

GOOD DOTHAN CAMP

The camp at Dothan, Ala. just closed, is the regular State Camp, and this is, I think, the third year it has been held. In former camps, Bro. M. M. Pinson and Brother L. C. Hall have helped to the edification of the people.

This year the weather was bad from Monday till Friday, and it looked for a while as though we would be rained out. The camp started \$50 in debt and things looked dark for awhile, but God undertook for us.

Jesus was magnified as seen by Isaiah in Isa. 9:6. As He was exalted the power began to come down. The last three days were glorious, the spiritual tide rising higher and higher, until they were shouting and dancing in the Spirit. On Sunday night the power fell on a young girl and she went to the organ, playing and singing in the Spirit.

Attendance Good.

It was said forty to fifty preachers were in attendance. They fed 168 at the camp table for campers, and others camped in houses and cooked their own meals. The camp committee (Noles, Graham and Hardwick) thought they had nearly 200 campers, the best attendance at any camp, they thought. Some came from 500 miles away, and from five or six states.

Testimonies to Healing.

There was a big healing service on the last Sunday afternoon. The power fell on many as they were prayed for. They danced, shouted and praised God. Next year will be the best time to count the number of healings that have stood the test for a year.

The testimonies in the preliminary part of the service were marvelous. Perhaps thirty or forty testified, and many more who were healed and were present had no time to testify. Rupture, acute rheumatism, long standing cases of malaria and chills, cancers and various other diseases had been instantly healed, had stood the test of staying healed, and the people, seeing the ones before them who had been marvelously healed, could not say anything against it.

Two Cases of Pellagra Healed.

Among those healed a year or more ago and who are still healed, were two cases of the dreaded disease of Pellagra. One of these had a letter from her former doctor when she moved to Dothan, giving advice for future treatment of the case, in which he said, "It being already all over the trunk of the body there is no hopes for a cure." But Jesus cured her.

Another was present and testified to her healing of this awful disease, which in reality is only a form of leprosy. A third case, encouraged by the healing of these two, came forward to be healed and was prayed for. I hope the next camp will find him healed along with the two already healed. Praise God.

Unity and Spirit Fine.

God was present in saving, healing and baptizing power, but the number the writer never heard. The debt was met and a good offering given the visiting preacher, despite the very short crop in cotton due to damage by boll weevils.

The camp committee pronounced the camp the best they had ever had in three respects:—best in spiritual power, glory and victory, best in attendance and best in the sweet unity among all the preachers. The preachers did not go around grumbling about anything. All was unity and peace. Some who came with fears of division were happily disappointed. The writer was glad to meet this fine body of young preachers in the Southeast who give promise of greater things for God, was glad to minister the Word to them, and to find them appreciative and loyal to the Word of the living God. God bless every one of them. Received three invitations to hold other meetings but had to turn them down for the present.

Interest in the Papers.

The camp gave us quite a list of subscriptions, and some twenty preachers promised to raise between now and Christmas \$10.00 worth of subscriptions each, and one will try for \$50. This is a labor of love on their part with no pay, only for the work's sake and the glory of God, and we ask all our readers to respond nobly when the preachers mention this matter. God bless all Alabama and all her dear saints.—E. N. Bell.

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DELAYED REPORTS.

Through lack of space we find we have on hand several reports which were received the latter part of September and the first of October, which it has been impossible to get into print before this time. We will give briefly the news as follows:—

Sept. 22nd, Bro. J. W. Hudson gave account of the work at LAVACA, ARK., saying God had blessed the Word which was given in power through Bro. McEntire of Van Buren, Ark. Bro. Crossno of Aetna, Ark. and Will Brock, the evangelist had just closed a meeting, but there seemed to be difficulty in getting sinners to yield. He asked prayer that God would move upon the hearts of sinners.

Sept. 23rd word came from Bro. Ira D. S. Lee, sent from SAN ANTONIO, TEX., that he had been there since February, preaching and that the work was progressing well. They had a tent for meetings and were working among the soldiers with good interest. Bro. Lee would like to pastor an Assembly this coming winter and would like to have anyone interested address him at 2710 West Commerce St., San Antonio, Texas. Get in touch with him.

