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MEN ARE NOW READY TO BELIEVE THE BIG LIE. It is the same lie Lucifer used to deceive the angels in heaven. It is the same lie the serpent told Adam and Eve in the garden. It is the same lie Jesus heard the devil expound in the wilderness temptation.

It is the lie of the Antichrist—the big lie that will delude the whole world. Satan has never changed his line. The lie is simple yet profound. It is simply: “A creature can become God.”

This is the lie: “A man, an angel, a created being can assume the powers of Jehovah.” The mystery of iniquity is profound in the diverse manner in which it is being propagated and believed today.

Lucifer did not aim at becoming the devil. He said, “I will be like the Most High” (Isaiah 14:14). How did he deceive himself in such a manner? How could any created being hope to assume the powers of his Maker? Evidently he did not believe God’s claim of omnipotence or he never would have undertaken the impossible feat of overthrowing the Almighty. Perhaps he persuaded himself that God was not motivated by love as He claimed, but in reality was a tyrant. He refused to believe that the Creator’s powers could not be shared by a created one. Evidently he came to believe that God was lying to him about the nature of things.

What embellishment of the lie could have persuaded the angels to follow Satan in the mad folly of rebellion? “Come, oppressed angels,” Lucifer cried. “Rise against God and share His dominion. How do we know He created us? We have only His word that this is true. Perhaps He rules only because He evolved before we did. I proclaim the survival of the fittest! God is not our creator and He can be overthrown.” It may have been here that the lie of evolution was born. C. S. Lewis pointed out in *Mere Christianity* that from the dawn of recorded history men have always held one of two views: either that a Supreme Being created all things, or that all things are the product of accidental natural causes.

The Bible says the devil “abode not in the truth . . .

for he is a liar” (John 8:44). Hear his defamation of God’s character as He says to Eve: “Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree? . . . Ye shall not surely die: for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof . . . ye shall be as gods” (Genesis 3:1, 4, 5). “God is deceiving you, Eve. He is not what He claims to be. Things are not as He describes them. Evolve a little—become more than men—ye shall be as gods!”

It was audacious that Satan should solicit the worship of angels and seek to seduce men, but astounding that He asked the One “by whom all things were made” to bow down and worship a created being, and a fallen one at that. One day a human satan will live and walk on this earth. Many believe he may be alive today. His rise and reign are characterized by deception. He will be a miracle worker and thereby beguile men of this rebellious planet. He is that “son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God” (2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4).

Here again is *the lie*—that a man can become God. Because men in daring, raw confidence will follow after the deceiver, “God shall send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie (Greek: *the lie*)” (2 Thessalonians 2:11).

There is one basic fact that must be accepted or rejected. Either an absolute and sovereign God reigns in this universe, or He doesn’t.

Satan has followed a carefully planned strategy in his massive attack against God’s claims of omnipotence and rightful rulership. A forerunner of the Antichrist (like a satanic counterpart of Elijah and John the Baptist) arose in the 19th century and cried to the basically theistic western world that *God is dead*. The philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche wrote, in *Thus Spake Zarathustra*: “Dead are all the gods, says Zarathustra, now we will that the *superman* arise. . . . Lo, I am a herald of the lightning and a heavy drop out of the clouds; the lightning, however, is the *superman*.” Various schools of



philosophy accept this concept in one form or another. In the realm of politics Adolf Hitler conceived of himself as the superman, the Aryans as the super race, and proceeded to plunge the world into the nightmare of the Second World War.

The educational world has been profoundly influenced by another satanic herald, Charles Darwin, father of modern forms of evolutionary teaching, which is but another form of *the lie*. No longer must men believe in a Creator. Man is a product of primeval slime rather than of special creation. He has his god in himself, a product of his own mind. Enamored of his own intellect, man now boasts (in recent popular magazine articles): "Man will master the secrets of creation. He will produce living matter from inert chemicals. He will perform an act of God. He will control life and direct his own evolution."

Science Digest for February predicted: "By the end of 1966 a Soviet research team will 'give birth' for the first time to a baby conceived and brought to maturity in a laboratory jar." Isaac Isamove, a brilliant biochemist, predicted in February of this year that men will not only create life but actually make human beings that will be superior to themselves. Men will leap over millions of years of evolution and "Homo Sapiens will become Homo Superior." Antichrist, when he appears, will simply proclaim, "I am the final product of human evolution. I am the superman. I am the ultimate of whatever divinity there is in man. I am God."

The Bible says: "He doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast. . . . And he [the false prophet] had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed" (Revelation 13:13-15).

He had power to give life to the image! Not a speaking statue, not an electronic marvel, not a man-made automation (these would fool no one), but here is described a living, breathing, speaking replica of a human being, conceived in the laboratory of a science dedicated to Satan and to *the lie*. Men declare that they will perform acts of creation, the acts of God!

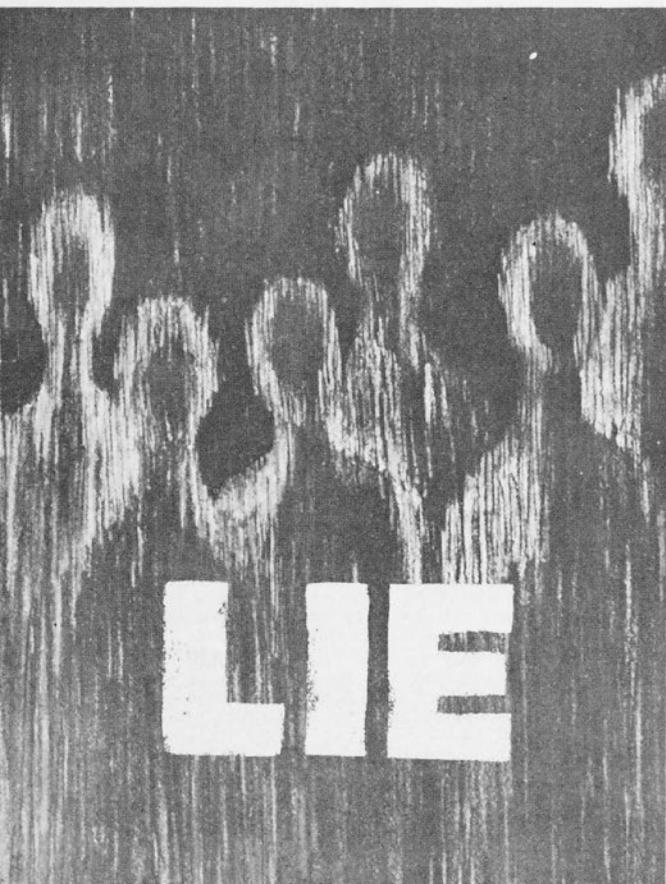
What the philosophers set in motion, modern men of religion are making popular. John A. T. Robinson, Bishop of Woolwich, England, in *Honest to God*, advocates "Christian" agnosticism and atheism. He claims we are in a "post Christian" era and that the return of Christ is no longer to be anticipated. Thomas J. J. Altizer, associate professor of religion at Emory University, Methodist school in Atlanta, proclaims that "God is dead" and that "the death of God in our day is a historic fact."

Today radical clergymen speak *the lie*. "God in heaven is dead—man is the only god there is left." A well-known Portland pastor writes: "Those who can see the infinite reach of themselves can see God. Man is limited because he does not believe in his own divinity."

In *Living Under Tension* we read: "God can come into human life because God has come into human life [in Jesus]. . . . Do not tie this great affirmation up with miraculous accompaniments, such as the virgin birth. . . as you know I cannot believe it." In the same book Harry Emerson Fosdick writes: "I predict a man will rise by whose hands a federation of the world will be effected and wars stopped thereby. . . . A multitude. . . must prepare the way before the decisive messiah can come with peace in his hands." Jesus said, "I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive." Masses of men no longer believe Jesus, but they are ready to believe *the lie*.

Satan's lie alleges through philosophy, evolutionary education, and modern godless religion that the only God there is lies in man's own evolving nature. The highest hope this offers is "survival of the fittest" (in this life—maybe). The Bible teaches the true nature of the omnipotent Creator—our Father in heaven, who loves each one of us. It teaches the eternal survival of the unfit! A lost sinner who admits his true condition may call upon Christ and find eternal survival in heaven, through salvation in Jesus.

Jesus is the way, *the truth*, and the life. We will never combat *the lie* through human intellect alone. *The lie* is woven too subtly into the very fabric of modern life! "Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory," the apostle says. "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God. . . . That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; holding forth the word of life. . . . And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; and that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness. Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth. . . . Neither give place to the devil" (Philippians 2:3-16; 4:6, 7; and Ephesians 4:23-27).



10 Commands of Christ

REAL ESTATE IS COSTLY in Manhattan. A modest plot of ground may bring a fabulous price because there's solid rock beneath, and builders know it's safe to put enormous buildings on such a foundation.

A human life is worth far more than the tallest skyscraper—yet some pay scant attention to the foundation on which they're building.

Jesus told a story of two builders. One was wise and built his house on rock, with the result it weathered the storms. The other foolishly built on sand, and his house collapsed.

The wise builder, Jesus said, is the man who receives His commandments and obeys them. What are His commandments? The 10 commandments of Moses we know, but what are Christ's commandments? By reading through the Gospel of Matthew we find many. Here are 10 of them:

1. "Repent" (Matthew 4:17). Have we humbled ourselves before the Lord and deeply repented of all the sins we've committed?

2. "Follow me" (4:19). This comes after we've repented and been genuinely saved. Are we following Jesus? Have we left all and become "fishers of men"?

3. "Rejoice" (5:12). Even when we're persecuted for following Jesus we can rejoice—for there's a great reward ahead.

4. "Be ye therefore perfect" (5:48). That is, keep all the commandments, even the least of them. Do we take all of God's Word seriously? Do we obey the spirit of it, as well as the letter?

5. "Pray ye" (6:9). To fail to pray is sin.

6. "Seek ye first the kingdom of God" (6:33). This is not optional; it is Christ's command. But He promises that if we will put His kingdom before material things, He will see that we never lack the material things we need.

7. "Fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (10:28). God is to be feared—and so is Satan. We need to realize that the enemy of our souls is strong—but the Keeper of our souls is stronger still. Therefore we should not trifle with temptations—and neither should we live in bondage to fear. The mighty God is on our side—if we are on His.

8. "Confess me before men" (10:32). If we do not confess Him publicly as our Saviour, He will deny us salvation.

9. "From your hearts, forgive" (18:35). After the Lord forgives us He expects us to forgive others. If we do not forgive we cannot expect to be forgiven.

10. "Love thy neighbor" (22:39). It is not enough to respect his rights and treat him fairly; Jesus said we must *love* our neighbor as dearly as we love ourselves.

These are but 10 of Christ's commandments. There are many more. To people who do not love the Lord, His commandments may seem burdensome, but those who love Him will take delight in obeying all His commandments. They will not live as they please, but will find their pleasure in pleasing Him. The Holy Spirit comes into our lives to bring His commandments to our remembrance and to enable us to obey them. Wise is the man who does this. He shall stand secure and serene through all life's storms. For storms will come. Jesus warned that the rain will descend, the floods will come, the winds will blow, and beat upon us (and, like the skyscrapers, we may sway just a bit in the storm) but He said the rock will hold us firm if we hear His sayings and do them.

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MEN AND WOMEN WHO LIVE an unusually long time give various formulas for longevity. Dr. Arthur J. Brown, when he became 103 years old, gave one of the shortest. When asked for his secret, he simply said, "Don't die."

That would be good advice, except that the Scriptures declare, "It is appointed unto man once to die."

As Solomon expressed it, "There is no man that hath power over the spirit to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death" (Ecclesiastes 8:8).

Shakespeare observed wryly, "By medicine the life may be prolonged, but death will seize the doctor too!"

Yet all over the world, in every age and stage of culture, individuals and whole civilizations have applied themselves to the problem of prolonging human existence on earth. In days gone by the Chinese procured graveclothes early in life. Preferably a very young girl was engaged to sew the garments. It was believed that some of her capacity for long life would surely pass into the clothes, thereby helping to stave off for additional years the time when the graveclothes would be needed for their final purpose.

One of the garments was a long blue silk gown with the word "longevity" embroidered in Chinese characters all over it. The robe was worn frequently, especially on holidays, in order to permit the influence of the word to work its full effect upon the owner. However, the blue gown wearers all died eventually.

But though physical death is a certainty for mortal man, there is a way to prolong the life of the spirit beyond the limits of time. We learn of it in the Bible.

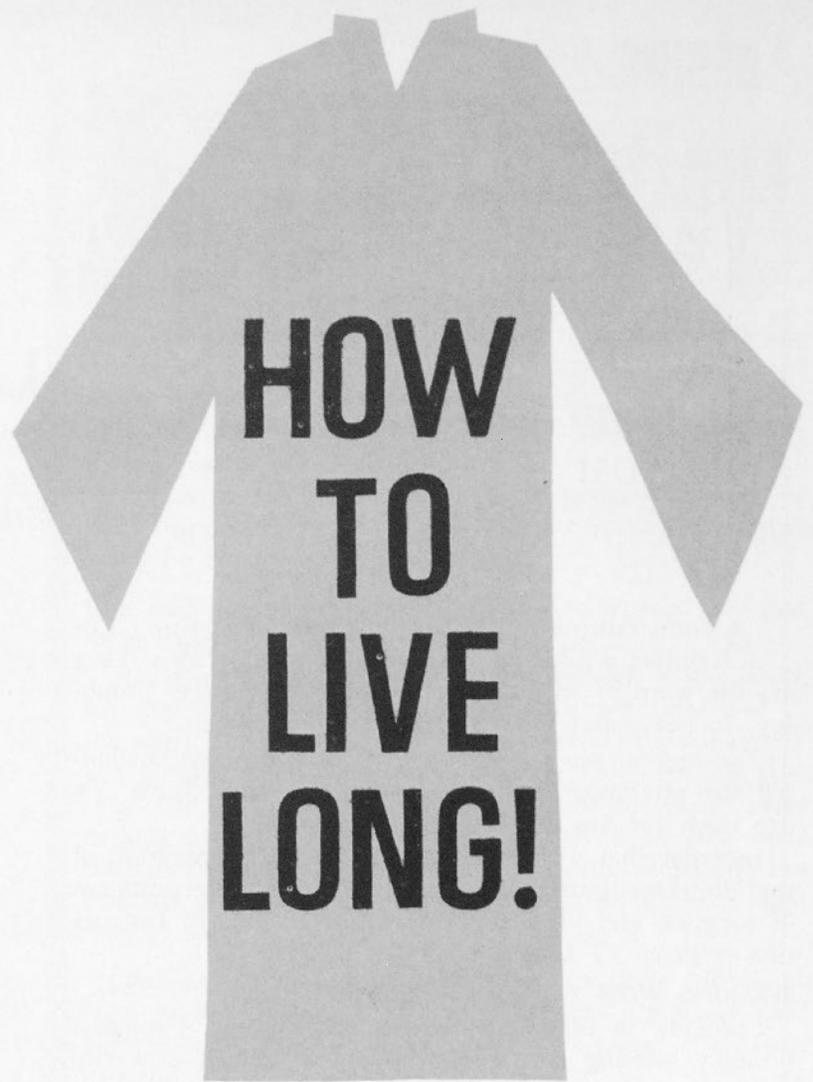
Some time ago Mrs. Catherine McNicol, a bright-eyed little Scotch woman in Portland, Oregon, celebrated her 100th birthday. When reporters asked the secret of her longevity, she explained that God's Word had been her lifelong guide. She quoted verse after verse of Scripture in a firm, clear voice filled with conviction. Then she testified, "When I was young and troubled, the Lord spoke to me through this verse: 'With long life will I satisfy him, and show him my salvation' (Psalm 91:16)."

