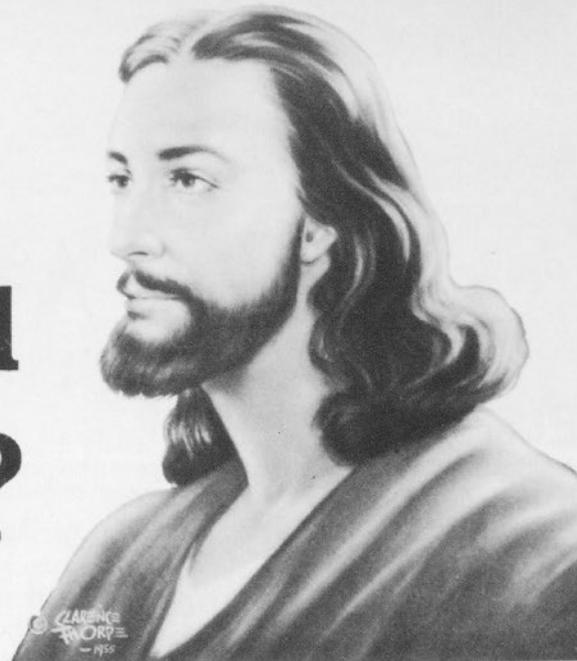
Music is a mighty force. Controlled by Satan it drives people to sensuality, sin, and hell. Controlled by God it lifts us to purity, peace, and heaven.

May the Lord bless all who put their musical talents in His hands for ministry. They seek God's approval more than men's. They pray over their music as earnestly as a preacher prays over his sermons. Their music lifts men and women into communion with Christ. Thank God for music anointed by the Holy Ghost.

—R.C.C.

# How Well Do You Know Jesus?

BY FRED SMOLCHUCK  
*Michigan District Secretary-Treasurer*



**H**AVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED HOW WELL YOU KNOW JESUS? Most of us take for granted that our knowledge of Him is adequate. We feel that by attending Sunday school and worship services, listening to the preacher, and reading the Bible we have acquired sufficient knowledge of the Saviour.

It is a fact that our reaction to an individual depends greatly on how much we know him. The measure of response may run from complete disregard to overwhelming adulation. How do you feel about Jesus?

Julia Ward Howe, in her *Battle Hymn of the Republic*, wrote, "Mine eyes have seen the glory of the coming of the Lord." She expresses her reaction to what she saw with, "Glory, glory, hallelujah!" How does Jesus affect you? Have you taken time to look at Him lately?

Not until we are completely possessed with an awareness of His wonderful personality, of His mighty power, of His Spirit and glory can we say we truly know Him. The better we know Him, the greater is our faith and confidence. "The people that do know their God shall be strong and do exploits" (Daniel 11:32).

If we truly knew Him, would we hesitate about attending the midweek service? Would we resist giving our tithes and offerings to God's work? Would we falter in witnessing and working for Him? Would we question His will for our lives, if we really knew Him? Knowing Jesus in the fullness of His love, power, and glory releases in us a spontaneous willingness to serve, to sacrifice, to worship and to do anything that will please Him.

## A DESIRE TO SEE HIM

Moses wanted to see God's face, but he was allowed only to view God's back. But even this vision of God was so tremendous that when Moses returned to his people they could not look at him because of the intensity of the divine glow that radiated from his person.

The murderous cries and the gnashing of the executioners' teeth had little effect on Stephen for, as they stoned him, he said, "I see the heavens opened, and the Son of Man standing on the right hand of God." This vision of the Master gave him the confidence and the strength he needed in the crisis hour.

The beloved disciple was sure that he knew his Lord well. But years later, after the Ascension, Jesus revealed Himself to John. When the apostle tried to describe Him he ended with the words, "And when I saw Him, I fell down at His feet as dead" (Revelation 1:17). He was completely overwhelmed with the Master's power and glory.

This intimate knowledge of the Lord is the strength of His people. Knowing Him promotes faith. Success and victory are assured to the Christian who truly knows Jesus.

## A CHALLENGE TO LOOK

The Bible challenges us to look "unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith." Take a good look at the Saviour. See Him as the purest, kindest, and most generous. Let His strength and His love thrill you.

*Observe Him in His preincarnate glory*, the only begotten of the Father, equal with Him in every respect. See Him creating worlds with only the word of His mouth. Watch angelic hosts give Him obeisance and worship.

*See Him in His condescension*. To save us He came to where we were and became as we are. Emptying Himself of His divine prerogatives, He became a man and fully submitted Himself to all human limitations. "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister" (Matthew 20:28). And minister He surely did. See His kindness to children, His compassion on the lost, His concern about the sorrowing, His help to the sick and needy. Take a good look. This is Jesus your Saviour.

*Watch Him in His suffering and humiliation*. Pilate said sarcastically, "Behold the man." Bound, beaten, bloodied and bruised, Jesus did not look like a man. He was a gory mass of mutilated flesh. Shortly before His sufferings He said, "I lay down my life for the sheep." He did this willingly. He submitted Himself to tests and trials, and was "in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin." He did this for you.

*Behold Him in resurrection power*. Death and the grave could not hold Him. The guards at the tomb fell like dead men at the outbursting of His glory. He ap-

(Continued on page eleven)



# The Alaska Miracle

**E**ARTHQUAKES MAY DO MORE GOOD THAN HARM. THEY may cause those in the damaged areas to consider seriously the eternal destiny of their souls.

Since Good Friday more people of Alaska are thinking about God. Previously many of them had given Him little consideration. The bars, theaters and other places of amusement were more popular than the churches. Then, in the matter of a few moments, their world collapsed.

But in all this the grace of God is evident. According to Governor William A. Egan, of the 150,000 people in south central Alaska the total dead or missing and presumed dead has been established at 115.

One of our fine Assemblies of God missionaries lost his life in the earthquake. We are grateful to God there were no more deaths among the 91 stationed there.

Missionaries' letters to the Home Missions Department reveal miracle after miracle of God's deliverance during the earthquake.

Gayle F. Lewis, Executive Director of Home Missions, says:

"Our hearts are full as we think of the marvelous grace that God has extended to our people. Our churches (22 in the earthquake area) have been spared and our people kept from injury and death, except for our losses at Valdez.

"We greatly appreciate the services of the U. S. Air Force who evacuated the children from our Valdez orphanage and the Wein Airlines who moved the personal effects of the children and staff to Juneau."

The Assemblies of God has 41 churches and five regular outstations, besides other preaching points, in Alaska. Of all our church properties, only the Sunday school annex at Valdez was badly damaged. A few other buildings received minor damage, either during the earthquake or from the 55 minor shocks that followed the big one.

The Civil Defense and the Red Cross were able to use our Children's Home at Valdez for their headquarters. This building, together with the church and the parsonage, surrounded by rubble, suffered less damage than any others of similar structure.

The May 9, 1964 issue of Saturday Evening Post stated that the toll of dead and missing was incredibly light.

"In the little cities far to the south the damage had been even greater, in proportion to population, than the destruction in Anchorage. Valdez, with its 1,200 population, counted 32 dead or missing in the great tidal waves that followed the earthquake and wiped its waterfront clean. . . .

"Within minutes after the first tremor, three-quarters of Valdez was uninhabitable or destroyed. The docks had

disappeared. More than 40 boats had been smashed by tidal waves.

"In Seward, with a population of 1,800, 17 were known dead or missing after two great waves roared through Resurrection Bay to pile boxcars, engines, cranes, and shattered oil tanks in a jumble of steel along its waterfront.

"In Kodiak, with 23 dead and missing, not a hull was left intact of the fishing fleet that once supported a multimillion-dollar industry. . . ."

George Cummins, Assemblies pastor at Kodiak, reported:

"A large percentage of liquor establishments were either badly damaged or destroyed while *not one church* suffered loss. One night club was carried a couple of blocks away and left in the middle of a lake.

"There are really no needs among our own church people. One of our men did lose his fishing boat, and that is all I know of."

The water did not reach our Kodiak church, but 75 per cent of the business area of the city was destroyed. The Naval Station at Kodiak suffered a three-million-dollar loss.

In hard-hit Anchorage, where the business district was demolished, the Anchorage Gospel Tabernacle of the Assemblies of God only a block away remained undamaged. The Assemblies church in Fairview, a suburb of Anchorage, and the mission in Tyonek remained in good condition.

The Wilburn Craigs, missionaries at Spenard, were on their way to pick up their daughter Wilma Joy who was working after school at the Anchorage News. They saw the large concrete tile bakery building shaking like a child's house of blocks being pushed over. It and other large buildings were just being shaken apart. The Craigs looked down at the pavement and saw cracks open up and move as large snakes do. The asphalt streets came rolling toward them in waves 10 or 12 inches high.

The Craigs were grateful to find their daughter safe. She had just left her desk when a large light fixture crashed across her chair.

One of the greatest miracles was reported by the C. C. Personeses, veteran missionaries in Alaska. When they were able to return to their home in Seward Saturday afternoon, they found chunks of ice, debris, boards, and logs, left by the tidal wave, scattered over the yard right up to their steps. There the wave had stopped! The house was safe and dry, with only minor damage.

The Robert Cousarts, pastors at Seward, found their home and church in good condition. Much of Seward was destroyed by earthquakes and tidal waves; two church families lost their homes; our Sunday school superintendent and her husband had their lovely base-



LEFT: Many homes in Alaska were ruined by the gigantic upheaval of the Good Friday earthquake. CENTER: This 79-ton Diesel engine at Seward, Alaska, was thrown 125 feet from the tracks and destroyed. RIGHT: On Fourth Avenue, Anchorage, the pavement suddenly dropped as much as 20 feet, breaking buildings in two.

ment apartment completely ruined by the tidal wave; but the center of town, with post office, stores, churches, schools, hospitals and many homes, still stands. The road and bridges are gone.

