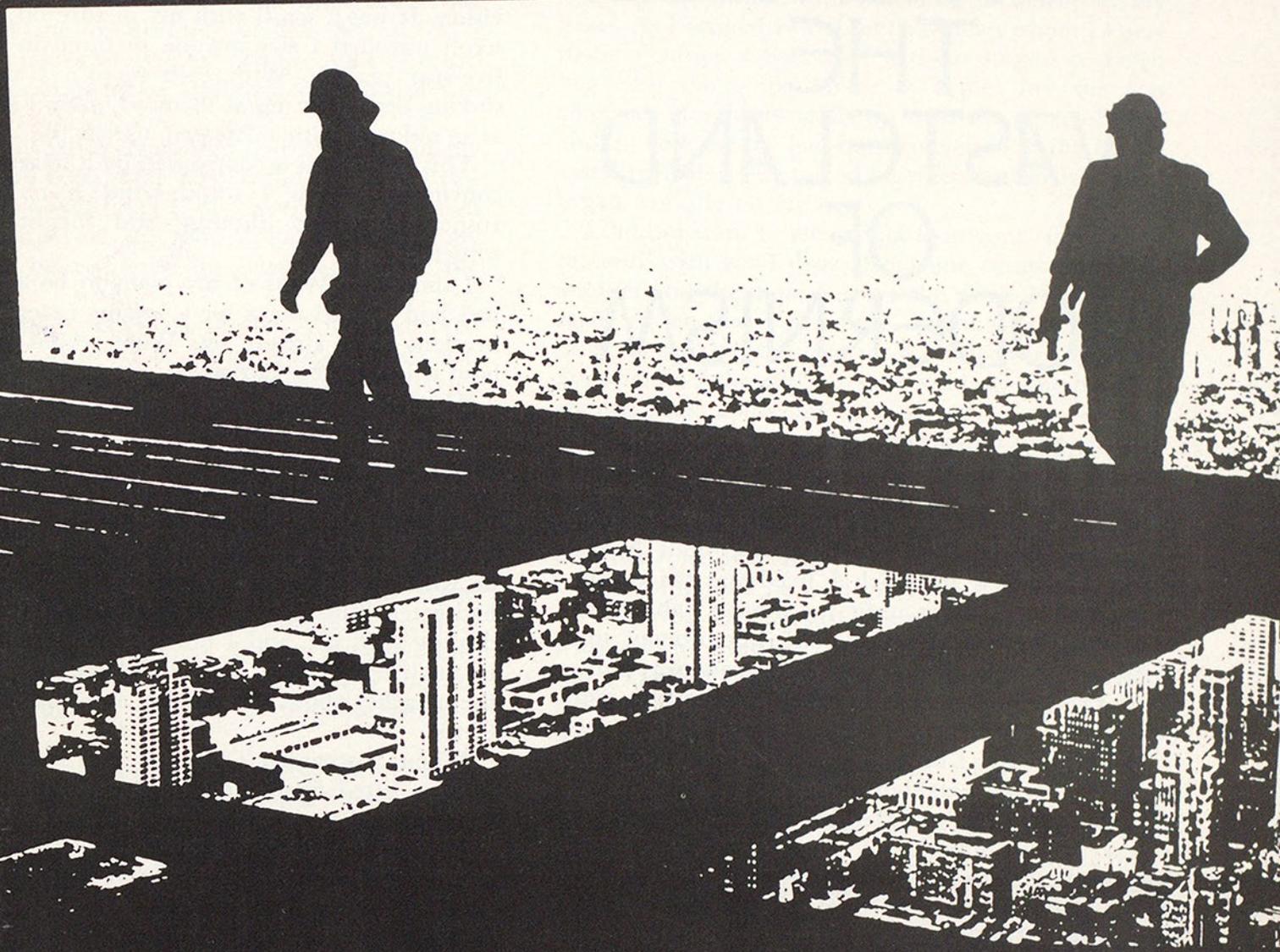


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NOT BY MIGHT, NOR BY POWER, BUT BY MY SPIRIT SAITH THE LORD

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Work!
Thank God for the swing of it—
For the clamoring, hammering ring of it.
Passion and labor daily hurled
On the mighty anvils of the world.
Oh, what is so fierce as the flame of it?
And what is so huge as the aim of it?
Thundering on through dearth and doubt
Calling the plan of the Maker out.

Work, the Titan; Work, the friend,
Shaping the earth to a glorious end,
Draining the swamps and blasting the hills,
Doing whatever the Spirit wills—
Rending a continent apart
To answer the dream of the Master-heart.
Thank God for a world where none may shirk!
Thank God for the splendor of work!

—Selected



BACK FROM THE WASTELAND OF MODERNISM

By HARRY A. STEMME / as told to Don Tanner

I WAS BORN IN THE SLUMS of Chicago and lived most of my boyhood in the city's notorious Ninth Ward. The house in which I lived was twice condemned by the city as unfit for human habitation. And unfit it most certainly was! The woman upstairs died in a drunken stupor on a mass of vermin-filled rags. Another tenant killed a detective and escaped.

As I grew older I became a part of the atmosphere of hatred in my neighborhood. I hated school and was rated subnormal. I hated the police because they were a constant threat to my plans for making money dishonestly. I was arrested three times before finishing grammar school (and should have been thrown in jail 300 times).

My other enemy was the church. I viewed my mother's religion with resentment, believing it was a restriction of my freedom. At the age of 16, I

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notified my family I would never again attend Sunday school.

But Mother was a godly woman and one Sunday about eight months later she said to me, "Harry, I want you to go to church this morning."

"Why should I do that?" I replied. My Sunday mornings were always spent in a gambling joint called Sam's; and that day, against Mother's pleadings, I started for Sam's.

However, some strange attraction drew me in the opposite direction toward the little chapel where Mother worshiped. As I walked toward it I became conscious of a strange tenderness toward the gospel that was preached there. They believed that no matter what a person's past life had been, Christ could change that life if the person would accept Him.

When I opened the door that Sunday morning the pastor was reading from the Bible and afterward he called the congregation to prayer. Since it was the custom to kneel for prayer, I did so.

As I knelt something came over me and I saw a vision. It was a scroll with my picture on it. As the scroll unrolled I saw my life pictured in successive five-year periods. With each picture I saw myself sinking deeper in moral shame. Finally I saw myself as an old man with a defeated, useless life.

This vision was accompanied by a sense of Divine conviction. When I could stand it no longer, I rushed from the building and fought with my conscience.

I thought, "What of my plans to be a boxer?" I had laid careful plans for a boxing career. My connections were already set. What would the future hold if I became a Christian?

These thoughts were in my mind as I ran away from the mission. I kept losing my breath and I had to stop every few minutes to rest. Finally I had to lean against an iron fence to catch my breath. I was in agony—I thought I was going to die!

I wasn't aware at first that God had anything to do with this; I thought it was probably something I had eaten. But finally I realized it was God's Spirit dealing with me, and I promised Him if He would let me live until I got back to the church I would tell the preacher about my past life and give my heart to Christ.

When I accepted Christ as my Saviour a great burden lifted from me. I knew God had forgiven and cleansed me from my sins.

A year later I began attending a Congregational church in Chicago. One day the pastor suggested I consider entering the ministry.

A scholarship from a midwestern college further influenced me in that direction, so I enrolled in school.

I had many battles in those early days of my Christian life. I was subjected to teachings which made me reluctant to partake of the Lord's Supper for fear

this would be going contrary to the Word of God for our age. Sometimes I would leave the communion table sick and weak in body because of the terrific struggle between my beliefs and the new teachings.

I was not grounded in the faith, having known Christ for only two years. I was defenseless in the face of my Bible teacher's confident assertions, and I found myself slipping.

I gave myself to an intensive study of the Scriptures and soon was able to quote entire chapters at will. But in the process I became a one-sided Christian, for in my search for more light and "new" truth I missed God's real program for my life. I became a "Dead Sea" with much coming in and nothing going out.

Later when I became a licensed Congregational minister I determined to stand firmly for the truth of the gospel both in doctrine and conduct, but in a circumspect manner. I began to compromise and slowly drifted into modernism.

There followed ten years of bitter disappointment. I began reading the writings of a brilliant modernist who denied the infallibility of the Scriptures. I sought after books which held out the hope of creating a new social order by applying the principles of Jesus.

I began to realize something had gone out of my life which had been there earlier, but I consoled myself with the thought that I was merely going through a transitional period and soon would harmonize my conservative beliefs with the implications of the social gospel.

While attending seminary in New York I accepted a position as pastor of Sunshine Chapel which was located in a tough section of New York called "Hell's Kitchen." The chapel was an extension of the famed Marble Collegiate Church.

For the first year my modernistic tendencies were restrained by Sunshine Chapel. However, because of my connection with the Marble Church many speaking engagements opened to me and I soon became proud. The spirit of unbelief gripped me more strongly until I could not sleep at night. I began to doubt the existence of God. I quit praying. The battle between my earlier religious training and my doubts raged until I suffered a complete nervous breakdown.

A psychologist advised me to throw my spiritual experience overboard completely. I was forced to give up my church and quit seminary. Old sins came back which I had conquered years before. My body grew weak.

One day in despair I turned my face to the wall, hoping for death. With no place else to turn I cried to God, "Lord, when I was a slum boy You saved me. Now with college and seminary I have lost my experience. Jesus, I go back and take You as Saviour and Lord just as I did then."

The joy I had known years ago came back to my

life, and for several months my spiritual life was rich and wonderful. I resumed my Congregational ministry. However, while keeping faith in Jesus I still tried to hold onto modernism at the same time. This was an impossibility and I soon drifted to the borders of apostasy. A strange darkness settled over me as the demons of false doctrine closed in upon me for the "kill."

It was then I realized I had but one chance left; God would trifle with me no longer. Something in me rose to resist the darkness and I determined to make a clean break with the spirit of unbelief. After much prayer I decided modernism was spiritually bankrupt and I began to reach for the old-time power I had experienced.

Then a group of Pentecostals came to the town where I was pastor and began holding services in a small building about a mile from my church.

I considered them a crowd of religious hoodlums and I tried to get the owner of the building to close their meetings, but he would not cooperate.

I left the owner with a feeling of defeat in my heart. As I walked away I met a woman whom I knew to be a sinner. I had tried without success to reach her with the gospel. Now as I met her she was changed. Her face was lit up with the glory of God and she told me she had been converted at the Pentecostal revival. As we talked together the Spirit of God began working on my heart.

I did not want to see or talk to anyone. Filling my car tank with gas I drove from one country road to another and the more I drove the worse I felt. I was made to see that I had been fighting God and His cause in seeking to close up a Pentecostal meeting. For a while I thought my soul was lost. The heavens seemed brass above me as I prayed.

I could stand it no longer and with clenched fist I struck the steering wheel and cried, "My God, open to me. I'm knocking." Soon I heard a voice say, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if any man will hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and sup with him and he with me."

"Come in, Lord Jesus!" How wonderful was that witness of forgiveness! I apologized to the Pentecostal folks, knelt at the altar and God gloriously baptized me with the Holy Spirit. Soon I was speaking a language I had not learned.

In the following months my family and I experienced physical and financial difficulties, but my new strength in Christ gave me power to endure this test of faith. I am glad I was led to realize there is only one way to attain salvation and that is through the blood of Jesus Christ.

The Bible tells us the way to accept Christ as Saviour is to "confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead." It assures us that "whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved" (Romans 10:9, 13).



Secular or Sacred?

LABOR DAY was originated in 1882 by Peter J. McGuire, a labor leader in New York, to honor "laborers." This term formerly meant *workers*, but now it is used in a narrower sense to designate those who do unskilled physical work.

As a result, we hear the expression "common laborer," which is unfortunate and misleading. Mr. McGuire's namesake once heard a voice from heaven say, "What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common" (Acts 10:15) and honest labor certainly is clean and good in the Lord's sight. The man or woman who does a job well shall be rewarded in heaven—and deserves full honor on earth too.

We prefer the broader meaning which views all workers as laborers. There is work for all. Some of us work with our hands, others with our minds, but everyone has a job to do. Happy is the man who finds the work for which he is suited, and does it.

As Christians we need to be reminded of the sanctity of honest work. Too often we speak of the sacred as distinct from the secular. As Richard C. Halverson (who recently preached in the White House) has pointed out, we should not make this artificial division of the week's activities. "Work is as sacred as worship. What a man does in his office Monday morning is as sacred as what he did in church the day before. What he does any night in the week is as sacred as his meeting with the deacons, or choir rehearsal. If what a man does during the week is not sacred, neither is what he does on Sunday. Christianity is an around-the-clock proposition, seven days a week. Everything is sacred—or nothing is."

Let us stop thinking of some work as secular and other work as "spiritual." It is not the nature of the work, but the way we do it, that makes it spiritual.

If you are an employee, you can win the favor of God and man by following the Scriptures. The Bible specifically forbids a Christian employee to be a troublemaker, a faultfinder, one who is habitually discontented, disobedient to his employer, disrespectful, lazy, careless. It directs an employee to be honest, industrious, serving the interests of the business as if it were his own.

On the other hand, the Scriptures have much to say to management also. The Bible clearly states that employers must be fair and considerate, not threatening the employees, not holding back their wages, but treating each worker the way they themselves would like to be treated if the situation were reversed.

From the dawn of time, the Word of God shows labor to be honorable, profitable, and desirable. "In all labor there is profit," the wise man said (Proverbs 14:23). Labor strengthens the body, sharpens the mind, and disciplines the spirit. Thank God every morning when you get up that you have something to do that day which needs to be done. Do it, whether you like it or not, and do it to the best of your ability. When you are through you will be a better, happier person, and you will go to bed at night knowing you have not lived in vain.

There is no better text for Labor Day than Colossians 3:23, 24—
"Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men: knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ."
—*r.c.c.*

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A REVIVAL IN A POLICE STATION

By GEORGE T. B. DAVIS

I WAS ON THE STAFF of a religious paper published in Chicago. (Those were the days when R. A. Torrey and Charles Alexander were having great revival campaigns in England, Australia, and other lands.)

When Mr. Alexander visited Chicago, I interviewed him, and sent the interview to a number of religious papers. He was delighted with this method of sending the same story to various papers, and he suggested that I go to Great Britain and write up the Torrey and Alexander mission meetings for the press. I was not slow in accepting his offer.

I supposed, of course, that my chief business would be to describe the meetings for the press, but I soon found that I was mistaken. The second or third night I was standing around looking for some striking incident to write up, when Mr. Alexander called me to the platform and said, "Davis, the sermon is over. Take your Bible and go down there and lead someone to Jesus Christ."

It was very hard for me to go right up to strangers and say, "Are you a Christian? Are you saved?" I had not the courage to begin with men—I just spoke to boys. But as first one boy and then another said, "Yes, I will take Christ as my Saviour," it just thrilled me through with holy joy. I said, "If it brings this wonderful joy to do personal evangelism in the meetings, God helping me I will do it on the streets, on railway trains, and everywhere." I found that my *chief* business each day was winning souls.

I began the habit of carrying Gospels and Testaments with me to give to those who would read them. I found that when a man told me he would read the Scripture, it was the most natural thing in the world to say to him, "That's a splendid thing to do; but did you ever accept the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour?"

While in Birmingham, England, I met a big policeman. Something said to me, "Speak to him about his soul,"

but I was a little afraid. I began talking to him first about the weather, and then about politics, but presently I got up courage to talk about the Lord. It was not long before I saw a tear glistening in his eye.