Of course, Mrs. McNicol accepted the fact that the body is mortal; but for her, physical death was not an impasse, or a blind alley. Jesus Christ, who is "the resurrection and the life," ministered to her desire for blessed immortality and communicated to her the spiritual life that never ends.

For the Christian, physical death is a thoroughfare into the very presence of God where he will live forever without the limitations now imposed by a mortal body. In a figure, Jesus Christ took His cross and, using it as a battering ram, drove the end out of the tomb and opened the way to eternal glory for everyone that believes on Him. The inevitable grave is no longer a *period* at the end of the sentence of life, but a *conjunction* linking the Christian with his eternal home. For the child of God, to be absent from the body is to be at home with the Lord. To every dying believer, Christ's promise applies: "Today thou shalt be with me in Paradise."

"Because I live, ye shall live also," Jesus said.

Edward Thompson, colorful chaplain of Boston's Seaman's Bethel, used to describe the Christian as a tabernacle "through whose thin walls the lamp of a holy



By **RAYMOND L. COX**

soul shines clearer and brighter as the walls themselves grow thinner." He defined death as "but the stepping forth from such a tent into those glories which have no dimming veil between." In this he echoed the apostle Paul who wrote, "Though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day. . . . For we know that if our earthly house of this tabernacle were dissolved, we have a building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens. . . . We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord" (2 Corinthians 4:16; 5:1, 8).

Scientists speculate that man's life expectancy may be extended eventually to 150 years or more. By diligent devotion to the service of mankind medical men are indeed lengthening lives. But they know they will never be able to abolish death itself. What is a hundred years, or even a thousand, in comparison to eternity?

The more important question is not how to prolong physical life in these mortal bodies, but how to be prepared to enjoy life beyond our brief span on earth.

Christ is the answer, for "our Saviour hath abolished death and hath brought life and immortality to life through the gospel" (2 Timothy 1:10).

Jesus said, "He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life" (John 5:24). In reading this, you have received His Word.

Have you believed? Trust Him now and begin to live the abundant life that never ends. 



Utterance Gifts in a Church Service

By ERNEST S. WILLIAMS

AMONG THE GIFTS of the Holy Spirit listed in 1 Corinthians 12:8-10, five are gifts of utterance. They are the word of wisdom, the word of knowledge, prophecy, tongues, and the interpretation of tongues.

The highest purpose of all gifts of the Spirit, including the utterance gifts, is to exalt the Lord Jesus. To use them for any other purpose is an abuse.

In order that we might be guided in the operation of the utterance gifts (particularly tongues, interpretation of tongues, and prophecy) an entire chapter of instruction is given (1 Corinthians 14).

SPEAKING WITH TONGUES IN PUBLIC

Speaking in other tongues on the Day of Pentecost brought blessing to those who spoke and a powerful testimony to our Lord Jesus. Jews from many nations, assembled in Jerusalem to keep the Feast of Pentecost, were amazed as the Spirit-filled disciples "began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 2:4). The testimony of those who heard was, "We do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God" (Acts 2:11).

This was in agreement with Paul's later statement that "tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not" (1 Corinthians 14:22).

Speaking in other tongues is a manifestation of the Spirit of God, bestowed upon consecrated believers. Its proper exercise is in the realm of love and devotion to Christ in a spirit of humility. Its operation is through the quickening power of the Holy Spirit.

SPEAKING WITH TONGUES IN PRIVATE

Speaking in an unknown tongue is of special value to the individual believer in private devotion. His soul is lifted into the heavenly places as he waits upon God.

The saintly apostle Paul knew the excellence of the blessing that comes from waiting upon God until the Spirit manifests Himself thus. He said, "He that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God; for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries" (1 Corinthians 14:2). Anointing for service in the church must begin with a spirit of worship in the private life.

SPEAKING IN TONGUES AT CORINTH

The church at Corinth is the only church spoken of as coming behind in no gift (1 Corinthians 1:4-7). Let those who would dismiss the speaking in tongues as evidence of lack of spiritual depth consider this.

There were some problems which Paul sought to correct, but this does not mean the Corinthians were all superficial. "Forasmuch as ye are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church," he said.

He appealed to their common sense: "If therefore the whole church come together into one place, and all speak with tongues, and there come in those that are unlearned, or unbelievers, will they not say that ye are mad?" (1 Corinthians 14:23). He would curtail abuse of a wonderful gift of God, but he did not discourage the operation of the gift.

INTERPRETATION OF TONGUES

Without interpretation, what is spoken in an unknown tongue cannot be understood, in most cases, and therefore does not edify the church. Even when there is interpretation, the number of "messages" in tongues should not exceed three in a single service, and "that by course," or one at a time (v. 27).

I will deviate to say that I have been in meetings where the glory of God so filled the people that they were caught up in an ecstatic volume of united worship. Speaking in tongues which occurs at such a time is not for the edification of others, but is devoted to worship of the Most High God. These special movings of the Spirit we always welcome and encourage; but aside from such glorious visitations, the utterance gifts are to be exercised for the edification of those present.

Speaking in the unknown tongue as the Spirit gives utterance is important. If it were not, God would not have given the gift to man. But the gift of interpretation is equally important. Paul says, "Let him that speaketh in an unknown tongue pray that he may interpret" (v. 23). This should be through the Holy Spirit, and not through a desire to say something merely because the Bible says, "Let one interpret." When there is a message in tongues as a result of the moving of the Spirit, then let the congregation prayerfully wait for the interpretation. The leader may encourage this by saying, "If anyone has the interpretation let him give it."

Ought not the same Spirit who prompted the speaking in tongues also prompt the interpretation? In these manifestations we are in the realm of "spirituals," not dependent on nature.

Some interpretations are much longer than the message interpreted. Some wonder at this; others think the interpretation is followed by prophetic utterance. How-

ever, were a foreigner to speak to us in his language through an interpreter, he would hardly appreciate it if the interpreter were to talk on and on, giving the congregation the impression that he was still interpreting.

Interpretation of tongues is equivalent in value to prophecy. "For greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh in tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edifying" (v. 5). Some dear people seem to think speaking in tongues with interpretation is greater than prophecy since it seems more ecstatic and mysterious than an inspired message in their own language. But a study of 1 Corinthians 14 will show that Paul favored prophecy because the speaker speaks directly to the people with understanding.

PROPHECY

Prophecy is inspired speech. Some translate the word as *preaching*. However, not all preaching is prophecy. A well-prepared message delivered as a sermon from the pulpit but devoid of spiritual quickening could hardly be called prophecy. But preaching may be done in the spirit of prophecy when the speaker is "borne along by the Holy Ghost." Pentecostal preachers often feel this flow of the Spirit as they minister the Word.

The Old Testament prophets were distinctly preachers, their warnings and exhortations being interspersed at times with prophecy. These "holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost" (2 Peter 1:21). Their ministry was much in harmony with the rules laid down for New Testament prophecy: "He that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort" (1 Corinthians 14:3). It is unfortunate that some seem to think that to exercise spiritual gifts a person must become lost in a mystical atmosphere.

GUIDELINES

In all the utterance gifts, the speaker needs to be on guard against speaking his own thoughts or opinions which he might wish to impart. Likewise, while there should be freedom for the manifestation of the Spirit, prophetic messages are to be weighed by those who hear them and not followed hastily. Paul made provisions for this process: "Let the prophets speak two or three, and let the other judge" (v. 29).

There was a particular need for careful judging of prophetic messages in the Early Church, for the New Testament Scriptures were not available. We now have the Holy Scriptures, more sure than human judgment, by which all spiritual utterances are to be judged. "If they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them" (Isaiah 8:20). Harm sometimes has been done by valuing spoken messages above the written Word.

Someone says, "Give us a rule for governing utterance gifts." We remind you that not more than two, or at the most three, messages in an unknown tongue, with interpretation, should be given in any one service. This is also true concerning prophetic utterances, as mentioned above (1 Corinthians 14:28, 29).

The value of utterance gifts in the church depends on the spirituality of those who speak, and their communion with God. Prayerless people are not near enough to the Spirit to be divinely anointed when they gather in public worship.

May the Lord fill us all afresh with the Holy Ghost from heaven. 



Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

Did Paul speak with other tongues when he was saved and filled with the Holy Spirit? (Acts 9)

The Book of Acts is silent concerning any manifestation of the Spirit at the time of Paul's infilling. We find, however, in 1 Corinthians 14:18, that Paul said, "I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all." From this we may infer that he spoke in tongues when he received the Holy Spirit.

Can backsliders be returned to the same joy they had when they were first converted?

Backsliders may be restored, but I think it a mistake for any such to expect to have an exact repetition of the experience they had when they were first converted. Let them depend on the promises of God, not on how they feel. The reason some fall back so easily after making a start for the Lord is that they depend on their feelings rather than on the truth of God's Word and the efficacy of the atonement of Christ. "The just shall live by faith."

I have always thought Protestants were those Christians who protested against worldliness. Now I am told that various denominations are called Protestant. Can you explain this?

The term *Protestant* developed out of the ministry of Martin Luther and others who separated from the Roman Catholic Church, protesting worship through images, issuing of indulgences, etc. Since then, numerous denominations have come into being, in addition to Lutheran bodies, and all these Christian denominations have come to be called Protestants.

Some years ago my brother was very sick and I promised the Lord I would not eat meat as long as I live if He would heal him. I now think my promise was foolish, the result of overanxiety. Do you think the Lord would hold it against me were I to eat meat?

Others have written, wondering if God would hold them to vows they made under stress and which they now think foolish. We would not, in the first place, encourage any to feel they might obtain favor from God by making unwise vows. At the same time, we believe God, who knows all hearts, understands when His children make foolish promises which have no moral or spiritual value.

In Leviticus 5:4 vows of ignorance are considered. These incur guilt of ignorance, but provision is made. A trespass offering might be offered for atonement. The entire chapter deals with the subject of sins of ignorance. The chapter brings to attention that, not our known sins only, but also all our mistakes and errors, require atonement. We therefore always need the atoning grace of Christ since none of us has as yet reached absolute perfection.

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.



Starting in the First Assembly of God (left), the Hong Kong crusade soon branched out into a city-wide campaign with other pastors and missionaries participating. Brother Sung (center photo) interpreted for Evangelist Herman.

"OUR CHURCH WAS GREATLY ENRICHED BY THESE REVIVAL SERVICES."

HONG KONG CRUSADE

WITH EVANGELIST HAROLD HERMAN

By HARLAND A. PARK • Missionary to Hong Kong

THE RECENT HONG KONG evangelistic crusade was one of the most extensive soul-winning efforts in this great city in many years.

The campaign was carried on for over two months with Global Conquest Evangelist Harold Herman preaching a week or 10 days in various cooperating churches, and then climaxing these meetings with a victorious 15-day, citywide campaign in MacPherson Stadium.

Never have we seen more genuine cooperation as different Pentecostal groups united with the Assemblies of God to reach Hong Kong for Christ. During these weeks of meetings many hundreds came forward to pray for salvation. People waited in long lines to testify how God had healed them and delivered them from sickness and suffering.

Sixteen reporters and news cameramen attended a press conference which Kwong Sung, the campaign manager, arranged for the evangelist at the

Mandarin Hotel. Nearly every paper carried stories about the campaign. This was one of the rare occasions when an evangelist has received such favor from the local press.

RADIO HONG KONG—the powerful government station—invited Brother Herman for an interview. He was able to give his personal testimony of salvation and tell the purpose of the campaign to a potential audience of four million in Hong Kong, as well as to many across the border in mainland China. The broadcast was repeated on a Saturday night during the crusade.

The campaign began with 10 days of meetings at our First Assembly of God. What we saw and experienced in the meetings has confirmed this was truly God's time for revival here.

Brother Herman's messages were always simple and direct. God greatly used him to inspire faith and confidence for people to receive healing from the hand of the Great Physician.

It is simply impossible to describe all the miracles which took place. In answer to prayer, deaf ears were opened; sick eyes healed; asthma, rheumatism, heart trouble, stomach trouble, and tuberculosis healed.

A woman who had not been able to walk for six months was brought from the hospital, and God healed her. What a joy to see her standing and praising the Lord for the great victory in her body.

A Chinese Christian doctor brought an incurable patient—a little girl—who had often been rushed to the hospital for emergency treatment. God

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healed the child completely. She returned to the meeting to testify, accompanied by the doctor and her heathen mother. There was much joy over this stirring evidence of God's goodness.

Our church was greatly enriched by these revival services, and many new, unsaved people were reached.

Later on, in the united Hong Kong Crusade at MacPherson Stadium, God gave definite victory night after night, and people flocked to the altar for salvation when the invitation was given.

What a wonderful sight it was to see workers from many churches co-operating and going together into the prayer room to deal personally with those who had surrendered to the Lord. Busloads of students came from rooftop schools, and many students accepted Christ.

Each seeker received a Gospel of John and was enrolled in a Bible correspondence course. A vigorous follow-up program is being launched to bring converts into the churches and establish them in the Word of God.

The wonderful presence of the Lord made each service rewarding, fruitful, and victorious. Night after night there was a double healing line the whole length of the stadium. Missionaries and Chinese pastors joined Brother Herman in praying for the sick. After prayer, many lifted their hands to testify that God had set them free.

The final night was the great climax as there was a larger crowd than

ever before. A man in a wheelchair, paralyzed for a long time, stood up and walked when God healed him.

God was so kind to manifest His power before our eyes. Our own faith was strengthened and our hearts encouraged to go forward with the great task and responsibility which God has given us in this needy field where thousands still worship idols of wood and stone.

All who worked in these meetings are thanking God for those who accepted Christ as Saviour and for all the sick who were healed.



Personal workers dealt with the hundreds who came forward for salvation during the 15-day crusade. God wrought the impossible again and again. Cripples walked; deaf ears were opened. One healing was that of a young child who had been rushed to the hospital several times for emergency treatment. Brother Herman inspired faith in the hearts of those who attended the crusade.





Let Us Encourage One Another

By MELVIN B. HANSON
Pastor, Assembly of God, Sherburn, Minnesota

IT IS TRUE that *discouragement* is one of Satan's greatest weapons against the children of God; but *encouragement* is God's answer to it.

When Moses came to the end of his illustrious career and was about to turn his responsibilities over to Joshua, the Lord said to him, "Charge Joshua, and *encourage him*, and strengthen him . . ." (Deuteronomy 3:28).

One would think Moses might have needed some encouragement himself at this stage, for he had suffered the disappointment of being forbidden to go over into the Promised Land, after faithfully leading the children of Israel for 40 years. But God apparently saw that it was the younger Joshua, who was now to assume the heavy burden of leadership, that would need special encouragement at this particular time.

All of us, young and old, rich and poor, strong and weak, need to be *encouraged* from time to time. How little we may know of the battles, perplexities, fears, and frustrations that struggle in the breasts of people all around us.

Think what a privilege it is that each of us *can* be God's instrument of encouragement to troubled hearts, if only we will. May I suggest a number of ways in which this can be done.

1. MAINTAIN A HAPPY DISPOSITION

"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine; but a broken spirit drieth the bones," says Proverbs 17:22. This is true for the individual himself. But it also has a similar effect upon those around him.

It is a distressing experience to be around people who are sour, sullen, and disgruntled. But, on the other hand, just to be near someone who is happy, contented, and victorious will lift our own spirits.

2. BE FRIENDLY AND KIND

"Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart; so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel" (Proverbs 27:9). (The Amplified Bible reads, "So does the sweetness of a friend's counsel that comes from the heart.")

It is no secret that even in the midst of jostling crowds there are many lonely, discouraged hearts. Sometimes just a few kind words of friendship spoken at the appropriate moment can do wonders for a person's outlook on life. Try opening up a little conversation with someone who looks especially forlorn and dejected, and see how he brightens up!