Seward had just won the title "All-America City" and was planning a big celebration for April 4 and 5. Instead, on Sunday, April 5, at 1:30 p.m., 300 people gathered in front of the new Fire Hall for a union thanksgiving service, to thank God for sparing the city. The city manager read an ordinance passed by the City Council "to hold a memorial service every year on the Sunday following Easter to thank God for sparing the city."

Brother Cousart, as president of the Ministerial Association, led this service. He based his sermon on the first verse of Psalm 127: "Except the Lord build the house, they labour in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchman waketh but in vain." He encouraged the people to trust in the Lord to help them as they work together to rebuild the city.

Mrs. Betty Glick, missionary at Kenai, had just returned home from the Good Friday service at the Wildwood Army Base, where she was the speaker, when the house began to tremble, crack, and sway as if a huge hand were twisting it. Later she found the chimneys had collapsed, but the church-parsonage building was safe.

The power plant at Kenai vanished; the army base watertower crashed to the ground; tons of heavy equipment crashed through the walls of the refinery (without hurting anyone); several large fuel tanks crumpled like an accordion; the dock vanished and the stores were a shambles. Mrs. Glick says, "Only the hand of God kept the fuel tanks from exploding."

The Fairbanks church property was damaged slightly, but the church buildings are intact.

Though many buildings in Homer sustained heavy damage, there was no damage to our church building.

From Aniak, Otis Lichlyter reported that "God protected us from any harm or damage."

Delta Junction, Minto, and Wasilla were all severely shaken but no church damage was noted.

Edgar and Nadine McElhannon, our missionaries at Cordova, report that their town was hard hit. "However, we are built on rock, and did not suffer as much damage as did some other places," they write. "Our docks were all condemned and some homes were washed away. Our road was completely destroyed. Cordova pushed up six feet when the earthquake hit, our mission might have been

washed away during the tidal wave. As it was, water came within a block of our building."

The McElhannons add: "Chenega, a village nearby which had 80 people in it, was completely wiped out except for the schoolhouse which was 90 feet above sea level and it had water in it. Twenty-three died at this village. The survivors were brought to our town and we had some of them in our home. *Chenega had never had the gospel.*"

The North Pole area escaped with no damage, except for a few wells which went dry, but did get a hard shaking.

Chugiak also was fortunate. The church property sustained no serious loss or damage.

Even St. Michael, situated on the coast far to the west of Fairbanks, felt the earthquake. The John Covlaskys, our missionaries there, wrote:

"The rocking motion made us all sick to our stomachs. Water shot up in the air through the cracks in the ice. Seal hunters came in from the ocean at full speed, shaking in their boots.

"Our greatest need in Alaska is revival. Pray with us for this need, especially for the lower Yukon area which is mostly untouched by the gospel."

This letter is typical of those received from our missionaries. None has asked for help for himself.

The earthquake created economic problems. With the destruction of their means of livelihood in Valdez, Seward, and other towns, longshoremen, railroaders, fishermen and cannery workers are presently jobless and will be unable to contribute to the churches as they have in the past.

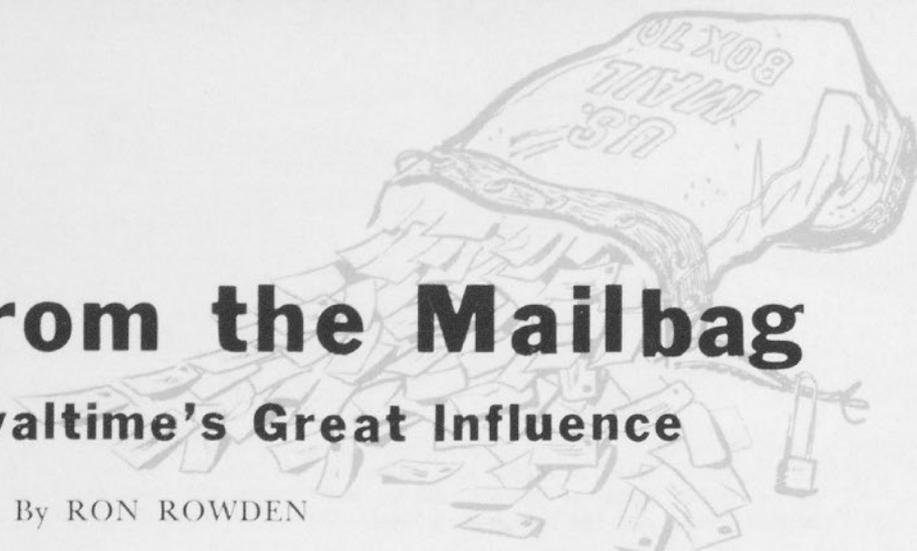
Although damage to our buildings is minimal, even a modest amount of repairs in Alaska will be expensive; and the churches will be unable to bear this cost. They must look to the Home Missions Department for assistance.

Now is our opportunity to reap a harvest of eternity-bound souls. Many of our churches have reported an increase in attendance since the quake.

Although the preservation of church property and people in Alaska was miraculous, the missionaries feel the greatest miracle is the general spiritual awakening they have long anticipated. Let us rise to the opportunity to help make Alaska's greatest tragedy its greatest blessing.

\* \* \*

Note: Offerings for ALASKA MISSIONS may be sent direct to the Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802.



# Letters from the Mailbag

## Reveal Revivaltime's Great Influence

By RON ROWDEN

PRAISE GOD FOR HIS POWER WORKING IN THE HEARTS of *Revivaltime* listeners everywhere! Our mail this week tells of wonderful revelations of the Holy Spirit manifesting Himself through the *Revivaltime* broadcast services.

While listening to *Revivaltime*, a Butler, N. J., high-school senior literally fell on her knees and accepted Christ as her Saviour! Telling of her experience, she writes:

"I'm a member of a Methodist church, but somehow *Revivaltime* picks up where my church leaves off. Ever since the first night I listened to *Revivaltime*, I felt 'something special.' Now I realize what it was.

"Last summer during one of your broadcasts I literally fell on my knees, crying, and accepted Christ as my personal Saviour. I know that 'something special' was God's love and salvation. I have a great hunger for more—an unquenchable thirst. Please pray for me."

Many write to tell of their appreciation of the broadcast, but Mrs. R. H., Wasola, Mo., was particularly impressed by the spirit of the radio service. She said:

"Thank God for your anointed ministry! How God's love is imparted through your broadcast! Your message is so convincing because the hearer can actually feel God's love through you. I know this is only possible because of the many prayers that wing their way to God in behalf of the broadcast. Praise God for the freedom of this medium of evangelism; so many can hear the wonderful truths of the gospel. It is wonderful to be a small part of it!"

From D. G., of Mayaguana, Bahamas, come these words of encouragement:

"Every Sunday the whole family listens carefully to the service and helps sing the familiar songs when you say, 'and let everybody sing!'"

It is a delight to hear from many of our servicemen thanking *Revivaltime* for its efforts to present the gospel. From a remote naval station at Argentia, Newfoundland, Canada, comes this thrilling testimony:

"We listen to your program each Sunday over CHCM, Marystown, Nfld., as a part of our worship service. The anointed singing and preaching is such a blessing to us and we pray regularly for all who are involved in the production of your blessed program."

Another serviceman in Okinawa says:

"In this day of conformity to secularism including the liberal movement in Christian circles, *Revivaltime* sends forth the 'old gospel,' which like Christ is the

same yesterday, today and forever. It certainly is welcomed!"

Letters from many of our nation's prisons tell us that bars do not separate man from God. Through the *Revivaltime* broadcast, many have come to God in the shadows of a lonely cell. An inmate of the California State Prison sends these lines of appreciation:

"I have been enjoying your *Revivaltime* broadcast each Sunday night, and I want you to know your program has brought me moments of great joy. May God bless your wonderful work."

It is a joy to know that many Christian students find *Revivaltime* an inspiration as they face the rigors of witnessing to scoffing classmates. F. H., a student at Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pa., thanks *Revivaltime* for relieving his spirit of unbelief:

"I was greatly helped by the statement of the Anglican priest quoted on the front page of your pamphlet, 'They don't have to fail, because they have the power of God if they will let Him do the work.' Pray that God will reveal Himself on our campus in a mighty way."

R. A., a teen-ager in the West Indies, writes:

"I am a regular listener to your broadcast, and always enjoy the lusty singing and touching messages. There is always something for us believers to think about."

Many testimonies of answered prayer have arrived at the *Revivaltime* office this past week. How thrilling it is to hear of God's delivering power! M. A., of Hayward, Calif., writes:

"I requested some time ago for you to pray that I might find steady work. I had been laid off for almost 18 months. God answered prayer! I was called back to my job with top seniority and a raise in pay. I praise God!"

R. H., a student at Evangel College, Springfield, Mo., thanks God for His healing touch: "I am praising God for answered prayer in my body. Truly He is a mighty God to heal my nerves as He has. Thank you for taking time to talk and pray with me."

T. H., a 22-year-old Christian young man in Portsmouth, Va., gives God praise for His mighty power felt through *Revivaltime*:

"I was listening to your program one Sunday, nerves on edge, heart and mind fearful. I felt that God had left me. I listened to your sermon and at the end you said, 'I feel led to pray for that person who is tormented with fear,' and you asked God to relax my tight muscles. God knew that I needed to know He hadn't left me

and that He cared. My heart was made glad that day!"

From joyful accounts of salvation and manifestations of the Holy Spirit to thrilling testimonies of God's healing, nearly 10,000 letters flood the *Revivaltime* office monthly. These words of gratitude and praise are a constant encouragement to the staff, and inspire them to put forth more effort to spread the wonderful Word.

Your *Revivaltime* investments bring joy, comfort and hope to more than 12 million listeners across the nation and around the world each week. If we are to reach those who are lost we must continue to pray and give. Only through prayer and financial sacrifice can we pierce the shroud of sin which has wrapped itself around this troubled world. Let us hear this week of your intercessory prayer and interest in supporting this ministry to the lost. Write to *Revivaltime*, Box 70, Springfield, Mo. 65801.