I thought, "This man is interested in the gospel." I pulled out a pocket Testament and said, "Constable, I will give you this Book if you will do two things—carry it with you, and read one or more chapters daily." He agreed to this, and signed his name in the little Book.

About a month later I saw this same policeman in Mr. Alexander's meeting. When the invitation was given—"Who will accept Christ? Stand up"—the policeman was the first to respond. He marched up to the front with the others and I heard his voice ring out as clearly as could be, "I accept Jesus as my Saviour, my Lord, and my King."

Seeing he was such a big, fine-looking man, Mr. Alexander said, "Brother, I don't usually ask this, but I would just like to know, if you don't mind telling us, what it was that led you to Christ."

The policeman held up the Testament and replied, "It was this little Book given me a month ago."

That was a fresh revelation to me of the power of God's Word. I said, "If one little Testament will lead one big policeman to Jesus Christ, I will give one to every policeman in the station."

There were about 17 men in that police station, and practically all of them agreed to read and carry a Testament. I met them day after day and asked them how far they had read, and how they were getting on. In five months, eight of the policemen confessed Christ, and five of them joined the church at one time.

It was a real revival in a police station. It was not my work—it was God's Word.

—*Adventures in Soul Winning*



LIVING AS ORPHANS

By **DON MALLOWH** / *Pastor, Bethel Assembly, Fremont, California*

SEVERAL YEARS AGO a pastor friend of mine was contemplating a three-week trip. He wanted his wife to accompany him, but they had children, and it was not the type of trip the children would enjoy.

In their search for a solution to the problem they hit upon an unusual idea. They knew the superintendent of an orphanage so they made arrangements for Betty and Billie to stay there for three weeks.

The kiddies were excited over the prospect of having so many playmates and looked forward to this new experience. The parents were at ease knowing the children would have adequate supervision and care.

For those three weeks Betty and Billie lived as if they were orphans. They had a brief taste of what the other children there experienced continually. It was a happy time in many ways, but still they lacked something very important. They did not have a parent's tender pity and sympathy. They lacked a parent's firsthand knowledge of their needs. They were without a parent's distinctive care. They lacked a parent's special discipline. They did not receive a parent's personal love. Betty and Billie missed these blessings while they were living as orphans.

We Christians are not orphans for we have a Heavenly Father. His relationship to us can be compared with that of an earthly father, but is far in excess of it.

The concept of God as a father was unknown in Old Testament times. The revelation of that aspect of His being came through Jesus Christ. He continually referred to His Father, spoke of His fatherly attributes, and when teaching His disciples to pray suggested that the salutation be "Our Father." He emphasized that our relation-

ship to God is likened to that of an earthly father to his son. If we have such a Father, then surely we are not orphans.

When Jesus anticipated the time of His departure, He said to the disciples, "I will not leave you comfortless" (John 14:18). The Amplified New Testament expresses it in this way, "I will not leave you orphans, comfortless, desolate, bereaved, forlorn, helpless." He had to leave, but the Holy Spirit, representing the Godhead, would come and be with them and in them. They would not be left alone and without parental care. At no time are we left as orphans.

We are not orphans and yet we often live as if we were. Betty and Billie lived as orphans for three weeks. We do so for longer periods and for no apparent reason. We do so of our own volition and betray the fact by our actions. We talk about His being alive and yet we live as though He were not.

There are many orphans all around us who have no Heavenly Father. They have no one to go to in time of trouble. They are on their own. Isn't it strange that we who have such a Father should try to handle our own problems when He is waiting and longing to help us? Our problem is not that we have no Heavenly Father but that we live and act as if we had none.

In our times of difficulty and trouble do we exercise self-pity and become disgruntled because no one is interested or concerned? Is it that we have no one to sympathize or understand? What about the assurance from the Scriptures: "Like as a father pitieth his children, so the Lord pitieth them that fear him"? (Psalm 103:13).

Do we assume that no one understands or is concerned about our needs? If we do, then we have overlooked Jesus' words, "For your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things" (Matthew 6:32).

Do we assume in some way that we lack a father's gracious care? Perhaps we should be reminded of a profound truth to which we have long given mental assent: "Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?" (Matthew 6:26).

Do we blame our wanderings and waywardness on the fact that we are weak and lack a father's good discipline? Surely we have forgotten Him who is concerned enough to discipline us. "For whom the Lord loveth he correcteth; even as a father the son in whom he delighteth" (Proverbs 3:12). "For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth" (Hebrews 12:6).

In the wildest flight of our reasoning can we suppose we lack a father's tender love and can we say that has contributed to our delinquency? "God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Romans 5:8). Can He who loved us so much while we were sinners love us less now? Surely there is no need for our living as orphans nor any reason to justify our doing so.

There came a day when a familiar car drove into the orphanage grounds and Betty and Billie rushed out to embrace their parents. They appreciated their father and mother more than ever. Now they would have all the benefits of a normal childhood, some of which they had lacked during those three weeks. They would go to a home of their own, and all its blessings would be continually theirs.

There will also come a day when we shall go to our Father's house and there dwell with Him forever. The words that have comforted countless thousands in time of sorrow provide our strength: "In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also" (John 14:2, 3). We have a Heavenly Father and all the benefits of that glorious truth and relationship are ours, including the sharing of both His home and His eternal riches.

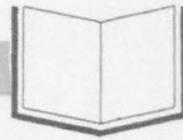
God will never disown or disinherit us. If estrangement comes it will not be His doing; it will be the result of our own laxity, indifference, and forgetfulness. There are so many around us who are orphans that we sometimes take on their desperate and frantic ways. Because they have no Heavenly Father, we forget that we have one.

An unknown poet has succinctly summed up the truth in just a few words:

Said the robin to the sparrow,
"I should really like to know,
Why these anxious human beings
Rush about and worry so?"

Said the sparrow to the robin,
"Friend, I think that it must be
That they have no Heavenly Father
Such as cares for you and me."

We are not orphans!

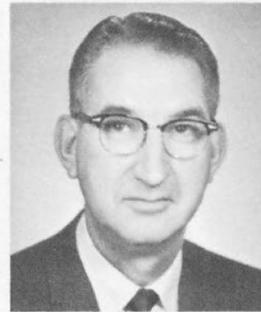


JOHN 3:16 — A FOUNDATION FOR LIFE

By ELLWOOD J. MOHRMAN

AS I TRY TO SELECT A FAVORITE SCRIPTURE, many come to my mind.

"And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up" (James 5:15). I have experienced healing many times and was raised from a deathbed in answer to prayer. This has been a wonderful scripture to stand on.



"Ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost" (Acts 2:38). The gift of the Holy Spirit is a vital, living experience which continues from day

to day. The Holy Spirit is necessary for us to live a victorious Christian life in our troubled times.

"But my God shall supply all your need . . ." (Philippians 4:19). How can I deny that God has supplied all my needs and provided bountiful blessings including a faithful Christian wife, Christian children, a spiritual church home, health, and a business opportunity for Christian service. Who could name all the blessings God daily supplies?

But as wonderful as these scriptures are, I've come to realize that the old familiar "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16), is the cornerstone and foundation for my entire life.

I was taught in my early life that church membership was all I needed to get to heaven. It took the Word of God to correct this belief and to reveal to me that I was lost.

Divine love ordained that I should inherit everlasting life, but I had to repent and believe. Now this eternal life is mine to possess and mine to share with others. What a wonderful God! What a wonderful Saviour!

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ONLY TEMPORARY

AFTER A CHRISTIAN DOCTOR DIED, his wife kept on his office door a sign he had used before when he was out of the office: "Gone for a little while; will be back soon."

The Bible says that those who are dead in Christ will come back with Him when He returns (1 Thessalonians 4:14). What a glorious, comforting hope!



Pictured is the school building Evangel Assembly purchased and used for several years as a church. They have now sold it and broken ground for a new building. Jack Morris (standing in foreground) is pastor.

LAYWORKERS OPEN A NEW CHURCH

This is the heartwarming story of what can be done when concerned Christians join hands to extend the Kingdom.

LAY MEMBERS OF SEVERAL Assemblies of God churches in Washington, D.C., became concerned about the growing new suburban community of Forestville, Md., which had no full-gospel witness. They began having prayer meetings in their homes. These dedicated Christians felt God wanted to use them to evangelize their own community.

From this small beginning several years ago, the atten-

dance began to grow until it was evident the group needed larger accommodations. So "the church in a house" moved to the local community hall; later, they worshiped in a large room over a furniture store. For one summer they conducted services in a tent erected on a large vacant lot.

After some time, they had accumulated enough money for a down payment on an old building that had formerly been the old Forestville elementary school. Although the building needed repairs, the small nucleus of about 20 men, women, and children soon had refurbished the old building and incorporated under the name of Evangel Assembly.

After a nucleus congregation had been formed, a young minister, Robert Abernathy—an exhorter and member of Bethel Tabernacle in Washington—began serving the church as pastor. Roy Reedy, the second pastor, brought the church into affiliation with the Potomac District Council as a dependent assembly. George Leroy became the third pastor, and under his leadership the mortgage on the old building was liquidated. About a year and a half ago Jack Morris was elected pastor.

Evangel is a rapidly growing church. Last year the

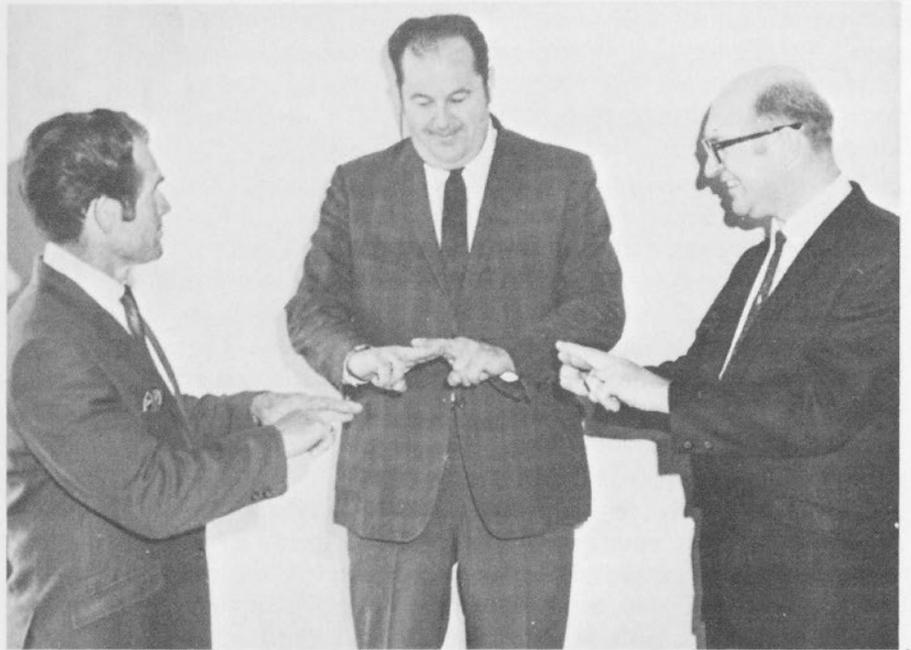


ASSEMBLIES OF GOD
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*Every Christian
should be involved
in New Church
Evangelism.*

Leo Brotzman (left), minister to the deaf in the Northfield Assembly of God in Gering, Nebr., and Harry Brotzman Jr. (right), national coordinator of the deaf and blind ministries, teach Paul Hebbert, pastor of Northfield Assembly, some signs of the manual communication system for the deaf.

HOW GOD LED A CONSTRUCTION SUPERINTENDENT INTO DEAF MINISTRY



By LEO BROTZMAN / Mitchell, Nebraska

FOLLOWING A SONG presented in the sign language by Harry and Joyce Brotzman, there was not a dry eye in the church. My wife and I were seated in Northfield Assembly, Gering, Nebr. (formerly the Neighborhood Church, Scottsbluff), the church we attended. I shall never forget the song, "I bowed on my knees and cried holy," for God spoke to me through it.

Next, Brother Brotzman, my nephew, presented the need for workers to the deaf. (I was already interested in deaf ministry through knowledge of his work as coordinator of the deaf and blind ministries of the National Home Missions Department.)

Soon a sign language class was started in our church. We attended for several weeks as a family. Our two girls, Loretta and Lenora, had been interested in the wonder of sign language for some time, for one day while we were again praying for direction, we had a very unusual experience. We realized the Lord must be speaking to us. He seemed to be saying, "You have found your direction."

After the Lord filled us with the Holy Spirit several years before, He revealed to us that to serve Him ac-

ceptably means more than just attending services regularly, although this is important. A Spirit-filled Christian must seek opportunities for service. This knowledge led us to a deeper walk.

Soon we felt the Lord was leading us to leave California where we had lived most of our married lives. We prayed much about this move and felt the Lord was directing us to Nebraska.

In August 1966 we left California confident we were going where God would use us. We still did not know just how or where we would serve, but we knew He would supply our need.

In a little restaurant in Utah, on our way to Nebraska, the Lord showed me the face of a man. This face was so real I could describe it very clearly to my wife. I said, "When I see this man, I must pray for him no matter where he is."

My wife asked, "Would you be willing *no matter where?*"

"Yes," I answered. "I must pray for him, for he is wearing a hearing aid."

Almost 18 months passed, and we still had not seen this man.

One day my wife asked me, "Do you suppose the Lord

Leo Brotzman teaches the deaf Sunday school class in Northfield Assembly in Gering, Nebr.



Deaf members of Northfield Assembly with Brother Brotzman.





Pastor Paul Hebbert (right) and Leo Brotzman welcome a deaf couple who were recently converted at the church.

was showing us our future work and not necessarily a man?"

I responded, "If so, I am willing to go." From this point, we began to pray, "Lord, help us learn the sign language quickly, not for our own selfish reasons, but so we can soon use it for Your glory."

So we began to study just to be ready in the event we were needed to help in deaf ministry. And soon the Lord opened the door for us to work with the deaf here in western Nebraska in Northfield Assembly.

LAYWORKERS OBEY GOD'S CALL TO BEGIN A DEAF WORK

By MRS. H. L. MYERS / Muskogee, Oklahoma

WHILE I WAS IN A SERVICE at the Oklahoma Deaf Camp three years ago, my heart was deeply stirred as I watched the interpreter conveying the message through the sign language. Many deaf were there, and I began to pray silently they would understand and respond to the message. Then God began to deal with my own heart about learning the deaf language.

Rosellen Miller, who was interpreting a Sunday school class in Muskogee in another denomination, gave me 12 lessons. After each one I in turn would teach it to two other people. My husband also learned the alphabet and a few signs.

When my husband and I had had only five lessons and still knew little about deaf people, God began to help us. We attended a deaf convention in Springfield, Mo., and had wonderful fellowship. We kept our eyes and ears open to learn. A young lady, Alice Murray from Central Bible College, accompanied us to the convention.

We arrived home from Springfield bubbling over with enthusiasm to do something for the deaf. With incomplete ability and much enthusiasm Roberta Reeder and I attempted to teach the entire VBS course in June. We

We are happy in our ministry knowing we are in God's perfect will. I work as a construction superintendent during the week and serve as interpreter for the deaf congregation. I hope to enter full-time deaf ministry later.

The Gering church is the only Assemblies of God church in Nebraska which has ministry to the deaf as part of its schedule. They began the program about a year ago, and now 10 deaf persons attend the worship services. The church holds sign language classes for the deaf and others who are interested at 8:30 p.m. Wednesday evenings following an earlier Bible study for the deaf. Sunday school for the deaf and morning worship services are also conducted.