3. GIVE SYMPATHETIC UNDERSTANDING

Two heavyweights that often burden people down are these: "Nobody knows," and "Nobody cares." These assumptions, of course, may be quite erroneous; but as long as one remains in this mood, the situation is dismal indeed.

Many people are looking for an opportunity "to cry on someone's shoulder," to pour out their feelings to someone who will listen with an understanding heart. Modern psychologists and psychiatrists recognize the importance of finding release for pent-up emotions, and "getting things off our chests." If we can learn to be "good listeners," we may help relieve many distressing tensions. To do this, we need to acquire a sense of *empathy* ("the complete understanding of another's feelings"). Ezekiel said, "I sat where they sat" (Ezekiel 3:15).

By developing a patient, loving interest in others we will be able to "rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep" (Romans 12:15).

4. JOIN TOGETHER IN PRAYER

In all the problems that confront mankind, how wonderful it is that God has opened up to us the privilege of prayer. And while it is blessed to pray privately, there is added blessing in being able to pray about certain matters together with others.

Jesus said, "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 18:19).

In dealing with human needs and problems, how often we feel inadequate and frustrated in ourselves. It is comforting to know that "earth hath no sorrow that heaven cannot heal"; and that, no matter what the trouble may be, we can "take it to the Lord in prayer."

Here is a ministry. What comfort and strength and release follows when we have been able to help someone to commit his case into the hand of the Lord. It is a rewarding ministry. *Encourage* someone this week with the assurance that you are standing with them in earnest prayer.

5. LEND A HELPING HAND

There are many people who are struggling with burdens and responsibilities almost beyond their strength. For these, it may not be sufficient to assure them of our interest and our prayers. They need practical *help*! A little personal service, even at a sacrifice of time, strength, or

substance on our part, may be the boost these friends need to get "over the hump."

"Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" (Galatians 6:12).

6. EXPRESS APPRECIATION

Many a plodding servant of God is taken for granted. That Sunday school teacher, or deacon, or singer, or C. A. president, or janitor, or, yes, even the pastor or evangelist, may be dragging heavy feet, wondering if their earnest efforts are really accomplishing anything worthwhile. Just a glowing "thank you," a timely and appropriate compliment, a sincere acknowledgement of appreciation, may work wonders in their spirits.

Let us not withhold that which is within our power to give to strengthen, inspire, and *encourage* our families, our friends, and our spiritual brethren in the work of the Kingdom!

7. TELL WHAT GOD HAS DONE

A potent means of encouragement to others in their times of need and difficulty is to *testify* of answers to prayer that God has given us. How much it means to a sick one to hear of someone else who has been healed of that very disease! The *Evangel* frequently publishes personal testimonies as a means of encouraging others to believe God for similar deliverances.

In testimony meetings, *share* your victories! You may open the door of hope to a discouraged soul.

HOLD THEM UP TO GOD

Is someone on your heart today?

Hold him up to God.

He'll know just what that person needs,

Your part is that you intercede;

His name before the Father plead.

Hold him up to God.

Has someone been unkind to you?

Hold him up to God.

Let God his troubled heart embrace,

Then patience He will give, and grace

To love through every trial you face.

Hold him up to God.

Is someone ill and in distress?

Hold him up to God.

The Great Physician Christ became

For all who call upon His Name.

Why not His healing promise claim?

Hold him up to God.

So many need our faithful prayers,

Hold them up to God.

Friends, neighbors, husbands, wives,

Our nation's leaders as they strive;

Pray down God's blessing for their lives.

Hold them up to God.

—Faith E. Kessi

After Jesus had healed the maniac of Gadara, He charged him, saying, "Return to thine own house, and show how great things God hath done unto thee." The record continues, "And he went his way, and published throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done unto him" (Luke 8:39).

8. SHARE THE PROMISES OF GOD

"Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God, and of Jesus our Lord. . . . Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises. . . ." (2 Peter 1:2, 4).

Yes, for every *problem* there is a *promise*! Whenever any of us remain *discouraged* it is because we have failed to meaningfully appropriate God's promise. So, in such cases, the Lord may send someone to us with a fresh reminder of a specific portion of God's Word.

If we would encourage others, then we must be well versed in the Scriptures, have a confident faith in their veracity, and be in vital touch with the Holy Spirit, who is able to quicken each pertinent promise to the individual need. Let us not be too timid to speak these words of encouragement when they are needed.

9. ATTEND THE SERVICES REGULARLY

It is always inspiring to see a crowd in church, a good attendance in Sunday school! It inspires not only the leaders, teachers, and ministers, but every member. Not that a crowd in itself can bring God's blessing, but there is something about the enthusiasm of numbers, the spirit of cooperation, the sense of fellowship, that warms all our hearts.

God knows we all need these times of Christian worship together, so He has said in His Word, "Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and good works: not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another; and so much the more as ye see the day approaching."

If you are not attending *all* the regular services of your church, may I suggest you can be a real means of *encouragement* to your pastor and the faithful attendants by taking your place in the Sunday night services, the prayer meeting, and the Bible study. What an inspiring boost this would be to churches all across our land, if *everyone* would do it!

10. LOVE ONE ANOTHER

"And this is his commandment, that we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment" (1 John 3:23).

It is amazing how many ways love will find to express itself! Love will be quick to behold the heartaches, the sadness, the discouragement in our brethren, and will seek some means to alleviate the suffering. On the other hand, love is mercifully "blind" to others' faults. "Charity suffereth long, and is kind" (1 Corinthians 13:4).

Ponder for a moment how *encouraging* it would be if we could develop among us such a loving consideration for each other that there no longer would be room for petty criticisms, caustic words, or slighting injuries! "By love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13).

Let us begin today to *encourage* by every means available, all who come within the circle of our associations. We *all* need encouragement now and then!

ALASKA DISTRICT

No adult camp

ALABAMA DISTRICT

District Camp

U. S. Highways 231 & 84, 5 miles south of Montgomery, Ala.

June 13-17

A. A. Wilson, speaker

For accommodations write to C. C. Hidle, P. O. Box 1828, Montgomery, Ala. 36103

APPALACHIAN DISTRICT

Tri-State Camp (sponsored by two sections)

Mabe, Va.

August 8-12

Speakers to be announced

For accommodations write to Jack Carnley, P. O. Box 512, St. Paul, Va. 24283

ARIZONA DISTRICT

District Camp

Prescott, Ariz. (1840 Iron Springs Road)

July 29-August 7

T. H. Spence, speaker

For accommodations write to District Office, 2009 N. 7th St., Phoenix, Ariz. 85006

ARKANSAS DISTRICT

Ozark-Lithia Camp

Hot Springs, Ark. (north on State Route 7)

June 20-24

A. A. Wilson, speaker

For accommodations write to Box 2580, Little Rock, Ark.

EASTERN DISTRICT

Maranatha Camp

Maranatha Park, Green Lane, Pa.

July 23-August 7

G. Raymond Carlson, Bible teacher; Allen E. Shuttlesworth, evangelist

For accommodations write to Mrs. John Tucker, Maranatha Pk., Green Lane, Pa. 18054

Living Waters Camp

Cherry Tree, Pa.

July 1-17

James E. Morris, Bible teacher; Victor Trimmer, evangelist

For accommodations write to Frank Yarnal, Box 12, Cherry Tree, Pa.

ILLINOIS DISTRICT

Lake Williamson Bible Camp

Carlinville, Ill. (3 miles east on Highway 4)

July 29-August 7

Kermit Reneau, Bible teacher; G. W. Hardcastle, Jr., and Jack West, afternoon and evening speakers, respectively

For accommodations write to Fred Hendrickson, Lake Williamson, Carlinville, Ill.

INDIANA DISTRICT

Lake Placid Bible Camp

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June 28-July 7

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KANSAS DISTRICT

Wheat State Camp

Route 1, Augusta, Kans.

June 20-26

Klaude Kendrick and B. Owen Oslin, speakers

Woodston Camp

Assembly of God Camp, Woodston, Kans.

July 25-31

U. S. Grant and Jack Ellsworth, speakers

For accommodations for both camps write to Camp Manager, Kansas District Council, 1009 S. Broadway, Wichita, Kans. 67211

KENTUCKY DISTRICT

District Camp

Crestwood, Ky., on Clore Lane (1 mile west on State Route 22—10 miles east of Louisville)

June 28-July 7

Wesley Hurst, speaker

For accommodations write to Carl E. Schmidt, 2407 Canton St., Hopkinsville, Ky. 42240

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MICHIGAN DISTRICT

Fa-Ho-Lo Park Camp

Grass Lake, Mich. (10 miles east of Jackson)

June 28-July 10

W. Millington, Bible teacher; James D. Brown, evangelist

For accommodations write to Assemblies of God, Michigan District, 6053 Chase Rd., Dearborn, Mich. 48126

Lost Valley Camp

Gaylord, Mich. (8 miles west)

July 17-31

Duane Wessman, speaker

For accommodations write to Henry Rose, 401 Lawrence, Petoskey, Mich. 49770

MINNESOTA DISTRICT

Lake Geneva Bible Camp (Family Camp)

Alexandria, Minn.

June 24-July 4

C. M. Ward, speaker

For accommodations write to Kenneth M. Freiheit, 820 E. 14th St., Minneapolis, Minn. 55404

MISSISSIPPI DISTRICT

District Camp

Hurley, Miss.

August 1-5

J. Robert Ashcroft, speaker

For accommodations write to E. E. Noland, Box 4195, West Station, Meridian, Miss. 39304

There are many types of tabernacles at the various campgrounds. Here an overflow crowd enjoys the evening breeze at the North Texas camp in Bedford.



DIRECTORY

MONTANA DISTRICT

Glacier Bible Camp

Hungry Horse, Mont. (on Highway 2)

July 7-17

T. E. Gannon, Bible teacher; James Hamill, evangelist; Paul Finkenbinder, missionary

For accommodations write to R. N. Walden, Custodian, Box 65, Hungry Horse, Mont. 59919

NEBRASKA DISTRICT

Family Camp

Lexington, Nebr.

August 5-14

Klaude K. Kendrick and Wesley Hurst, speakers

For accommodations write to Mrs. Don Herrman, Lexington, Nebr.

NEW MEXICO DISTRICT

Family Camp

Mountainair, N. Mex.

July 21-28

Daniel Sheaffer, speaker

For accommodations write to District Office, 222 Alvarado Dr. NE, Albuquerque, N. Mex. 87108

NEW YORK DISTRICT

Lakeview Gospel Camp

Hamlin, N. Y.

July 2-17

Jack West and Arthur Berg, speakers

For accommodations write to Mrs. Pauline Moon, Registrar, County Line Rd., Kendall, N. Y.

Mountainview Gospel Camp

Sherburne, N. Y.

July 23-August 7

Aubrey Sara and Arthur Berg, speakers

For accommodations write to Mrs. Charles Flach, Registrar, Mountainview Gospel Camp, Sherburne, N. Y.

NORTH CAROLINA DISTRICT

Western Adult Camp

Franklin, N. C. (5 miles east on U. S. Highway 64)

June 28-July 10

Russell Cox and Hardy W. Steinberg, speakers

For accommodations write to Fred Sorrells, Camp Chairman, Route 5, Franklin, N. C.

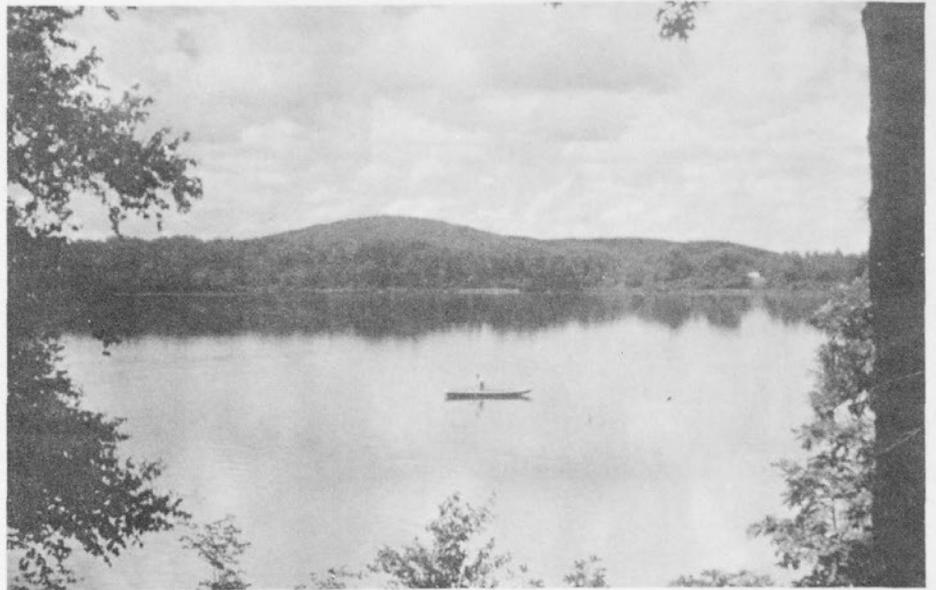
Eastern Adult Camp

Windsor, N. C. (1 mile north, off U. S. Highway 17)

August 8-21

James B. Singleton and O. L. Harrup, Sr., speakers

For accommodations write to Carroll Daniels, Camp Chairman, Route 2, Colerain, N. C.



Many campgrounds are located on beautiful lakes. The top photo shows Spencer Lake, the site of the Wisconsin-Northern Michigan camp in Waupaca, Wis. The center photo of Lake Williamson near Carlinville, Ill., shows the Illinois District camp buildings across the lake. The aerial photo is of the Northern Missouri District camp on Lake Maurer near Excelsior Springs, Mo.

NORTH DAKOTA DISTRICT

Lakewood Park Bible Camp

Devils Lake, N. Dak. (6 miles south on Highway 1)

June 27-July 4

H. H. Barber and Maynard Oss, speakers

For accommodations write to Raymond Loven, Route 3, Devils Lake, N. Dak.

NORTH TEXAS DISTRICT

Family Camp

Bedford Ranch, Bedford, Tex.

August 15-20

A. A. Wilson, Bible teacher; J. Billy McIntosh, evangelist

For accommodations write to Doyle Brown, P. O. Box 158, Bedford, Tex.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA DISTRICT

Mount Lassen Camp

Mineral, Calif.

July 1-10

George Elrod, Bible teacher; Paul Pipkin, evangelist

For accommodations write to R. T. Doherty, 2150 N. Bechelli Lane, Redding, Calif.

Redwood Camp

6400 Ridgewood Dr., Eureka, Calif.

July 6-17

Howard Bush, Bible teacher; Daniel Sheaffer, evangelist

For accommodations write to Joseph C. Murray, 3095 School St., Fortuna, Calif.

NORTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT

Lake Maurer Park Camp

Excelsior Springs, Mo.

August 18-28

Edgar Bethany, Bible teacher; Joseph E. Neeley, evangelist

For accommodations write to T. S. Stark, Manager, Lake Maurer Pk., Excelsior Springs, Mo.

NORTHERN NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Long Lake Bible Camp

Naples, Maine

July 1-10

William McPherson and Fred Parlee, speakers

For accommodations write to Camp Registrar, 283 Main St., Sanford, Maine 04073

NORTHWEST DISTRICT

Yakima Valley Camp

Yakima, Wash.

July 12-24

James D. Brown, speaker
For accommodations write to C. L. Hobson, 212 Douglass Avenue, Richland, Wash. 99352

Fruitland Camp

Fruitland, Wash.

June 24-July 4

William L. Stephens, speaker
For accommodations write to Lawrence D. Randall, Box 14, Kahlotus, Wash.

