

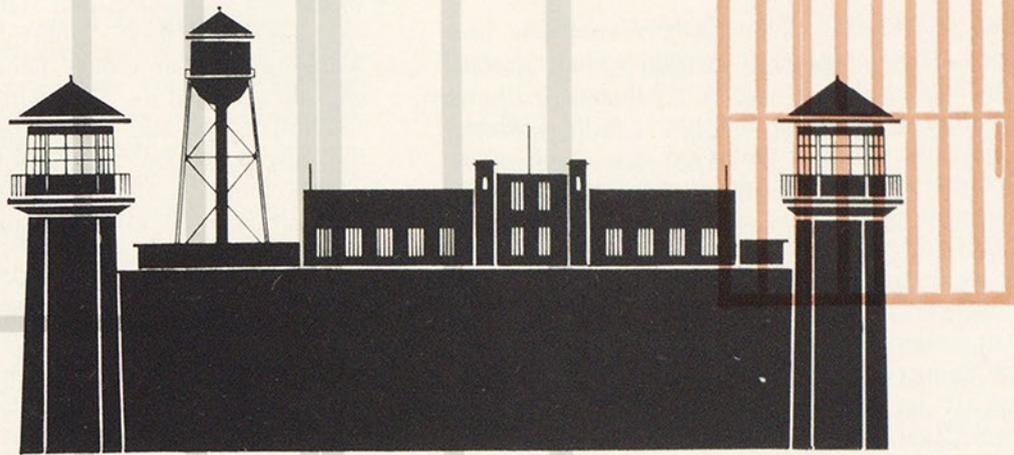
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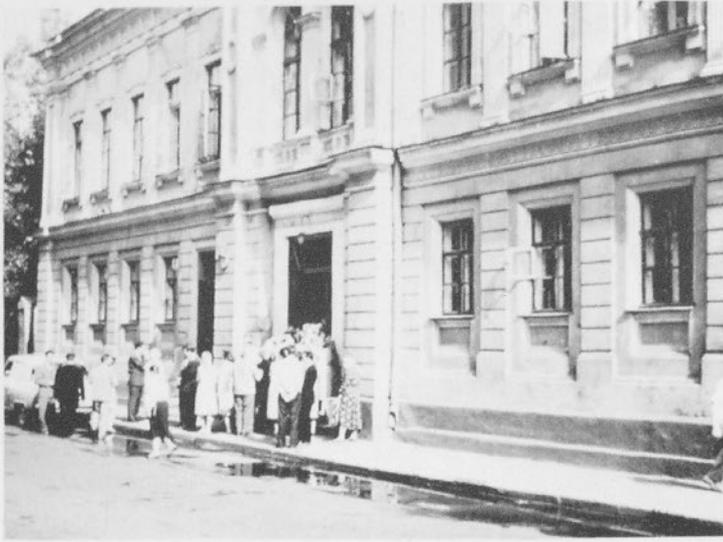
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Today Is National Prison Sunday

"I WAS IN PRISON AND YE VISITED ME..."



Don Mallough took this picture at the main entrance of the church in Moscow prior to the worship service. He found the church packed on the inside so that these people could not get in. The church is unmarked by any sign whatever. Russian law forbids all religious advertising.

meetings for children and young people. As a result there are very few young people in the meetings. (Some have said at least 20 per cent of the congregations are made up of young people. I saw practically no young people in the Moscow church. Most of the worshippers were people past middle age.)

By government regulation all evangelical believers must worship in but one church in each city. The one in Moscow is called The Baptist Evangelical Church. It is not Baptist exclusively but is made up of Baptists, Pentecostals, Mennonites and others of evangelical be-

Pentecost in Moscow

Oklahoma Pastor Describes Visit to Russian Church on Pentecost Sunday

By **DON MALLOUGH**

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I WENT TO CHURCH IN MOSCOW ON PENTECOST Sunday and it was one of the most moving experiences of my life.

When I tell my friends about it, the reactions are sharp and varied. Some consider it incredible that churches can exist in a land that is officially atheistic. Others are plainly bewildered. Many doubt that in a land where Communism prevails the Spirit of God can move upon the people. Others excitedly interpret church-going throngs and fervent worship as signs of a sweeping revival in the U.S.S.R.

None of these ingrained attitudes is entirely correct. Nor are the answers that simple.

Russia is an enigma, even to those who have spent years in that country. The religious situation is not easily grasped. It is a fact that churches are jammed with worshippers. Even standing room is at a premium at any of the six services of the week in Moscow. On the other hand, the church congregations are but a speck in a great city of five million souls. The Russian capital has only one evangelical church!

Churches in Russia come under government regulations which we would term severe. Church buildings are owned by the government and rented to the congregations. Bibles are scarce. No promiscuous distribution of literature is permitted. All church advertising is prohibited. No prayer meetings or other religious gatherings are allowed outside of the church building. A representative of the Communist Party is present at every service to make sure nothing is said against the government.

In such a situation, it is astounding that there are so many conversions and baptisms.

I saw no flags on the platform. There were no prayers for public officials and no preaching on Bible prophecy. The churches are expressly forbidden to have special

liefs. That church has 4,500 members and at each service from 2,200 to 3,000 pack a building that ordinarily would not seat more than 1,200. The church at Leningrad has 2,800 members. There are large churches also in Minsk and other cities. There is an association of such churches known as "The Union of Evangelical Churches—Baptist." In the vast expanse of the 15 republics of the Soviet Union this group is reputed to have over 5,000 churches.

There are 10 ministers on the staff of the Moscow church. The Senior Pastor devotes his full time to the church and also serves as supervisor over the union of such churches in the nation. Others on the staff serve parttime because they must devote some of their time to what the government calls more productive work.

Approximately seven years ago a new era dawned in the Soviet Union. Many restrictions were eased. Tourists



This picture, taken inside the church, shows the choir in the balcony.

were permitted to visit Russia, on a limited basis, and religious restrictions were also slackened. There is not religious freedom as we know and experience it, but there is a toleration for those churches that fit into the prescribed limits of the ruling regime.

To be in the balcony of the Moscow church on Pentecost Sunday 1964 was for me a delightful privilege. I have never seen such a solid mass of people in any church. They were wedged together, sitting or standing quietly and in rapt attention. There was no shifting or signs of restlessness, although the service lasted for two hours. At times one who was seated would give up his seat to another standing but with the least possible disturbance. Just to study the intent looks on the faces was most fascinating.

The four beautiful renditions by the choir and the sermon from the pastor dealt with the Holy Spirit, in keeping with the day. As the meeting came to a close we who were visitors were asked to bring greetings to Christian believers in America and in the other countries of the world. The capstone came when the congregation stood to sing, particularly for us. With every eye turned our way they sang, "God Be with You Till We Meet Again." On the last stanza they drew out their handkerchiefs and waved them. That sea of white, the upturned faces, the sincere expressions of this people-to-people gesture, was a sight I never shall forget. I don't weep easily but the dam broke then and the tears just rolled. The waving congregation, the grasping upward and outward to shake hands, and the warm smiles made Moscow a different city and Russia a different nation than I had dreamed them to be.

An American in Moscow has mingled feelings. He represents one nation and is visiting another. He is aware of contrasting ideologies, competing systems, clashing temperaments, and mentalities that do not understand each other. That is true in Red Square, in the Kremlin, at the tomb of Lenin, at the University of Moscow, at the Exhibition, or in the Gum Department Store. That is Moscow to the average tourist.

To me, Moscow shall always be hundreds of worshippers, smiling, waving, singing and sending greetings by me to all of you. ◀◀

RELIGIOUS ENTHUSIASM HIGH AMONG SOME RUSSIANS

REPORTING ON HIS RECENT VISIT TO MOSCOW, JOHN Allen Moore said: "Youth are fairly well absent from any of the numerous Baptist services, but young adults are not." Mr. Moore is director of the European Baptist Press Service in Zurich, Switzerland.

He said religious enthusiasm was very high at the church. He sat through each of three two-hour Sunday services.

In addition to the services held Sunday morning, afternoon, and night, there are two midweek meetings, he said; but the church is limited by Soviet decree from conducting Sunday school or instructing through setting up other church groups. Worship services are permitted and nothing else.

Bibles are very scarce. No Bibles have been printed in the U.S.S.R. for many years. The scarcity of hymn-

books requires the minister to read hymns aloud before they are sung.

Three teen-age girls were present. They smilingly admitted they were atheists and had come to the church out of sheer curiosity.

But not all teen-agers in Russia are atheists. *Evangelical Press* tells of a 16-year-old girl who recently wrote a "Miss Lonelyheart" letter to the Communist youth newspaper in Moscow—but didn't ask for advice on her love life. She wanted to know what to do with her membership card in the Young Communist League now that she has become a Baptist.

She said she no longer considers herself a member of the Komsomol (Young Communist League). "I have a Komsomol card," she wrote, "but my soul belongs to God."

In characteristic fashion *Komsomolskaya Pravda* replied: "The question of where she belongs is not yet decided, and we are sure life itself will persuade her that religious dogmas are groundless."

In another issue, the daily complained that some Pentecostal leaders in Russia were taking over "good old atheist" songs and putting religious lyrics to the tunes to attract young people at revival meetings. (If the truth were known, the songs may have been religious in the beginning!)

"The God Almighty bestowed no musical talent on members of the Pentecostal sect," the paper said, "and that's why they have to glorify their God with the tunes borrowed from the atheists."

GOD WORKS IN STRANGE WAYS

THERE LIVES, IN AN EASTERN U.S. CITY, A CATHOLIC family in comfortable circumstances. All was going well until the mother and the daughter became afflicted.

The mother acquired the habit of saying to her friends and neighbors, when she met them, "Pray for us." One of her neighbors, at least, took her request seriously. This neighbor was a Pentecostal Christian and she prayed for these people in her own home. Then she went to call on her afflicted neighbors. She explained to them what the Bible teaches about salvation and healing. She showed them Mark 16:18—"They shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Then she placed her hands on both of them, and prayed for them.

In a very short time both mother and daughter showed such vast improvement that they were all delighted. This Catholic mother went to church with her Pentecostal friend. She said she wanted to learn to pray the way she does.

The mother is now thoroughly saved and is filled with the Holy Spirit. She loves the Lord and she loves the Bible—but she never was taught to read. She is learning, and is able to understand some of the words, but when she finds a Scripture passage too difficult for her she takes her Bible to her husband or daughter and they obligingly read it to her. Then she says, "What does that mean?" and they patiently explain the passage to her.

Thus a Catholic husband and a Catholic daughter are teaching the King James Version of the Bible to this mother, who is a Pentecostal believer. God works in such strange ways. He is using this dear woman's ignorance for His glory. —by Fannie Ohanesian

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According to the newspaper account, he was 80 years old. A truck hit him and he died.

His widow, who had lived with him for 60 years, said he had never been sick in bed a day in his life. However, an autopsy occasioned by the circumstances of his death revealed some facts about the old gentleman's physical history that even his wife was surprised to learn.

His lungs were scarred with healed tuberculosis lesions. His stomach showed signs of long-forgotten ulcers. His arteries were hardened. His kidneys showed damage. Evidently he had been sick many times but kept it secret.

He had suffered from almost every disease in the book but never complained! His wife and friends said that whenever he showed any sign of illness he would always shrug it off with the cheerful philosophy, "It will be better tomorrow."

Which reminds us that a person can endure a surprising amount of trouble if he tries. The newspaper did not say whether or not the old gentleman believed in God. If he had faith like Moses he had a sound reason for being optimistic. Moses chose to suffer affliction with the people of God, rather than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season, because he looked down the road to eternity. The hope of a better tomorrow enabled him to endure the worst today.

The Bible says that Moses "endured, as seeing Him who is invisible" (Hebrews 11:27). That word "endured" means he "suffered patiently." And he surely had much to suffer. He suffered the wrath of Pharaoh. Then he suffered the hardships involved in traversing a wilderness. But what caused him the most suffering, probably, was the hardness of the people's hearts. What leader was ever criticized and misunderstood more than Moses? But he "suffered patiently," overcoming one test after another by his faith in God.

At last this battle-scarred veteran died "in the faith," being old and full of years; and his name is inscribed forever in God's hall of fame. What an example he set for all who followed him!

We live in an age of ease. Not many today are willing to "endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ." We want a soft life. We grumble at the slightest inconvenience. We run to the pastor at the least suggestion of unfriendliness. We are puny pantywaists compared to the spiritual stalwarts in Paul's day who "endured a great fight of afflictions" for their faith. They were ridiculed, robbed, and persecuted but they stood their ground. Paul put them in a class with Enoch, Noah, Abraham, and others "who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies of the aliens."

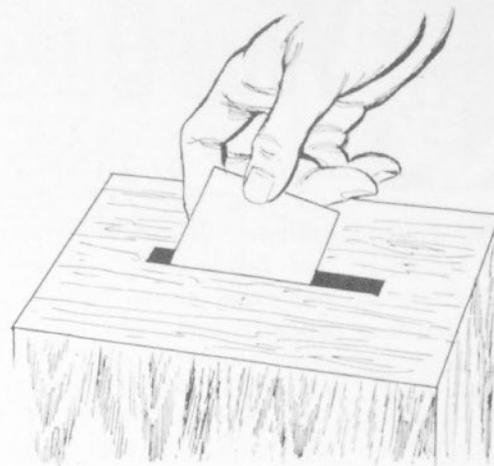
How do we compare with our forefathers in the faith, and with our Master who "endured the cross" in order that the world might be saved? May God give us the patience to endure when the road gets rough. As the old gentleman used to say, "It will be better tomorrow." Eternal glory lies ahead. Let's keep our eyes upon the Saviour and remember that the crown of life is reserved for those who never stop fighting until the victory's won. "He that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved" (Matthew 24:13).

—R.C.C.

Don't let the devil pressure you into wasting your vote. After all, it's YOUR future that will be decided by this election.

ELECTION PROPAGANDA

By **HARLAN WARTENBEE**
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ELECTION YEAR BRINGS WITH IT THE CONSTANT exposure to campaign issues and the personal responsibility of their evaluation. But there is another election, a daily exposure to propaganda, going on all the time in the lives of men and women.

According to the Bible there are two great forces at work in the world. In 1 John 4:6 they are described as the Spirit of Truth and the spirit of error. Elsewhere John informs us that the Spirit of Truth has been sent to the world but the world cannot receive Him. You cannot make a compound of light and darkness.

Satan is working day and night in an attempt to influence this daily casting of votes toward his kingdom. He has many front offices, but the back room machinery remains the same. Here are four methods he uses:

INFILTRATION

Satan, like subtle political forces of our day, will avoid open conflict. By means of infiltration Satan accomplishes his objective but circumvents open conflict. The reason is obvious. While riveting attention on something good, Satan creeps in through an unattended area of weakness. Judas, though occupied as a disciple of the Lord, attentive to Christ's teachings and seeing His miracles, allowed Satan to infiltrate his life on the issue of money. Demas, though occupied with Paul in a missionary endeavor, allowed Satan to infiltrate his life on the issue of love for the world.