Sept. 23th we received good news from S. R. Henderson, sent from Reeves, La., saying they had closed a two weeks revival at POLLOCK, LA. where the Lord blessed in a wonderful way after a discouraging beginning. Sinners began to awake and tremble and cry to God for mercy. About twenty were saved and thirteen baptized with the Holy Ghost and a number healed. There was great opposition and the saints have been going through a hard experience, their tabernacle having been burned. He desired much prayer for the work in that place.

Bro. J. R. Doyel writes that he with his band held a six weeks meeting at OPAL, ARK., there being ten conversions and reclamations, and twenty-four baptisms in the Holy Ghost and twenty-two baptisms in water. He desires prayer for the young assembly there.

Oct. 3rd Bro. C. A. Lasater reported from SHOAL CREEK, ARK. that they were praising God for victory, the meeting having closed with good interest, twenty-five or thirty having been saved and thirteen having received the Holy Ghost. Twenty-four were baptized in water and God wonderfully manifested Himself among His people. Many were still seeking the Lord and the country was stirred. Pray for the people there.

Oct. 4th Bro. C. C. Kirkland, Gen. Del., Thrall, Texas, wrote that they had just closed a several weeks meeting at THORNDALE, TEXAS, where the seed was sown among some who are hungry for God but who have no public place for services. Two services were held on the street, with good interest. Pray for this Brother and his family that God will use them.

Oct. 4th, Sister Rose Thomas wrote from BISBEE, ARIZ., that they were engaged in mission work there and the Lord was blessing with conviction and conversion of souls, and that believers who had been on the way thirty years were seeking the baptism of the Holy Ghost. She asked prayer that a mighty wave of salvation might sweep over that place.

Oct. 7th Bro. J. E. Chamless and wife reported blessing from God in their nineteen days meeting at QUALLS, OKLA. Twenty were converted, twelve baptized in water and more expecting to be. This is a new field and this is the first time the old-time Gospel has been preached with the exception of a few meetings about a year previously. On the Sunday night previous to his report four received the Holy Ghost, and many others are seeking. Let us pray for this work.

Oct. 10th Bro. B. C. Condron wrote from HASKELL, TEXAS, that the Lord was blessing there and five had received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and eight had been baptized in water. The Lord gave victory and sweet unity. Bro. W. L. Lambert brought the light to them and was still with them and they were expecting great things from God. He also asks prayer.

We are gratified indeed with these reports from the field and are standing with all the dear laborers in their trials and in their successes, praying that God may provide means and in every way honor our efforts to push the glorious message to the ends of the earth TILL HE COMES.—The Editor.

OZARK BIBLE AND LITERARY SCHOOL.

The Ozark Bible and Literary School opened on schedule time, on Monday morning Oct. 4th. We were expecting a good opening. Our correspondence indicated a good attendance even from the beginning. But that we should have an enrollment of 40 students the first day of a school so new as this, was a little beyond our expectations. But such was the case. A lively crowd of bright faced earnest children and young people were on hand from various parts of Arkansas, Texas, Mississippi, Alabama, Indiana and Iowa. Quite a number more are yet coming from these and other states. So that present indications are, that the Magnetic Hotel, which has been converted into a home for the new school will soon be crowded to its utmost capacity.

As we gathered in the chapel the first morning for the opening exercises, and as the Spirit of the Lord came upon the school, and we saw even the small children standing with uplifted hands and praising God, we were made to realize that God, in His great wisdom and mercy, had provided a place of refuge for the children of His chosen ones. Thank God! So many of our dear children and young people who have been blessedly saved and baptized in the spirit, lost their experience thru the wicked association and persecution of the worldly school. The pressure against them was so great that they lost heart, gave up God, and are today out in the world. Here in this school it is easy to live for God.

The school is intended to be specially helpful also to the children of evangelists and home and foreign missionaries, many of whom are sent to regions where educational advantages are very crude, and whose children will suffer loss of training if provision is not made for them. But perhaps none will appreciate the school more than the sturdy boys and girls of the interior country districts who never would have a chance to be their best for God except for a school like this. Several are here who are preparing for the foreign mission field, some of whom have already seen some service on the foreign field.

The teachers are:

R. B. Chisolm, Formerly president of the Neshoba Holiness School, near Union, Miss., teach Language and Science.

"Mother" Barnes, formerly of St. Louis, Mo., teaches Bible.