Besides helping the deaf in church, an interpreter is likely to become involved with the deaf in other ways. I have been able to help two deaf persons get jobs as custodians at Hiram Scott College in Scottsbluff.

Do you know someone who is deaf? Maybe God can use you in this area of service, just as He spoke to our hearts. Jesus Christ gave His life that *all* may come to know Him, but how can the deaf know Him unless someone brings them the Word of God? The Word presented in the language of signs by a concerned lay worker or a minister to the deaf—maybe you—will reach their hearts.

There are a number of states without a full-gospel witness to the deaf, as well as a number of deaf congregations without ministers. Pray with us that God will burden the hearts of more Christians to learn the sign language and work among the deaf. 

taught children and adults the alphabet, two choruses, and a short prayer in the sign language. God helped us plant the seed in our church, and in His perfect time we knew He would cause it to grow.

Of course, there were discouraging times in the two years that followed; but Brother and Sister Elmo Pierce, missionaries to the deaf in Oklahoma City, encouraged us to continue visiting the deaf.

Rosellen Miller continued to work with the deaf in the other church as interpreter until recently. She is now a member of our church, Central Assembly, where Conrad Barrett is pastor.

God had called Alice Murray to the deaf work. I have known her since she was a small girl, and her consecration to God all these years has been outstanding.

We awaited the time when Alice would be home from CBC on summer vacation. It was God's perfect time to start a deaf work in our church.

Alice taught sign language classes twice a week and interpreted the services. This summer we had 11 deaf in our services, two of whom were saved, and one received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

The two who were saved, Gary Hull and Wayne Christie, are now in Springfield attending CBC—School for the Deaf.

Central Assembly seemed to take on new life, and now so many are interested in the deaf. Our assistant pastor, Mickey Norwood, is learning the sign language so that in time he will be another minister to the deaf.

At the present time there are only five deaf couples and one single deaf girl here. Most of these are non-Assemblies people; so pray they will be receptive to the full gospel.

YOUR QUESTIONS

ANSWERED BY ERNEST S. WILLIAMS



Please explain 1 Corinthians 5:5: "To deliver such a one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus."

I think a reasonable answer is that Paul advised the church at Corinth to turn out of the church this offending fornicator whose conduct was a scandal in their midst (1 Corinthians 5:1, 2). If they would do this, they would have Paul's full sympathy and cooperation. The hope was that the suffering this would entail might be a means of bringing the man to repentance and restoration. It would be in harmony with Matthew 18:18.

What constitutes a generation?

Your grandmother represents a generation; your mother, a second generation; you are of the third generation.

In the Bible the term *generation* is used also concerning a people. When Jesus said, "This generation shall not pass till all these things be fulfilled" (Matthew 24:34), it is possible He meant the Jewish people would not pass away.

Christians are spoken of as "a chosen generation" (1 Peter 2:9), meaning an elect race.

What is the difference between devils and demons? Are they all the same kind of spirits?

In most places where the term *devil* or *devils* appears in the *Authorized Version*, the term *demon* or *demons* would be better. There is one devil, Satan. Demons are the evil spirits who do his will. In the realm of evil spirits there are many degrees: principalities, powers, and the rulers of the darkness of this world (Ephesians 6:12).

While we know there are demons, we would not magnify them as some men have done. We look to Jesus who overcame principalities and powers; we trust His grace to keep us free from subjection to demon power.

Do you believe any were born again before Jesus made the Atonement?

The new birth is the imparting of divine life to him who believes. Jesus expressed surprise that Nicodemus did not understand this and said, "Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?" (John 3:10).

The disciples whom Jesus sent forth were to rejoice, not because the demons were subject to them, but because their names were written in heaven (Luke 10:20).

We may not know all the differences there might have been between an Old Testament believer and a New Testament believer. But notice the following: "Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity" (Psalm 32:2). "Who forgiveth all thine iniquities; . . . Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; . . . Who satisfieth thy mouth with good things" (Psalm 103:3-5). It is hard to understand these as anything short of personal acquaintance with God.

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.



The commanding general of Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Major General Charles P. Brown (left), presents Radio Speaker C. M. Ward with a desk pen set on which is mounted a miniature cannon. The "Revivaltime" Evangelist was guest speaker at a prayer breakfast for more than 230 first sergeants.

PRAYER TIME FOR SERGEANTS

By Chaplain (Major) DUIE R. JERNIGAN

IT IS RATHER COMMON for first sergeants to get together, especially if problems have cropped up in their units that need ironing out, or if the "old man" has put out some orders that need special attention in being implemented. But at Fort Sill recently, first sergeants were gathered together for an entirely different purpose.

The sight was something to behold. Through the doors of the Fort Sill Noncommissioned Officers' Open Mess and into the banquet hall came the sergeants—more than 230 of them. But they were not *just* sergeants—they were all first sergeants. They had gathered for an early morning prayer breakfast!

Major General Charles P. Brown, Fort Sill's commanding general, had personally invited these men to join him

in a prayer breakfast in their honor. As the guest speaker for this occasion, he had invited *Revivaltime* Evangelist C. M. Ward.

One could not help but be moved as these leaders of men stood and blended their voices in the strains of "Sweet Hour of Prayer" and by the intense interest with which they listened and responded to the radio speaker's message. It was evident that God had sent Brother Ward to this place at this time and that the Lord was smiling on this occasion.

Among those gathered were several sergeants who had not been to a religious meeting since early childhood. The response of these and others was tremendous. Only God will know the things that were accomplished in their hearts and lives.

As a direct result, more than 100 of these men in-

dicated that they wanted to become part of a regular noncommissioned officers' prayer breakfast study group. I was most grateful for this response and at the same time I became fully aware of the great responsibility it presented.

At the conclusion of the Prayer Breakfast, General Brown honored the *Revivaltime* speaker by presenting him with a desk pen set on which was mounted a miniature cannon. The inscription on the mount indicated that this year, 1969, is Fort Sill's 100th birthday.

Brother Ward's significant visit to Fort Sill underscored the feeling so many of us have that the Spirit of God is at work among our men in uniform. It is vital that Christians everywhere pray for all of these men that God will give them the wisdom and knowledge they need to make right decisions.



3,000,000 WITNESSES

THREE MILLION *Revivaltime* "miniatures" have been used in witnessing in the past five years, according to Lee Shultz, national secretary of radio.

"These testimonies of the faith of well-known Americans seem to be just what concerned Christians want to use in reaching unsaved friends with an effective and relevant gospel witness," the *Revivaltime* narrator commented.

The present series was launched in the summer of 1965 with *What Happened to J. C. Penney*, the 2½" by 3½" booklet that tells the salvation and healing testimony of the famous department store executive. More than half a million copies have been mailed in response to requests from churches and individual Christians for use in personal witnessing.

The Farther We Probe into Space the Greater My Faith, testimony of renowned rocket scientist Wernher von Braun, was printed in 1966. Its circulation is almost equal to the J. C. Penney booklet.

In 1967 the testimony of Wallace E. Johnson, president of Holiday Inns, Inc., was published in the popular miniature format. Some 200,000 copies of *Nation's Top Innkeeper Serves Christ* were distributed.

Enthusiasm ran high last year when *Colonel Sanders Begins a New Life* was introduced. The printers were hard put to keep up with the demand for this full-color booklet in which radio evangelist C. M. Ward vividly describes the conversion to know-so salvation experienced at age 75 by the man famous for his "finger-lickin' good" Kentucky fried chicken. More than one million copies have been distributed, and requests for additional quantities still arrive in every mail at *Revivaltime*.

This summer's publication about the personal faith of astronaut Frank Borman, "*In the Beginning God*," seemed to blast into orbit as the first printing of 200,000 copies was exhausted within a few weeks. An additional one-half million copies have been printed so that all requests can be promptly filled.

All of the testimonies in this series about the personal faith of well-known men are written by *Revivaltime* Speaker C. M. Ward. Space is provided for a church ad-

dress or other information to be stamped on the back cover.

Revivaltime is pleased at the wide acceptance these "miniatures" have received. Scores of letters from Christians tell how readily the unsaved accept these colorful little books. Many who write say that they did not realize how easy witnessing could be until they started carrying a few "miniatures" in pocket or purse.

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A Donkey's Folly

IT WAS A BRIGHT SPRING DAY in the year 29. Jerusalem was busy preparing for the Passover. The city was crowded with pilgrims seeking accommodations, and overflowing to the nearby villages.

Crowds gathered in the streets. Excitement grew as word spread that Jesus was on His way to the city. News of the miracles that Jesus of Nazareth had performed had spread throughout the land and now the multitude went out to meet Him.

Just outside Jerusalem lay Bethphage. It marked a crossroads and it was here that Jesus sent two of His disciples into the village to bring Him the donkey they would find tied and waiting.

They found it just as Jesus had told them, and returned with the young donkey that had never before carried a man. Hidden in the story of this little donkey is a lesson for each of us.

Suppose that little donkey could have expressed his feeling to the many other donkeys on the road that day. As it walked on the palm branches, heard the voices singing, and caught the excitement of the people, could not its young head have been turned?

Looking around at the other donkeys trudging along with their burdens, it might have brayed, "Look at me. See the branches waved before me? Hear the singing of the people? Out of all the donkeys, I was chosen for this place of honor. Surely I must be someone special."

And, bursting with importance, the elated little colt would have stopped before the temple gate where the Master dismounted.

But suddenly everything changed. Quickly the crowd scattered and the streets were silent. There was nothing to interest the people once Jesus had entered the temple!

How could one of the nearby donkeys resist braying to the small colt standing alone, "Why are you waiting all alone? Where have the admiring throngs gone? Why have the songs stopped and the branches ceased to wave?"

What could the little donkey do but admit his folly! "What a foolish beast I was. I had the privilege of being used by the Master and I took glory for myself that belongs only to the Lord. I was only a means of conveyance."

Let none of us as Christians be guilty of this kind of

folly. There is no gift, no talent, no ability within a child of God that is to be used for the praise of men or for self-glory. The amazing thing is that Christ has need of us, that He wants to use us.

There can be no room in the Christian's heart for pride or vying for prestige or position. Whatever place Christ gives us in serving Him, whether great or small, the secret lies in remembering that we are only His means of conveyance. 

Book Compiled by Louis H. Hauff

PREPARATION FOR PREACHING

MINISTERS LOOKING FOR HELP in the art of sermon preparation will find it in a book compiled by Louis H. Hauff, pastor of First Assembly in San Bernardino, California.

Having been District Superintendent in Arizona and serving on credential committees in Arizona and Southern California for 23 years, in addition to many years of pastoring, Brother Hauff felt the need for a book like this. He wrote to a number of our best-known preachers and invited their contributions. He asked them to tell how they collect sermon material, how they file it, and how they prepare sermons. He also asked for an original sermon from each.

The result is a unique and valuable book of 97 pages with such chapter headings as, "Imaginative Creative Preaching," "The Message for the Hour," "One Man's Methods," "Sermon Preparation," "Building the Sermon," and "Preparation for Preaching."

Contributing authors are: C. M. Ward, Chas. W. H. Scott, Leland R. Keys, Obie L. Harrup Sr., O. Cope Budge, G. Raymond Carlson, and Dwight H. McLaughlin. The final chapter is by Brother Hauff.

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WHAT IF I SAY—

What if I say—

“The Bible is God’s Holy Word,
Complete, inspired, without a flaw”—

But let its pages stay
Unread from day to day,
And fail to learn therefrom God’s law?

What if I go not there to seek
The truth, of which I glibly speak,
For guidance on this earthly way—
Does it matter what I say?

What if I say—

That Jesus Christ is Lord divine;
Yet fellow pilgrims can behold
Naught of the Master’s love in me,
No grace of kindly sympathy?
If I am of the Shepherd’s fold,
Then shall I know the Shepherd’s voice
And gladly make His will my choice.
We are saved by faith, yet faith is one
With life, like daylight and the sun.
Unless they flower in our deeds,
Dead, empty husks are all the creeds.
To call Christ, “Lord,” but strive not to obey,
Belies the homage that with words I pay.

—MAUD JACKSON in *Good Tidings*

LIFETIME

THERE IS AN ORIGINALLY WORDED tombstone in Lydford churchyard in Devon, England. It is inscribed:

“Here lies in horizontal position the outside case of George Routledge, watchmaker. Integrity was the mainspring and prudence the regulator of all the actions of his life. So nicely regulated were all his movements that he never went wrong, except when set a-going by people who did not know his key. Even then he was easily set right again. He had the art of disposing his time so well that his hours glided away in one continuous round of pleasure and delight, till an unlucky minute put a period to his existence. He departed this life November 14, 1802, aged 57. Wound up in hopes of being taken in hand by his Maker, and being cleaned, repaired, and set a-going in the world to come.”

—*World Christian Digest*

DON'T CARRY YOUR GRUDGES

AN OLD LEGEND tells of a man who was most bitter about the burdens he carried through life. He complained that it was most unfair for life to afflict him with more troubles than he could bear. And he cursed with envy those whose lives seemed so much easier than his own.

One night, although exhausted, he slept only fitfully because of the bitterness of his despair. He dreamed that he was struggling alone through a dark forest with all the burdens of his life carried in a huge sack on his back. He stumbled and fell and could not get out from under his burden.

An old man found him there and pulled his bag of burdens off him and helped him sit up to rest. The

stranger then asked why he insisted upon carrying a bigger load than he could handle.

The bitter one declared he had no choice; it was life’s fault. The old man shook his head. He emptied the bag of burdens and out tumbled two piles—one made up of troubles, the other made up of grudges.

“Life,” said the old man, “gives us all troubles. Some have one kind, some have another kind. Even when one trouble vanishes, another seems to take its place. You have to live with your troubles. Put them back in your bag and see if you cannot carry the burden.”

The bitter one did as he was told and he found that his bag of burdens, even though heavy, was much lighter than before.

“Now,” said the old man, pointing to the pile of grudges still lying where they had fallen, “you may add as many grudges as you care to carry, but my advice is to leave them all behind. Life may give us our troubles, but we alone are responsible for our grudges.”

—*Nuggets*

WHERE CAN I FIND HIM?

I HAVE SEEN MEN FIND HIM where the shepherds did—in the barn; where Paul did—on a journey; where Mary of Magdala did—in the garden; where the jailer did—in prison.

I have seen men find Him on the seas, in the forests, down in the mines, and in the most evil places.

I saw a man find Him on his knees in a tavern, with his head on the bar over which he had bartered all his life’s happiness.

There is no spot on earth where Christ will not come to meet us if we will only seek Him with a heart that so thirsts it will go to any length to find Him.

It is not *where*; it is *how* we seek. If there is any particular place where we lose Him, there we must go to find Him.

That is why Mary went to the grave. He was not there, but it was there she had lost Him; and so she went back with breaking heart to look for Him—and found Him.

If you know on what part of the journey you lost Him, for what sin you sacrificed Him, it is there you must seek Him, and there you will find Him.

—EVANGELINE BOOTH

FOR MANY PARENTS

*Christ saw her weeping for her son,
The widow who had no other.
At once the healing work was done;
“He delivered him to his mother.”*

*Christ heard him pleading for his son
In hope—in longing, rather.
At once the healing work was done;
“He delivered him to his father.”*

*Oh, you with children lost a while,
Some morning, fresh and new,
Our Lord will, with His tenderest smile,
Deliver them to you.*

—JANE MERCHANT in *This Day*
(Luke 7:15; 10:45)

1969 SCHOOL OF MISSIONS:

WORLDWIDE REVIVAL IN EMBRYO

By DELMER GUYNES

Missionary Personnel Secretary, Foreign Missions Department

IT IS HARD TO IMAGINE a more unusual gathering than that of the 1969 School of Missions, held June 9-20 on the campus of Central Bible College in Springfield, Missouri.