In an open conflict, Satan's chance to gain entrance to these lives would have been less effective. But by pressure on their weak points he gained his objective.

CONFUSING ISSUES

For the sake of expediency men will pass over the task of comparing issues on Christian principles and making a decision. Knowing this, Satan turns out tons of propaganda by way of radio and the printed page. His methods have been so effective that no longer is an issue right or wrong on the basis of God's Word, but consideration is also given to the ideas or interpretations of men. Adam and Eve allowed themselves to become confused over the issue of eating fruit. God said, "Thou shalt not," but Satan said, in effect, "God knows you will know good and evil." Though Satan told the truth, he confused the issue. This was not a question of what the fruit would or would not do, but a question

of obeying the command of God. The underlying reason why man has such a difficult time deciding what is right and wrong is his failure to follow the principles of God. He would rather lean to his own understanding.

MOB PSYCHOLOGY

Every individual has the inborn desire for recognition. Some satisfy this desire by "tooting their horn," others through outward adornment, or by working hard for a cause. If the recognition desire is not satisfied through one of these, one more avenue remains—becoming part of a demonstrating mob. Mob leaders know this trait and exploit it. But how often the demonstrator himself does not understand his reasons for association. In the "lynch trial" of Christ, the subtle method of mob psychology was at work and three definite steps are visible.

The first step was the demonstration for the release of a prisoner as Pilate used to do (Mark 15:8). Step two was the demonstration for the release of the mob's choice. The chief priests "moved" the people to ask for Barabbas (Mark 15:11). Having gained one objective the leaders swayed the people to gain the second.

The final step was the demonstration for carrying out the mob's sentence. The prisoner who wasn't released must be punished, and although the mob made the decision for Pilate, this was the main objective of the priests all along. So frenzied is this method of securing recognition that people do and say things they would not do under other conditions. This mob took an oath upon themselves. If Pilate wouldn't take the responsibility for Christ's sentence, they would. "His blood be on us and our children," they cried. Common sense says, "If in doubt, don't." But these people were in no state of mind to employ common sense. The reluctance of Pilate should have caused them to take a careful view of what they were doing.

FEAR

There is a fear against standing alone for anything, even if it is right. Satan knows this and uses fear as an effective influence in men's decisions. To help in his campaign, he has coined words and phrases such as squares, old fogies, goody-goodies, etc., which he applies to anyone who follows right principles. Those who fear such names offer no fight. A vote is cast for Satan and he wins another election. When we stand for the principles of Christ, we are standing for Christ. Mark



Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

What is the meaning of "Let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me"? (Matthew 16:24)

To take up our cross means that we live unselfishly, bear burdens patiently, and show the spirit of Christ in our relationships with others. Sometimes it is hard to do these things, and this is where the cross comes. If we can suffer in the spirit of Jesus, or serve anywhere helpfully for Jesus' sake, we are then taking up our cross in a right spirit. If we serve grudgingly instead of cheerfully as a Christian should, we suffer spiritual loss, which if continued, could result in loss of the soul.

I have heard it said that the witch of Endor did not actually bring up Samuel (1 Samuel 28). Was Samuel really brought up, or was it a spiritualistic hoax?

Some believe what the witch brought up was a demon, pretending to be Samuel. Others believe that God intervened and it was actually Samuel. If it was a hoax, why should the witch have become terrified when she "saw Samuel"? (v. 12) How was it revealed to her that it was King Saul who had come to her, who had decreed that all witches should be put to death? And could a demon spirit have foretold that the next day Israel would be defeated and Saul and his sons slain?

If it was Samuel, then this is another evidence of conscious life after death. Those who believe the soul dies with the body, to await the resurrection, naturally would refuse to believe it was actually Samuel.

Were the Laodiceans saved, or were they only professors of salvation? (Revelation 3:14-20)

The Laodicean church was one of those spoken of as golden candlesticks, among which Jesus walked (Revelation 1:13). He rebuked them for their lukewarmness but this was not a sign that He did not love them, for He said, "As many as I love I rebuke and chasten." Its members were exhorted to overcome, with the promise, "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne." But the church as a whole, while greatly blessed materially and probably socially, was woefully lacking spiritually.

Some believe the church was in such a state of spiritual declension that Jesus, who had been pictured as "in the midst of the seven candlesticks," was now on the outside, pleading for individuals to open their hearts and let Him in. "Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me" (Revelation 3:20).

The condition of this church is a great warning to us not to court material prosperity and worldly approval at the expense of self-sacrifice and the way of the Cross. "Let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall."

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.

8:38 says, "Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels."

Being aware of the "wiles of the devil," let us also be aware of the provisions of God.

Against evil infiltration we have a defence through God. "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand" (Ephesians 6:11-13).

Against the deceitful confusion of issues we have the messenger of clarity. "Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come" (John 16:13).

Against seeking recognition of people by mob psychology, or bragging, or self adornment, we have the recognition of God. "But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly" (Matthew 6:6).

Against the fear of standing alone, we have the companionship of God. "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matthew 28:20).

The facts have been given. Your life is at stake depending on your vote. You are voting in the biggest of all elections. Someone said: "There is an election going on all the time. The Lord votes for you; the devil votes against you; but you cast the deciding vote."

What will it be? ◀◀

DID JESUS ENJOY THE DINNER?

JESUS HAD HARDLY ENTERED THE HOUSE AT BETHANY before Martha excused herself and went into the kitchen. This great Teacher whom she loved and admired was to have the best. Soon Martha was at work, cooking and baking, wondering and worrying, while Mary sat at His feet.

When Martha came into the room to get Mary, she did not address her sister. She spoke to the Lord instead, "Bid her therefore that she help me." But Jesus did not oblige. It is doubtful if she listened for the divine truth in the Lord's answer. In her eagerness to entertain the Teacher she could not entertain the truth. She tried to call her sister from His presence!

At length the planned dinner was prepared. Do you think Martha enjoyed her dinner? No. She had been angry with her sister. Now she was ashamed of herself.

Do you think Mary enjoyed the dinner? No. Her sister had embarrassed her. Mary was not at ease.

Do you think Jesus enjoyed the dinner? It is difficult to say. Possibly He felt that His very presence made trouble for these sisters of Bethany.

"One thing is needful," Jesus had insisted. And it was not a helping hand, in this instance. It was a hungry heart.

—JOHN PITTAM

S. S. SCULL LAID TO REST

"Know ye not that there is a prince, and a great man fallen this day in Israel?" (2 Samuel 3:38).

IT WAS AN HONOR TO LAY TO REST SAMUEL SHERRED Scull, one of the Lord's princes. Brother Scull died at the age of 101 years, one month, and 12 days. He said he lived in the most interesting period of world history. He lived to see many great changes—from the days of horses and sailboats to the landing of a rocket on the moon. But more important to him was the privilege of living in the days of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. He believed this was part of God's last great move before the coming of Christ.

Brother Scull was born in a log cabin in Inzerne County, Pennsylvania, on July 16, 1863. First licensed to preach in Iowa and later ordained as a Methodist elder, he was assigned his first pastorate at Mapleton, Iowa, in 1894. Afflicted with tuberculosis, he moved to Arizona in 1903 but was physically unable to preach for some years after that. In 1907 he grasped the truth of Divine Healing. He prayed earnestly and the Lord healed him.

While operating a gospel mission in Phoenix Brother Scull heard about the outpouring of the Spirit in Los Angeles, and went to see for himself. What he saw moved him so deeply that he began conducting Pentecostal meetings in Phoenix in 1907 although he himself did not receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit until 1908. By identifying himself with the Pentecostal movement he lost his membership in the Methodist church.

Sometimes called "the father of Pentecost in Arizona," he continued for the rest of his life to preach the full gospel. After affiliating with the Assemblies of God in 1922 he evangelized and engaged in Bible-teaching ministry in the West, mostly in California and Arizona. Among the churches he pastored were those in Pasadena and North Hollywood, Calif., and Phoenix, Ariz.

At the age of 90 he retired from active ministry but occasionally he preached and wrote articles for *The Pentecostal Evangel* in his 90's. He even preached several times after his 100th birthday.

He passed away Aug. 28, 1964, in a nursing home near Mesa, Ariz. James D. Bell and L. V. Hertweck were assisting ministers at the funeral which was held in the First Church of the Assemblies of God in Mesa. Brother and Sister Delbert Gribbling sang, and Vi Rawlings played the organ. The pallbearers were Assemblies of God ministers.

Married three times, two wives having preceded him in death, Brother Scull is survived by his wife Florence (Carhart) Scull, age 89; two sons, Reese E. Scull, a minister in Rialto, Calif., and Samuel C. Scull of Los Angeles; two daughters, Mrs. O. E. Brainerd of Northampton, Mass., and Mrs. L. Dow Wright, wife of a minister in Oakridge, Oreg.; eight grandchildren; 23 great-grandchildren; and a number of great-great-grandchildren.

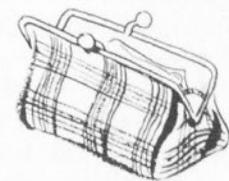
Brother Scull was an honorary member of the general presbytery of the Assemblies of God. He left a great influence for right wherever he lived and ministered. He was such an inspiration at the last; one almost wished to go with him when he talked about going to heaven.

—By J. K. GRESSETT
Arizona District Superintendent



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By **PAUL R. MARKSTROM**

National Prison Chaplain

A CASUAL COMPARISON OF AN AVERAGE FREE COMMUNITY with a penitentiary, or "iron city," would reveal significant similarities. In each exist necessities essential for survival: food, clothing, and shelter. Some of the population are transients. Some are settled residents. They are from north, south, east, and west. They represent practically every state, the majority of professions, and about every vocation. Yes, you might almost assume that the little iron city is the same as any free community. But it is not!

Prisoners are not different because of any apparent lack of emotion. They are usually aware of every pang. They are not unlike the paralytic boy who dreams of baseball and football, or the destitute person who wistfully gazes through the store window. This is their emotion. Their tears fall within the heart.

Neither are prisoners different because they have a number. Is not all of life a total of digits entered in an unseen ledger which will be accurately tallied some day? The prisoner is different because he cannot stand alone on the crest of the hill with his face to the breeze. The breeze must glance off a stone wall before it brushes his cheek. The moon and stars must look upon him

The author is indebted to Frederic L. Blaisdell for many of the thoughts in the preceding article.



National Prison Chaplain Paul R. Markstrom counsels with an inmate.

through iron bars. Yes, in the iron city there is an abundance of steel and concrete. And an abundance of time.

Time is endless and everywhere. They know it so well. Not as youth and laughter know it, utilize it, and live it—but as a speck of dust on a crumpled page—as tears and age know it. The prisoner's calendar refuses to beckon the seasons. Its consort, the timeless clock, clings eternally to every ticking moment.

Bitterness and resentment are brought into sharp focus by failure in the prisoner's life. Add to this the pangs of separation, the lingering loneliness when sleep does not come. Here there is no present. Only a taunting yesterday and an uncertain tomorrow. Know these, and you will know the inmate's innermost feelings. Into this fertile field, this unavoidable vacuum, the seed of the Word of God is often readily accepted.

Mankind must never underestimate the recreative powers of the Holy Spirit. God has promised that His Word shall not return unto Him void, empty, fruitless. Considering these factors, the Prison Division of the Assemblies of God has directed its efforts for the salvation of the imprisoned. Several thousand Bible correspondence courses especially designed for inmates are sent monthly to those serving time. These courses help the inmate find himself in relation to God and his fellowman, thereby acquiring an inward peace, a sense of direction, and true freedom. The Prison Division has received in turn hundreds of testimonials of regenerated lives through the prisoners' study and acceptance of God's Word.

This new-found completeness has dispelled the anxious hours of uncertainty and loneliness, changing a living death into a vibrant life. Time is now being invested in growth of spirit and mind.

"Stone walls do not a prison make, nor iron bars a cage." This is true for the inmate of the iron city who has found freedom of soul. Freedom is not a physical quality but a spiritual inheritance. ◀◀◀

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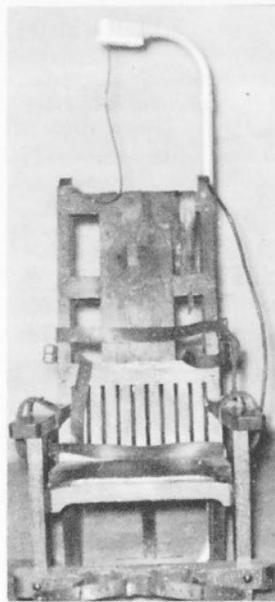
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'O Death, Where Is Thy Sting?'

(1 Corinthians 15:56)



THESE LAST WORDS, "I'LL BE WAITING OVER THERE TO say 'Good Morning,'" were spoken by a condemned prisoner, James Cohen, just before he died in Alabama's electric chair September 4, after spending almost four years on death row.

Clifton Carney, pastor of First Assembly, Demopolis, Ala., and James Cohen had just prayed and read the Bible together for almost three hours.

The condemned man left a testimony of the goodness of the Lord. With Christ in his heart he walked calmly to the chair. It was after telling everyone good-bye that he turned and said, "Everything is all right now, Brother Carney. I'll be waiting over there to say 'Good Morning.'" With a smile of peace on his face, the prisoner met his Maker.

Pastor Carney has faithfully been counseling with the men on death row in the Kilby Prison, Montgomery, Ala., about their spiritual well-being. Mr. Cohen found the Lord as his personal Saviour last July 26. Another inmate was baptized in water September 19.

Since the Cohen death, four more men have met their scheduled date of execution. These four men also knew the Lord as their Redeemer. Two of them have diligently studied God's Word through the free Bible study courses the Prison Division of the Assemblies of God supplies to prisoners. Pastor Carney stated that he was planning to walk the last few steps with these men as they go to meet their death. Even in the face of punishment by death God's children are able to know the all-sustaining grace of the Everlasting Arms.

Eleven of the remaining 16 men on Kilby's death row are taking our correspondence courses. We are able to provide these courses because of the many faithful contributors who support this ministry.

The Prison Division is most grateful for pastors like Brother Carney who have expanded their ministry to include those inside prison walls. We also appreciate the kindness and cooperation of the Kilby Prison authorities.

Edwards Street Assembly in Alton, Ill., includes jail ministry as an important part of its church program. Facts in the following article appeared recently in *The Alton Telegraph*.

Regular Jail Ministry Yields Dividends

FOR THREE YEARS A GROUP FROM THE EDWARDS STREET Assembly of God in Alton, Ill., has faithfully visited Madison County jail to offer spiritual comfort to prisoners, assuring them that they are not forgotten men in the eyes of God and their fellows.

According to Sheriff Barney Fraundorf, the Edwards Street Assembly squad is the only group that makes regular visits to the prisoners in this jail. Their program is a simple one. After being admitted to the cell block, the squad members travel from cell to cell greeting inmates. The leader then invites the prisoners to choose favorite hymns. If there is no request, the group will launch into a gospel song such as "The Lily of the Valley," or "Washed in the Blood." Following this, sometimes a prisoner will request a particular hymn. "The Old Rugged Cross," "What a Friend We Have in Jesus," "Throw Out the Lifeline," "Amazing Grace" and "Near the Cross" are the most frequently requested songs. Often the inmates join in the singing. At times they kneel to pray with the squad.

