

# THE PENTECOSTAL evangel

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## *The Creator*

He takes the scent of the softening ground  
Where the first green blade pricks through,  
He takes the reddening maple bough  
Aslant against the blue,  
He takes the cheer in the robin's song  
And the flash of the bluebird's wing,  
The joy of prisoned things set free—  
And of these He makes the spring.

He takes the sheen of the waving wheat  
Where the slow cloud-shadows pass,  
He takes the brook's soft rippling tune  
And the daisied meadow grass,  
He takes the swish of the mower's scythe  
In the noontide's hot, white glare,  
The joy of labor and growing things—  
And makes the summer fair. . . .

He takes the years—the old, the new,  
With their changing scenes and brief,  
The close-shut bud and the fruiting bough,  
Flower and fading leaf,  
Grace and glory and lack and loss,  
The song, the sigh, the strife,  
The joy of hope and the hope fulfilled—  
And makes of the years a life. •

He takes our lives and the sum of them,  
His will and the will of man,  
Evil and good and dream and deed,  
His purpose and our plan,  
The thwarted lives and the crippled lives  
And the things that give them worth,  
The joy of life and the pain of life—  
And makes the heavens and earth.

—Annie Johnson Flint



**T**HE OUTPOURING OF THE SPIRIT on the Day of Pentecost fulfilled many Old Testament prophecies. God had spoken through Joel many years earlier, promising, "I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions; and also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my Spirit."

John the Baptist had felt the sparks of the coming fire when he said, "He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." And Jesus had promised His troubled disciples, "I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; even the Spirit of truth."

But until the Day of Pentecost, "The Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified" (John 7:39). When the Comforter came in baptizing power on the Day of Pentecost, it was a signal to the 120 in the Upper Room that Christ had arrived at the right hand of the Father.

It was His "safe-arrival telegram." He was now at home with the Father, and the believers had been accepted in Him, as indicated by the words of the apostle Peter: "Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear" (Acts 2:33).

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As the Passover typifies the new birth, and the feast of Firstfruits typifies the resurrection, so the feast of Pentecost finds its fulfillment in the outpouring of the Spirit. We must remember that the feast of Pentecost came 50 days after the Passover. It was counted from the feast of the Passover. This reminds us that our Pentecostal experience is made possible by the blood of the Passover Lamb. "Christ our passover is sacrificed for us" (1 Corinthians 5:7), and it is only upon the merits of the Blood that we are made worthy for the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Just as the feasts were separate and distinct from one another, so the new birth and the baptism of the Holy

By **GLENN M. HORST**

**WHY**

Spirit are separate and definite experiences we receive from God.

The initial outpouring of the Spirit was a special gift for the inauguration of the Church. True the Spirit had come upon men in times past. We see evidences of this throughout the pages of the Old Testament as the Holy Ghost moved upon men for various special ministries. But now for the first time men began to speak "with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

The miracle of tongues was all the more remarkable in that the 120 were speaking in the various dialects of the listeners! God had reserved a very special inaugural gift for this occasion.

Pentecost brought special power to witness. Notice that these believers who received the Spirit were for the most part "ignorant and unlearned" men. Not only were they ignorant and unlearned; they also were racially bigoted and religiously exclusive. Only the indwelling Holy Spirit could make Simon Peter willing to go to the house of Cornelius and give him such a message that "while Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word."

These followers of Jesus faced a gnat-straining, camel-swallowing philosophical age, a cynically intellectual period, a fanatically religious era. Peter never would have had courage to lift up his voice, if he had no power but his own. But the anointing of the Holy Spirit on the "big fisherman" as he preached gave him boldness and caused men to cry out, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?"

Even Paul, a brilliant debater, had poor results when he reasoned with men on Mars Hill. By way of contrast, Paul's preaching in Corinth brought great results. He told the Corinthians he "determined to know nothing among you, save Jesus Christ and him crucified"—and a church was established.

Now we come to the question, "Why Pentecost for our age?" First of all, each man needs a personal confrontation with God. This is more than an encounter with the "tongues phenomena," which is being emphasized a great deal today. Just as the steady hum of huge generators indicates that untold power waits to be harnessed, so the sign of speaking in tongues is the evidence of supernatural power waiting to be released through human agencies. We do not run generators to hear them hum; neither do we receive the Holy Ghost in order to speak in tongues—but to unlock the vast resources of heaven which God waits to put at our disposal.

The Holy Spirit comes upon us to change our lives, to enlighten our minds, to reveal Christ, and to impart

His gifts. No man should ever be the same after his personal confrontation with God the Holy Ghost.

If the Early Church needed the Holy Spirit, we need Him as much today, and for essentially the same reasons. The same cold materialism, the same diabolical lethargy, and the same deadly cynicism that plagued the Early Church plagues the Church today. The fatal "we-are-rich-and-increased-with-goods" attitude will destroy the Church just as effectively as gross sin.

We need the power of the Holy Spirit to be effective witnesses. We dare not meet men on their own grounds; we are effective only when we recognize that the battle is a spiritual one and that the "weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God. . . ."

The Holy Spirit comes to be our personal *parakletos*, our Advocate, one who is "alongside to help." We need the initial experience of Pentecost, but we also need the daily fellowship and guidance of the Holy Spirit.

When we were missionaries in the interior of China a number of years ago, we hired horsemen for our long journeys. The head horseman acted as guide. He knew every winding horse path in those rugged Himalayan Mountains. He did not have to wonder which fork in the path to take. He knew. Not only did he show us the way, but at particularly difficult places he literally helped us over the path.

When, after many days of travel, we would see a city nestled in some valley below, the head horseman would say with confidence, "That is our destination." Only then was his job finished. He had not been hired simply to give us the experience of hiring a horseman. We wanted him along because we knew we would need him to the very end of the journey, every day and all through each day along the way.

Similarly, the baptism in the Holy Spirit *begins* with an experience, but the experience is not the reason for His coming into our lives. It is at this point that He becomes our Guide, our Helper, our strength, our anointing. If we let Him, He will keep us going in the direction of heaven, and we need Him every day of our lives.

When a missile is successfully launched from Cape Kennedy toward the moon, most of us relax. But for hours as the missile streaks through space toward the moon, busy machines calculate the speed and direction of the missile, the speed of the moon, and the possibility of a meeting. If the calculator gives the information that the missile will miss the moon, men at the control desk correct its aim—one more engine is turned on for a few seconds—and the missile "homes in" on the moon with amazing accuracy.

The Church was launched on the Day of Pentecost, and for centuries she has sped on her mission through a dark world. God has had to correct her aim more than once. Now the Church is nearing her destination, and the "latter rain" outpouring has given her a new aim. The Holy Spirit has given the Church a final powerful thrust to bring us directly on target when Jesus comes. This is why Pentecost has come in these last days. The Church cannot miss if she will allow the Holy Spirit to lead and to guide her.

"Why Pentecost?" Paul answers it with another question: "Having begun in the Spirit, are ye now made perfect by the flesh?" (Galatians 3:3). 

# PENTECOST?

## A Sign of the Times

The FBI report for 1964 shows there were more than 175,000 violent attacks on people on our streets and in our homes last year.

Robberies involving force or threats of force totaled more than 113,000. Rapes by force exceeded 19,000—a new all-time high for the U.S. There were 9,260 murders—one of the highest totals on record. The number of persons actually subjected to violence was larger than ever before.

And conditions are not improving in 1965. The *New York Times*, reviewing the news columns, was moved to ask, "Is violence a hallmark of our age?"

The answer is, Yes. It is one of the "signs of the times" which Jesus said should herald His second coming. He said, "As the days of Noe [Noah] were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be" (Matthew 24:37), and the Bible says that in the days of Noah "the earth was filled with violence" (Genesis 6:11).

It may be argued that violence has always been a curse of human life. The first child born into the world murdered his own brother. Every succeeding generation has recorded similar tragedies; but modern life in a peculiar way has brought an increase in violent deaths due to fast driving, fast living, increased tension, a mounting crime wave, and potentially dangerous inventions of various kinds.

Tornadoes, floods, earthquakes, highway crashes, farm accidents, house fires, explosions, remind us that the threat of violent death stalks people everywhere. Last week 26 died in Britain when an airliner crashed. Two were killed when youthful vandals derailed a train. Other lives were lost through armed conflict—from a terrorist bomb in Indonesia, from fighting in Viet Nam, in clashes of troops in the Dominican Republic and on the India-Pakistan border.

But many of the violent deaths were at the hands of criminals. A famous circus clown was beaten to death in his New York hotel room. A child in Missouri died from a beating charged against its parents. Three men in Texas were killed by teen-age gunmen. The list of one week's crimes is too long to mention.

To curb the spread of lawlessness, police chiefs were asking for billions of dollars to fight crime. American lawmakers were trying to stop the indiscriminate sale of guns by mail. Women in Washington, D. C., were learning judo to protect themselves on the streets of the nation's capital. Thus did the newspapers within a single week reflect an alarming "sign of the times."

But a better day is coming, a day when Christ shall rule the earth and all this killing shall stop. Of that golden age the Lord says, "They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord." Even the wild animals shall be tame in that day. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb; the lion and calf shall feed together; and a little child shall lead them (Isaiah 11:6).

As violence is a hallmark of this age, nonviolence shall be a hallmark of that millennial age.

For the coming of King Jesus we pray daily; and in the meantime we preach His gospel which, even today, is able to take the "wolf" spirit out of people and turn killers into followers of the Lamb.

—R.C.C.

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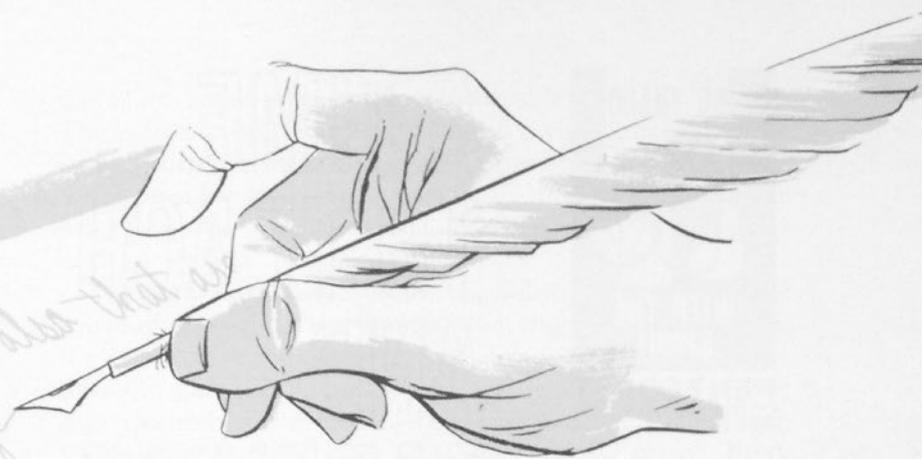
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## THE TRIUMPH OF HIS ASCENSION

**T**HE ASCENSION OF CHRIST was the crowning act of His earthly ministry. Had He not returned to the Father, His triumph over sin, Satan, and the world would have been incomplete. There would have always been a question mark on the other great truths of His earthly ministry. But the return of Christ to heaven openly demonstrated His victory over every opposition He had faced.

His ascension to heaven declared *His triumph over the world*. He had passed through it unblemished. The world had tried to leave its contaminating marks on Him but had failed. Like a sunbeam reaching into a slime pit and remaining uncorrupted, He had brought the purifying influences of heaven among the filth of the world—and now returned to heaven unscathed.

His ascension declared *His triumph over sin*. From His face-to-face confrontation with Satan in the wilderness, through the temptations in Gethsemane to His triumphant cry from the cross—"It is finished"—*sin could not defile Him!*

His ascension demonstrated *His triumph over death*. Death had bound Him, but He had snapped every fetter and bound death with its own cord. Now every dying saint can face death with the supreme confidence that it has lost its sting and the grave has lost its victory. Christ's ascension declared He had triumphed over every foe He came to encounter.

Paul, the great apostle of the Resurrection, penned these words, "But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things)" (Ephesians 4:7-10).

Christ's ascension transferred the hope of saints from earth to heaven. It assures us that our eternal inheritance is now in the possession of our legal representative.

During the glory of the Roman Empire, conquering emperors often rode back into the city of Rome displaying the spoils of their victories. As the cheering throngs lined the streets, the emperors threw gold coins to the multitudes. When Christ returned to heaven, He not only displayed the spoils of His victories before all

heaven, but (praise God!) He also "gave gifts unto men." These gifts may vary greatly, but "unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ."

In the material creation, both big and small are useful. There is a place for the pebble and the mountain; the raindrop and the ocean; the tender grass and the unbending oak. Each gift has its own place. Never should a child of God be jealous of the "measure of grace" possessed by another. Every Christian has received some gift of grace fitting him for usefulness in the Kingdom of God.

Undoubtedly, Christ's greatest gift to sinful mankind is the gift of mercy.

Following an unsuccessful rebellion in Scotland, the Duke of Argyll was brought before King James II. "You know it is in my power to pardon you," the King said. To which the Duke replied, "It may be in your power but it is not in your nature!" What a contrast to our Saviour. Not only is it in His power to grant mercy, it is in His nature to do so! His gift of mercy is complete forgiveness of sins—not just a parole but a complete pardon.

As we consider the great gifts showered upon us following our Lord's ascension, we cannot overlook His great gift to the Christian: the Comforter, the Holy Spirit. Christ promised, "If I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7). Peter assured the vast crowd that had gathered on the Day of Pentecost, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call" (Acts 2:38, 39).

In his letter to the Ephesians, Paul refers to both the descent and the ascension of Christ. Some scholars believe this descent was into Hades, the place of the departed dead, to lead the waiting saints forth from Abraham's bosom. There is likely a twofold meaning to this passage: Christ's humiliation and His exaltation. His incarnation was part of His descent, for this descension was not only geographical—it was from divinity to humanity!

The divine Son of God came down to the manger.

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# A TIME TO TEACH AND TARRY

By THOS. F. ZIMMERMAN  
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**F**OR A NUMBER OF YEARS the baptism with the Holy Ghost has been preached and great stress has been placed on the experience itself. Certainly the Lord has blessed this Pentecostal emphasis, and multitudes have been brought into the full-gospel blessing. However, too little emphasis has been laid on the "after-Pentecost" or "walking-in-the-Spirit" experience.

The plans that have been made for 1965 Pentecost Crusade stress the theme, "Be filled with the Spirit," with emphasis on the afterglow. All too many have gotten just inside the experience, so to speak, and have failed in the growth and spiritual maturity for which God's Word calls.

It is a wonderful experience to be initially filled with the Spirit; but more wonderful still is the joy of being led by the Spirit, taught by the Spirit, and graced with the fruit of the Spirit. When we receive the Pentecostal experience, we are introduced to the Spirit-filled life. We need, however, to be filled and refilled continually as were the first-century Christians, so we may be used by the Lord to reach others. This is the purpose of the infilling, as stated by Christ in Acts 2:8, "Ye shall be witnesses."