---

## A Neglected Key to the Kingdom

BY H. M. STITT  
Hastings, Michigan

PRACTICALLY FORCED INTO IT BY A CHAIN OF EVENTS beyond my control, I am in the building business. One day at coffee break, as I jokingly enumerated my various accomplishments—a farmer by birth, a machinist by trade, a cook by choice, and a builder by accident—a witty young heckler quipped: "A preacher by God!"

To this I had no answer but to smile, for my primary vocation in life is well known to all. My employees have to listen to me preach—often at my own expense. When I feel the move of God I stop work and preach!

A high-priced congregation, you say. No, I must answer: "Woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel"—even if I must pay wages to my congregation! And it has paid off very satisfactorily, for several have accepted Christ through this ministry.

I had a startling experience one day. A gospel-hardened old man who had worked several years for me hurt his back on the job. Unable to go home alone, I helped him to the home of a relative, thinking he could call a doctor at my expense.

As an afterthought I said: "Shall I pray for you?" To my surprise he answered, "Yes, go ahead." Although I was not conscious of any great exercise of faith on my part, I prayed for his healing. Before this I had never prayed for anything but salvation for the unsaved, and I wondered if I had done wrong in praying for this man.

I left rather hurriedly and promptly forgot the matter. A few days later I was stopped on the street by a friend who inquired: "What did you do to that man?"

"Oh, he hurt his back," I replied.

"Yes, so he told me. But he also said you prayed for him and he was instantly healed. You had better go see him. I think you made a convert!"

So it was—and since that time he has been an outstanding exponent of divine healing as well as a consistent Christian.

And to think, I could have easily missed one of the greatest keys to the kingdom! ◀◀



# Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

*Recently I was filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke in other tongues. Some say the unknown tongue is a language the devil does not understand; others say he does understand it. Who is right?*

I do not know whether the devil understands what is said when a person speaks in an unknown tongue. I am content in knowing that God understands, as the Scripture says, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue . . . speaketh not unto men but unto God. . . . Howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries" (1 Corinthians 14:2).

*Is it true that Satan knows about us only what we tell him?*

I do not know how much knowledge Satan has about us, nor how he gets it. If one man can pretty well size up another man, then it follows that Satan from observation knows much about us and he knows how to attack us. But we need not give thought to what the devil knows about us. That which should concern us is what God knows about us. If God is for us, He knows how to frustrate the devil's designs against us. "Greater is he that is in you than he that is in the world" (1 John 4:4).

*I would like to learn to pray. I have tried but seem unable to make any progress. Can you help me?*

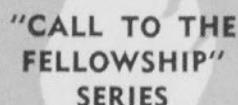
Prayer is the language of our hearts offered to God. It is an expression of worship, or thanksgiving, or petition. Try putting your thoughts in words. If it will help you, try speaking out loud. Just talk to God the way you would talk to a dear friend on the telephone. You will not hear any audible voice in reply but, as surely as you speak to God, He will be listening, and the Bible says: "If we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: and if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him" (1 John 5:14, 15).

In order to ask in accordance with God's will you need to read the Bible which reveals God's will to us. Read a few verses from the Psalms, or from the words of Christ, or from the Epistles, and find some promises contained in the Scriptures. Then ask the Lord, "Please fulfill these promises in my life." He will do it. After He has answered your petition, express your thanks to Him in prayer; and worship Him because He is so merciful and gracious toward all who call upon Him.

God will help you to pray if you ask Him to do so. Remember that prayer must be mixed with faith. You must believe that God exists, and that He will answer your prayer. The Bible declares He is both able and willing to listen to your prayer and to supply all your needs.

---

*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.*



"CALL TO THE  
FELLOWSHIP"  
SERIES

POINT 2—SEEK FIRST  
THE KINGDOM OF GOD

# Pitfalls and Priorities

by Earl W. Goodman  
Montana District Superintendent

THE ASSEMBLIES OF GOD FELLOWSHIP CAME INTO BEING to satisfy a hunger on the part of many for the ultimate in spiritual experience and the Spirit-filled life. As a result, truths long dormant in the Christian community burst forth in living experience, precipitating the greatest revival since the Apostolic era.

The pitfalls that threatened the young movement in those early days, from persecution without to misguided zeal within, were many. But because they gave priority to the will of God and His kingdom, He guided the movement to its present state of maturity.

If this generation of Pentecostal believers is to continue to fulfill the original purpose of this movement, we must also avoid certain pitfalls and keep our priorities in clear focus.

The validity of the Pentecostal experience is not questioned as often today as it was in those early days for there are several million Spirit-filled believers now in all parts of the world. The stigma of heresy has been lifted, and our brethren now welcome our contribution to world evangelism. As a result, the pitfalls today are much better hidden—and in their very subtlety lies the greater danger. The command of Jesus, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness..." jabs uncomfortably at today's materialistic emphasis. But it is well to be reminded that we can only maintain our Pentecostal experience and outreach as we continue to give God's kingdom priority in our personal and church life.

Every generation must prove its own dedication to high spiritual principles and purposes. A spiritual person lives to do the will of the Father. This was Christ's absolute center and it is His pattern for every Christian. To Him, bread was not vital if to have it interfered with the ultimate purpose and work of the Kingdom. "Man shall not live by bread alone," He said, "but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God." Jesus made all that is temporal subservient to the will of the Father. He could not be provoked to tempt or test His Father's love, and when offered the kingdoms of the world He triumphed over the appeal of immediate success and achievement because he remembered His ultimate goal: "Lo, I come to do thy will, O God."

A reminder of His dedication to the advancement of the kingdom is needed in our day, lest we lose the absolute center that must govern the Spirit-filled life. It

is easy for one to dedicate himself to a project. The very program that has been developed to give success in evangelistic effort may well become our center, and success be our incentive, while our hearts are estranged from the Father's will.

A desire to do the Father's will and to see His highest purpose accomplished is the only basis of true spiritual life, but many have lost sight of this high goal and are following a false star. Human kingdoms are being built, and many are glorying in lesser things than the Cross. They have lost sight of the pure river of truth and ceased to follow its course. Perhaps this is because the "way of Christ" is so contrary to human reasoning, and so hard to reconcile with human purpose.

It has always cost much to follow Christ, and while the price varies with each generation in every case it involves self-denial in the interests of the kingdom. Everyone born into God's kingdom has been called to be "conformed to the image of his Son." This is the Father's purpose for us, and true success lies in fulfilling this eternal purpose.

The *work* of God must never take priority over the primary *purpose* of God for us, which is absolute allegiance to His will. It is better to obey Him than to sacrifice to the most pressing need this world knows. Faith itself can become a fetish and prove to be but human determination and self-will. The will of the flesh may wear religious garb and traffic in the salvation of souls, all to human glory.

Every member of our fellowship should be concerned lest we, by falling into the pitfall of busyness, lose the spiritual emphasis and forget our highest goal. The work of the Holy Spirit is to keep a fresh revelation of Christ in our hearts that we may ever be partakers of Him and share the vision of His glory with lost humanity. This is anointed testimony, witnessing to a Christ who is presently glorious in and through us.

May each of us examine his personal dedication in the light of our movement's original purpose. May we be sure we are laboring to fulfill His highest intention, the "bringing of many sons unto glory," each conformed to the image of Jesus Christ. As we place new emphasis on spiritual priorities, we will be in less danger of the pitfalls by which Satan would rob us of our Pentecostal heritage. ◀◀

## How Well Do You Know Jesus?

(Continued from page five)

peared to many, giving infallible proofs that He was alive and triumphant.

Look at Him and let your soul be thrilled! See Him ascend in heavenly splendor. See Him seated at the right hand of the Father on high, interceding in your behalf. See Him as your Good Shepherd; as the Door; as the Truth. See Him as the returning King of kings and Lord of lords. Let the entire vision of Christ fill your mind, your heart, and your soul.

When you know Jesus you will love Him; you will obey Him; you will gladly suffer for Him. Your reaction toward Him will be positive all the way. A perpetual "Amen" to the will of God will reverberate constantly in your soul. You will say, "How can I help but love Him when He loved me so?"

If physical, material, or social pursuits hold first place in your considerations, then there can be serious doubt as to whether you really and truly know the Lord.

Get a fresh glimpse of Jesus as He really is. Seek Him, think about Him, fellowship with Him. Read His Word and listen to His voice. Seeing Him, knowing Him as He truly is, will change anyone's life. You can never be the same again.

### SERMONS WITHOUT WORDS

When you are tempted to chafe and repine at the narrowness of your circumstances and the limitations of your sphere, remember that Jesus, with all His rich life and all His great powers, for 30 years found room in a humble peasant home for worthy living and for service not unfitted for His exalted character. If you can do nothing but live a true Christian life—patient, gentle, kind, pure—in your home, in society, at your daily duty, you will perform in the end a service of great value and leave many blessings in the world. Such a life is a little Gospel, telling in sermons without words the wonderful story of Christ. —Selected

### WHAT IS FAITH?

Faith is simply "looking unto Jesus." It is the helpless, needy, tempted soul, conscious of its own weakness and utter inability to cope with the difficulties all about it, and therefore looking away from all these things to God alone as its source of strength and deliverance.

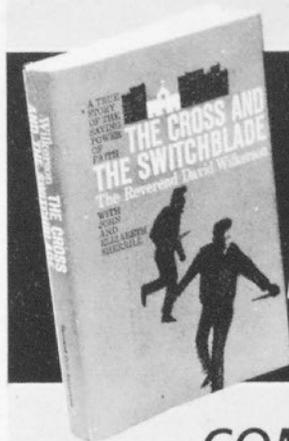
Faith thus looks to God, but anxiety looks to things. Anxiety turns the soul's gaze away from God to the circumstances about us. It causes us to plan and brood about the multitude of things that seek to harass us. In so doing we get our eyes off God. And this is to lose the attitude of faith. . . .