The informal services include brief portions from the Bible such as the parables of the prodigal son or the good Samaritan. Before leaving, members of the band reassure the inmates of their constant prayers and interest.

Squad members make no attempt to proselyte for their denomination. They state: "We only want these men to turn or return to God. If they belong to a church we want them to turn toward it once again." Members of the group feel that their efforts have been amply rewarded, and Sheriff Fraundorf agrees. Their visits have done much good among the prisoners. A number of prisoners contacted have taken Bible correspondence courses supplied by the Prison Division of the Assemblies of God. Several who have been transferred to the state penitentiary at Menard, Ill., are still systematically studying God's Word.

The pastor of the Edwards Street Assembly, Richard Dortch, and the assistant pastor, Roger Johnson, often counsel with the prisoners encouraging them to enroll in the Bible correspondence courses and leading the inmates to find themselves in relationship to God and their fellowman. ◀◀◀

TODAY IS NATIONAL PRISON SUNDAY

Over 105,000 Bible study courses have been distributed free by the Prison Division of the Home Missions Department. Over 5,200 prisoners are presently studying our Assemblies of God courses.



Scenes like this were common throughout Operation Utah. C.A.'s found in some cases that mixed teams swept aside preset resistance encountered especially when two young men went together. Rich Peterson from Full Gospel Chapel, Denver, Colo., shows a scripture to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Piatt as Judy Moyer, C. A. President at Faith Tabernacle, Tulsa, Okla., looks on.

Youth with a Mission and a number of churches which gave monies to pay for the 50,000 *Evangelists* and "door openers." The latter was a cartoon-type salvation literature piece with the names and addresses of Assemblies of God churches.

It all began five years ago as a burden in Darrel Madsen's heart, a desire to "translate the dedication of youth into effective action." He talked with others who had the same burden, including Roy Sapp, Speed-the-

The Big 'Hi'-Operation Utah

D. V. Hurst Tells Thrilling Story of Gospel Invasion of Salt Lake Valley

IT WAS THE CHEERY GREETING AND THE BIG SMILE THAT opened doors for teen-age witnesses in Operation Utah. By the end of the week they were being invited into better than 50 per cent of the homes they approached. On the final day, by actual count, one group was welcomed into 40 of the 43 homes approached.

Almost 100 C.A.'s from the Rocky Mountain District and Oklahoma, Arizona, California, Idaho and Texas converged on Salt Lake City, Utah, August 22. They were there for a week of intensive door-to-door literature evangelism preceded by orientation and training. These young people had been challenged to expect "long hours, hard work, fatigue and sunburn." There would be "no social time and they would have to furnish their own transportation to the city and back." They would be provided "meals and a place to stay." And they would have full opportunity "to engage in front-line soul winning with many other teen-agers." They came with eager anticipation, anxious for the training and days of soul-winning action.

Operation Utah was sponsored by the C.A.'s of the Rocky Mountain District led by Darrell Madsen, District C. A. president. It had been planned long in advance as an expansion and follow-up of Operation Tooele of the previous year. It was assisted by friends from

Command center at Layton, Utah, one of the invasion areas. Left to right: Nelda Jackson, Pastor Jasper Weaver, Lorraine Gaurmer, and A. W. Wood. Mr. Wood, although confined to a wheelchair, said, "I'll do what I can!" and helped fold the "door opener" pieces.

Orientation session at First Assembly, Salt Lake City, being led by District C. A. President Darrel Madsen.

Pastors, evangelists, and C.A.'s praying over the literature during orientation session. Left to right: Loren Cunningham, D. V. Hurst, Darrel Madsen, Kenneth Brethouwer, Donald Anderson, Russell Cox, Jasper Weaver, Peter Pilot, James Eastin, James Mayfield, Paul Baugher, Wm. Mitchell.

Light Representative of the National C. A. Department. He learned what others were contemplating and doing. In Tooele, Utah, a national Home Missions "Break-through" project, Darrel Madsen had what he needed—a challenging opportunity in his own district. He took a squad of young people to Tooele for a saturation invasion. It paid! And the biggest reward was "the change in the kids, themselves; they were transformed," he said.

Now for a bigger field! The C.A.'s targeted on 11 areas in the Salt Lake Valley where Assemblies of God churches were needing help. They would enlist the aid of ministers, too. For a whole week they would go "door to door" during the day and then hold services at night in each of 11 churches. They would cover some of the towns in their entirety. In larger cities, selected areas would be covered.

Saturday afternoon, August 22, was an exciting time at First Assembly, Salt Lake City, the orientation center. The literature had arrived; the young people had gathered and the counselors worked to interview and assign squads. Orientation followed—lecture and lab. There



would be more lab and retraining on location. Saturday and Sunday the squads dispersed to the field and the invasion was on!

Cities included in the invasion territory were: Salt Lake City, Ogden, Roy, Layton, American Fork, Moab, Monticello, Roosevelt, Kearns, Provo, and Midvale.

The approach at the door that the C.A.'s used varied. But the big "Hi" and broad smile worked best. One young lady used this: "Hi! My name is _____. This is my friend _____. I'm sure you can't guess what we're doing!"

It was my privilege to work with Darrel Madsen in "lab training" and "riding circuit" (going from squad to squad, counseling, encouraging and retraining).

The experiences the C.A.'s had would fill a book! Experiences ranged from total rejection at the door (including the "slammed door" and anger) to complete acceptance with hour-long conversations, conversions and prayer. Many C.A.'s were fearful at first; but not for long. Many were exceptionally well-experienced in soul winning and they helped the others.

Typical comments of the teen-agers were: "I'm having the time of my life. . . . I wouldn't miss this for anything. . . . This is fun. . . . I can do this at home. . . . I wish _____ were here. . . . I was afraid; but not now. . . ." And even, "I'd like to forget school and do this all year!"

These C.A.'s had a sense they were in a "Book of Acts" kind of experience. And the advisers and pastors had, too! The WMC's who housed, fed and transported the young people from street to street felt the thrill of it all and wanted to be involved further. Pastors felt this was the answer. The church was seeing something it had long yearned for.

These C.A.'s were out to sow the gospel seed in testimony and literature and to reap a harvest where they found it. Many teams had opportunity to pray with friends the first day. Others met rebuff and resistance; but they continued on confidently. By the end of the week they had made over 12,000 home contacts and had given out over 26,000 pieces of literature. Many testimonies to conversions were reported. At least 90 decisions in homes and 30 conversions in the services were recorded, with some reports yet to come. Several were filled with the Spirit in the evening services. In one city, for example, at least 40 names and addresses of



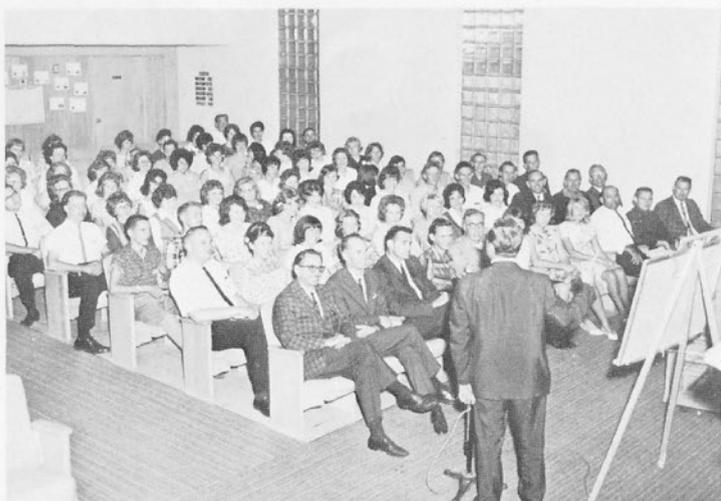
"SECOND-TIMERS" TESTIFY—In the invasion force were four C.A.'s who had participated in the Tooele action in the summer of 1963. Shown here with D. V. Hurst they were (left to right): Carolyn Myers, Tooele, Utah; Janie Munday, Pueblo, Colo.; Beverly Emerson, Commerce City, Colo.; Joan Stephens, Grand Junction, Colo. When Brother Hurst asked what the gospel invasion had done for them personally, they answered: "It drew me closer to God. . . . It was a turning point in my life. I learned to trust God as never before. . . . I won a soul and it was the greatest thrill I ever had. . . . I'd give up anything to take part in another gospel invasion. . . ."

receptive persons were left with the pastor for follow-up.

The climaxing Saturday night rally, featuring the ministry of Dave Wilkerson, was held in a Junior High auditorium in Salt Lake City. It saw scores come for salvation and dedication in its altar call.

But there are more contacts to be made—there is more literature to be given out—and the Rocky Mountain C.A.'s are doing it. In fact, local Utah squads continued the week following and reached into additional areas. Some of the C.A.'s are starting this "invasion" activity back in their own groups in Colorado. Pastor Peter Pilot of the First Assembly, Salt Lake City, scheduled an "invasion" for Cedar City during the Utah Teachers Convention October 8-9.

Tentatively the C.A.'s have set aside their Easter vacation for another lab invasion in Utah. Again the typical comments of the C.A.'s themselves tell the story: "I'll be back. . . . I'll go anywhere to do this; just let me know. . . . Let's do this again." ◀◀



Los Angeles Area Feels Impact of Soul-winning Invasion

By LEONARD NIPPER

Pastor, Boulevard Assembly of God, Wilmington, California

AT THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT MEN'S FELLOWSHIP breakfast March 17, 1964, Sam Jordan, insurance executive of Ottumwa, Iowa, told how God had used men in his home church and in "action invasions" elsewhere to engage in personal witnessing. The ministers and laymen present seemed electrified as he described the results of these "soul-winning invasions."

As a result, Marcus Gaston, pastor of Calvary Full Gospel Assembly of Inglewood, and I met with presbyters Warren Hill of the Los Angeles section and L. B. Reynolds of the Harbor section to set forth plans to sponsor an "invasion" in the Los Angeles area. Rally breakfasts were held to discuss the plans with the cooperating pastors of the area. "Invasion" plans were finalized with Burton Pierce, national secretary of the Department of Men's Fellowship. Arrangements completed, all looked forward eagerly to the coming of the team which included businessmen Sam Jordan, Charles Capps, Lloyd Young, Bill Wind; and Burton Pierce and Wildon Colbaugh of the MF department, who flew from Springfield, Missouri, to conduct the "invasion."

Laymen and pastors from both the Harbor and Los Angeles sections gathered Saturday, June 6, at 7:30 p.m., for a united rally at the beautiful Western Avenue Assembly of God. The impact and inspiration which at-



L. L. Shipley (left), pastor of Calvary Assembly, Long Beach; Warren Hill, pastor of Western Avenue Assembly, Los Angeles; Marcus Gaston, pastor of Calvary Full Gospel Assembly, Inglewood; and Leonard Nipper, pastor of Boulevard Assembly, conferred on the results of the Soul-winning Invasion conducted by the churches of the Harbor and Los Angeles sections.

tracted the men at the March MF breakfast was again evident as they heard the men of the invasion team describe how God had directed them in soul winning, and as they listened to Sam Jordan's inspiring message. The meeting was climaxed with a real Pentecostal breakthrough. Men's lives were changed, the Holy Spirit helped break the "fear barriers," and faith increased for a great victory in soul winning.

On both Sunday morning and evening, the Invasion team members fanned out to churches in both sections to challenge the local congregations. By the time of the opening training session on Monday evening enthusiasm was running high.

Training sessions were held at the Boulevard Assembly of God in Wilmington and the Western Avenue Assembly of God in Los Angeles, on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights. The first two nights were devoted to approach in house-to-house visitation. Another point discussed was how to open a conversation and direct it toward soul winning. How to bring a person



The laymen went out two by two into the neighborhood surrounding the church and then returned to give their testimonies. The men are from Calvary Assembly in Long Beach.



At the report meeting in the Los Angeles section the men standing brought back victorious testimonies of God's power to overcome fear and to help them to lead people to an experience of salvation through Jesus Christ. Members of the Invasion team are Sam Jordan, second from left, Lloyd Young, second from right, and Wildon Colbaugh, right.



While leadership and direction of the Soul-winning Invasion was spearheaded by the Men's Fellowship, women attended the training sessions and participated in the actual house-to-house visitation. Shown in the photo are the ones who attended the session of the Los Angeles section and the report meeting following an hour of personal witnessing in the surrounding neighborhood.

to a definite decision for Christ was thoroughly explained at both sessions. Armed with confidence the workers were ready for the actual "invasion."

Pastors cooperated in sending teams of men and women to the two churches on Wednesday night, while others remained behind to pray. At 6:45 p.m. the "invasion" began. One hour later, the teams returned rejoicing.

As the reports were given it was learned that 15 souls were saved! A glorious time of rejoicing took place. Men and women were determined to return to their own local church and continue a personal witness for Christ. Reports continue to come in from cooperating churches that the "invasion" is continuing and that souls are still being won.

A few weeks after the soul-winning invasion reports began to come from the sponsoring pastors. Warren Hill, pastor of Western Avenue Assembly of God, Los

INVASION TEAM INSPIRES MEN TO WIN OTHERS FOR CHRIST

"The visit of the Men's Fellowship Soul-winning Invasion team to Central Assembly made one of the most inspiring and dynamic impacts that we have ever experienced in our church. It was thrilling to see the response of our men. Armed with the instruction and inspiration of other laymen they went out to win other men for Christ."

—VICTOR TRIMMER
Pastor, Central Assembly of God
Wichita, Kansas

Angeles, reported: "One family won to Christ during the 'Invasion' was in church the following Sunday, and another family has been won to the Lord since then."

L. L. Shipley, pastor of Calvary Temple, Long Beach, reports: "The team of local men which returned to our church testified that their fear barriers had been broken. They felt that they could now witness for Christ and win souls in their own locality. Another team of men reported they had led a soul to the Lord."

Marcus Gaston, pastor of Calvary Full Gospel Assembly in Inglewood reports: "Three of our men have won souls since the Invasion, following techniques taught by the team. The interest is spreading throughout the congregation to make this a part of the church's regular activities."

Concerning our own church in Wilmington, we are happy to report that souls have been won each week since the invasion as local teams have gone out to witness for the Lord. The number volunteering each Thursday evening for the witnessing-visitation program is increasing. The greatest thrill is to see the change in the life of the one who leads another to the Lord. Truly this is the greatest move we have seen in our church for many months. ◀◀

Glen Bonds and Thomas M. Ming, Sr., pastor of the First Assembly, Wilmington, gave their report while Burton Pierce, national secretary of Men's Fellowship and leader of the invasion listened with interest. The excitement and thrill of witnessing and returning with a report of victory was climaxed with spontaneous praises to God (right photo).





