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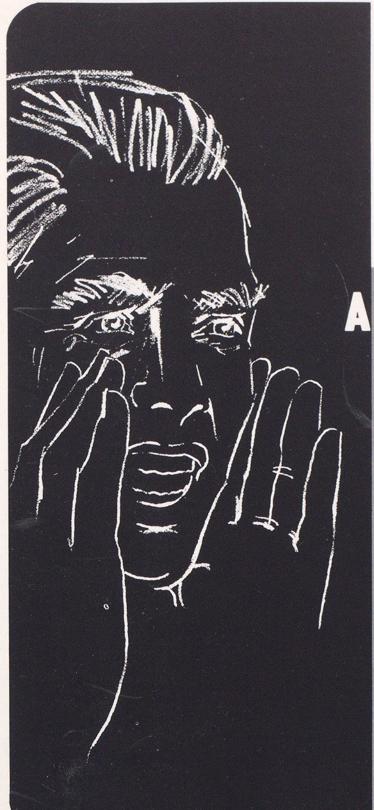
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SHADOWS OF ANTICHRIST

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F SOMEONE APPROACHED YOU from behind with the sun at his back, you would see his *shadow* before you saw *him*.

It has been well said that "coming events cast their shadows before." This is the reason I am interested in the Bible's teaching concerning the coming world dictator, Antichrist. I do not know who he will be and frankly do not care. Wild speculations about his mark are wasted effort. But this we must not forget: men will see his shadow before they see him; and the longer the shadows of Antichrist become, the nearer is the night and the coming of *God's* Christ.

The light of prophecy shining on today's fast-moving events reveals clearly to the Spirit-taught heart the lengthening shadows of Satan's messiah. And because his appearing is so closely linked with the advent of our Lord and the end of this age, we do well to read our newspapers with our Bibles close by.

The second chapter of Second Thessalonians sheds much light on the world ruler who shall play such a dramatic part in the last scenes of this age. Verses three and four are very important:

"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the 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."

A more accurate translation of "man of sin" is "man of lawlessness," as many ancient manuscripts have it. This brief but powerful phrase, along with the statement of verse 4 concerning Antichrist assuming the place of God, tells us there are two foundations of the established order which he must break down to substitute his own regime: (1) the old *authority*, and (2) the old *worship*.

THE OLD AUTHORITY

Antichrist will be completely lawless as far as our present standards of law and order are concerned. He will smash them ruthlessly so that his own form of law may be established.

The destruction of an existing system cannot take place overnight. There must be preparation and softening up. As the Spirit of God prepared Israel for the appearing of Jesus through John the Baptist, so the spirit of Satan is today preparing the world for the manifestation of his false christ.

Society is built on authority, beginning with the home and moving on up through the school, the local police, and the governments of the state and nation. This is God-ordained. After the Flood, God instituted human government and handed the rule of the earth to men in His own behalf. This order has been in existence ever since and is ingrained in the thinking of men. It needs some softening up if it is to be replaced by a new authority.

This softening-up is in progress at this very moment. The riots and commotions filling our city streets—aimed particularly at the authority of the law enforcement agencies—are no passing coincidence. They are part of a movement which is unmistakably worldwide. Such rioting has toppled governments overseas. It has brought

American cities to their knees. It has turned college campuses into scenes of anarchy. It has made a shambles of Congressional hearings. Ironically, this movement marches under the banner of freedom of speech and dissent while actually wrecking the very foundations of freedom.

Sober citizens wonder how all of this began. It seemed to take everyone by surprise. The country is full of "experts" offering all kinds of explanations, but none is more than futile conjecture because the men who try to explain fail to see the spiritual nature of this outburst.

To a thoughtful student of the prophetic Word, there is a sinister pattern to it—as though there were a single leader behind it all. And there is! These terrifying scenes are a vital part of the Devil's softening-up process. The old authority is being wrecked, the old walls torn down—so that the *new* authority and dictatorship of Antichrist can be imposed in their stead.

THE OLD WORSHIP

Even to men who are not born-again Christians, there is a sacredness to the old ways of worship and faith in God. This, however, must be destroyed if the world is to worship Satan's man. And so, along with the rioting and contempt for authority, there is another campaign in progress, directly tied with the first—that of downgrading God!

It has been absolutely stunning to witness the sudden eruption of outright atheism, irreverence, and wild-eyed unbelief directed toward the very Person of God. Men spouting these blasphemies are often invited to speak on college campuses. From liberal theological seminaries and pulpits comes the cry, "God is dead." The Beatles are sneeringly compared to Jesus. Prayer and Bible reading are shoved contemptuously from many classrooms. Poking fun at true religion has become a raucous pastime.

So the devil's plan gains momentum. Both the old authority and the old worship are being trampled upon viciously in preparation for the day when a new order is briefly established with Satan himself—through his counterfeit christ—as both supreme political authority and the ultimate object of worship.

ONE HINDRANCE

"And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming" (2 Thessalonians 2:6-8).

This passage identifies the one hindrance still holding the floodgates shut and delaying the full manifestation of Satan's masterpiece until God's time. To "let" in this text means to "hinder." The great, divine Hinderer at work in our world is the Spirit of God. Until the moment of the Rapture, the Spirit will work through the Church to prevent the enemy's complete take-over. But when the Church goes, that hindrance will cease. The Spirit of God, of course, will never actually leave the world, but during the Tribulation His restraining power will not be felt because He works through dedicated lives.

God promised Abraham to spare Sodom even for the sake of 10 individuals. We do not realize how much

sparing is going on in the world for the sake of God's people. But when the body of Christ is miraculously translated to heaven, the reason for such sparing will be gone.

God will allow Antichrist a brief time of freedom only so He might destroy him, as verse 8 teaches.

Micah 5:2 speaks of the "goings forth" of the Lord. The expression "goings forth" in Hebrew means just that—the same word as would describe a man leaving his home to go forth into the neighborhood on some errand. This verse tells us that although God is in heaven and is the supreme Ruler of the universe, He does not confine Himself to heaven but from time to time "goes forth" on some mission of power.

Some of His goings forth are in mercy and for salvation; others are for judgment. His first going forth was in creation. Again and again He went forth in behalf of His people in Old Testament days. He went forth at Bethlehem; He went forth at Pentecost; and is continually going forth throughout this age to save the souls of men.

He will come forth at the Rapture, and again at the Second Coming. He will come forth to destroy in a blinding flash the unholy new order imposed on the human race by Antichrist.

THE BRIGHT SIDE

After painting this dark and gloomy picture, it seems that Paul was only too relieved to write, "But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ" (2 Thessalonians 2:13, 14).

How thrilling to know that in the midst of all this hellish outburst, God has a people! While riots and revolutions set the world aflame, God has not left Himself without a witness. In 1 Chronicles 18:7, 8 we read of David taking from the hand of the enemy treasure which later became a part of the temple. Even so, the Holy Spirit is still taking souls from the enemy's hand to make them a part of the living Temple, the Church.

And to this Church—surrounded by darkness on every hand—God says, "Stand fast" (2 Thessalonians 2:15). We must not be overcome by gloom nor panic-stricken by the seeming victories of evil. One thing Jesus said to His disciples concerning the end time was, "Take heed to yourselves" (Mark 13:9). I realize more and more that there are many conditions about me which I cannot personally set right; but my great concern in these closing days must be to take heed to myself—to make sure that my own soul is right with God.

The admonition of the apostle Paul in 2 Corinthians 2:11 is appropriate for the Church today: "Lest Satan should get an advantage of us." Picture two men grappling with each other in a wrestling match. Each tries various holds, only to find them broken by his opponent. Then one finds a hold that works and he holds his adversary powerless in his grasp. He is then said to have an "advantage." This is what Satan is constantly striving to do, and we must diligently refrain from anything that will give him an advantage.

Watch these lengthening shadows, Christian. Take heed to yourself. Stand fast. Jesus is surely at hand!

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Worth Pondering

"PUBLISHED TO PONDER" is the slogan for this year's observance of Protestant Press Month, and we think it is a good one. Publishers and the reading public alike need to pause and consider whether a publication is worth pondering.

Some publications aren't; they are just a waste of time. Others are a positive menace; they contain false doctrine or some other kind of evil which makes them unfit to ponder. How careful we should be in selecting books and magazines. We are careful to pick a good neighborhood where we and our children may dwell. Why not be as selective in picking out good publications on which our minds and our children's may dwell?

The printed page contains ideas, and ideas change the course of human life. The written word has authority. It has power that the spoken word has not. This may stem from the fact we've been taught to put important matters in writing. We've been trained from childhood to have a respect for books, and particularly the Bible. Because of this, some people will believe anything they read. If it is printed, they think it must be true. They need to remember that paper will take any words the ink may place upon it, and beware of what they ponder.

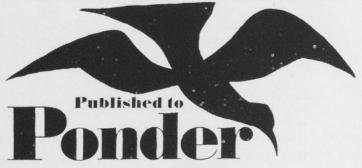
Your church spends large sums of money to produce books, magazines, Sunday school literature, tracts, and other publications for all ages. In addition, it operates a mail-order business to serve you and your church. Are you taking advantage of it? The various Gospel Publishing House catalogs include thousands of items produced by other publishers also. All are carefully screened according to Assemblies of God standards to assure you they are worth pondering.

Perhaps you say, "Our family doesn't read much." If this is so, you are missing many blessings. It seems the public is reading more today than ever before. More magazines and books are being published. Reading is molding the minds of men everywhere. If your children aren't interested, perhaps it is because you yourself don't read. You should, not only for the sake of example but also for your own benefit. Don't hesitate to spend a few dollars for Christian periodicals. One article or story may influence someone in such a way you will feel it was worth 10 times the price.

Too little attention is paid to reading habits. Besides making good literature available in your home and setting a good example, you can stimulate your children by pointing out certain articles and prompting a discussion of the subject. If we spent more effort encouraging youth to read worthwhile publications, no doubt we would find it easier to keep harmful material away from them. It is something to pray about.

May God give us more literature that is worth pondering, and more -R.C.C.readers who will ponder it.

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Is TITLE IS "CHIEF Boo-Hoo." He is the leader of the Neo-American Church and the prophet of the chemical revival. His christ is Dr. Timothy Leary, and his god is LSD. His name is Arthur Kleps and he testified recently before a Congressional committee about the religious use of LSD, marijuana, peyote, and other "consciousness-expanding" drugs.

Philosopher Aldous Huxley predicted years ago that the next great "revival" would be caused by drugs. In complete disregard to God and Christian faith, he stated that in the future when a person wanted to have a vision, an ecstatic experience, or any experience presently relegated only to the religious, he would simply take a pill developed to grant him that feeling.

What kind of claims do these men make? What threat do they represent to believers? Do these drugs really

give people a religious experience? To know, we must first examine the words of the users.

His very title a mockery of deep feelings, Chief Boo-Hoo Kleps, in defending the use of the drugs, stated that LSD "puts you in the mind of God." To him, this and other drugs are the true hosts (bread and wine) of God.

A more shocking statement made by Kleps before the Senate committee was this: "We regard Dr. Timothy Leary, a former Harvard professor, in the same way that early Christians regarded Christ. Leary is accepted by most of us as the equivalent of Christ to the Christians."

Quizzed about the organization and creed of his church, Kleps described the LSD effect as being a religious experience beautiful beyond words and the church creed as being basically three-part (1) LSD is not a drug but is a sacred biochemical; (2) LSD is not given unless the individual is prepared for it; (3) each individual has a right of free access to LSD.

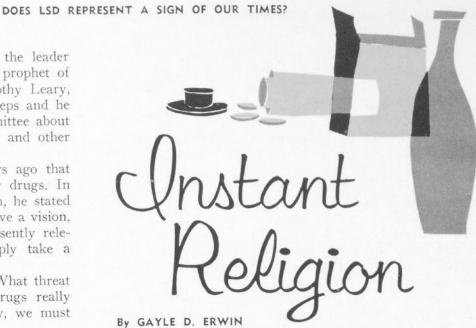
The 500 members of the Neo-American Church (half of them college students) represent only a small fraction of LSD users, but Kleps predicts that within 10 years his church will number a million members—a million people whose total religion is a drug-induced escape

from reality.

Are LSD and these other drugs dangerous? The Senate committee thought so. Along with the fact that LSD is easily purchased and easily homemade, authorities told the committee that evidence is steadily mounting on the possibility of permanent brain damage from its use. With very little evidence available concerning its advantages and safety, the newspapers report regular instances of crimes and violence committed under LSD influence that probably would not have been committed otherwise.

It is definitely dangerous, but is it religious? Some of its users say so. A theological school professor described his experience as being like that of Moses at the burning bush. This professor further states this would provide an excellent means of studying religious experience in the laboratory. Many of the drug takers say it makes them feel changed and gives them insight. Is this really so?

Neutral observers do not question that LSD has unusual results, but the changes and insights reported by its users do stand challenged as not being evident. The drug produces no alteration of behavior that would in-



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dicate the "conversion" felt by its user. Scientifically speaking its sole observable benefit has been some limited success in work with alcoholism.

Dr. James L. Harris, a psychologist at Central Louisiana State Hospital, speaking to a group of ministers, indicated that LSD users speak in religious terms for the simple reason they can find no other appropriate words. He was confident it is not a religious experience; but because it is so far out of the bounds of what one normally experiences, the only terms users can find to describe it are religious terms. We must be careful, he said, not to confuse it with a religious experience which in itself defies common words.