V. Wetmore of Eureka Springs, Ark., Piano and Bible.

Mrs. V. Wetmore, Spanish.
Miss Catharine Sutherland, of Glencoe, Ontario, Canada, Mathematics.

Miss Janette Boyd, of Springfield, Mo., Domestic Science.

Miss Thelie Collier of Carrollton, Ark., who for years taught in the primary grades of the schools of Greenforest and Berryville, Ark., is expected to take the oversight of the primary grades.

Miss Elcia Utiger of Eureka Springs, Ark., Primary.

Other teachers will be added as occasion demands. Those desiring further information concerning the school should address R. B. Chisolm, principal, Eureka Springs, Ark.—Daniel C. O. Opperman.

WORD FROM RICARDO, TEXAS.

"Since I last saw you in St. Louis I have been very busy here in the Mexican work. The work here started last Spring and has been blessed of God so that now we have 23 Spirit-baptized Mexicans here. There are also some believers at Kingsville. God has called five from this little band to carry the good news on to others. They are studying the Word of God, praying and getting on the Christian armour. God has given many visions, healings, revelations among them. We desire to hold a Camp-meeting at Kingsville as soon as we get a tent large enough for the Assembly. May the Lord put it on the hearts of people to help us get a tent. The one we have is too small. We have a small press to print tracts and a paper, but do not have enough type to go ahead with the work. What will you do toward sending this Gospel both by word and press to Mexico's millions? We have had several ask for meetings in their towns but have not yet been able to reach them. God is wonderfully working among them and has set His seal upon our work.—H. C. Ball.

Editorial Note: We believe this is a worthy work, and shall be glad to forward any sums of money which may be sent to us for this purpose. When sending offerings be sure to say this is for the "Mexican Work."—Ed.

WORD AND WITNESS
TO BE DISCONTINUED

JANUARY 1, 1916

All paid up subscriptions to the Word and Witness will be transferred to the Weekly Evangel at that time.

The time has come for an enlargement of our publishing work. The Weekly paper has grown in favor with God and man until our good old monthly, the Word and Witness, which has served its purpose wonderfully in the past, has been crowded into the background. A whole month is now too long a time between the visits of a paper that is to be helpful. A whole month is too long to wait for a correct and full report of important matters that are rapidly transpiring in Pentecostal ranks. A whole month is too long to wait to hear about what was done at some important meeting. The time has come for a change, and so, beginning with January 1st the Weekly Evangel will be enlarged to

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A CHANGE OF EDITORS.

One of the important features of the Council in St. Louis, was the discussion of the publishing interests. A number of suggestions were received for making the paper better than ever in the past, and these suggestions will be appropriated and put into practice as soon as possible.

Brother Bell has been desiring to be released from the editorial chair for a year, and offered his resignation to the Presbytery last May, that he might launch out into other work for God to which he feels called. However, at that time, we could not see our way clear to release him, and so he consented to remain in the office until the Fall Council. We are very sorry to see Brother Bell leave the office, but have this confidence that his interest in the papers will not cease for a minute.

The incoming editor, J. W. Welch, is now preparing to move to St. Louis. He is well known in many parts of the movement as a careful conservative, godly man. The younger preachers in Southeastern Missouri, where Brother Welch has been laboring for a year or two, look upon him as a father among them, and we are sure that all our readers will soon find that he has a big father heart which will make itself felt as he deals with the strenuous problems of the field.

The Office Editor remains with the plant, and, as he is thoroughly conversant with the field, our readers need not look for any radical changes which would not be thoroughly consistent with the message of Pentecost.

The third member of the managing committee is unknown to many of us. He is an Ohio man, and has had some ministry in Pennsylvania and the Eastern States. All those who attended the Chicago Council will never forget the wholehearted Pentecostal outbursts of Wm. G. Schell. He is filled with the Pentecostal message and appreciates the baptism in the Holy Ghost as much as any person who we have ever met. He is planning on being out on the field for much of the time during this Fall, and shall be glad to visit any assembly who desires his presence for a few days.

He is leaving the office this week for a tour of the assemblies in Iowa, in company with Brother John Goben. We are sure that his ministry will be greatly blessed of God.

We desire that the Secretary or Chairman of the different State Councils will communicate with this office and make arrangements with Brother Schell to visit their respective fields, that he may acquaint himself with conditions and lend a hand in the edifying and strengthening of the brethren.