Humility

Sunday School Lesson for November 15, 1964

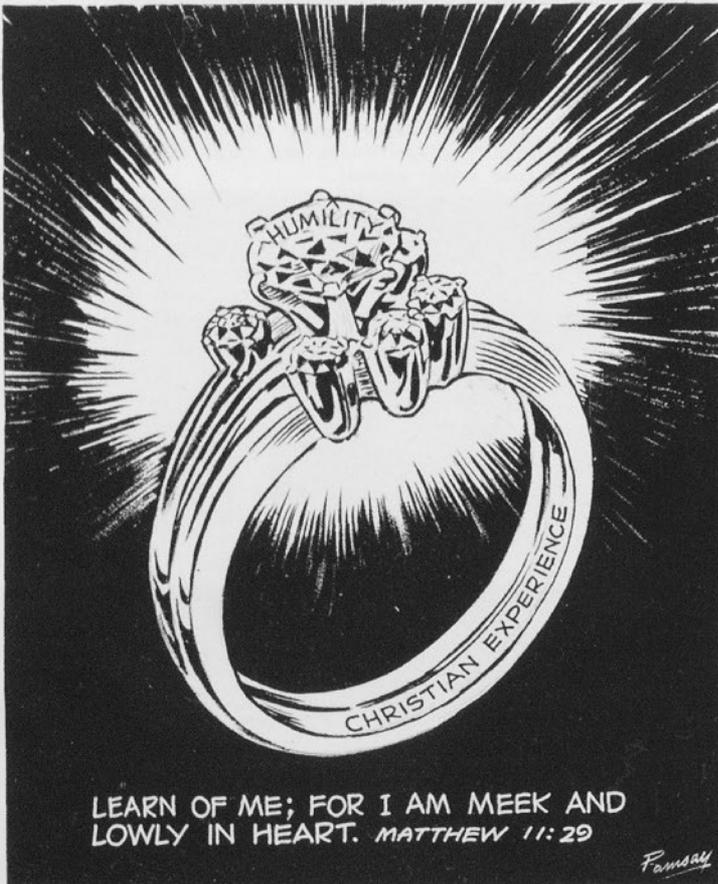
LUKE 14:7-14; 1 PETER 5:1-6

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

In the spiritual realm the way up is down! This principle was stated by Christ in the words of our text: "Whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted." Jesus had been invited to dinner at the home of a prominent Pharisee. What he saw as the other invited guests gathered provided the occasion for His teaching.

Humility's Pathway (Luke 14:7-11). "Now he told a parable to those who were invited [when] he noticed how they were selecting the places of honor" (Amplified Version). And human nature has not changed. There is still the mad scramble by status seekers and social climbers, by men greedy for prominence and power. This in turn means pride, cruelty, dishonesty, snobbery. In the process there is resultant envy, jealousy, hatred, bitterness, and misery. Worst of all, this scramble for honor from men is seen in the church where of all

NOT VERY IMPRESSIVE WITHOUT THE DIAMOND



LEARN OF ME; FOR I AM MEEK AND LOWLY IN HEART. MATTHEW 11:29

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places it should be conspicuously absent! How we need to return again and again to Christ's own words for life's guiding principles!

To these proud ones Jesus said, in effect: "It is better to take the lowest place and be invited up, than to take a higher place and be invited down!"

Humility's Practice (Luke 14:12-14). Humility expresses itself in true hospitality. These verses have a definite bearing upon the preceding ones though the relationship may not seem evident. In the scramble for social, political, or religious favor, men are prone to invite others to dinner in order to attain social status or political favor; and much that goes under the label of hospitality may be simply calculated selfishness and self-seeking! Jesus made it very clear we ought to make a special effort to show love and hospitality toward those who cannot do anything for us in return. How many of us take Him seriously at this point?

Humility's Pattern (1 Peter 5:1-6). "Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility; for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time."

A study of Peter's letters reveals the fact he often alluded to some of his own experiences recorded in the Gospels. For example, compare 1 Peter 5:8 with Luke 22:31, 32; and 1 Peter 5:2 with John 21:15-17. It is very likely when Peter spoke about being clothed with humility he had in mind the time when Jesus washed the disciples' feet.

The expression *be clothed* comes from a Greek word that describes the apron worn by slaves when at work, to keep their dress clean; so these words might be rendered as follows: "Put on the apron of humility to serve one another."

"Jesus, knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God and went to God... riseth from the supper, and laid aside his garments; and took a towel, and girded himself... and began to wash the disciples' feet." Here is one of the most beautiful and sublime statements in God's Word. It illustrates and illuminates the meaning of true humility. Jesus, fully aware of His divine origin and deity, fully cognizant of the authority given Him by the Father, and fully conscious of His mission and destiny, thought it not inconsistent with all this to stoop to the most menial of tasks, doing what was always the duty of the household servant—washing the feet of household guests!

By this act Jesus forever glorified the common task. Furthermore, He emphatically disproved the common notion that a man may be too big or too great to stoop to an insignificant task.

Humility, then, as seen from the above examples, has to do with our attitude toward ourselves, toward others, and toward our actions in relation to others.

"Humility," according to William Law, "does not consist in having a worse opinion of ourselves than we deserve, or in abasing ourselves lower than we really are. But, as all virtue is founded in truth, so humility is found in a true and just sense of our weakness, misery, and sin. He that rightly feels and lives in this sense of his condition, lives in humility." <<<

Challenge

By CHARLOTTE SCHUMITSCH

"BEING A MISSIONETTE SPONSOR IS A VERY REWARDING experience. Working with the girls has had the double effect of humbling and challenging me." Thus wrote a Missionette sponsor recently. This expression is typical of the way hundreds of Missionette sponsors feel about their work.

Truly it takes a lot of hard work and planning to have a successful Missionette club. But the time spent in prayer and preparation is worthwhile when girls are saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. It is a joy to see projects completed for missionaries at home and abroad. The hours spent visiting the ill and the aged bring satisfaction to girls and sponsors alike.

This verse expresses the feeling of many Missionette sponsors:

*One woman takes her extra time
And knits it into lace.
Another takes her extra time,
Embroideries to trace.
The lace may wear a little while,
Perhaps go out of style.
The colors of embroidery fade
In just a little while.
But she who twines her extra
Time in lives of lad and lass,
Produces that which shall endure
When time and tide shall pass.*

Recently the president of one of our Assemblies of God Bible colleges remarked, "We can see a tremendous difference in girls who have had Missionette training." This is the way it should be. If being a Missionette does not make a difference in girls, there is no point in promoting the program. By the time a girl has completed all the steps and honor work on the *Stairway to the Stars* achievement program she is well grounded in Assemblies of God doctrine, and is more fully aware of our great missionary endeavors.

A number of Senior Missionettes who have completed their work and reached the age of 17 have been chosen to serve as Junior sponsors. The training and experience received in past years is invaluable in their work with younger girls.

Personal witnessing is an important part of Missionette training. No doubt the record for tract distribution goes to two senior Missionettes from Evangel Assembly, Long Beach, Calif., who handed out 12,000 tracts in 12 weeks. Only eternity will reveal the results of their efforts.

The Spiritual as well as social benefits of a Missionette Club are many. Through this outlet girls can expend some of the energy that is built up within them. One of the outstanding attributes of youth is boundless energy. It must be channelled in the right direction, and a Missionette Club is ideal for this. ◀◀



These happy, active Junior Missionettes are from First Assembly, Sulphur Springs, Tex. Linda Owens, president, reports that the girls have a service in a rest home once a month and take the patients favors which they have made. The girls have made coloring books from Beginner Sunday school papers for a missionary in Alaska, and collected postage stamps which are sold to purchase reference books for overseas Bible schools. They have also sent useful items to the Hillcrest Children's Home and helped purchase songbooks for their church.



Phyllis Gasaway, left center, and Nancy Warner, right center, are shown as they were crowned Honor Stars at Glad Tidings Assembly, North Little Rock, Ark. Also in the picture are Miss Mattie Patillo, Arkansas District WMC President, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Gasaway, Mrs. Cloie Warner, Pastor Chas. Warner (not related to Nancy) and (with the crown) the sponsor, Mrs. Bessie Stewart. The girls completed the achievement work in three years. Nancy is now cosponsor of a Missionette Club.

Iran

David Matweyiw, missionary to Lebanon, visits Iran and finds indigenous churches thriving near the USSR border.

... a modern witness in an ancient land



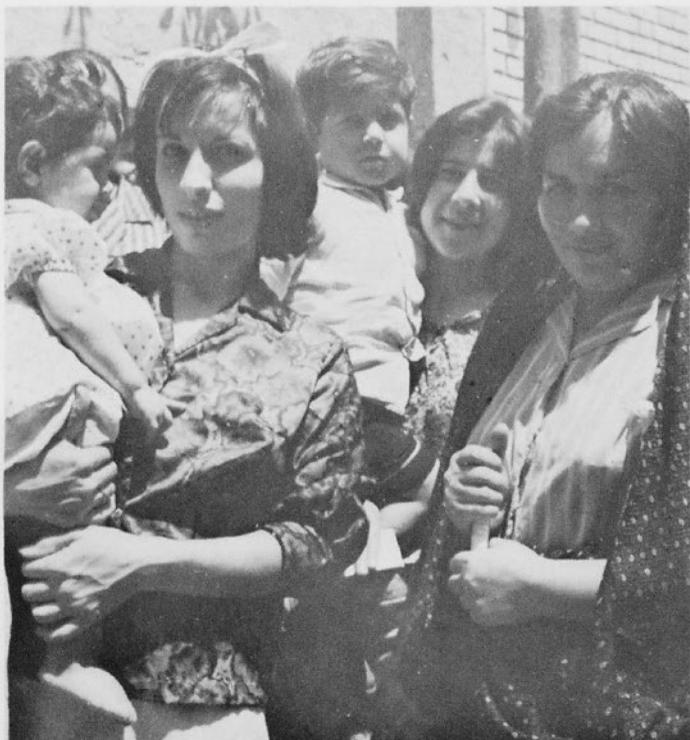
Missionary Matweyiw (left) assisting in baptismal service

THE SHORT VISIT I WAS PRIVILEGED TO PAY TO IRAN AS speaker for the recent Assemblies of God ministers conference was a highlight in my life. Since no Assemblies of God ministers from America have been stationed there for 20 years, I had opportunity to observe the progress of an indigenous work.

There are 13 churches and preaching points and 13 ministers, with about 1,300 believers in this predominantly Moslem country. Tooma Nasir is superintendent of the work. He was saved in Russia under the ministry of John Varonaeff in 1921, and God has used him in a special way through the years.

While in Iran I was a guest in the home of Brother and Sister Youarish Neesan, pastors in Rezaieh, not far from the USSR border. They treated me royally. On the first Sunday there I was privileged to minister at the dedication of the new church at Dezzatakka, a village some 15 miles from Rezaieh. Joseph Solomon was the host pastor.

For the next seven days the Iran ministers conference was held in Rezaieh. We had morning, afternoon, and



Listeners at Dezzatakka



Pastor's home at Rezaieh



Host Pastor Neesan



Top left: Personal workers from Teheran
 Top right: Babylon wall visited enroute to conference
 Above: Esther's tomb at Hamadan

evening services. There were also children's meetings every day with as many as 90 in attendance at one time. Evangelist David Thomas and three other young men from the Filadelfia Church in Teheran went into the outlying villages every morning, distributing tracts and inviting people to the evening services.

Many came to these evangelistic meetings as a result of this effort. After several of the evening services people stayed to pray for the infilling of the Holy Spirit. At the close of the meetings we counted 69 converted and several filled with the Spirit, including one of the elders.

On Monday we went back to the village of Dezzatakka for a picnic and baptismal service. Here seven more were saved; then Superintendent Nasir and I baptized 14 believers. Mrs. Neesan, the wife of my host, was one of these. It was a happy climax to a great week for all of us.

I returned to Lebanon with the knowledge that our brethren in Iran are pressing forward to victory, and that they welcome and appreciate our fellowship. ◀◀◀



... and Mrs. Neesan

Superintendent Nasir

Interpreter Thomas

Iranian girl at Hamadan

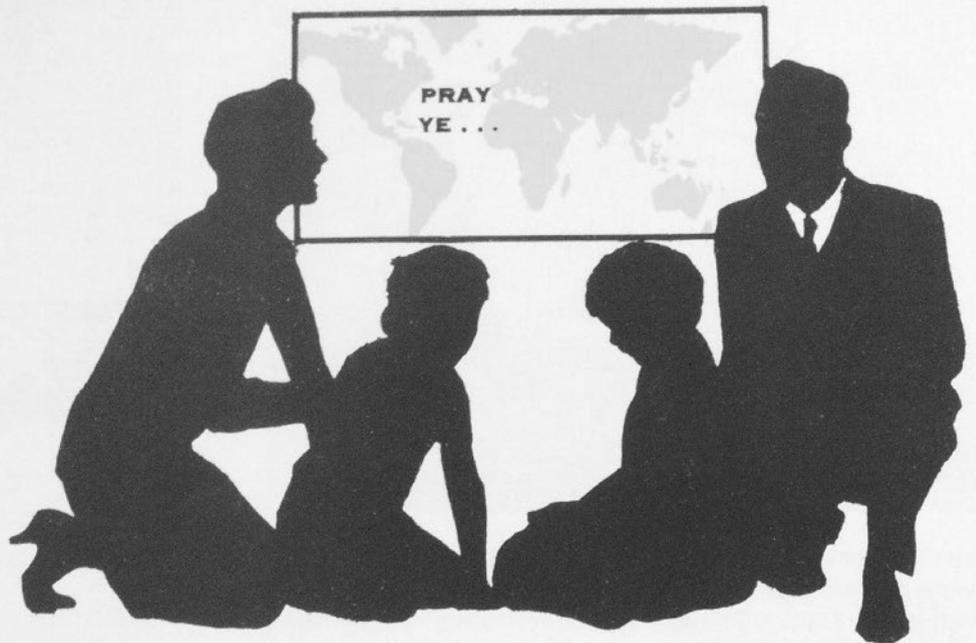


If the Tables Were Turned...

If you were the needy one, and your pastor were able to help, would you expect *him* to share with *you*? Of course you would—and of course he would help. Giving is a natural part of his complete dedication to the ministry to which he has been called. You are his concern—it is to you he is commissioned to minister. But must it be so one-sided that when he is an old and helpless man, you owe him nothing?

In November the Department of Benevolences will review applications for assistance to aged ministers and missionaries for the coming year. The applications will have to be studied and carefully analyzed so that only the most needy of those who apply can be helped with finances. Aged Ministers' Assistance funds are far too limited to give aid to all those who need it, and thus many people who have unhesitatingly given everything must now be denied. If, in your opinion, this is not right, cast a tangible vote. Give generously to:

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Homemade Missionaries

BY MARY TREGENZA

THERE IS A LARGE CHAPTER IN MISSIONARY annals for Mary Slessor of Calabar. But Mary was only one of the 14 Slessor children who went to the mission field. There were seven others. And the mother went too while staying at home.

Mrs. Slessor's going was in the lives of her children whom she raised with the vivid consciousness of the world's unreached millions. She went also in the ministry of intercessory prayer. It was her custom to pray daily for the salvation of all men everywhere.

There are only two institutions in our society that are of divine origin: the home and the church. And their task is the same. When properly oriented to God's plan, both are engaged in the task of producing disciples. The Slessor ratio should not be considered unusual—only unusually high where *foreign* missions are concerned.