"Mine eyes are ever toward the Lord; for he shall pluck my feet out of the net," said the wise Psalmist. So long as he kept looking unto God, God would take care of the nets and pitfalls which were spread in his pathway. This is the walk of faith. But when we begin to try to manage the nets and pitfalls and look away from God, we begin to be filled with anxious care, and this is ruinous to faith. —JAMES H. McCONKEY

One of the most talked-about books of the year

## THE CROSS AND THE SWITCHBLADE

BY DAVID WILKERSON



Now in  
Paperback

COMPLETE  
AND UNABRIDGED

Yes, here is the book you've heard about so much—and probably wanted—in paperback form. It is the full and complete story just as it appeared in the original printing—nothing has been left out of this unusual book.

Now you can read for yourself the fantastic but true account of how one man, inspired by faith, saw hundreds of delinquents leave their switchblades and embrace the Cross. **Order Number 3 EV 1327**

Only 50¢

Use this handy order form  
to send for your copy today.

#### GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE

1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802  
or 239 E. Colorado Blvd., Pasadena, Calif. 91101

Gentlemen:  
Enclosed is \$..... for ..... copies of THE  
CROSS AND THE SWITCHBLADE, 3 EV 1327 @ 50¢  
each.

Name .....

Address .....

City .....

State ..... Zip .....



Southern Asia Bible Institute, Bangalore, India, serves students from four nations.



Student team boards bus to leave

# INDIA'S

BY ANDREW M  
Missionary t



SABI trio, using typical Indian instruments, provides special music in outstation work.

SOUTHERN ASIA BIBLE INSTITUTE, Bangalore, India, is an unusual school. Here students from four nations representing 13 language areas study side by side using English, the unofficial language that unites India.

SABI seeks to reach students from among the 54 million Indians who speak English, especially those who have no Pentecostal school in their regional language. The school, started 12 years ago, is well established and has a fine staff of Spirit-filled teachers. All students must be high-school graduates. Most courses use notes from Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Mo., and the educational standard is high enough to be recognized throughout India.

In addition to academic training, students receive practical experience as they operate six outstations and spend every Saturday in tract distribution.

Eighty-five per cent of all graduates from SABI are in full-time Christian service. Two of this year's graduates had been idol worshipers when they were children. One graduate's father had been a head hunter in Assam,



for evangelistic ministry.

# The Civilized Unreached

by Bert Webb

Assistant General Superintendent, Assemblies of God

## HOPE

DEARMID  
o India

northern India. The rest were born into Christian homes. All have spent four years preparing themselves for a place of leadership in the national church.

There are many prospective students and we have the staff to train them. But we have to turn some away because they cannot meet our fees. This breaks our hearts when we consider the shortage of workers in this country with a population greater than that of North and South America combined.

Is it worth \$15 a month to train a young man to preach the gospel in your place in India? Send your offering to the Foreign Missions Department, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo. 65802. Designation: "Southern Asia Bible Institute." ◀◀

Offerings for any of the Foreign Missionary projects mentioned in this magazine should be mailed to:

**Assemblies of God**  
**FOREIGN MISSIONS DEPARTMENT**  
1445 Boonville Avenue  
Springfield, Missouri 65802

JESUS SAID, "YE SHALL BE WITNESSES unto me . . . unto the uttermost part of the earth." "The uttermost part," while referring in the Bible to isolated geographic areas, may well include civilized lands as well. Frequently the so-called "heathen" nations seem to present the greatest missionary challenge; but other areas of opportunity and conditions which challenge are no doubt included in this verse of Scripture.

At the present time a spiritual awakening is evident in a number of European countries. While I was in Yugoslavia this year, spiritually hungry crowds of people, beyond the seating capacity of each meeting place, gathered to worship and seek the Lord. In almost every service there were those who sought Christ for salvation.

In their assertions of greater individual freedom and in their reaching for a worldwide association of thoughts and ideas, literally millions of Europeans are now interested in the gospel, many for the first time. One Sunday morning I ministered to approximately 600 in a church in Rotterdam, Holland, pastored by Jan Rothuizen. Most of the people at that service had been saved and filled with the Spirit within the last two or three years.

While continental Europe is not traditionally considered a mission field, our personal commitment to and prayerful interest in spreading the gospel there may bear as much fruit or more than our investment in any other field. The evangelistic center which has just been opened in downtown Barcelona, Spain, already shows indications that its seating capacity will not long accommodate those who gather to worship.

In a village near Barcelona, I ministered to approximately 50 people one

Sunday morning. Almost all of them had been converted and filled with the Spirit in recent months. Two-thirds of the congregation were young people.

Traditional concepts of worship and procedure are undergoing change. There is a sincere reaching for reality, which is yielding tangible results as souls are converted and filled with the Spirit in almost every country. At one of the churches in Rome, during the prayer meeting before and after the preaching service, at least eight people were baptized in the Holy Spirit. Conversions by the hundreds continue to be normal experience in Italy where there are presently more than 600 Assemblies of God churches.

There is a startling awareness today throughout Europe of the value of a cooperative fellowship. Leaders seem to be anxious for a closer association of Pentecostal people. A mutual will to cooperate as well as a united reaching to God for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit seem to characterize almost any gathering of Pentecostal people in European countries.

One of the greatest things that can be done to further the cause of Christ throughout Europe is for us to respond to the questions in the hearts of church leaders there. They are eager to know about the methods we have followed in the advances made by the Assemblies of God, both in America and around the world. Although America is helping finance some projects in Europe, even more important are contributions in ministry and in guidance toward proper organizational patterns.

An awakening from God is obviously occurring. It is harvesttime in this segment of "the uttermost part."



# Handwriting of Doom

Sunday School Lesson for July 19, 1964

DANIEL 5:1-7, 17, 24-28

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

*Belshazzar's Wild Party* (Daniel 5:1-5). Ancient records tell us that the Persian army had defeated Babylonian forces outside the city of Babylon just a few days before Belshazzar held his party. Was he so confident that this fortified city was impregnable?

Daniel states that the king also used the sacred vessels taken from the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem to hold the wine that the revelers drank. How dared Belshazzar do such a thing? The answer is evident. And it reveals the depths of recklessness and sin to which men may sink when inflamed by alcohol!

*The Handwriting on the Wall* (Daniel 5:5, 6). Right in the midst of the royal revelry, on the ballroom wall and near the candlestick where it could be plainly seen, phantom-like fingers of a man's hand began to write strange words. The same Hand that wrote the Law on tables of stone at Sinai now wrote the death sentence of Belshazzar the king! "Then the king's countenance

was changed." Boisterous laughter was replaced by abject dismay and cringing fear. Why? His conscience condemned him! Though he could not read the writing he knew it was of God!

*Daniel's Reputation* (Daniel 5:7-16). When the king's wise men could not interpret the writing, the queen mother recommended Daniel. And what a tribute she paid him! She recognized that he possessed (1) "an excellent spirit," (2) knowledge and understanding, and (3) spiritual discernment. "And the king spake and said unto Daniel . . . I have heard . . . that thou canst . . . dissolve doubts." These words by the queen and the king speak volumes concerning the character and ministry of Daniel. How blessed that a child of God may so live in an ungodly environment that others recognize his godliness and appeal to him for help in time of need.

*Daniel's Interpretation* (Daniel 5:17-21). Daniel's message to the king was as follows:

1. *You have failed to profit from your grandfather's example!* Because of pride and forgetfulness of God, Nebuchadnezzar had reaped the divine judgment. "And thou his son [really, his grandson], O Belshazzar, hast not humbled thine heart, though thou knewest all this"—it was this that heightened the king's guilt. Why has God given us such detailed history of Israel and of men of the Bible? Because "all these things . . . are written for our admonition" (1 Corinthians 10:31).

2. *"Thou art weighed in the balances, and found wanting."* Each day millions of people weigh themselves on the scales for amusement or to "have their fortunes told" for a penny. But there are weighings far more important to which we all ought to submit ourselves. We ought to judge ourselves lest we be judged when it is too late to remedy what is discovered. And what are some of the scales we ought to use? Conscience, the Word of God, our conduct in adversity, temptation, and prosperity—these measure the weaknesses of our spiritual life and character.

3. *"Thy kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians."* Even as Daniel spoke, the Medo-Persian forces were encamped about the city. Belshazzar knew it, but felt his city was invulnerable. What a shock awaited him!

*The Doom of Belshazzar* (Daniel 5:30, 31). "In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain." The king felt secure in the great city, surrounded as it was by a stone wall 350 feet high and 85 feet thick, into which were built 250 towers, each one a fortress in itself. But Babylon had one great weakness—the river Euphrates flowed through the middle of the city, dividing it into two parts. Into this river the Babylonians had built 50 gates of brass to safeguard the entrances to the city. Even so, Babylon fell. Medo-Persian forces diverted the course of the river, entered the city through the riverbed, broke open the gates of brass, and took the city according to predictions made by Isaiah 200 years before. (See Isaiah 13:17-19; 21:4-9; 45:1-4.)

What are we to do in the light of all this? Said one great preacher: "Weigh yourselves every day and hour and find yourselves wanting. And then, as King Brennus in the old history book cast his heavy sword into the too-light scale when the gold was weighed, so will Christ cast His cross into your too-light scale where His gold is weighed in you on that day."

## HANDWRITING ON THE WALL



## FROZEN MILK OF THE WORD!

Frequently in Siberia milk is delivered in blocks or chunks rather than in bottles or containers of other kinds. The weather is so cold that the milk is frozen solid and reaches customers in that condition.

All too frequently the sincere milk of the Word is delivered in such a way. It is the Word of God, all right, pure and unadulterated; but it is given out in such a cold unfeeling way that it must be thawed out, as it were, before it can be digested.

We need a holy burden within our hearts that will enable us to live and feel the gospel of Christ's redeeming love as we seek to pass it on to others!