The New Managing Committee of the Evangel and the Word and Witness greet all our brethren in the Lord, and desire your cooperation and prayers for needed strength and help from the Lord as we enter upon our arduous duties.

J. R. FLOWER Office Editor.

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A PERSONAL WORD FROM THE INCOMING EDITOR.

In answer to what seems to me to be the call of God in my life, I have moved to St. Louis and entered in upon the duties of ministering to the saints as editor of the papers, in co-operation with Bros. Flower and Schell who, together with myself, were chosen by the Council recently in session, as Publishing Committee. To me it is practically a new field of ministry but, conscious that God is true to His promises, and grateful for His leading in my life thus far, I am yielding to go forward to follow on, "walking in His foot-steps till the crown be won."

I shall need the help, together by prayer, of all the saints and the hearty co-operation of all who are interested in the building up of God's kingdom. A request to this effect I humbly make in Jesus' name.

Confidence in the Outcome.

I have confidence in the outcome. I believe God's hand is upon us for good. We only need to watch to move together with God and one another. There is a strong tie between us, the tie of love. We are of one family—His family, Eph. 3:15. We have one purpose—His glory, 1st Cor. 6:20. One plan—workers together with Him, 2nd Cor. 6:1. Thus we are workers together with each other. How shall we walk together except we be agreed? There is a true ground of unity and fellowship. It is Christ Himself. To be in unity is to be together in Him. There is no disunion there. If we abide together in Him we shall maintain unity. If we but consent to division we consent to wrong. We are to "endeavor to keep the unity." As truly as there is only unity in Christ, so there is but little of unity in the flesh or self life.

resolution to which we all subscribed and which was reaffirmed and emphasized by the saints in Council at St. Louis upon so recent a date. In this we have declared our purpose to accept the written Word (the Bible) as the one all-sufficient rule for faith and practice, and have promised to neither add to or take from it (see Preamble of Resolution 2nd Heading). This does not mean to me that we are to hold only such things as we may have known as Biblically true lest we add something to the Word, but rather that we may freely accept and hold any new meaning which may be shown us by God the Spirit. We may expect a development of understanding unless we be spiritually deaf and dead, and I, for one, rejoice in this that we are freed from bondage now in respect to believing and enjoying any new light or truth. Many of us have in other days been under restraint on this line because of the power of sectism and were hindered in knowing the truth of the Word. Now we are free, let us remain free.

On the other hand this purpose to not add to or take from the Word means to me that we are to carefully watch and prayerfully look to God at times when there appears what may be light and truth, and may be only the result of private interpretation, for no scripture is subject to such, lest we find ourselves accepting error. So let us be careful enough to be right and yet not so slow as to miss God. "He that believeth shall not make haste," but indolence and indifference engender unbelief. Conservatism is a part of righteousness but "fear hath torment." After many years in which I have had many and varied experiences, I have become a conservative in these matters—a burned child fears fire.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO PREACHERS

There was a change made by the Council when in session at St. Louis, in the Credential Committee and the plan of issuing credentials to Preachers. Brother J. R. Flower, Secretary of the Council, is now Secretary of the Credential Committee, and will receive applications and issue credentials instead of Brother H. A. Goss of Hot Springs, Ark., who has heretofore handled this work.

We are ready to publish the minutes of the General Council at St. Louis, Mo., and the time has come to revise and complete the list of ordained Elders, Ministers, Evangelists and Missionaries. There is a lack of correct information on our records concerning the ordination of many who are on the list. To have and keep a correct list, we must have this information. Please write us at once and let us know whether you were ordained as an Elder, Evangelist, Minister or Missionary, the date and place of your ordination, date your Certificate was issued, whether you are now engaged as a pastor or evangelist, and your permanent address where mail can always reach you.

This information is quite important. Be careful to not miss sending this information at once if you desire your name and address to appear in the General Council Minutes for 1916.

J. R. FLOWER, Secy., 2838 Easton Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

Self appreciation makes for sensitiveness, engenders strife and division, and "who is who" becomes the issue.

Let those, who will, enter into strife. We will not, but, loving one another with a pure heart fervently, let us strive to do the will of God from the heart. The printed page is a practical medium of helpful interchange of thought, and a glorious herald of the message of truth to the world, and the paper may be made an effective means of promoting co-operative fellowship among us in those things which pertain to our "like precious faith." Our desire is to make it such in the greatest possible degree.