In his secular education, alert parents chart a tentative course for Johnny even before he is born. The what-are-you-going-to-be-when-you-grow-up-Johnny attitude might be leaving it a dozen years too late. What sort of world will Johnny enter, cap in hand? (Better if that cap be a college gradu-

ation cap with matching diploma and gown.) And Christian parents must inevitably add, "What will be the claims of Christ on our son's life?" This son with an eternal destiny.

Most of the child's religious education must take place in the home. Ideally, the repetition of these truths in the Sunday school and church only confirm and illustrate these principles in the wider Christian community. Early ideologies—the lasting ones—are unconsciously formed in the home years. Education never happens. In its finest sense education is not the formal communication of subject matter. It is the shaping of people. Constant, reverent exposure to the plan of God and the claims of Christ at the altar in the home must result in dedication. The geography of that consecration—home or foreign—will depend a great deal on the exposure of that life to the needs of the world missions field and to the missionary personalities who are actively meeting that challenge.

Do we need a converse illustration to show us the strength of the Christian home? "In the Soviet Union of the sixties, the atheist State and vigorous Christianity are battling for the souls of children and youth," writes

J. C. Pollock in *Christianity Today*. "Broadcasts and articles continually attack the 'harm done to young children by religious instruction at home.'"

Elsewhere in his article, "Christian Youth in Soviet Schools," Pollock had this to say:

"Where a Christian couple are determined to prevent atheist indoctrination, and teachers or Party equally determined the other way, stronger measures are used: the parents can be deprived of parental rights and the children sent away to be brought up in a State home or in an 'Internat,' one of the new experimental boarding schools. Deprivation of parental rights is becoming lamentably frequent."

How shall Christian parents in America steward their privilege of freedom and surround their families with a curriculum of discipleship?

They might begin by selecting a missionary family with the same age children for special correspondence and interest. And a missions bulletin board in the home could become the meeting place for a changing panorama of maps, missionary prayer cards, correspondence, foreign stamps, and photographs. The Foreign Missions Department of the Assemblies of God offers a growing number of missionary biographies and brochures.

As well as including missionary biographies in family reading, children should be similarly introduced to national workers. It heightens both personal and prayer interest to know by name that Bible woman in India and the national evangelist in Africa. Remember though, a realistic view of all missionary personalities is important

to avoid hero worship. If a missionary is special, it is because he is a servant of God and not because he has crossed the ocean and seen a lot of wild animals.

With the step-up in communications, the family unit is exposed to constant appeals for finance from within and without its own denomination. Obviously local church and denominational commitments deserve priority. We have sent our missionaries abroad with this assurance. They are, in this respect, from our own house. Paul warns that neglect of our own renders us worse than an infidel. But above and beyond these regular commitments, how about a family council coming together after individual research to debate and nominate a particularly needy field for an additional self-denial offering? The area of consideration could relate to that section of world missions the family is studying.

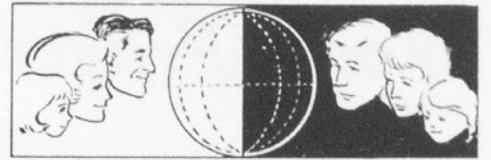
Requests for curios to be used decoratively and as special occasion gifts would place an undue burden on the missionary often many miles from mail centers. But these heighten foreign missions interest and may be obtained from the listings in the classified columns of leading national home magazines.

One missions-minded family learned to speak French at the dinner table. The experiment of praying in the foreign language was a highlight of progress, and an association of sorts with the French-speaking peoples of the world. This also made the entertainment of a missionary who spoke the language a special delight.



Some lists are cold, workaday lists. But Christmas lists are warm, thoughtful—*lists of love*. Won't you add our foreign missionaries to *your* list of love this year? Because of their remoteness it is so easy for us to forget. These faithful, hard-working messengers should be remembered along with the others you love. Send your gift to Foreign Missions Department, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo. 65802; designate *Foreign Missions Christmas Fund*.

◆ AT CHRISTMAS TIME . . .



◆ . . . REMEMBER OUR FOREIGN MISSIONARIES ◆

World governments and systems are changing. News media and magazine writers are penetrating the hinterlands of the world. To missions-oriented families the names of some of these far-away places have a familiar ring. In a sense, this gives world missions an urgent link with the present. It also relates it to the unfolded future where tomorrow's headlines lie yet unprinted in the prophecies of God's Word. For this reason the introduction of a simple study of eschatology into family missions study is not incongruous. And it would pay its own dividends. Wherever you find a prophetic message in the New Testament you also find an emphasis on godly living.

Christian parents owe it to their children and to God to broaden the spiritual horizons of the home to include God's plan for all men everywhere. And to shorten the national horizons of their home until the back fence borders Nepal, New Guinea, and Nyasaland. This they must do, but having done this they can do little more. Over-anxious parents must never rob the child of the priceless ingredients of his own consecration.

MUSEMENTS FOR MINORS

BY DICK CHAMPION

GOLD, SILVER, AND PRECIOUS STONES

Precious things have always been of great interest to man. The Bible uses some of these to help us see spiritual values.

In one column below are listed some of these precious stones. In another column are some situations or descriptions which relate to these precious stones. Can you match the precious stone with the descriptions?

Precious Stone	Description
—1. Pearl	A. Price of wisdom is above that of this stone
—2. Pure gold	B. Throne Ezekiel saw looked like this
—3. Jasper	

- 4. Jewels of silver and gold
- 5. Sapphire
- 6. Onyx
- 7. Emerald, sapphire, and diamond
- 8. Rubies
- C. Stones the high priest carried on his shoulders
- D. Gates of new Jerusalem made of this
- E. One row of stones on the high priest's breastplate
- F. What Abraham's servant gave to Rebekah
- G. Street of new Jerusalem made of this
- H. Wall of new Jerusalem made of this

ANSWERS: 1—D (Revelation 21:21); 2—G (Revelation 21:21); 3—H (Revelation 21:18); 4—F (Genesis 24:53); 5—B (Ezekiel 1:26); 6—C (Exodus 28:18); 7—E (Exodus 28:18); 8—A (Job 28:18).



Vancouver to Be Site of Revivaltime Crusade and World Prayermeeting

GLAD TIDINGS CHURCH, VANCOUVER, Washington, will be the site of a *Revivaltime* crusade, November 17-22, and the 1964 World Prayermeeting, November 22.

Climaxing the week-long crusade featuring Evangelist C. M. Ward as guest speaker, the Prayermeeting will immediately follow the Sunday broadcast service on the ABC radio network.

The Radio Department has chosen for this year's Prayermeeting theme, "Let your requests be made known" (Philippians 4:6). This is an invitation to listeners throughout the world to make known their needs and to trust God for deliverance.

Prayer requests sent to *Revivaltime* from around the world will be taken before the throne of grace as the broadcast audience, the *Revivaltime* team, and local prayer groups everywhere unite hearts and voices in prayer and supplication. Prayer requests and reminders will be sent before November 22 to all local prayer groups participating.

Last year's Prayermeeting saw 36,362 prayer warriors on their knees bearing nearly 22,000 individual requests to God. This year an even greater participation is expected. Those who have urgent needs are encouraged to send their requests to *Revivaltime* immediately.

Lee Shultz, national secretary of radio and producer of *Revivaltime*, will direct the crusade services, November 17-22. He will also assist in the preliminary speaking engagements in the area.

Arriving Thursday, November 19, Cyril McLellan will direct the area choir in preparation for the Sunday broadcast service. Bartlett Peterson, executive director of radio and narrator for *Revivaltime*, will join the team for the last day of meetings and the broadcast service origination.

Vancouver is one of the largest and busiest ports on the Columbia River, linking the rich Columbia Basin on the east with the river's mouth 83 miles to the west. The gateway to trade with Alaska and the Far East, it has a population of approximately 50,000. Vancouver is just a 15-minute drive from Portland, Oregon.

Scores of unsaved persons will make their way to the *Revivaltime* crusade, and many will find Christ as their personal Saviour. We solicit the earnest prayers of every reader for this great endeavor. Your prayer support will mean much to the success of the meetings.

Each local church, Women's Missionary Council, and Men's Fellowship group is invited to join *Revivaltime* in prayer on November 22. Prayer requests and beautiful plastic prayer reminders will be given to all who participate. Pastors and group leaders are encouraged to write in advance to *Revivaltime* giving the number of persons who will be praying so that a sufficient number of prayer requests and prayer reminders can be sent.

Revivaltime is concerned about lost souls. This great crusade and Prayermeeting will give many persons an opportunity to meet the Master. The weekly broadcast service reaches more than 12 million listeners each week with the gospel. We need your help for this soul-saving outreach. Your gift at this time will mean much to the furtherance of this worldwide radio ministry of deliverance and salvation. Send your offerings to *Revivaltime*, Box 70, Springfield, Mo. 65801.



Glad Tidings Church, Vancouver, Washington, located at 2410 Grand Blvd., will host the 1964 World Prayermeeting origination of *Revivaltime*. Immediately following the release of the broadcast service, an hour of intercessory prayer will be held for the prayer requests which have been sent to *Revivaltime* in reply to this year's theme, "Let your requests be made known." Inset is Wayne Adams, pastor of the host church.

"NOW"

A Bible Study

By ARTHUR PETRIE

SOME VERY PRECIOUS TRUTHS ARE connected with the word "now" in the New Testament.

1. *The "Now" of Salvation*

"Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, *now* is the day of salvation" (2 Corinthians 6:2). This shows that we live in the age of grace, and that the door of salvation is wide open. It is "now" for each soul. Many have let that "now" go by and have lost out.

2. *The "Now" of No Condemnation*

"There is therefore *now* no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus" (Romans 8:1). Glorious fact! Blessed experience! Paul indicates that "the accusation is thrown out, and the indictment quashed." Believers are not "reckoned" or accounted righteous before God.

3. *The "Now" of Sonship*

"Beloved, *now* are we the sons of God" (John 3:2). There is more in that statement than any of us can take in fully. If we only knew what it really means—"Now are we the sons of God!" It is a fact Christian believers may well take to heart. We may rejoice in that we are *now* children of God. Other relationships of the flesh matter little if one is a child of God.

4. *The "Now" of Holy Living*

This is seen in Romans 6:22—"But *now* being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness." It is the purpose of God that all justified souls live a holy life. The sixth chapter of Romans shows how. There are two other "now" verses in the chapter, and these must be true of us if we are to realize the "now" of verse 22.

Verse 21 speaks of "those things whereof ye are *now* ashamed." Am I thoroughly ashamed of the deeds of the self-life, of all the sins of the flesh?

Verse 19 says to all believers, "*Now* yield your members servants to righteousness unto holiness." God grant for His glory that we may not only rejoice in the "now" of no condemnation, but may also rejoice His heart in the "now" of holy, wholesome living.

5. *The "Now" of Citizenship*

"*Now* therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the saints, and of the household of God" (Ephesians 2:19). No matter what our citizenship may be down here, faith in Christ brings us into the family of God and makes us citizens of heaven. And we may hope to have our part in the holy city which is to come down out of heaven from God.

6. *The "Now" of Abiding*

"And *now*, little children, abide in him; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming" (1 John 2:28). It is important in view of the imminence of the coming again of the Lord Jesus that we be abiding in Him *now*. We should be abiding in Him so that when He comes we shall have an open countenance for Him; and have no occasion for blushing at His sudden appearance.

7. *The "Now" of Release and Comfort*

"*Now* he is confronted" (Luke 16:25). It is the statement concerning the poor beggar named Lazarus. It shows us that those who have departed this life in the faith of Christ are in a present state of happiness, and are comforted. (The original here is very expressive and picturesque. It shows Lazarus as then receiving comfort from ministering hands. "But *now* and here he *is receiving* consolation.") There is therefore a "now" of blessedness to the ones who were in Christ, but are *now* with Him.

8. *The "Now" of the Resurrection of Christ*

"But *now* is Christ risen from the dead" (1 Corinthians 15:20). The Greek original brings out the *permanence* of the fact of the resurrection of Christ. It is a present truth and a present fact of the Christian faith that we have a resurrected Christ, and that there is blessing for believers *now* in that fact. For it is written, "*Now* is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept."

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TESTIMONIES OF HEALING



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

HEALED OF NERVOUS DISORDERS

I had suffered with nervous disorders for years, but in November 1962 my condition became acute. I could not retain food of any kind. Our doctor explained that my nerves had caused a blockage in my digestive tract, resulting in the nausea and vomiting. He prescribed medication and a very soft diet for six months. I tried this for three days, but was unable even to keep down the medicine.

In my great need I asked Pastor Butrin to pray for me, and the Lord instantly healed me. That evening I ate a normal meal and kept it down. That was over a year ago and I have not had any recurrence of stomach trouble since.

When our son, now 13, was two, we were told by doctors that my nervous condition was the reason we could not have any more children. This was a disappointment to us. However, since God healed my nerves, this condition has changed, and we are looking forward to a new baby soon.—Mrs. George Wallace, Lake Ariel, Pa.

(Endorsed by Pastor George Butrin, First Pentecostal Church, Hamlin, Pa., who says, "We recently dedicated the Wallaces' newborn, healthy baby to the Lord.")

CHRONIC ULCER HEALED INSTANTLY

Today I am without pain. I eat anything I want without ill effects. But for five years I lived on a strict soft-foods diet, in almost constant pain. X rays revealed ulcers of the stomach. Medicine was ineffective.

Evangelist William Caldwell came to Central Assembly of God in El Cajon, Calif., in January 1963. His ministry strongly emphasized Divine

Healing. One night he prayed for me and instantly the pain left, never to return.

After waiting several months I had X rays made again. They revealed only a slight scar where the ulcers had been.

I give all the glory to God for this healing and praise Him every day.—Mrs. Mae Carroll, El Cajon, Calif.

(Mrs. Carroll's testimony is endorsed by Pastor R. L. Davis, Central Assembly of God, El Cajon, Calif.)

DELIVERED FROM WORRY AND ITS EFFECTS

All my life I had been a worrier, and as a result I developed a serious stomach ailment. At the age of 19 my condition became critical. I could not eat and lost 30 pounds in a short time.

During my stay in the hospital the Assemblies of God pastor visited me and invited me to attend the services of the church. When I was able, I went to the church, and soon gave my heart to the Lord. However, I was not healed and my stomach condition continued to get worse.

During a series of meetings with Evangelist Irene Abrahamson in September 1963 I was prayed for, and went home with the confidence that God had healed me. I ate solid food for the first time in months. And praise God, He not only healed my stomach trouble, but He delivered me from the source of the trouble, my constant habit of worry! He has met many other needs for me since that time. I give Him all the praise and glory for healing and delivering me.—Patricia Teem, Sweet Home, Oreg.

(Endorsed by Pastor W. Price Rutledge, Assembly of God, Sweet Home, Oreg.)

INJURED HIP HEALED

AS THE RESULT OF A FALL, I HAD been suffering severely for several weeks from an injured hip. I could not walk without limping very badly.