Sixty-two missionaries to Africa, 31 to Eurasia, 71 to Latin America, and 31 to the Far East met for two weeks of intensive orientation, instruction, spiritual ministry, and fellowship. Among these were 72 newly approved candidates for appointment. Twenty-three district representatives also attended.

Some missionaries had just come from such troubled spots in the world as Malaysia, Peru, Nigeria, and the Middle East. Others were on the eve

of departure to these troubled spots and other areas of desperate human need.

The nature of the gathering, the school's focus on world evangelization, and the deep spiritual commitment of those present provided the setting for the dynamic moving of the Holy Spirit that was so evident throughout the more than 85 class sessions.

The School of Missions has a multi-featured objective. It is a missions-orientation period for newly approved candidates, a training and refresher program for furloughed missionaries, a common meeting place for administrative and field ministries, and a "brain-picking" session whereby suc-

cessful ministries and programs are reviewed.

It is designed to give missionary personnel the opportunity to discuss individual and field needs openly or in private conferences. Men of high ministerial caliber and wide missionary experience are brought to the school to provide a strong Biblical emphasis and significant missions information that will challenge and broaden missionary burden and vision. Beyond these factors, there is the all-consuming purpose of spiritual renewal and endowment, without which missionary work becomes tedious and unprofitable.

Each facet of this purpose was ministered to in a unique way this year. Such gifted men as G. Raymond Carlson, president of North Central Bible College; Ronald Cottle, president-designate of Southern California College; Philip Crouch, president of Central Bible College; Noel Perkin, dean emeritus of the School of Missions and former Foreign Missions secretary; Edgar Pettenger, retired missionary to South Africa; George Peters, professor of world missions, Dallas Theological Seminary; Hardy Steinberg, national Education secretary; Clyde Taylor, executive secretary, National Association of Evangelicals; and General Superintendent T. F. Zimmerman provided a variety of spiritual stimuli that drew wholehearted response from the school's participants.

Foreign Missions Department personnel and missionaries with outstanding field ministries provided the basics in orientational, academic, and problem-centered activities. An unusual variety of high-quality musical talent



LEFT: Times of spontaneous praise to God characterized the 1969 School of Missions.

BELOW: J. Philip Hogan was dean of the recent school.



provided by missionaries and candidates was a constant source of inspiration.

Highlighting the entire school was the dedication-of-candidates service conducted in the Assemblies of God headquarters auditorium on the final afternoon of activities. Seventy-two newly approved candidates were called out individually to be presented to the immediate congregation and entire Assemblies of God constituency for commitment to foreign missions work.

There was a sacred and deeply emotional atmosphere as General Council executives, foreign missions administrators, and local pastors laid hands on these dedicated lives to separate them for the work whereunto they are called.

A halo of divine glory seemed to settle down over the scene as single ladies as well as couples, many with young families, lifted their eyes to an

unknown future in the whitened harvest fields of a trouble-filled world.

The farewell banquet on Friday evening, attended by some 300 persons, provided an opportunity for close and informal fellowship so characteristic of missionary gatherings around the world. The Holy Spirit in His own gracious way climaxed the evening with deeply stirring manifestations of His powerful presence.

The theme for the 1969 School of Missions was the simple acknowledgment: "Oh, Holy Ghost, *Revival Comes from Thee.*"

Without a great deal of human pressure the spiritual tide soon rose to a high level. This lofty spiritual tone never lagged, and from this plateau of spiritual blessing there emerged a variety of mountain peaks of spiritual experience.

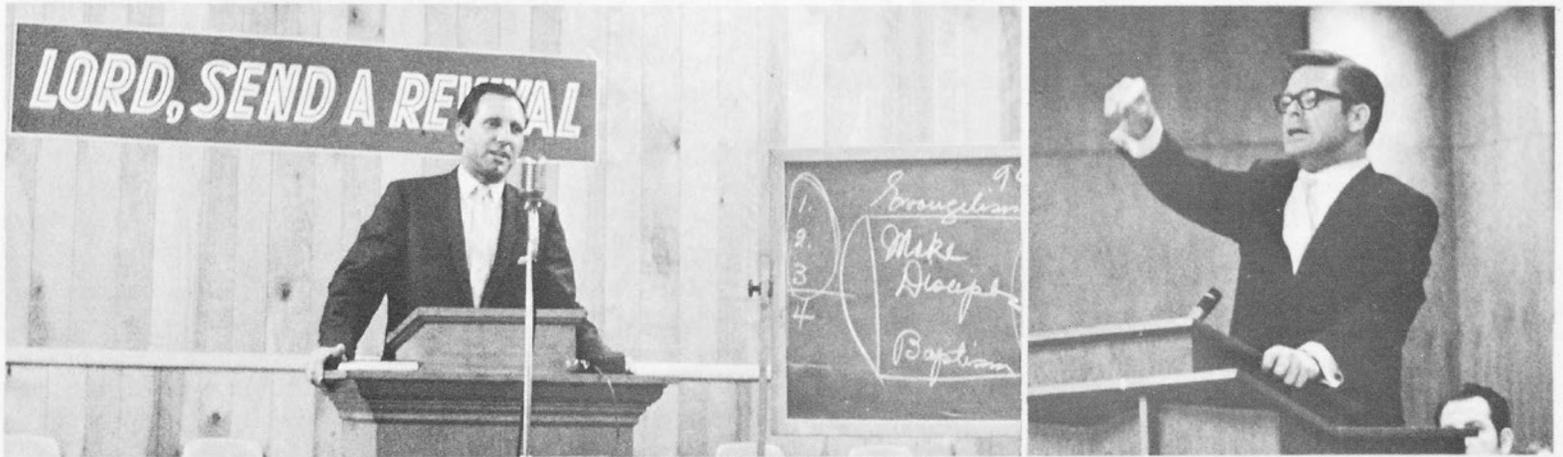
One night the class session moved on into the late hours in a spontaneous

moving of the Spirit that brought veteran missionaries and new candidates alike into the "Holy of Holies." At every juncture God evidenced His blessed presence and gave to the entire scope of activities a marvelous congruity and unity.

The potential for worldwide revival was witnessed in embryo. May this simple yet positive awareness of true revival intensify until every nation shall feel the same spiritual impact as was experienced in the 11th annual School of Missions.



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ABOVE: Delmer Guynes coordinated and led the school to experience its theme, "Lord, Send a Revival." ABOVE RIGHT: Ronald Cottle, pastor of the nation's top foreign missions giving church, ministers at the school. RIGHT: The dedication of candidates highlighted the closing day. BELOW: Attendants at the sessions received a compact view of missions.



FAITHFULNESS

Sunday School Lesson for September 7, 1969

By J. BASHFORD BISHOP

2 TIMOTHY 2:1-15

PAUL WAS IN PRISON for the third and last time. He seems to have had a premonition that death was near, but he was buoyant in spirit, full of Christian optimism, and thinking of the future.

It was vitally important that there should be men to faithfully proclaim the gospel Paul had preached after he departed from the scene. Therefore he wrote to Timothy, whom he dearly loved, his last earthly letter, encouraging Timothy to carry on the work that he must leave behind.

In his letter, Paul gave a sixfold picture of the kind of life Timothy was to live.

A Strong Son (v. 1). "Thou therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus." When Timothy was young Paul had won him to Christ. He had watched Timothy grow, develop, and enter the ministry

as his companion. Now Paul exhorted him to "be strong," that is, "to be strengthened"—to receive the strength only Christ can give, that power which depends on the grace (unmerited favor) of the Lord Jesus.

The Faithful Teacher (v. 2). "The things that thou hast heard . . . commit." Timothy was thoroughly familiar with Paul's doctrine. After Paul's death it would be his responsibility to seek out "faithful men"—for the gospel could not be entrusted to the unreliable—who would teach others. Having been a teacher, Paul knew well the importance of perpetuating this ministry.

The Dedicated Soldier (vv. 3, 4). Military metaphors were favorites with Paul. The lessons to be drawn from this are clear and simple. A Christian is called upon to suffer, to endure his share of life's difficulties; this he will do if he follows Christ. He will not allow himself to be entangled with the affairs of this life, however legitimate they may be. "Affairs of this life" are not *wrong*; but to be taken up with them is! The Christian soldier's endurance, detachment, and dedication are motivated by recognizing the claims of Christ upon his life.

The Disciplined Athlete (v. 5). The Olympic games were as popular in Paul's day as in our own. In these games contestants were bound by rules which applied equally to the training period and to the games themselves. Scholars tell us there were instances when athletes were required to solemnly swear that they had fulfilled 10 months of training. Applied to the Christian life, Paul's thought was that only the man who submits to self-discipline has a chance to be crowned the winner of a race. However, Paul also pointed out that in the Christian race all may win a reward (2 Timothy 4:8) if they live for Christ and love His appearing.

The Hardworking Farmer (v. 6). "It is the farmer who works hard who has first claim on the crop" is one rendering of verse 6. In both of the previous figures the emphasis was upon effort, and so it is again here. Hard-working men enjoy fruits that are denied the lazy and indolent.

"Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee understanding in all things." Here Paul seems to be urging Timothy to think over what he had said—probably in view of the fact that what he said had particular application to those in the ministry as well as to all Christians.

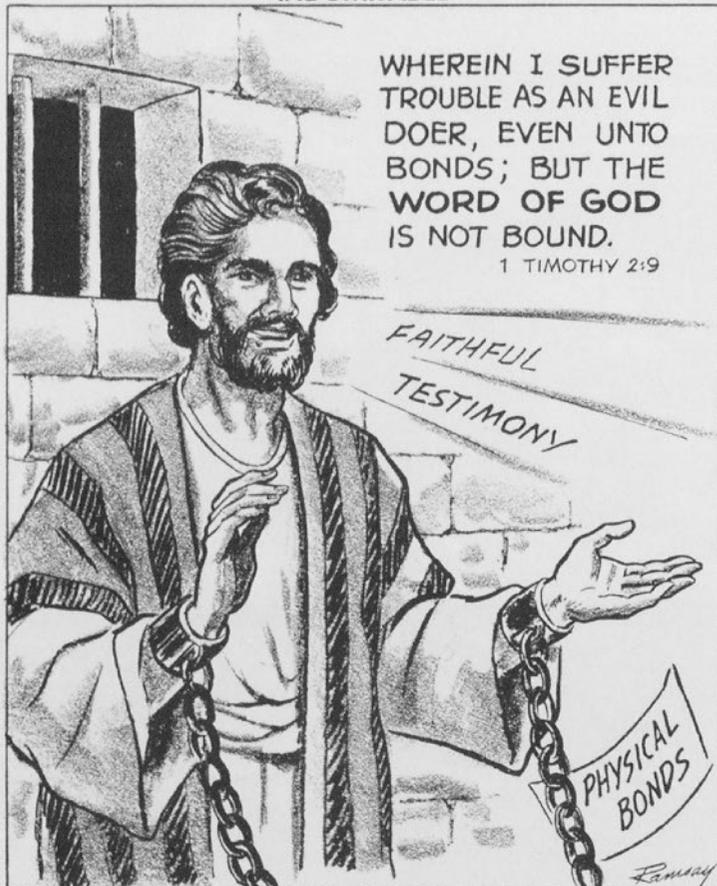
The Approved Workman (v. 15). As most serious Bible lovers know, this verse is one of the greatest and best known in all Paul's letters. "Study," or "do your utmost," said Paul. He called upon Timothy again for persistent zeal, for what we now call "all-out effort," for that self-discipline which keeps men from taking the way of least resistance or giving less than their best.

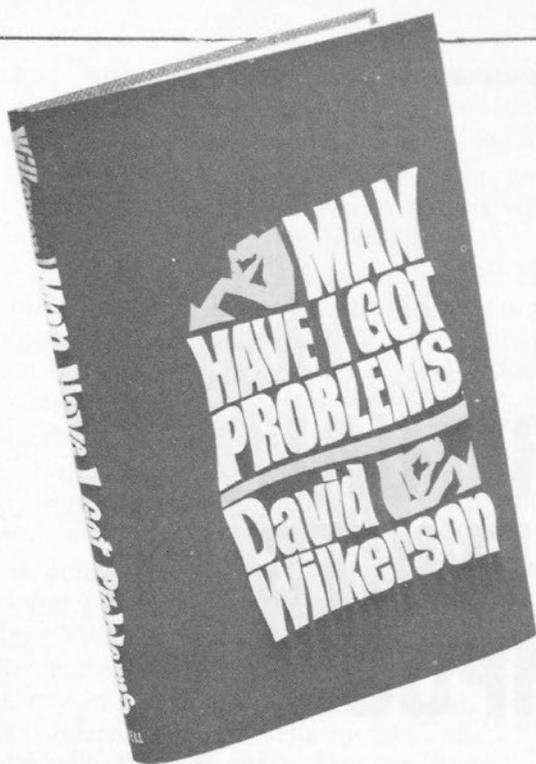
"Approved unto God"—the best goal for all of living. *Approved* implies "accepted after testing," the testing of one's life-effort and work and motives.

"Rightly dividing the word of truth." There have been many interpretations of this phrase. No doubt it has many implications. To "rightly divide" is to properly interpret the Word of God—to analyze it correctly—and this requires man's best efforts plus the illumination of the Holy Spirit.

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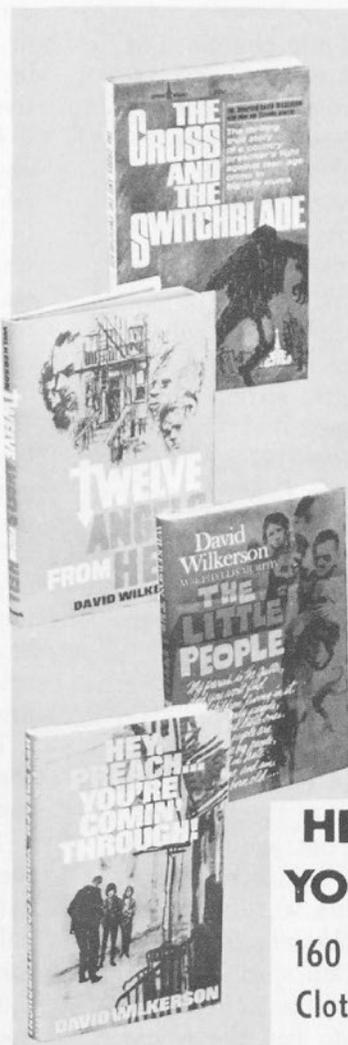
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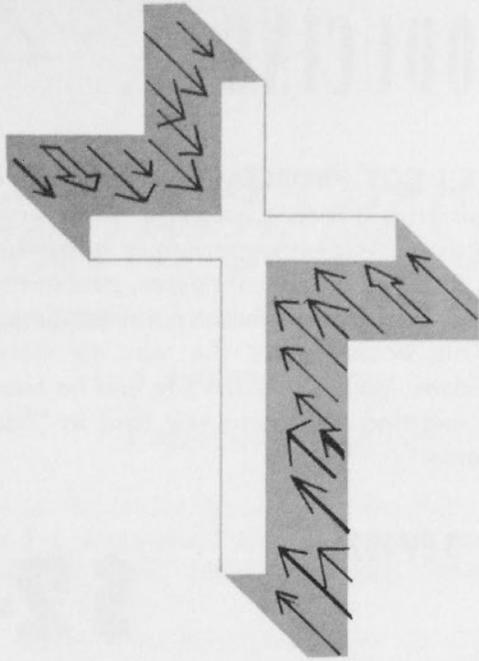
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SPIRITUAL CONFLICTS ON CAMPUS

By **VERNA B. FLOWER** / *Editorial Assistant, Department of Education*

AN ASSEMBLIES OF GOD high school graduate recently wrote, "My world is drifting farther and farther away from Christian beliefs and behavior." She continued her letter by stating she recognized that she needed to maintain her prayer life.