In the natural life, a child may be the picture of health and happiness at birth; but if he is not fed he will soon die. The disciples and those who gathered with Christ at His ascension looked forward to the "waiting for the promise." Afterward, "continuing" in the Spirit with one accord, they noised the message abroad.

Like a cup that is filled to overflowing, the first church received a "spill-over" blessing which sent them forth to minister to others. "Continuing daily with one accord," they went from house to house until a great multitude was included in the Pentecostal fellowship in Jerusalem. The lives of the Christians were like well-watered gardens, bringing forth fruit in due season.

But before the experience of the infilling came, there were steps of obedience. Wonderful though the Mount of Ascension experience was, Christ commanded those gathered with Him to return to Jerusalem and to "wait for the promise." Undoubtedly the Lord could have sent the Holy Ghost immediately to fill all who saw Him ascend into heaven. But this was not His chosen way.

As the Christians waited at Jerusalem—learning patience, and learning to pray together—they became of

one accord and began to have a holy expectation. Today a fast pace in life has caused many to expect God to send them instant blessings. The impetuosity of human nature must be quieted in God's presence. Few people want to take time to wait on God. The renewal of our spiritual strength is completely identified with our waiting upon the Lord. "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint" (Isaiah 40:31). There is a discipline in surrendering and yielding to God that provides the climate in which His Spirit is poured into our lives.

With these thoughts in mind, the plans suggested for the 1965 Pentecost Crusade are built around a "Teach and Tarry" emphasis. The special observance will include two features:

(1) *Teaching sessions* for those who are hungry for the infilling of the Spirit. This will be a time in which Pentecostal truth may be emphasized, to build a strong scriptural foundation for a full-orbed life in the Spirit. It will be a time for engaging together in a "great conversation" concerning the good things of the Lord.

(2) *Tarrying sessions* for all to take time deliberately to seek God in His fullness—to wait unitedly in His presence and be endued with His enabling Spirit, that we may see significant growth and development in each of our lives. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet God's conditions for another Pentecost.

It is suggested that churches throughout the nation hold special "Teach and Tarry" sessions during the week of May 30 to June 6. Study materials have been prepared and made available to ministers for this "after-the-Baptism" emphasis. As congregations of all sizes gather in churches across the nation, studies will be given in the "walking" aspect of the Pentecostal experience—knowledge, fullness, fruit, ministry, and participation in the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Discussion should be encouraged so those who need special enlightenment on the Word of God can be taught the precious truths of spiritual reality. Churches are urged to advertise these meetings so scores of people from all denominations interested in this 20th-century move of the Holy Spirit may feel welcome to attend. As we open our hearts to all, teaching one another and tarrying together, we may expect gracious outpourings of God's Spirit.

We are witnessing a greater degree of openness to the things of the Spirit today than at any time in modern church history. Let us be wise enough to provide a situation in which these hungry hearts may find what they need. As they come, let us be warm in our welcome and seek to share our blessings with them. Our obligation to reach this generation is just as great as was the responsibility of the first-century church in its day. As we meet the need, like the first-century church, we shall go forth and "eat our meat with gladness" (Acts 2:46).

I encourage every church to give priority to these "Teach and Tarry" sessions. I urge every member of our fellowship to attend each night and to bring friends. Let us all tarry in the presence of God during this Pentecost Crusade week until we are endued with new power from on high!

**E**NVY IS SUBTLE DISCONTENT at the success of another; it is "malicious grudging." It is wounded pride, begrudging others what we have been unable to secure for ourselves. It is an affliction as old as human nature.

While there was covetousness in the heart of Eve which caused her to desire the forbidden fruit, was not envy there as well? How fascinating was the serpent to Eve, and how unfair it seemed to her that she was forbidden the excellences of the tree of knowledge. There was "malicious grudging" against a God who would withhold such desirable fruit. Envy contributed to the fall of our first parents, and it will never cease until God brings into being a new heaven and a new earth wherein dwelleth righteousness.

there are some who make considerable noise in protest. There is a subtle danger that their own holiness may be defiled through their unchristian opposition to that which they consider evil. How much it means to keep our hearts in the love of God, free from envy or bitterness of spirit.

Through envy some of the disciples accused Mary of wastefulness when she poured the fragrant ointment on the head of Jesus. They envied Jesus this loving honor that she gave Him, but when they expressed their envy they clothed it in a robe of righteous concern. They said, "This money might have been given to the poor." Envy can make us feel we are generous when there is no real generosity in our hearts.

Envy may infect men in high places, as well as the



## SUBTLE ENVY

BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

Envy caused Cain to slay his brother, and how many since that time have had their reputations—if not their physical frames—ruined through its poison!

Envy may be in our own interests, but it may also masquerade as unselfish concern for another. Rachel envied Leah for personal reasons, but Joshua wanted Moses to stop the prophesying of Eldad and Medad for another reason. Moses, free from selfish ambition, looked past the young man's zeal to the motive and rebuked him. "Enviest thou for my sake? would God that all the Lord's people were prophets."

Was not the zeal of James and John tainted with wicked envy when they reported to Jesus, "We saw one casting out devils in thy name, . . . and we forbade him, because he followeth not us"? (Mark 9:38).

Envy can always find something with which to oppose another, and it seldom has to look far. If necessary, its biased vision finds a flaw where there is no flaw.

This evil often wears a robe of righteousness. The lawyers in Jesus' day claimed great fidelity to the Law and the Prophets. Scripture says envy caused them to accuse Jesus of sacrilege when He healed a man on the Sabbath. They could see no good, only evil, in the work He did. And in the end it was "for envy they delivered him" to be killed (Matthew 27:18).

Let me pause. I am a nonconformist. I grieve as I see the extent to which the spirit of the world is creeping into some of our churches. And I fear that some find more joy in material pleasures than in the advancement of God's kingdom. But among those who deplore this trend away from Christian separation and holiness

rank and file. Saul was king in Israel. David was a simple subordinate, yet the king was unable to overcome the malicious grudging born in his heart when the joyous women sang, "Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands." Out of envy grew suspicions in Saul's heart which David with all his loyalty was unable to erase. Envy is "the rottenness of the bones" (Proverbs 14:30).

Dathan and Abiram "envied Moses also in the camp, and Aaron the saint of the Lord," to their destruction (Psalm 106:16). Miriam, his own sister, envied Moses to her humiliation.

When we see that envy is one of the works of the flesh, listed in Galatians 5:19-21 along with murder and adultery and with the warning that "they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God," we begin to see it is no trifling matter. Whatever its disguise, envy is a poison to the spiritual life, a fountainhead of every evil work. It can be detected for it has a bitter taste. It chafes; it ruffles the spirit, creating a friction which disturbs the inward peace Jesus came to bring. Envy destroys virtuous concern and too often takes the one who harbors it from the place of prayer to the arena of carnal conflict.

"The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy," the Word declares. But God "giveth more grace." And love "envieth not." If we are to be Christlike, we must deal uncompromisingly with the evil envy when it makes its appearance in our heart. May God give us overcoming grace and love for each other that conquers the works of the flesh, including envy. 

# TOO POOR TO TITHE

IN A BRUSH ARBOR IN RURAL WEST TEXAS MANY YEARS AGO THE EVANGELIST WAS PREACHING ON TITHING. HE WAS TELLING THE PEOPLE THAT GOD DEMANDS FIRST PLACE IN EVERYTHING, AND URGING THEM TO BRING THEIR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD WITH LOVING AND BELIEVING HEARTS. PRESENT IN THE SERVICE THAT DAY WAS A COUNTY MISSIONARY FROM NORTH TEXAS, BROTHER KUYKENDAL. HIS LIFE WAS DEVOTED TO PREACHING IN CHURCHLESS COMMUNITIES IN PALO PINTO COUNTY, BUILDING UP WEAK CHURCHES, SELLING AND GIVING AWAY GOSPEL LITERATURE AS A RURAL MISSIONARY. HE STOOD UP AND, AFTER RECEIVING PERMISSION TO SPEAK, TOLD THE FOLLOWING STORY:

SOME YEARS AGO when I was county missionary in this county the famous Baptist businessman, H. Z. Duke, who founded the Duke and Ayers Nickle Stores over a wide area, came to this county and spoke about tithing. Speaking as a Christian layman he urged the men and women to try God and see if He would not make good His promises to bless them in material things when they gave tithes and offerings to His cause.

After Mr. Duke had spoken in one community, I took him in my buggy to another community. Mr. Duke said to me, "Brother Kuykendal, do you believe in tithing?"

"I certainly do," I said. "I believe in tithing and I preach it myself."

"But, Brother Kuykendal, do you *practice* tithing?"

Sadly I had to answer, "No, I do not. I believe in tithing, but I cannot practice it. You see, I have 13 children at home. Every meal, 15 of us sit down at the table. I receive only \$125 a month—\$1,500 a year—as salary. I have to maintain my own horse and buggy for constant traveling. It is just impossible to take care of all the needs of a family of 15 out of \$125 a month and have money left to tithe. So I believe in tithing and I preach it—but I cannot practice it."

Mr. Duke was a very kindly man. He said, "Brother Kuykendal, would you like to tithe? Would you tithe if I would back you up financially so you could be sure you would not lose by it?"

"Nothing would please me more," I said.

Mr. Duke made me the following proposition: "I want you to set out to give God at least \$12.50 every month, as soon as you get your salary. Then as you feel led, you may give more. I promise you that if you need help, I will give it. Simply write me a letter and say, 'Brother Duke, I am giving a tithe, but I miss the money. I need it for my family. I have given this year so much.' I promise you that I will send you a check by return mail. Are you willing to try tithing on that basis?"

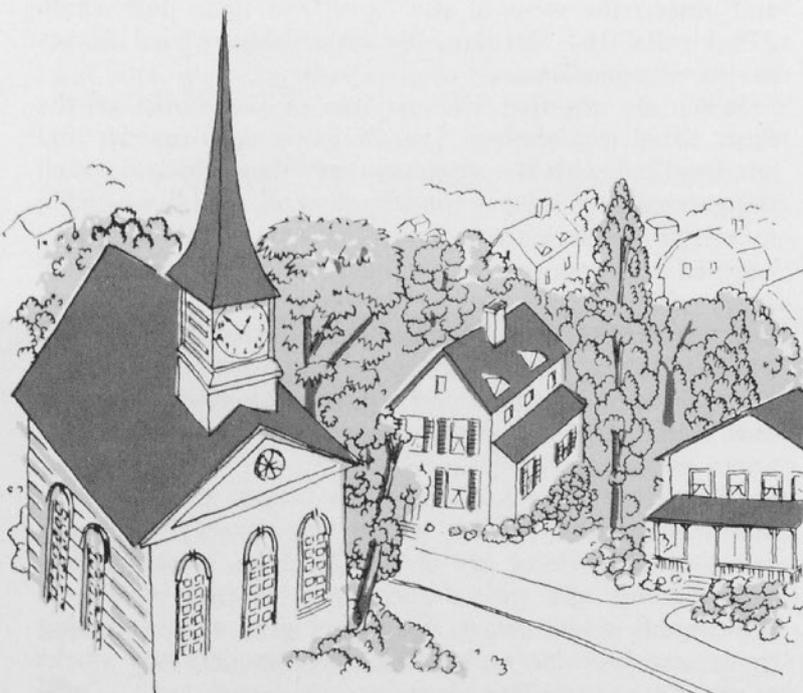
I hesitated a moment, deeply moved. Brother Duke said, "I have 32 stores. I have plenty of money to make good my promise. I will be glad to do it. Will you trust me and start tithing on my simple promise that I will make good any amount you have given, any time that you find you miss it and need it? Will you trust me about it?"

I gladly accepted his offer. I said, "Yes, Brother Duke, I have long wanted to tithe, but I felt I simply could not do it. Now, thank God, I can tithe and I will be glad to. And I will not feel like a hypocrite when I tell others they ought to tithe."

So I started tithing for the first time in my life. Every month I took the first one-tenth of my salary and gave it to the Lord's cause. Later, as I felt led, I gave more. In the back of my mind I always had this thought: *Mr. Duke promised me that he would make it up any time I need it. He will send me the money if I simply ask him for it.*

But a strange thing happened. It seemed our money went farther than before. I would preach in some country community, and somebody would tie a crate of chickens on the back of my buggy. Somebody would put a ham under the seat. Or a godly woman would put some home-canned fruit in my buggy.

A neighbor farmer said, "Brother Kuykendal, God has blessed me so that I cannot get all my corn in the crib



this year. I have a big wagonload extra that I cannot keep. May I put it in your crib for your buggy horse?"

Another neighbor drove over with a great wagon of hay for the cow. It was very strange, but that year we had no doctor bills. The children's clothes seemed not to wear out so badly. It was a happy, happy time. I never did have to call on Mr. H. Z. Duke to make up the money I had given to the Lord in tithes.

Then one day, when the year was about gone and the test was about over, I suddenly realized with shame that I had believed what H. Z. Duke said. He promised to make good anything I lacked because of tithing, and I believed him. But my Heavenly Father had made the same promise, and I had not believed Him!

I had taken the word of a man when I did not take

the promise of God! I had proven God's promises and found that He took care of me and my big family on a small salary. I found that \$112.50 per month took care of our family better, with God's blessings, than \$125 did without being under the covenant of blessing which He has made with those who seek first His kingdom and who tithe.

Now I have tithed for many years. My salary has been increased year after year. We have always had enough. We have never been shamed. The greatest spiritual blessing of my life, aside from my salvation, has been in learning to trust God about daily needs for my home and a big family.

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## HER MOTHER WAITED

DOROTHY SAMPICA, a student at Central Bible Institute, Springfield, Missouri, came from a non-Christian home. Her life was transformed when, at 16, she was invited to church by a friend. There she was introduced to Christ—and three weeks later was gloriously filled with the Holy Spirit. She relates that the things of the past seemed to fade as the peace and joy of Christ flooded her life.

Dorothy dreamed of being able to attend CBI to prepare for the Lord's service, but she never thought it would be possible. God marvelously opened the way for her to attend, and she is now a sophomore majoring in religious education.

Following her conversion Dorothy began to pray for the salvation of her family. From a natural viewpoint, this seemed almost impossible. But Dorothy believed God's Word.

At CBI, Dorothy felt this burden for her family grow. Then during a revival on campus she realized anew the great power of prayer. "As we united in seeking the Lord, it seemed as if all heaven was open to us for the asking," she said. "I immediately decided this was the time to claim my unsaved family for God."

Dorothy went to the platform of the chapel and presented her burden to the students. She felt great peace in her heart as she heard hundreds of prayers lifting her family before the Lord.

A few weeks later the King's Choraliers choir, a CBI musical group of which Dorothy was a member, held a service in Dorothy's home church. The choir members had faithfully remembered Dorothy's family in prayer from that morning in chapel to the night of their service in her home church.

Dorothy's mother and some other members of the family were in the service that night. As the service



Dorothy Sampica is employed part-time in the college cafeteria as cashier.

progressed, Dorothy felt assured that God was dealing with her loved ones.

But there was no response at the altar call. Then choir members left the platform to go into the audience to speak to those there of the claims of Christ. Two girls began talking with Dorothy's mother.