When Evangelist Alfred Allen came to our church for meetings, he prayed for me and anointed me with oil in the Name of my dear Saviour. [See James 5:14.]

I was healed. All pain and soreness left and I was able to run! Praise the Lord for His wonderful healing power!—Ruby Brock, Big Stone Gap, Va.

(Endorsed by Pastor Ernest T. Edmonds, First Assembly of God, Big Stone Gap, Va.)

Healed While Seeking a Chiropractor

MY LIFE SINCE ACCEPTING CHRIST has been a succession of wonderful experiences. Divine healing was an early experience. In fact, being healed of a 17-year-old back injury was the deciding factor in convincing me of the genuineness of Pentecostal teaching.

Early in my Christian life I had been called to the ministry and was making plans to attend Bible school, but in the meantime I met a young lady who was an ordained minister of the Assemblies of God. I was first attracted to her because of her indomitable courage. A polio victim, unable to walk since early childhood, she preached the full gospel from a wheelchair, and God honored her ministry. I, among others, was healed through her prayers.

Of necessity, she needed assistance in entering buildings, ascending to the pulpit, etc., and my feet became feet for her. This soon became a mutually agreeable convenience, and we began to plan marriage. Although vigorously opposed, we laid the matter before God and felt we had the green light.

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.

Now, 22 years later, we still think so!

In the winter of 1950 (as I check my diary) we were taking a vacation. We were headed for Texas and pulling a house trailer with a pickup truck. On January 6 we parked for the night adjacent to a gas station in Central City, Illinois. There was ice everywhere, and while carrying my wife from the pickup to the trailer I slipped, dislocating my back. In desperation, I accomplished my immediate objective, and then I was nearly helpless!

My first thought was to find a chiropractor and have my back put into place. Upon inquiry, I was told that seven miles to the west in a small town there was one. With my wife and four-year-old daughter in the trailer, we drove to the next town, only to find the doctor had gone to Michigan, deer hunting, but they said there was another chiropractor 10 miles farther on.

When we arrived there we found this one had gone to Florida. In the next town, five miles on, was an osteopath, but he had closed his office and quit business. Also, there was an ordinance against house trailers staying overnight in the town! There was nothing to do but drive on.

It was after 10 p.m., and I was nearly exhausted with pain and fatigue. The enormity of the situation became overwhelmingly real—in a strange state, several hundred miles from home, helplessly crippled, with an invalid wife and a small daughter—what could be worse?

I was not conscious of praying, other than my habit of praising the Lord in all circumstances, but I sensed a Presence in the seat beside me. A voice, I am not sure whether or not it was audible, said: "*Am not I the God that healeth thee?*" For a while I had no knowledge of the passing of time or miles—just a wonderful sense of well-being!

When I came back to awareness of my surroundings, my back no longer hurt. And, as I placed my hand on the offending location, the dislocation no longer existed.

My eyes cleared of tears and I saw a neon sign with a very welcome "vacancy," where we had no trouble arranging for a parking place for the night. And the next morning we continued on our journey.—*H. M. Stitt, Hastings, Michigan.*

Cricket Plague Rebuked

LATE IN THE SUMMER OF '52 WHILE we were attending Southwestern Bible College in Waxahachie, Tex., we heard that a plague of crickets had invaded the downtown area. Our campus home was in Vets Village, and according to news reports the crickets were coming our way and would arrive within the next few days.

The invasion was so startling that Dallas and Waxahachie newspapers began to carry pictures of the cricket plague. We drove downtown to see for ourselves and found them scaling walls. At times they were three and four inches deep.

Short of funds, we were unable to purchase a repellent spray. But knowing the destruction they could cause we realized we had to do something, and quickly.

I recall how we took the matter to our Heavenly Father. We told Him our fears; that if our clothes were damaged we had no money to buy new ones for ourselves and six children.

While praying, I was impressed to "anoint" the doors and windows with oil. The thought seemed foolish and I tried to dismiss it. When it became persistent I told my wife about it. She shared my own reservations at first, but since we had prayed so earnestly we decided to obey the instruction as an act of faith.

The crickets arrived that night. Horrified, we listened to them in the walls and ceilings, and fearing that they would be everywhere by morning.

When we looked about next day we counted only three crickets in our house, and these were crawling about as though they had been injured in some way. When friends dropped in later they told us of the damage to their possessions in the same neighborhood.

To God we give all the praise for sparing us. We are thankful for Christ's wonderful promise, "Whatever you shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son" (John 14:13).—*Ralph and Esther Koch, Brighton, Colo.*

(*Endorsed by Mrs. Marie True, Seattle, Wash., and by Pastor David Holden, Fort Lupton Park Avenue Assembly of God, Fort Lupton, Colo.*)

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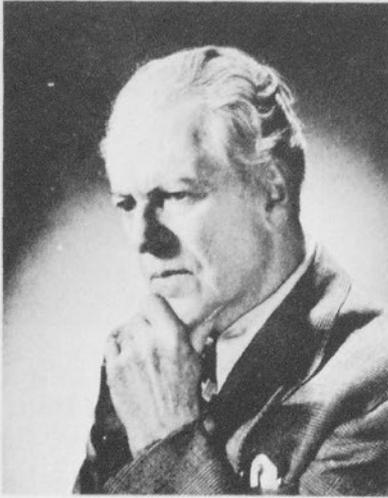
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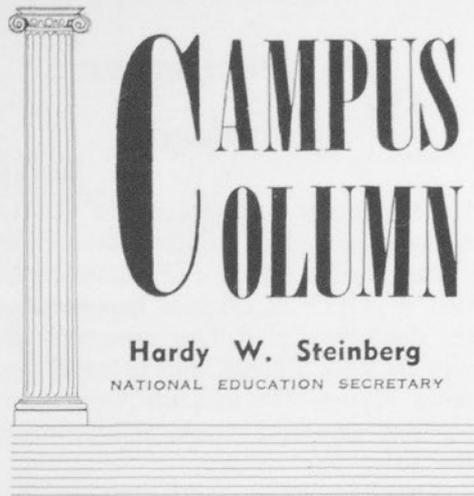
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JAMES D. BROWN JOINS FACULTY OF NBC

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—A well-known evangelist and camp meeting speaker, James D. Brown, has joined the faculty of North Central Bible College as instructor in the field of Bible and Theology.

Brother Brown was graduated from Central Bible Institute with a B.A. degree. He continued his studies at Northwestern University and Garret Theological Seminary, and plans to complete a doctoral program at the University of Minnesota.

In addition to evangelism and convention work in the USA, Brother Brown has ministered in Asia, Australia, and Europe.

At various times during his evangelistic ministry he served as chairman of the Advisory Board of Evangelism for the Assemblies of God, as a member of the Board of Associates of Central Bible Institute, and also as a guest lecturer at CBI for one semester.

FOUNDER OF NCAG RETURNS AS FEATURED SPEAKER

KIRKLAND, WASH.—Announced speaker at the fourth annual alumni homecoming at Northwest College of the Assemblies of God on November 6 was its honored founder, Henry H. Ness. Dr. Ness founded the college under the auspices of the Northwest District Council of the Assemblies of God and served as its first administrative head from October 1, 1934, to January, 1949.

Now residing in Hayward, Calif., Dr. Ness is well known nationally and internationally for his many religious and civic



Henry H. Ness

contributions. He is the author of several publications and has been listed in *Who's Who in the West* since 1953. He has been honored with three doctorates including the D.D. and LL.D. degrees. During Dr. Ness' trips to Europe he has had audiences with heads of state of Norway, Sweden, Italy, and Rumania as well as with prominent leaders of the religious world.

Dr. Ness has pastored Assemblies of God churches in Washington, Minnesota, North Dakota, and California. He established several churches in both Minnesota and Washington where he also served as a district official. In 1949 he was appointed chairman of the Washington State Board of Prison Terms and Paroles by former Governor Arthur B. Langlie, a post he held for six years. While in Seattle he served as chaplain of the King County Jail for 13 years and conducted daily gospel broadcasts for over 20 years.

Almost 4,000 students have been enrolled in NCAG and its graduates number nearly 1,500 since it was organized by Dr. Ness 30 years ago. From among the graduates and former students more than 200 are serving as missionaries and over 500 as pastors.

BETHANY COLLEGE HONORS ATWOOD FOSTER

SANTA CRUZ, CALIF.—Atwood Foster, founder and president of the Church Extension Plan, and former general treasurer of the Assemblies of God, was elected by the faculty of Bethany Bible College to receive honorary membership in Delta Epsilon Chi, honor society of the Accrediting Association of Bible Colleges.

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James D. Brown



President C. C. Burnett (left) presents honorary membership in Delta Epsilon Chi to Atwood Foster.

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EVANGEL FACULTY MEMBER COMES FROM BEHIND BAMBOO CURTAIN

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—From behind the bamboo curtain to the faculty of Evangel College, Li Chung (Andrew) Chei has experienced the leading of God.

Mr. Chei was born in China. Since his grandparents had been contacted by missionaries years before, he had a Christian background. Converted at 13, he was filled with the Holy Spirit when a student at high school.

Li Chung Chei studied opera at the Shanghai College of Fine Arts and graduated in 1937, majoring in voice. He spent the next 13 years as a teacher.

After the communists took over China, Mr. Chei escaped to Hong Kong with his wife and two children. While there he taught at Bethel Seminary and later at Alliance Seminary.

Mr. Chei came to America on a student visa and enrolled at the American Conservatory of Music in Chicago. A friend helped arrange for his passage. A person of less courage would have been dismayed at the idea of taking graduate courses in a strange country and in a new language, but Li Chung Chei persevered until he earned his Master of Music degree with commendations from the faculty.

While studying in Chicago, Mr. Chei served as director of the choir of the Melrose Park Community Gospel Church



Li Chung Chei

(Assemblies of God). It was here he first learned about Evangel College and its ministry to Pentecostal youth.

Mr. Chei joined the Evangel College Music Department faculty as a voice instructor in September, 1963. His application to the U. S. Immigration and Naturalization for "first preference quota status" was approved. He is currently waiting for a place on the immigration quota. When this is granted he will be able to terminate the years of separation and bring his family to the U.S.A.

Mr. Chei loves America. "This country has been so good to me," he declares.

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Evangelism **BREAKTHROUGH**



KANSAS CITY, MO.—A revival was conducted Aug. 9-23 at the Old Camp Meeting Tabernacle here with Evangelist Dean Heady. Lives were changed and blessed as Christians joined together in prayer for the lost.

—George L. Swearingin, Pastor

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NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—God is not forgotten in the midst of World's Fair activities in this city. During special meetings at Glad Tidings Temple in July, Evangelist Gene Burgess of Memphis, Tenn., slanted his message toward the need of each individual to experience revival so that the entire church might have a spiritual awakening. In one of the services, the two young people who were gang members and dope addicts responded to the invitation for salvation. The Spurlows, a nationally known ensemble of 21 youth who play in a band and sing, participated on the closing day.

—Marie Brown and R. S. Berg, Pastors

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AMARILLO, TEX.—The revival conducted by Evangelist Glenn Shinn at the First Assembly of God here was well attended. All enjoyed his anointed ministry and Mrs. Shinn's ministry in music.

—C. E. Spilman, Assistant to Pastor E. R. Foster

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SILEX, MO.—In a meeting conducted by Evangelist Glenna Byard of the Southern Missouri District at the Assembly of God here, July 19-Aug. 2, three were saved and two reclaimed. The entire church was blessed and folk were stirred to tarry for the Baptism. On the last day of the meeting seven were baptized in water, and two joined the church.

—William F. Hill, Pastor

TALLAHASSEE, FLA.—The Southside Assembly of God here recently closed a "God Save America" crusade with Evangelists Michael and Peggy Lord. A number of souls were saved. Many Christians rededicated their lives to God; and all departments of the church were blessed.

—Alford Sands, Pastor

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SULLIGENT, ALA.—Expectation was high as the people anticipated Evangelists Michael and Peggy Lord's second "God Save America" Crusade here. Many people attended and there were folk weeping at the altar, being saved or filled with the Spirit, or rededicating their lives in almost every service. The teen-agers were blessed by the message on "Courtship, Marriage, and the Happy Home." Brother Lord helped the church get an attendance program started that is bearing fruit.

—A. C. Adams, Pastor

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ST. LOUIS, MO.—The Words of Life Assembly of God here recently enjoyed a successful children's revival under the direction of Evangelist Rose Marie Meringola of New York. Patriotic decorations in keeping with the theme, "God, My Country, and I," was used. During the week some 65 children came forward to accept Christ as their Saviour. The enrollment of 152, with an average attendance of 91, broke previous records.

—Luella Plunkett and Ethel Masterson, Pastors

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SLOCOMB, ALA.—A spontaneous revival has broken out in the regular services at the Assembly of God here. In eight weeks 21 have been saved.

A man whose wife had prayed

many years for him sought salvation before the sermon was preached. Four have been baptized in the Spirit including a 71-year-old man who had been seeking 14 years. (The pastor and he had been praying for his sick wife, and a few minutes later he was suddenly filled in the kitchen of his home). Seven have been baptized in water and others are awaiting the first opportunity to be. The Sunday school has increased 20 per cent; the C. A. attendance has doubled in eight weeks. The town has been stirred, and the Sunday night crowd often numbers more than the Sunday school.

Evangelist Bill Strickland of Hartford, Ala., came in the midst of the revival and ministered for one week. Since then the pastor has continued the nightly meetings.

—A. L. Lastinger, Pastor

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EVENING SHADE, ARK.—The Assembly of God here just closed a two-week revival with Evangelist Edward Gray of Kansas City, Mo. One accepted Christ and two received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. There was good attendance each service and an increase in Sunday school.

—J. W. Bullard, Pastor

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MONAHANS, TEX.—The ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Tommy Beard of Salinas, Calif., Aug. 8-16, was a source of inspiration and edification to the First Assembly of God here. During the VBS effort 42 children confessed Christ. In the week of revival that followed four were saved, 12 reclaimed, and others gave testimony to being refilled with the Spirit. The evangelists presented a program over KVKM-TV with good community interest.

—E. H. Anderson, Pastor

RECTOR, ARK.—Five were saved or reclaimed and one received the Holy Spirit in a recent two-week revival conducted by Evangelist Leroy Morgan at the Nimmons Assembly of God here. The revival spirit continues in the regular services. A young lady was saved in the C. A. service.

—Opal Mae Dillard, Pastor

J. L. GERHART HONORED ON HIS BIRTHDAY

EL SOBRANTE, CALIF.—Joseph L. Gerhart, district superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Northern California and Nevada, was honored with a surprise birthday testimonial banquet on September 8, 1964. More than 200 attended the event which was spearheaded by Assemblies of God Chaplain David W. Plank.

Birthday gifts were presented including a leather-bound "Album of Appreciation" containing 500 signatures. C. C. Burnett read letters of tribute to Brother Gerhart from Thomas F. Zimmerman,



Joseph and Ruth Gerhart leave the Central Assembly of God in El Sobrante (Russell Griffin, pastor) following a surprise banquet in their honor.

Pastor William F. Hill (at left) baptized seven converts in water at Silex, Mo.