She also needs the prayer support of the church. The third annual Collegiate Prayer Crusade, September 7-14, is slated to reemphasize this important role of the church. Sponsored jointly by the Christ's Ambassadors Department and the Department of Education, its specific purpose is to call the entire Assemblies of God fellowship to pray for the college youth of the world.

If high school graduates are alert to today's trends away from God, how much more should adults of our Fellowship be aware of them. This candidate for college also expressed her desire to take definite steps to engage in warfare—combat. She wants to project a strong Christian testimony to her associates in college.

Adults can do no less than support her in this goal. Just as our armies need a strong supply line to fight the ugly battles of 20th-century warfare, so the Christian youth of this decade need strong spiritual support. Never has Satan contended more fiercely to retain souls already dead in sin and to destroy the lives of those who have been born again. It is time to pray!

The apostle Paul admonished the Ephesians to "be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might." He had given them the secret of victory over the temptations of the enemy and his sly methods to deceive. "Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places" (Ephesians 6:10-12).

Because the apostle knew how desperate spiritual warfare becomes, he reemphasized the Christian's need for suitable protection. "Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand" (v. 13).

Paul gets right down to specifics about maintaining victory over the enemy. He says, "Stand therefore." In his third reference to the Christian's armor, he gives a checklist so no individual need be improperly equipped for combat: Gird your loins with truth; wear the breastplate of righteousness; protect your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; be sure to take the shield of faith, the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit.

Because the checklist up to this point protects certain obvious areas of the body, too often the balance of Paul's admonition is divorced from the whole passage. Included in the "wherefore" with which he begins is, "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all supplication for all saints; and for me" (vv. 18, 19).

Notice that the prayer ministry is not just for oneself, but for others and for the spiritual leader, in this case Paul. Just as the battleline of offense is strongest when it is unbroken, so the prayer ministry is most effective when it reaches beyond individual needs and intertwines with the petitions of others.

The Assemblies of God has long recognized the vitality of concerted prayer. Pastors and missionaries testify to its impact. In times of sickness or bereavement, individuals have been warned and strengthened as they have been upheld by the prayers of fellow Christians. The fellowship of prayer is one of the greatest privileges of the believer.

During the Collegiate Prayer Crusade, prayer will be concentrated on specific groups of college youth and personnel:

1. Many Assemblies of God students are preparing themselves for full-time ministry, for hand-to-hand combat with the enemy. But even now, they are waging spiritual battles. Others are in hot areas of enemy invasion—the secular colleges. Christian youth in college, especially those who are away from the home environment, depend upon the effectual prayers of the home church congregation.

2. To these soldiers of the Cross, add the millions of

college students who are still enemies of Christ. Some are rebellious against the gospel, some are indifferent, and some have never been enlightened—have never really heard of the redeeming love of God. They represent a mission field that is white for harvesting. Prayer will result in many of them accepting the Saviour.

3. The spiritual leaders—the administration and faculty—in Assemblies of God colleges in the United States and in our Bible schools on mission fields throughout the world expect and deserve prayer support. Remember that leaders are often special targets for enemy fire. In these days of disturbing influences on college campuses, Christians have a responsibility to pray also for those godly men in secular colleges who are continuing to uphold standards of righteousness.

4. Add to your prayer list the Chi Alpha groups who present the full gospel on secular campuses; add the National College Youth Division and the Department of Education. Remember the nationals who are training for gospel ministry in foreign lands. And pray for the more than 200,000 international students in the United States. Now is an excellent time to reach them for Christ.

During the Collegiate Prayer Crusade, will you make a commitment to pray 15 minutes each day? Will you spend just two hours, spread over an eight-day period, in specific prayer for college students and all those who are engaged in teaching or ministering to them?

At those times when the United States was engaged in world conflict, it was never difficult to get an enthusiastic, favorable response from the public, no matter how great a demand was placed upon them.

Certainly the spiritual conflict is waging hotter in these last days than ever before. No sacrifice should be considered too great. We should pray as if our lives were at stake. Forces of evil are determined to crush every trace of spiritual life, of moral uprightness in the world. It is a life-and-death struggle.

But, thank God, we are on the winning side. Our Captain has never lost a battle. Because the final victory is assured, let us take courage in the conflict. Put on the armor for battle, and remember the preparation includes "praying always." 

AN UNFOUNDED STATEMENT

SKEPTICS, AGNOSTICS, AND INFIDELS are constantly trying to find excuses to deny and reject the Bible as being an infallible, God-inspired Book. Not long ago one such unbeliever tried, in a newspaper, to refute the account of Christ's crucifixion. He claimed that nails weren't invented until the 16th century—so how could Christ have possibly been nailed to a cross?

But the man spoke without checking the facts. The *Encyclopaedia Britannica* reports: "Iron nails were commonly in use during the Roman occupation of Britain. Large numbers have been found in places where they were wrought by the Romans." According to this same source the Roman conquest of Britain began in A.D. 43, only 10 to 15 years after the Crucifixion.

It is also well known that people who lived centuries before Christ fashioned iron, copper, and other metals

into knives, needles, spears, axes, scissors, razors, shovels, and tongs. Nails are mentioned at least 11 times in the Old Testament, and it was written before Christ was born. First Chronicles 22:3 reports: "David prepared iron in abundance for the nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings."

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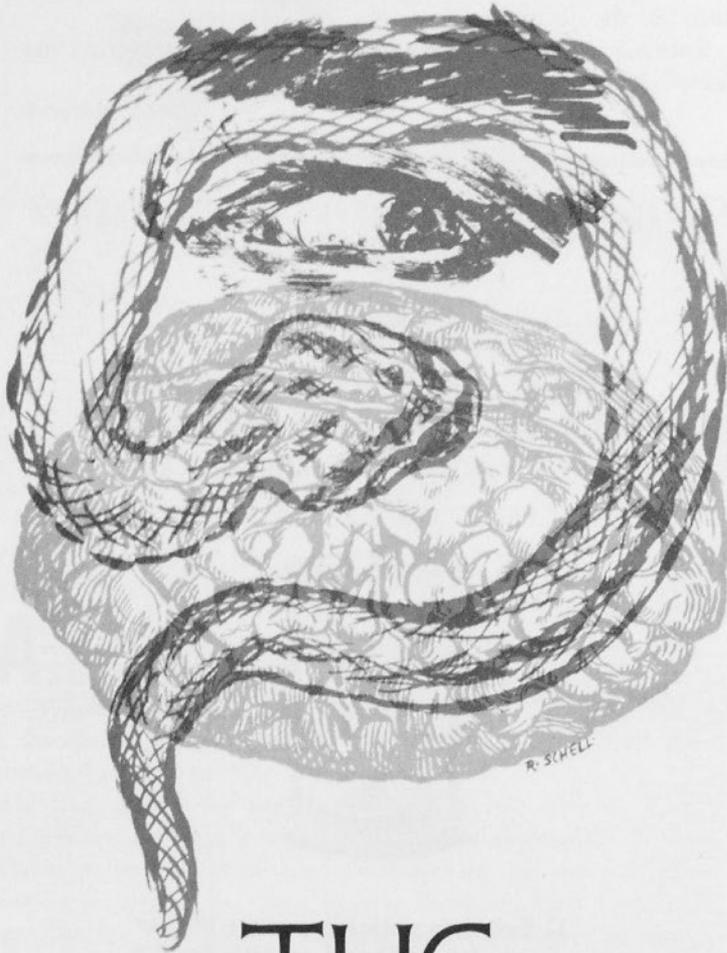
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THE DEMON OF LUST

By L. NELSON BELL, M.D.

THERE ARE MILLIONS of demon-possessed people in the United States—possessed by the unclean spirit of lust.

Satan, the prince of this world, fans the flames of lust in the hearts of men and women. Playing on one of the strongest urges of nature—one that, when controlled, is one of God's great gifts to mankind—Satan has down through the ages perverted it, wherever he can, for the destruction of his victims.

Some may think it fantastic to say that lust is a demon, but let them not forget that there is perhaps no more vulnerable point in the human personality, and that sex obsession has been a prime reason for personal and national disintegration all through human history.

America seems to have gone nearly to the limit in worship at the shrine of sex. In every medium of communication today, authors, publishers, producers, and advertisers vie with one another in encouraging lust.

History is filled with records of religions that have fostered unbridled lust, some through phallic objects of worship, others by the use of cult prostitutes. But not until the last few years has the Christian church been infiltrated by those who have regarded the Seventh Commandment as relative. Through the permissiveness and twisted philosophy of the "new morality" and "situation ethics," these persons have attempted to break down the moral concepts and restraints of God's holy laws. Our risen Lord's denunciation of those in the church at Pergamos who "taught" men to "commit fornication" (Revelation 2:14) is going unheeded by these new apostles of "freedom," with devastating results to themselves and to their victims—usually young people.

Perhaps only those from whom this demon has been exorcised can tell the sordid story of lives so possessed. Like David of old they can rejoice: "He brought me up out of an horrible pit, out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings" (Psalm 40:2).

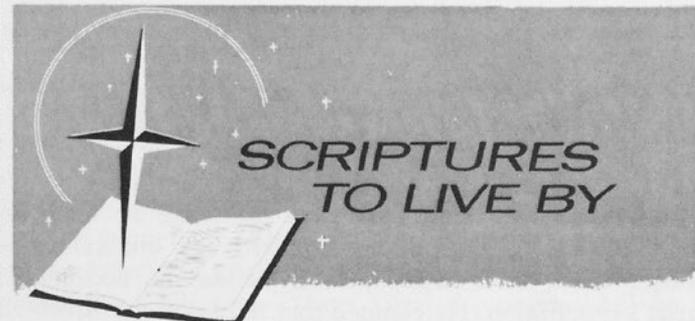
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The points of entrance of this demon are legion. Usually he finds easy access through the thoughts. Like bottle flies swarming over a carcass, thoughts flit hither and yon and linger on forbidden areas and uncleanness until the soul is saturated with filth.

The lustful look—how easy to let the eye linger even as the mind gloats. Who can withstand such temptations? Who can say, I am not guilty? The apostle James describes the process of this demon's work: "Every man is tempted when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed. Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death" (James 1:14, 15).

The lustful thoughts, the lustful looks lead on to the lustful acts—and without the forgiving and cleansing power of the Saviour, these lead on to death.

Many of today's novels, particularly paperbacks, are



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Mon.	Proverbs 1:8-19	Thurs.	Ephesians 6:10-20
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Wed.	1 Cor. 10:1-13	Sat.	James 1:12-18
		Sun.	Revelation 3:7-13

"My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not" (Proverbs 1:10).

wholly unrestrained in describing any and every kind of lewdness and perversion. And for a play or movie to become a hit now, it seems almost essential (so the producers say) to portray some form of sexual activity—even perversion. Those who feed their minds on this garbage find themselves possessed by the demon of lust, with an insatiable desire for more and more filth.

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Newspapers and magazines often warn of the dangers of mixing alcohol and driving, of the immediate and ultimate dangers of LSD and other hallucinatory drugs, and of other things that are a menace to health. But only the church has the message about the things that harm the soul, and of late the church has been woefully silent about those moral standards affirmed by Christ and his Word. The demon of lust is unrecognized. The church seems more concerned with social problems—few of which have eternal implications.

Lust defiles the mind, body, and spirit; it consumes its victims with unholy desire. The writer of the Epistle to the Hebrews speaks clearly: "God will judge the immoral and adulterous." The risen and triumphant Son of God pronounces solemn judgment on the "polluted" and fornicators: they are among those whose "lot shall be in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death" (Revelation 21:8). The apostle Paul is equally explicit: "Be sure of this, that no immoral or impure man has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God" (Ephesians 5:5).

Has God set for mankind standards that cannot be met? Humanly speaking, he has. The natural man finds himself bound in the chains of the flesh. But right at this point there lies the wonder of the gospel: What we cannot do, Christ does for us. The temptations that constantly assail us are never greater than we can bear, by his grace and strength. The demon of lust can be exorcised. This Christ will do for all who turn to him for help.

Perhaps at no point is the compassion of our Lord more in evidence. He forgave the woman taken in adultery even as her accusers slunk away, convicted by their own consciences. Denouncing the Pharisees for their hypocrisy Jesus said, "The tax collectors and the harlots go into the kingdom of God before you . . . , [for] the tax collectors and harlots believed him—[John the Baptist]; and even when you saw it, you did not afterward repent and believe him" (Matthew 21:31b, 32b).

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There is victory over the demon of lust, victory by the Cross. Christ died to condemn sin in the flesh and to give freedom and release to those who look to Him.

These are days of unusual testing. The demons of lust lurk on every hand. Like David of old all of us can say, "As the Lord lives . . . there is but a step between me and death." Satan controls so many areas of life that we are confronted by these temptations daily.

But God offers to give us clean hands and a pure heart, by an act of creation. After his double sin of adultery and murder, David prayed, "Create in me a clean heart" (Psalm 51:10).

Beware of self-reformation! The demon may depart only to return with others. This must be a work of God's grace—a cleansing by the atoning blood of the Cross and an in-filling with His Spirit.

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In December 1966 a blood clot hit my lung and I underwent open heart surgery to remove the clot. During the preparation for the operation, my heart stopped for two-and-a-half minutes. The doctors used their hands to keep the heart pumping blood.

After the operation the doctor gave no promise that if I pulled through I would ever be able to walk again. He instructed my wife to keep praying as he had done all that medical science could do. He said it was now up to a higher Power.

God saw fit to heal me. When I was released from the hospital I had regained my voice and was able to walk. But my hand was drawn and I could not open it. Then my pastor and the church had prayer, and I was able to use it in just a few days.

After 11 months I was able to go back to work. My body had been partially paralyzed, but it is now normal and I am doing fine. I praise God for His healing power today.—Hubert C. Wright, Indianapolis, Ind.

(Endorsed by Pastor F. Orman Coats, Trinity Chapel Assembly of God, Indianapolis, Ind.)

GOD HEALED MY DAD AGAIN!

FROM THE TIME I was a little boy, I can remember my dad's simple but strong faith in God. When I was five, he was healed of a bad case of cancer. To God be the glory!

Several years later he was prayed for, as he had a hearing loss in his right ear. (When he was a teen-ager, he was hit with a bat while playing ball. His eardrum was broken; it was completely inoperative.) God reached down and lovingly restored his hearing. Today he clearly hears the tick of a wristwatch with his right ear.

More recently, my father almost severed a finger from his right hand with an electric saw. The bone was completely cut through, and only a muscle and a blood vessel remained unharmed. He thought of self-amputation of the finger. Instead, he quickly wrapped it and rushed to the doctor's office.

The doctor said there wasn't much hope of saving the finger, but he set the bone and wrapped the finger with

If God has healed you recently, we invite you to write out your testimony for publication. This can encourage others who need healing to believe and receive the Lord's healing touch. Please make your testimony as brief as possible, and ask your pastor to sign it. Then mail it to: *The Pentecostal Evangel*, 1445 Boonville Ave., Springfield, Mo. 65802.

a small brace. Within a week, an X ray showed the bone had mended so nicely that the saw cut in the bone was not visible. Dad is now using his finger and has suffered no side effects.