Eastern Washington Camp

Medical Lake, Wash.

July 9-17

C. C. Burnett, speaker
For accommodations write to L. R. White, W. 124 - 15th Ave., Spokane, Wash.

Cedar Springs Camp

Everett, Wash.

July 27-August 7

Willard Cantelon, speaker
For accommodations write to E. A. Born, 5024 Dogwood, Everett, Wash.

OHIO DISTRICT

District Camp

Big Prairie, Ohio

July 3-10

Roscoe W. Russell, Bible teacher; The Musical Vanns, evangelists

For accommodations write to District Office, 3377 W. Broad, Columbus, Ohio 43204

OKLAHOMA DISTRICT

District Camp

Oklahoma City, Okla. (District Auditorium, 8101 North Kelley)

July 11-17

Gayle F. Lewis, Bible teacher; evening speaker to be announced

For accommodations write to Robert E. Goggin, District Superintendent, Box 14366, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73114

OREGON DISTRICT

Bethel Gospel Park Camp

Brooks, Oreg.

June 27-July 10

G. W. Hardcastle, Jr., and John Hall, speakers

For accommodations write to Lester C. Young, Box 7397, Salem, Oreg.

PENINSULAR FLORIDA DISTRICT

Lake Bonny Bible Camp

940 Longfellow Blvd., Lakeland, Fla.

June 27-July 1

Speakers to be announced
For accommodations write to District Camp Pastor, Drawer C, Lakeland, Fla. 33802

POTOMAC DISTRICT

Potomac Park Camp

Falling Waters, W. Va. (U. S. Route 11, between Martinsburg, W. Va., and Hagerstown, Md.)

July 16-August 7

Edgar Bethany, Bible teacher; Jesse Smith, evangelist

For accommodations write to Wilbur D. Bell, Registrar, Route 1, Falling Waters, W. Va.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN DISTRICT

District Camp

Littleton, Colo. (District Headquarters, 5700 S. Broadway)

August 2-11

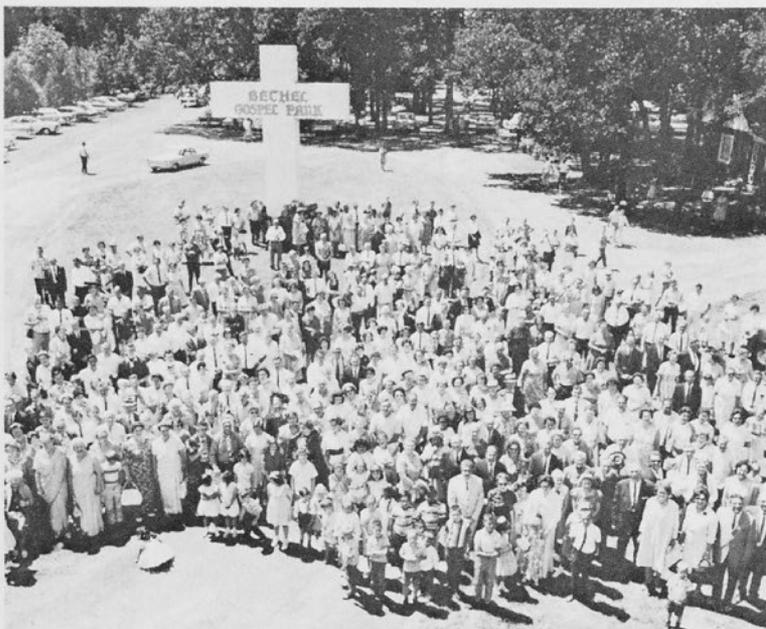
Cy Homer, Bible teacher; evening speaker to be announced

For accommodations write to W. W. Brandt, 5700 S. Broadway, Littleton, Colo.

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Missionary day at the Bethel Gospel Park Camp in Brooks, Oreg. Camp meeting is a good place to find Christian fellowship and spiritual enrichment.





Top left: Tabernacle at Lakewood Park Bible Camp, Devils Lake, N. Dak. Top right: Redwood Camp in Eureka, Calif. Lower left: Tabernacle at the Lost Valley Camp near Gaylord, Mich. Lower right: Southern New England District camp, Charlton, Mass.

Utah State Camp

Ogden, Utah
June 21-29
 Howard L. Cummings, speaker
 For accommodations write to Peter Pilot, 1209 E. Parkway, Salt Lake City, Utah

Western Slope Sectional Camp

Cedaredge, Colo. (4 miles north on State Route 65)
July 4-13
 Speakers to be announced
 For accommodations write to Donald Farmer, 762 Dodge, Delta, Colo.

SOUTH DAKOTA DISTRICT

Family Camp
 Rapid City, S. Dak. (Wesleyan Methodist Campgrounds—2 miles west of city)
June 27-July 4
 John Phillips, Bible teacher; E. M. Clark, evangelist
 For accommodations write to W. F. Reichelt, 721 West Havens, Mitchell, S. Dak.

SOUTH TEXAS DISTRICT

District Camp
 Kerrville, Tex.
August 1-10
 Gene Scott and Owen Oslin, speakers
 For accommodations write to Warren J. Piersol, P. O. Box 9714, Houston, Tex. 77015

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DISTRICT

Camp Pinecrest
 Twin Peaks, Calif.
July 2-10
 A. A. Wilson and O. Cope Budge, speakers

For accommodations write to Dale E. Hundsdoerfer, P. O. Box 157, Twin Peaks, Calif.

SOUTHERN IDAHO DISTRICT

District Camp
 Nampa, Idaho (4 miles north on Franklin Rd.)
June 28-July 8
 D. H. McLaughlin, Bible teacher; M. L. Davidson, evangelist
 For accommodations write to District Office, Box 95, Nampa, Idaho 83651

SOUTHERN MISSOURI DISTRICT

District Camp
 Eldon, Mo. (13 miles southwest—at end of Highway "Y")
June 27-July 4
 Harry J. Steil, Bible teacher; J. B. Lindsey, evangelist
 For accommodations write to District Office, 1400 N. Campbell, Springfield, Mo. 65802

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

District Camp
 Charlton, Mass.
July 1-10
 Paul Olson, Evangelistic Party
 For accommodations write to District Office, Box A, Auburn, Mass. 01501

WEST FLORIDA DISTRICT

District Camp
 Marianna, Fla. (Tallahassee Highway East)
July 11-21
 Arthur Graves and J. Billy McIntosh, speakers
 For accommodations write to G. H. Blair, Drawer E, Marianna, Fla.

WEST TEXAS DISTRICT

District Camp
 Lubbock Tex. (42nd St. and Avenue H)
August 2-11
 Tom Johnstone, speaker
 For accommodations write to West Texas District Council, 4206 Avenue H, Lubbock, Tex. 79404

WISCONSIN-NORTHERN MICHIGAN DISTRICT

Spencer Lake Bible Camp
 Waupaca, Wis. (5 miles south on County Trunk E)
June 29-July 10
 Obie L. Harrup, Sr., and B. Owen Oslin, speakers
 For accommodations write to Charles Anderson, Box 309, Waupaca, Wis.

WYOMING DISTRICT

Family Camp
 Story, Wyo. (Presbyterian Camp-ground)
June 27-July 3
 A. M. Alber, speaker
 For accommodations write to Glen Burris, P. O. Box 966, Gillette, Wyo.

GERMAN BRANCH

Bethel Park Camp
 Bridgman, Mich.
July 7-17
 Karl Strader and Bro. Ulanska, speakers
 For accommodations write to Arthur Klaus, 4448 N. Richmond, Chicago, Ill. 60625

ITALIAN BRANCH

Pinegrove Camp
 Malaga, N. J. (Dutch Mill Road)
July 2-August 14
 C. M. Ward, speaker; others to be announced
 For accommodations write to Joseph Priori, 301 Holly St., Glassboro, N. J.

LATIN AMERICAN BRANCH

Chama Camp
 Chama, N. Mex.
June 28-July 4
 Speakers to be announced
 For accommodations write to Kenzy Savage, 457-63rd St. NW, Albuquerque, N. Mex.

UKRAINIAN BRANCH

Ukrainian Branch Camp
 Lanesville, N. Y. (Catskill Mountains—5 miles from Phoenicia, N. Y., and 30 miles west of Kingston, N. Y.)
July 14-24
 Michael W. Derkatch, speaker
 For accommodations write to Ukrainian Branch Camp Dept., 9 East 7th St., New York, N. Y. 10003

INFORMATION ABOUT camp meetings being conducted this summer in Special Ministry fields (such as among the American Indians and the deaf) may be obtained by writing to the Promotions Editor, Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Mo. 65802.

HAPPINESS IS...

GOING TO CAMP



Happiness is food—good food and lots of it. Campers love to eat. And what's better than ice-cold watermelon on a hot day?

By **LORETTA LEBSACK**
Supervisor of Child Evangelism

"GOING TO CAMP was the highlight of my entire year," wrote a glowing Christian girl. In this way Arlene, now in college, echoed the feeling of thousands of young folk across our land.

Some campers return home with enthusiastic reports such as, "We had a real sharp counselor," or, "The food was cool," or, "Look at the ribbons and badges I won."

Many parents are gladdened when their boy or girl says, "Mom, Dad, I accepted Christ as my Saviour at camp."

A recent survey revealed that camping brought happiness to campers because it "helped them find themselves." They learned to live with a group—to respect the rights of others. They developed proper behavior patterns. As one camper put it, "Camp taught me how to pray, how to act in church, and how to make friends."

Then there are the lessons learned about the Creator, by living out-of-doors, and about the Bible, which campers study systematically. Happiness is especially great when campers are filled with the Holy Spirit.

Hard-working staff members also testify that "happiness is going to camp." They find thrills and blessings in becoming involved with shaping the lives of the young. For camp directors, counselors, instructors, and workers, happiness is rising above the self-centered life and spending themselves for others.

There is an Assemblies of God Boys and Girls Camp—and Teen Camp or Youth Camp—near you. Write for information. One young Christian whose life was changed by camping said: "No young person should be deprived the privilege of attending camp."



Music is an integral part of Pentecostal worship. Choirs provide opportunity for campers to sing together and are a special blessing for the young person whose youth group back home is small.



Buses, buses, buses! Silent and empty now. A few hours earlier they were filled with happy young people enroute to camp.

Happiness knows no bounds when you are selected the honor camper of your group, or royalty to reign at the banquet.



Most camps have special features, like this visit from a police officer (far left) who gave safety tips and told how he trains his dog. Left photo: The learning-by-doing method is still best. These boys used their ingenuity to pantomime the story of the three Hebrew children in the fiery furnace.



Activities of the busy schedule are planned specifically to meet the needs of the camper. A class under the trees: what better place to learn of God? Camp memories will include the home run (right) and playing on the championship team (lower left) with the counselor. All too soon it's over. Did Mom really have this all neatly packed? Happiness might even include the lump in your throat when you say, "Goodbye, see you next year."



PHOTOS BY JOHN MORAR

1966 CAMP CURRICULUM

BOYS AND GIRLS CAMP:

"Prospecting in God's Word." Bible-centered, life-related, dealing with God's relationship to the Christian.

TEEN AND YOUTH CAMP:

"Sharpen Up." Lessons on practical Christian Living.

"Sword of the Spirit." Proof of the Bible.

FEW YOUNG PEOPLE QUALIFY for a vacation with pay. But they can qualify for a vacation with dividends—the eternal kind—if they include a youth camp in their summer plans.

Youth camping in the Assemblies of God is structured to conform young men and women to the image of Christ. Camp brochures, even the most graphic and colorful, understate this greatest benefit. Eternal ledgers are more accurate, and vouch for it in terms of youthful lives renovated, career goals reconsidered, and spiritual climaxes experienced as a result of Christian camping.

How is this brought about? Primarily, by evangelism. The camping program places strong emphasis on the public expression of faith.

Altar calls come into focus in this, but building up to the public confession is the personal work of camper to camper and counselor to camper in private or small group situations. If youth are to be like Christ, there is desperate need for them to be with persons who can transmit that likeness to them.

Because of the withdrawal from normal pressing duties, the youth have time to earnestly seek the Lord. Consequently, hundreds of young people are filled with the Holy Spirit. As a result, services and atmospheres are charged with Christ's presence to bring about the same blessings in the lives of others.

All people to a great degree—and youth to an even greater degree—tend to be like the persons with whom they associate. Fads catch on quickly and die as rapidly. One of the pressures on our children and teens is the illusion that "Everybody's doing it!" In a spiritual context, this subtle pressure can work for the glory of God. More than we realize, our young people are looking for maturity and dedication in their leaders. They literally copy the gestures, expressions, phrases and style of those they esteem. It is the goal of Assemblies of God youth camps to provide a high quality of leadership.

Also in the milieu of the action-packed camp, leaders teach youth how to live. They show them how to study the Word and how to form prayers in daily devotions. Attitudes of praise to God, of respect to others and to



PHOTO BY EVA LUOMA

VACATION WITH DIVIDENDS

By **RUSSELL COX**
National Secretary
Christ's Ambassadors Department

authority—all of these are transmitted through specially designed camp courses and situations.

Even if they go to camp only for a good time, young people find the camp climate so impressionable that the atmosphere soon begins to rub off on them in a subtle way that the Holy Spirit can use. Discussion groups and class periods open thought-provoking investigations and provide answers to relevant problems.

As important as any other is the arena of personal commitment to Jesus Christ. Youth learn that Jesus Christ is not just a Solver of problems—He is Master and Lord. In all things He

is supreme in authority. For many youth camp experiences, these young members of the body of Christ return encouraged to change their world for Christ because of complete dedication to Him.

To help camps accomplish these worthy goals, the Assemblies of God Camping Commission has established a minimum camp standard. It is obvious that proper organization is necessary to effect such far-reaching results as those noted above.

The camp standard allows a camp to measure itself and plan for improvements. As a guide, it provides the track upon which planning can run. As a test, it provides an examination for potential change and expansion.

The following camps achieved 100 percent on the standard for the 1965 season and are qualified to display the Assemblies of God seal for camping excellence.

BOYS AND GIRLS CAMPS

NEW YORK DISTRICT: Lakeview Kids Camp and Mountain View Kids Camp.

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA DISTRICT: Bethany Boys and Girls Bible Camp; Mount Lassen Boys and Girls Bible Camp; Meeker Boys and Girls Bible Camp; Redwood Boys and Girls Bible Camp.

YOUTH CAMPS

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA-NEVADA DISTRICT: Mount Lassen Junior High Bible Camp; Bethany Park Junior High Christ's Ambassadors Camp.

SOME 1965 STATISTICS

There were 61 YOUTH CAMPS reporting on the results of their 1965 season. The approximate totals were as follows: 12,000 campers enrolled, with 2,250 workers; 1,200 campers became converted and 1,500 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

There were 77 BOYS AND GIRLS CAMPS reporting, with 12,375 campers enrolled, and 2,238 staff workers; 1,941 campers were converted and 2,026 were baptized with the Holy Spirit.

For further information about these camps, including the location of camps in your area, write to your Assemblies of God District Office. The information can also be obtained from the Sunday School Department or the Christ's Ambassadors Department of the Assemblies of God, 1445 Boonville Avenue, Springfield, Missouri 65802.

REVIVALTIME CHOIR PLANS SUMMER TOUR

Kansas
Wisconsin
Michigan
Indiana

ANOTHER EXCITING CHAPTER in the spiritual growth of some forty Central Bible College students will unfold Friday, May 27, as the *Revivaltime* choir embarks upon its fifth annual summer tour.

Traveling this year through the North Central states, the radio choir will appear in seventeen Assemblies of God churches. The tour will take them through Kansas, Missouri, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, and Wisconsin.