—DR. J. ALLEN BLAIR (Glad Tidings radio broadcast)

## WHY BE TIED UP IN KNOTS?

People everywhere are daily taking pills and various concoctions designed to settle ragged nerves and soothe other "fast-living" maladies. All too often they are passing up the greatest remedy of all—God's perfect peace.

"Peace" is one of the great words of the Bible. "Great peace have they which love thy law: and nothing shall offend them" (Psalm 119:165). When we obey God's Word peace flows continuously like a river into our soul.

Peace is promised to those who are occupied with the Lord. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee" (Isaiah 26:3).

If you are not a Christian, your first step toward peace is to "acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace: thereby good shall come unto thee" (Job 22:21). In Christ you will find "peace and joy in believing" (Romans 15:13). This is the best prescription in the world for peace!

MICHAEL P. HORBAN

## CHRIST LIVETH IN ME

I shall never forget the morning that I spent reading an old musty book I had discovered in my library on the subject, *The Higher Christian Life*. As I pored over that little volume, I saw a new light. The Lord Jesus revealed Himself as a living and all-sufficient Presence; and I learned for the first time that Christ had not saved us from future peril, and left us to fight the battle of life as best we could; but He who had justified us was waiting to sanctify us, to enter into our spirit, and substitute His strength, His holiness, His joy, His love, His faith, His power, for all our worthlessness, helplessness and nothingness, and make it an actual living fact. "I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me."

It was indeed a new revelation. Throwing myself at the feet of the glorious Master, I claimed the mighty promise—"I will dwell in you and walk with you." Across the threshold of my spirit there passed a Being as real as the Christ who came to John on Patmos; and from that moment a new secret has been the charm and glory and strength of my life and testimony. I have learned the secret—"I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

—A. B. SIMPSON (Courtesy Christian Publications, Inc.)



## THE BIBLE WORKS

A mechanic was called in to repair the mechanism of a giant telescope. During the noon hour the chief astronomer came upon the man reading the Bible. "What good do you expect from that?" he asked. "The Bible is out of date. Why, you don't even know who wrote it."

The mechanic was puzzled a moment; then he looked up. "Don't you make considerable use of the multiplication table in your calculations?"

"Yes, of course," returned the other.

"Do you know who wrote it?"

"Why, no, I guess I don't."

"Then," said the mechanic, "how can you trust the multiplication table?"

"We trust it because—well, because it works," the astronomer finished testily.

"Well, I trust the Bible for the same reason—it just works."

—The Christian Cynosure

## The Scripture Cannot Be Broken

Upon the Word I rest each pilgrim day;  
This golden staff is best for all the way.  
What Jesus Christ hath spoken,  
Cannot be broken!

Upon the Word I rest so strong, so sure,  
So full of comfort blest, so sweet, so pure!  
The charter of salvation,  
Faith's broad foundation.

Upon the Word I stand! That cannot die!  
Christ seals it in my hand. He cannot lie!  
The Word that faileth never!  
Abiding ever!

—FRANCES RIDLEY HAVERGAL

## SUBMARINE ATTACK ON BOOZE

For the married man who cannot get along without drink, the following is suggested as a means of freedom from bondage to saloons:

Start a saloon in your own home. Be the only customer (you'll have no license to pay). Go to your wife and give her two dollars to buy a gallon of whiskey, and remember there are 69 drinks in a gallon. Buy your drinks from no one but your wife, and by the time the first gallon is gone she will have eight dollars to put into the bank and two dollars to start business again.

Should you live ten years and continue to buy booze from her, and then die with snakes in your boots, she will have money enough to bury you decently, educate your children, buy a house and lot, marry a decent man, and quit thinking about you entirely.

—Safety Bulletin 5, Illinois Steel Company

# Your Sins Can Be Cancelled NOW!

BY BRUCE S. WILLIAMS

DEATH WAS THE FIRST SENTENCE passed upon mankind. "It is appointed unto man once to die" (Hebrews 9:28) and God's Word reveals the reason why. "Death passed upon all men, for that *all have sinned*" (Romans 5:12).

Physical death is unavoidable. Nothing that man can do can prevent it. Yet even the heathen know that death involves more than cessation of physical life, for many of them place food in the grave or beside it for the use of the departed spirit.

Thank God, there is deliverance from death and a resurrection to eternal life for those who accept it. God, who created the world and pronounced death upon all mankind because of sin, has also in love provided a means of deliverance. Salvation is designed, intended, and provided for every man and woman of every age, in all the world. How comprehensive is this plan of God! What joy it should bring to all the earth!

Only God knows how to deal with death. God wants us to have life as much as we do; but sin would thwart God's purpose and dash our hope; so sin must be removed or else we must suffer the penalty of death.

Because we could not save ourselves, God provided a way whereby His

guiltless Son should bear the penalty of the guilty and thereby both escape. When Christ who was without sin suffered death on the cross, He paid the penalty of the guilty and made them guiltless. And He Himself, being guiltless, arose from the dead, so that the power of death toward all was destroyed. The great enemy of mankind was thus overcome and abolished (2 Timothy 1:10) for all who will accept the provision. What wisdom! What completeness!

But another problem arises—what if a person sins after he is saved? Is there atonement for him then? It was over this question that Augustine in the fourth century, and later Gregory the Great in A.D. 604, advanced the doctrine of purgatory. It is founded on the proposition that sins committed after one is saved must have an additional atonement beyond what Christ made. According to the doctrine, atonement for sins after salvation must be made by prayers and penances before death, and this atonement may be continued after death by the prayers of friends and clergy who are still living. As if to say that Christ's sacrifice was not sufficient and can be completed only by man's intervention! Do we need to add to Christ's atonement? Surely no priest, no human being, can

atone for sin while he himself is under the sentence of death.

What then remains of sin after Christ has atoned for it? Nothing. It is all done away, all removed, all stricken from the record, all blotted out. "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." The atonement of the Guiltless One for the guilty ones was effective for *sin*, the *problem* of sin, and not just for individual sins. All are atoned for, all the world over, for all time, in all cases, and this atonement is available whether accepted or not. The atonement is for all, though not all are saved. It is conditioned upon acceptance. "God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that *whosoever believeth in him* should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Each person must *accept*.

Only for those who do not accept deliverance but choose to continue in sin and guilt is the atonement of no effect. Salvation is for "whosoever will," but there is no deliverance for those who do not want to be delivered.

"For by grace are ye saved, through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God" (Ephesians 2:8). Where then is there need for further atonement than that of Jesus the Saviour? What can we add by way of atonement ourselves? If sin is atoned for, is there anything left against us? Where is the need of an added purgatory? The very thought is presumptuous.

*He hath delivered us.* Where is the reason for cataloging sins as venial or mortal; as great or small; as vile or unimportant? All sins are offensive to God, and all result in death. No religious profession, penance, sacrifice, reformation, or penalty paid by ourselves or by others will atone for our sins. The only thing that prevails has already been done—the Blood of the Guiltless One has made atonement, and it alone is accepted for pardon. "When I see the blood I will pass over you." "The gift of God is eternal life." Our sins can be and are fully forgiven now, when we come to Christ, confessing and forsaking them.

"If any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: and he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world" (1 John 2:1, 2). We need no other. ◀◀



New home of the Assembly of God Church in Clinton, Mass., situated on a 2½-acre plot. The educational unit conforms to government codes for use as a weekday kindergarten as well as Sunday school.



Interior of the sanctuary features exposed beams, light-oak paneling, and nine-foot windows of pastel antique glass. Facilities include a baptistry, dressing rooms, prayer room, two overflow rooms, and soundproof nursery.

## Church Dedicated in Clinton, Massachusetts

THE DEDICATION OF THE ASSEMBLY of God Church in Clinton, Mass., last November 11 was a victory for persistent prayer and persevering faith. The beautiful 40 by 80 sanctuary with attached 40 by 80 education unit stands as solid proof of the fact that God works with those who work with Him.

The Salvatore Citro family moved to Clinton in 1955 with a definite conviction that God wanted a full-gospel testimony raised up in this little town. There was little evidence to the natural mind of substantial possibilities. Clinton's population of 12,500 was 87 per cent Roman Catholic. The town already had 11 Protestant churches and a Jewish synagogue. Previous attempts to establish a full-gospel work in this community had failed.

Besides the Citros, there was just one family to depend upon in the beginning. There was a converted garage in which to hold meetings. The church faced an indebtedness of \$300 and a rental obligation of \$55 per month. But the little handful of believers knew the Lord was leading and He never fails those who trust Him.

The converted garage was inadequate for the launching of a Sunday school, so they kept looking for better property. A former clubhouse was made available. They took a step of faith, purchased the clubhouse, reno-

vated it, and started a Sunday school.

Attendance increased until the clubhouse became inadequate. Several classes were meeting in station wagons. In a miraculous manner a 2½-acre piece of land was provided. Pastor Citro and his wife designed plans for the building that was needed and a groundbreaking service was held April 8, 1962.

Guest speaker at the dedication was R. M. Riggs, former general superintendent of the Assemblies of God and now an assistant professor at Bethany Bible College in Santa Cruz, Calif. Richard Bergstrom, executive presbyter representing the northeast region, was chairman of the service. George Flower, district superintendent

of the Assemblies of God in Southern New England, participated in the ceremony. A large delegation of ministers and about 450 guests were present at the dedication.

Exterior of the new church is white stucco cement. There is a carport supported by white art blocks. The lighted steeple is built of aluminum framing, Vermont marble, and pastel antique glass. The sanctuary and educational unit are separated by a foyer. The entrance is plate glass with aluminum framing. The property has been valued at \$135,000.

The educational unit will be used for kindergarten which is scheduled to open in September. It has an assembly hall which seats 80 persons surrounded by classrooms and pastor's study.

"God has performed miracle after miracle in the development of this church," Pastor Citro says. "We have received less than \$3,000 in gifts from outside the town and yet the mortgage amounts to only \$27,000."