My father serves God in a practical way as a layman. He has used his carpenter's ability to assist in the completion of the new building of the Northfield Assembly of God, Gering, Nebraska.—Harry Brotzman Jr., coordinator of the deaf and blind ministries of the Home Missions Department, Springfield, Missouri.

(Endorsed by Pastor Paul Hebbert who writes: "I am happy to bear witness to the healing God performed for Brother Harry Brotzman Sr. Praise the name of the Lord.")

HEALED OF RARE THROAT AFFLICTION

A LITTLE OVER A YEAR AGO, the Lord instantly healed me. I had been unable to do my own housework, but now I am able to help others.

In the latter part of October 1967 I became quite ill. I seemed to have a sore throat all the time. I coughed a great deal, but not too bad. At least I didn't think so.

Then I began to have choking spells which finally worsened until they resulted in vomiting every time. I went to my doctor, then to a specialist. He thought it might be a ruptured esophagus. But X rays showed a bone pressing on the windpipe, something very rare. When I used my arms or whenever I turned my head a certain way, the bone would press on the windpipe. This caused the coughing and vomiting.

I went to two bone specialists who said they couldn't do anything for me. Finally, they put me in traction 20 minutes at a time three or four times a day. But nothing helped.

I had been prayed for several times. Then one night at prayer meeting, the Lord said, "You are not willing to be healed." That surprised me, and I said, "Lord, if I am not willing, please make me willing." I prayed much about it.

One night while Pastor Phinney was preaching, I started to cough. He stopped and said, "Bring her up here, and let us pray." I was coughing so hard I had to be helped to the front. When he laid his hands on me and started to pray, I immediately stopped coughing, and I didn't cough anymore. For several days I didn't realize I was completely healed.

During the one and one-half years I was sick, I had been unable to eat well, so I had lost quite a bit of weight. Before I was healed I had to hire all my work done. This past spring I cleaned house and even papered and painted two rooms. I am gaining strength every day.

I give God all the glory and praise. We have a wonderful Lord.—Mrs. Gladys Barnett, Dayton, Wash.

(Endorsed by Pastor W. Wayne Phinney, Assembly of God, Dayton, Wash.).

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READERS WRITE THE EDITORS

Perfect Attendance Record

Leon Sippy, a member of the church I pastor, recently marked his twenty-first year of perfect Sunday school attendance.

During these years, Leon has never been late and he usually brings someone with him to church.

JERRY SHOEMAKER
Pastor, First Assembly
Vinita, Okla.

Achievements in Essayism

Every issue of the *Evangel* is a spiritual joy and inspiration—and a challenge. But now and then one appears which is a literary gem as well.

One such recent issue was that of April 20, 1969. "The Healthy Christian Mind," by R. D. E. Smith; "Survival," by Raymond T. Brock; and "Rx for Spiritual Retardation," by Charles Hodge not only were inspiring articles but marked achievements in essayism as well.

MARTHA H. JOHNSON
Sacramento, Calif.

Unfortunate Error

I enjoyed the article, "What Is a Father?" in the June 15 issue. May I offer a correction, just for the record.

It stated, "Dr. Grace Kettering of Kansas City spoke at the School of Missions a year ago on the subject, 'What Is a Good Father?'" The speaker's name is Ketterman (not Kettering) and the address was given at the 1968 Convention for the Deaf.

HARRY BROTZMAN JR.
Director
Convention for the Deaf

Roadside Chapels to Remain

There was an article in the *Evangel* entitled "Roadside Chapels Unconstitutional?" This struck my heart because I am a former South Dakotan who was raised at White Lake where the chapels are located.

Just last fall my husband and I stopped at the chapels to worship and rest. Needless to say I was proud that my native state had taken the initiative to build these along Interstate 90.

When I read that these were unconstitutional and would have to come down, I wrote immediately to the Governor of South

Dakota. In responding to my letter he said: "Please be assured as long as I am governor we will resist every effort to remove the roadside chapels from the interstate."

MRS. NATHAN WOOD
Granada, Minn.

Proud Pastor

I sincerely love to read the *Evangel* and I use it for hospital visitation, contact with prospects, and as gifts for church visitors. It is also useful in evangelistic efforts. I leave *Evangel*s in hotels, bus stations, laundries, and barber shops. I give them to ministerial brethren of other denominations.

You see what I think about our publication. It makes me proud of the Assemblies of God.

ALBERT OWEN
Pastor, First Assembly
Seagraves, Tex.

"Battle for the Mind"

Let me commend the article by Kenneth Barney entitled "The Battle for the Mind" in the July 1969 International Edition of the *Evangel*.

Dividing the mind into categories and defining the different types of people by their characteristic attitudes was a masterful job.

WILLIAM BURKETT,
Pastor, Assembly of God
Goshen, Ind.

Deeply Touched

I appreciated and enjoyed so much the very excellent testimony in the June 29 issue—"The Japanese Guard Who Was Different"—by Chaplain Talmadge F. McNabb.

Few articles have touched me as deeply as this one.

READER IN MISSOURI

Tracts Distributed in Vietnam

Our nephew, Richard Peck, recently returned from Vietnam. While serving there in the armed forces he passed out about 15,000 tracts. He mails or personally distributes hundreds of letters and tracts each week.

He has had replies from many people asking for more spiritual help, telling of their receiving the Lord as their personal Saviour, giving up smoking, and asking

him to mail tracts to their loved ones.

I thought if I mentioned Richard's ministry it might encourage other young men to use their extra time in the service to good advantage for our blessed Lord.

MRS. MURL E. PATTERSON
Kearney, Nebr.

"Generation Gap?"

May I call attention to the cartoon in the April 6 issue entitled, "Generation Gap?" It implies that if Rehoboam had heeded the advice of the older men rather than the young men, he would have taken a wiser course.

Perhaps this was true in the case of Rehoboam, but there are also cases where it is not true. "Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment" (Job 32:9).

It seems to me that the cartoon belittles the youth of our Movement. Sometimes it takes youth to encourage and advise and strengthen each other. Sad to say, I have known older folk who became jealous and envious of the accomplishments of youth.

God said that in the last days He would deal with youth in a special way. "Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions . . ." (Acts 2:17). May we have

maturity enough to listen for they may be able to tell us something we have not yet learned from age and experience.

I am not advocating disrespect for or rebellion against elders—but just because one is aged he is not automatically qualified to advise others. "The hoary head is a crown of glory, if it be found in the way of righteousness" (Proverbs 16:31), but some hoary heads have strayed from the right way.

DAVID SPEIGHT
Hardwick, Georgia

Letter of Commendation

I wish to commend you on the publication of one of the most superb Christian papers I have ever seen. I never cease to receive a blessing from reading it.

Even though I belong to a church that differs in some beliefs, and though our stand is much stricter on some aspects of the Scriptures, I find much enjoyment in the testimonies of experiences with the Lord and of healing.

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NEWS OF OUR TIMES

MAY REVERSE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION

CONGRESSMEN HOLD TALK-A-THON IN SUPPORT OF PRAYER AMENDMENT

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The recent marathon talkfest in the House of Representatives may signal an increase in efforts to reverse the Supreme Court's decisions banning government-prescribed prayers and required Bible readings from the nation's public schools.

In the recent "Prayer Day" observance, Congressmen who have introduced bills asking for some kind of prayer amendment to the U.S. Constitution were asked to speak in support of their proposals, and 74 of the House's 435 members responded.

House Minority Leader Gerald Ford, the second speaker in the marathon, called attention to the opposition many religious leaders had expressed to the court's ruling.

He admitted it would be "extremely difficult" to obtain a constitutional amendment "overriding the decision of the court" without the support of the church leaders in the country.

The 74 speeches ranged from expressions of belief in prayer and dependence on God to warnings that the Supreme Court's decision may result in the "divorce of God" from the nation's public life. Many of the speakers praised

the faith of our fathers and condemned secularization in our society.

The tensions between these Congressional representatives and the Supreme Court were expressed in charges that the court had brought on "secularization" and had "ruled God out" of public life.

Most of the speakers assumed that if a person is "for" prayer, then he is also for the "prayer amendment" to the Constitution.

Several of the Congressmen admitted that the teaching of religion belongs in the home and the church, but they felt the public school authorities should "continue this training."

... at a glance

• • • Seven of the sermons delivered in ecumenical worship services at the White House are in the hands of President Richard Nixon, and he plans to publish them. "Each one is a gem," Mrs. Nixon told reporters. "Dick plans at the end of the year to put them all in book form."

• • • A Los Angeles businessman who owns nearly \$4 million worth of antique Bibles is giving away his collection, a page at a time, to worthy libraries, churches, or organizations. The collection includes an estimated 200,000 Bibles, all dating before 1800. They are Bibles for Hindus, Muslims, Greeks, Germans, Scots, Hebrews, Dutch, and Englishmen. The collector said he quit donating entire Bibles, because "churches kept them locked up, and when displayed the viewer could see only one page anyhow."

• • • A proposal to legalize Sunday liquor sales in restaurants and hotels in Pennsylvania has been defeated. Opponents of the bill included church groups and drinking clubs. The clubs are already permitted to sell to members on Sundays.

• • • The complete New English Bible will be available in March 1970, according to a joint announcement made by Oxford University Press and Cambridge University Press. The New Testament of the New English Bible was issued in 1961 and over seven million copies have been sold. The New English Bible is marked by the use of contemporary British idioms as close to the original meanings as possible.

sufficient quantities to put all on easy street, the fact that all are not equal in intelligence, ambition, or industry.

"The greatness of this country lies in its people—a people who know why they love this country, why they support this government, and why like Patrick Henry they are willing to make their choice between liberty or death.

"America is greater today than it was when the Spirit of '76 was born; America is still the land of

the free and the home of the brave. Against its history, its accomplishments, and its future the ravings of its opponents are empty catcalls."

Mr. Short is a member of Bethlehem Church (Richmond Hill) where William J. Behr is pastor. He is often a guest speaker in his home church as well as at community functions.

He has authored several articles which have appeared in *The Pentecostal Evangel*.

Gallup Polls Reveal

MOST AMERICANS FAVOR PLURALISTIC EDUCATION

PRINCETON, N.J.—A large majority of Americans favor the continuance of private and parochial schools along with public schools, a study by the Gallup organization revealed here.

Seventy-two percent of those interviewed favored the establishment of the three types of schools—private, public, parochial—in any new community where an educational system has not yet been established.

In areas where schools already exist 84 percent favored the continuation of the pluralistic educational systems. Twenty-three percent favored "public schools only" in the new communities, and their number dropped to 12 percent for those areas where schools already exist.

Of those opposed to nonpublic schools only five percent said such schools were "undemocratic."

British Anglicans, Methodists

Merger Is Blocked

BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND—A 14-year drive to unite the Church of England (Anglican) and the Methodist Church came to an abrupt halt here when the Anglicans defeated the reunification proposal.

The Methodists, in separate session, approved the plan.

Member of Lutheran Church

Pastor Suspended Over Charismatic Controversy

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.—C. Donald Pfothenhauer, whose congregation divided and lost its church in a controversy over the charismatic movement, has been suspended from the ministry of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Reportedly Pastor Pfothenhauer had been warned he would be suspended unless he conformed his theology to accepted Lutheran practice.

However, he continued practicing the gifts of the Holy Spirit despite admonition by district and synod officials that this brought "fragmentation" and "schism."

A/G Layman Wins Editorial Award

QUEENS, N.Y.—Dorsey Short, an Assemblies of God layman who edits a weekly paper here, recently won first place in the Herrick Editorial Award category. A large plaque was presented to him at the National Newspaper Association's convention in Atlantic City.

His prize-winning article entitled, "Happy Birthday, U.S.A." appeared in the July 4, 1968, edition of *The Ridgewood Times*.

In the editorial Mr. Short wrote: "Let malcontents rant and rave about the inadequacy of our society, the lack of handouts in



Gayle Erwin Appointed Editor For A/G Youth Publications

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Gayle D. Erwin of Hattiesburg, Miss., assumed his duties as editor of the *CA Herald* on August 1. He succeeds Mrs. Mary Tregenza who resigned earlier this year to accept another editorial position.

The monthly periodical of the Christ's Ambassadors department, the *Herald* has a circulation of approximately 25,000. It encourages Christian commitment on the part of young people and reports on church-related activities of Assemblies of God youth.

In addition to editing the *CA Herald*, Brother Erwin serves as

supervisor of CA publications, including the *CA Guide*, a leadership quarterly.

A native of Oklahoma, the new editor was ordained to the ministry in 1963 by the Louisiana District. He served pastorates in Venice and Alexandria, La., before becoming pastor of First Assembly in Hattiesburg in 1967.

He has also served as district presbyter, as president of Central Louisiana Ministerial Association, and as youth representative in both Louisiana and Mississippi.

His editorial experience includes managing a college newspaper and serving as reporter, photographer, and editor for a daily newspaper. He has written freelance articles for a number of publications of the Assemblies of God as well as other organizations, including the Louisiana Heritage society.

In February 1956, the *Herald* featured Brother Erwin as "CA of the Month." As a result of that article he met the young lady who later became his wife. The Erwins have four children.



In Kansas City, Missouri

Mid-Continent Prayer Conference Slated for October 20-21

KANSAS CITY, MO.—Six mid-western districts of the Assemblies of God will cosponsor a Mid-Continent Prayer Conference here in October.

The services will begin on Monday, October 20, at 7:30 p.m. and continue through Tuesday night, October 21. They will be in Evangel Temple, 2801 Swope Parkway, Kansas City, Mo., G. W. Hardcastle, Jr. pastor.

Cosponsoring districts will be Southern Missouri, Northern Missouri, Iowa, Illinois, Nebraska, and Kansas.

General Superintendent T. F. Zimmerman will be present at the services, together with leading officials of the participating districts.

All *Evangel* readers are invited to share in this opportunity to wait on God unitedly. The ser-

vices will not be programmed. It is hoped that many hundreds of pastors, evangelists, and laymen will come together at this time to intercede for revival and to let the Spirit have His way.

Information on housing arrangements may be obtained from Pastor Milton Beckett, President of Greater Kansas City Ministerial Association (A/G), 7101 Chestnut, Kansas City, Mo. 64132.

Evangel Temple in Kansas City, Missouri, will be the site of the Mid-Continent Prayer Conference.



WITH CHRIST

August J. Apel, 71, of Kansas City, Mo., went to his eternal reward on June 1, 1969. Brother Apel served as a lay minister in Kansas City, Mo., and was a licensed member of the Southern Missouri District from 1953 on. He is survived by his wife Lola and four children.

Boja Krnjeta, 84, of Detroit, Mich., went to her eternal reward on May 14, 1969. Sister Krnjeta, licensed in 1945, was a member of the Michigan District. She served with her late husband Peter, who was superintendent of the Yugoslavian Branch of the Assemblies of God.

She is survived by three daughters and two sons. A daughter, Mrs. Chester (Gladys) McCullough, pastors with her husband in Berkley, Mich. Jim Seregow, a grandson, is Campus Action field representative for the Michigan District of the Assemblies of God.

Irvin E. Smith, 70, of Alamo-gordo, N. Mex., went to be with the Lord on June 17, 1969. Brother Smith, ordained in 1932, served for some time as an evangelist. He also pastored several churches in Texas and New Mexico. He is survived by his wife Ora.