The Desire of My Heart.

In coming into the office of editor, I find in my heart a real desire and strong leading to make the paper a helpful visitor to every home into which it may come, not so much as a forum for the settlement of differences, but as a medium of fellowship by which all may be held in a blessed bond of unity based upon those things of truth which we hold in common. Somehow I feel that there is enough to occupy the pages of the paper in which all may be interested without feeling the sting of opposition or strife. This does not mean that we are to try to please all readers of the paper everywhere. Nor does it mean that we have no definite convictions of what is truth, but rather this, that we feel that a paper which accords with, and represents the spirit of the General Council of the Assemblies of God, should hold as closely as possible to the spirit and letter of the Constitutional

Your Co-operation in Prayer Needed.

Brethren pray for me that I may have and hold a correct view of my place in the body of Christ and of my ministry in this new relation; and pray together with me that God may guide us together through the tangle of varied and often distracting matters which arise in these days. Only God can save us from error and fanaticism and keep us free from formalism and deadness. We may never see eye to eye in all things this side of eternal glory, but, thank God we can go on together till Jesus shall come if we truly and lovingly "consider one another to provoke unto love and good works" and not to strive one against another. With much love for all men.

J. W. WELCH.

A WORD OF EXPLANATION.

We desire to explain to our many correspondents the reason for some delay in replying personally to their letters. For weeks it has been a matter of great effort to simply handle the business matters which were before us for attention. We have been obliged to lay aside many letters until there was more time for the answering of them, as the different departments of our work have rested upon only a few, with the necessity for working both day and night. During the Council an arrangement was made which distributes some of this work and we are now undergoing a re-organization which will make it possible for us to handle correspondence with more speed. We trust our people will be patient a little longer until we can reduce the volume of work which has been piling up for a considerable time.

EDITORIAL.

We are especially pleased to note the article in this issue upon the Godhead by our brother Bell, formerly Editor-in-chief, and now Contributing Editor of the Weekly Evangel. We might speculate much about the mysteries of the three-fold personality of the one God with little or no profit, but it is surely better to simply believe what the Word tells us about God, and accept what we know Him to be through acquaintance with Him, without too much effort to see God in comparison where no correct comparison can be made. God is a Spirit, (Jno. 4:24) and because of this fact concerning Him there is a vast difference between God and any natural or physical being, and the manifold manifestations in which we see God, who is not only seen in three distinct personalities, but who is known in a hundred-fold greater and more wonderful ways than even that are due to the fact that He is God, a spirit. Why God is everywhere at the same time, and not only so, but manifests Himself as a distinct presence to thousands of His praying, worshipping people at the same time. And every one of them realize that he is giving them special attention. We all believe that and rejoice in it, and how blessed it is. God even goes beyond that, for not even a sparrow falls to the ground without His notice, and the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Glory to God forever! Why should we be confused by the Trinity or the thought that God is one God and yet three in one. The whole matter lies in the very nature of the case, and these things are true of God simply because He is God, and because as God He is infinite or limitless, without bounds as to when, where and how He shall manifest Himself. Let us not try to mark His boundaries nor prescribe His greatness. Let us worship Him in the beauty of holiness, let us be true to our vows of consecration, and let us wait for a fulness of understanding, until we shall know even as we are known.

Praise God for His love to us! We have great reason to be thankful for deliverance from sin, and for the blessed relationship which He has established between Himself and us; "for now are we the sons of God." O Hallelujah, what a thought! And because we are sons, He, God, has sent out into our hearts the spirit of His own Son, crying "Abba Father," Rom. 8:15. And we know that He loves us, and will keep us and care for us if we will be true to Him. How blessed it is to find in our hearts a glad response to His love, "for the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost who is given to us? O thank God for his gift to the Church, the blessed Holy Ghost whom the world cannot receive nor even know, but whom God has sent in Jesus' name, even as He promised of old and who is to God's children the blessed comforter and who is determined to make Jesus a living, bright reality to us all, and in Him we have redemption through His blood. Glory!

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On earth suffered, bled and died.
We have heard it and have told it,
Some have listened, turned away
From the paths of sin and sorrow,
And are saved and kept today.