Yes, LSD is different, but it is extremely dangerous—and it is not religious. Instant dreams and instant visions have arrived, but instant religion and instant conversion has not. This is obviously a satanic attempt to fool man into thinking he can have the blessings of God

without a right relationship with Him.

From observation, one wonders if this is not a new form of the argument and trickery Satan used in the Garden as Eve beheld the forbidden fruit and listened as the serpent extolled the powers of this psychedelic, consciousness-expanding drug that would "put her in the mind of God." Satan's words were, "For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil" (Genesis 3:5). That seems to be extremely relevant to our day, doesn't it?

Editor's Note: It is instructive to note that the Greek word rendered "sorcery" in Revelation 9:21 and 18:23, and "witchcraft" in Galatians 5:20, is pharmakeia. In Revelation 21:8 sorcerer is pharmakeus. In Revelation 22:15 sorcerer is pharmakos. These verses indicate such persons are banned from God's eternal city and consigned to the lake of fire.

These three Greek words are evidently of one origin from which we get the words pharmacy, pharmacist, and pharmaceutical. The reference is to drugs and medicines of various kinds. Undoubtedly the increase in the use of drugs is a sign of the last days described in these passages of the Book of Revelation.

HOW CAN WE MAINTAIN UNBROKEN FELLOWSHIP WITH OUR LORD?

A BABY HAS TO LEARN MUCH as he grows; but one thing above all others he must do—he must breathe!

So with the Lord's little ones. Christians have much to learn, and He has much to do in training us, but above all things we too must breathe: breathe in new life day by day in communion with Him. The new spiritual life given to us when we received the Lord Jesus can be sustained only by constant fellowship with God who is its source. We must therefore learn how to abide in this living union and communication with Him, and He will lead us on in other matters gently as we are able to endure.

Communion is the act of "consulting, conversing, or talking with another." Communion with God is a ceaseless consulting with Him; a blessed talking over of all the problems and difficulties that must come to us in this our pilgrimage.

God meets the sinner at the cross of Calvary. Communion must begin there. But for this glorious salvation to be realized in all its depth, we must yield wholly unto God. How can we be set free from the bondage of sin if we hold back anything for self? How can the Lord Jesus dwell in us and manifest His own life through us if we will not entirely give Him the throne?

Our will is all we really have to give our beloved Lord. He does all the work if we will but let Him have absolute right of way. By a deed and act that can never be set aside, we must give ourselves into His hands. By His grace we must resolve to say, "Yes, Lord," no matter what may be His will.

As we yield to Him our whole being, the Holy Spirit takes possession, cleanses the heart from its old desires (Acts 15:9), and reveals the living Christ as the Indweller of the surrendered one. The walk in happy communion has begun.

After the first agreement with God there is much to learn. But in this blessed walk with Jesus there should

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Wednesday, October 19

By Proclamation of President Lyndon B. Johnson

Pursuant to an Act of the Congress of the United States in 1952, the third Wednesday of each October is proclaimed a day on which the people may turn to God in prayer and meditation.

The Lord has said, "If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land" (2 Chronicles 7:14).

be no gaps in the communion. Notice some of the conditions of maintaining communion:

1. We must give the Lord the first moments of the day for consultation over our lives.

The Lord needs time to breathe His life into us and

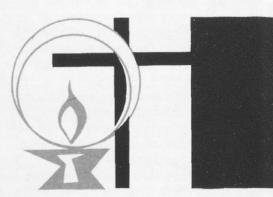
to talk with us of His purposes for us.

Having entered the Father's presence by faith, open the written Word and ask your Father to speak to you through it. Turn to your portion for the day and read it, not so much to study it as to listen to what the Lord shall speak to you through it.

As you read His letter, respond by telling Him you will obey as far as you know how; you will trust Him to watch over you to guard you in the day that is beginning. Then tell Him your heart's longing to know Him better and to be His obedient child.

2. We must feed upon the heavenly food provided in the Word of God.

We must spiritually feed upon the Word of God.



Many spend all their time seeking to understand all the "things hard to be understood" (2 Peter 3:16), so their souls are actually starved in the midst of plenty. In the morning hour we must learn to take our spiritual breakfast. (See Job 23:12.)

Remember the Holy Spirit is the Author of the Book, so ask Him to open your eyes to see wondrous things in His law. Let us look for God, rather than for knowledge *about* Him in His Word, and He will reveal Himself to us more and more.

3. We must learn to live moment by moment.

Communion with God, like breathing, can only be maintained one moment at a time. Vain regrets over the past and vague fears for the future can break our fellowship with God.

But if a person has made a mistake, shouldn't he

make it right?

Communing means consulting with the Lord. Do this at once! Take all the actual and even apparent "mistakes" to Him. As you spread your cause before Him, ask Him to show you anything He wishes you to do, anything He would have you undo.

If He shows you where you have done wrong concerning another, His Word is clear! "Confess your faults one to the other" (James 5:16; also Matthew 5:23; 18:15).

To have unbroken communion we must have a clear conscience toward man as well as God (Acts 24:16). If no special light is given, leave the whole matter with your Lord. He can gather up and straighten all that

lies behind you as well as the crooked things before you. Past and future are under His control.

4. We must have no gaps in communion.

If we earnestly walk with God, we shall find the blessed Spirit making us increasingly quick to notice any break in that holy friendship. When we are conscious of actual failure, we should fly to the throne of grace and cast ourselves by faith into the presence of our Father-God (Hebrews 10:19, 20), being assured of access through the precious blood of Jesus.

5. We must deal quickly with failure.

It is not easy to go at once to God when conscious of failure. The devil, our conscience, our shame, and our regret all combine to keep us away. We have a sort of feeling that we ought to be miserable for a few hours first! It looks like making light of sin to run to God at once. But the sin will be the same hideous thing—and worse—three hours hence.

The devil seeks to keep us from frankly confessing

Constant Communion

to God. The way of victory in the hour of defeat is to arise at once and go to the Father, saying: "Father, I have sinned." It is written: "I said after she had done all these things, Turn thou unto me...only acknowledge..." (Jeremiah 3:7, 13).

Suppose a little child has fallen in the mud. What if he sat down in the mud and said: "It is of no use; I shall never walk and keep my clothes clean." How

foolish!

Being discouraged only increases your sin; get up and go back to your Father, pleading the precious Blood.

6. We must not expect to sin.

We must not expect to fall again and again over the same sin, for the living Lord is able to guard us from stumbling. (See Jude 24.) To sin shows that one is out of the keeping power of God; and when he has been to the Lord for restoration, he should ask to know the cause of the transgression. It is in the path of His will that God undertakes to keep.

It is written: "If we walk in the light, as he is in the light...the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth

us from all sin" (1 John 1:7).

The blood of Jesus keeps cleansing if we ceaselessly live under the searchlight of God, earnestly desiring Him to test our lives to see whether all we do is for His glory.

But what if we feel guilty and do not know the cause?

Our remedy is to consult the Lord. Ask Him to show you if anything is wrong. If nothing specific is brought to your mind, leave it all with God and go on in quiet trust and rest under the cleansing Blood.

Someone may say: "I go back at once to God when I know I have failed and I confess, but peace and communion are not given me right away."

It may be we do not fully know the power of the precious blood to bring us the assurance of peace. It is even possible that we may be depending more upon our confession than upon the operation of God by the Holy Spirit.

When we have sinned against the Lord and we come to Him for forgiveness, we must humbly leave ourselves in His hand to deal with as He sees fit.

He knows our characters. To some it might appear that sin is not so exceeding sinful if He quickly restored the *joy* of our salvation. (See Psalm 51:12.) It may even be possible that we confess our failure because we are sorry for the loss of joy rather than over the pain to Him.

He must teach His children how sinful sin is and make them understand how grieved He is, even though the precious blood has cleansed us and we are again in communion with Him.

7. We must walk in obedience.

If we are to walk in communion with the Lord, He expects us to obey all the light He gives us. "Ye are my friends, if ye do the things I command you," He said to His disciples. Friendship with Jesus must mean that we rejoice to fulfill His every wish.

8. We must remember that temptation is not sin.

Satan attempts to cut communication between man and God. He harasses the sensitive, seeking to keep them in constant condemnation over imaginary disobedience or lack of surrender.

The remedy for this is again the same—consultation with the Lord.

Meet all accusations of "lack of surrender" by definite surrender to the Lord on the particular point in question. Tell Him that He knows you will obey if you can be quite sure of His will, and you may then rest in the faithfulness of your Father-God to make clear the path to you. He does not expect His child to obey without clear knowledge of the Father's mind. Whenever there is a doubt, commit the matter to God and wait, assured that He undertakes.

Temptation is not sin. Someone has helpfully defined sin as the "yes" of the will to temptation. If the will at once rejects any evil suggestion, the tempter has been foiled in his attack.

It is of the greatest importance that we learn to live in the will, and not in the realm of our feelings. The will is the real person—and it is through the central power of the will that God controls us.

In every attack of temptation, however sudden or sharp, keep calm. Even though crowds of terrible thoughts may be pouring through your mind, turn at once to your Lord and quietly settle before Him your attitude to all these things.

Finally, let us not dishonor our Lord by thinking that every unpleasant thing must be His will. So long as in the will we are steadfastly purposed to obey Him, and we rely upon Him moment by moment to keep us from self-seeking and self-indulgence, we may trust Him to "incline our hearts to keep His law." Thus we shall truly prove that His commandments are not grievous, and find that His yoke is easy and His burden is light.

Leading a congregation to God in prayer

By ELEANOR ELIASON MEIER

What went wrong when the man prayed as you asked him to?" The question puzzled me at first; then when I understood it, I was amused; but as I have thought about it since, it has given me some concern.

It was a visitor at our church who asked the question. This was his first experience in a Pentecostal meeting, and he could not understand why, when the man began to lead in prayer, the congregation lifted their voices and prayed with him.

"You people spent about 15 minutes naming all the needs you wanted him to pray about," he said, "but as soon as he started to pray you all tried to drown him out, so I could not hear him pray. What went wrong?

Did he say the wrong thing?"

I could see he was serious in asking, so I explained that we encourage a freedom of worship, and that the people were not trying to drown out the man's voice but were praying for the requests just as he was. However, to the visitor it was mostly confusion. Perhaps he would have received more spiritual benefit if the congregation had prayed silently, joining their faith with that of the man leading in prayer.

We Pentecostal people enjoy the moving of the Holy Spirit as we unite our hearts in praise and worship. It is good to have these times when we lift our voices in unison, pouring out our hearts before the Lord in supplication and thanksgiving. God is pleased with this heartfelt worship and He blesses us with rich spiritual blessings in these times of unrestrained, audible prayer together.

But there are other times, such as when someone is asked to lead the congregation in prayer, when a greater unity can be achieved by keeping silent and praying in our hearts.

A particular service stands out in my memory as one of the most sacred experiences of my life. The requests had not been numerous that night, and the congregation was not large. The pastor called on a man to lead us in making these requests known to our Heavenly Father. The man he called upon did just that. No one else in the congregation spoke; everyone listened reverently as the man began his prayer with an expression of thanks and adoration toward God. As he exalted the Lord, our souls were lifted heavenward. It seemed the entire congregation was caught up together in that prayer; he was

truly *leading* us and expressing the worship that all of us felt.

Then this brother began to pray for each request. He did not lump them all together in a simple, "Lord, meet all these needs." Nor did he pray merely in general terms, saying, "Save all those who are lost, and heal all who are sick." No, he prayed specifically, mentioning each request individually. He treated them all with equal importance. And there was no doubt as to whether God was listening to this prayer. We felt we were standing in the very presence of the King, and He was smiling upon us as we presented our requests to Him. How easy it was for each of us, within our own souls, to agree in faith with the one who was leading us as he presented the congregation's needs at the Throne of Grace.

The words of David sprang to my mind: "Lord, I cry unto thee; make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee. Let my prayer be set forth before thee as incense; and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice" (Psalm 141:1, 2). When this particular prayer time was concluded, there was a holy hush upon us all. We were aware that truly we had been led to God in prayer.

The individual who is asked to lead a congregation in prayer has a responsibility that is solemn indeed. There are individuals in the meeting who need to have their minds and hearts brought to a point of worship. There are persons present who face spiritual crises and need God's help. The one who leads should think of all these persons and should frame his prayer in such a way that all can say "Amen" to it.

Congregational prayer is an opportunity to focus attention upon specific needs. If we give vent to outbursts of praise and prayer at this particular time, we may waste this spiritual opportunity which holds promise of so much good. Thank God for the times when His Spirit comes upon us and there are outpourings of praise and supplications from all parts of the congregation. Thank God if He moves us to pray in other tongues. These times are blessed indeed. Let us be equally appreciative of those seasons of congregational prayer when we must remain silent, subordinating our actions for the common good, while someone voices our petitions for us.

The apostle Paul said, "I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also" (1 Corinthians 14:15). We need seasons in congregational worship when the praying is understandable, even to visitors, so that no one will ask, "What went wrong when the man prayed?"