Dorothy prayed silently. Then she looked back and saw her mother was completely broken before God. She ran quickly, threw her arms around her, and said, "Mom, would you like to go to the altar?"

What a thrill it was for Dorothy to hear her say, "Yes, Dear. But I was waiting for you. Why should I go with those girls when I can go with my own daughter?"

Dorothy looks back on that night as the beginning of the fulfillment of God's promise. Since then God has continued to work in Dorothy's family in unusual ways. She looks forward to the day when she can see them all brought to Christ. 



# SPRINGFIELD LITERATURE

## ONE-DAY INVASION

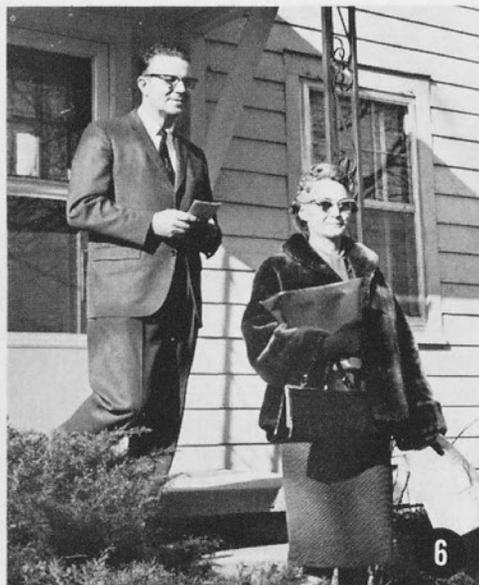
MORE THAN 1,000 Assemblies of God members in Springfield, Missouri, moved together to invade their city on March 14. Eighty-five percent of the homes of the city were reached with a full-gospel literature witness on that Sunday afternoon as each home received the Pentecostal Crusade issue of *The Pentecostal Evangel* and a new witnessing piece, "This Way," designed especially for this invasion.\* Volunteers from the 14 Assemblies of God churches in the city worked with students from Central Bible Institute and Evangel College in the venture.

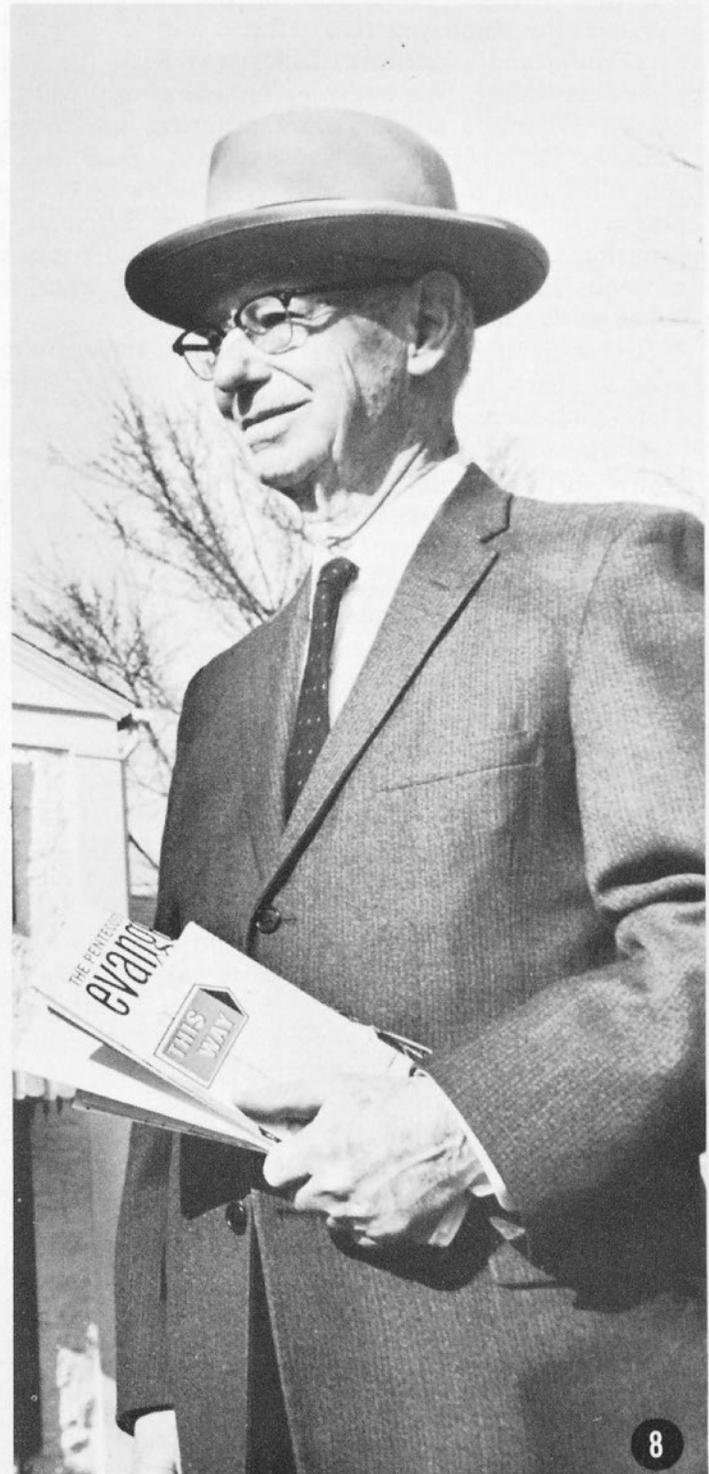
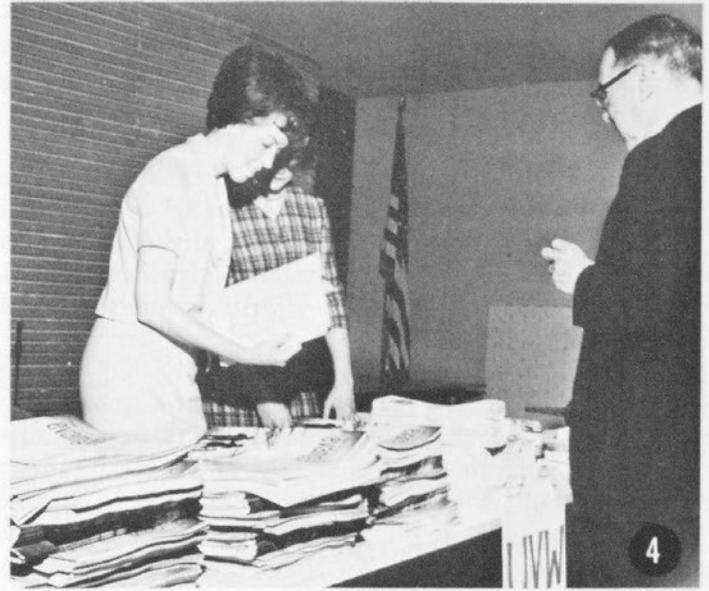
The pastors first met in September, 1964, to consider the possibility of such an invasion. A strong desire to carry through with the project was immediately evident. A steering committee was appointed and full planning was underway.

**Reported by D. V. HURST**  
Coordinator, Spiritual Life—Evangelism Commission

\* Information regarding this new literature piece may be secured by writing to the Spiritual Life—Evangelism Commission, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Missouri 65802.

Copies of the World's Fair Issue of *The Pentecostal Evangel* are available at the special price of \$2.50 per hundred, postpaid.





# WITNESS

Five months of groundwork and development followed. It was agreed that each church would cover an assigned area based on its location in the city. Students from the colleges desiring to participate would be assigned to the churches as needed.

A major task centered in separating the area into 700 "team assignments." This was done by leaders in each church following the precinct lines of the city and consulting U. S. Government Census Bureau materials. (The basic assignment was a two-block area with a team of two workers covering only the houses on the "inside" of the block. The average assignment was 50 houses.)

Another major part of the invasion planning was enlisting and training personnel. Enlistment meetings and training sessions were held in both colleges and in each church. All workers were encouraged to carry Testaments or Bibles and to be ready to use them to point men and women to Jesus Christ. Workers were shown how to use the literature and what to say at the door.

Volunteers included young people, men, and women.

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1. Deployment of workers from North Side Assembly for Springfield Literature Witness. 2. Springfield Literature Witness Steering Committee: (l to r) Wildon Colbaugh, T. T. Ward, Everett Ewing, W. Charles Harris (chairman), D. V. Hurst, and G. A. Green. 3. Orientation session for pastors and training session leaders as well as coordinators and captains for Central Bible Institute and Evangel College. 4. One of eight assignment tables arranged alphabetically in Central Assembly deployment center. (At these tables workers were given individual team assignments and sufficient literature. Over 380 workers received assignments and literature for over 11,000 homes; they were deployed in this manner in one-half hour.) 5. Information center at Central Assembly. (Workers checked assignment sheet against census maps when in question. Pictured are: Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Morris; Bill Eastlake, coordinator for Central Assembly; Pastor E. E. Krogstad; Intern Minister Dave Wormersley; and Bob Schmidgall, CBI student.) 6. Mr. and Mrs. Elton Phelps of Glad Tidings leave after a contact. (Mr. Phelps is supervisor of the Art Department of the Gospel Publishing House.) 7. Sandra Markstrom, "Gege" Hurst, and Gwenda Phelps approach one of 35,000 families in Springfield. 8. E. S. Williams, General Superintendent 1929 to 1949. (Brother Williams was one of over 1,000 workers who volunteered, trained and "went.")

Ministers at headquarters who were not engaged in field ministry were among the volunteers. One of the most thrilling aspects of the entire invasion was to see the involvement of the whole church family.

To complement the invasion simultaneous revival crusades were held in most of the churches the following week. In most cases the meetings started on the Sunday of the invasion. Some meetings were already in progress. These special services gave another significant point of contact to the workers as they went from door to door.

From the outset of planning, the objectives of the Springfield literature witness were: (1) To present a personal and written invitation to accept Christ; (2) To present a personal and written invitation to visit one of the Assemblies of God churches, and to call attention to the simultaneous revival crusades; (3) To leave a literature witness to the baptism of the Spirit in every home in the city; (4) To find receptive homes where followup visitation could be done profitably.

When the Sunday arrived, there was a keen air of expectation and excitement. "This was what the church *should* be doing. We must *go* to our world with the gospel." Workers ate lunch and returned to their own churches for assignments before 2 p.m. Soon the city was filled with over 1,000 busy Assemblies of God people, armed with literature, knocking on doors. It was inspiring to "ride circuit" on the groups and teams and to sense the joy they experienced as they went from house to house.

Reception at the homes varied from complete acceptance to sharp hostility. Spiritual needs were uncovered. Here and there a soul harvest was reaped.

Workers had a sense of being a part of something really worthwhile and acknowledged by God. They said: "We should do this again—every year!" "I enjoy this." "It's not nearly as hard as I thought."

Steering Committee Chairman W. Charles Harris, pastor of the Bethel Assembly, said: "We concluded there were several practical benefits to those of us participating and to those receiving our witness.

"Enriched Christian fellowship was one of the values which came to all of us. Just the sight of scores gathered at each local church for the sole purpose of doing something for God was a great inspiration. There was also a sense of accomplishment in the fact that we were able to work together in a worthy cause on a city-wide basis. In addition, there was opportunity to discharge individual and church responsibility in taking the gospel to every creature. It was a chance to explore possibilities in neglected ways of winning souls in a modern world. With some of our older methods losing their effectiveness this was a timely 'experiment.' We also experienced a greater burden for souls as we saw the great needs of so many. All of this produced a spirit of revival in the hearts of those of us who participated.

"Our main aim, however, was not to seek blessings for ourselves, but to impart them to others. This we did. We introduced our churches and the gospel which we preach to almost every family in the city.

"We could not possibly have said at each door all that the literature told after we departed. More important was the fact that some of us found souls needing immediate assistance and open doors to which we can return for future service." 



This lady was won to the Lord during the Springfield literature invasion. Later Pastor Albert Pyle (right) and John Jackson visited her in the hospital.

## A TWO-FOLD INVASION

By JOHN JACKSON

WHEN THE ZERO HOUR for the Springfield literature witness arrived, Larry Metz and I headed toward our assignment. Loaded with literature we drove around to survey the area and found it was a section of apartments and tenement houses.

Larry was a real help in the problem of deciding which doors were hall doors and which were front doors where we should knock! We discovered that children were quick to give valuable information and help, especially where their own dwellings were concerned.

In one situation, children came to our rescue and informed us that their mother had visitors who were just leaving. We faced the question, "What shall we do? We know she is there. Shall we just leave the literature? Or is this one of the souls God will give us?"

I prayed for guidance and felt impressed to wait. My companion agreed. More than five minutes went by, and we stepped out on to the porch in plain view of the woman. Now both she and the friends that were leaving were looking at us. We felt rather conspicuous but we waited. Finally the visitors drove off, and she walked over to us. After I gave her some literature and a testimony, she invited us in.

Imagine my surprise and joy when she opened the conversation by saying, "Yesterday I tried to get in touch with at least five different Pentecostal pastors and could  
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# BGMC AWARDS PRESENTED

By FRANCES FOSTER

A NEW MILESTONE has been reached in BGMC giving! Since the Boys and Girls Missionary Crusade was organized in 1949, a total of \$1,364,353.65 has been given by children of our Assemblies of God Sunday schools!

Because of this important missionary program we are able to supply many countries around the world with gospel literature in their own languages. BGMC also sends out tons of Sunday school literature to the English-speaking countries.

It pays to teach missions giving in the Sunday school. Boys and girls are learning the value of missions. They are learning that through their giving many find Jesus as Saviour.

In 1952 we started a plan to emphasize one particular field each February on BGMC Day. The field secretaries make plans for projects involving the translating and printing of a variety of gospel literature in advance of the BGMC Day offering.

Our February 7, 1965, goal was set at \$36,000. Africa was the field of emphasis and "Africa Calling" was the theme. We received \$45,562.97 for this needy field!

Because of the overwhelming response of the boys and girls (with the help of their moms and dads) BGMC is sharing the gospel with people who were unable to read a gospel portion before because of the language barrier. February is the only month others are asked to help in this program. Over \$14,000 per month is given by boys and girls under 12 years old during the remaining months of the year.

We are glad to honor the award winners for 1965 BGMC Day giving. Although your church may not have received a trophy, you will have the satisfaction that the BGMC money sent in—regardless of the amount—is used for furthering God's kingdom, and BGMC would like to thank you for your contribution to God's work.

The trophies are awarded according to the average Sunday school attendance reported on your Checkup.

*Grand award:* The grand award for highest giving was presented to Fair Ridge Pentecostal Assembly, Shade Gap, Pa., and accepted by its pastor, Bely C. White, at the regional Sunday school convention in Atlantic City, N. J. This church has been edging toward the top for some time, having been a recipient of a trophy for five consecutive years. Their offering was \$2,121.62.

*Runner-up:* The runner-up award for highest giving was also presented at the Atlantic City, N. J., regional convention. It went to the Pentecostal Tabernacle, Elmira, N. Y., where John Bedzyk, is pastor. They have been trophy recipients for four years. Their offering was \$1,456.00.