Millions of persons hear the choir each week on *Revivaltime*, the radio broadcast service now released over some 450 ABC, independent, and foreign outlets. Their songs of hope, specially arranged by Director Cyril McLellan, add to the challenge given by Radio Evangelist C. M. Ward.

During their times on tour, these dedicated young Christians have personally ministered to thousands of people in church auditoriums all across America and Canada. And always, the group has left in its wake a host of changed lives, a new mass of friends. Last summer's tour saw 179 persons make life-changing decisions for Christ.

What is the secret of their success? It is prayer, and a steadfast belief in the message they present.

Following last year's tour, a choir member related: "One morning we were having devotions on the bus. As testimonies from the previous night thrilled our hearts, we began to pray. And when we reached our destination some three hours later, we were still praying. That evening, 27 young persons found Christ as Lord and Saviour!"

Special time will be given during each service this year to present the choir's "tour project" financial support for one of *Revivaltime's* most vital releases—the Far East Broad-

casting Company's 50,000-watt Vietnam "hot-line."

Reaching some 300,000 servicemen in this far-off battleground, the broadcast is released via DZAS, Manila, Philippines, each Thursday at 1 p.m. Air cost for this "prime-time" release is only \$35 per week.

If you would like to have a part in helping *Revivaltime* send the gospel to our young men away from home, write today to *Revivaltime*, Box 70, Springfield, Mo. 65801.

Following is a schedule of the choir's 17-day summer tour. If the choir is in your vicinity, plan to attend the service. If you have unsaved friends, invite them to come along.

Pray with us as the choir endeavors to influence many lives for Christ.

MISSOURI

- May 27: LEE'S SUMMIT, First Assembly
- May 29 (p.m.): KANSAS CITY, Evangel Temple
- June 12 (a.m.): ST. LOUIS, South Side Assembly

KANSAS

- May 29 (a.m.): KANSAS CITY, First Assembly

ILLINOIS

- May 30: ROCK ISLAND, Bethel Assembly
- June 30: OAK PARK, Bethel Temple

WISCONSIN

- May 31: WAUSAU, Christian Assembly
- June 1: GREEN BAY, First Assembly
- June 2: WAUWATOSA, Calvary Assembly

MICHIGAN

- June 4: HOLLAND, Assembly of God
- June 5 (a.m.): BENTON HARBOR, Fair-plain Assembly
- June 5 (p.m.): ADRIAN, Bethany Assembly
- June 6: FLINT, Riverside Tabernacle
- June 7: DETROIT, Brightmoor Tabernacle
- June 8: BATTLE CREEK, Church of the Four-Fold Gospel

INDIANA

- June 9: FORT WAYNE, First Assembly
- June 10: TERRE HAUTE, First Assembly



What Will Happen To Him?

A minister, upon reaching retirement age, and realizing that he needs some provision for the remaining years, asks himself over and over again, "What will happen to us?"

During his ministry he has given unsparingly of himself—of his time, strength and money—not considering the retirement years when he could no longer earn. He has now reached the point of having no income, retirement pension—and no eligibility for social security or a state pension.

The Assemblies of God meets this problem with AMA. This Aged Ministers' Assistance fund gives the needy minister a modest but regular monthly income, a Christmas bonus, and emergency assistance for hospital and surgical expenses.

On AMA Day, Sunday, May 29, a special offering will be received in Assemblies of God churches. It is hoped also that many churches will write AMA into their monthly budget.

Offerings should be mailed to:

AGED
MINISTERS' ASSISTANCE
DEPARTMENT OF BENEVOLENCES
1445 BOONVILLE AVENUE
SPRINGFIELD, MISSOURI 65802



Reaching Indian C.A.'s in a Government School

By JUNE MILLS



I STOOD ON THE DIRT FLOOR of a *hogan* (Navaho Indian dwelling) early one September morning. Suitcases and boxes had been packed and placed by the door.

The parents, their seven children, and I had gathered in their one-room home made of cedar logs. It was dark because there were no windows.

The father asked the family to join hands in a circle. Then in a voice broken with sobs, this Navaho man said, "You five children go to school and learn. This year don't worry about your mother and me and the two little ones. Don't worry about the horses, son. And girls, don't worry about the sheep. Don't worry about chopping the wood, or the cold winter out here. We will try hard to bring you home for Christmas.

"Don't cry, my children, when you go far away to school. This year we have a missionary to preach to us. Before, we didn't. We will stop our drinking and make a happy home."

Thus the father tried to quiet the children's fears as they left to enter a government Indian school. (Indian children often must travel many miles to such a boarding school due to a lack of facilities on the reservations.)

Through the year, these parents often expressed concern for the souls of their children away from home—children who were not being reached with the true gospel. Were they being misled by a false doctrine? How would the children feel when they saw their parents again? The missionary and Christian parents are burdened when this time of departure comes each fall.

Recently God has given me the wonderful opportunity of ministering on the other side of this picture. Here is the story.

One day I received a call from Bethel Assembly, Riverside, Calif., where John James is pastor, to come and work for God among the students of Sherman Institute. This campus has a population of 1,000 Indian students (from seventh grade up) from reservations in Arizona and New Mexico. These Indian teen-agers need the full-gospel witness.

Through the National Association of Evangelicals, local churches have access to students whose parents will sign for them to attend a certain church during their school term. Thus the church can minister to them for nine months of the year and carry on the work begun by our missionaries on the home reservations.

Bethel Assembly is encouraging this ministry to Indian young people. We pick up teen-agers at the Institute and take them to Bethel Assembly for services, using the Assembly's church bus and my Speed-the-Light bus.

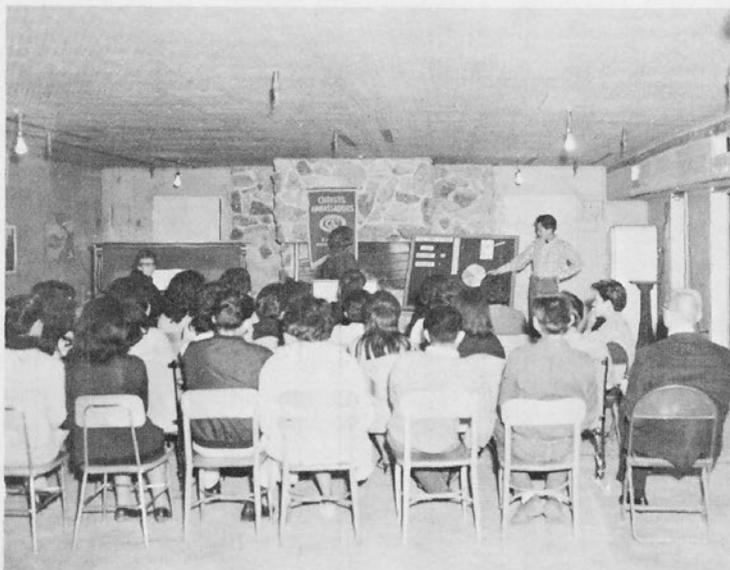
Recently several young people were saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. This ministry has been most rewarding, as I have witnessed Indian teen-agers staining the altar with their tears and finding peace with God.

Some of them become campus missionaries and bring their schoolmates to church with them.

We are trying to teach the indigenous principle in the Indian youth services. The Christ's Ambassadors president conducts each meeting, while other officers have their responsibilities, and different Indian young people lead the song services. As they seek to witness to their friends, they learn the principles of missionary work.

It has been my joy to help some graduates fill out applications for admittance to the All Tribes Indian Bible School in Phoenix, Ariz.

If every Assemblies of God church located near a government Indian school would take advantage of this outreach opportunity, it would help us hold our Indian young people, establish them in the Lord, and teach them Christian responsibility.



An Indian young man (above) gives a flannelgraph lesson as a part of the Indian C. A. service in Bethel Assembly, Riverside, Calif. The Indian girls (below), students at the Sherman Institute, represent several Indian tribes.



Korean Orphan Healed of Deafness

A FEW WEEKS BEFORE our little girl, Jenny Jean, arrived from an orphanage in Korea in September 1964, we were advised she had a chronic middle-ear infection. An ear specialist in San Francisco said she had "perhaps 50 percent hearing ability" in the left ear, and "perhaps perfect hearing in the right ear." Since she was only three, and could speak only Korean—no English—they could not perform an accurate test.

In November 1964 Jenny Jean was examined by a Vancouver ear specialist. He cleared up the infection but said that, due to the infection, Jenny Jean's left eardrum was about three-fourths gone; also that the small bones were gone. His opinion was that "perhaps she would have 50 percent hearing in the left ear, because the eardrum might grow back, but the small ear bones were permanently gone." Of course, we made the problem a matter of earnest prayer.

One Sunday evening in December 1964, while preparing to go to church, I impulsively whispered in Jenny Jean's left ear. She heard perfectly! God has performed a miracle. Recently we had the doctor examine her, and



Mr. and Mrs. Donald Riach with their five adopted children. Jenny Jean, second from the right, is their first adopted child.

he said the eardrum was completely intact as though it had never been damaged.—Mrs. Donald Riach.

(This testimony is endorsed by George E. Downs, pastor of Assembly of God in Wrangell, Alaska. The Riach family faithfully attend Sunday school, and Mrs. Riach is the pianist, a Sunday school teacher, and co-sponsor of Missionettes.)

CAMP MEETINGS PLANNED FOR SPECIAL MINISTRY FIELDS

EACH YEAR INTEREST in camp meetings on Special Ministry fields continues to increase. Last year more than 20 local, sectional, and state Indian camps were conducted over the nation. Six deaf camps and one Alaska camp attracted large numbers.

Hundreds were saved or reclaimed, scores were filled with the Spirit, and many others were healed at these camps.

The camps are more than just an evangelistic thrust. They serve to establish the Christians in the faith and deepen their walk with the Lord. The fellowship with other full-gospel Christians is in itself a great encouragement to those who attend.

The Indian camp planned for Fort Yukon, Alaska, last year had to be cancelled due to a fire which burned the caches containing camp supplies. The new missionaries at Fort Yukon, the Patrick Donadios, plan to have a camp if they are able to obtain sufficient equipment.

An Eskimo camp will be held at Barrow, Alaska.

Seven deaf camps are planned for this summer.

Some non-Indian churches and individuals have helped the missionaries to American Indians with camp expenses

and with offerings of food. At least one meal a day is usually served on the grounds.

Deaf camps also need financial help. Many deaf cannot attend without financial assistance. If you know of deaf in your area, perhaps you could help them.

H. D. Champlin, coordinator of the Gypsy Work, hopes to conduct a Gypsy camp (or camps) in the Midwest this summer. Clement Le Cossec, director of the Gypsy Work in France, will travel with Brother Champlin for two months this summer in the interest of the American Gypsy Work. If it is possible for the workers to gather the Gypsies for a camp meeting, Brother Le Cossec will be the speaker. Following his tour in the States, he will visit Mexico.

All offerings sent to the Home Missions Department, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802, clearly designated for one or all of these camps, will receive World Ministries credit.

If it is possible for you to attend any of these camps, you will be welcomed. Your soul will be blessed and your vision of Home Mission fields enlarged. Write the Home Missions Department for locations of camps you may wish to attend.



FORGIVENESS THROUGH INTERCESSION

Sunday School Lesson for May 22, 1966
EXODUS 32:7-14; 30-33

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

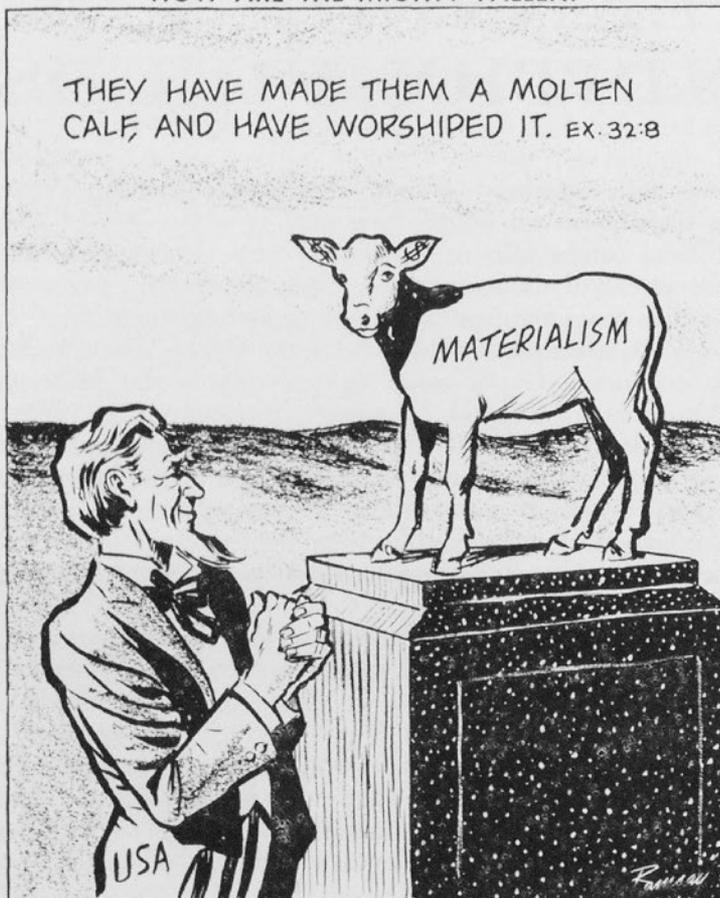
MOSES WAS BLESSED with great natural assets. He was highly educated, a military genius, and an eloquent speaker. Yet these things in themselves did not make him a man of God and a mighty blessing to Israel. He was a spiritual leader because he used an avenue of power open to even the least talented—the avenue of intercessory prayer.

Such intercessory prayer is needed today to perpetuate the power of Pentecost and to realize the presence of Christ in our midst.

THE IDOLATRY OF ISRAEL (Exodus 32:1-6)

While Moses was in the mount receiving God's Law and plans for Israel, the people had built and were worshipping a golden calf. With reckless abandon the people, in the name of religion, gave themselves to sensuality

HOW ARE THE MIGHTY FALLEN!



and excess as they feasted, danced, and sang around the calf.

While we may not have calf worship today, we do have a form of worship which is similar in principle. It is "an attempt on the part of the human spirit, which shrinks from the effort of communion with the unseen and spiritual, to associate God with what it can own and handle; so as to have a constant and evident token of the presence and favor of God."

THE WRATH OF MOSES (Exodus 32:7, 15, 16, 19, 20)

At the sight of the people engaged in hypocritical and idolatrous worship, Moses smashed the tablets containing the Ten Commandments. Then he ground the golden calf to powder and made the sinners drink a concoction of "instant calf"! (See v. 20.)

Moses' anger was true righteous indignation and fully justified for the following reasons: First, God did not rebuke him for it as He did on another occasion (Numbers 20:7-13). Second, his anger was impersonal. He was angry—not because of anything done to him but because a great wrong had been done to God. Third, breaking the tables of the Law was not a display of childish temper but symbolic of what Israel had already done—broken God's sacred commandments. Fourth, though he was angry with the people, Moses stood ready to give his life for them. (See vv. 32-34.)

THE INTERCESSION OF MOSES (Exodus 32:11, 14, 30-32)

1. *It was earnest.* As one reads the prayers of Moses, he feels the passionate, wholehearted desire Moses felt as he besought God for Israel.

2. *It dealt with God on the basis of His character and Word.* Moses advanced three powerful arguments. First, Israel was God's people upon whom He had expended great mercy, grace, and power in the past. Must not He who began a good work in them finish it? Second, if Israel were destroyed, her enemies would have occasion to glory and deride. Third, God's promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob must be fulfilled. Such reasoning in prayer is pleasing to God who gave us the invitation, "Come now, and let us reason together" (Isaiah 1:18).