Just before you enter the foyer there is a dedication plaque. No pastor's or layman's name appears on it. It simply says, "Dedicated to the Glory of God." That's the way the minister and congregation feel about this new church which God has enabled them to establish in Southern New England.



Pastor Salvatore Citro

# HOW YOUNG IS TOO YOUNG?



BY JAMES E. ADAMS

AS THE PASTOR CONCLUDED HIS SERMON, he noticed 13-year-old Susan weeping openly and unashamedly. But she did not come to the altar. When he had opportunity, the minister walked back to the still-sobbing girl who was sitting with her family.

"Susan," he said, "won't you come to the altar? Jesus will save you."

The girl looked up at her pastor with tear-filled eyes, but her father answered, "Let her alone, Pastor. She doesn't know what she's doing. Let her wait a couple of years."

Susan's father was converted, and he was a very determined individual, so all the pastor could do was advise her to pray before retiring for the night.

Four years have passed. Recently I recounted this incident to the good pastor who had told me about it. "Did Susan ever accept the Lord?" I asked.

"No," he replied. "Her four younger brothers and sisters have come to the Lord, either in VBS or our evangelistic services, but Susan never has."

"I was afraid you were going to say that," I said.

"Yes," my friend added sadly, "I have talked to her a number of times. Evangelists have dealt with her. But Susan is hard as a stone. And her

father is a sadder and wiser man."

This reminds me of another Christian with whom I worked for over three years. John and I became close friends and through him I received an invitation to speak at a Rally Day service in his church. There I met his good wife and two beautiful little daughters.

Later, when his younger daughter Lois was seven, there were evangelistic services in his church. One day I noticed John sitting at his desk with a smile on his face.

"Now what are you thinking about?" I asked.

"Oh, I'm thinking about Lois," he replied.

"Yes—?" I prodded.

"Well, last night as our evangelist made his appeal, Lois asked me if she could go to the altar and give her heart to Jesus."

"Was she satisfied?"

"Satisfied? I didn't let her go. She's only seven years old. She doesn't know what she wants."

I told John about Tommy Reid who

MUSEMENTS FOR MINORS

BY DICK CHAMPION

## CODE MESSAGE

Here's an important message for you in code. Can you figure it out?

### CODE

A=C; B=D; C=A; D=B; E=G; F=H; G=E; H=F; I=K; J=L;  
K=I; L=J; M=O; N=P; O=M; P=N; Q=S; R=T; S=Q; T=R;  
U=W; V=X; W=U; X=V; Y=Z; Z=Y.

### MESSAGE

CPB RFCR GXGTZ RMPEWG QFMWJB AMPHGQQ RFCR  
LGQWQ AFTKQR KQ JMTB, RM RFG EJMTZ MH EMB  
RFG HCRFGT.

(To check your answer look up Philippians 2:11.)

was converted as a small child and then at eight years of age was called of God to preach. He never forgot it and is now a minister. "If I were you," I said, "I'd allow Lois to go to the altar." I could see John was not convinced.

That evening Lois asked permission to go to the altar. Again, John refused. But a godly retired minister sitting in the pew back of them overheard the conversation. Tapping John on the shoulder he said, "Son, you're making a great mistake if you don't take your little girl to the altar."

John took Lois and told me about it the following day. He still was not convinced that Lois knew what she was doing. "But one thing puzzles my wife and me," he said.

"What's that?" I asked.

"When we got home last night, Lois spoke about a man standing inside the altar rail. I said no one was there. But she asked, 'Oh, Daddy, didn't you see Him—the nice man with long white hair and wearing a long white robe?'"

Thrills and chills raced up and down my spine. "Come here, John," I said, walking to my desk for my Bible. Turning to Revelation 1:13, 14, I read about "one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow."

John stood there transfixed, his eyes wide and his mouth open. I did not need to say it, but I did—"Lois saw Jesus as John the Revelator saw Him."

John's doubts about the reality of Lois' salvation experience were gone. Later, when Lois asked to be baptized, he made arrangements with his pastor, and she became a junior member of the church.

How young is too young? When the Holy Spirit deals with our sons and daughters, or any other child, let us not think about age. When a child wants to give his heart to Jesus, let us encourage and help him seek the Saviour. ◀◀

We may be judged by the little things that we leave undone rather than by the big things we hope to do. Let us not forget that the major part of life is made up of minor things. God uses little things. The fact that He uses some of us is a proof of that fact.

# A Code to Live By

BY F. HELEN JARVIS

NOT LONG AGO A PANEL OF OUTSTANDING young people conducted an interesting discussion on a network broadcast. They were searching for a basis of morality and social conduct—a code to live by.

Floundering along in a mass of words, they failed to arrive at a criterion of right and wrong, or to set positive guidelines. Not once did they appeal to the final authority of the Word of God.

Expressing nothing in absolute terms, their conclusions rested upon the relative idea: Rightness of actions must be weighed by the consequences—whether it would injure or disturb another.

Such thinking is common today. Perhaps you too have sought for a code to live by in human concepts and philosophies, and have been disappointed. Or you have looked for the answer in psychological theories and mores of culture. But such standards are only adequate to the extent that they are based on a righteous law.

Maybe you, like thousands of others, have relied on a church creed for rules of conduct. Often you may have found these formulas of faith helpful, but their influences extend only as far as their authority is accepted and their claims appropriated.

Or possibly you have tried to let your conscience be your guide, only to observe that this inner monitor varied according to the individual and his training.

It is not God's will that His crowning creation drift with the tides of human ideas and opinion. He has given reliable directives for all of us in His Holy Word. Read its pages with an open heart and mind and you will know God's highest plan for man.

The Bible leaves no question as to the basic concepts of morality and of social behavior. It plainly says, "Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good" (Romans 12:9), and defines both evil and good in clear language.

Because it does not give them license to follow their own selfish wills and fleshly desires, many people prefer to overlook the claims of the Word of God, neglect its precepts, and refuse its guidance. But the Book has stood the test of time and human experience for centuries, and it will live on. Jesus said, "Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away."

Civilization's highest goals have been achieved on steppingstones of truth. And the roots of successful, enduring society are firmly embedded in its teaching.

Its principles satisfy the seeking heart as nothing else has ever done. It offers a basis for strong convictions and character. Its prophecies are fulfilled to the minutest detail, and its promises are reliable. Best of all, it recommends a living, loving Saviour to fallen man—One who is mighty to save!

Dear confused friend, in these days of uncertain standards and quicksand morality, God's Word is still the only reliable code to live by. Begin by accepting Christ who is the Word "made flesh," and base your life upon the written Word. ◀◀

## STILL AVAILABLE

A limited number of copies of the CRUSADE ISSUE of *The Pentecostal Evangel* are still available at the low price of \$2.50 per hundred, post-paid to any U. S. address.

This is the special issue published April 26, 1964, which featured articles on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the purpose of Tongues, the Spirit's work in the Church and in the believer.

Use this CRUSADE ISSUE to tell the people of your community the meaning of Pentecost. (Minimum order at this special price—100 copies.)

Send your order to: The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Mo. 65802.

# TESTIMONIES OF HEALING



*Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever (Hebrews 13:8).*

## Brain Disorder Healed

APPROXIMATELY THREE YEARS AGO I began having severe headaches. As time went on they became more frequent and intense until only narcotics gave relief.

A neurosurgeon in Santa Barbara, Calif., made extensive tests, and diagnosed my trouble as an aneurysm in the brain. [*Aneurysm* is a medical term defined as a "permanent abnormal blood-filled dilation of an artery."] This brought pressure against another vein and slowed the blood circulation.

The doctor said an operation was necessary, and that it would involve great risk, but without it he said my chance for survival was very poor. To be faced with two such unpleasant alternatives was not easy. Although I was saved by the precious blood of Christ and ready to meet the Lord, I had three small children and did not want to die.

We explained my condition to our pastor, who notified the church. The people began to pray, and churches all over the country united in prayer.

Meanwhile the doctor in Santa Barbara sent my X rays to Stanford University Hospital at Palo Alto, and had me go there for more tests. The doctors at Stanford also made X rays, using dye injections; but they found nothing, for God had healed me!

I had been in bed for 21 days, unable to be up for more than 15 minutes at a time. The morning after the tests at Stanford I got up and have not had to go to bed from illness since. I thank God for healing me, and for the prayers of God's people for my

---

*If God has healed you recently, we invite you to write out your testimony for publication so that others who need healing will be encouraged to believe and receive the Lord's healing touch. Kindly make your testimony as brief as possible, and ask your pastor to sign it; then mail it to The Pentecostal Evangel, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802.*

recovery.—T. D. Garner, Fillmore, Calif.

*(Endorsed by Pastor Neville E. Carlson, Assembly of God, Fillmore, Calif., who writes: "This young man was near death for several days. . . . He is back on the job, has regained his strength, and his healing is valid.")*

## Hemorrhaging Stops, Lung Tumor Disappears

A MIRACLE OF HEALING TOOK PLACE in my husband's body during the missionary convention held Feb. 9-16, 1964, at the Assembly of God here in Port Huron, Mich.

## Healed at 82 Years of Age

I WISH TO SHARE A MIRACLE THE Lord gave us. It shows that no one is too old to receive healing from God.

On the morning of September 23, 1963, my husband, who was 82 years old, became very ill, and I called our pastor and also our doctor. Our pastor came first, and we had prayer.

When the doctor came, Mr. Findley was in great pain, and the doctor sent him to the hospital for X rays. He was having chills and his abdomen began to swell. Brethren from our assembly came, and again we had prayer. The Lord gave us real victory in our hearts. He assured us that our prayers would be answered.

That evening my husband was rushed to emergency surgery and it was discovered he had a ruptured appendix. The doctors gave very little hope for recovery as his system was so filled with poison from the appendix. His advanced age, and the fact that he was in a run-down condition, were also factors against him.

But I had the assurance he was

X rays on February 6 and 13 had given definite indication of a tumor in the lung; and although the sputum test sent to Lansing following these X rays showed no malignancy, his condition was still considered serious by the doctors.