*Honorable mention:* This recognition, as well as the trophy for Division 4 goes to Trinity Tabernacle, Baytown, Tex. Wiley T. Davis is pastor. For four consecutive years this church won the trophy for top giving. Recently they gave \$500 for a tract memorial fund for one of their BGMC members who was killed in an accident. Their offering was \$1,416.16.

*Division 1; (601 and over):* The trophy was presented to Alex Hunter, Education Director of Calvary Temple, Seattle, Wash., at the regional Sunday school convention in Seattle. This church has received divisional awards for four consecutive years. Their offering was \$467.44.

*Division 2; (451-600):* First Assembly of God, Phoenix, Ariz.; E. V. Shores, pastor. This church was a trophy winner two times and each year their offerings have increased. This year's total was \$845.39.

*Division 3; (301-340):* Grace Pentecostal, Johnstown, Pa.; Ed Opdenhoff is pastor. Their offering was \$523.89.

*Division 4; (201-300):* Trinity Taber-

nacle, Baytown, Tex.; W. T. Davis, pastor. They came close—only \$40 short—to the runner-up award for highest giving with an offering of \$1,416.16.

*Division 5; (126-200):* Assembly of God, Rock Falls, Ill.; Harry Lutz, pastor. Their offering was \$472.61. For two consecutive years they have received a divisional trophy.

*Division 6; (76-125):* Calvary Tabernacle, Schenectady, N. Y.; Mrs. Mary Corvene, pastor. Offering was \$309.51.

*Division 7; (75 and under):* Assembly of God, Tioga, N. Dak.; M. L. Bennett, pastor. This is their second consecutive year to receive a trophy.

All church trophy winners also give offerings consistently each month.

In addition to these trophies, awards are given to the district with the highest giving on BGMC Day, and the district that gave the most for the calendar year.

*District awards: First award* in both categories goes to the Eastern District where Harold Crosby is district Sunday school director. The total offering for February was \$6,763.90. This district has received the highest award for two consecutive years and has been runner-up for two years. Eastern District received a plaque for highest total giving—\$12,468.43—in 1964.

*Runner-up award* for BGMC Day giving goes to South Texas. W. O. Henin is district Sunday school director. This district has received an award for five years. The offering was \$3,344.19.

The *runner-up award* for total 1964 giving goes to the Northern California-Nevada District. Fred Greve is the district Sunday school director. Their total for 1964 was \$8,928.40.

C. W. Denton (right) presents the Grand Award for highest giving on BGMC Day to Bely C. White, pastor, Fair Ridge Pentecostal Assembly, Shade Gap, Pa. At the far right John Bedzyk, Pastor, Pentecostal Tabernacle, Elmira, N. Y., receives the Runner-up Award for giving on BGMC Day. The awards were presented at the Regional Sunday School Convention in Atlantic City, N. J.



# Solitude.

## A PRICELESS GIFT

SOLITUDE IS A PRICELESS GIFT—and scientists predict that people will have even more leisure time to be alone in the future than they do now. But for many people the use of solitude is becoming a lost art.

There are at least three reasons why people do not take advantage of solitude today: they are preoccupied with life; they dread boredom; and they are afraid of loneliness.

Their preoccupation with life reflects the excessive busyness of our time. Family, friends, work, play, and other interests keep us from getting alone. Yet when we allow even legitimate things to prevent us from coming face to face with ourselves and our God, we are robbing ourselves of something vital.

Jesus said in Matthew 6:25, "Take no thought... what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?"

To be alone with time on their hands seems unbearable to many people. They want to be entertained, amused, excited. But one need not fear the quiet hour. It can be an opportunity for creative thinking, wholesome introspection, and meditation.

There is a natural fear of loneliness. We want to stay with the crowd. The average baby is lonely when left by himself too long. The child is lonely when his playmates leave him for a while. Even the missionary is lonely in a strange land.

The elderly are lonely when inactivity is forced upon them. A skilled surgeon must feel the sting of loneliness as he makes the decision to operate—a decision which could mean life or death to his patient. All men in places of leadership feel this loneliness. Our president must feel it often.

Because solitude is often associated with loneliness, we need to consider the meaning of each. Loneliness is an involuntary state in which you are cut off from others, either physically or in communication. Loneliness is a vast Sahara to the human soul. The burning sands grit and grind against the tender heart and cause it to bleed. The winds of conflict create a whirl of mental con-



PHILIP GENDREAU PHOTO

By **ADA E. TOMLINSON**

fusion, and you flee to the small shelter of introspection. Here, where others cannot come, your heart cries out for someone to share your innermost thoughts and feelings. Although you may be in the presence of others, you find no common ground of communication. There is a loneliness in every human heart which none but God can understand.

But while loneliness is a desert, solitude is an oasis. Here in this voluntary state you can find refreshment, rest, and faith to pursue life's journey. Pausing here where you are willingly alone you can scan the distant horizons and drink deeply of God's refreshing springs. James Russell Lowell said, "The nurse of full-grown souls is solitude."

There should be a balance, however between solitude and the society of others. It is not good to be too much alone; neither is it desirable to be too gregarious. The person who is alone too much may become despondent. On the other hand, the one who is constantly with the

crowd may become empty and useless for he does not replenish his inner resources.

Whether you find your refreshment by sitting quietly in the house of God, or by walking through a woods, or resting by a quiet stream, or listening to the birds, or gazing on a beautiful sunset over a purple mountain—this time of soul replenishing is necessary. For most of us it will come in the place we have reserved for our personal fellowship with God.

God sometimes promotes this quiet, unhurried aloneness permitting physical weakness, loss of a job, or other apparent misfortune to come and force us into inactivity. Circumstances of a crucial and overwhelming nature may drive us to solitude. It was so with Jacob. When he knew he must meet his brother Esau, he sought God alone—away from his family and his flocks.

But the greatest call to solitude is a sense of mission. When the call of God came to Paul, he hid in the desert of Arabia to study and wait on God in preparation for his ministry.

Jesus found solitude and communed with His Father often. Before choosing His disciples, and when He learned of the beheading of John the Baptist, and when He faced the cross, He sought solitude. We would do well to follow His example by finding a quiet place of prayer in times of great decision, or grief, or when we face a new challenge or call to duty.

Solitude brings personal rewards which can come in no other way. *Physically*, it brings rest and calm. God never intended us to be ceaselessly competing, caught up in a maelstrom of constant activities. Even He rested from His labors on the seventh day!

*Mentally*, also, solitude brings benefits. When we are alone, we have time to consider why we are here and where we are going. We can find direction for our lives and evaluate our experiences. Our viewpoints can be sharpened and our thought-life refreshed by good reading in these quiet times.

*Spiritually*, solitude offers rich rewards. It provides time for prayer and meditation on God's Word, for forming convictions, for solving problems. In solitude we get a new vision of our God.

Moses heard God's call from the burning bush as he was alone in the desert. Elisha was plowing alone in the field when the mantle fell upon him. Mary was alone when the angel of the Lord told her she was to be the mother of Jesus. Joshua walked alone under the stars when the Captain of the Lord's host met him. Isaiah was alone in the temple when his lips were touched with a coal of fire. When we are alone, God can come to us.

Not only does solitude bring personal benefit; it also provides an opportunity for serving others by prayer, preparation, study, and dedication of our talents.

From his lonely prison cell Paul wrote letters which bless us still today. John, on Patmos, used his time of solitude to open his heart to God. He said, "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day..." As a result, he was given the joy of writing the Book of Revelation.

You too can find solitude very rewarding. It is a priceless gift of time, to be used for the glory of God. As you make use of it, you will find John Milton's experience is yours also, "Solitude sometimes is best society, and short retirement urges sweet return." 

## A TWO-FOLD INVASION

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not find one at home. I have a big problem. I think a minister can help me." I could see she had been crying. She went on to say, "When I saw you standing and waiting, I knew God had answered my prayer for help."

As I conversed with her I learned she was a spiritual prodigal, desperately needing help and guidance. What a wonderful joy it was to see her accept Christ and to receive the sense of security in God through the forgiveness of sins. With bitter tears of repentance she renewed her lost relationship with the Father.

We resumed our literature distribution with great joy. This encounter proved to be the only conversion we had that day, but the joy and strength it gave helped us leave a ringing testimony as we witnessed.

When we finished our rounds, I immediately contacted Albert Pyle, pastor of Eastside Assembly of God. As soon as it was convenient I took him to the lady's home to be sure she received a church contact.

She had already taken her family to one of the simultaneous revival meetings and had made an effort to locate the church I had indicated to her. She promised Brother Pyle she would be in Sunday school with her three children, and said she was already making plans to begin a family altar.

There is no joy that can compare with that of leading a soul to Christ. I discovered that this was a two-fold invasion. We had invaded Satan's territory and won a soul for God. And God had invaded our souls with His joy. 

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## The Triumph of His Ascension

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He did not choose to direct the plan of salvation from heaven. He mingled with men, sharing their sorrows, becoming acquainted with their grief. He experienced the limitations and frustrations of humanity. He breathed the same air, ate the same food, suffered the same deprivations. He became "in all points tempted like as we are." He "came out from God" and "went back to the Father." But from the highest to the lowest, and from the lowest to the highest, *He remained the same Jesus!*

The ascension of Christ assures the destiny of the world. The world that is now descended in sin shall one day ascend in righteousness. Men will one day lay down their swords and beat them into plowshares. Peace will reign from pole to pole, and men will study war no more. However, this will not come about by the culture of man but by the command of Christ as He once more descends to earth to rule and reign. Darkness will be swallowed up in light. The growing wheat will be free from tares. The Church will be purified even as her Master is pure.

Every provision has been made for the victory and the consummation of the true Church. "Upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it," promised Christ. Rest assured, Christian! You are on the winning side. 



Seven little tots sing for the Sunday school in Nassau, Bahamas.



Sunday school leaders rejoice over new attendance record. Left to right: Florence Carey, Missionaries Bernice and Stephen Vandermerwe.

# COOPERATION DID IT!

By **STEPHEN VANDERMERWE**  
Missionary to the Bahamas

THEY STOOD THERE looking like a miniature United Nations committee—representing as they did a wide variety of racial backgrounds. But actually they were only a group of our tiny tots, singing for the rest of the congregation at Evangelistic Temple in Nassau, Bahamas.

Our multiracial Sunday school recently broke all previous attendance records. How happy we were to see the figure 553 on the attendance board. It meant work, but we thank the Lord for a church of willing workers.

Recently the church board took pleasure in presenting to our Sunday school superintendent a new Volkswagen bus to help transport children and adults each Sunday. It will also be used for our outstation work at the infirmary, at a nearby leper col-

ony, and at other preaching points. We intend to make the most of this useful new tool for extending our gospel outreach.

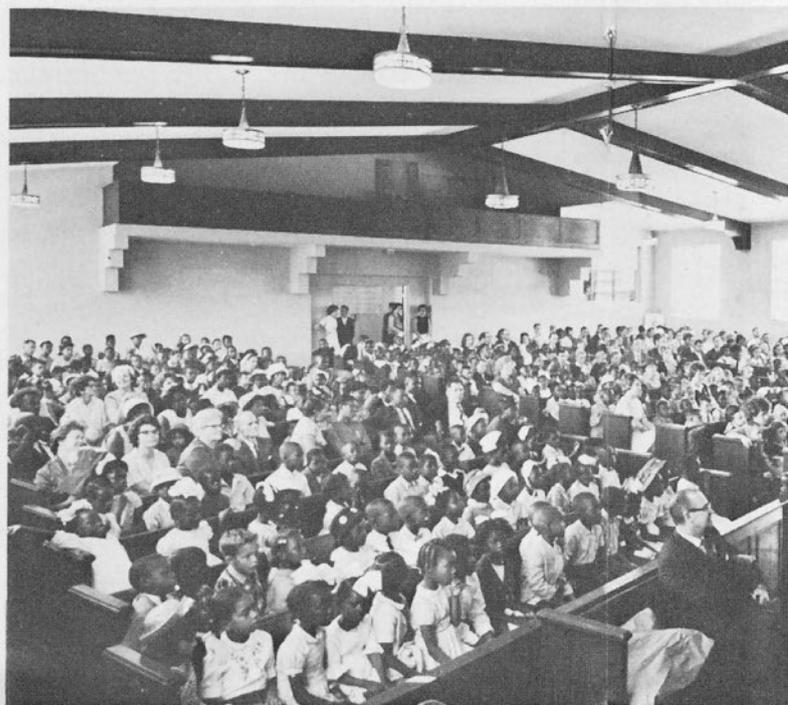
Though the Bahamas are a part of foreign missions, we want ours to be more than an indigenous church. We want it to be a *missionary* church. And God is helping us to spread the gospel in ever wider circles, taking in people with many different kinds of needs. Greater things are still ahead.

Send Foreign Missionary offerings to  
**ASSEMBLIES OF GOD**  
**Foreign Missions Department**  
1445 Boonville Avenue  
Springfield, Missouri 65802



Church board member Wesley Russell presents new bus keys to S...

All Sunday school departments gather at close of school on record-

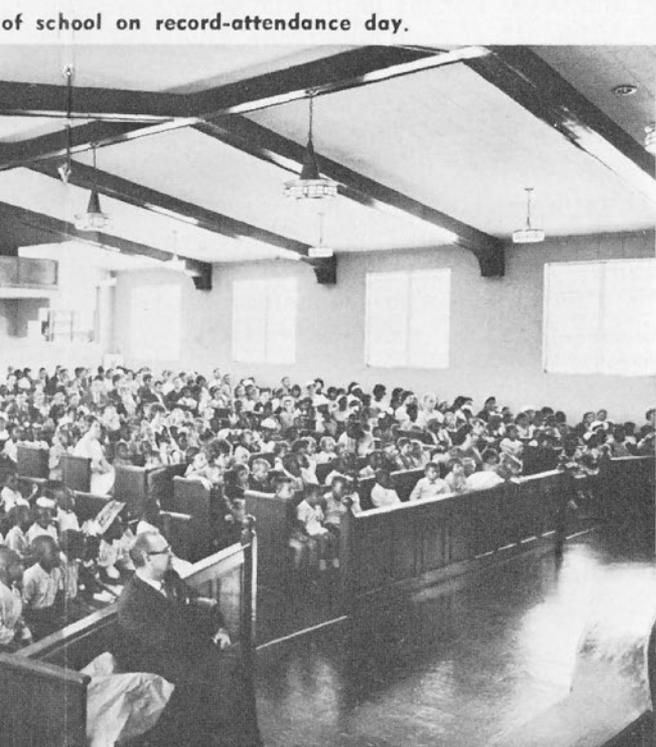




Attendance record. Left to right: Wayde Sands, Phyllis Carey, John Vandermerwe.



Wayde Sands receives new bus keys to Sunday School Superintendent Sands.



Church full of school on record-attendance day.

# The Quiet Brother

By THOMAS GRAZIOSO  
Missionary to Italy

SARDINIA NEEDED a Pentecostal revival. The remote Italian island in the azure waters of the Mediterranean already had two Assemblies of God missions, but not a solitary believer in either of them had as yet received the promise of the Holy Spirit.