Yes, you've told the old sweet story
Of the love of God's own Son;
How on earth He healed the sick ones,
All who sought Him, every one.
How the deaf ones heard His message,
And the blind received their sight,
And souls who long had groped in darkness
One glad morning saw the light.

But, my brother, I must tell you
That our Christ is living still.
That He now on earth is healing
All who now obey His will,
And the reason lives are fruitless
And some souls so little grow
Is because they have not touched Him;
Only a dead Christ they know.

All ye weary, heavy laden
Come and He will give you rest;
Hearts o'erpressed with heavy burdens
Trust in Him who loves you best.
Sick ones, bound by Satan's fetters,
Break your chains, for you are free.
Listen now for Christ is calling
"Take My yoke and learn of Me."

He is living and has promised,
"Lo I am with you always."
Sound His praises, claim your freedom,
He is just the same today.
Still He's saving, still He's healing,
As before in Galilee.
Why not seek Him, fully trusting,
As your faith is, it shall be.

Oh! my brother, Oh! my sister,
Lay aside your doubts and fears.
Lay aside your earthly wisdom,
And the teaching of past years.
As a little child receive Him,
Trusting where you cannot see,
For to know Him is to trust Him,
And His Word shall set you free.

BLESSED REVIVAL AT PUEBLO, COLO.

It is with gratitude to God that we report a glorious refreshing from the presence of the Lord. The Holy Spirit began to move on our hearts to prepare for a revival, so we announced special meetings in preparation for it. We had no idea who the Lord was going to send to help, Bro. W. H. Merrin wrote us and, after our week of preparation, he came and was with us ten days and they were days of blessing indeed. Following that Sister Woodworth-Etter came to us and it has surely been Heaven on earth here. The rich blessing she brought in increased faith was truly more than we expected. We believe she will be led to come here in the Spring and we trust by His help to see the greatest outpouring this state has ever seen.

During Bro. Merrin's and Sister Etter's stay here people were saved, healed and baptized with the Holy Spirit, and, praise the Lord, we who have continued here have our freedom and we thank God through His Son Jesus Christ, that these two saints, with Bro. Feike and Sister Bishop, Sister Etter's helpers, left us with much blessing and with no sting in it. Pray for us that we may not fail the Lord.
—C. V. Thomas, Pastor of the Assembly.

GOOD ASSEMBLY NEAR RAMSEY, ILL.

Just closed a meeting six miles north of Ramsey, Ill. in the country. Twelve received the baptism in the Holy Ghost, and twenty-nine were immersed in water. There is a good little assembly there and they have built a church and call it "Oak Valley Church."—Martha Lee.

GOD WORKING IN DALLAS.

125 Saved 80 Received the Holy Ghost, 60 Baptized in Water.

God has greatly blessed the work in Dallas during the past summer, but especially the last two months. Bro. W. Black of Los Angeles, Cal. was with us from Aug. 20th to Oct. 4th. His stirring sermons were a great uplift to the saints and brought deep conviction on sinners. About 125 were saved and 80 received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Sixty converts have just recently been baptized in water.
—S. A. Jamieson.

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EMMANUEL—GOD WITH US

The Theme of a Message by Our Dear Brother Rickard of Indianapolis—Friday—In the Initial Service of the Council

Mal. 3:1-7; Matt. 3:5-17; and Phil. 2:3-10.

I think the connection of these scriptures will be apparent in what I have to say. The Holy Ghost, in the first words He wrote in the Scriptures, said: "In the beginning God," and in the New Testament Scriptures when He began to write again, said: "In the beginning God," in the Gospel of John. At a time when the religious world was most vehement in denying the great God, the supernatural, miracle working God, at that time God manifested Himself. At the present time God is manifesting Himself in the most marvelous fashion that has ever been known in the history of the world. * * I cannot see why men in the pulpits today, denying the miraculous, will still hold this old Word. It is full of accounts of miraculous manifestations of God. Moses and Elijah, and Paul in the jail at Phillippi were all acquainted with the miraculous wonder-working power of God. * * * God generally chose the best men and women He could lay His hand on. Saul of Tarsus was head and shoulders above all men, in intellect and natural powers. So was Moses whose education and training fitted him for the work. I see poor, ignorant, unlearned, unqualified persons in the natural and I see God manifesting His mighty power upon everything and everybody who is child-like enough to let Him.

Called of God.