3. *It was unselfish and self-renouncing.* When God offered to wipe out Israel and make a great nation out of Moses' descendants, He was testing the man of God. (See v. 10.) And how nobly Moses shone forth as an example of the love that seeks not her own. He gave no thought to the proposal which would have brought glory and honor to him. On the contrary, he prayed one of the most amazing prayers found in the entire Word of God! So intense was his love for Israel that he asked to have his own name blotted out of the Book of Life if only Israel could be saved. This kind of deep intercession and soul travail brought the worldwide outpouring of the Holy Spirit at the turn of this century.

4. *It was effective.* Had Moses not interceded, Israel might have been destroyed! As it developed, God heeded the prayer of Moses and forgave the sin of the people.

Likewise, it lies within the power of the humblest believer to help stem the tide of wickedness in the world today, and to pray until our world experiences a revival much deeper and farther-reaching than any previous revival in the history of the world.

I WAS THERE

ONE OF A SERIES OF EYE-WITNESS ACCOUNTS OF EARLY PENTECOSTAL REVIVAL DAYS, WRITTEN BY VARIOUS PIONEER PASTORS, EVANGELISTS, AND MISSIONARIES

MY FIRST REVIVAL

By J. O. SAVELL

I HAVE WITNESSED MANY great revivals since 1914, but I can think of none that had a farther-reaching effect on the moral, social, and spiritual life of the people than the one God gave in a Mississippi community at the beginning of my ministry.

I had been an active lay worker in the Baptist Church in that community before moving to San Antonio, Texas, in 1912. Shortly after I went to Texas I came in contact with a small group of Pentecostal people. They led me into the experience of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which I received in September of 1913. This experience so revolutionized my life that it soon became evident that the call of God was upon my life and that sooner or later I would have to obey that call.

For the next year I devoted much of my time to working in the local mission and corresponding with my family back in Mississippi about the Pentecostal experience. As a result of my letters, my sister and her husband were both gloriously saved. The letter in which they told me of their conversion also brought me an invitation to come home and tell them more about this wonderful Pentecostal experience.

About this time God gave me two visions which helped provide direction as to my going into the ministry. In the first, I saw myself in a vast forest felling trees,

clearing the land, and tilling the soil. In the second vision I saw a field of standing corn that had gone so long without being harvested the golden grain was dropping from the ears to the ground.

I was ordained in Texas by a group of local elders on October 29, 1914, and left the following day for Mississippi. I arrived there on November 1, and the prayer meeting held in my sister's home that night marked the humble beginning of a Pentecostal outpouring which was to change the course of scores of lives in that area of the Mississippi-Yazoo Delta.

My first sermon was at a union Thanksgiving service held in the Methodist Church, where I had once been a Sunday school superintendent. We held cottage prayer meetings that winter, and the following summer announced a revival meeting with a guest evangelist. The people flocked to the services and the school building was soon packed out. They came by wagon, by buggy, on horseback, down the river by boat, and a few by car. People from all walks of life attended the service. There were lawyers, doctors, merchants, schoolteachers, and cotton planters, along with all the rest.

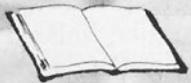
One of the first converts was the wife of a leading merchant. Her conversion was so outstanding that it seemed to create a hunger in the hearts of the people. They literally fell into the altar when the invitation was given.

The evangelist left after two weeks, but the revival fires continued unchecked for two years. Even though for some time we had no permanent place in which to worship, and the services had to be held in different places, interest never lagged. We finally built a beautiful little church, and Elder J. W. Welch, then General Chairman of the Assemblies of God, brought the dedicatory message.

The lives of those who were filled with the Holy Ghost were so transformed that the social interest of the community was turned from the public dances to church worship. In fact, as a result of that move of God, not a single dance was conducted in that area for five years.

Over half a century has passed since that revival, but the same fire that burned in my soul then still burns there today. I believe the God who changed whole communities then wants to do the same thing today. 

Hear
of the
Bible



GREAT CHAPTERS
DAILY READING
PROGRAM

GREAT CHAPTERS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 15-22

Sunday	Lamentations 3
Monday	Ezekiel 1
Tuesday	Ezekiel 3
Wednesday	Ezekiel 33
Thursday	Ezekiel 37
Friday	Ezekiel 39
Saturday	Daniel 1
Sunday	Daniel 2

PROMISE OF THE WEEK

"The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him" (Lamentations 3:5).

TESTIMONIES OF HEALING

JESUS CHRIST THE SAME YESTERDAY, AND TODAY, AND FOREVER (Hebrews 13:8)



CALIFORNIA CONGREGATION SEES GOD'S HEALING POWER

THE ASSEMBLY OF GOD in Escalon, California, is praising God for a move of His Spirit during the past year. A number of healings have occurred in the regular services of the church.

TUMORS HEALED

God wonderfully healed Mrs. Charles Abernathy. In the winter of 1964-65 she began suffering with tumors—one on her back and three in the intestines. The doctor had planned a series of operations to remove each of the internal tumors separately.

Special prayer was offered for her in her home, and God touched her. She came to the next service and testified she was healed.

Three months later the doctor examined her and said, "I can't imagine what has happened!" He asked her to return in three months for X rays.

In the late summer, X rays showed all four tumors had disappeared. Sister Abernathy's doctor and a consulting specialist agreed she was healed.

FRACTURED ARM AND DAMAGED SHOULDER

On September 5 a 72-year-old member of the congregation, Mrs. Henry Brown, slipped and fell. She was taken to the hospital. X rays showed a fracture of the left arm close to the shoulder and severe damage to the shoulder ligaments. She was suffering intensely. The congregation prayed, and the Lord took away all pain.

She asked the doctor if he would release her from the hospital, but he explained the seriousness of her condition and warned it might be necessary to amputate her arm. He told her she must remain in the hospital 30 days, but he allowed her to leave the hospital for short visits.

Two days later she attended the morning prayer meeting at the church. The group surrounded her in prayer, believing God for complete healing, and He performed a miracle! The following day the doctor took X rays and released her from the hospital.

Shortly after she was healed, she attended a week's revival meetings, coming every night with her husband.

HEALED OF BLOOD DEFICIENCY

One sister in the church was healed of a blood deficiency that had plagued her for years. She had been hospitalized, yet over a period of months had grown worse. God touched her in answer to prayer. Her condition changed, and her doctor told her that for the first time in months he saw a marked improvement.

INJURED FINGER HEALED

On September 28 Dale Johnson had his finger pinched in a door. Dale is an active boy and had previously suffered a broken finger. He was now sure he had another! He was prayed for and all pain left.

At the same time, Dale's mother, who got up from a sick bed to take Dale to be prayed for, was also healed. (The next day, Dale played football. He testified that God had healed his finger.)

DEACON HEALED

God healed a deacon of an ailment that caused him to lose 14 pounds in two weeks' time. This also aggravated a hip injury, causing him severe pain when he stood at his work for any length of time.

At the close of a midweek service, he requested prayer. The following Sunday he testified to God's healing power. Within a week he was gaining weight. Since God healed him, he has worked steadily at his contracting business without discomfort.

BROKEN AND SPLINTERED BONES HEALED

On November 2, Marguerette Marconett left the WMC meeting and was driving to her country home when she noticed a neighbor's horse twisted in his reins and choking. She stopped and cautiously released the reins to free the horse—but not in time to move from the frightened animal's path. The rearing horse knocked her to the ground. Reaching out to break the fall, she broke her arm. The radial head in her forearm was splintered.

Surgery was performed to remove the bone fragments. Several days of hospitalization and weeks of therapy followed. Her doctor told her it would take six months to a year for the arm to return to normal.

During the prayer service a week later, Sister Marconett knelt at the altar and was anointed and prayed for. Later in the service she asked for the opportunity to testify. She stood with her injured arm straight, and the swelling visibly reduced, and testified that all pain was gone. She had complete mobility of her arm.

Ten days later her doctor confirmed that her arm was healed.

HEALED OF APPENDICITIS

Stephen, son of Evangelist Lee Archer, missed several weeks of school in January because of severe abdominal pains. Early in February his condition became acute so the doctor was called. He diagnosed the case as appendicitis and ordered the boy to the hospital for surgery.

As Stephen lay in the emergency surgical ward being

prepared for surgery, his father and the pastor prayed that God would intervene. Surgery was delayed.

The following day a specialist examined Stephen and found surgery was unnecessary. The second morning they released him from the hospital.

Later he testified how God had healed him. He has attended school regularly since, and participates in athletics.

PRESENT BLESSINGS

God continues to manifest His power and blessing in the services at the Escalon Assembly. These and other miracles of healing have brought glory to His Name.

(All these testimonies are endorsed by Pastor Ruben A. Wilson Jr., Assembly of God, Escalon, Calif.)

HEALED OF STOMACH ULCERS

FOR MONTHS I SUFFERED WITH ULCERS, but God wonderfully healed me. I now eat whatever I like and no longer need medicine.

In September, 1963, I was admitted to Berwick Hospital for diagnosis. They found I had ulcers of the stomach. The doctor told me I would undoubtedly be under medication for the rest of my life.

I took medicine before and after each meal, and at bedtime; and consumed great quantities of antacid tablets between meals. I was on a very strict diet.

About mid-April (1965) George Butrin began evangelistic services in the Assembly of God. During these meetings I asked Brother Butrin to pray for my healing. As he prayed, I felt the power of God surge through my body, and I *knew* I had been healed.

The following evening I had my favorite food—spaghetti and meat balls—something I had not been able to enjoy for more than a year and a half. I looked forward to that meal, and I thoroughly enjoyed it—without having any of the pain I had suffered previously if I deviated from my strict diet.

However, on my return to work my faith was tested when those awful gnawing pains came again the very first day. On previous occasions these were eased by taking antacid tablets; but I knew God had healed me and I did not want to take the pills. I struggled through that day somehow, and that night after the service I told Brother Butrin about my problem. He replied, "Satan is trying to convince you that you are not healed." He advised me to resist these pains in the name of Jesus and to tell Satan he no longer had the right to afflict my body.

For two weeks I was tested, but each time the pain returned I resisted the pain in the name of Jesus. The pain left just as simply as it had come. One thing I learned—Satan is persistent, for it was not until the third week that he loosed his hold on my body.

Almost a year has passed. I have not had to take one drop of the medicine I formerly took for ulcers. Now I am able to sit down and enjoy the same meals as the rest of the family—a far cry from the special meals they used to have to prepare for me for such a long while.

I praise God for my deliverance.—Lloyd H. Adams, Nescopeck, Pa.

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THIS PRESENT WORLD

AT HOME

"What Kind of God Is Dead?" Asks Southern Baptist

Theologians who say that "God is dead" are using doubletalk, because they are not referring to deity but to an impersonal idea, according to Dr. Richard T. Hopper, president of the Oklahoma Baptist Convention. He branded advocates of the "God is dead" theory as liberals and maintained that such theologians "do not mean what we have traditionally meant by the word *God*."

Speaking to 300 churchmen at the annual state rural church conference, Dr. Hopper contrasted the beliefs of liberal and conservative theologians. "God has traditionally been thought of as a loving Father," he said. "The liberal theologian is referring to an impersonal idea. God as a supernatural deity—the Creator—is very much alive.

"What you believe will determine your attitude toward honesty, duty, the Bible, your response to God and fellowmen, and toward morality," he concluded.

Catholics Lift Veil on Problem of Alcoholic Priests

The Guest House, a sanatorium for alcoholic priests located near Detroit, Mich., has raised its 10-year-old veil of secrecy to publicly face what is called one of the greatest crises in the history of the Catholic priesthood.

Layman-founder Austin Ripley, director of the home, predicts that the church will see more alcoholic priests

in the next five years than in the last 75. Including the 18 who are currently there, some 378 priests from 50 states and Japan have passed through the home. Over 80 percent of these have been cured.

Patients are viewed as victims of emotional immaturity and a mysterious biochemical imbalance. Treatment lasts from four to 18 months and includes psychological, physiological, and spiritual counseling.

Part of the therapy is weekly attendance at Alcoholics Anonymous meetings. "We find it a shocker for a distinguished professor of theology to hear about spiritual values from a janitor or truck driver," Mr. Ripley said. "This helps combat arrogance and introduces the proper spirit of humility."

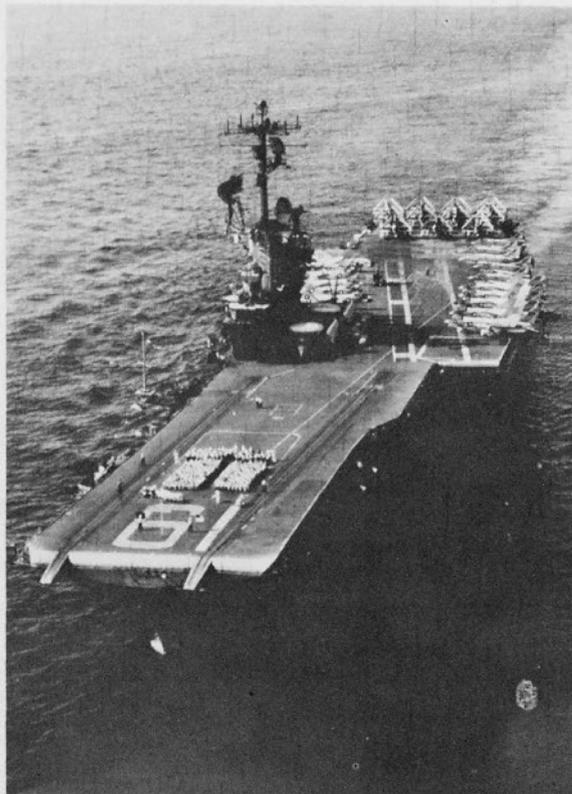
Projected plans include opening five to 10 more sanatoriums in the U.S. and Canada to meet the growing need.

The Demograph Is Still Ticking!

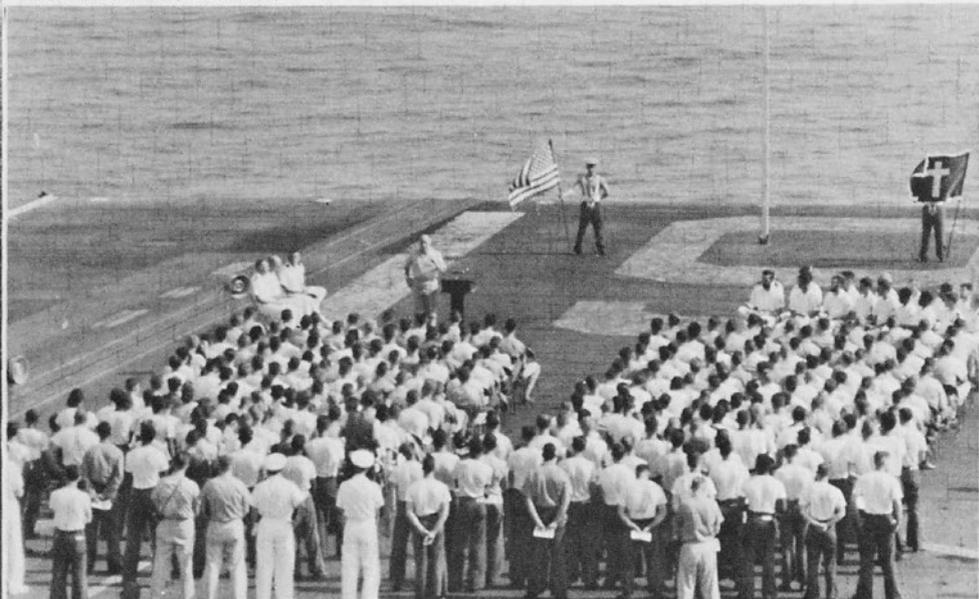
Visitors to the New York World's Fair may remember the Demograph, the huge clocklike exhibit of the Equitable Life Assurance Society. People stood before it fascinated as it relentlessly totaled the latest additions to the population of the United States.