Some of the Christians were beginning to doubt if God would ever pour out His Spirit on the forgotten isle. "How can we hope to see our island evangelized," they despaired, "when we ourselves lack the divine unction?"

And certainly Sardinia has long been in dire need of a spiritual awakening. Close to a million and a half of its inhabitants have never heard the full-gospel witness. In fact, many villages are so isolated from modern civilization that they have no church of any kind. Primitive living conditions and sprawling desolation have prompted the Italians on the mainland to nickname Sardinia "the burnt earth." But if its natural devastation is appalling, its spiritual bankruptcy is worse.

There was no doubt about the purpose of our visit here. If religious revival was to come to the island, it had to begin in the Church. Rather than hold evangelistic services we designed our messages specifically for the believer, with strong emphasis on the fundamentals of Pentecostal truth. And no matter where in the world you are, there is no substitute for old-fashioned altar services. So we encouraged the people to seek God.

Because of the geographical separation of the church of Sardinia from the rest of the Pentecostal work on the Italian mainland, these believers had never seen anyone baptized in the Holy Spirit. They were curious and expectant. Every time someone would become somewhat exuberant in his worship, the others would peek through clasped hands to see if "this was that."

Finally it happened! A rather timid, quiet brother raised his hands heavenward, smiled radiantly, and burst forth in a tongue known only to God. There was no mere peeking now. All eyes were fastened on the wonder of the Holy Spirit's outpouring. Shouts of relief went up from all over the church. "It *can* happen in Sardinia! God is going to send revival after all!"

After the service the Christians crowded around their newly baptized member, curious to see if he were still flesh and blood. Bubbling with holy delight he exclaimed, "Why, had I known it was this easy I would have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit long ago!" That was all the rest needed to hear. Five more quickly received the Holy Spirit.

The national pastor seemed particularly moved when the Holy Spirit baptized a certain young man. When asked why this case was so special, he remarked, "But brother, this man was only converted last night!"

On the closing night of our meetings in Sardinia the church was packed to overflowing. Good news spreads quickly, and people from near and far came to observe. Some were saved, others reclaimed, and the meetings which started out mainly for believers ended up winning the lost to Christ.

Reports of recent conversions are still reaching us. A flame of evangelism has been kindled, and now plans are being completed for a major evangelistic outreach this summer.

A recent letter from the national pastor states, "We have already bought land to construct a church building. With the help of God the believers intend to build it with their own hands."

Revival has come to Sardinia, and the believers are going forward in the power of the Spirit. 

# Joseph in Prison

Sunday School Lesson for May 30, 1965

GENESIS 39:20-23; 40:6-15

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

THE STORY OF HOW JOSEPH REACTED to two of life's sternest tests—the tests of morality and adversity—are told in the two chapters from which our lesson is taken. He came through with flying colors. Maintaining his integrity in the face of the seductive influence of Potiphar's wife, Joseph was falsely accused by this vengeful woman and unjustly cast into prison. His conduct in prison teaches us how adversity in the will and providence of God may become a means of spiritual growth—and the pathway to usefulness in God's service.

Joseph spent his time in prison in four ways:

*Working* (Genesis 39:21 to 40:4). Joseph did not lose the spiritual glow under this test. His victorious spirit and godliness become apparent to the keeper of the prison who subsequently placed all the prisoners under his care. Little did Joseph realize what hinged upon his relationship to these men—especially to two notable prisoners. He was to meet Pharaoh's chief baker and butler again.

THERE'S A TIME TO RUN!



*Watching* (Genesis 40:5-7). Joseph served well in prison. He was alert to the needs of his fellow prisoners. He had "a heart at leisure from itself, to soothe and sympathize." Consequently, when his prison mates appeared one morning with woebegone countenances and depressed spirits, he at once inquired and found that both men had dreamed dreams they did not understand. This unselfish and sympathetic interest in the well-being of others paved the way for his eventual liberation and exaltation.

*Witnessing* (vv. 8-19). At the mention of dreams Joseph might easily have become disdainful. What had his own dreams ever amounted to! But there was no cynicism or pessimism in his heart. God was still real to him, and he lost no time in suggesting that God had the solution to their problems. The Christian who lives in touch with Jesus will always have a word of faith and hope for the needy all around him!

Note Joseph's courage in telling *both* men the truth, though to one the truth would be hurtful. We do well to follow his example!

*Waiting* (vv. 20-23). What fervent promises the butler made to Joseph when he left the prison! But true to human nature, he "did not remember Joseph."

Think of Joseph waiting, hoping, wondering, and finally realizing he had been forgotten! But there was no bitterness in his heart. He had found something far more satisfying than recognition by man; namely, the deep peace and satisfaction which comes from the consciousness that one is doing God's will and meeting with God's approval! He never regretted having put God first in all things and he trusted Him with his interests. So, too, if we take care of God's interests, He will take care of ours!

There are some lessons to be learned from this experience of Joseph's.

(1) *God's way is wisest.* The prison was fitting Joseph for the throne. His was not an experience of "tough luck" but of divine providence. We would have sympathized with "poor Joseph" and thus interfered with God's training. *Our sympathy is often unwise and can seem to infer that God is harsh in His dealings.*

(2) *God's time is best.* After his dreams, Joseph was taken from home, sold into slavery, cast unjustly into prison, and forgotten by the man he had helped. Yet he remained true to God and never lost his faith. And when God needed a man for a big job, Joseph was ready. God is never late. Looking back, Joseph could see that God's time was best. (See Psalm 105:17-19.) Faithfulness in the time of trial is a stepping stone to spiritual enlargement and blessing.

(3) *God's grace is sufficient.* In spite of everything that seemed against him, Joseph was "more than conqueror" (Romans 8:37). The secret? "The Lord was with him." In all his afflictions Joseph maintained his fellowship with God and found in that fellowship all the strength and grace he needed.

Be encouraged, then, if you are tested; His grace is sufficient for you! Believe Him; be faithful to Him; and you will conquer as did Joseph!

Do not expect God to use you as a lighthouse somewhere else, if He cannot use you as candle where you are.

# PENTECOST IN LATIN AMERICA

A FIELD REPORT BY CHRISTINE CARMICHAEL

LATIN AMERICA IS NO LONGER "the land of Mañana." A new day has dawned for its millions. Lethargy of bygone days is giving way to bustling activity. With the establishment of modern industries its cities have mushroomed. Seventeen of them now have over a half million inhabitants. Brazil's Sao Paulo (population 4,000,000) is one of the world's fastest-growing cities.

As a whole Latin American nations walk a precarious path, with economic inflation on the one side and political revolution on the other. Tourists become aware of the strong currents of nationalism. Venezuela and Bolivia avoided a communist take-over by a hairsbreadth. Chile repudiated the communists in the last election. The British Government intervened in British Guiana to save the situation there. In Ecuador, Colombia, and the Central American republics, the tension tends to increase.

In some countries one hears ominous predictions that evangelical missions may have only three to five years in which to work, but in Latin America today the doors are still open, except for Cuba.

Notable progress has been made in several areas of our work, as follows:

## LITERATURE EVANGELISM

Latin America is the only area on earth where so many countries have a common language. The Assemblies of God was one of the first evangelical groups to recognize this pertinent fact and to begin a literature program for the Spanish-speaking countries.

*Editorial Vida*, as our Spanish literature division is called, produces vast quantities of Sunday school materials, evangelical magazines, books, and tracts. Sixty-four denominations use this literature. Orders are received from 34 different countries.

A large percentage of all conversions in Latin America are directly attributed to the effectiveness of the printed page as a tool in evangelistic outreach. Literature is also indispensable in conserving the results of revival. "It is the lifeline of our churches," say our missionaries.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

A Sunday school coordinator has been appointed to organize Sunday school conventions in Latin America and lay the groundwork for a great forward move in the area of Christian education. Training programs are designed to help the local church promote an effective Sunday school, win the lost, train converts for Christian living and stewardship, and develop a strong indigenous church.

El Salvador, called by Dr. Clyde Taylor "a showcase for missions," has demonstrated the virtues of the indigenous policy of Assemblies of God missions. The work in El Salvador centers in the Bible school, a strong literature program, participation of laymen, and an efficient Sunday school organization. A bookstore is maintained in Santa Ana as a center for literature distribution.

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

International cooperation among Assemblies of God leaders, both nationals and missionaries, has reached a new high in Latin America. CADSA, formed in 1961, includes church leaders from the southern republics of South America. Their conference met in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in February 1964. A conference scheduled for December, 1965, will bring together representatives of the northern countries in South America and also Central America. The meeting will take place in El Salvador.

## NEW FIELDS ENTERED

*Revivaltime* is the instrument God used to bring the Pentecostal message to *British Guiana*. Our work has enjoyed exceptional growth. The increase in outstations, all of them potential churches, is due to the evangelistic fervor of organized churches. In 1964 the British Guiana Bible Institute graduated its first class—10 "Laborers" (their chosen class name) who will have a part in the

Bible students attract interest at Buenos Aires street meeting.





Salvadoran senorita helps carry water.



"Poder," Assemblies of God magazine in Spanish, is distributed in 34 countries.

planting, watering, and, by God's grace, the reaping of British Guiana's harvest.

The new evangelistic center in Georgetown, the capital, was dedicated in December, 1964. "A dream come true," said our missionaries.

The development of the work in *Ecuador* has been rapid since the first Assemblies of God missionaries were appointed in 1962. That year a church was organized in Guayaquil. Now there are five in that port city. Ecuadoran Bible Institute was opened last year to provide pastors and evangelists for these and future churches in the republic.

*Surinam*, the former Dutch Guiana, is another challenging mission field in South America. It is not Latin, however, in any sense except geographical. Since 1961 when an Assemblies of God representative visited the field, a number of preaching points have been opened. In this land of polders and canals, most villages can be reached only by boat.

A revival which came to Paramaribo, Surinam's capital, brought into focus the need for establishing a church in the city. A building which was to be used as a dance hall was purchased by the Assemblies of God and remodeled to serve as an evangelistic center.

In this land of many races and religions 300,000 people await the message of a living Christ.

#### LATIN AMERICAN RADIO EVANGELISM (LARE)

One of the most far-reaching missionary projects in Latin America is the radio ministry known as LARE. Today *La Iglesia del Aire* (Church of the Air) is released 70 times daily in 12 countries. The four-minute broadcasts have a potential listening audience of 15 million.

#### SPIRITUAL OUTPOURINGS

Pentecostal revivals have been widespread. A church in Uruguay has enjoyed spectacular growth in the past two years. In Guatemala 2,000 people received the baptism in the Holy Spirit within the past year. Five hundred people were filled with the Spirit in Honduras. Jose Maria Rico, an ex-priest who recently received the

Pentecostal experience, is being used of God in these revivals throughout Latin America.

In *Brazil*, South America's largest country, evangelical Christianity has experienced phenomenal growth. Some of its churches have thousands of members. The Brazilian Assemblies of God, a cooperative effort of Swedish, American, and Brazilian workers, has a membership of one million and is the country's largest evangelical group. Sunday school enrollment is 300,000.

"Latin America is experiencing an explosion of evangelism," said one evangelical leader. The percentage of church growth far exceeds the population increase. The unprecedented response to the gospel in Latin America indicates this is God's hour for advance. Missionaries are working with an increasing sense of responsibility knowing that the time may be short.

Our 31 Bible schools in Latin America each year are preparing nearly 1,200 young people for Christian service. Trained, Spirit-filled national workers who have a passion for lost souls and are dedicated to winning their own people to Christ—these are the Latin American missionary's "joy and crown." 

In picturesque setting, Missionary Ella Franklin instructs Guatemala Sunday school teachers in use of visual aids.



# Don't Underestimate YOUR OWN IMPORTANCE

By EUGENE N. HASTIE

HAS IT EVER OCCURRED TO YOU that you are important—not because of what you are, but because of what God has done? You are made in the image and likeness of God (Genesis 1:26, 27). Anything that He made in His own image must have great value.

Of all God's material universe, a human being is the greatest—the nearest approach to Godlikeness of anything that exists. All else was made for man's use and enjoyment, and he was given dominion over the whole earth.

Man is vastly more than an animal. He has great intelligence and capabilities and he has an immortal soul. No animal is capable of communion with God as man is. Yet mankind lives with a great and recurring problem. His problem is not juvenile delinquency, or crime, or economics, or communism, or any of the other things he likes to blame. Sin is, and always has been, the gigantic monster that troubles us. Sin is what separates us from God and keeps us out of heaven.

In Isaiah 64:6, God reminds us that "all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags." They are not acceptable with Him. In Romans 3:23, we read that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." That puts us "all in the same boat," without exception. Ephesians 2:2 and 3 tells we are sinners by nature.

This is a discouraging picture of fallen man, yet it is true. No matter how good you may appear to be to others, you are a sinner in God's sight. You were born that way, but you don't have to remain in sin. You are important enough to God that He does not want you to live in sin or reap its consequences. You were created for something better.

You can be saved through a living faith in the atoning blood of the Lord Jesus, shed for you on the cross of Calvary. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No man cometh unto the Father but by me." It isn't your way, or my way, but it is God's way. All other ground is sinking sand and a costly delusion. If people could be saved by any other means, the crucifixion of Christ was unnecessary.

The word *gospel* means good news, and it is certainly good news to know we can be saved from our sinful state.

Jesus said, "Ye must be born again." You came into your earthly family by a natural birth, and you come into God's family by a spiritual rebirth. By the work of the Spirit of God in the heart of man a quickening takes place that results in a new and eternal life. (See Ephesians 3:1, 5.) When you are thus reborn (saved, regenerated, or converted), you are a new creature and all things become new (2 Corinthians 5:17). Don't try to live a Christian life without first becoming a Chris-

tian. You cannot live what you are not. Your natural life began the day you were born, and will end the day you die. Your spiritual life begins when you are saved, but it never ends. It is life eternal.

To be born again, there are three simple steps for you to take: believe, repent, and confess.

1. *Believe*. "He that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him" (Hebrews 11:6). Jesus said, in John 3:16, that "whosoever believeth in him [Jesus] should not perish, but have everlasting life."

2. *Repent*. Repentance for sin is an essential requirement for salvation. Those sins that have always defeated you and condemned you must be confessed before God and forsaken. Ask Him to have mercy upon you and to forgive you. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). As you kneel before God in repentance, stay in His presence until you have the assurance you have met with Him.

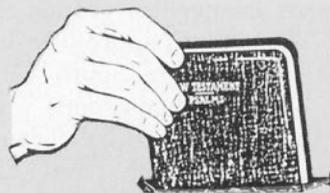
The experience of salvation is real. "We know that we have passed from death unto life" (1 John 3:14).

3. *Confess*. Now, with that knowledge, you will not find it hard to confess Him before men. You will want to share what you have experienced of God's grace. If you try to keep it to yourself, God will not be glorified—and you will soon lose all you have received.

Your testimony is your word of honor, your commitment to a new way of life before God and man. Your taking this step of open testimony to others will mean a lot to you as you follow on in the Christian life. Nothing can compare with the peace and joy of Christian living now, nor with the glory of the world to come.