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I WAS THERE

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

Y MOST OUTSTANDING EXPERIENCE in Pentecost was the revival at Nyack Missionary College of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, which I attended in 1908-1910.

Various Alliance missionaries spoke to the students as they passed through on furlough from their mission fields. I believe I am accurate in stating that two-thirds of the C.M.A. personnel in China, India, and Africa received the Holy Spirit with the accompanying glossolalia (Acts 2:4) during the years 1906-1908. Reports of the Pentecostal revival filled us all with amazement and wonder and produced a deep hunger in our hearts to know the God of Pentecost.

An intense desire for prayer seized us, and night after night there were impromptu gatherings in the basement of the boys' dormitory. Each of us would take a quilt or blanket, kneel upon it, and seek God in prayer. There was no sleep in that part of the building.

The initial dealings of the Holy Spirit with us were in deep conviction for sin. Only under the white light of divine holiness do we realize that "the heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?" (Jeremiah 17:9). We discovered then that God does know it.

Confession of sin to God and to each other swept like a tidal wave over the students in these nightly prayer meetings and in the daily chapel services. Classes were suspended as day after day we sat, confessed, and wept before the Lord. Emotions of penitence and praise mingled together.

Then came the tremendous revelation of the efficacy of the precious blood of Jesus to cleanse our hearts. We now came under the "cleansing wave, the fountain deep and wide," which washed away our guilt and eased our despair.

There followed the blessed anointing oil of the Spirit as He witnessed to the acceptance of the atoning sacrifice of our Lord. Student after student received the fullness of the Spirit, with the accompanying tongues, at various times and occasions during those wonderful days.

As the days of revival continued, opposition to this unusual move of God arose, partly from the school's administration, but chiefly from some students who refused to face themselves and avoided the issues and choices which the Holy Spirit pressed upon them.

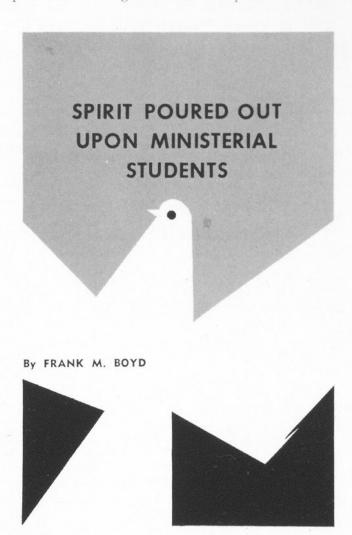
I shall never forget an incident which occurred on the veranda of the boys' dormitory one afternoon. A young man who was violently opposed to the working of the

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Spirit was attempting to argue against it with a boy, a special friend of mine, who had that day received a tremendous immersion in the Spirit's power. In fact, he had spoken in tongues for several hours and the anointing was still upon him.

My friend was doing his utmost to regain his English in order to plead with his opposer, but he could only speak in another language. This attracted other students, until finally one of the administrators dispersed the group.

Opposition to the revival reached the point where it became necessary for those who wished to continue to seek God in a special way to go to other places where the Spirit was working in Pentecostal power. This we



did either on weekends when we had permission, or at other times when we could do so without disobedience to authority.

Thus began my acquaintance with Forty-Second Street Mission in New York City, and with Brother Robert Brown and his wife Marie, who is still carrying on in Glad Tidings Tabernacle in that city.

In these various places of spiritual outpouring, other Nyack students, I among them, received this satisfying experience of Pentecostal blessing.

To our utmost satisfaction we have discovered that God is real, that Jesus Christ is a wonderful Saviour, that the Bible is indeed the inspired Word of God, and that the blessed Comforter is all our Lord said He would be (John 14-16).

Pashions in clothes, the use of cosmetics, the latest coiffure—are they anything more than a reflection of our changing modes, our folkways?

Does my being a Christian relate to these things? Did you ever ask yourself what clothes are for? Are they to conceal; or to adorn; or to reveal?

Clothes essentially are for modesty and comfort; they also can beautify and adorn. Some trends in fashion suggest, accentuate, and even reveal the human form. Such excites the sex instinct. Is this wrong?

In John 17, our Lord prayed: "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." Does this prayer apply to the matter of the clothes we wear?

This is an inescapable personal problem that Christians must face squarely in the light of God's Word.

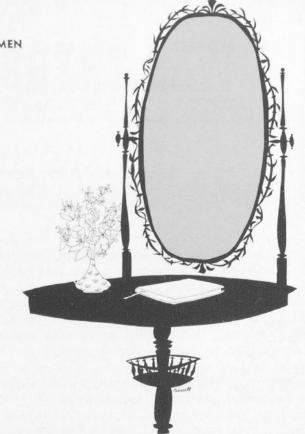
Paul in his first letter to Timothy instructed him in many matters of Christian life and conduct, among them Christian modesty in dress. In verses 9 and 10 of chapter 2 he wrote:

"In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with braided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; but (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."

Three ideas are inherent in these verses. The first is that adornment is right. Were it not for tautology, the verses might read: "I will that women adorn themselves in adorning clothes or apparel." This word translated adorn is related to cosmos, suggesting that which is ordered, becoming, and fitting. Christians are not to be unkempt, untidy, or disordered in their attire. The earth or cosmos made by God was not a chaotic muddle, but an ordered world of beauty and harmony. So the dress of the Christian should be harmonious, ordered, and becoming.

The second principle is a conditioning or governing one. Paul suggested that this becoming clothing should be accompanied by or worn with a sense of reverence. This is the idea behind the word *shamefacedness*. It conveys the thought of submission to a holy God, a sense of personal responsibility and accountability to Him. It is the opposite of an independent self-assertiveness. The clothes of the Christian should be anything but bold and provocative; they should be the antithesis of "the attire of the harlot" (Proverbs 7:10) which is designed to awaken lust.

The third idea in these verses is that of a sane attitude of mind—a better meaning of the word sobriety than dullness or primness. Here Paul was commanding that in our dress we should be balanced, just as we are told to be temperate in other things. Surely this recognizes that we are not called upon to adopt some distinctive other-worldly garb which would set us apart from others. The Bible nowhere sets forth any particularized standards of length or brevity of cut or style. On the contrary, this temperate attitude toward dress suggests that we should neither lead nor trail far behind the fashion; we should avoid that which is extreme and ostentatious. Elsewhere the Scripture suggests that we



PRINCIPLES OF CHRISTIAN MODESTY

By C. STACEY WOODS

should dress so as to avoid drawing attention to ourselves and that we should not be consumed with the desire to follow fashion or to have a great love of adornment. The Lord condemns any unwholesome concern with dress to the exclusion of the things of the Spirit.

The antithesis of Christian modesty is pictured in Isaiah 3:16-23:

"Moreover the Lord saith, Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet: therefore the Lord will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the Lord will discover their secret parts. In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet, and their cauls, and their round tires like the moon, the chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers, the bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and the earrings, the rings, and nose jewels, the changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins, the glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods, and the vails."

Christian modesty is not entirely an external matter, for "as a man thinketh in his heart, so is he" (Proverbs 23:7). Ideally, the clothes we wear are an expression of our personality. Clothes and character are associated in Scripture: man's self-righteousness is referred to as "filthy rags"; the righteousness of Christ as a "robe"

and "a white garment." If we are immodest, chances are that our clothes will indicate this. For this reason a certain dress may appear modest on one person and immodest on another. If a person has an obedient, Christlike heart, she is not likely to be bold or immodest in dress.

It must be remembered constantly that modesty is not optional for a Christian. It is a commandment. The principle is clear, and the Bible also indicates the areas of life and activity where the principle is to be applied; though—as with other subjects dealt with the Word of God—the application is not made in a series of do's and don'ts. The obedient believer who desires to submit himself to this command of the Lord has the Holy Spirit within him to apply the principle in a practical way. Our responsibility is not to tell one another in detail what we should do or should not do, but to stress the principle and the responsibility of obedience.

It is not by accident—although both men and women are to be modest in all their actions and attitudes—that particular emphasis is laid upon the necessity of modesty in women's dress. Since the coming of sin into the world, woman has been so constituted that her desire is toward man in the direction of pleasing and attracting him (Genesis 3:16). Man has been given a position of leadership. By this, masculine superiority is nowhere implied. Man is stronger physically than woman. He is the aggressor.

Perhaps this is a reason for the enormous influence woman has over man. Man is affected very strongly by what he sees; hence, a primary elemental influence a woman has upon man is her appearance—her physical self. On the other hand, woman is not so affected by man's appearance. Man does not naturally adorn himself to attract the attention of woman, as woman naturally, and in a sense properly, does to attract man.

In Proverbs 6:25 man is told: "Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her eyelids." Christian men and women should always consider the power they have over one another and act accordingly whether in matters of dress or intimate contact.

It should therefore be quite obvious why counsel concerning modesty and balanced attire is addressed particularly to women, although the principle of modesty should be personally applied by all of us.

Recognizing these things, we are not to be morbidly conscious of them, but with a joyous consecration to God we are to live before Him to His glory. Sincerely, we should rejoice in our youth, in the strength, beauty, and exhilaration of natural life in obedience to the command of God. We must, however, face our responsibility to one another and to God in the light of the way that God made us.

We are living in a culture which is rejecting Christian standards, in an increasing paganism and obsession with the physical at the expense of the spiritual. Increasingly, therefore, let us deliberately concern ourselves with the spiritual well-being and godliness of other Christians in terms of personal example and influence, remembering that "favor is deceitful, and beauty is vain; but a woman who feareth the Lord, she shall be praised" (Proverbs 31:30).

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Your Questions

Answered by Ernest S. Williams

Must a person speak in other tongues daily to prove he has the baptism in the Holy Spirit?

Be free in your private devotions to speak in tongues, but not merely because you think this must be done daily. It is a great mistake to try to imitate the anointing of the Spirit. If we are to judge our spirituality, let us do so by our devotion to the Lord and faithfulness in serving Him. "The just shall live by faith."

Can you tell us to whom Jesus referred when He spoke of Zecharias "which perished between the altar and the temple"? (Luke 11:51).

I believe this was Zechariah, son of the good priest Jehoida, who are stoned to death when he warned the people of their evil doings (2 Chronicles 24:20, 21).

Billy Graham says the moral law is the commandment of God. Proponents of "the new morality" say morality is what each person feels is right or wrong for him. What are the moral laws, and how do they apply to us if we are not under the Law but under grace?

The Ten Commandments are usually spoken of as the moral law (Exodus 20:1-17; 34:28). Largely our civil laws are based on the Ten Commandments, or the statutes and judgments which are applications of the Law to life situations.

The idea that the Law given at Sinai is now out of date, and that every man should adopt a creed satisfactory to himself, is lawlessness. It cries for freedom to do anything a person wishes to do without external restraint. It is a doctrine of demons.

We are saved by grace, not by the merit of our works, for "all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." But grace is not lawlessness. It gives power to fulfill "the righteousness of the law" (Romans 8:2-4).

What did Jesus mean when He said of John the Baptist, "He that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he"? (Luke 7:28).

John was among the greatest of prophets, and his coming had been predicted. He came to prepare the way for Jesus, announcing Him as the Lamb of God and the One who would baptize with the Holy Ghost and fire (Isaiah 40:3-8; John 1:6, 7, 15, 33, 36).

Some say that the least in the millennial kingdom will be greater than John (greater in privilege, presumably). Be that as it may, the least in the Christian church is greater than John was *in position*.

Those in the Church, the born-again believers, are spoken of as the Bride. John said, "He that hath the bride is the bridegroom." He called himself the "friend of the bridegroom" (John 3:29).

This does not mean that we are greater in character or ability, but in spiritual privilege.

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.

PASTORS REPORT ON SUMMER

WITH THE HELP OF Revivaltime's miniature booklet, The Farther We Probe Into Space, the Greater My Faith, this past summer was definitely a soul-winning time at First Church.

In a month of witnessing, we used Dr. Wernher von Braun's testimony along with 20,000 additional pieces of Assemblies of God literature including the 1965 Revivaltime miniature, What Happened to J. C. Penney? and the Christ Ambassador's Burned and Chicken tracts.

I challenged our young people to devote one month of their summer vacation to personal evangelism. Eight responded for a full eight hours each day, from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., and six others gave each evening from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. We also enlisted 150 people from our church to pray a half hour each day for the witnessing team.

Systematically assigning two large sections of the city, we went from house-to-house, witnessing and leaving the literature—with phenomenal results. The Spirit of the Lord opened hearts so wonderfully that not one day went by without several praying for salvation.

The church paid for expenses such as purchasing of literature, transportation, parking, taking someone into a restaurant for coffee to talk to them about Christ, and the team's evening meal.

We instructed our young people to do two things: talk *only* about Jesus, and to pray with the people for any needs they might have, believing God to reach them as He ministered to their needs.

One interesting case was a man in an apartment house who heard two of our team members talking to his neighbors. When they came to his door, he told them to go away and slammed the door in their faces. Four times he closed the door, each time promptly opening it again to make some remark that he didn't want to talk to them about Jesus. Our astonished workers were held there by the Holy Spirit, and finally he said, "Well, what do you want?" They discovered a lonely man, abandoned by his family. They were not able to lead him to the Lord that day, but he allowed them to pray for him.