Evangelist and Mrs. Tommy Beard (at right) are seen at the TV station in Monahans, Tex. With them are Ray Thompson, assistant Sunday school superintendent; Pastor E. H. Anderson; and Ross Rucker, KVKM-TV general manager.



General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God, numerous fellow executives, several California senators, assemblymen, and members of Congress. Included also were greetings from President Lyndon B. Johnson, U.S.N. Fleet Admiral Chester W. Nimitz, and General Charles Brown, Chief of Army Chaplains.

A bouquet and gift were presented to Mrs. Gerhart in recognition of their 30th wedding anniversary.

80 ACCEPT CHRIST IN CHILDREN'S CRUSADE

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Capitalizing on children's yen for adventure, love for fun and laughter, and vivid God-given imaginations, John McPherson used the setting of an Indian pow-wow at a week-long Children's Crusade held this summer in Central Assembly. To

an average of 200 children who attended each service, the evangelist was known as Chief Yunsane.

Chalk drawings each night illustrated a gospel story. There were also vivid illustrations to warn against bad habits. Approximately 80 children went forward to accept Christ on decision night.

Evangelist McPherson conducted the colorful services in Indian costume, head feathers, tom-tom, and with a teepee in the background. Boys and girls became braves and squaws and received "wampum" for bringing visitors and being helpful in the services. On the final night of the service the "wampum" was cashed in at the trading post for prizes. A "green-back" contest lent excitement to the offering.

"We were very pleased with the results of this campaign," said Larry E. Evans, Sunday School Superintendent.

CONGRESSMAN WELCOMES CONSTITUENT TO PREACHING MISSION IN NATION'S CAPITAL

WASHINGTON, D. C.—The Honorable Don H. Clausen, member of Congress, First District California, welcomed Evangelist George W. Hunter, Guerneville, Calif., to Washington as he began a revival at Bethel Pentecostal Tabernacle.

Evangelist Hunter expressed appreciation for Mr. Clausen's active participation in the weekly Congressional Prayer Breakfast and International Christian Leadership where he gives testimony of his faith.

Pastor J. Renton Hunter, brother of the evangelist, said that during the meeting at Bethel a

number of people testified to renewing their experience with God or obtaining deliverance from bad habits.



Congressman Don H. Clausen (right) welcomed George H. Hunter to Washington for an evangelistic meeting. Looking on at the left are Pastor J. Renton Hunter and Mrs. George Hunter. The evangelist's son Billy is seated on the wall.

BRISTOL, VA.—Dedication of the new facilities of First Assembly of God was held June 14, 1964. District Superintendent W. Glenn West brought the dedicatory message. Other ministers participating in the service were Jack Carnley, presbyter; W. T. Milsaps, former pastor who gave a history and development of the church; Wallace Odum, secretary-treasurer of the Potomac District and former member of the church; and Edward Roush and B. M. McKenzie, pastors in Kingsport and Bristol, Tenn. Reginald Stone became pastor in October, 1963, and shortly thereafter a building program was started. The congregation donated many hours of labor to make their vision a reality.



PAOLA, KANS.—Two former pastors, John Francis of Kansas City, Kans., and E. J. Bascue, missionary to French West Africa, participated at the dedication May 17, 1964, of the new sanctuary of the Assembly of God. The sanctuary which is 40 by 60 opens into the educational building on both the main floor and the balcony making the seating capacity approximately 375. The two-story educational building was dedicated in 1960. The building, constructed by the Roe Messner Construction Co. of Wichita, Kans., is of lightweight block with buff brick exterior. Red roman brick is accented in the window ways, a panel at the east end, and the planter boxes. Laminated arches and yellow pine decking are used inside. Pastor Robert L. Boyd has served the church since 1949.



SPRINGFIELD, MASS.—Bethany Assembly of God now has this new sanctuary (photographed last winter). This building program, the third in 13 years, cost \$150,000. The new sanctuary seats about 575 including the balcony and choir area. The 90 by 58 building occupies a corner lot and is adjacent to the former church, making the total building facilities now to face an entire block. The church has Sunday school space for 600 with a fellowship hall seating 300. The renovation of the old building provides a pastor's study, church office, a chapel and church library. In the midst of these physical changes and advances, there is a continuing spirit of revival, and the church is looking forward to greater outreach. David W. Flower is currently in his 11th year as pastor.

PINE BLUFF, ARK.—The sanctuary of Forrest Park Assembly of God seats 400. This new unit which was added in 1962 also includes pastor's study, a fellowship hall and kitchen, three Sunday school rooms, Sunday school office, nursery, and rest rooms. The building, which has central heating and air-conditioning, is constructed on modern design with laminated beams and native stone, with outside walls of California Redwood. The church was pioneered in 1955 by the present pastor, Harold Thompson, while he was serving as assistant pastor of the First Assembly of God in Pine Bluff. Funds for the beginning construction were raised by the congregation of First Assembly and supplemented by the district home missions department. The first service was conducted in 1957 and the church has been self-sustaining since then. In 1958 a building containing eight Sunday school rooms was erected.



**C. M. WARD NIGHT
SPEAKER AT ILLINOIS
CAMP MEETING**

CARLINVILLE, ILL.—The Illinois District camp at Lake Williamson enjoyed the largest attendance in its history this summer. There was a freedom in worship that started with the first song and continued throughout 10 wonderful days.

C. M. Ward of *Revivaltime* addressed a full house every night of the camp. The salvation of souls, Holy Spirit baptisms, and healings were witnessed each evening.

O. L. Harrup, Alexandria, Va., brought excellent morning ministry. Most of the camp budget was raised in these meetings. Ronald Prinzing of Whittier, Calif., stressed Pentecostal truths in the afternoon service.

"More ministers attended the Lake Williamson camp this year than any previous year," according to E. M. Clark, district superintendent. "A sense of God's power and presence overshadowed the entire camp."



ROCKAWAY, N. J.—The First Assembly of God moved into its new church-educational building last spring. The building is valued at \$150,000. A new parsonage valued at \$40,000 has also been erected under the leadership of Levi L. Storms, who has pastored the church since 1956.

**CHAPEL TO BE ERECTED
AT NATIONAL CHILDREN'S
HOME**

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—A need which has existed for many years at the Hillcrest Children's Home is about to be filled with the erection of a chapel.

In its 20 years of existence this Assemblies of God institution at Hot Springs has needed many things; added buildings, improved facilities, the scores of items which a growing family—from 17 the first year to 100 plus houseparents—must have. With so much to buy, one sorely needed facility had to wait. But by the early part of 1965, if plans proceed on schedule, Hillcrest will have a children's chapel.

Until the chapel is ready, Hillcrest will continue to convert the dining room for its week-night prayer services, its religious emphasis week, and other special ob-

at first," she recalled. "But I rose as early as 4 A.M. to do it. found I learned a lot from the Four and one-half hours per week copying." She found morning the was the average time spent in best time for her unusual task and the undertaking.

**CALIFORNIAN COPIES
BIBLE BY HAND**

BAKERSFIELD, CALIF.—Six years ago Minerva Holloway, adult Bible teacher at Full Gospel Tabernacle, experienced some difficulty in understanding one of Isaiah's prophecies. As an experiment toward clearer understanding, she began the laborious task of copying the entire book in longhand. She didn't hurry, but took time to look up references along the way.

Now, 1,750,000 words and 3,500 pages later, she has dotted the "i" and punctuated the last sentence of her written Bible. It is all there, in two big looseleaf books, in her own handwriting.

"I didn't intend to write it all,



Pastor Dwight H. McLaughlin (left) and Robert L. Griffin, Minister of Education at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, Bakersfield, paid high compliments to Mrs. Holloway for her diligence in copying the entire Bible by hand.

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ariz.	Mesa	First	Nov. 8-22	Ward & Mary Popejoy	V. L. Hertweck
	Tucson	A/G	Nov. 8-22	Jack Peters	A. C. Mack
Ark.	Bradford	A/G	Nov. 1—	Hazel Burns	Lyndale Harberson
	Camden	A/G	Nov. 12-13	Bob Hoskins	J. D. Middlebrook
	DeQueen	First	Nov. 8-15	Albert & Bev	Gerald Calaway
	Fayetteville	Central	Nov. 8—	Carl L. Tillery	James Cheshier
	Ft. Smith	Evangel	Nov. 8—	Bob Hoskins	B. Owen Oslin
	Hope	Gospel Tab.	Nov. 10-11	Bob Hoskins	Bob Wilhite
Calif.	Bakersfield	Calvary	Nov. 4-22	Ernie Rogers	Douglas Hyatt
	El Monte	A/G	Nov. 8-22	Gene Burgess	Paul J. McKeel
	Exeter	A/G	Nov. 10—	Tommy & Esther Lance	Norman Jones
	Modesto	Central	Nov. 8-22	Woodrow Oxner	Donald Bogue
	Modesto	Community	Nov. 8—	Sam Klein	N. A. Golusin
	Pacific Grove	First	Nov. 11-22	Raymond Miller	Dennis Davis
	Palm Springs	A/G	Nov. 10-15	Doug Payne	Bessie Coffey
	Pasadena	Trinity	Nov. 4-15	Tommy Barnett	H. M. Smith
	Redding	Bethel	Nov. 4-15	Kroeze Bros.	R. T. Doherty
	Rohnerville	*A/G	Nov. 8-13	Charles Senechal	Joseph Murry
	Turlock	Bethel Temp.	Nov. 15-22	Gary Archer	Robert Carrington
	Wasco	First	Nov. 4-15	Winferd Mack	Earl Gould
Colo.	Colo. Springs	First	Nov. 4-15	Lynn-Dell Lummer	George E. Smith
	Sterling	A/G	Nov. 10-22	John Everett	James Call
Fla.	Barton	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Clark-Peterson Team	D. N. Asbury, Jr.
	Dunde	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Ray & Elaine Leonard	E. M. Davis
	Ft. Myers	First	Nov. 11-22	Diehl Family	E. R. Schultz
	Jackson	Southside	Nov. 8-22	Paul Olson Party	J. B. Davis
	Orlando	First	Nov. 11-22	H. Syvelle Phillips	Crawford B. Railey
	Oxford	First	Nov. 8-15	Gladys Voight	Alfred Symonds
	Pensacola	First	Nov. 8—	Don Carroll	A. E. Spence
Ill.	Loves Park	Glad Tidings	Nov. 11-22	Lowell Lundstrom Team	Marvin Carlson
	Rock Island	Bethel	Nov. 4-15	The Tanner Team	George W. Clark
Ind.	Attica	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Bill & Naomi Hayes	R. Foraker
	Bloomington	Faith	Nov. 3-15	J. B. Woolums	M. L. Baxter
	New Albany	First	Nov. 10-22	I. D. Rayborn	J. Haskell Woolridge
Iowa	Creston	A/G	Nov. 8-22	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	Bernard Reece
	Independence	A/G	Nov. 9-13	K. E. Matschulat	Ronald Callahan
Kans.	Ashland	A/G	Nov. 10—	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	James Smith
	Edna	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Knott-Olson Team	Roy Pick
	Eudora	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Lambertson	Willis Hankie
	Greensburg	A/G	Nov. 11-22	Steve & Pat Rexroat	Charles Boshell
	LeRoy	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Oren & Inez Paris	Charles W. Spong
	Wichita	Douglas Ave.	Nov. 11-22	Musical Lebsacks	Robert Mackish
	Ulysses	First	Nov. 11-22	Roland D. Hastie	Jeremiah Hanley
Ky.	Henderson	First	Nov. 3-15	Donald & Mrs. Lunsford	Wayne Hemphill
La.	Bastrop	First	Nov. 13-22	Michael & Peggy Lord	J. E. Allen
	Hornbeck	A/G	Nov. 4-15	Gerald Lewis	Harmel E. Moss
	Winnfield	First	Nov. 11—	Alfred Allen	W. F. Harrell
Me.	Kezar Falls	A/G	Nov. 11-22	Perrello Brothers	D. Lindberg



NACOGDOCHES, TEX.—The beautiful Faith Temple Assembly of God was erected under the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. L. E. Ivey. The sanctuary seats 300. The church is air-conditioned and has central heating. It is valued at \$75,000. E. R. Anderson, district superintendent, spoke at the dedication and J. O. Martin, sectional presbyter, gave the dedicatory prayer.

servances. Children whose background formerly held no regard for God and religion especially need a sacred place of worship—a sacred place of worship—a sanctuary which is not converted from one thing to another, but is always a hallowed place. The room may be easily converted, but the child's mind is not, and the dining hall where he ate and chatted noisily just a few moments ago is not

conducive to quiet worship.

Plans are underway for the erection of a chapel of brick and concrete block construction with a gable roof and spire. The interior will feature exposed laminated beams and hardwood furnishings. It will be the 12th building on the Hillcrest campus—a 40- by 64-foot structure enclosing two counseling rooms and a sanctuary which will seat 200 plus a 40-voice choir. The chapel will not, however, replace or compete with Assemblies of God churches in the area.

It is hoped the new chapel will be completed in time for the 1965 Homecoming events. It will cost between \$25,000 and \$30,000 and contributions are solicited from *Evangel* readers. (Gifts of money and all correspondence regarding the proposed children's chapel should be addressed to: Hillcrest Children's Chapel, % Department of Benevolences, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Missouri 65802).

J. NELSON PARR COMING TO THE U.S.

J. Nelson Parr, former pastor of Bethshan Tabernacle in Manchester, England, plans to begin a series of evangelistic campaigns in Miami, Fla., on Nov. 30. He will be preaching in Florida for about three months, after which he will be available for campaigns in other states.

Brother Parr retired from the Manchester pastorate in October. His cominister, George Stormont, has assumed the pastoral leadership at Bethshan Tabernacle.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL MISSIONARY CONVENTION—Nov. 22-29 at Calvary Temple, Philadelphia, Pa. Watson Argue, speaker. (A. T. Calvanico is pastor.)

HOMECOMING, DEDICATION, AND CORNERSTONE LAYING—Nov. 15, First Assembly, Malakoff, Tex. J. T. Davis, assistant superintendent of North Texas District, speaking. O. B. Cook is pastor.—by Mrs. Haynes C. Knox, church secretary.

C. A. CONVENTION—Nov. 25, 26 at Assembly of God, Tucson, Ariz. Tommy Barnett, speaker. (Marvin Elliot is the D-CAP.)

70TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICES—Nov. 15-29 at Highway Tabernacle, 18th and Spring Garden Sts., Philadelphia, Pa. Edgar Bethany, speaker. Three services Thanksgiving Day. Friends are invited to bring their dinner and join with many who will spend the day at the church. Saturday, Nov. 14 the Tabernacle Choir under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth McDowell will present its annual service of sacred music.—by W. Howard Roberson, pastor.

INDIAN FELLOWSHIP MEETING—Nov. 13-15 at Table Mountain Indian Assembly near Friant, Calif. All are welcome to attend. Following the meeting Evangelist John McPherson will begin a two-week revival.—by Paul Curry, pastor.