You were important enough to God that He sent His Son to die for you; and you will only find all that is truly important in this life and in the life to come when you live for Him who died for you.

Will you begin today?



## Walking with the WORD

### SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR MAY 23-30

Sunday—Psalms 59, 60

Monday—Acts 12

Tuesday—Acts 13

Wednesday—Acts 14

Thursday—Acts 15

Friday—Acts 16

Saturday—Psalms 61, 62

Sunday—Psalms 63, 64



# THIS PRESENT WORLD

## Assemblies Sunday Schools Grow

For the second straight year, membership in Assemblies of God Sunday schools has topped the million mark, according to Charles W. Denton, national secretary of the Sunday School Department.

Total enrollment for 1964 was 1,008,977, an increase of 4,181 over the previous year.

Statistics released represent 8,929 Sunday schools with an average weekly attendance of 750,036. In 1963 a total of 8,892 schools reported an average attendance of 746,928.

Over 98,000 workers serve as teachers and officers in Assemblies of God Sunday schools. The schools have an average membership of 113 each.

## Episcopalians and Healing Services

Over 500 Episcopal churches in all 50 states now conduct healing services during the week, according to a report in *Sharing*, a journal of Christian healing. The magazine stated further that thousands of prayer groups are organized around these services.

"This revival of the healing ministry of our Lord is bringing about a great spiritual renewal within the church," the magazine added.

## Smoking Less but Drinking More

Americans smoked less but drank more during fiscal 1964, according to the Commerce Clearing House in Chicago. The organization based its report on declining excise taxes on cigarettes for the 12-month period ending June, 1964. Tobacco taxes fell \$27 million during that period, but taxes on liquor and beer increased by about \$100 million. Total excise taxes collected on liquor, beer, and tobacco amounted to well over \$5 billion.

## \$19 Million Damage in Church Fires

A total of \$19 million damage to church properties was suffered in 3,500 church fires in 1963, according to the National Fire Protection Association. This was 600 more fires than in 1962 and an increase of damage by \$2.5 million.

## An Open Door for More Public Money

Michigan now has a law requiring public school systems to provide bus rides for nonpublic school children. This law has opened the door for requests for additional auxiliary services—as was expected.

Citizens for Educational Freedom, an organization not related to the Roman Catholic Church but whose membership comes largely from that church, is urging passage of a bill to require public school systems to provide nurses, speech therapists, psychologists, and social workers in parochial schools. These services currently are available to parochial students, but they must go to the public schools for them, according to Lynn M. Bartlett, Michigan State Schools Superintendent.

## Governor Commutes Five Death Sentences

Governor Frank G. Clement of Tennessee commuted the death sentences of five convicts to life imprisonment after The Tennessee House of Representatives, by a one-vote margin, rejected a bill to abolish capital punishment in the state.

After announcing the commutations in his office, Governor Clement went to the state prison where he told the five condemned inmates: "I can commute your sentences. I can and have saved your lives, but I can't pardon you for your crimes and sins."

## MISSION WORK CONTINUING IN VIETNAM

The increasing intensity of the war in Vietnam apparently has not yet curtailed missionary activity in that land. (See photo.) Although the Assemblies of God does not have missionaries there, other evangelical groups do. The Christian and Missionary Alliance has approximately 100 North American missionaries serving in South Vietnam, according to *Christianity Today*. Other groups with missionaries in the area are the Wycliffe Bible Translators, Worldwide Evangelization Crusade, and the Southern Baptist Convention. Let us pray for these missionaries that God will give them grace and favor—and that their efforts in reaching the lost will be unhindered.

In an area infiltrated by Viet Cong guerrillas, Missionary John Allen (Wycliffe Bible Translators) treats a tribeswoman's eye.



RELIGIOUS NEWS PHOTO

## Massachusetts Governor Favors Death Penalty

Because of a "rash of killings," Massachusetts Governor John A. Volpe feels it inappropriate to act on bills designed to abolish the death penalty. The governor's decision constitutes a drastic switch from the policies of his predecessor, Endicott Peabody, who had frankly stated he would send no one to the electric chair during his term of office. No murderer has been executed in Massachusetts for 20 years.

## Gambling Now Big Business

Professional gambling profits in the United States are known to exceed \$10 billion yearly, according to the Southern Baptist *Survey Bulletin*. Compare this with the net profits of the 50 largest manufacturing corporations in the U.S. (\$8 billion), or with the total given by Americans for all welfare and religious activities (\$5 billion). Gambling is profitable—but only for "the house."

## Low Income Groups Easy Prey to Gambling

A survey of Massachusetts winners in the New Hampshire legalized sweepstakes shows that "four out of five of those who bought tickets could least afford to gamble," according to a report by the Massachusetts Council of Churches. The survey showed that 88 out of the 100 winners resided in low income areas, including both city and rural slums. Average win was \$200 each.

"The fact that they won must not obscure the greater truth that behind every winner are approximately 1,000 losers," the report continued, "most of whom come from low or very low income districts."

The survey indicated that lotteries are "inequitable and exploitative" because they draw heaviest response from those whose finances are most limited.

(Other studies have indicated that for every dollar raised through legalized gambling, five dollars must be spent in higher police costs, higher court costs, higher penitentiary costs, and higher expenditures by government and private agencies for welfare costs. Thus, to legalize gambling as a substitute for taxing the public results in heavier taxes for all citizens of the state, and economic loss for 90 percent of those who gamble.)

## Too Tolerant Toward Sex Deviates

The treatment news media has given to homosexuals was deplored by Fred B. Rhodes, Jr., outstanding Washington attorney.

Speaking to the Seminar on Christian Responsibility in Public Affairs (sponsored by the National Association of Evangelicals), the attorney pointed out that a Washington newspaper has carried a series of long articles on its front pages, representing sex deviates as capable, respectable people, but different. The articles even made the claim that homosexuals are more sensitive and creative than normal men.

Rhodes warned against accepting this maladjustment of individuals as the norm simply because there are so many of them. He pointed out that the Bible declares homosexuality a sin.

## Drop Cigarette Advertising, Executive Asks

The former board chairman of one of the nation's biggest advertising agencies has appealed to tobacco companies to suspend all cigarette advertising. Emerson Foote said it is not morally justifiable to encourage people to kill themselves.



# Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

*Must a person who has backslidden be baptized again in water when he returns to the Lord?*

Baptism is "the answer of a good conscience toward God" (1 Peter 3:21). If a person coming back to the Lord has a conviction he should be baptized again, let him satisfy conscience. But I would strongly object to persons slipping back, then returning and seeking baptism as a common practice.

When a person accepts baptism, he enters into a covenant to live for God. If he fails to fulfill his covenant, let him renew it with repentance and determined dedication to fulfill the covenant he made in baptism. This is much more important than being baptized again.

*Do you think it right to elect to church offices men who have committed adultery and other grievous sins?*

I believe we must consider a person's eligibility for church office from the time of his conversion, not on the basis of his former life. When a person is saved, the past is blotted out. He becomes a new creature in Christ Jesus. A novice, one untried as to character or ability, ought not to be elected to office. But I see no reason why any who are now walking worthy of the Lord, and have proper qualifications and the confidence of the membership, should not be considered for holding church offices. (See 1 Timothy 3:2-12.)

*What became of those who rose from the dead in connection with the resurrection of our Lord Jesus (Matthew 27:52, 53)?*

I do not know. Some Bible students believe these persons lived awhile and then died again. I feel safe only in saying a resurrection of "firstfruits" took place in connection with the resurrection of the Lord Jesus.

Jesus pictured His death as that of a single grain of wheat falling into the ground and dying (John 12:24). One of the Old Testament types of His resurrection is that of a wave sheaf of the firstfruits of the harvest (Leviticus 23:10, 11). This sheaf was to be waved "the morrow after the sabbath," setting forth that our Lord Jesus would rise from the dead the first day of the week. "A sheaf of firstfruits" raised from the dead in connection with the resurrection of Christ was assurance of the resurrection of all that believed (1 Corinthians 15:20, 23).

Some believe the Paradise to which Jesus went at death was a part of hades (Luke 23:43), spoken of among the Jews as Abraham's bosom (Luke 16:22), and its location was changed at the resurrection and ascension of Christ to the third heaven (2 Corinthians 12:1-4). They further believe it was predicted in Psalm 68:18, and fulfilled in His ascension (Ephesians 4:9, 10; Hebrews 11:39, 40).

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*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, Springfield, Missouri 65802. Brother Williams will answer if you send a stamped self-addressed envelope.*



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The attractive new Evangel Assembly of God in Richmond, Va., will seat approximately 180 people.

## New Church at Richmond Is *Proof of What God Can Do*

THE STORY OF Evangel Assembly of God in Richmond, Va., has been the story of one apparent miracle after another—so performed that only God could get the glory. The building that stands today at 2013 Broad Rock Road is proof of what God can do when His people are obedient and faithful.

At one time Evangel Assembly Sunday school attendance totaled nine. That was in 1961 when the families of Pastor S. Blair Hall and Floyd Beach rented a hall and initiated the work with district endorsement. In November, 1963, the first Sunday in the new building, there were 70 in Sunday school.

The new church was dedicated the following April with Wallace P. Odum, secretary-treasurer of Potomac District Council, and N. E. Haupt, sectional presbyter, as speakers. It is built from the Crusader plans of the Home Missions Department. With on-

ly \$3,000 cash on hand and the district agreement to underwrite a loan, a \$45,000 mortgage was obtained. In banking circles an arrangement like this is extremely rare.

A local builder gave his services without profit and added many extras. Through many sacrificial gifts, pews, pulpit furniture, Sunday school and nursery furnishings were paid for.

Building and property appraisal is approximately \$60,000. Standing on three acres purchased for \$10,000, the church is situated on a strategic artery in a population area of 100,000.

Ever since the providential coming together of Pastor S. Blair Hall, formerly an independent Pentecostal pastor, and the Floyd Beach family who moved to Richmond at what seemed to be a strategic time, growth of Evangel Assembly has been steady if not spectacular. Each new family has joined wholeheartedly in the work.

Pictured are the two families who started the Evangel Assembly of God. They are (left to right): Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Beach, Gregory Beach, Pastor and Mrs. S. Blair Hall, Kevin Beach, and David Hall.



ON NEW YEAR'S DAY, 1965, missionaries and Pima Indian Christians shared a dream come true. It was the dedication of a new Assembly of God, the only full-gospel church on the Salt River reservation. Many friends joined us in praising God for this.

L. H. Gundlach, Central Section presbyter, and W. S. Cummings, Arizona district secretary, ministered in the services. Mrs. Alta Washburn who brought the Pentecostal message to this reservation 18 years ago prayed the dedicatorial prayer.

For many years the Indian Christians had desired a place of worship on the reservation. They had gone into Phoenix by bus for services in the Phoenix Indian Assembly of God, but a burden for unsaved relatives and others on Salt River made them desire to see a church established among them.

Last spring we resigned from the All Tribes Bible School where we had taught and served as principal. We knew God was leading us into another field of labor among the American Indians, and soon God began to lay the need at Salt River upon our hearts. Then He began to open doors.

First of all, a lease of two-and-a-half acres of good land was approved by the Tribal Council. This land belonged to Virgil and Leslie Sampson, both ordained Assemblies of God ministers, and their brothers and sisters. They had long hoped this land could be dedicated to God for this purpose.

Then Mr. and Mrs. Joe Leichty from Indiana came to work with us. They also had a burden for this reservation. Miraculously God provided for our needs. We received financial help through the Home Missions Department to start the building project, later borrowing \$3,500 to complete the building sufficiently for worship services. A skilled electrician, a plumber, and painters donated their labors. A Phoenix paint contractor donated paint valued at \$150. The foundation was poured November 1, and the building was dedicated two months later!

The sanctuary is 34 by 76 feet and the Sunday school annex is 14 by 45. A permanent open-air ramada with an enclosed kitchen and storeroom at the rear makes the building quite functional.

Our Sunday school attendance averaged 68 during January, the first month in this new work. We are glad

By **LONNIE and ALMA THOMAS**

# PIMAS DEDICATE NEW CHURCH



The Lonnie Thomas family

for this good beginning and trust the church will be a strong witness for Christ on Salt River reservation.

One important avenue of ministry is among the children. We have also begun services at the tribal jail. The testimonies of how God has delivered our Christian people from drunkenness and crime have a great impact on the inmates at the jail. We feel God is going to use this ministry to bring many out of spiritual darkness.

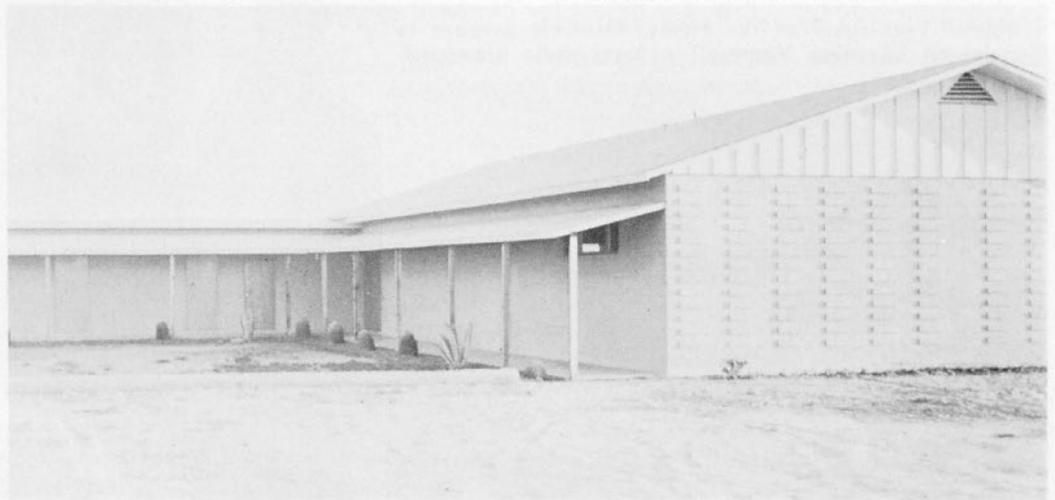
The challenge and burden to reach these Pima Indians with the gospel rests heavily upon us. One great evil among them is alcoholism. The Federal Government, Tribal Council, and various church groups are working to institute a rehabilitation program among these alcoholics. We cooperate in every way, but we know that only the power of Christ can set these people completely free.

Pray that God will use the new Salt River assembly for the salvation of many souls



Sunday School Superintendent Joe Leichty holds board showing record attendance for Easter Sunday. Pastor Lonnie Thomas (left) and Leslie Sampson stand by the superintendent.

The new Indian Assembly of God on the Salt River Reservation was dedicated on New Year's Day, 1965.



# TWELVE YEARS in the *ARCTIC*

By **HARRIET BROWN**  
Nome, Alaska



**Jack Titus, the first Alaskan graduate of the early classes of the Far North Bible School, receives his certificate from Nome Missionary Harriet Brown while Arvin Glandon looks on.**

THE CITY OF NOME is located in the Arctic coast section of Alaska several hundred miles north of the Aleutian Islands. I came to Nome in 1953 as a supply pastor expecting only to "fill the gap" for a short time.