The two team members called on this man again on Sunday afternoon



a Month of Witnessing

By PAUL C. SCHOCH - Pastor, First Church, Oakland, California

and brought him to my house. He didn't want to come into my home, so I went out to the car and said, "These young people have told you about the most wonderful Friend a man can ever have. Do you want to meet Him right now?" He nodded affirmatively; we gripped hands; and he took Jesus as his Saviour right there in the car in my driveway. Since then he has been out to almost every service.

People many times asked if the young people were Jehovah's witnesses, and when they told them they were "witnessing for Jesus," they had a ready response. It was rewarding to hear people saying, "How wonderful it is to see young people going door-to-door with the gospel rather than demonstrating, rioting, 'sitting in,' or making themselves obnoxious!"

For a change of pace we sent the team into rest homes, the downtown area, and to the recreational spots of the city. One afternoon we went to Lake Temescal, a recreational area on the north side of the city where hun-

dreds of teen-agers go for fun and excitement. Our team was really scared! They prayed for the Holy Spirit to take over that day, and He did! Right out in the open they prayed with 70 young persons to receive Jesus as Saviour! One team member, a high school teacher, led two of his former students to the Lord. They in turn introduced him to three of their friends who also received Christ.

Two of those saved that day came back to the church with the team so they could tell what Christ had done for them. They also asked that the team be sent back again so that more of their friends who needed Jesus could hear about Him! Surely the Holy Spirit is breathing upon the people to give them an opportunity to decide about Christ.

As of this writing we have had more than 1,000 contacts and have prayed with 254 people for salvation! Thank God for the far-reaching power of full-gospel literature!

SOUL-WINNING CAMPAIGNS WITH --REVIVALTIME MINIATURES



At left is the witnessing team of First Church in Oakland, California. Pastor Paul Schoch is standing at right. Above, team members witness to two ladies.



Two large sections of the city of Oakland were reached by the team going house-to-house, witnessing and leaving gospel literature.

another Successful Summer

By G. MARK DENYES - Pastor, Fridley Assembly, Minneapolis, Minnesota

PSEUDO-SCIENTIFIC REASONING and the modern God-is-dead theology pose imminent threats to the future of Christianity. Realizing this, the people of Fridley Assembly decided to do something more than complain about the situation.

Revivaltime summer soul-winning miniatures provided an effective solution to the task before us. We launched our summer literature campaign in 1965 with What Happened to J. C. Penney? We urged our people to distribute these among their friends.

Put up in bundles of 10 with the church name and address stamped inside of the back cover, the little books at first left the church rather slowly. Many persons had not given away a gospel tract for years—some never. However, they soon learned the miniature was readily accepted. Before the summer ended, 500 copies were distributed.

Wherever the miniatures were handed out, they caught the immediate attention of the reader. A gas station attendant forgot my windshield and started reading. A barber ignored me and gave his attention to the colorful booklet. A clerk in a clothing store almost neglected to give me change, he was so busy reading what happened to J. C. Penney.

Last year's success prompted an order for 500 copies of this summer's miniature, The Farther We Probe Into Space, the Greater My Faith. We called it our space tract, with the testimony of nuclear rocket scientist, Dr. Wernher von Braun, declaring that God is not dead.

This time the 500 miniatures lasted just one week. The people knew the books could easily be given away.

They had learned that people everywhere will read *Revivaltime* miniatures

I see the attractive little booklet everywhere I go among our congregation. Some are left inside front doors to be read by the mailman or milkman; others are placed in strategic locations throughout the city. Nearly every church member carries a supply in his car.

We have found the miniatures an excellent tool in door-to-door visitation. Also we use them for direct mail contacts, for everyone welcomes the mailman.

We feel it is not enough to send a letter of welcome to every family moving to our area. We want them to receive the gospel.

So along with our letter, church bulletin, and other promotional materials we send the current *Revival-time* miniature. On the back cover we stamp our church name and address; thus, enough of our mailing is retained to lead the receiver to the Lord and to our church.

To complete our summer tract distribution effort, and to give us a supply for our direct mailing, we ordered an additional 1,000 copies.

Why the miniature? I believe that while most promotional material ends in the wastebasket, these soul-winning miniatures are kept and read. Their universal appeal has enabled us to put decent, clean literature in homes throughout the city and to extend the outreach of our church.

If these unique pieces of gospel literature can hold the attention of the man on the street, then our time and money is not wasted, for someone will find salvation.

THE C.A.'S

SPEED-THE-LIGHT VEHICLES are greatly helping home missionaries in their tremendous task of evangelism on American Indian and Alaskan fields. In this past year alone, Speed-the-Light funds for home missions have totaled \$11,000.

Letters of gratitude from home missionaries continue to come to the Home Missions Department. Following are excerpts from a few.

The Lyle Wolvertons, missionaries to Indians in

Chambers, Ariz., report:

"We are grateful to the Christ's Ambassadors for the Speed-the-Light 1965 half-ton truck. Since many of the Navaho Indians to whom we minister do not have any means of transportation, we run two routes each Sunday to bring them to church.

"The truck which Speed-the-Light sent us is also used to transport Indians to and from the government hospitals at Gallup, N. Mex., and Fort Defiance, Ariz. Once it even served as a delivery room for a baby girl."

A large Speed-the-Light bus is finding a welcome home at the Canyon Day Assemblies of God Mission

STL vehicles greatly help home missionaries in their task of evangelism. This station wagon below is used to bring Indians to the Assembly in Dulce, N. Mex. In the lower photo, children stand in front of the bus which took them to Kids Kamp. At the right are two ladies from Southwestern Bible College who helped in the Indian mission at Mobridge, S. Dak., last summer.





near Fort Apache, Ariz. The Leo Gilmans drive their 1958 GMC bus hundreds of miles each week over the rugged terrain of the Apache reservation. They write:

"For several months we had prayed that God would supply transportation suitable for our needs. Our older 12-passenger bus would quickly become overcrowded as it took on passengers bound for the mission. Many Indians, finding no room on the bus, would begin to walk to the church several miles away. When the bus had delivered its first load, it would go back along the same route to pick up those who had started walking with their babies in cradleboards on their backs and their larger children following along behind. After the church service had ended, three trips were necessary to return them to their homes.

"Some of the weaker Christians and the unsaved became discouraged and quit getting ready to come, since they never knew if there would be room for them on the bus.

"The little bus was not only too small, but it was even unsafe to drive. One time the steering mechanism broke as we were going down a steep hill, sending the bus wildly out of control. Only the Lord kept the bus on the road until it at last coasted to a stop.

"Shortly after this we were notified that we would

receive a Speed-the-Light bus.

"Now we are seeing the church grow in the Lord, and new souls are being won. Before we received the Speed-the-Light bus, we had great difficulty transporting our Sunday school children from the Fort Apache Boarding School; but now we are not only able to accommodate all the students from our reservation, but also the Assemblies of God students at the school from other reservations. Thus we help keep them in contact with God and the church throughout the year....

"The bus was presented to us in excellent condition, so we were able to use it with confidence."

The O. W. Greasers, missionaries in Albuquerque, N. Mex., state: "We are greatly thrilled and thankful for the recent allotment that Speed-the-Light has given us to purchase an Econoline bus. We realize that the youth of our movement have made it possible for us to literally speed the light to many more of our Indian people in the Albuquerque area."

Missionaries at Winslow, Ariz., and Tohatchi, N. Mex., both report that their new vehicles have helped them greatly in their Indian ministry.

Lonnie Johnson, missionary to the American Indians in Sisseton, S. Dak., undoubtedly speaks for all the home missionaries as he affirms his gratitude for their Speedthe-Light vehicle: "We are rejoicing in the Lord for this answered prayer."

A FAITH THAT KNOWS

"There are times I almost think I am not sure of what I absolutely know," a perplexed king said one day.

Are we as Christians absolutely sure of what we know? Do we have a faith that knows? A knowing faith comes from God's indwelling presence. When He is invited to dwell inside our hearts, we can pass through many crises, in all kinds of darkness, without fear or apprehension.

The Psalmist said, "Be still and know." As you are still before God, let Him refresh your mind, your spirit, your attitude. He will strengthen you as you ponder the past with a view to the future. Being still and knowing this refreshing from God brings the knowing faith that has lifted innumerable lives from despair and sustained the hope of countless believers.

There is not one person beyond the reach of God's searching love. No one need live without this faith that knows.

-KATHERINE BEVIS

UNDER CHRIST'S INFLUENCE

EVERY CHARACTER has an inward spring. Let Christ be that spring.

Every action has a keynote. Let Christ be that note to which your whole life is tuned.

Make Christ your constant Companion. Be under His influence more than any other. Ten minutes spent in His society—even two minutes, if it be face to face and heart to heart—will make the whole day different.

-HENRY DRUMMOND

DESIGN FOR LIVING

Nantucket, south of Cape Cod, was for more than two centuries the whaling center of the world. Rich sea captains built handsome Georgian mansions in those days. As I walked about the town one mild March day, I wondered how the city's historical district had ever been kept as it was in the old days. Then a young man explained that there is an ordinance requiring anyone planning to build within the historical district to have his plans approved by the authorities before he could start.

So that was the secret! But the young man went on, with a quiet smile, "You can do anything you want inside."

The law can only regulate a man's outward life—his life within is his own business, between him and God. However, one finds in Nantucket that in the homes of "real people" the inside matches the outside. They are not content with only a fine exterior.

When you and I decided to live under Christ's direction, we had to let Him into our hearts, to make the interior genuinely in His "style." It was strenuous, and required some drastic remodeling. From time to time we still discover a room within that is not in His style, and we must let Him change it. This is the only way of peace and usefulness—to let Him design the very heart of our living.

-ALLEN W. CLARK in Home Prayers



LET IT RING?

A long distance call—a matter of urgency! The operator rings, and rings, and rings....
"I'm sorry; your party doesn't answer. Shall I try later?" You turn away, disappointed. But if you knew your party was there, sitting by the phone but ignoring it, your disappointment would be paired with puzzlement.

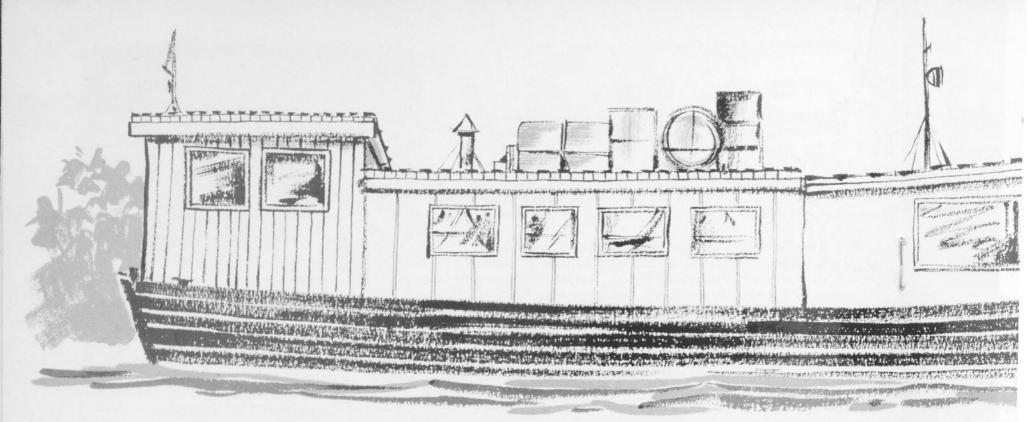
Why no answer?

Speed-the-Light, our youth missions program, makes this last Dollar Day call. Perhaps you missed the offering at church today. You can still respond. Use the coupon below. Your contribution is used carefully, prayerfully, to provide equipment for our missionaries.

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where a river is the road and ... SPEED-THE-LIGHT TAK

As over 500 young people at the National Youth Conference watched a dramatic slide presentation which included the photos on this page, the voice of Missionary C. A. Haun, of Peru, filled the auditorium. It was a prearranged long distance call to present the challenge and need of his field.

Missionary Haun's work is unique. In a Speed-the-Light powerboat he cruises up and down the Italya and Amazon rivers to reach villages where works have been established. But many groups still haven't heard the gospel—primitive head-hunting tribes represented by the Murato at right.

To provide a more functional home base, Missionary Haun borrowed a house-boat so his family and the "mission station" would always be at hand. A three-month experiment proved the practicality, and Missionary Haun called Speed-the-Light to discuss the possibility of making a houseboat a Speed-the-Light project. Even now, on 1966 STL Dollar Day, funds are being raised to place this floating "mission station" on the upper reaches of the Amazon.

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- 1. This borrowed houseboat made it possible for Brother Haun's family to accompany him on prolonged river journeys.
- 2. The Haun family enjoyed a picnic along the Amazon river after three months on the houseboat.
- 3. This Speed-the-Light boat, purchased by the Eastern District C.A.'s, is used to reach the villages along the Italya and Amazon rivers.







And on a day like today, Dollar Day, our youth hear not only the call of missionaries for equipment. Because of the spiritual emphasis of the day, they hear the call of missions. God speaks to young men and women and calls them to give not only their dollars, but their lives. Your encouragement and support helps them answer the call.





By VERNE B. MacKINNEY Speed-the-Light Coordinator

LOWELL DOWDY, MISSIONARY TO ECUADOR, SAYS—

Missionary Lowell Dowdy used this Speed-the-Light boat to evangelize the river towns in Ecuador upstream from Guayaquil.