After the second X ray, Mr. DiMoff was prayed for by our pastor and Brother Evans, the guest missionary. He had been hemorrhaging from the throat for eight days. Following prayer this stopped, and there have been no more hemorrhages.

Two weeks after the second X ray, more X rays were taken, and this time the X rays were "perfect." This puzzled the doctors who knew the case was serious and could not normally clear up so soon.

But I testified to our doctor and told him how prayer was made to the Lord, and that no case is too hard for the Lord to heal! He was so happy to hear this and agreed that something unusual had happened. I believe this doctor has received faith through this healing.—Mrs. Thomas DiMoff, Port Huron, Mich.

*(Endorsed by Pastor Gunnar R. Kars, Assembly of God, Port Huron, Mich.)*

all right! He came home October 11, and a week later the doctor dismissed his case.—Mrs. A. Q. Findley, Mission, Tex.

*(Endorsed by Pastor N. L. Lester-jette, First Assembly of God, Mission, Tex., who wrote on April 20, 1964: "Brother Findley was restored to normal health and today continues to be well and strong.")*

## Healed of Severe Cardiac Condition

IN THE SPRING OF 1961 I WAS STRICKEN with dropsy, caused by a cardiac condition and hardening of the arteries. The doctor gave me medicine, but I did not improve and was having *blacking-out* spells. A fluroscope examination showed my heart out of place and enlarged, my blood pressure so low it would scarcely register.

I became very ill; could not talk above a whisper. I could eat very little and could not turn myself in bed. The doctor told one of my daughters I would not live over two weeks and might go at any time.

For 18 years I had been a backslider, and realized I was not right with God. I began to confess my sins to God and ask Him to forgive me. Because of weakness I could not speak in an audible voice, but nevertheless the Lord saved me and gave me peace of heart.

My granddaughter who attended the Assembly of God in Rogers, Ohio, requested prayer for me there. Pastor Stewart had special prayer and also came to visit me. He anointed me with oil and they prayed for my healing. I began to get better and soon was up and able to get about with assistance. My appetite returned.

I promised God I would attend church when I was able. When the doctor gave permission to drive the short distance, I began to go to church even though I could not sit still and had to have a great deal of air. But God was good to me. After special prayer by the church I was not "passing out" any more, and felt better than I had in a long time.

Then suddenly my blood pressure went down again, but once again Pastor Stewart anointed and laid hands on me. The church united with him in prayer. I felt the power of God going through my body—the Lord had healed me!

I began to work at carpentry and did my house repairs and painting. Now, two years later, I am still going strong! My heart and blood pressure are normal. I am Sunday school superintendent and assistant teacher of the Bible class. I know the Lord has healed me. Praise His Name!—Melvin E. Brown, New Waterford, Ohio.

*(Endorsed by Pastor D. G. Stewart, Assembly of God, Rogers, Ohio.)*

## Healing Still Holds

In June 1963 God healed me of hemorrhoids in answer to prayer. Later I began to have severe side and stomach pains and swelling. I suffered for about two months, until in October I felt I could not stand it any longer.

At a Wednesday night prayer meeting I requested the church to pray for my healing. Thank God, He touched me that night! The next day I began to improve, and gradually the swelling and pain disappeared. I am still well today.

These and other healings have been enough to let me know we have a big and wonderful God!—Mrs. Frank McInnis, Melvin, Ala.

*(Endorsed by Pastor Norman Sanders, Assembly of God, Melvin, Ala.)*



Phillip Edward Holmes

## Boy Healed of Asthma Following Angels' Visit

FROM THE TIME HE WAS BORN, OUR son Phillip was allergic to milk, so until he was weaned feeding him was difficult. He had many colds and was under the doctor's care constantly.

During his first week in school he became ill and our pediatrician told us he had asthma. An allergy clinic in Oklahoma City confirmed the diagnosis and prescribed four shots a week for him.

After taking the shots two years he had another severe attack of asthma. This time the doctor advised us to change climates if at all possible.

We considered selling our business and moving. I even wrote to a friend in California about renting an apartment.

We had not told our pastor about our possible move. We were Christians and loved the Lord, but somehow we had been unable to trust the Lord for our son's healing. One morning I called our pastor's wife and told her our story. She said, "I feel led to have you call Brother V. G. Greisen in Springfield, Mo., and ask him to pray."

I turned from the phone and looked at my small son. I said, "All right, Lord."

When I called Brother Greisen

(who used to be our District Superintendent) he said, "Sister Holmes, the Lord will heal your boy. You stay right where you are and give God all the praise!"

I spent most of the rest of that day in prayer and praise to my wonderful Lord.

The next morning Phillip awakened very much excited. "Mother," he said, "two angels came to my room last night." He told how they looked and where they stood. He said they only looked at him; one stayed longer than the other; and then they just disappeared.

I tried to explain to him that he had a dream, but tears came to his eyes and he insisted, "Mother I wasn't dreaming! I was awake!"

From that day on he has not had a shot or a single attack of asthma. We give God all the glory!—Mrs. Wayne Holmes, Salina, Kans.

*(Endorsed by Pastor Fred W. Prather, First Assembly of God, Salina, Kans., who writes, "For the past year we have watched this case and Phillip's healing stands today.")*

# COMING SOON!

## NEW VISUAL AID



# TO HELP TEENS

## GET THE POINT!

Word of Life Literature now offers full-color, die-cut visual aid for classes using the *Teen Teacher*. Called *Teen Visual Aid*, this all-new teaching tool will be available for Fourth Quarter, 1964. Look for it on part three of your Gospel Publishing House Sunday School Order Blank or order direct from:

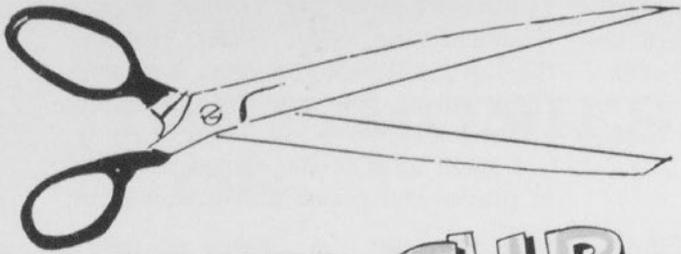
**GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE**

1445 Boonville Ave.

Springfield, Mo. 65802

or 239 E. Colorado Blvd.,

Pasadena, Calif. 91101



**SOUTHWESTERN A/G COLLEGE**

WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE ..... GRADE .....

DEPT. EDUC. P. E.

**CLIP-  
QUICK**

**COLLEGE  
INFORMATION PAGE**



**PLANNING FOR COLLEGE?  
FIND OUT WHY...**

*you get*

**MORE IN**

**AN ASSEMBLIES OF GOD COLLEGE**

In addition to a quality academic program,  
you will enjoy . . .

- . . . help from Spirit-filled teachers
- . . . Christian approach to all subjects
- . . . fellowship with Pentecostal young people
- . . . encouragement from spiritual atmosphere
- . . . opportunities to serve Christ

For information, the Assemblies of God Department of Education invites you to clip the coupons and send them to the colleges from which you would like information.

**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION • ASSEMBLIES OF GOD**  
1445 BOONVILLE AVE., SPRINGFIELD, MO. 65802

**NORTH CENTRAL BIBLE COLLEGE**

910 ELLIOT AVE. SO. • MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE ..... GRADE .....

DEPT. EDUC. P. E.

**NORTHEAST BIBLE INSTITUTE**

MARANATHA PARK • GREEN LANE, PA.

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE ..... GRADE .....

DEPT. EDUC. P. E.

**BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE**  
800 BETHANY DRIVE • SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.  
PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE ..... GRADE .....

DEPT. EDUC. P. E.

**CENTRAL BIBLE INSTITUTE**  
3000 NORTH GRANT • SPRINGFIELD, MO.  
PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE ..... GRADE .....

DEPT. EDUC. P. E.

**EVANGEL COLLEGE**  
1111 NORTH GLENSTONE • SPRINGFIELD, MO.  
PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE ..... GRADE .....

DEPT. EDUC. P. E.

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA COLLEGE**

2525 NEWPORT BLVD. • COSTA MESA, CALIF.

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE .....

**SOUTH-EASTERN BIBLE COLLEGE**

1000 LONGFELLOW BLVD. • LAKE LAND, FLA.

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE .....

**NORTHWEST COLLEGE OF THE A/G**

11102 N.E. 53rd STREET • KIRKLAND, WASH.

PLEASE SEND INFORMATION TO:

NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP .....

AGE .....

## GROUND BROKEN FOR NEW CHURCH

FAIRFIELD, CALIF.—The Assembly of God at Fairfield recently broke ground for a new house of worship. Assistant District Superintendent Reuben Wilson assisted Pastor Eugene W. Ness in leading the congregation in the groundbreaking rite. City officials and Chamber of Commerce president and manager congratulated the church on its progress and proposed new development.

The church plans to build a first unit consisting of 11,000 square feet including a small sanctuary, Sunday school space for 400, and fellowship hall at an estimated cost of \$110,000. Joseph A. Colombo of Santa Ana is the architect.

## 7-YEAR-OLD CHURCH NOW FREE OF DEBT

HATTIESBURG, MISS.—Victory Assembly of God, 1716 Edwards St., had an anniversary service May 17 marking 7 years of ministry by the pastors, Iva Harris and Thelma Denney. A highlight of this service was the burning of a note indicating the indebtedness on the new church (in excess of \$12,000) was fully paid.

Pastors Harris and Denney began hold-

ing services in 1957 in a former beer tavern. The congregation soon outgrew the building and erected the present auditorium. Besides erecting the new church they made payments of \$100 per month on a 2½-acre lot with a five-room parsonage. A piano costing \$900 and a Hammond organ have been bought and paid for.