DEDICATION—Nov. 15 of First Assembly of God, Chickasha, Okla. Robert E. Goggin, district superintendent, morning speaker. Floyd L. Poag, will give the dedicatory message at 2 p.m. Midstate Quartet from Oklahoma City will give concert at 7: p.m.—by Bob Campbell, pastor.

55TH ANNIVERSARY AND HOMECOMING—Nov. 15, Assembly of God, Pilot Point, Tex. N. R. McDonald, a former pastor, speaker. A covered dish luncheon will be served at the community building at noon.—by R. D. Gilder, pastor.

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Md.	Crellin	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Charles S. Morris	Joseph L. Smith
	Deale	*A/G	Nov. 8-13	Dave & Pat Johnson	A. J. Moses
	Rockville	First	Nov. 11-22	Stan & Mrs. Morris	L. A. Hubbard
Minn.	Faribault	A/G	Nov. 10-22	Paul R. Sandgren	W. E. Teter
	Minneapolis	Full Gospel Temp.	Nov. 10-22	Arthur & Anna Berg	J. M. Strand
	Wells	A/G	Nov. 6-15	R. S. Peterson	Everett Lord
Mo.	Desoto	A/G	Nov. 8-15	Samuel Calk	R. S. Garity
	Poplar Bluff	First	Nov. 8-22	S. A. Weddle	Clifford C. Truitt
	Raytown	A/G	Nov. 3-15	Loyd Middleton	John Waugh
	Springfield	Calvary Temp.	Nov. 11-23	Ernie Eskelin	Everette Ewing
	Springfield	Eastside	Nov. 8-27	Jack Martz	Albert Pyle
	Trenton	A/G	Nov. 2-15	Robert Holland	Roy A. Donelson
Mont.	Billings	First	Nov. 11	Walter & Mrs. Lascelle	W. A. Buck
	Glendive	A/G	Nov. 3-15	Wolf Party	Henry A. Larsen
	Ronan	A/G	Nov. 8-13	Roy & Arlene Brewer	Kenneth Peterson
Nebr.	Ainsworth	A/G	Nov. 8-22	Milo Harmon	J. M. Peck
	Columbus	A/G	Nov. 8-22	John W. Smith	Dale Eden
	Scottsbluff	First	Nov. 4-15	Ralph A. Creider	Ernest Illum
N. J.	Midvale	Gospel Church	Nov. 8-22	Werner & Mrs. Johnson	Jonathan R. Reign
N. Y.	Elmira Heights	Glad Tidings	Nov. 10-22	William Caldwell	Eddie Lowmaster
	Huntington St.	A/G	Nov. 12—	L. K. Dodge	Charles M. Shaffer
	Jamestown	Salem Church	Nov. 10—	W. W. & Mrs. Martin	R. L. Buckingham
Okla.	Edmond	First	Nov. 9-20	Steve & Vada Allen	E. F. Pierce
	Sand Springs	First	Nov. 9-23	Al Davis	T. A. McDonough
	Tecumseh	A/G	Nov. 8—	D. R. & Mrs. Clements	R. P. Rider
	Webber Falls	A/G	Nov. 8-22	Glenna Byard	N. B. Rayburn
Oreg.	Hood River	A/G	Nov. 8-15	Hervel Hensley	Donald L. Craig
	Medford	Bethel	Nov. 3-15	Louis & Mrs. Neely	Lawrance D. Krause
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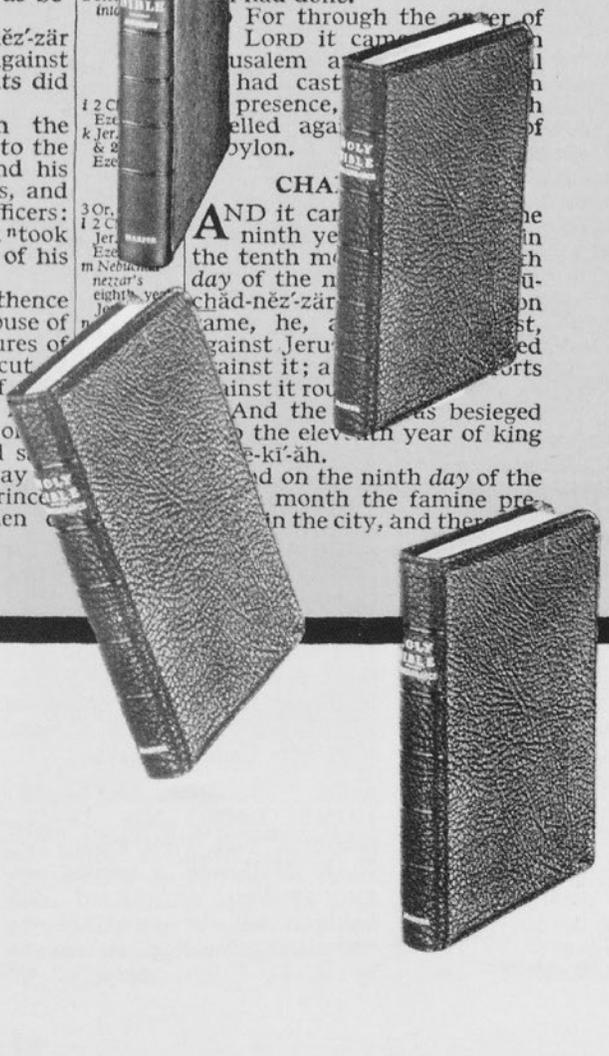


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the lame walking, and the blind seeing, and they glorified the God of Israel.

The four thousand fed

32 Then Jesus called his disciples and said unto them, "I have compassion on the multitude, because they have been with me now three days, and have nothing to eat: and I am unwilling to send them away, lest they faint on the way." 33 And his disciples said unto him, "Where can we buy bread here, that we may give them to eat?" 34 And Jesus said unto them, "They have five loaves and two fishes." 35 And Jesus said unto his disciples, "Sit down on the grass." 36 And Jesus took the loaves and fishes, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. 37 And they all were satisfied; and they took up the fragments of the broken pieces of bread, and filled seven baskets full of the broken pieces. 38 Those who ate were four thousand men, besides women and children. 39 And sending away the multitude, he got into the boat and went to the region of Mag'adan.

Pharisees and Sadducees for a sign

16 And the Pharisees and Sadducees came, and to test him they said unto him, "Give us a sign from heaven." 17 And he answered them, saying, "It will not be given to you, for ye are a froward and stormy generation, that seeketh a sign; and yet ye will not believe." 18 And he said unto them, "I will not give a sign to you, for ye say, 'It will not be given to you, for ye are a froward and stormy generation, that seeketh a sign; and yet ye will not believe.'"

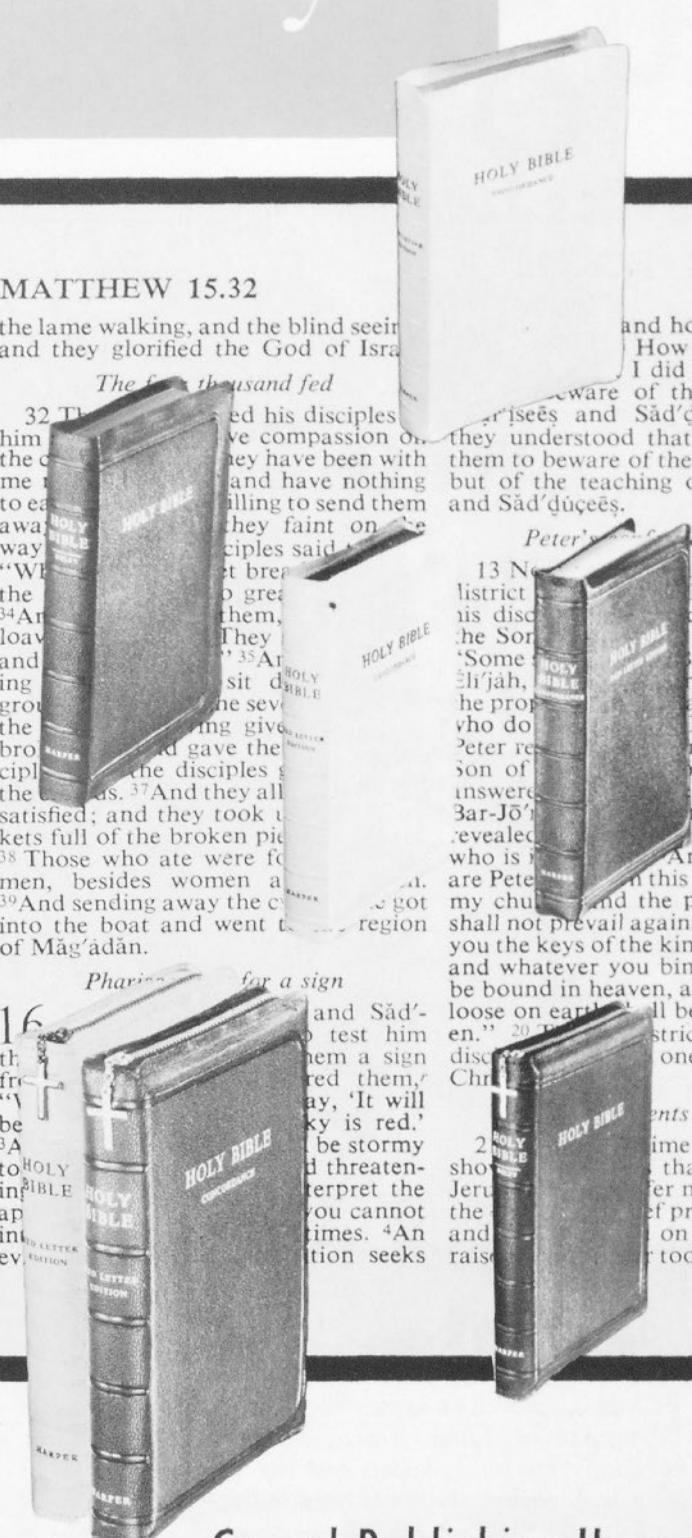
and how many baskets full of broken pieces remain? How is it that you say, 'I did not speak above you, because I am aware of the leaven of the Pharisees and Sadducees.' 12 They understood that he did not say this of the leaven of bread, but of the teaching of the Pharisees and Sadducees.

Peter's confession of faith

13 Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying, "Whom do men say that the Son of Man is?" 14 And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, others say Elijah, and others say one of the prophets." 15 He said unto them, "But whom do ye say that I am?" 16 Simon answered him, saying, "Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God." 17 And Jesus answered him, saying, "Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-Jōn; for flesh and blood has not revealed thee, but my Father who is in heaven: for thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the powers of death shall not prevail against it. 19 I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever thou bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever thou loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." 20 Then he strictly charged them, saying, "Whomsoever thou shalt bind on earth, I will bind on heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth, I will loose in heaven."

Events foretold

21 At that time Jesus began to show unto his disciples, how he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders, priests, and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again on the third day.



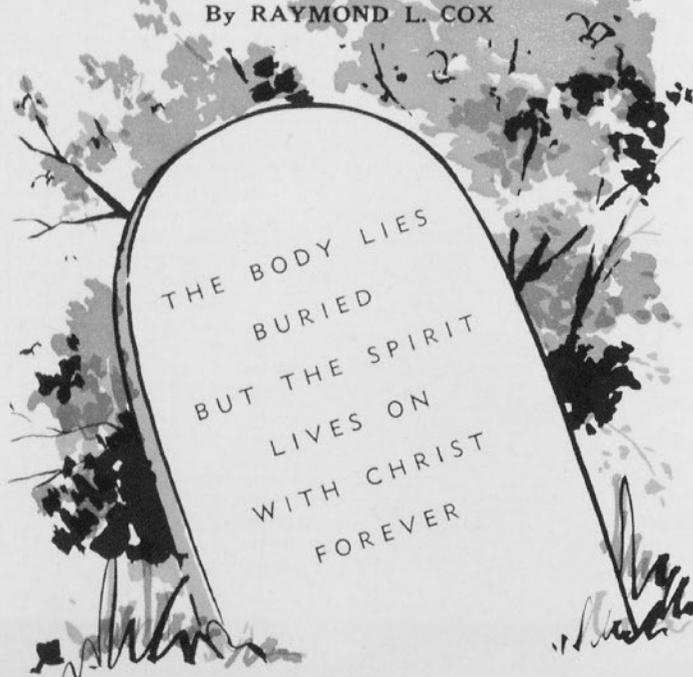
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Who Says He's Dead!

By RAYMOND L. COX



FUNERAL SERVICES FOR 92-YEAR-OLD CHRIS JOHANUS Wyngaart of Long Beach, California, proved an exceedingly happy occasion for his two daughters! Tears that had welled in their eyes as the service progressed vanished the instant the two women stepped to the casket to say farewell to the mortal remains.

"*That's not our father!*" they excitedly advised the mortician.

The funeral director consulted his records. Identification of the body which had been delivered to the

mortuary from a Los Angeles hospital was unquestionable. But how could they argue with a man's daughters? Surely they knew their father.

The women persisted, "*That's not our father!*"

A call to the hospital unravelled the mystery. Officials discovered that both Wyngaart and 80-year-old John Collins were admitted to the institution a week earlier. Both were deaf and senile, and documents from their respective rest homes became switched at the hospital. It was Mr. Collins who died of bronchial pneumonia. According to last reports Wyngaart was doing very well, recovering from tumor surgery.

It all tends to prove that some people you think are dead really are not. And others thought to be alive are actually dead! Indeed, the only real death is a spiritual one.

The world looks at an unsaved individual and assumes he is alive. Physically this is true, but spiritually it is false. His body is alive but his soul is dead because God does not live within it! As the presence of the human soul imparts life to the body, so the presence of the indwelling Christ imparts life to the soul! James declared, "The body without the spirit is dead" (James 2:26).

Some years ago, a pastor in Los Angeles twisted a slogan then widely heralded by a religious sect, "Millions now living will never die," and insisted, "Millions now living are already dead." And it is true. Millions now living are spiritually dead—in sin.

In order to enjoy existence on earth a person must experience physical birth. And in order to have spiritual life he needs spiritual birth. As Jesus told Nicodemus, "That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit" (John 3:6). Then Christ added, "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again." The Bible takes the position that until this happens a man is dead.

The new birth is communicated to the spiritually dead through an act of faith. "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life" (John 3:36).

No one needs to remain dead, spiritually. The words of the father in our Lord's parable illustrate this: "This my son was dead, and is alive again. . . ." There is nothing medical science can do to revive a dead body. But God daily restores life to sinners who had been dead in trespasses and in sins.

The world weeps over a body from which the soul has departed in death, but sheds few tears over a soul from whom God is absent! The world regards men dead who are gloriously alive today in the presence of God.

The Bible says, "She that liveth in pleasure is dead while she liveth" (1 Timothy 5:6). But new life is available to all who are dead in sin. The Spirit of Him who raised up Jesus Christ from the dead delights to dwell in the lives of men and women. He will quicken to life the soul of the sinner who embraces Christ as Saviour, and raise him up at the last day.

For the Scriptures tell us, "He that hath the Son hath life" (1 John 5:12). And all may have Him, for Jesus said: "If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him" (John 14:23).

This is the life which physical death can never touch! This is life eternal. ◀◀