Some months ago a brother in my assembly in Evansville who passed my house several times a day, used often to come in and see me and speak of his call to preach, and his call to Africa. I talked to him as gently as I could, but when he would go I would say to my wife, "I don't see how in the world he can ever preach."

In time he sold everything and took his wife and went out to preach the Gospel. He went over to Kentucky and held on there in a little town. They run him out, but he held on. Finally the man who ran the town and had everything in charge, came in it, and take that other house and use it for a church," and he came and gave an offering and said, "This is of God." The power of God began to fall and money began to pour in. He was given money and everything he needed. They said they loved to look at his face, it was just like an angel's. A young man said to him: "I want to talk with you," and they took a walk and he gave the brother \$200. He gave away that two hundred dollars. He is on his way to Africa yet he turned around and gave that money away to someone who needed it. That is God's way of doing. I know it would not have been mine!

Emmanuel—God with us.

The message today is, "Emmanuel"—God with us. That is what this movement means. That is the most marvelous thing about it. I am glad God is on hand and once more being incarnated in the lives of the humble souls who will let Him come in.

At a time when Jesus' enemies had slain Him and His best friends had forsaken Him and He was placed in the tomb and the seal was set of the greatest of this world's kingdoms—just at a moment, without any effort—He arose in the tomb and took away from His body the burial garments and folded them. O, Splendid, O, Splendid God! Glory to His Matchless Name forever! He came forth and the men fell back as dead men and He rode triumphantly on in His kingly power and glory! From His high place of power in glory He began to subject and bring to His feet the power that opposed Him and He has been waiting and working and expecting until this time, until His rising up in His power and glory, and He is about to bring this earth to His blessed feet.

Once more Jesus is coming, and we have "Emmanuel" (God with us) once more, not incarnated in a little child but in many poor little children who had to give up their churches and their homes and companions and their husbands and have been caused to give up everything on this earth,

that once more God might incarnate Jesus in them. Once more the church is blind to their Lord, to the presence of God. My very heart has wept within me for my dear Israel in the churches. God knows that I love the churches and the church people but I could not allow myself to be conformed to their ways, not for a minute. How I wished their eyes might be anointed to see this Christ once more being incarnated in the earth.

God is not Dead.

Martin Luther would have such cases of the blues and such distressing times that his wife had to teach him a lesson. At one time he came home and found her in mourning. He said, "What is the matter," she said: "Haven't you heard?" "No what?" She answered, "Why our heavenly Father is dead." He was through. His wife had taught him a lesson, God was not dead, Hallelujah! I know one thing, God is living and much in evidence, and He will move on until Jesus is enthroned, for He has undertaken and will not give way to the enemy. In the meantime it behooves us to look to God for wisdom and understanding.

People cannot come near a fire and not feel the warmth. Many who fight Pentecost have not seen it. They feel better fighting. People will see many things, of which they do not understand. If they understood it, it would not be of God. We have known so little about God and His manifestation that we do not understand, but you go to fighting and you will ruin your soul.

No Place for Pride.

When I first came to a Pentecostal meeting I was very much overlooked. I was accustomed to being looked upon as a Minister, but I came in and was treated like anybody else, but, O, I praise God, that people who did not have enough in them to see a wonderful Preacher when He came around, I found out had something in them and were deeply humbled and had forgotten long ago how to pat another on the back. How I bless God for His elimination of man—that destruction of human pride that has come along with Pentecost and so humbles us at Jesus' feet.

I often wondered why God's people did not always get along very well together I believe the reason why some troubles and misunderstandings arise is because we are in the family.

The Council at Jerusalem.

I remember a council they had at Jerusalem (some people do not believe in Councils, but they had one at Jerusalem). Do you know how they thought of each other? The one at the head of it got up and said about Simon Peter (I just want to see Simon Peter when I get to heaven and have a long talk with him alone somewhere)—the old, wise James got up and said, "Simon has said." There is something of courtesy and kindness and gentleness and sweetness in these words to me that makes my soul happy. I do believe that is the spirit that should characterize all the children of God and I do believe that the Holy Ghost in this Pentecostal movement ought to take out rudeness and harshness and put in sweetness and courtesy and gentleness that is like God. I bless the Lord for the sweetness and culture of the Holy Spirit. In my preaching I used to use slang and jokes occasionally. But, bless the Lord, that that was so true to my nature and was so easily on my tongue has been blessedly washed away. Brethren, when you use common slang and rudeness in the pulpit I believe you ought to know a little more about talking in the Spirit. I believe God wishes Pentecostal people who go out to preach might learn to be gentle, and I do not believe we ought to ruin this movement by using language that the cultured people of the world would not use. It is not pleasing to God.