IT STARTED ON A DIME

The Hillcrest Story is an almost unbelievable account of how Hillcrest Children's Home began on a dime and a woman's faith in God. It started with three homeless boys haunted by unhappy memories and has grown until it has served over 500 homeless children in 25 years.

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For New Mexico Church

GROWTH FOLLOWS DEDICATION OF NEW FACILITIES

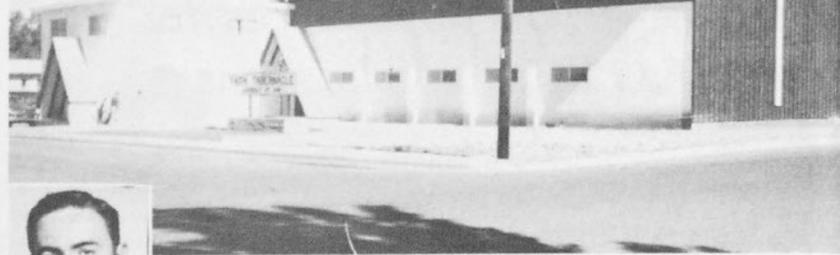
FARMINGTON, N. MEX.—Sunday school and church attendance has steadily increased since the May dedication of Faith Tabernacle's new facilities.

Three days of special services marked the dedication of the new building as well as the 20th anniversary of the church.

Revivaltime Evangelist C. M. Ward was the guest speaker for

the occasion. Mayor Boyd Scott participated in the activities and presented a key to the city to Brother Ward.

The new church, valued at \$150,000, contains over 10,000 square feet of space. The sanctuary, with seating for 350, has walnut paneling, indirect lighting, and a cathedral ceiling. The lime oak furniture and red carpeting



The congregation of Faith Tabernacle, Farmington, N. Mex., recently dedicated this lovely new building to the Lord. Alvin Eden (inset) has served as pastor since 1963.

complete the decor of the sanctuary.

The educational area of the building contains nine classrooms, nursery facilities, kitchen, and church offices. The entire building is air-conditioned.

To further strengthen the teaching arm of the church, a one-hour training class is conducted every Sunday and Wednesday evening prior to the services.

A Sunday morning radio program and a weekly television broadcast extend the ministry of Faith Tabernacle to the community.

Faith Tabernacle was started in a home in 1949. There were 11

charter members, three of whom still attend the church.

When Alvin Eden accepted the pastorate of the church in 1963, the average attendance was 49 in Sunday School, 26 for the evening service, and 16 on Wednesday nights.

During the month of dedication, the Sunday school averaged 198, while the other services averaged 140 and 101, respectively.

Fourteen new families have been added to the church within the past three months. Five people have received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, and 21 were baptized in water during a recent baptismal service.



This group of CA's from Glad Tidings Assembly, Moberly, Mo., "picketed" to promote the recent revival meeting their church conducted with Evangelist Mike Mitchell. C. O. Blankenship is pastor.

COVINA, CALIF.—The Assembly of God here recently concluded a thrilling revival with Evangelist Marvin Schmidt.

According to the actual count of signed cards, 235 were saved

or reclaimed, and 243 were filled with the Spirit during this 11-week crusade. Many were healed, and others were called to Christian service.

Overflow crowds made it nec-

MOBERLY, MO.—A real outpouring of the Holy Spirit was experienced at Glad Tidings Assembly in a two-week meeting with Evangelist Mike Mitchell of Ewing, Mo.

Much publicity was given to the revival effort by the pastor and Christ's Ambassadors on the city streets. They carried signs, gave out handbills, and distributed about a thousand gospel tracts.

During the revival nine people were saved and two were baptized in the Holy Spirit. There were also a number refilled with the Spirit.

The Sunday school attendance showed an increase of 25 percent over its previous average.

—C. O. Blankenship, pastor

essary to move into the beautiful new sanctuary which accommodates over 1,100 people. Dedication services for the new building are scheduled for this fall.

EVERGREEN, ALA.—During a recent two-week meeting at First Assembly here, 75 people were saved.

God also healed and filled many with the Holy Spirit. Some of these were visitors from other churches.

The evangelist was Charlie Fowler, from Panama City, Fla. A wonderful revival spirit continues in the church.

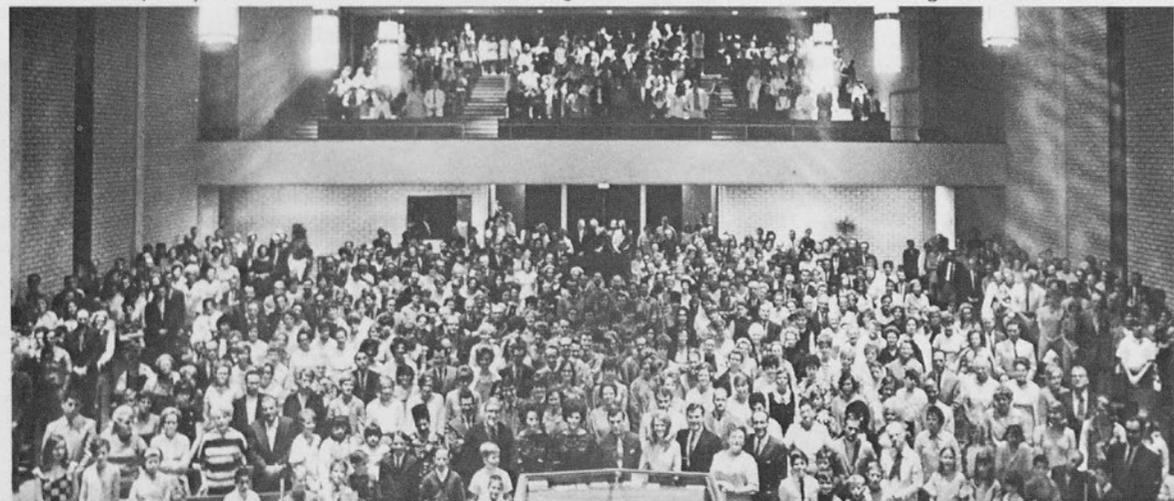
—Wilbur W. Jordan, pastor

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOME COMING—Aug. 31-Sept. 1, First Assembly, Bakersfield, Calif. Guest Speaker: C. M. Ward. —Harold C. Bither, pastor.

DEDICATION OF NEW CHURCH—Sept. 14, First Assembly, Sullivan, Mo. Speaker: N. Cleo Tapp, Southern Missouri District superintendent. —Gene Waterman, pastor.

This over-capacity crowd was in attendance during one of the services with Evangelist Marvin Schmidt.



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PRYOR, OKLA.—Many visitors attended recent special services held by Evangelist and Mrs. R. I. Wynkoop of Hydro, Okla., at the Lone Chapel Assembly here.

Three people were saved and eight were filled with the Holy Spirit during the two-week meeting. —*Cecil R. Percy, pastor*

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LEMITAR, N. M.—Evangelist W. A. Vanzant of El Paso, Tex., recently held a successful one-week meeting at the Lemitar Community Chapel.

Five persons were saved, and one rededicated his life to the Lord. Several people were healed, including a young girl who had been deaf in one ear.

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W. MONROE, LA.—Luan Assembly had a two-week meeting with Evangelist and Mrs. Harley Ulrich of Riverside, Calif. The Bible lessons and sermons, mainly concerned with the coming of Christ, caused the people to search the Scriptures.

—*Leonard Sapp, pastor*

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IRON MOUNTAIN, MO.—The congregation of the Assembly of God here was blessed by the ministry of Evangelist Carl E. Reynolds, Sr. of Shreveport, La., in recent special services.

People reconsecrated their lives to Christ, and several sought the infilling of the Holy Spirit. Others received definite healing.

An emphasis on Christ's soon return resulted in more personal evangelism and a burden for souls.

A foyer, nursery, and rest rooms were recently added to the church. Concern has grown not only for the building, but for the responsibility of the church to this community.

—*Dale Barton, pastor*

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CEDAR FALLS, IOWA—Evangelist Ken Krivohlavek of Nebraska City, Nebr., recently concluded a series of special meetings at the Assembly of God here.

Five people were saved, and one was filled with the Holy Spirit. Seven were reclaimed, and 12 were refilled. God marvelously worked in the lives of many people.

During morning sessions Brother Krivohlavek's teaching con-

EVANGELISTIC EVENTS

STATE	CITY	ASSEMBLY	DATE	EVANGELIST	PASTOR
Ala.	Chickasaw	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Woodrow Oxner	W. D. Thomas
	Huntsville	First	Sept. 10-21	John & Faith Stallings	Charles E. Lee
Ark.	Bearden	Hopeville	Sept. 9-21	Phil & Dave Hastie	Paul Dorey
	Malvern	First	Sept. 7—	Thomas Ming Sr.	W. E. Thompson
Calif.	Artesia	A/G	Sept. 7-21	Billy Falling	Raymond DeVito
	Rialto	A/G	Sept. 2—	Ernie Rogers	Cecil O. Branson
Fla.	Hialeah	Calvary Temple	Sept. 9-21	J. C. & Mrs. Nichols	R. T. Havener
	Panama City	Bear Creek	Sept. 3-14	Edgar & Mrs. Davis	Fred Rogers
Hawaii	Aiea	¹ Bethany	Sept. 7-14	David & Mary Dean	Eva Bloom
Ill.	Atlanta	A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	E. T. Quanabush Team	E. C. Cunningham
	Du Quoin	Faith	Sept. 9-21	Howard & Barbara Young	Larry Hodge
	Zion	² Full Gospel	Aug. 31-Sept. 5	Victor Etienne	Roger Loy
Ind.	Indianapolis	Lighthouse Tab.	Sept. 7-21	The Singing Lunsfords	William Totman
	South Bend	Northside	Sept. 2—	James & Beulah Mae Pepper	William Shabaz
Iowa	Ankeny	A/G	Sept. 7-21	William Lowery	Robert Wenig
	Conrad	A/G	Sept. 9—	Hilton Griswold	Ronald Mooberry
	Fort Madison	Calvary First	Aug. 31-Sept. 12	Wesley & Gladys Morton	Grover Senf
	Vinton	A/G	Sept. 3-21	Ken Krivohlavek	Lloyd Graetz
Kans.	Pittsburg	First	Sept. 7-14	George & Susie Holmes	Vyrl L. Pember
	Topeka	Glad Tidings	Sept. 2-14	John & Robert Stephens	L. L. Ammons
	Ulysses	First	Aug. 28-Sept. 7	Ervin Asiatico	Mack Cantwell
	Wichita	A/G	Aug. 24-31	James & Mrs. Cannon	Lee Hinds
	Wichita	Evangel	Sept. 2-14	Doyle H. Thompson	John Booher
La.	Baton Rouge	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Gene Martin	H. L. Carroll
	Jonesville	A/G	Sept. 9-21	Mike & Linda Murdock	Huey Plunkett
	Lake Charles	Glad Tidings	Sept. 3-14	Richard Ronsisvalle	D. J. McKinney
	Wisner	A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	"Danny" & Patsy Rogers	J. F. Baker
Mich.	Saginaw	Bethel	Sept. 3-14	Dave & Jan Olshevski	Bob Bradley
	Wyandotte	A/G	Sept. 3-14	Wesley & Mrs. Wibley	Warren B. Tyler
Minn.	Lake City	³ A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 5	Thom & Carolyn Loven	M. R. Rowcliffe
	Mountain Lake	A/G	Sept. 7-21	B. C. & Mrs. Heinze	Robert Ludwig
	Roseau	A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 7	Paul Clark Team	Edwin Hollen
	St. Louis Park	³ First	Sept. 7-12	Thom & Carolyn Loven	John Everett
	Worthington	A/G	Sept. 2-14	William Caldwell	John Bell
Mo.	Caruthersville	First	Aug. 31—	Larry Hill	A. M. Roberts
	De Soto	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 7	Glenna Byard	Harry Freeman
	Elwood	A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 7	Kenneth & Theda Wright	Charles P. Millhouser Jr.
	Fayette	A/G	Aug. 12-24	Wallace & Carol Joice	Robert Hembree
	Hannibal	First	Sept. 2-7	Carl E. Gammel	Robert Hembree
	Hannibal	³ First	Sept. 8-14	Carl E. Gammel	Warren Davenport
	Harrisonville	Berean Chapel	Aug. 31-Sept. 19	Dorothy Knott	Milton Beckett
	Kansas City	Blenheim	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Keetah Jones	Gordon Zercher
	Kennett	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Star Thomas	P. L. Harms
	La Belle	A/G	Sept. 2-14	Larry & Coleen Griswold	Derrell Miles
	Moberly	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 12	F. R. McAdams Team	R. Arthur McClure
	N. Kansas City	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 10	H. B. Kelchner	Tom Jackson
	O'Fallon	First	Aug. 24-Sept. 7	Howard & Barbara Young	Manuel Shoults
	St. Louis	South Side	Sept. 7-14	Loyd & Rebecca Middleton	Louella M. Plunkett
	St. Louis	Victory Tab.	Sept. 7-12	Gladys Voigt	T. A. McDonough
	Sikeston	First	Sept. 3-21	Quentin Edwards	Duane Roll
Nebr.	Broken Bow	A/G	Sept. 2-14	Kenneth M. Stottlemeyer	Joseph J. Kisser
	Chappell	A/G	Sept. 16-28	Kenneth M. Stottlemeyer	Perley Hersey
N. J.	Elizabeth	First	Sept. 2-14	Arnold & Anita Segesman	James Brankel
N. Mex.	Las Cruces	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Ernie Rogers	Homer C. Cooper
N. Y.	N. Tonawanda	Evang. Center	Sept. 9-21	James & Beulah Mae Pepper	Roland Q. Dudley
Ohio	Bucyrus	A/G	Aug. 31—	Branham & Steele	Paul Parsons
	Niles	A/G	Sept. 2-14	Wayne & Vi Marshall	Leland Lebsack
	Ravenna	A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	The Musical Vander Ploegs	Billy D. Guthrie
Okla.	Bixby	First	Sept. 2-14	Wallace & Carol Joice	C. J. Tomlinson
	Owasso	A/G	Sept. 10-21	Charles O. Hudspeth	Herman Searcy
	Prague	A/G	Sept. 7-21	Fred Carrington	Lorn Starling
	Tryone	A/G	Aug. 31—	Hazel Burns	J. W. Ellsworth
	Tulsa	East 21st	Aug. 31—	J. Don George	William Gallaher
Oreg.	St. Helens	³ A/G	Sept. 7-12	L. O. & Gladys Triplett	Robert Lafferty
Pa.	Clearfield	Glad Tidings	Aug. 19-31	Dave & Jan Olshevski	J. Carlton Fissel
	Hanover	Calvary Chapel	Sept. 11-21	H. A. & Mrs. Christopher	David Blattner
	McKeesport	A/G	Sept. 4-14	George & Evelyn Butrin	Leroy Wiley
	Tyrone	First	Sept. 2-14	Basell-Brown Party	Jerald Ogg
Tenn.	Dyersburg	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	I. D. Rayborn	Gary Rose
	Savannah	First	Sept. 7-21	E. C. Davis	J. E. Burkhalter
Tex.	Amarillo	San Jacinto	Sept. 3—	Jimmy Merritt	J. W. Grisbee
	Brenham	First	Sept. 7-19	Calvin & Beverly Durham	C. G. Fuston
	Brownwood	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	H. A. & Mrs. Strange	James V. Summers
	Channelview	Faith Tab.	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	H. A. & Mrs. Christopher	Floyd Schaeffer
	Crosbyton	First	Sept. 10-21	J. B. & Mrs. Essary	Benny Ferguson
	Pittsburg	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 7	Gary Smith	Joseph DeGrado
	Richardson	Faith Temple	Aug. 27-Sept. 7	"Little Joe" Peterson Tm.	L. V. Price
	Waskom	First	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Pratt Family	Donald Goldizen
Va.	Bluefield	First	Sept. 2-14	Gene C. Wilson	Ernest T. Edmonds
	Galax	First	Aug. 19-31	Wayne & Vi Marshall	Jack Carnley
	St. Paul	A/G	Aug. 31-Sept. 14	Billy & Cherie Cotton	Dean Young
Wash.	Aberdeen	First	Sept. 7-21	Marlon Jannuzzi	Wes Hobkirk
	Burlington	Central Valley	Sept. 2-14	Tom Ming Jr.	Richard Dron
	Kennewick	First	Sept. 10-21	Paul Clark Team	Dallas Riley
W. Va.	Osage	Bailey Mission	Sept. 2-14	Paul & Donna Wright	Allen Lehmann
Wis.	Sturgeon Bay	² Gospel Tab.	Sept. 7-12	Victor Etienne	H. W. Thiemann
Wyo.	Cheyenne	Calvary Temple	Sept. 3-14	Alton Garrison	

¹ Deeper Life Crusade

² Youth Crusade

³ Children's Revival

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

cerned the gifts of the Spirit. In other services several people were used by God in spiritual manifestations.