Speed-the-Light Is Vital to Opening a New Field

I was visiting with some friends after church recently when I was introduced to the Lowell Dowdys, missionaries from Ecuador. I had looked forward to meeting this veteran missionary from more than one South American field because we had corresponded over the years.

When we were introduced, Brother Dowdy's first words were, "You know, without that Speed-the-Light vehicle we never would have been able to open the work in Ecuador."

"Would you say that again, for about two pages?" I asked. So in a couple of days he sent a letter about something he had nicknamed "Turtle." Officially it is known as a Land Rover—the British version of the Jeep—rugged and ugly, but just about indispensable, as the story turned out.

The Dowdys landed in Ecuador four years ago with the assignment to open a new field, No one was there to greet them or show them the city. Their first move was to purchase the Land Rover. Since there was no real estate agent in Guayaquil, a city of 600,000, "Turtle" became their means of finding a house and then of finding a place where they could hold services. For days they drove the streets stopping at every construction site, finding out the owner, purpose, availability.

After the site was located, securing materials for platform, pulpit, benches, and such things depended on "Turtle." Visitation, of course, was just about impossible without this trusty piece of transportation. Finally, church number one became a reality.

Before long church number one was joined by churches number two and three, both started on the same night, thanks again to "Turtle." Brother Dowdy took his wife to one location. Then he went on to another, going back to pick her up after the two services were over. That was the day the work in Ecuador tripled—December 16, 1962. These first three churches were all in the port city of Guayaquil. Now, four years later, there are six churches with pastors and several more in the formative stages—preaching points, outstations, etc. In addition to

Guayaquil, pastors are located in Quito, Ambato, and Palisites.

Reaching into other cities to open new churches also used the services of "Turtle." Sometimes it was necessary to transport church furniture up the steep Andes Mountain roads but "Turtle" was equal to every task and to every road or trail, no matter how steep. On these trips it's turtle nature may have slightly irritated its ina-hurry driver, but it always got there, eventually.

On these trips the Dowdys always took along several thousand tracts provided by Light-for-the-Lost and literally sowed the seed as they went. Many a donkey or mule rider would dismount and foot travelers would stoop to pick up the precious message distributed in this manner.

Really, "Turtle" is a funny name for a *Speed*-the-Light vehicle. But maybe just getting there is sometimes more important than speeding there. And to do it without Speed-the-Light would be just about impossible, according to the Dowdys.

Lowell Dowdy's Speed-the-Light Land Rover crosses a small bridge on a mountain road in Ecuador, hauling church furniture to help start a new church. Thousands of tracts were distributed by Brother Dowdy and his Ecuadorian helper.



...in Jamaica

"WAIT A MINUTE; I want to show you something," Mavis said as she fumbled through *The Pentecostal Evangel* I'd given her days before. This girl found Christ when I talked to her in the home where she works.

"If I hadn't accepted Christ when you came to me, I would have after reading this story." I noted the joy that had come into her life. When I first met her, she was lonely and hopeless. I shall always remember how she cried out to God for salvation. The change in her life was miraculous. Now she was a radiant follower of Christ.

This is just one example of God's work in Jamaica while our Youth Witness team was there last summer. Faith Temple, the Assemblies of God church in Montego Bay, where William Ilnisky is the missionary, has its own printing press and has used it to advantage. More than 30,000 pieces of literature and 100,000 tracts have been designed, produced, and passed out in that area and throughout the island.

It is difficult to measure the result of these labors in numbers of souls converted, but we did see the impact it had on the city as we went door-to-door witnessing. Many times all I'd have to say was, "I'm from Faith Temple and I'd like to tell you about Christ." Immediately I was invited into the home. One girl responded, "Please help me, since you know God and I don't."

Several thousand dollars have been spent on the printing equipment and the church car, most of it made possible through Speed-the-Light. When I talked with the

missionary about such projects, he said, "I don't know what we'd do without Speed-the-Light."

The fact young people in the U.S. have sacrificed for God's work has stirred the C.A.'s of Faith Temple to start a Speed-the-Light program of their own.

While in Jamaica I lived in a home several miles from the church. I was so appreciative of the Speed-the-Light car provided by the Indiana C.A.'s. I rode many miles in that little car—even to outstation churches on Sundays. The car has enabled the Jamaican Christians to reach many people for Christ who would otherwise never have heard of Him.

The Bible says in Mark 16:15: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Many of us cannot go to foreign soil but we can give to Speed-the-Light and enable others to go.

I like to see action, but none has thrilled me more than to see Speed-the-Light in action where it counts for Christ. Now I'm stirred to action right here at home.

-RHODA JOHNSON



Multilith and electric typewriter provided by STL for printing work in Jamaica.

I SAW SPEED-THE-LIGHT IN ACTION!

... in British Honduras

Speed-the-Light works. I saw it in action.

I've heard of Speed-the-Light many times and have even dipped into my pockets to support such a wonderful effort. But it wasn't until I participated in the Christ's Ambassadors Caribbean Youth Witness last summer and saw what Speed-the-Light is doing that I gained a real appreciation for the youth project which has mobilized Assemblies of God missions around the world.

My first encounter with Speed-the-Light occurred soon after I arrived in Belize, British Honduras, with three other team members and all our luggage. The mission-aries met us in two Speed-the-Light vehicles: a new Plymouth station wagon and an English-made Land Rover. The latter intrigued me as it seemed to fulfill my concept of a missionary's car. The ride, however, was not the most enjoyable of my life. Such vehicles are built for durability and mobility in rural areas.

During our door-to-door ministry in British Honduras Speed-the-Light was on the job again. The driver would take us to key points in the residential areas and later come back with more literature so we could continue witnessing. Even as we rode the highways to the outer districts, we continued to throw out literature to people anxious to receive the gospel.

As part of our ministry the missionary took me back into a jungle area. He had to walk back to the church but told me to take the vehicle on further. With the wheel in my hands, I learned from experience evangelizing such an area could not be accomplished without the aid of Speed-the-Light.

I'm sure many C.A.'s have had to sacrifice to put vehicles on the mission field but I'm also sure the value to the work of the kingdom is worth all the sacrifice.

-DICK EASTMAN

Roger Flessing
(left) and David
Markese, with the
Youth Witness team,
get firsthand
experience with
STL equipment.



THE WORK OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD causes us to grapple with real issues. Four such areas I wish to mention are often the basis for headlines in your daily newspapers. As missionaries and fellow laborers we must be aware of the forces molding the world around us and then move under the Holy Spirit's direction.

THE PROBLEMS

No one can look at the world without facing head-on the fact a population explosion is taking place. A Philippine official recently stated, "We are producing more babies than food." You've read a dozen times, at least, that the world population will double in our generation. "Mankind is in a formidable race against famine," according to an English historian.

If we Christians, in normal times with conventional methods, have not kept pace with our task, what are we going to do in a day like this? There are more unsaved now than the last time you met here.

Our time is marked by a political, social, and economic revolution—demand for a change. Two percent of the people of Latin America control more than half of its wealth. Three-fourths of the land area of Latin America is controlled by about five percent of its populace, and the per capita income for this area of the world is still less than \$300.

I've ridden into the jungle, several days' journey from the city, and suddenly heard a radio blaring. Through today's mass media these people are becoming aware of what the world is like and that their plight can be altered. Neither the hovel they might call home, the color of their skin, nor the class of rich families who scorn them is capable of taking from them their hope for change.

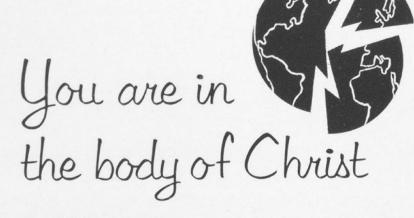
You could tread the sidewalks of any of the cities of Latin America at 10 o'clock at night and see thousands of young people with books under their arms coming out of night classes. A desire to learn and to find a place in the world is urging them on. This revolution is taking place because the young are thinking, demanding, and stating to their parents the things that need to be done.

To take an honest look at the world, you're going to have to face up to communism. In 1956 John Foster Dulles said, "There is not a country in Latin America that has not been infiltrated by communism." We have felt the presence of communism in the area where we have been. We have already found out what communism can do and the shadows it casts. Yet there are people who shrug their shoulders supposing it isn't as bad as was painted a decade ago. May God help us to be aware of the fact this is an atheistic flood tide from the heart of hell that would rob the church of its liberty and cast men into an eternal grave without the Saviour.

Approximately half the population of Latin America is under 20 years of age and uniquely free from their past. This is a new, vibrant, massive generation that has

Loren Triplett, who now is coordinator of the Spanish Literature Division of the Assemblies of God Foreign Missions Department, delivered this message to the district Christ's Ambassadors presidents at their annual conference this year. This launched the 1966 Speed-the-Light program and its theme, "CALL—Speed-the-Light." Brother Triplett was serving as a missionary in Nicaragua at the time.

THE FATE OF A LOST WORLD HAS SOMEHOW BEEN THRUST INTO YOUR HANDS—WHETHER YOU WANTED IT OR NOT.



By LOREN TRIPLETT

found itself swung free from the traditions of the past and their authoritarian religion. They are at last thinking for themselves. This is significant. Materialism, communism, and all the other appeals of our time are taking their toll. We need to tell these young people what truth is all about.

MEETING THE PROBLEMS

There are two different worlds in which we live. The physical world is filled with woe, disease, want, discouragement, vices, war, famine, and neglect. But the spiritual world is where the body of Christ is recognizable. Through this avenue we can meet the needs of those around us.

The body of Christ exists in all the world. Under all major flags of the world you find a nucleus of believers which is a part of the body of Christ. There is one Body—many languages, skin tones, and cultures—extending around the world to glorify the head which is Christ Jesus the Lord.

Jeronimo Perez is part of the Body. He lives in Nicaragua and is president of the C.A.'s. He was formerly a radio announcer. Recently he turned down a fantastic salary for managing a radio station because he is serving this Body. He is a man full of the Holy Ghost, a man who knows how to pray.

Roberto Miranda was a telegraph operator for the government. Today he is superintendent of the Assemblies of God in Nicaragua. He talks about a rich God. He constantly encourages his brethren to believe with positive faith. Once he was ordered to quit preaching on the street. He answered, "I'm sorry, sir, but we'll be there preaching next week. I have 40 young men who are ready to give their lives if they have to." They were there!

Superintendent Miranda is a man who stood in the doorway of a house while a drunken enemy of the gospel rode his mule toward him screaming insults and threats to kill him. Without raising his voice Brother Miranda said, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, I rebuke you." His assailant whirled around and started down the trail

These are men of the body of Christ, men of the Kingdom, statesmen in our time who have identified

themselves not with America as such, but with you who are also part of the body of Christ.

I think of two ladies who felt a special call of God to minister among priests and nuns. Once they went into a large church to talk to the priest. He explained all the building and the stations of the church to them. Finally one of them said, "But, sir, you've left out the most important thing."

"What's that?" he asked.

"You've left out the preaching of the Word of God," the lady said.

"Well, I can preach it if I choose," he replied. They challenged him to preach the Word of God, warning him that if he did he probably wouldn't last three months.

The priest got a Bible and began teaching from the Word. In *three weeks* he was advised to appear before his superiors. Instead he crossed the river and went into the revival center in Buenos Aires. There he accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour and received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. He now teaches in one of our Bible schools in South America.

Jose Rico is another example. I had the privilege of setting up campaigns for him in all five Central American countries. This man was chosen by Billy Graham to appear at the Congress for Evangelism in Europe this year. He's a man full of the Holy Ghost, a member of the Assemblies of God in Bolivia, an ex-Catholic priest, a man whom God met in his dire need and turned to the truth. It has been a great thrill to feel the vibrancy of his testimony.

Friends, this is the Body—a spiritual ecumenicity. This is what the Spirit of God is doing to build the body of Christ around the world.

You are part of the Body. You cannot inspect the body of Christ objectively. This is subjective analysis. We are looking at ourselves when we talk about men all around the world because we are all part of the Body. Missionaries are constantly accused of talking in fantastic terms, but I urge you to let your heart reach out and think so big that you as an individual become involved with the whole wide world. You can't consider yourself a part of the body of Christ without realizing that every other member of the Body is involved with what you are and do.

The day has come when we don't dare perform our missionary task out of sympathy for people. This is motivation that is carnal and human. I plead for nobler motivations, for this is a spiritual battle. If this body of Christ conquers around the world, it will be because you and I realize our place in it. We must labor so other parts of the Body can be helped, lifted up, strengthened, assisted, nurtured, matured, and developed. We labor together for the glory of the Head, Christ Jesus the Lord.

Are you a functioning member? If you permit it, you can be just a spectator looking at the drama of our time. I urge you to get on the stage. All we do for missions, all we do for the Kingdom, all we do for the villages that are daily burying their dead is related to what you let the Holy Ghost do in your own heart. I have not come to indict or to point my finger at anyone. I have come to plead with you that the body of Christ might function as it should to accomplish the job that needs to be done.

You are called to the kingdom for such a time as

this. You have said yes to the Holy Ghost. The fate of a lost world has somehow been thrust into your hands—whether you wanted it or not. You can't shake this thing off. Don't try to. Don't disassociate yourself from all that God is trying to do. He is not willing that any should perish.