God has blessed this church spiritually. It is a lively, old-time Pentecostal church established on Bible standards. Brother and Sister O. T. Killion were holding special meetings at the time of the anniversary service. The pastors report it was an old-fashioned Holy Ghost revival.

## CLYDE GOREE CALLED HOME



CLYDE GOREE, 63, of Mobile, Ala., fell peacefully asleep in Jesus May 10 after suffering a series of strokes. Brother Goree was ordained in 1925 in the Oklahoma District. He served on the evangelistic field for many years and touched almost every district of the fellowship. Brother Goree also served as District Presbyter in both

the South Texas and Alabama Districts, and was a General Presbyter also. Pastorate he held included Baytown and Texas City, Tex., Birmingham and Mobile, Ala. His last pastorate was the Orchard Assembly, Mobile, from which he resigned because of ill health in 1960.

Survivors include his wife Imelda, who is also ordained, and two sons, Robert, who is associate pastor of First Church, Oakland, Calif., and Dean, of Mobile, Ala.

## Classified Ads

This column is offered as a service to our readers. All ads are carefully screened before acceptance, but publication of ads does not necessarily indicate endorsement of the advertisers.

RATES: 35c a word; minimum charge \$5.00. Before submitting an ad, write for complete information and copy blank. Address: Advertising Manager, THE PENTECOSTAL EVANGELIST, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri 65802.

### BIBLES REBOUND

INTERNATIONALLY KNOWN SPECIALISTS. Write for illustrated price list. Norris Bookbinders, Greenwood, Mississippi.

### CHURCH FURNITURE

PEWS, PULPIT AND CHANCEL FURNITURE. Low direct prices. Early delivery. Free catalogues. Redington Company, Dept. A., Scranton 2, Pennsylvania.

### HOME STUDY COURSE

PIANO TUNING QUICKLY LEARNED with home study course. Diploma granted. Write American School of Tuning, Gilroy, California.

### FOR SALE

MUSICAL COWBELLS, SLEIGHBELLS, glasses, mystery theremin. Monthly terms. Evangelist Westphal, 1401 Ohio, Michigan City, Indiana.

### MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

ACCORDIONS: BUY DIRECT FROM CHRISTIAN IMPORTER. Save to 75%. Lifetime guarantee. Free accordion course. See and play Italy's finest 1964 model accordions in your home before buying. Priced from \$50.00. High trade-in allowance. Sensational payment plan. Down payment as low as five dollars. Free large color catalog. Write direct to CROWN IMPORTERS, Box 175E, Sioux City 2, Iowa.

ACCORDIONS! WORLD'S LARGEST IMPORTER offers Christian families new 1964 famous makes at savings up to 75%. Free home trial. Easy terms. Trade-ins accepted. Free lessons! Lifetime guarantee. Big catalog free. ACCORDION CORPORATION OF AMERICA, Department PV, 2003 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago 22, Illinois.

GUITARS! BIG DISCOUNTS to Christians! Famous makes. Standard or electric. Five-day home trial. Easy terms. Trade-ins. Free catalog. Write GUITAR WORLD, Department PV, 2003 West Chicago Avenue, Chicago 22, Illinois.

### TENT OUTFIT FOR SALE

EQUIPMENT FOR CITY-WIDE EVANGELISM. Tent 60 by 120, used two seasons, steel main poles with quarter-ton winches. Also new prayer tent 50 by 80. Both tents meet fire codes. 500 steel folding chairs. Large portable platform. Custom-built lighting system, conforms to all codes. 33-foot tandem Dorsey trailer. International L 200 tractor. All at bargain price. Rush inquiry to "Tent," 3717 Chesapeake Way, East Point, Georgia. Phone 766-1359.

### MISCELLANEOUS

WHEN IN WASHINGTON, D.C., attend the Arlington Assembly of God, 4501 North Pershing Drive, Arlington, Virginia. Write: Claude Qualls, Pastor.

COMING TO THE WORLD'S FAIR? Glad Tidings Tabernacle, 325 W. 33rd St., opposite General Post Office, welcomes you to worship in Midtown Manhattan. Near all hotels in Manhattan. Sunday 11 a.m., 3:15 and 7 p.m., Sunday School 2:00. Tuesday and Friday 7:45 p.m., Thursday prayer 7:00.

## EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Eufaula	First	July 19—	Donald & Mrs. Lunsford	W. O. Stephens
Ark.	Lambert	A/G	July 19-26	Royce & Mrs. Lowe	G. N. Robbins
	Little Rock	Oak Forest	July 7-19	H. L. & Mrs. Carroll	T. W. Reddin
	Stuttgart	First	July 13—	Burl W. McAlister	J. D. Craig
Calif.	Maywood	*First	July 12-17	Christian Hild	A. W. Erickson
	Willows	*First	July 13-19	Lynn & Becky Wickstrom	Sam Kern
Fla.	Fernandina Bch.	First	July 13-26	Don & Sharon Parker	E. A. Lewis
	Jacksonville	Oceanway	July 14-19	Musical Wellards	R. G. Thompson
	Tarpon Spring	First	July 19-Aug. 2	Jim & Tammy Bakker	William P. Register
Ill.	Cahokia	*First	July 8-Aug. 2	Wilburn H. Fisher	Charles Lance
Ind.	Anderson	First	July 12-26	Musical Vanderploegs	Robert Bayless
	Chesterton	*A/G	July 12-17	Marie Smith	Robert Mayfield
	Loogootee	Alfordsville	July 13-19	G. A. & Mrs. Snavelly	Evan Paul
	Shelburn	Shiloh	July 14-19	Harry V. Vibbert	Allan Van Winkle
Mich.	Dowagiac	A/G	July 19-31	J. E. Friend	Edgar Kent
Miss.	Laurel	Kingston	July—	Joseph DeGrado	Charles Robertson
Mo.	Buffalo	A/G	July 12-26	Samuel Calk	R. C. Pickney
	Mercer	A/G	July 5-19	Spencer Weddle Family	A. M. Roberts
	Springfield	*Friendship	July 12-17	Gladys Voight	Wm. Bills
	Trenton	A/G	July 19—	Wanda Antwiler	R. A. Donelson
N. Mex.	Carlsbad	Westside	July 19-26	Jerry & Mrs. Roberts	A. R. Aman
N. Y.	Lyons	**A/G	July 12-26	Phillip Barnard	R. L. Kleinstaubert
	N. Y. City	***Glad Tidings Tab.	July 19-26	Gene Burgess	Marie Brown
	Valley Stream	*Bethlehem	July 13-19	Rose Marie Meringola	Gerard Morriello
Ohio	Canton	Bethel Temple	July 12-19	J. G. Hall	Robert Graber
	Hicksville	*A/G	July 19-24	Dedelow-Friederici	Dale Neller
Okla.	Granite	A/G	July 13-26	Franklin A. Burns	H. L. Morrison
	McAlester	**First	July 12-17	Victor Etienne	Jack L. Robertson
Pa.	Brave	***A/G	July 13-26	Irving & Mary L. Howard	Alvin Bradfield
	Chambersburg	*Pentecostal Ch.	July 13-19	Mrs. Robert Beisel	Willis I. Murray
Tex.	Amarillo	First	July 19—	Glen & Faithe Shinn	E. R. Foster
	Cleveland	Plum Grove	July 12-26	Charles & Mrs. McKnight	R. A. Gilbert
	Dallas	Skyline East	July 16-26	Tommy & Esther Lance	C. A. Bird
	Houston	Houmont Park	July 19-Aug. 2	Billy Jones	Paul E. Davidson
	Nederland	A/G	July 19-Aug. 2	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	N. J. Broadus
Wash.	Centralia	*First	July 19-24	Lowell & Andrea Wood	Raymond Wiley
	Gig Harbor	*Harbor Heights	July 12-17	Lowell & Andrea Wood	Art Morlin
W. Va.	Chesapeake	A/G	July 19-Aug. 2	Stan & LaVonne Morris	James Adkins
	Ripley	First	July 14-26	David & Mrs. Lewis	Chester Tennant
S. A.	Brazil	July & Aug.	July & Aug.	Dave & Sherry Harrison	Bernhard Johnson
Can.	Peterborough	Dublin St. Pent.	July 12—	Gene Burgess	James Stevenson

\*Children's Revival

\*\*Tent Meeting

\*\*\*Youth Crusade

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



## ADVANCED CHRISTIAN TRAINING SCHOOL

### CBI Campus

Six courses, with exclusive features for district directors, sectional representatives, pastors, ministers of Christian education, superintendents, officers, and teachers

**INFORMATIVE COURSES \* PRACTICAL WORKSHOPS \* RECREATIONAL AND INSPIRATIONAL FEATURES**

NATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT.



**AUGUST 17-21  
IS  
CONFERENCE  
TIME IN  
SPRINGFIELD**

*Three programs  
Three locations  
Three departments*

*One date  
One city  
One purpose*

*United Rally*

- SPECIAL MUSIC
- NATIONAL TEEN BIBLE QUIZ FINALISTS
- A.C.T.S. SPEAKER, E.E.KROGSTAD



## NATIONAL MUSIC CONFERENCE

### A/G Headquarters Building

The sessions will be geared to the practical for both small and large churches and will be of interest to Music Directors, Ministers, Musicians, and Christian Workers.

**OUTSTANDING MUSICIANS \* INSPIRATIONAL FEATURES**  
MUSIC DIVISION, GOSPEL PUBLISHING HOUSE



## NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE

### Evangel College Campus

For young people themselves as well as leaders. Fellowship and fun with C.A.'s from all parts of the country. Interesting classes and workshops. A service in a famous Ozark cave.

**NATIONAL TEEN BIBLE QUIZ AND TALENT SEARCH  
FINALS \* RALLIES \* WORKSHOPS \* RECREATION**

NATIONAL C. A. DEPARTMENT

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION WRITE THE  
DEPARTMENT SPONSORING THE EVENT OF YOUR CHOICE**

1445 BOONVILLE AVENUE, SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI 65802