There were 36 definite healings

during the revival. A woman with severe neck pain from an injury and an operation was healed instantly. The pain and other complications were gone.

Other persons were delivered from throat and ear infection, eye trouble, headaches, and sinus problems.

—*Gerald Hanson, pastor*



BRINGING A/G TOTAL TO 29

Two Prison Chaplains Receive Appointment

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—With the appointment of Wayne W. Haun and Lloyd W. Nelson to the correctional chaplaincy, the total number of Assemblies of God ministers in this service has reached 29.

Wayne Haun is serving at Tucker State Prison Farm in Arkansas; Lloyd Nelson is with Christian Jail Workers, Inc., organization of chaplains for the Los Angeles county sheriff's department (he serves at Mira Loma and Wayside Honor Ranch, both prisons in southern California).

A graduate of Central Bible College, Wayne Haun was ordained to the ministry in 1959. A

five-year-stint in the Army and Navy brought him in touch with chaplaincy work in which he gained experience as assistant to chaplains.

Brother Haun has been a pastor in Missouri and South Dakota and also served as vice-president of the Christ's Ambassadors in South Dakota.

Lloyd Nelson, a graduate of North Central Bible College, served pastorates in Iowa, Minnesota, and Missouri. His other ministries were varied and included radio programs, field work for the Union Rescue Mission in Minneapolis and Kansas City; and intern chaplaincy at the Baptist Memorial Hospital in Kansas

City and the State Hospital, Fulton, Mo.

Chaplain Nelson was officially installed in June, and Chaplain Haun in July, according to Paul R. Markstrom, national prison chaplain of the Assemblies of God.

W. Haun

L. Nelson



Assemblies of God participants at the convention were (l. to r.) Marilyn Sorrells, Carol Vetter, Tan Yap of Malaysia, Elmo Pierce, Harry Brotzman, and Thomas Goulder.

A/G Representatives Attend Convention for Deaf Workers

HOT SPRINGS, ARK.—The strange sounds of various frequencies from "overtuned hearing aids" filled the air during a lecture at the recent convention of Professional Rehabilitation Workers with Adult Deaf held here in May.

These strange sounds of adjusting frequencies, however, did not

detract from the helpful information which five Assemblies of God workers with the deaf received from key people in the area of education, medicine, and other deaf services.

The flying hands of interpreter Marilyn Sorrells, a sophomore at Central Bible College, Springfield, Mo., helped get the infor-

mation across to the deaf participants.

The schedule was filled with lectures, visuals, a banquet, and demonstrations of active rehabilitation programs now serving potential deaf clients across America.

Convention attendance totaled 150. Assemblies of God personnel present included Elmo Pierce, minister to the deaf, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Thomas Goulder, Assemblies of God chaplain at Gallaudet College, Washington, D.C.; Carol Vetter, VA counselor for the deaf and a student at North Central Bible College, Minneapolis, Minn.; Marilyn Sorrells, Springfield, Mo.; and Harry Brotzman Jr., national coordinator of deaf and blind ministries for the Assemblies of God Home Missions Department, Springfield, Mo.

An afternoon rally at the local Central Assembly of God on the first day of the convention featured the film, "The Unshadowed Cross," and a message by the national coordinator of deaf ministries. Four deaf adults made decisions for Christ at the close of the service.

As Vocational Volunteers

MISSIONS CONVENTION AT GALLAUDET COLLEGE INSPIRES STUDENTS TO WORK WITH THE DEAF

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Wayne Shaneyfelt, Assemblies of God missionary to the Philippines, recently conducted a three-day missions convention on the campus of Gallaudet College here.

At the conclusion of the meeting some 35 students expressed an interest in going to the Philippines to work as vocational volunteers with the deaf.

Thomas J. Goulder, Assemblies of God chaplain at the deaf college, recently met with the superintendent of schools in Mindanao during the superintendent's visit to Gallaudet, and they discussed the possibility of establishing a Peace Corps for the deaf to serve in the Philippines. Brother Goulder says, "Pray with us that this will become a reality."

Foreign Language Section Coming

Braille Library Expands Materials

52 Books Now Ready

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—The braille library here has been expanding steadily. A total of 52 books have now been translated into Braille and are ready to loan.

The materials available include Bible readings for boys and girls, Christian fiction, books on Bible doctrine, missions, history, devotionals, poetry, songbooks, magazines, hymnbooks, and sermons.

Books which have been translated into braille include such best sellers as *The Cross and the Switchblade*, *The Kneeling Christian*, *Life's Greatest Questions*, *Pentecost*, and *The Pentecostal Pulpit*.

A foreign language section is nearing completion and will be ready for use in the near future.

Summer volunteer workers have replaced the CBC students who worked during the school year with Mildred Whitney, home missionary to the blind.

The library is receiving good reports of the blessing its literature brings. The mother of a deaf-blind boy recently wrote of the joy her son receives through "reading" the braille materials.

Plans are underway to further expand the library's services this fall as funds permit.

POINT HOPE, ALASKA—In

spite of a flu epidemic, colds, bad weather, and seasonal whaling the Sunday School Loyalty Campaign here was a success.

Pictured below are the children and one of their teachers who were present every Sunday throughout the campaign.

The Fred Cruses are home missionaries in charge of the work at Point Hope.





Evangel's President Ashcroft (left) presents Bernard Bresson with the "Order of the Golden Shield."

From Evangel College

AIBI Educator Receives Order of the Golden Shield

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Bernard L. Bresson, instructor at the American Indian Bible Institute, Phoenix, Ariz., recently received the *Order of the Golden Shield* from Evangel College here.

The annual award is bestowed by the faculty of the college on Christians who distinguish themselves in the field of education.

Brother Bresson's ministry has

included a period of missionary service in Nigeria from 1963-67.

He served on the faculty of Evangel College from 1955-1963, and served the college again from 1967-1968 following his tenure in Nigeria.

Brother Bresson went to AIBI in 1968 after 13 years' teaching experience in Missouri and Nigeria.



Home Missionary Elected To Holbrook City Council

HOLBROOK, ARIZ.—Eugene Herd, missionary to American In-

dians here was recently elected to the city council.

Brother Herd was also the baccalaureate speaker at the local public school which has 2,000 students.

John Swank, Teen Challenge director from Phoenix, and youth workers from the Teen Challenge Center, recently conducted services in the same school.

They presented an inspiring program at three separate services, and the response from the 1,700 students who attended was encouraging. The white and Indian churches of this city paid the expense of the team's visit.

Deaf Student Receives Elsie R. Peters Scholarship

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Gary Hull, top student of the year at Central Bible College—School for the Deaf, was the recipient of the \$250 Elsie R. Peters scholarship at CBC's annual honors chapel in May.

The Elsie R. Peters Scholarship Fund was established by Mrs. Peters' son-in-law and daughter,

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gilroy of Corona, Calif., to perpetuate the ministry she began in 1924 as the first Pentecostal missionary to the deaf.

There are an estimated 1,500,000 deaf in the U.S. The Assemblies of God has 41 appointed home missionaries to the deaf and 90 layworkers serving in 130 churches in 35 states.

However, the need for more workers among the deaf is urgent. Harry Brotzman, deaf and blind coordinator reports that nine deaf churches in the U.S. are without a pastor, and 15 states are without an Assemblies of God deaf work of any type.

Harry Brotzman Jr., coordinator of the deaf and blind ministries, presents the Elsie R. Peters Scholarship to Gary Hull, a deaf student at CBC.



IN PENNSYLVANIA

WMC's Stage "Christmas in June" For Teen Challenge Training Center

REHRERSBURG, PA.—Teenagers at the Teen Challenge Training Center here celebrated Christmas in June, thanks to the WMC's of the East Central Section of the Eastern District.

The evening of fellowship and inspiration began with a supper served by the Teen Challenge kitchen staff.

The WMC's had trimmed a small Christmas tree to add atmosphere and sparkle to the occasion. Wrapped gifts were presented to the boys from the churches of the East Central Section. Other gift items such as sheets, quilts, toilet articles, and underclothing were placed in the

commissary for distribution as needed. Value of the gifts was over \$500.

Frank Reynolds, superintendent of the center, gave a challenging message on entering the door of opportunity, and Mrs. Alan Alaimo of Bethlehem, Pa., gave an inspiring talk on "The Giving Tree."

A Teen Challenge worker, Mrs. Delmar A. Ross, states, "It is wonderful to know the section is with us in this program of reaching those who were once hopeless menaces to society, helping them find Christ, and rehabilitating them so they become happy, useful citizens."

Young Alaskan Church Opens Two Outstations

TOK, ALASKA—The Home Missions church here, though barely three years old, is expanding its ministry to nearby villages and recently opened two new outstations in the villages of Montasta and Dot Lake.

Dot Lake, an Athabascan Indian village, is where the Tok church and its pastor, Patrick Donadio, hold Sunday services at the children's home. The home is under the direction of Brother and Sister Charles. Spiritual blessing received from these services is not limited to the children alone, but has extended to the entire village.

On Mondays members of the Tok congregation conduct regular services in Montasta.

Three other preaching points have been pioneered under the direction of the Tok Church. They



This is the Tok Assembly and the mobile home of the Pat Donadios.

are the villages of Tetlin, Chestochina, and Eagle.

The missionaries make every effort to minister regularly at these villages, and people have accepted Christ in all of them.

HOME MISSIONARY NEWS NOTES

SPRINGFIELD, MO.—Three young men received missionary appointment from the Home Missions Department recently.

Donald E. Ansohn was appointed to Teen Challenge ministry and is director of the Houston, Tex., Teen Challenge Center.

Hervel Hensley was appointed to serve at Nome, Alaska.

Roger G. Davis will serve on the American Indian field. He is the missionary at Tohatchi (Newcomb Trading Post), N. Mex.

Several home missionaries have changed locations in their ministry.

The Alvin Capeners will return to St. Paul Island, Alaska.

The Roswell Dillinghams are leaving the American Indian field and the Dwayne Suits will re-

place them as missionaries in Kayenta, Ariz.

The Joe Hannas will be ministering to American Indians at Chandler, Ariz.

The Jerry Dean Holders will be missionaries at Lander, Wyo.

The Everett Lords have resigned the Indian pastorate at Bylas, Ariz., to assume Indian missionary work at Pima, Ariz.

Herman Murphy, a minister to the deaf, has moved to Knoxville, Tenn.

The Gordon Olsons, missionaries at Minto, Alaska, are the new missionaries at Angoon, Alaska. The Jim Shulzes of Florida will be moving to Minto.

Mrs. Juanita Tidwell has moved to Keams Canyon, Ariz., to minister among Indians.



By MELVIN SURFACE

THE HEADLINE ON THE FRONT PAGE caught my eye. It said, "It's Wonderful to Be Born Again"—the words of a young Mexican fisherman named Carlos Prado Uribe, just rescued from 18 days adrift at sea.

According to the newspaper, Carlos was working off the coast of the Yucatán Peninsula in a small skiff tied to a larger boat. Suddenly the rough seas snapped the rope, and he was cast adrift.

His oars soon proved useless against the waves, and he fell back into the boat exhausted. He was at the mercy of the currents which rapidly carried him farther and farther away from the larger boat and out to sea.

Hours, then days passed with no prospect of rescue. No ship came close enough to hail, and his hopes began to fade. The sea at first provided plenty of raw fish to keep him from starving, but after a few days sharks broke his hooks and he was forced to eat his bait. After that there was nothing.

Catching what rainwater he could during scattered showers, and drinking small amounts of seawater in between, he tried to quench, or at least diminish, his steadily growing thirst. Helpless and alone, he lay torn by cravings for which he had no hope of satisfaction.

The sea which had long been his life now promised only death, and Carlos began to want to die.

The 18th day came, and he drifted on. Weakly he scanned the horizon, as he had done countless times before, but this time his eyes fell on an object which kept getting bigger. Hope, long crushed in despair, leaped to new life as he discerned the outline of a ship coming his way.

He watched the ship approach and waited until he was almost in its shadow. Then in strength summoned by desperation he hailed her with all his might. But she passed on by at full speed. Abjectedly he slumped again in the skiff.

Dazed, he watched the ship speed away. Then he saw it begin to turn! It made a sweeping arc that again brought it in Carlos' direction, and this time they let down a lifeboat. He was saved!

Later, his hunger gone, his thirst quenched, and his strength renewed, he laid bare to his rescuers the feeling of his heart: "It's wonderful to be born again."

Before, there had been no hope. Now he was secure. Helpless, he could see only death. Now he enjoyed life.

It had seemed he had no future. Now it was as if he had been born again. All was changed!

"Born again." I had heard that expression before. I had read it many times in the Bible (John 3). I had even experienced it myself by receiving Jesus Christ as my Saviour, but now it took on new meaning.

Nicodemus was the man to whom Jesus said that unless a man is born again he cannot enter God's kingdom. This young fisherman's experience helped me to understand what Jesus meant.

No doubt Nicodemus was a good citizen and a moral person. He was a religious leader; a prosperous, highly respected, and influential man in the community; but he was not really happy. Something was missing in his life. When he heard of the miracles Jesus performed, he came to Him hoping to find satisfaction.

Like Carlos, Nicodemus was adrift at sea. He was drifting on a sea of religion, at the mercy of ritual and ceremony, hungering for something to satisfy his soul, thirsting for that which he could not find. Jesus understood his problem. He said, "You need to be born again."

I was like that too. I was adrift on the sea of life. I cruised the waters of worldly pleasure, stopping at each port of sin. I was at the mercy of the waves of circumstances, being swept by the currents of the crowd toward the rocks and reefs of heartache, disappointment, and a wrecked life.

But one day I called to the Master of the sea for help. In less time than it takes to tell it, He lifted me from the waves and took me aboard. He gave me a new life full of joy and satisfaction. Now I sail unafraid in my Saviour's vessel, and with Him at the wheel I am shouting more enthusiastically than even that young fisherman, "It's wonderful to be born again."

Have you experienced this new birth? It is a spiritual birth that makes us children of God. It is a work that God Himself does in our hearts and lives by His Holy Spirit when we confess our sins and ask Him to forgive us for them. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Let Jesus rescue you. Accept Him as your Saviour. It's wonderful to be born again. 