Speed-the-Light is not the brainstorm of one noble gentleman, nor is it the brainchild of a few people who sat around a missions planning table. It is the thrust of the Holy Ghost for our revolutionary century and it is meeting the need. I thank God for you who have responded to the call. We are custodians of a gospel meant to turn the world upside down. The fate of a lost world is our business. Let's do our business well.

The plans of the Holy Ghost are for an all-out escalation. The march is on, As surely as the populace of the world is increasing, the challenge of the Holy Ghost is increasing—and His plans are more modern. He's ready to lay hold of all the scientific achievements put at His disposal through Speed-the-Light and then bless them with the oil of the Holy Ghost. He will use all the vessels that are put before Him. Let's push the frontiers of missionary endeavor far into the hinterlands of heathendom.

What does a missionary answer when a worker from another group asks, "How is it that the Assemblies of God have such adequate vehicles for the task?" There's a sense of pride as he answers, "We CALL Speed-the-Light."

What is it that the missionary field fellowship secretary writes down in the minutes when we've gotten our heads together and faced the facts and realized that more adequate equipment is the only thing that could get the job done? He writes, "It was decided unanimously to *CALL* Speed-the-Light." We send you our need, and you have responded again and again.

There are nations, cities, villages, and untracked potential missionary trails along which humanity has been strewn from where a *CALL* is coming to you, and that *CALL* says, "Please hurry with the light! Speed the light!"

Let's do the task in our time. Say yes to the Holy Ghost, identifying yourself with the whole body of Christ around the world.

ABOUT SPEED-THE-LIGHT

Speed-the-Light is the missionary thrust of the Christ's Ambassadors. It is dedicated to providing missionaries with vehicles, radio equipment, and printing equipment. In 22 years almost \$6,000,000 has been raised. This has provided 2,722 vehicles for 74 countries, several large printing plants plus many smaller ones scattered around the world, and broadcasting facilities ranging from public address systems to regular broadcasting stations—so that the Pentecostal message can have the advantage of every modern means in getting to the lost in these last days.

On this Speed-the-Light Dollar Day, every Christ's Ambassador is urged to respond with at least \$1 in the Speed-the-Light offering.

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THE DANGERS OF INTEMPERANCE

Sunday School Lesson for October 23, 1966
PROVERBS 4:10-17; 23:20, 21, 29-35

BY J. BASHFORD BISHOP

God's Word Clearly Teaches the importance of temperance or self-control in all things.

THE WAY OF WISDOM (4:10-13)

"Hear, O my son, and receive my sayings." This section of counsel is especially addressed to youth, since it is chiefly in adolescent years that habits, both good and evil, are formed.

"I have taught thee in the way of wisdom." This is not merely natural wisdom, but that which is disciplined obedience to the will of God as revealed in His Word.

"And the years of thy life shall be many." While these words cannot be taken as an exact law, they certainly remind us that many die prematurely because of wrong activity, environment, or associates. Obedience to the will of God tends to produce longevity.

"When thou goest, thy steps shall not be straitened."
"When thou goest" probably refers to the ordinary, daily activities of life; while "when thou runnest" may refer

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES -

to times of stress and crisis. The word *straitened* means "confined." Thus the truest kind of freedom belongs paradoxically to those who confine themselves to obedience to God's laws. False freedom—which advocates doing as one pleases—leads only to bondage.

THE WAY OF WICKEDNESS (10:14-18)

The way of wisdom which leads to life (verse 18) is opposite to the way of wickedness which leads to violence and death. (See also Matthew 7:13, 14, 21 and 1 John 5:12.) The contrast between the two ways is striking and emphatic.

"Enter not...go not." In the course of duty one must enter unchristian environs; but never is one to expose himself needlessly to evil. God's children should neither enter nor continue in evil paths.

"Avoid it...turn from it, and pass away." The only safe course is to flee—to put as great a distance as possible between one's self and evil.

"For they sleep not." Not only do men indulge in sin; they develop an insatiable craving for it—as well as a desire to lead others into it. What a description of the way of sin!

THE WAY OF WINE (23:21, 29-35)

The principles here apply with equal force to all alcoholic drink. Observe that drinking causes:

- (1) Sorrow and woe. Influenced by liquor men do things they later bitterly regret. They often suffer the loss of health, positions, homes, and the love of their families.
- (2) Quarreling and violence. "Who hath wounds without cause?" Because of the violence and murders growing out of drunkenness, our police have been supplied with labor, our judges with occupation, our poor farms with paupers, and our jails with victims.
- (3) Physical disfigurement. "Who hath redness of eyes?" Who is not familiar with the bleary eyes, the inflamed nose with its swollen veins, the blotchy and mottled countenance of the habitual drinker?
- (4) Sensuality and vice. "Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things." Under the influence of liquor a man's judgment is clouded, his passions inflamed; he is ripe for sexual crimes.
- (5) Reckless stupidity. "Thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea." The drunkard is utterly dead to the dangers of his condition.
- (6) An enslaved will and a hardened heart. "When shall I awake? I will seek it yet again." Some would like to stop drinking and cannot because of its enslaving power; others do not want to stop because the habit has seared their consciences and hardened their hearts.

What should be the Christian's attitude toward alcoholic drinks? Complete abstinence for himself, a tireless effort to rescue its victims, and unceasing prayer on their behalf. God is able to free the drunkard and make him a magnificent memorial of His power to save!

Many people who pray do all the talking. A great prophet once said, "Speak Lord, for thy servant heareth." Most people, when they pray, say in effect, "Listen Lord, for thy servant speaketh." God gave man two ears and one mouth, so why don't we listen twice as much as we talk?



AT HOME

New Christmas Stamp Slated

On November 1 the U.S. Post Office Department will issue its 1966 Christmas postage stamp at Christmas, Michigan. It is the second consecutive year postal of-

ficials have released a Christmas stamp with a religious theme.

The stamp is fifth in a series of holiday stamps issued by the government. An initial print order for 1.2 billion stamps has been set. The stamp was designed from the central portion of an oil painting by Hans Memling, Flemish master of the Renaissance. entitled "Madonna and

Child with Angels." Memling painted the scene on a piece of wood only 18 by 23 inches almost 500 years ago.

God Is Alive to Oklahomans

Employees of the Knapp Outdoor Advertising Corporation in Tulsa, Oklahoma, sponsored a sign on one of their billboards which reads: "God Is Not Dead to Oklahomans!" The sign also urges passersby to read Psalm 14:1. The billboard is on the interstate freeway that passes through Tulsa.

President Commends National Bible Week

President Lyndon B. Johnson has issued a message expressing hope that National Bible Week, October 17-23, "evokes awareness in all men that the Bible is not ours for occasional recourse, but for eternal strength."

The message also stated: "In the Scriptures there is inspiration. It is there for persons of every belief, of every nation, of every circumstance. It need only be discovered -and once found, rediscovered. The Bible gives grace to life and hope to humanity. On its sacred pages the message of peace, brotherhood, and faith is forever enshrined."

ABROAD

Bible Distribution Successful in India

Bible distribution teams in India report much success in spreading the Word of God. The Million Gospels Crusade in South India achieved its goal of selling one million Gospels in a three-year period, one year ahead of schedule, according to the Bulletin of the United Bible Societies.

Scriptures are sold rather than given away in India and many other countries because people do not value something given to them as much as something they buy.

Dr. A. E. Inbanathan, general secretary of the Bible Society of India, recently outlined methods of distribution used by the BSI (Bible Society of India):

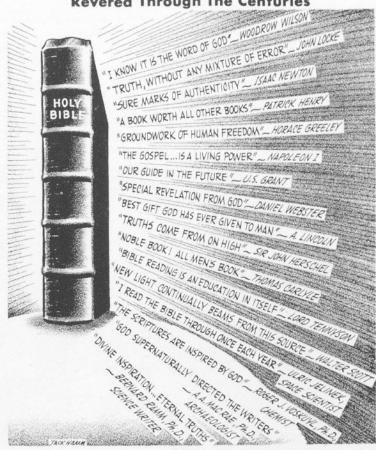
- 1. The BSI has four Bible vans placed at the disposal of local churches. A Bible van sells about 7,000 Gospels each week.
- 2. The BSI helps churches operate bookstores to sell Scriptures.
- 3. Wayside pulpits near churches with an open Bible in a glass case help to interest passersby in the Bible.
- 4. Eleven daily newspapers publish the Gospels in serial form. Hundreds of people write the Bible Society for complete Gospels.
- 5. Scripture is read over the radio in five languages for 15 minutes each day. Approximately 1,700 listeners wrote for a copy of the Scriptures last year.
- 6. New attractive covers have been placed on the Scriptures.

Indonesians Hold Evangelistic Crusade

Fifty-two Protestant churches in the Bandung (Indonesia) area recently combined efforts for the eight-day Greater Bandung Crusade. Despite rain, 48,000 people were present in the open grandstands of a Bandung racetrack on the final night of the crusade.

Over 2,000 inquirers went forward during the meeting, the first of its kind planned and carried out entirely by nationals. The evangelist was Pak Octavanius of the Worldwide Evangelization Crusade.

Revered Through The Centuries



What a missionary thinks of

SPEED-THE-LIGHT

By David A. WOMACK Foreign Missions Editor

Do you know what it's like to ford a jungle river after dark in a Renault Dauphine? Or to awaken one morning far out in the grasslands of eastern Colombia and discover that a Brahma cow has put her horn right through the wing of your Speed-the-Light airplane?

Do you have any idea what it would be like to be a missionary without

Speed-the-Light?

The first of these experiences happened to me on a trip to Maní—one of the most remote stations of the Assemblies of God in Colombia, South

IS SPEED-THE-LIGHT REALLY WORTHWHILE? Ask any missionary and see what he says.

America. I had driven my Speed-the-Light car on a paved highway from Bogotá to the ancient town of Sogamoso, where the Chibcha Indians lived for centuries before the Spanish explorers came. There a Peruvian pastor named Juan Tapia and I loaded the little car for the trip to a short-term Bible school out in the plains to the east of the towering Andes Mountains. We even took out the rear

seat and put in a steel drum of supplies. We carried everything from textbooks for the students to tanks of white gasoline for our lanterns.

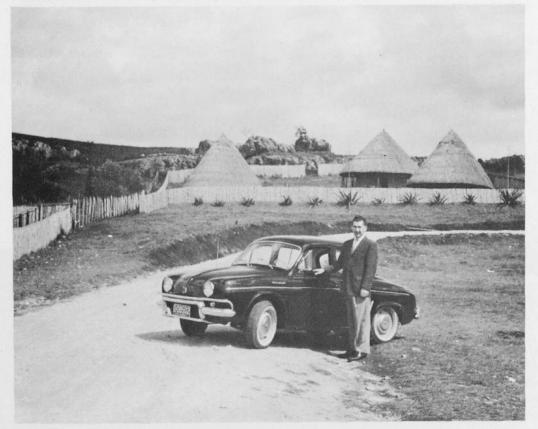
The next morning we left the paved streets of Sogamoso, dodged between the heavily loaded burros coming to market, and headed out onto the dirt road that 12 hours later would bring us to Maní. The road led upward through the rugged Andes, past beautiful Lake Tota, and up higher over the 11,000-foot pass. Then it went down through the valleys again where the streams that make up the headwaters of the Orinoco River are only a few feet wide. Later, the streams become mighty torrents of water that crash in white foam and waterfalls through the mountain canyons; and the one-lane, rocky road is carved out of the sides of the cliffs.

It was five o'clock in the evening by the time we got out of the mountains and onto the flat grasslands, and by six o'clock it was dark. The car lights sought out the two parallel trails of the road, which unfortunately were used more by cattle than by automobiles. At times these trails would cross, or sometimes they would spread out and disappear in the night.

We reached a place where the road led into jungle along a river bank. A quarter of a mile farther, we came around a clump of palm trees, and our lights reflected red off the eyes of the alligators in the river.

We stopped; we prayed; and we drove into the river. I had been there

Purchased in 1962, this Speed-the-Light car served David Womack for his term in Colombia.



before and knew where the road came out on the other side; but the waters were higher than I had remembered them. They rose past the car lights, and only the weight of the Bible school supplies kept the wheels touching the gravel riverbed.

An hour later, the little car sputtered into Maní with wet spark plugs and two very tired preachers. It had been a long and dangerous trip indeed, but without Speed-the-Light we would not have been able to get to Maní that night.

Today, the Assemblies of God missionaries in Colombia have a Speed-the-Light airplane which can reach Maní from Bogotá in only two hours. Though not in full operation as yet, it is hoped the new plane will open up the whole primitive region of eastern Colombia to the gospel.

Before this new plane was purchased, however, there was a reconditioned, canvas-covered plane that pioneered the Assemblies of God missionary aviation in that country.

Imagine the surprise of Missionary Paul Cunningham and I when we got out of our hammocks one morning while on a trip to remote *Montaña de Totumo* and found a three-cornered rip in the wing of that old plane! A Brahma cow had done her best to slow down the progress of modern missions, but a little tape and a lot of prayer overcame her efforts. We patched the wing and took off again over the grasslands and jungles to land a little while later in a place that would have taken us seven or eight hours to reach on horseback.