After 12 years I am about to be relieved. Brother and Sister Paul Bills and their two children will arrive in the late summer to assume this pastorate, and I am anticipating a good rest before plunging into the work of the ministry again.

But these 12 years have been happy ones. God has blessed our work and given us souls among the precious Eskimo people here in the far north. The Christians are becoming established in the Word of God and are exhibiting the genuineness of their salvation in their daily lives.

Our congregation is small right now but we have a good working group including our teen-agers. Another teen-ager gave herself to the Lord recent-

ly. Three of the young people teach Sunday school classes. The young people take full charge of their C. A. meetings and they are doing what they can to help with the renovation of the building.

At present we are busy restoring the insulation and ceiling tile in our church building at quite a cost. We are just now recovering from the damages done four years ago when a windstorm took off the roof and allowed the rain to pour in. It took until last summer for the building to dry out!

Without a co-worker I have been kept very busy through the years. As I look back on some of the problems I wonder how we managed to get through. There have been many difficulties but they fade into oblivion in the light of the blessings and the help we have received from the Lord.

During the past winter our furnace gave us some trouble. Shortly after

Christmas we had a small quake centered about 40 miles north of here. The church shook, and I feared the furnace was going to blow up. It finally gave out a few days later—in 30-below-zero weather—so we heated the building by putting all kinds of stoves all over the place. But we were able to arrange a loan through our local bank and installed a furnace on our old heating system. Now we are praying for a completely new heating system throughout the whole building which will be far more practical. Heating is a problem in Arctic winters!

One feature that has helped our work so much is the Far North Bible School conducted by the Arvin Glandons. These missionaries fly to various assemblies throughout Alaska to conduct local teaching missions. They have been a great blessing to our churches.

The first person in all Alaska to graduate from the early classes of the Far North Bible School was Jack Titus. Brother Titus is an Eskimo member of our assembly in Nome. Saved from a life of sin, baptized in water and in the Holy Spirit, Jack Titus now serves as deacon in the Nome assembly. He is a pillar in the church—always dependable—an excellent worker no matter what his task may be.

We had an interesting experience during the Glandons' stay with us. While we were having the Bible training course one evening, there was (unknown to us) a tidal wave warning from a severe quake in the Aleutians a few hundred miles away. I did not learn of it until late that night when I heard an all-clear signal. I called the radio station and learned

**Right: The Arvin Glandons fly from one Alaskan village to another conducting a series of Far North Bible School classes in each.**

**Below: Teen-agers of the Nome Assembly prepare to sing on "Evening Vespers," a local radio broadcast.**



that a tidal wave had been predicted to hit Nome a half hour earlier but it had not come.

I was deeply moved to think that our people had come to the Bible study knowing about the tidal wave warning and wondering what we would do! They had said nothing about it. The service that night had been a good one. Even though it was a cold night, we had been snug and warm in the church, while other people walked or went by car or dog team out toward the Radar Site where they thought they would be safer. Some froze fingers, toes, noses, and ears. We were saved all this fear and hardship. How we did thank God for the trust our members placed in Him during that night of danger. 

## Tri-County Assembly Holds Missions Convention

THE RECENT annual world missions convention at Tri-County Assembly of God, Fairfield, Ohio, was extremely successful. It was the third convention sponsored by the four-year-old assembly where Hugh Rosenberg is pastor.

The services featured slides, informative sidelights, and emphasis on the role of missions in the context of this present world and in the light of Bible prophecy. The *Tri-Teens*, Tri-County Assembly's teen choir, presented special music each night of the convention.

Missionary giving has increased steadily along with the average attendance in this church. (Attendance has grown to 273.) At the first missions

**The Tri-County Assembly prepared this attractive display for its third world missions convention.**



convention the offering totaled \$1,695. In 1963, it was \$4,578; in 1964, \$5,557 was pledged. The goal for 1965 is \$7,000.

Workers prepared the *Hall of Vision* which displayed correspondence and pictures of missionaries the church supports. The people were challenged by the letters and cards directly from the foreign fields showing the needs of reaching more with the gospel.

Guest speaker was Carl Malz of Findlay, Ohio, who is preparing for his new assignment in the Middle East. Brother Malz, formerly a missionary to India, hosted the teen-agers to a special Indian dinner of egg, curry and rice which the teen-agers ate in Indian style, sitting on the floor and eating with their fingers.

The church met its goal of \$500 per month for missions while adding the Carl Malz family to the missionary budget. They now include 3 home missionaries and 9 foreign missionaries and *Revivaltime* in their monthly missions support.

The people of Tri-County Assembly have experienced extra blessings from God upon their lives as they have prayed for missions. They realize the importance of "redeeming the time" for the Lord is coming soon.

(A brochure explaining how to include home missions in your missions convention and how to obtain home missions materials is available upon request from the Home Missions Department. A new set of free posters featuring the special ministries will soon be available. Send your request to: Home Missions Department, Assemblies of God, 1445 Boonville, Springfield, Mo. 65802.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Tri-County Assembly was "mothered" by First Christian Assembly in Cincinnati, Ohio, when D. Leroy Sanders was pastor there.

First Christian Assembly had filled its facilities. Rather than enlarge, the church decided to open another assembly about seven miles away—and thus increase its ministry. Hugh Rosenberg, First Christian's assistant pastor, was asked to become pastor of the new church.

Tri-County's interest in missions, as evidenced by the accompanying story, is another proof that home missions pays. Tri-County has reached people in its area who otherwise might not have been reached by the full-gospel message. And Tri-County Assembly has recognized its responsibility to support our foreign missions program—thus strengthening our outreach to the whole world.



### ONE OF ONE THOUSAND

BY R. L. BRANDT

National Secretary of Home Missions

FOREIGN MISSIONARY Ray Morelock, who under God has raised up scores of churches in Mexico, has a genuine interest in the homeland as well.

Learning of the *Sites for Souls* program, he expressed his sincere appreciation for this means of assisting pioneer churches. Then he made a wise observation: "While there are many people who may not be able to contribute over \$1 a year, there are among us many who are no longer challenged by a \$1 appeal. For these you should add a \$100-a-year appeal. If you had 1,000 faith pledges of \$100 each, there would be an additional \$100,000 annually to help purchase strategically located sites."

To add works to his faith, Brother Morelock, from his limited means, made a faith pledge of \$100 annually (he has already paid for 1965), and also promised to seek out nine others who will do likewise.

Such concern is genuinely Christian and most commendable. It has inspired us to make a definite effort to obtain \$100 faith promises from 1,000 individuals or churches.

And there is a legitimate reason for this. During a short period recently we received applications for *Sites for Souls* allocations totaling over \$60,000. The need far exceeds the funds on hand. Pioneer churches are facing an almost impossible obstacle in obtaining suitable locations. Land costs continue to skyrocket.

Should the Lord burden your heart in this behalf let us know that you desire to be *one of one thousand* who will, as the Lord enables you, contribute \$100 annually to *Sites for Souls*. 

Offerings for Home Missions (including Indian, Alaska, Deaf, Blind, Foreign-Language, Prison, Teen Challenge, and Jewish ministries) should be mailed to

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

# Homefront Highlights

## FOREIGN LANGUAGE MINISTRY

### Miami, Florida

Andres Roman, director of the Miami evening Bible school, reports they ministered to Mexican farmers at Homestead, Fla., for three months during the season and about 25 were saved. He is hoping to establish a permanent work there.

### Los Angeles, California

Billy Wofford, who directs the work of a Chinese Mission in Los Angeles, writes that over 20 young people have been saved in the last two years. He is trying to purchase a small church building near Chinatown.

### San Francisco

A C. A. group with 30 charter members was organized March 14 in the San Francisco Chinese Mission operated by the Vallance Bairds. Steve Asmuth, C. A. president of the Northern California-Nevada District, installed the newly elected officers. The majority of the members have

been filled with the Holy Spirit.

R. A. Wilson, home missions director for the Northern California-Nevada District, and Sister Wilson were with the Bairds in February for a joint service of the English and Chinese-speaking sections of the work. Brother Wilson presented the need for church membership, and about 30 signed the charter membership roll.

During March three were filled with the Spirit and 24 young people were saved. Some cannot continue to come because of opposition from relatives. (Some parents do not understand the baptism of the Holy Spirit and are afraid to let their children come.) The Bairds request prayer for these teen-agers.

The Bairds also have a branch work in Oakland First Church. The attendance, mostly adults, averages about 17. In March a 15-year-old girl received the Baptism. She was the first to be filled with the Spirit since the Oakland work started two months earlier.



C. A. officers of the San Francisco Chinese Mission are pictured with Steve Asmuth (left), C. A. president of Northern California-Nevada District.

## ALASKA MINISTRY

### Anchorage

God has blessed the Anchorage Assembly of God with an attendance of over 300 for some time.

The church has been in a building program since last summer. The building is enclosed and is being finished on the inside. Stone will be added to the exterior this summer.

### Fairbanks

Ed Skane was supplying at the Fairbanks Assembly for the Oscar Butterfields who are itinerating in California. Brother Skane was called back to Massachusetts, so Donald Nelson has been requested to care for the work through May. The Butterfields plan to return June 1. Dedication of the new church is set for September 12.

### Stony River and Nikolai

Ken Andrus, missionary at McGrath, recently wrote: "A couple of weeks ago Sister Andrus and I flew down to Stony River with a load of used clothing for distribution and had a service for the people. About 40 were present.

"The young folk especially are so eager and open, but they don't know any gospel stories or songs except those they have heard on the radio. This village, as well as others, has been a burden on our hearts for some time. There is no church of any kind, though they do have a lovely new school (with two teachers).

"Attendance and interest are excellent at Nikolai, too. Recently I counted 70 people in one service.

We have been praying for a long time now for permanent workers for this village. Our great burden is for native workers for these fields, and the Lord willing we hope to assist some to a start.

"Opportunities to occupy new fields are on every hand. I can quickly name eight or 10 villages without a Protestant missionary, all of which have two-teacher (or more) schools. There are other villages which I have not yet visited. Surely we need prayer so we can continue to move ahead in occupying till He comes!"

### Nome and St. Michael

The Arvin Glandons conducted two-week teaching missions in the Nome and St. Michael churches during February, and in Barrow and Wainwright in March.

### Valdez

The C. C. Personeuses, veteran missionaries in Alaska, are interim pastors at Valdez. The village had a great deal of snow—piled up to the roofs in many places. Brother Personeus had a heart attack after shoveling snow, but God answered prayer and he recovered.

### Stebbins

The Lawrence Burtons, missionaries at Stebbins, wrote in February: "The village elections for the New Year confirmed that God certainly guides in all things. Tim Snowball, who has been saved for almost a year, was elected the new village council president. Tim's life has been a testimony to the village."

Brother Burton had a narrow

## DEAF MINISTRY

### Youngstown, Ohio

Regular services are now conducted for the deaf in Bethel Temple, Youngstown, Ohio. The leader of this group is Mrs. Nadine Roman, daughter of a deaf couple living in Youngstown.

### Washington, D. C.

On Sunday evening, March 21, Teen Challenge representatives conducted a service at Gallaudet College, the world's only college for the deaf. More than 400 students attended this service in the school auditorium. They viewed the film, "Teen Revolt," and heard the testimonies of two converted drug addicts.

For more than an hour Thomas Goulder, the Assemblies of God Gallaudet College chaplain, interpreted for the deaf students as they asked questions of the Teen Challenge representatives.

### Phoenix, Arizona

Special 10-year anniversary services for the Phoenix deaf group were conducted February 26-28. Speakers were Ann Maselli and Maxine Strobridge from Springfield, Mo., and Milton Wilson from Beaumont, Calif.

Joseph and Madge Peeples, lead-

ers of the Phoenix deaf group, moved from California to Arizona in 1955. Pastor V. Ernest Shores of Phoenix First Assembly showed a keen interest in the Peoples' desire to reach the deaf for Christ. With his help a class for the deaf soon was established in his church. Ministers who have assisted in the ministry to the deaf in Phoenix include Earl Walpole, Ken and Lois Swenson, and Alvin Booher.

Recently First Assembly completed a beautiful new edifice. In it the deaf have a small chapel for their exclusive use.

### Mr. and Mrs. Joe Peeples work with the deaf in Phoenix, Ariz.



escape from death on the night of March 26 when the dog sled on which he was riding with the Eskimos plunged through sea ice. The party was lost out on the ice for eight hours before finding land. "Only by the help and mercy of the Lord were our lives saved," wrote Brother Burton.

## TEEN CHALLENGE MINISTRY

Denver, Colo.

The Full Gospel Chapel of Denver, Colo., where Wallace Hickey is pastor, had three March rallies with the Grady Fannins of the Chicago Teen Challenge Center. Brother Fannin showed a Teen Challenge film two nights.

About 250 attended the second meeting, which was preceded by distributing *Chicken* tracts at local high schools with invitations to the rallies.

On Saturday the youth repeated this literature distribution. That night 370 attended. After the service, the youth had a prayer meeting and then went out on the streets to reach other interested young people. They then had a late showing of the film at which about 50 young people were present. Seven in this group came to the Lord.

During these youth services, 36 were saved and 12 were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Brother Fannin also was permitted to show his film at a local correctional institution for girls. This is the first time this institution was opened to the ministry of evangelicals.

## PRISON MINISTRY

Springfield, Missouri

Paul R. Markstrom, national prison representative of the Assemblies of God, has been ap-

pointed to serve on the advisory board of the American Correctional Chaplains Association.

## AMERICAN INDIAN MINISTRY

Laveen, Arizona

Harold Hanson, missionary at Laveen, is rejoicing in the results of a recent revival with Jerry Russell, a converted alcoholic and dope addict. The altar was filled with people seeking God. Two teen-agers were filled with the Holy Spirit. New interest was aroused. Sunday school attendance for March averaged 92.

Stanfield, Arizona

Nine members of the Women's Missionary Council of the Stanfield Indian Assembly successfully completed their first workers training course. Olline Dingman conducted the course for the A. M. Cranstons, missionaries there.

San Tan, Arizona

Seven WMC's of the San Tan Indian Mission completed a workers training course conducted by Olline Dingman. This was the first such class the women had ever had. The Charles Greathouses are missionaries in San Tan.

Sanders, Arizona

The Charles Kumleys, who minister in the Burntwater area, now have an excellent interpreter who recently received the Holy Spirit. The interpreter's husband has felt the call of God to try to reach his own people. He is an X-ray technician in the Public Health Service Hospital in Gallup, N. Mex.

Twenty people received certificates for completing a workers training course in March.

The Indian people have helped



These women of the Indian church at Stanfield, Ariz., (top photo) received certificates for completion of a training course conducted by Olline Dingman (back row, left). Seven women (one not shown in photo) of the San Tan Indian Mission also received certificates.

share the burden of the church. They have taken entire care of the church cleaning and have given generously to help buy Sheetrock to fix the ceiling in the parsonage.