On opening day, April 22, 1964, the Demograph stood at 191,509,164. On closing day, October 17, 1965, it registered 195,364,800. With a birth every 7½ seconds and a death every 17½ seconds, the Demograph clocked one new citizen every 12 seconds (7,207 every day).

And in the rest of the world? Equitable experts esti-



EASTER AT SEA OFF VIETNAM—More than 550 men of the aircraft carrier USS Hancock paused in their busy operations in the South China Sea to observe Easter. The service was conducted before a 15-foot white cross on the flight deck. Briefly replacing the ear-splitting jet roar were the beautiful notes of the glad refrain, "Christ the Lord is risen today, Hallelujah!" Commanding Officer Captain James C. Donaldson Jr. spoke briefly on "Spiritual Replenishment." Lt. Cmdr. David W. Plank, one of 28 Assemblies of God chaplains now on active duty with the Armed Forces, conducted the service.



mate that every minute 220 more babies are born and 100 people die. The net increase is two human beings every second!

These figures remind the Christian that the task of world evangelism is getting bigger all the time. We must work harder to carry the message since more and more people are without it!

Find Each Cigarette Shortens Life 14.4 Minutes

Each cigarette costs the smoker 14.4 minutes of his life. That is the finding of Dr. Alton Ochsner, former president of the American College of Surgeons. His studies also reveal that a 50-year-old person who has never smoked will live an average eight and a half years longer than a person who smokes a pack a day, and 17 years longer than one who smokes two packs a day.

700 Attend ABS Bible House Dedication

More than 700 persons attended the dedication of the new 12-story Bible House at 61st Street and Broadway, New York City, on Palm Sunday. The new structure will house American Bible Society activities previously carried out from five widely scattered and overcrowded New York locations.

Of the 150,000,000 Scriptures to be dispensed by the 27-member United Bible Society in 1966, ABS will distribute half. It is the world's largest nonprofit organization devoted exclusively to translating, publishing, and distributing Scriptures here and abroad without note or comment.

ABROAD

Christians in Lebanon Mark Bible Anniversary

Christians in Lebanon and other parts of the Arabic-speaking world are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the translation of the Bible into their language.

Efforts to translate parts of the Scriptures into Arabic go back as far as the period of the Byzantine Empire. But the translation considered to be the most authoritative work was done 100 years ago by two Congregational missionaries assisted by Arab scholars.

Prayer Requested by Billy Graham for London Crusade

Evangelist Billy Graham has requested that Christians of all churches observe Sunday, May 22, as a day of prayer for the Greater London Crusade. This evangelistic effort, to be held in Earls Court, London, June 1 to July 2, will be his second crusade in London, the first having been held in 1954.

The great city of London is facing real spiritual crises indicated by dwindling church attendance, new racial tensions, and a skyrocketing crime rate. It is hoped this crusade will be greatly used by God so that many souls may be saved and many churches revived.

Coptic Prayer Book Found in Egypt May Contain Christian Hymn

Archaeologists working in the area soon to be covered by the rising waters of the United Arab Republic's Aswan Dam project have discovered an ancient Coptic prayer book that may date back to the second century. Experts at the University of Chicago's Oriental Institute called the book "one of the most exciting finds" to come from the archaeological expeditions in the Nubian Valley.

In the prayer book is a hymn Christ may have used shortly before His crucifixion, and an account of a conversation Christ held with Peter and other apostles on the Mount of Olives in the period between the Resurrection and the Ascension.

The book, in almost perfect condition, was found in a monastery believed to have been built in the eighth or ninth century and rebuilt 200 years later. It is written on animal skin in Coptic, the ancient Egyptian language of Greek letters plus five hieroglyphic symbols.

New in Asia: "Fellowship of Asian Evangelicals"

Delegates from nine countries gathered in Tokyo last fall to pray and plan how best to evangelize Asia's billion souls. The Oriental Evangelical Fellowship Conference-Crusade included a historic week of reports, discussions, and workshops.

Representatives from Japan, Korea, Okinawa, India, Thailand, the United States, Taiwan, the Philippines, and Sarawak unanimously voted to constitute themselves an autonomous "Fellowship of Asian Evangelicals" (FAE). Its stated purpose is "fellowship, defense, confirmation, and furtherance of the gospel in Asia." The next conference is scheduled for 1968 in Seoul, Korea.

PONTIFF, PRIMATE—AND PROTESTERS—Pope Paul VI greets the Archbishop of Canterbury at their historic meeting in the Sistine Chapel at the Vatican. The Anglican Primate and Pope embraced, then exchanged messages which expressed Anglican and Catholic hope for Christian unity. Three Protestant leaders from Ireland and Scotland, shown here outside the Anglican All Saints Church in Rome, followed the Archbishop on his historic visit. During a service at which Dr. Ramsey presided, they rose, took off their coats, and displayed the white smocks assailing the Primate's visit with the Pope. They were escorted from the church.



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OF SPIRITUAL LIFE AND EVANGELISM

BY D. V. HURST

Coordinator, Spiritual Life—Evangelism Commission

I WAS DISCUSSING this year's Pentecost Crusade "Teach and Tarry" series with Brother and Sister J. R. Flower. During the conversation we turned our attention to the scriptural principle, "Let all things be done unto edifying. . . ." At that point Brother Flower slipped to his typewriter and began to write. Let me give the rest of the column to him.



"UNTO EDIFYING . . ."

The New Testament Church was something different from the churches of today. There were no church edifices and so the members gathered together in the open or in the homes of the people. Because the congregations were small, there was ample provision for congregational participation in the services, provision to a far greater degree than may be found in the churches of today.

The larger the church edifice, the less opportunity may be given for individual members to participate in the services. In the New Testament Church the members could take part, for "every one . . . hath a psalm, hath a doctrine, hath a tongue, hath a revelation, hath an interpretation" (1 Corinthians 14:26). The rule governing participation was simply that "all things be done unto edifying." Otherwise there was little if any restriction on the individual freedom of any of the members to minister.

The modern church meets in buildings especially constructed for public worship and, generally speaking, all its ministries are centered in the leadership. This situation militates against individual ministries from members of the congregation. If individual liberty is granted, it may be found in mid-week services rather than in the services of the weekend.

In our efforts to emulate the New Testament pattern for divine worship, we must take this condition into account and not be shocked if individual ministries are limited in the

larger and well-attended services of the church, though they may be found more often in the smaller churches.

The church in Corinth was a typical New Testament church, to which the apostle Paul could write, "I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ; that in everything ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge . . . so that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Corinthians 1:4-7), and "as ye abound in everything, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace [giving] also" (2 Corinthians 8:7).

The church in Corinth had come into existence in a great revival, but it was still a very young church, and lacked maturity. There was a need for correction and guidance in many facets of the church life, and when these weaknesses became known to the apostle Paul he took occasion to write to them, setting forth in detail the principles of good judgment in the exercises of personal liberty in public worship.

If these weaknesses had not existed, the church of today would have been robbed of information pertaining to the operation of the Holy Spirit in the Early Church. The two Epistles written to the Corinthian church contain information pertaining to church life which is not found in any other New Testament book. For this we should be eternally grateful.

FOR TIME OF SELF-PITY

*In such a time, go visit one
Who never saw the rising sun,
An argosy of stars at night,
Anemones, dew-cool and white.
Speak gently, quietly to men
Whose feet will never climb again
The sloping of a grassy hill
Where twilight lingers blue and still.
Think deeply, solemnly of those
Who never heard that Christ arose;
Then kneel in humble-hearted
prayer,
Rededicating all you are
(And through the days and years can
be)
To holy selfless ministry.*

—GRACE V. WATKINS

NEWS OF THE CHURCHES

READING, PA.—Members of Glad Tidings Tabernacle here were spiritually enriched by the ministry of Evangelist George Butrin of Berwick, Pa. During three weeks of services 20 were saved or reclaimed, 12 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit, and many testified to being healed.

—Anthony R. Mayeski, pastor

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ALEXANDRIA, MINN.—The Assembly of God here recently enjoyed services with the Tanner Team of Willmar, Minn. Many new people were contacted and about 15 knelt at the altar for salvation or reconsecration.

The entire congregation experienced a definite spiritual uplift.

—Sherman Buschow, pastor

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TUCSON, ARIZ.—East 30th St. Assembly here recently enjoyed the ministry of Evangelist Carl Reynolds, Sr. Brother Reynolds uses a prophetic chart in his services. Many visitors were attracted to the meetings, and some were saved.—Gail Copple, pastor

MISSOURI CHURCH DEDICATES SANCTUARY

MERCER, MO.—The congregation of the Assembly of God here recently dedicated an addition to the church building.

The new sanctuary has a seating capacity of 200. The front is paneled with Dutch elm, accented by red carpeting, white walls and crystal and brass chandeliers. Pulpit and pews are of light-finished oak. The original building has been remodeled into seven Sunday school rooms.

Plans for the addition and the remodeling were drawn up by



members of the church. The cost was estimated at \$15,000.

Northern Missouri District Superintendent Glenn Renick and

Assistant Superintendent Charles Parker were the dedication speakers. Brother and Sister James Bradberry pastor the church.

WINTER GARDEN, FLA.—Forty-five were saved during evangelistic services at First Assembly here with the "Little Joe" Peterson Team.

The youth of the church were revived and seem eager to do

something for the Lord. The adults also have a new hunger for God's Word and His house.

A member of the congregation received definite healing for his back.

—R. L. Beavers, pastor

SOUTH HAVEN, MICH.—One was saved, several were reclaimed, and some believers received the infilling of the Holy Spirit at First Assembly here during a two-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. John Friend, Hartford, Ind.

Many visitors attended the services. Believers have testified that their prayer life has been strengthened.

—Ross P. Simmons, pastor

MICHIGAN MEN HELP BUILD COSTA RICAN CHURCH

Six men from First Assembly in Niles, Mich., recently helped build a church in San Jose, Costa Rica.

Pastor Burdette Faulk and five

men from his congregation traveled to San Jose to work on the building for a church started about a year ago by Missionary David Godwin.



Men from Niles, Mich., who helped build a church in Costa Rica are (left to right): Pastor Burdette Faulk, Richard Seal, Robert Shoemaker, Duane Hellwig, James Clark, and Bruce Fletcher.

The congregation first met in a home but quickly outgrew it. They bought a plot of land in the San Pedro area of the city and began a drive to raise funds for a building.

First Assembly in Niles sent \$1,000 to help with the building. But Pastor Faulk "felt that a delegation of men to actually help with the construction would be a great contribution as well as an encouragement to the local congregation."

On January 9, Pastor Faulk and the five laymen—Bruce Fletcher, an excavating contractor; Richard Seal, Duane Hellwig, James Clark, and Robert Shoemaker, left Niles and drove to Miami, Fla. From there they went by plane to Costa Rica.

The men stayed in Costa Rica nine days, working on the church and ministering in the area. They took a weekend missionary tour to several churches located in the remote mountainous area of Costa Rica.

Pastor Faulk spoke at an Assembly of God service in San Isidro. He also preached at Central Assembly in San Jose, and to the new congregation in San Pedro which now numbers about 70.

GRANTS PASS, OREG.—The Assembly of God here has experienced one of its best evangelistic campaigns in recent years. Forty-nine people accepted Jesus Christ as Saviour under the ministry of Evangelist Bobby Black of Oakland, Calif.

The entire church was revived. Many that were saved have now been baptized in water.

Attendance was excellent with visitors from many denominations coming to the services. There were 461 present at the last service to hear Brother Black tell how God saved him when he was a drug addict and a rock-and-roll singer.

—Don R. Merrill, pastor

AVON PARK, FLA.—First Assembly here recently experienced two weeks of old-fashioned revival meetings in which 27 were saved, seven filled with the Holy Spirit, several reclaimed, and many healed. The evangelist was Freddie Clark.

Street meetings and an assembly in the local high school were instrumental in bringing many visitors to the services.

—E. B. Boykin, pastor

\$40,000 CHURCH DEDICATED BY OKLAHOMA CONGREGATION

BOKOSHE, OKLA.—The congregation of the Assembly here has completed and dedicated its new church building.

Dedicatory speaker was Leonard Arnold, secretary-treasurer of the Oklahoma District who founded the church in 1933. Walter Swaim, a former pastor of the church and now a sectional presbyter, was also present.

The \$40,000 building has 3,550

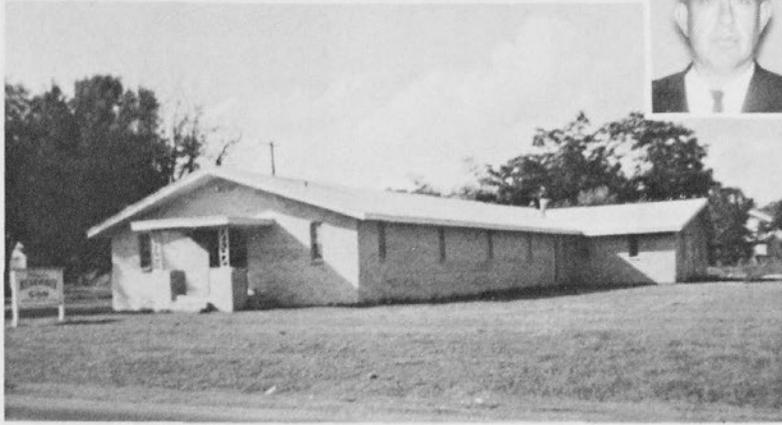
square feet of floor space and is constructed of buff brick. The main auditorium seats about 200.

The building has a nursery, pastor's study, a Sunday school secretary's office, five Sunday school rooms, two dressing rooms, and a baptistry. It has central heating and a refrigerated air unit.

The church is located on the main street of the town.

—George House, pastor

This beautiful new Assembly in Bokoshe, Okla., is constructed of buff brick and seats 200. (Pastor George House inset)



LAKE PLACID, FLA.—During a two-week evangelistic meeting with Evangelist Freddy Clark at First Assembly here, 12 were saved and three filled with the Holy Spirit. Many were healed and blessed.

Free coverage by the local and county newspapers, live broadcasts from a nearby radio station, a student assembly at the high school auditorium, and weekend street meetings combined to build the largest crowds in the history of the church.

—W. Carroll Senn, pastor

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BRANDYWINE, MD.—Full Gospel Church here praises God for wonderful revival services with the "Little Joe" Peterson team of York, Pa. Numbers were saved; believers were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and healed. Results were definite; the effects are still evident several months after the meeting.

—Worth M. Johnson, pastor

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SYLACAUGA, ALA.—More than 100 visitors attended revival services at First Assembly here with Evangelist "Little Joe" Peterson of York, Pa.

Many came forward to receive Jesus Christ as Saviour. One person received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. So far there have been three added to the church. Many reported healings.

Attendance was outstanding and enthusiasm ran high throughout the ten days of services.

—E. O. Cordle, pastor

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COCOA, FLA.—Youth and adults of First Assembly here were inspired to do more for the Lord during services with the "Little Joe" Peterson Team. Four were saved, and several were refilled with the Spirit.

These were the best attended evangelistic services the church has had. Attendance and interest is steadily growing.

—A. H. Salter, pastor

TEENS TO PARTICIPATE IN OVERSEAS EVANGELISM

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Twelve Christ's Ambassadors (ages 16-19) will participate June 25-July 21 in a "pilot" evangelism project in Belize, British Honduras, and Montego Bay, Jamaica.

Sponsor of the program is the Mobilization and Placement Service (MAPS) of the Spiritual Life—Evangelism Commission of which D. V. Hurst is the coordinator.

Director of the "pilot" program is Russell J. Cox, national C. A. secretary.