I also know what it's like to travel without Speed-the-Light. Where the wheels of automobiles and the wings of airplanes cannot go, I have paddled dugout canoes on piranha-infested rivers, ridden on muleback far beyond the limits of Andean roads, and walked for hours in the jungle with

a 25-pound pack on my back. Many of us know what it would be like without Speed-the-Light.

Just in case you should be tempted to think that Speed-the-Light is merely another promotional program, walk up to any one of our foreign missionaries and ask him what he thinks of Speed-the-Light. He'll probably tell you something like I heard Field Secretary Charles Greenaway say the other day: "Speed-the-Light put missions ahead by at least 15 years!"

They're not getting very soft treatment, those Speed-the-Light cars and planes and boats and other vehicles, but they're getting the gospel to where souls are hungry to hear the message of salvation.

Our 920 Assemblies of God missionaries, laboring for the Lord in 72 foreign lands, join today to ask you to stand behind this important program. Please don't forget that today is Speed-the-Light Dollar Day!



Colombia's eastern plains are reached with a Speed-the-Light plane. David Womack (lower photo) also has tried missionary travel without Speed-the-Light.



Speed-the-Light cars helped raise up the church in Maní (above). Missionaries Verlin and Pauline Stewart (below) travel on Colombian roads.





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NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE



THE SECOND BIENNIAL National Youth Conference conducted in the '60's and the eighth such gathering since 1940 was a spiritual highlight for the 536 registrants who gathered on the campus of Central Bible College, Springfield, Mo., August 15-19. Sponsored by the Christ's Ambassadors Department, the conference was under the direction of T. E. Gannon, executive director, and Russell Cox, national secretary.

The theme, "Concentration Camp," was used to signify the emphasis on learning to know Christ and His victorious power for the battle of life. Classes, services, group discussion, rallies, and recreation were designed as a balanced approach to Christian discipleship.

Four evening rallies filled with singing, testimonies, special music, and preaching climaxed each day in further dedication and consecration to Christ. Visitors boosted evening attendance to more than 700.

Evening speakers were Sam Johnson, former minister of youth at Central Assembly, Wichita, Kans., and currently under appointment as a missionary to Spain; Bob Schmidgall, pioneer pastor of Calvary Temple, DeKalb, Ill.; and C. M. Ward, Revivaltime speaker.

Two district youth choirs contributed immeasurable blessing to the conference. The 60-voice Northwest District C. A. Choir made National Youth Conference the focal point of a three-week, cross-country tour. The 30-voice Eastern District Youth Chorale was used of the Holy Spirit in the Tuesday evening rally to prepare hearts for an infilling experience. Several received the Holy Spirit baptism that night.

Reports continue to come to the C. A. Department telling of the spiritual impact of the conference. A bus driver for one of the two visiting choirs was so challenged by an evening rally he began seeking the Lord for the Holy Spirit. Before the choir reached its home district the driver was gloriously filled with the Holy Ghost. More than one youth has told of an about-face experience and a life now lived for Jesus Christ.

Each person elected to take three to six classes out of the 22 available subjects. Qualified instructors made preparations for 52 class sessions—many repeated two and three times to meet a popularity demand. Areas of study included preparation for missions, ministry, marriage, military, college, and vocations; leadership in local C. A. programing; and personal helps such as daily devotions, witnessing, personality development, and holiness in relation to daily living.

The conference closed with a service held in nearby Fantastic Caverns. The underground setting helped impress upon the conferees the necessity of concentrating on Jesus Christ and shining as lights in this sin-darkened world.

An illustrated message depicted the light of salvation kindled by Christ at the cross and handed down through the generations. At the close of the message a lighted torch—now the only illumination in the cave auditorium—was carried to the congregation with the challenge for each C.A. to light his candle and thus signify a life lived for the Master.

Each left the cavern and the conference with a new determination to live as a follower of Christ ought to live.



Central Assembly C. A.'s of Springfield provided refreshments for conferees arriving to register.



Sam Johnson taught one of the many classes during the conference.



The conference closed with a service in Fantastic Caverns, Dwight Colbaugh represents a sin-chained person during the illustrated sermon.







Bible quiz champions.

Vocal solo winner.

QUIZ AND TALENT SEARCH WINNERS

TEEN TALENT SEARCH and Bible Quiz competition proved to be a major attraction at the National Youth Conference.

The 43 quiz team members and 55 musical participants represented eight regions of the United States. These had successfully competed in their sections, districts, and regions to qualify for the national finals.

play-off, the first and second place quiz teams had to prove their worth in nine highly competitive matches. The national champion in the 1966 Romans quiz was the Southwest Region team from Full Gospel Chapel, Denver, Colo. Team members were Sharon Wileman, captain; Willard Berndt, Wanda Bishop, Paul Jones, and Debbie Krapf. The Great Lakes region team from West Side Tabernacle,

In Teen Talent Search competition Kathy Watkins, Bethel Temple Assembly, Marysville, Calif., took first place in the vocal solo division. The vocal ensemble competition was won by a girls quartet -Muriel and Rita Hoferman and Joy and Jeanene Fish-from First Assembly and Morningside Assembly, Sioux City, Iowa.

The winner of the instrumental 1967.

Competing in a round robin Indianapolis, Ind., placed a close | solo division was Cliff Robertson, Full Gospel Tabernacle, Bakersfield, Calif. A trumpet trio-Danny Felty, Gary Maston, and Gary Price—from First Assembly, Elyria, Ohio, was top in the instrumental ensemble contest.

National finals on the writings of John and the fourth annual Teen Talent Search will be conducted at the General Council in Long Beach, Calif., August 24-29,

Vocal ensemble winners.

Instrumental solo winner.

Instrumental ensemble winners.







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PAOC CONFERENCE HAS RECORD REGISTRATION; PLEDGES OVER \$100,000 FOR MISSIONS

WINNIPEG, CANADA—Despite the nationwide rail strike, a record number of delegates attended the 25th biennial general conference of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. The conference was held at the Civic Auditorium here from August 25 to

More than 800 delegates and observers were present for most business meetings. The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada—a sister organization of the U. S. Assemblies of God-has 700 local churches.

Some 2,500 persons attended a missionary pageant on Sunday, August 28. A cash offering of \$2,979 was given for world missions.

A coast-to-coast telephone hookup enabled 388 participating churches to pledge an additional \$102,442.

In observance of Canada's centennial in 1967, delegates set an evangelism target to open 100 new churches-20 in Canada and 80 in the 17 foreign fields where the PAOC operates, with an increase of 20 percent in world missions giving.

Tom Johnstone was reelected general superintendent, and James Montgomery was reelected executive director of the national youth departments.

Succeeding retiring Dr. C. M. Wortman as general secretary-treasurer is C. H. Stiller. Carman W. Lynn is replacing George R. Upton (who is retiring) as executive director of Overseas Missions. Robert M. Argue follows Brother Stiller as secretary of



View of the 40 missionaries in costume who took part in the missionary pageant; the Calvary Temple Silver Brass Band is in the foreground.

G. N. Fulford was elected assistant general superintendent for Western Canada, and Richard Bombay assistant for Eastern Canada. Robert Taitinger, H. H. Barber, and Fred Parlee are the new national executive membersat-large.

Resolutions were adopted at the conference concerning education, religion in public schools, birth control, the increased in-volvement of Pentecostal churches in social and welfare matters, and the possibility of having Pentecostal chaplains in prisons and cor-Home Missions and Bible Colleges. rectional institutions.



Officers of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada elected at the Winnipeg conference are (left to right): James Montgomery, executive director of national youth departments; Tom Johnstone, general superintendent; Robert M. Argue, executive director of Home Missions and Bible Colleges; C. H. Stiller, general secretary-treasurer; and Carman W. Lynn, executive director of Overseas Missions. In the lower photo, George Upton (left) and Dr. C. M. Wortman (right) are being presented with checks by Tom Johnstone as a token of the esteem in which the two retiring men are held by the constituency.



GREAT CHAPTERS FOR THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 16-23

Sunday	Galatians 5
Monday	Galatians 6
Tuesday	Ephesians 1
Wednesday	Ephesians 2
Thursday	Ephesians 3
Friday	Ephesians 4
Saturday	Ephesians 5
Sunday	Ephesians 6

PROMISE OF THE WEEK

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast" (Ephesians 2:8, 9).



OF THE CHURCHES

saved and three filled with the Holy Spirit during three-and-ahalf weeks of meetings with Leslie C. and Oleta Eldridge at the Assembly of God here. The church was revived and benefited greatly from the services.

-J. S. Haynes, pastor

CATHLAMENT, WASH.—The Assembly of God here has just concluded a successful series of meetings with the Tanner Team of Willmar, Minn.

Attendance was excellent, and many were saved and filled with the Spirit-including two ladies who had been seeking the Lord for years. The entire congregation was revived as many sought God around the altars.

-A. W. Nelson, pastor * *

NESS CITY, KANS.—First Assembly here has just concluded a two-week meeting with Evangelist I. D. Rayborn.

A number of people made new returning to the evangelistic field.

LAMPASAS, TEX.-Three were | dedications and the whole congregation was stirred by the nearness of the second coming of Christ, emphasized through the evangelist's large chart. Several people were saved the final night of the meetings.

> Average Sunday school attendance reached a new high, and the preaching services were even better attended. There were many visitors. - Dick McCauley, pastor

> SAN RAFAEL, CALIF.—The Assembly of God here has seen phenomenal progress during the last two and one-half years.

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Many people have been saved and filled with the Spirit. Sunday morning attendance has nearly doubled, and Sunday evening and midweek attendance has tripled.

Finances have reached an alltime high. The church is contemplating a building program in the near future,

The Assembly regrets to lose its pastor, L. H. Sheets, who is The new pastor is Robert V. Phillips.

-Marge Padgett, secretary

ELMHURST, ILL.—Bethel Assembly here was blessed during special services with Evangelists John and Faith Stallings, This was the first attempt to hold a 'summer revival' in the history of the six-year-old church.

Attendance was above average. A number of people were saved, and some were baptized in the Holy Spirit.

The church now enjoys a spirit of revival and is making a new effort to reach this suburban community with the gospel.

-Wesley E. Butler, pastor

DALLAS, TEX.-Stevens Park Assembly here rejoices in God's blessings during meetings with Evangelists Tommy and Esther Lance. A number were saved or reclaimed and several were refilled with the Spirit. Attendance was -R. A. Rose, pastor excellent.

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL STANDARD NOW IN OPERATION

SPRINGFIELD, MO .- The Sunday School Department of the Assemblies of God announced the inauguration of a new National Sunday School Standard on October 1, 1966. The new National Standard, with its accompanying annual Checkup, provides a continuous evaluation program for Assemblies of God Sunday schools.

The genius of the new Standard, according to Edith Denton, National Standard Division coordinator, is a built-in system of selfgrading. By answering 50 questions, each school will know its grade, its strong points, and where it needs to work a little harder.

Besides serving as an evaluation tool for the local school, the Checkup provides the district and national offices with current statistics to guide program planning.

OREGON DISTRICT DEDICATES NEW OFFICE BUILDING

BROOKS, OREG .- The Oregon District passed a landmark on July 3, 1966, when it dedicated its new office building at Bethel Gospel Park here. Guest speaker for the dedication was Mark O. Hatfield, governor of Oregon.

Governor Hatfield complimented the Assemblies of God upon their growth in the state and particularly upon their missionary outreach. He also mentioned that with 195 churches in Oregon, the Assemblies of God has a church in practically every city or town within the state.

The governor referred to the fact that Oregon assemblies gave over \$300,000 to world missions this past year, making Oregon seventh in the nation among 47 districts of the Assemblies of God.

The building, 60 by 72 feet, with 42,050 square feet of usable floor space, was constructed at a cost of \$47,000. It is of frame construction with the entire front of Idaho rubble stone.

The reception area has a large lighted map indicating the posts of Oregon missionaries as well as countries in which the Assemblies

of God has workers and Bible | schools. There is also a missionary display with curios from all over the world.

The conference room is completely glassed on one side with a large patio door leading to the

vides offices for the superintendent, secretary, treasurer, director of youth and Christian education, WMC president, bookkeeping department, ample space for four desks in the secretarial area, large work room providing storage for courtyard. The building also pro- supplies, and a lunch room.



At right is the new Oregon district office. A missionary display (lower right) is in the reception area. In the photo below are (left to right): Mrs. N. D. Davidson, N. D. Davidson, district superintendent; Mark J. Hatfield, governor of Oregon; Lester C. Young, district treasurer; and R. E. Book, district secretary.





ANNOUNCEMENTS

MISSIONARY CONVENTION—Oct. 14-16, at the Assembly of God, Lawrenceville, Va. Missionary speakers: Robert Hymes, Japan; the Edgar Barricks, India; and Marie Phillips, India.—by Estella M. Jacobs, pastor.

NEW PARSONAGE DEDICA-TION—Oct. 16, at Calvary Assembly, Eltingville, Staten Island, N.Y. Speaker: Joseph Flower, New York District superintendent. —by Charles Scrimale, pastor.

MISSIONARY CONVENTION—October 25-30, at Evangel Temple, Dallas, Tex. Speaker: Quentin Edwards.—by Bracy Greer, pastor.