The Kumleys' three-month-old baby, Jimmy, has been in the hospital twice recently. Sister Kumley also had surgery.

The WMC's of the McCook, Nebr., Assembly of God heard of the Kumleys' urgent need for a washing machine and were able to contribute a sufficient amount to purchase it.

Casa Grande, Arizona

On April 3, 11 Indian churches of the south and central sections had an all-day Sunday school rally, the first Sunday school emphasis among the Indian churches. Virgil Zeigler and Lonnie Thomas assisted Kenneth Swenson, Arizona district Sunday school director, in the services. T. C. Cunningham, assistant superintendent of the Southern California district, was the speaker.

Tucson, Arizona

The pioneer Pascua Assembly of God for Yaqui Indians at Tucson experienced its first revival recently. The John Swanks were pleased with the ministry of

George Garcia, Indian evangelist, and his co-workers, Wilson Nelson and Gabriel Ochoa. Brothers Garcia and Nelson are both attending the Phoenix All Tribes Indian Bible School.

This all-Indian evangelistic team was used of the Lord to reach the unsaved and also to strengthen and encourage the believers. Attendance was excellent.



Grady Fannin, standing at right, participates in the altar service following a youth rally in the Full Gospel Chapel in Denver, Colo. Pastor Wallace Hickey talks with a young man kneeling in the foreground.

## PLAN TO ATTEND



the 31st  
**GENERAL COUNCIL  
of the  
ASSEMBLIES OF GOD**

August 25-31  
Des Moines, Iowa

Housing forms for reservations may be secured by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to:

Rev. David L. Houghton  
Berean Chapel  
Assembly of God  
1431 E. 32nd St.  
Des Moines, Iowa 50317



Part of the group who attended the retreat in Berchtesgaden is shown above. At right front are Murray and Mrs. McLees, Chaplain and Mrs. James H. Woods, Richard C. and Mrs. Fulmer, and other missionaries. Murray McLees, pastor in Eugene, Oreg., is seen in left photo speaking in the evening.

## BERCHTESGADEN RETREAT BRINGS SPIRITUAL HELP TO SERVICEMEN

BERCHTESGADEN, GERMANY—The record attendance of 425 at the ninth annual Assemblies of God servicemen's retreat was matched by a great spiritual response, according to Richard C.

Fulmer, assistant retreat coordinator.

Servicemen and their families from throughout Europe (including Iceland) gathered March 15-19 for the meetings in the General

Walker Hotel, located high on the same mountain where Hitler built his famed Eagle's Nest. Missionaries from West Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Belgium, and Greece joined in the services.

"The presence of the Lord and the Holy Spirit was manifested in saving and baptizing power," stated Brother Fulmer, Assemblies of God servicemen's representative for Europe. "My daughter Bar-

bara was among those receiving the Holy Spirit," he rejoiced.

Four sessions were conducted daily. The early devotional period emphasized missions as Charles Greenaway, Assemblies of God resident secretary for Europe, and other missionaries took part. Later classes and discussion groups met to explore such topics as Pentecostal worship and personal evangelism. A special group was conducted for servicemen in charge of full-gospel services at their bases.

Morning worship was conducted at 11 o'clock and an evangelistic service was held each evening. Murray McLees, pastor of First Assembly of God, Eugene, Oregon, was retreat master and evening speaker. Bill Stringfield, businessman from the Eugene church, was guest soloist. Afternoons were free for fellowship, sightseeing, and recreation.

Spiritual response has continued, according to reports from others who attended. "We have enjoyed a real move of God in our services since the retreat," an airman stationed in Wiesbaden, Germany, writes: "Three of our group received the Baptism at Berchtesgaden and four others have received the experience since then."

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James H. Woods served as retreat coordinator.

## 800 ATTEND CONFERENCE ON CHRISTIAN CAMPING

GREEN LAKE, WIS.—Over 800 delegates representing various camps, colleges, and church organizations (including the Assemblies of God) gathered here for the second international Christian Camp and Conference Convention March 30-April 2.

The program of the convention, sponsored by the C.C.A. (Camps and Conferences Association), was built around the theme, "Commitment to Christ Through Camping." Johnnie Barnes, secretary of the Assemblies of God camp commission, conducted a workshop on "Special Days and Events in Camp."

The subjects of other workshops and seminars included Counselor Training, Business Management, Rainy-day Activities, Handcraft, Horses, Health and Safety, Camper Dropouts, Food Service, Wilderness Camping, Day Camps, Family Camps, Girls Camps, Campouts and Cookouts, Audio-visuals, Bible Study, Insurance and Liability, Site Development, Sanitation, Evangelism, Trip Camping, Nature Study, Storytelling, Stunts, and Funtime, Swimming, Campfire

Programs, Watercraft, and Discipline.

Special demonstrations were given in Archery, Compass and Map Reading, Outdoor Cooking, Photography, and other practical subjects.

Many exhibits, educational dis-

plays, and films were featured.

Featured speakers included: Grant Whipple, V. Raymond Edman, Walter Judd, Joe Bayly, Bill Bright, Henry Brandt, Ethel Barrett, Lars Granberg, and Bob Smith.

A number of Assemblies of God

delegates at the convention enjoyed fellowship at a luncheon. "It was thrilling to hear reports of what is being done in the field of Christian camping," says Brother Barnes, "and also to be informed of the current trends in this ministry. The instruction I received convinced me more than ever of the tremendous possibilities for gospel ministry through Christian camping."

## FELLER NAMED COORDINATOR OF ROYAL RANGER TRAINING

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Paul F. Feller, former Ohio pastor and part-time instructor at Central Bible Institute, has been appointed national training coordinator of the Royal Rangers, Assemblies of God boys program. The appointment was announced by Howard S. Bush, executive director of Royal Rangers.

Replacing Robert L. Reid, who resigned last September to become athletic director at Southern California College, Costa Mesa, Brother Feller will supervise an adult training program for Royal Rangers leaders, formulate boys' Bible study courses, and assist with the overall program.

His leadership training experi-



These representatives from various Assemblies of God districts and camps attended the 2nd International C.C.A. Convention at Green Lake, Wis. Standing, left to right: T. D. Jennings, Mo.; John Ohlin, Wis.; Victor Hillestad, Wis.; Arden Morton, N. Y.; Jean Kamppi, Minn.; Jack Risner, N. Y.; Harold Kamppi, Minn.; Robert Scharnberg, Minn.; Joseph R. Flower, N. Y.; Rollin Carlson, Northwest. Kneeling, left to right: Donald Rilling, N. Y.; James Griggs, Mo.; Lorin Cooper, N. Y.; Johnnie Barnes, Mo.; Jim Fraser, Mich.

ence includes six years with the Boy Scouts of America in Springfield and in Findlay, Ohio, his hometown.

He attended North Central Bible College, Minneapolis, Minn., from 1950 to 1953. In 1960 he was awarded a bachelor of arts degree at Central Bible Institute and received a master of arts degree there in 1963.

Brother Feller began his ministry in 1953 as an assistant pastor of the North Platte, Nebr., Assembly of God. In 1954 he resigned to become pastor of the Monroeville Assembly, Salineville, Ohio, where he stayed until he entered CBI.

Brother Feller is married and has five daughters.

### BETHANY RETIREMENT HOME'S NEW ANNEX TO BE DEDICATED

LAKELAND, FLA.—Two Assemblies of God executives and the national secretary of the church's Benevolences Department will officiate at the dedication of a \$115,000 nursing care unit adjoining the organization's Bethany Retirement Home at Lakeland, May 24, at 7 p.m.

Charles W. H. Scott, assistant general superintendent, and Martin B. Netzel, general treasurer, will be guest speakers, and Curtis W. Ringness, national secretary, will emcee.

Bethany's 16-member board of directors, Lakeland civic and municipal officials, and musical groups from South-Eastern Bible College, Lakeland, will also participate.

Increasing operations from a 53 to an 85-bed retirement complex, the 6,500-square-foot expansion includes single and double rooms with half baths, a laboratory, examination room, therapeutic facilities, and a screened lakefront porch.

Remodeling of the present infirmary provides an additional seven rooms to be used for ambulatory patients. Bed patients and those requiring medical care will be housed in a new unit.

The Bethany Retirement Home was erected in 1959 to better accommodate retired Assemblies of God ministers, missionaries, and laymen. Originally founded in 1948, the Home was located at Pinellas Park, Fla., from 1948 to 1959 before it moved to Lakeland.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

REVIVALTIME RALLY—May 31, First Assembly of God, Valley Park, Mo., 7:30 p.m. C. M. Ward speaker.—by John Eller, pastor.

GREATER PORTLAND FULL GOSPEL FELLOWSHIP WEEK—May 23-30 at Evangel

Temple, 7435 S. E. Foster Rd., Portland, Oreg. Willard Cantelon, speaker.—by Joseph Dunets, host pastor.

### WITH CHRIST

CHARLES E. LONG, 82, of Des Moines, Iowa, was called home to be forever with Christ on March 29. He was a minister in the Assemblies of God for about 48 years.

Brother Long served the West Central District as district superintendent for three years (1926-29) and as secretary-treasurer for 32 years (1924-26 and 1929-59). Failing health caused him to retire from office in 1959 after serving the district as an executive for 35 years.

In recognition of his many years of service on the general presbytery of the Assemblies of God he was made an honorary member of that national body on his retirement.

A native of Kirksville, Mo., Brother Long heard the call of God and surrendered his life to the Lord Jesus Christ in Effingham, Ill., in 1907. Later he at-

tended Pentecostal meetings in Des Moines, Iowa. There had been a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Des Moines in 1907. As a result of this outpouring Sister Ladd, wife of Judge Ladd of the Iowa State Supreme Court, opened a mission and it was at this mission that Brother Long was introduced to scenes of Pentecostal blessing. At this time he was in the life insurance business. His heart became hungry for the fullness of the Holy Spirit and in 1910, during a tent meeting conducted by Brother and Sister J. R. Buckley and Sister Ladd, he received the Baptism.

For many years he served God as a pastor and evangelist in the West Central District. His pastorates included Davenport, Cedar Rapids, Clarinda, and Knoxville, Iowa; and Cainville, Mo.

The funeral sermon was preached by T. F. Zimmerman, General Superintendent of the Assemblies of God. Memorial tributes were given by T. E. Gannon, Iowa district superintendent, and Glenn Renick, Northern Missouri district superintendent. Presbyters served as pallbearers.

Brother Long is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Grace Hauskins of Cedar Rapids, Mrs. Evelyn Pollard of Kansas City, and Mrs. Esther Converse of Des Moines; and two sons, William E. of Gary, Ind., and Paul who is pastor of the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Reedley, Calif.

His wife preceded him in death in 1962.

FELIX A. CONCEPCION, 65, of Fowler, Calif., went to be with the Lord March 10. A member of the Southern California District, he was licensed to preach in 1941 and served as an evangelist. He is survived by one daughter.

MARTIN EAVES, SR., 72, of Potosi, Mo., went to meet the Lord March 3. Brother Eaves was licensed by the Southern Missouri District in 1944 and pastored churches in Ironton, Belgrade, Glory Hill, Fountain Farm and Big River, Mo. He also served as an evangelist. He is survived by his wife Myrtle, seven children, 27 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. His son, Martin Eaves, Jr., is pastor of Evangel temple in St. Louis, Mo.

## EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ark.	De Queen	First	May 30-June 4	A. G. Calaway	Gerald Calaway
	Lake City	Cross Roads	May 26	Leonard Negrin	Chester Esmond
	Texarkana	First	May 30	Gene Thompson Party	A. C. McGaugh
	Waldron	**First	May 30-June 13	Mrs. Royce L. Lowe	Earl Teeter
Calif.	Wynne	A/G	May 23-June 16	Ernie Rogers	Howard Watkins
	Bakersfield	Planz	May 19-30	Sara E. Sharp	E. L. Shaffer
	Chula Vista	Castle Park	May 25-June 6	Parrish Trio	Francis Gregg
	Fresno	Calvary Tab.	May 25-30	Lloyd Perera	A. J. Burk
	Lancaster	First	May 25-June 6	Don & Dixie Cox	Fred Cottriel
Colo.	Santa Ana	First	May 25-30	Wesley F. Morton	Orie Robinson
Ga.	Clifton	A/G	May 30-June 6	Guy London	Robert Madsen
Ill.	Valdosta	East Magnolia	May 30-June 13	Robert V. Holland	Jimmy White
	Rockford	First	May 25-June 6	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	Henry N. Price
Kans.	Dodge City	First	May 26-30	Neil Eskelin	E. A. Manley
	Woodston	A/G	May 23-June 6	Knott-Olson Team	K. N. Stottlemeyer
Md.	Baltimore	Trinity	May 25—	Kenneth Broadus	Cleo H. Misner
	Ferndale	A/G	May 25-June 6	Victor Etienne	A. H. Clattenburg
Mich.	Harrison	Highway Gos. Tab.	May 25-June 6	Arthur & Anna Berg	Glenn Snook
	Sturgis	A/G	May 25-June 6	Ralph E. Leslie	Donald L. Roberts
Mo.	Independence	Central	May 18-30	Ray C. Eskelin	Donald Matthews
	Sedalia	First	May 23-30	Milo Harmon	John R. Waldron
Mont.	Sidney	A/G	May 25-June 6	Bob & Jeri Winford	Floyd T. Buntentbach
N. H.	Littleton	Full Gos. Chap.	May 25-June 6	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	Dean A. Rohner
N. J.	Pleasantville	A/G	May 25-30	Albert Andreasen	Joseph Bennett
	Williamstown	Hope	May 25-June 6	Oren & Inez Paris	Thomas String
N. Dak.	Minot	A/G	May 25-June 6	Werner & Mrs. Johnson	Robert Locker
	Prague	A/G	May 25-30	Lee & Bonnie Krupnick	B. C. Heinze
Okla.	Portland	A/G	May 30—	Al Davis	Herman Searcy
Oreg.	Portland	Evangel Temple	May 30-June 6	Ed Cole	Joseph Dunets
	Kingsport	First	May 30-June 6	Roy E. Brewer	Edward Roush
Tenn.	Memphis	*Frayser	May 30-June 4	Christian Hild	Blan M. Stout
	Amarillo	San Jacinta	May 24-June 6	Tommy Lance	J. E. Burkhalter
Tex.	El Paso	First	May 25-30	William Caldwell	William Hageman
	Ft. Worth	Gospel Temple	May 26—	Glen & Faithe Shinn	Russell L. Michener
Va.	Houston	Houmont Park	May 30	Melvin McKnight	Paul Davidson
	Buchanan	A/G	May 18-30	Frank J. DePolo	Roy W. Shewbridge
W. Va.	Hayfield	***A/G	May 25-June 6	Irving & Mary Lou Howard	H. O. Ganoe
	Virginia Beach	*First	May 30-June 4	David & Patricia Johnson	Samuel D. Beiler, Jr.
Wis.	Elkins	First	May 26-June 6	Don & Sharon Parker	Edgar A. Hare
	Stevens Point	A/G	May 25-June 6	James & Beulah Pepper	M. E. Schroeder
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