Eight of the 12 C.A.'s selected



Old-timers night at the Pentecostal Assembly in Mt. Carmel, Ill., during the meeting with Evangelist Lee Paino. Many of the people attending this revival had been in the revival of 40 years ago in this church. James Eastman is pastor.

MT. CARMEL, ILL.—During three weeks of meetings at the Pentecostal Assembly here, the Sunday school attendance grew from 190 to 306. Lee Paino of Indianapolis, Ind., was the evangelist.

A special service was held at a local school as part of the revival outreach.

—James Eastman, pastor

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HARTSHORNE, OKLA.—Twenty-one were saved and two filled with the Holy Spirit at First Assembly here in a two-week revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Charles Hudspeth of Tulsa, Okla. Seven others were saved the weekend preceding the special services. Several believers testified to receiving healing in the meetings. Attendance was exceptionally good. The Sunday school reached a record high of 146.

—Charles F. Capps, pastor

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GARLAND, TEX.—At least 12 adults were saved and others reclaimed recently at Bethany Assembly here during meetings with

Evangelist and Mrs. Tommy Lance.

The congregation enjoyed the anointed preaching and singing of the evangelists. Along with good attendance during the night meetings, a long-standing Sunday school record was broken.

The church hopes to move into a new building at a new location soon.

—R. J. Ward, pastor

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KENNETT, MO.—First Assembly here recently concluded one of its most successful revival campaigns in years, with the McDuff Evangelistic Party of Texas City, Tex.

Nineteen were saved, 10 filled with the Holy Spirit, and many others were reclaimed and refilled. Lives were changed and dedicated to spiritual goals.

—Gordon Zercher, pastor

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MUSKEGON, MICH.—Broadway Assembly here has enjoyed a winter-long spiritual refreshing. Fourteen have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Two

power to save, distributing gospel literature, and inviting people to attend evening evangelistic rallies.

Light-for-the-Lost, the missions arm of Men's Fellowship, is providing \$1,500 in gospel literature for distribution in these areas.

Mrs. Mildred T. Smuland, national WMC secretary, has pledged that the Women's Missionary Council will raise \$700 to feed the youth while they minister overseas. WMC groups in Belize and Montego Bay will cook and provide living quarters for the C.A.'s.

Before leaving the States, the selectees will attend an orientation program June 16-21 in Springfield. While in Springfield, local WMC's will provide housing and food for the C.A.'s.

others were refilled.

At least ten people have made decisions for Christ during monthly house-to-house visitation. Fifteen have united with the church in a recent six-week period. A number have reported definite healings.

The church praises the Lord for His blessings.

—Edward and Edna Froats, pastors

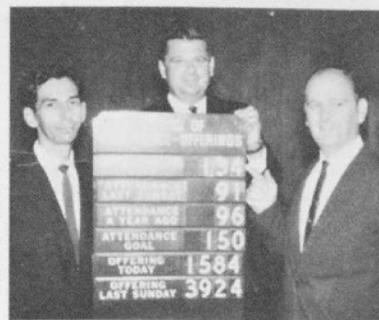
HOPEWELL, VA.—Twenty-three responded for salvation at the Assembly of God here during a youth crusade with the Harvest-time Gospel Team, Irving and Mary Lou Howard, of Mt. Morris, Pa.

The entire church experienced a spiritual refreshing during these meetings. The Sunday school attendance record was broken the last Sunday.

The Royal Rangers acted as ushers during the crusade. One boy brought about 35 visitors.

—Clyde Lee, pastor

Evangelist Irving Howard (left), Pastor Clyde Lee, and the Sunday school superintendent hold the Sunday school attendance board showing a record attendance of 134.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOME COMING—May 29 at First Assembly, Quitman, Tex. Guest speakers: E. R. Anderson, North Texas district superintendent; James Parson, presbyter of Tyler section; and Harry Klepper of Mena, Ark.—by Charles W. Hyde, pastor.

HOME COMING—May 29-June 5 at First Assembly, Binghamton, N. Y. Celebrating 50 years of service. Special speakers: T. F. Zimmerman, General Superintendent; John Kellner, first pastor of the church; and ministers who came from the church.—by R. D. E. Smith, pastor.

WITH CHRIST

JOHN F. GREEN, 50, of Carlinville, Ill., was called into the presence of the Lord March 16, 1966. Brother Green began his ministry in the Rocky Mountain District, where he was ordained in 1941. He was pastor and presbyter at Idaho Falls, Idaho. He pioneered and established the church at Livermore, Calif. For 19 years he was a minister in the Northern California-Nevada District where he served pastorates in Las Vegas, Nev., Rohnerville, and Woodland, Calif. Due to ill health, he gave up his pastorate in 1962, but made a fair recovery and preached the Sunday before his passing. He is survived by his wife Mildred.



JAMES H. MEDLEY, 58, of Logan, N. Mex., went to his eternal reward February 16, 1966. Ordained by the Oklahoma District in 1939, Brother Medley served as an evangelist and as a pastor. His ministry included pastorates in Sentinel, Walters, Skedee, Mannsville, Crescent, and Midway, Okla.; Henrietta, Vera, Canutillo, and Wichita Falls, Tex.; and in Hagerman, Espanola, and Logan, N. Mex. He is survived by his wife Alta and four children.



EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ariz.	Tucson	*Eastland	May 15-22	Jennie Powell	Gail Copple
Ark.	Horatio	First	May 22—	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	J. L. Walker
	Magazine	A/G	May 22-June 5	Freddie Salisbury	H. E. Wells
	Searcy	Faith	May 24-June 5	Royce & Mrs. Lowe	Robert D. Bornert
	Searcy	First	May 22-27	A. G. & Mrs. Calaway	Robert O. Turman
Calif.	Compton	A/G	May 24-June 5	James H. Black	David O. Bunch
Colo.	Greeley	Evangel Temple	May 17-29	Leonard Negrin	R. J. Blair
Fla.	Dundee	A/G	May 17-22	Robert Rogers	Edgar Davis
	Fernandina Beach	First	May 18-27	Grover & Carolyn Dunn	Lawrence R. Self
	Jacksonville	Evangel	May 24-June 5	Joel & Mrs. Palmer	Cecil Wiggins
	Miami	A/G	May 24-29	Frank J. DePolo	Dillard Burgess
	Tampa	Bethel Temple	May 18-30	Ernie Eskelin	Percy King
Ga.	Atlanta	Mableton	May 24-June 5	Harvey D. Ferrell	Houston Miles
Ill.	Benton	First	May 23-29	Culpepper-Gourlas Team	H. V. Knight
	Chicago	Central	May 18-29	H. Syvelle Phillips	George W. Lee
	Chicago	Southside	May 18-22	Melvin Boatright	Morris Ivey
	Macomb	A/G	May 22-29	Bob Watters	Oliver Knell
Ind.	Cambridge City	First	May 18-29	Dave & Jan Olshevski	Coleman Barlow
Iowa	Des Moines	First	May 22-June 5	Milo Harmon	Charles Crabtree
	Independence	A/G	May 17-22	Glenna Byard	William F. Hill
	Keokuk	A/G	May 25—	Bob Ludwig	Bernard H. Reece
Ky.	Madisonville	First	May 18-29	Ernest & Mrs. Berquist	George E. Bunch
Md.	Baltimore	Essex	May 24-29	Harry J. Steil	Steve Bogdan
Mich.	Port Huron	A/G	May 10-22	H. B. Kelchner	Gunnar R. Kars
	Rockford	Calvary	May 16-22	Chas. Meppelink	Jean Allen
	Sault St. Marie	A/G	May 17-23	Wesley E. Pollet	Elwin F. Washburn
Minn.	Minneapolis	Bethel	May 3-15	O. E. (Gene) Vaale	Robert C. Hanson
Mo.	Clinton	A/G	May 31-June 12	W. W. & Mrs. Martin	Ralph A. Bentley
	Jefferson City	First	May 17-29	Othel & Mildred Nall	Norman F. Brewer
	Poplar Bluff	First	May 17-29	Samuel Calk	C. C. Truitt
	Warrenton	A/G	May 18-29	Bob McCutchen	Richard Thompson
Mont.	Miles City	A/G	May 24-June 5	Roy & Arlene Brewer	Alvin P. Fischer
Nev.	Las Vegas	Trinity Temple	May 10-22	Orville E. Easterly	Wilbur H. Wacker
	Sparks	*A/G	May 22-27	Charles Senechal	Andrew Slack
N. J.	Pennsville	A/G	May 17-22	Freddy Clark	Elmer Lindale
N. Mex.	Eunice	First	May 24—	Bob Wilson	Deward Gunter
N.Y.	Buffalo	Riverside	May 19—	Donnell-Holler Team	George Hubbard
	Spencerport	A/G	May 19-29	Albert Fisher Sr.	Jack R. Cleeton
Ohio	Canton	Christian	May 24-June 5	Andrew G. & Mrs. Basell	C. R. Mills
	Hamilton	A/G	May 17-22	Jerry Knibbe	Vernon D. Wright
	Medina	Pentecostal	May 8-22	J. B. Woolums	N. B. Nethers
	Wilmington	First	May 24-29	J. E. Friend	Marie Moore
Okla.	Miami	First	May 18-29	Quentin Edwards	Dan Sheaffer
	Tulsa	Mingo	May 23-June 5	Charles & Barbara Hudspeth	Bill Brummett
	Wister	**A/G	May 22—	Patsy Ruth Allen	Waymon Jones
	Wynne Wood	A/G	May 15-29	Danny Al Kennedy	Donald R. Pettet
Oreg.	Coos Bay	Bethel	May 24-June 5	Marlon Jannuzzi	Don Anderson
Pa.	Carnegie	A/G	May 24-June 5	V. M. & Mrs. Dullabaun	Wilbur W. Hoak
	Clairton	Calvary	May 23-29	David Dean	J. Clayton Sheridan
	Dansville	A/G	May 22-29	Doug & Judy Johnson	H. Wm. Ponge
	Newville	Palmstow	May 24-29	Ken & Gloria Kashner	David Keefauver
	Pittsburgh	Evang. Temple	May 15-29	George & Nadine Van Riper	William Bailey
	Pittsburgh	Wilkinsburg	May 22-29	Frank D. Christie	B. H. Conant
Tenn.	Maynardville	A/G	May 23-June 10	Knott-Olson Team	James E. Long
Tex.	Denton	First	May 11—	Jack Pruitt	Don Huckeba
	Lubbock	Calvary	May 18-29	D. A. Watson Family	Leslie Thompson
Utah	Moab	*First	May 22-June 3	Billy & Kathy Long	Robert J. Smith
Va.	Brodnax	A/G	May 23-29	Irving & Mary Lou Howard	A. K. Michael
	Hampton	*Calvary	May 22-27	David & Patricia Johnson	T. Burton Pierce Jr.
	Lee Mont	Faith	May 24-June 5	J. L. Peterson	Samuel C. Rust II
Wash.	Morton	A/G	May 15-27	Delbert E. Gribbling	Leo Lovin
	Snohomish	A/G	May 22-27	Christian Hild	Jene J. Wagner
Wis.	Milwaukee	Bethel Tab.	May 22—	The Tanner Team	E. E. Kirschman
	Milwaukee	Calvary	May 24-29	R. S. Peterson	John Wannenmacher
Canada	Owen Sound, Ont.	Pent. Tab.	May 12-22	Bobby & Sharon Jones	J. Counsell
	Petrola, Ont.	*Pentecostal	May 23-29	Carl E. Gammel	O. W. Myhre

*Children's Revival

**Youth Revival

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THE POWER OF PERSONAL EVANGELISM

WHEN WE SEARCH THE PAGES OF THE BIBLE, we discover that personal evangelism is God's great method of introducing sinners to our glorious Redeemer. In most cases, even in great citywide evangelistic campaigns, those who are born again are not only the fruit of the evangelist but of burdened believers who have been witnessing to them.

Charles Spurgeon once said, "If you had 100 empty bottles before you and threw a pail of water over them, a little water would fall in some of them, but most would fall outside. If you wish to fill the bottles, the best way is to take each bottle separately and put a vessel full of water to the bottle's mouth."

Henry Ward Beecher left on record, "The longer I live, the more confidence I have in those sermons preached where one man is the minister and one man is the congregation; where there is no question as to who is meant when the preacher says, 'Thou art the man.'"

D. L. Moody said, "I would rather be the means of setting 10 men to work at winning souls for Christ than of converting a hundred."

That mighty soul winner Charles Trumbull said, "The world is never going to be brought to Christ wholesale, but one by one. Men are not born collectively; they do not die collectively; they do not accept or reject Christ collectively... the harvest must be *hand-picked*."

Samuel Zwemer has strikingly said, "Personal evangelism is a collision of souls; it is the terrific impact of personalities; it is Nathan speaking to David... it is Christ's heart-to-heart talk with Nicodemus, or His unfolding of the mystery of the gospel to one poor sinful woman at the well."

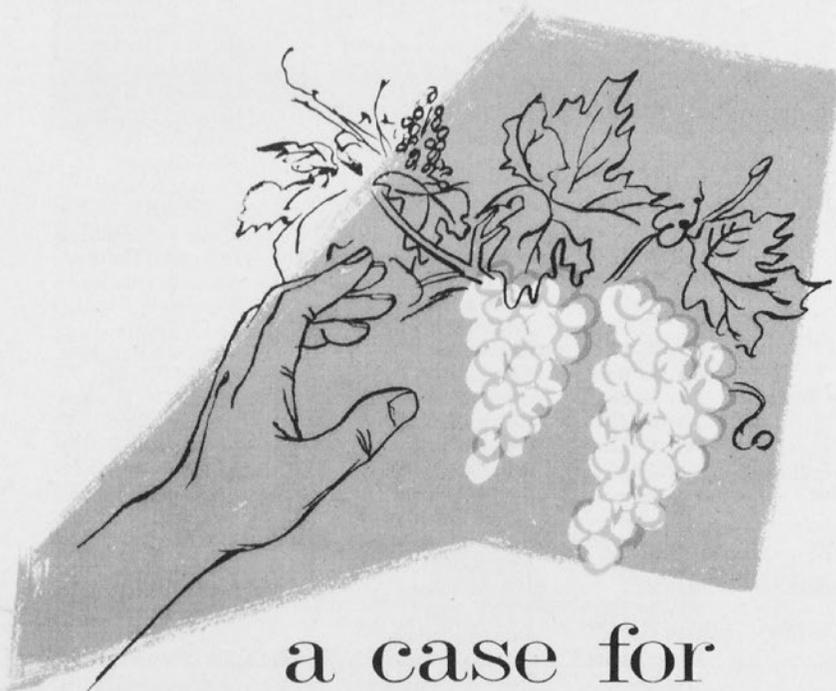
Probably nine-tenths of all believers today add nothing directly to the evangelistic force of the Church of Jesus Christ. Yet 5,000 people each winning four people a year, who in turn each won four people a year, and so on, could set in motion a chain reaction that could soon win the world to Christ. In only 10 years, the number of people won would be over 5,000,000,000 exceeding the world's population.

If any group of Christians were asked how they were saved, the majority would testify they were brought to Christ by the individual touch.

Andrew Bonar went so far as to say there would not be a redeemed person in heaven who does not have a human thumbprint on him. For example, Peter, who won thousands, was personally led to Christ by his brother Andrew.

A timid woman gathered courage to give a tract to Richard Baxter. This led him to accept Christ, and he became a mighty preacher. He wrote *Saints' Everlasting Rest*, which in turn was a means of reaching William Wilberforce for Christ. He in turn influenced thousands for Christ.

The greatest soul winners on earth, in the majority of cases, were won by the personal touch; they were *hand-picked fruit!*



a case for hand-picked fruit

By JAMES A. STEWART