WITH CHRIST

CLIFFORD LEE HUNDLEY, 65, of New Kensington, Pa., went to be with the Lord September 7, 1966. Ordained to the ministry in 1945 by the West Texas District, he was a member of the Eastern District. Prior to his ordination in the Assemblies of God, he was a minister in another denomination.

During his 39 years in the ministry, Brother Hundley pastored churches in Texas, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Florida, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. He pioneered five churches.

He is survived by his wife Elizabeth, three daughters, and four sons. Two sons, Eddie Hundley of Ft. Smith, Ark., and Raymond Hundley of Joplin, Mo., are ordained ministers of the Assemblies of God.

FELICIANO COLON, 70, of Long Beach, Calif., went to be with the One he served September 4, 1966. He was ordained to the ministry in 1948 by the Latin American District. Brother Colon served as a pastor in Brooklyn, N.Y., and Long Beach, Calif. He is survived by his wife Regina, and three children.

G. J. FORTSON, 83, of North Little Rock, Ark., went to be with the Lord July 11, 1966. Brother Fortson was licensed to preach in 1918 by the Arkansas District. He served as evangelist and pastor. He is survived by three sons and five daughters.

JOSEPH GIUSTI, 70, of Wilmington, Del., was called to his eternal reward June 15, 1966, following an automobile accident. Ordained to the ministry in 1933, Brother Giusti was a member of the Italian Branch of the Assemblies of God. He served pastorates in Baltimore and Wilmington.

Brother Giusti was a faithful pastor, evangelist, and missionary. He established churches in Italy and Australia as well as in Wilmington, Del. He is survived by his wife Sarah, four daughters, one son, and six grandchildren.

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Headland	Welcome	Oct. 10-21	Nettie Parham	Richard Spears
Ariz. Ark.	Phoenix Calico Rock	Northwest A/G	Oct. 19— Oct 23—	Glen Shinn Raymond Clark	Marvin Elliott S. A. Sublett
	Clarksville	First	Oct. 19-30	A .G. & Mrs. Calaway	Raymond Kendrick
	El Dorado	N. Highland	Oct. 18-30	J. C. & Mrs. Nichols	Murphy Smith
	Little Rock Little Rock	Central Maumalle	Oct. 23-Nov. 6 Oct. 23-30	Bob & Sharon Jones Lindell & Darlene Ballenger	Bird H. Campbell Marion C. Ballard
Calif.	Burlingame	*A/G	Oct. 23-28	Christian Hild	Douglas Fairrington
	Cardiff	Chapel-by-the-Sea	Oct. 19-30	Diehl Evangelists	Dalton Webber
	Garberville Marysville	A/G Bethel Temple	Oct. 2-16 Oct. 23-28	Fisher-Cheek Team Paul C. Schoch	Robert Parkinson Robert D. Goree
	Sacramento	Florin	Oct. 19-30	Fisher-Cheek Team	Leslie Crosson
	San Diego	Elim	Oct. 19-30	Winferd Mack	L. C. Harris
D-1	Santa Rosa	*First	Oct. 25-30	Chief John McPherson	Watson Argue Jr.
Del. Fla.	Wilmington Jacksonville	First Bethel Temple	Oct. 18-30 Oct. 18-31	Ernest & Mrs. Berquist Ernie Eskelin	Jacob Heinrich Clyde Wasdin
1 100	Orlando	First	Oct. 19-30	H. Syvelle Phillips	Crawford Railey
Ga.	Columbus	Eighth Street	Oct. 23-30	Nettie Parham	S. B. Cotton
111.	Barry Dixon	A/G A/G	Oct. 18-30 Oct. 25-Nov. 6	George & Nadine Van Riper Jeremiah Hanley	George Miller
	Flora	A/G	Oct. 18-30	Culpepper-Gourlas Team	Alfred Trail
	Kankakee	First	Oct. 25-30	Ray & Elaine Leonard	S. L. Thompson
Ind.	Bedford	First	Oct. 18-23	Lee Paino	Charles Crank
	Gary Hammond	Full Gospel Tab. First	Oct. 11-16 Oct. 18—	Ralph E. Leslie Keetah Jones	R. A. Rieben Walter C. Hanneman
	Terre Haute	**First	Oct. 18-23	Paul Hild	Wm. D. Saunders
7	Terre Haute	*First	Oct. 25-30	Paul Hild	Wm. D. Saunders
Iowa Kans.	Ft. Madison Attica	Calvary First A/G		Joel & Mrs. Palmer Dwaine Braddy	Grover Senf Pete W. Ratzlaff
Kans,	Augusta	A/G	Oct. 16-30 Oct. 9-23 Oct. 18-30	77 (2) (2)	Paul A. Lewis
	Beloit	A/G	Oct. 18-30	Kenneth M. Stottlemyer	William J. Lamberts
	Chanute Garden City	First Faith	Oct. 25-Nov. 6 Oct. 19-30	J. B. Woolums Dave Tonn	R. E. Owen Paul Bryant
	Hiawatha	Calvary Temple	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Bernard R. Minton	Sarah Pittman
	Osage City	Calvary	Oct. 24-Nov. 6	Knott-Olson Team	Frederick Wilbur
Md.	Beltsville	Good Tidings	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Stan & Marilyn Morris	G. J. Slye Sr.
	Deer Park Hagerstown	Full Gospel Bethel	Oct. 18-30 Oct. 19-30	V. M. & Mrs. Dullabaun The Singing Lunsfords	Gail Hixon A. J. Barrett
	Middle River	A/G	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Irving & Mary Lou Howard	Clyde C. Oliver
Mich.	Fennville	A/G	Oct. 18-30	J. E. Friend	Phillip Appenzeller Chas. A. Davenport
Minn.	Pontiac Minneapolis	First Bethel	Oct. 25-Nov. 6 Oct. 19-23	John Higginbotham The Tanner Team	Robert C. Hanson
Miss.	Vicksburg	Beechwood	Oct. 23-28	W. M. Stevens	Norman E. Hartshor
Mo.	Bucklin	A/G	Oct. 23—	Ivan & Mrs. Kimmel	F. Earl Myers
	Independence	Central	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Maxine Willis	John Waldron C. David Albright
	Kansas City Palmyra	Red Bridge A/G	Oct. 24-30 Oct. 23-Nov. 6	Doyle Thompson The Matschulat Party	Reuben Melander
	St. Louis	Friendship	Oct. 22-Nov. 6	Gladys Voight	Harold Heady T. T. Ward
	Springfield	Glad Tidings	Oct. 18-30	I. D. Rayborn	T. T. Ward
Mont.	Steelville Glendive	First A/G	Oct. 18-30 Oct. 18-30	Dave & Jan Olshevski Roy & Arlene Brewer	Joe R. Massey Henry A. Larsen
Nebr.	Gibbon	*Glad Tidings	Oct. 23-28	Charles Senechal	Robert McCown
	N. Platte	A/G	0 . 22 20	Bob & Alvena Wilson	Clyde King
NI	Mays Landing	A/G Evangel	Oct. 23-30 Oct. 18-23	Merle W. Roll Bob McCutchen	H. J. Blakkolb Samuel Cofone
N. J. N. Dak.	Fargo	First	Oct. 20-30	Peter Walker	O. W. Apple
	Osnabrock	A/G Tab.	Oct. 18—	Doug Ramsey Family	L. L. LePoidevin
Ohio	Delta	A/G First	Oct. 18-30 Oct. 25-30	Chester A. Freede	Earl Arnett
	Elyria Lorain	First Broadway	Oct. 19-Nov. 6	Dave & Mona Lewis "Gypsy" George Butrin	Ed Eliason Keith Smith
	Marion	A/G	Oct. 18-30	Ralph E. Leslie	James Knell
	Minerva	A/G	Oct. 19-30	Andrew G. & Mrs. Basell	Raymond O. Hinds
	Springfield	First	Oct. 18—	James & Beulah Pepper	Arthur H. Parsons
Okla.	Frederick	First	Oct. 24-Nov. 6	Mathers-Pharr Team	Charles E. Mains
	Mt. Park Oklahoma City	A/G Bethel Temple	Oct. 23-Nov. 6 Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Danny & Elizabeth Kennedy Stewart B. Douglass	Kathlyne Riddle M. Russell Herndon
Oreg.	Forest Grove	A/G	Oct. 18-30	D. L. Nultemeier	T. R. Yaws
Pa.	Clarks Summit	Pentecostal	Oct. 18-23	John Hamercheck	David Laquintano
	Erie	First	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Dan & Anita Bogdan	Robert Eastlake
	Freeport	Gospel Tab.	Oct. 19-30	Don & Sharon Parker	Philip Bongiorno
6.0	Reading	Glad Tidings Tab.		William Caldwell	Anthony Mayeski
	Shickshinny	A/G	Oct. 18-30	Doug & Judy Johnson	Harold Ladd
S. C.	Clinton	First A/G	Oct. 24-Nov. 6	Grover & Carolyn Dunn	Robert M. Hicks
S. Dak. Tenn.	Mitchell Shelbyville	A/G First	Oct. 18-23 Oct. 23-28	Doyle Thompson E. C. Davis	Roger Haas E. T. Echols
Tem. Tex.	Andrews	First	Oct. 25-26 Oct. 25-Nov. 5	Tommy & Esther Lance	R. V. Luna
2011	Ingleside	First	Oct. 17-30	Robert & Mrs. Salter	Roy Bownds
	Logan	A/G	Oct. 18-30	Bob & Joan Brantley	Glen Ketchum
Va.	Portsmouth	A/G	Oct. 18-23	Dave & Mona Lewis	Homer Peterson Jr.
	Winchester	First	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	John Hamercheck	Hartley Wigfield Jr.
Wash.	Seattle	Calvary Temple	Oct. 23-Nov. 6	Arne Vick	Marcus Gatson
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W. Va.	Elk Garden LaCrosse	A/G First	Oct. 23-30 Oct. 25-Nov. 6	Ken & Gloria Kashner Bill & Naomi Hayes	James E. Johnson R. Francis Jones
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Wis. Canada	Echo Bay, Ont.	Pentecostal	Oct. 25-Nov. 6	John Higginbotham	A. E. Hambleton

*Children's Crusade

**Youth Crusade

Due to printing schedule, announcements must reach The Pentecostal Evangel five weeks in advance.

AMAL EL-MALAKH, director of works for the Department of Antiquities at the Giza pyramids, scraped some sand away from a road near the Great Pyramid and accidentally discovered a row of limestone blocks. Acting on a hunch, he hired some stonecutters. They chiseled away until they had opened a vault containing a richly furnished "soul ship." Archaeologists hailed the find as a remarkable discovery.

This was not our first introduction to "soul ships," however. On the stone walls of the Egyptian tombs, experts have found paintings depicting single-decked ships built to sail the kings' souls through the heavens (as they supposed). Such boats were called "soul ships," or "sun ships," because they were believed to be used by deceased Egyptian kings for travel to celestial areas

with Ra, the sun deity.

This vessel was a special find, however, for it belonged to Pharaoh Cheops (also called Khufu) who lived 47 centuries ago, the most powerful of the Pharaohs. The boat, clearly intact, is the only such relic of Khufu's great reign which had not been plundered by vandals or thieves before its discovery.

There are many legends about the power and cruelty of this particular ruler who built the Great Pyramid. He regarded himself as the son of the Egyptian god, Ra. Of course, he thought of himself as a god and thus sought to preserve in the memory of his people the awe and dignity of his reign. And he wanted to enjoy the same glory after death that he had known in this life. So he forced thousands of slaves to work for 20 years to construct the greatest of the pyramids in his honor. No other man has ever had so magnificent a tomb.

Cheops' ship has not just one, but six decks. It is 55 yards long. The hull is made of solid rock; the deck coverings and rope of linen. The decks, oars, and steering sweep are of sycamore and cedar, brought by Cheops

from Lebanon. The chamber was sealed so tight with 15-ton stone blocks that the wood and equipment have not crumbled away. This well-preserved antique promises to add much to our knowledge of the life of the ancient Egyptians.

No doubt Cheops was disappointed after death that he was not transported to heaven. He did not get a ride in his soul ship after all! Pyramids, soul ships, tomb furniture, luxury—he possessed none of these things after death. He left them all behind when he went to meet his Maker to give an accounting of his evil life. What a pity that he did not know about the God of Israel of whom Joseph had borne witness when he was in Egypt!

How thankful the Christian should be for the glorious gospel of truth, which tells us of the "Sun of Righ-

teousness" and the true Way to heaven.

We need not wait until death to be ushered into the presence of the Father. In fact, we dare not wait that long. If we do not accept the Way in this life, there is no chance for us in the next. Christ Himself is our High Priest who lives purposely to lead us through the rent veil into the Holiest of All. "Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them" (Hebrews 7:25).

Are you trying to get to heaven by some other means than the way of the Cross? Jesus said, "He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way, the same is a thief and a robber" (John 10:1). Do not depend upon your own works, church membership, or water baptism to take you to heaven. None of these can save you, any more than a ride in Cheops' fabulous soul ship. You must pray to Jesus, the "Sun of Righteousness," confessing and forsaking your sins. Then you will be ready for heaven, and you will enjoy the presence of Christ forever.

By GLEN D. ANDERSON

CHEOPS' SOUL SHIP