The Overwhelming Glory of God.

The glory of God is prostrating. There has never been a time when the Glory of God was manifested that men did not tremble and fall to the earth. On Sinai the glory was so great that Moses who had seen God in the burning bush and talked with God on the mount, said, "I exceeding-

ly fear and tremble." The world says, "I don't understand the shaking." No never, not until we understand our God. Even Daniel, great in fellowship with God and strong in mind and body, fell to the ground under the manifestation of God's glory. Isaiah, when he saw the glory of God said, "I am a man of unclean lips." I have always loved the manifestation of power. I remember the first sight of the ocean. It almost overcame me. I love a storm. I love the manifestation of God's power. I have been trying to preach to people and get them saved for so long I was mighty glad when God came along to help and Emmanuel (God with us) had come.

These great wars and these tribulations do not seem much like grace, but it does mean power and the next great manifestation we will have will be one of power. The doors of grace are closing. God is not weeping over men so much now. We see Him smashing kingdoms and manifesting His mighty power to bring this old world to the feet of Jesus.

God Spoke to me.

God could not get hold of folks that had heads and he had to take the folks that hadn't any. As soon as some of our little heads can get something we know the whole thing. You can't tell us anything. I have something to say just now (I guess God wants me to say it), I have been very suspicious of councils myself. I could stand a little bit, maybe, not much of it. I have had some problems. I had people in my assembly that got some messages and get revelations and became very much lifted up, especially in the head. They began to get head trouble and they could not learn anything and they would get messages and leadings and everything they would think in the human was right from heaven and you could not tell them it was not from heaven either and they began to carry out these messages and ideas and began to split and tear up. Well then, what? Well, we did nothing but lie on our faces and cry all night. I was praying and fasting and God came to His servant and gave him a message. God said to me that this lawless, independent spirit is the spirit of the anti-Christ and if you don't get rid of that you will have to suffer the judgments of the tribulation. You will never get into the bride unless you learn how to fellowship and learn how to be subject one to another. Do you know what I felt like then? I felt like getting in this Council somewhere, in some council anywhere, and creep in somewhere and be some little piece and never be found or heard of just so I could be there and be a part of the great, precious body of Christ that expects to be translated.

It is too late to seek place or position but only to be right where God would have us in His body. I praise Him that in the midst of very much of headiness and independence God is giving us revelation and teaching us wisdom and notwithstanding we feel often distressed and confused because our messages do not tally out because we do not see the thing come to pass that we said would surely come to pass, and therefore we feel like turning away from all of that, but after all God is deepening us and is with His people and when He has drilled us and thoroughly taken us through His training so that we will know His messages, then we will be ready to listen and hear from God and know Him and His leading better. We will later be introduced into the spiritual world and we will have fellowship with the saints of the church of the first born and fellowship with angels and we will have the privilege of walking side by side with Jesus Christ and having blessed fellowship with hosts of angels and with the saints of old who also received messages from on high. I praise God that He is actually letting us hear the heavenly music and hear the angels sing.

STORY, ARK.

We began a meeting four miles north of Story Sept. 25th. We are having good attendance. People have come from five and six miles around. The Lord is blessing. We are expecting a mighty outpouring here as at Pentecost. Glory to God. Bros. W. L. Stallones and W. S. Miller are engaged in a meeting at Washita, seven miles from here. We ask an interest in the prayers of all the saints.—H. A. Riley and band.

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The Word and Witness will be discontinued January 1, 1916. See Explanation on page 3.



There is greater need for missionary funds at this time than any time since God first poured out the Holy Spirit in Latter Rain measure. Not only are conditions on the field harder because of the war, but issues over doctrines and practices have so filled the minds of the people that they have almost forgotten the missionary field. Hundreds of Pentecostal missionaries are still dependent upon God for their sustenance through His

children in the Pentecostal movement, and we have not been doing our duty. We must arise and shake ourselves and do what we can to relieve the distress and need of the missionaries. Come up to the help of the Lord now. We will gladly forward money, to any needy missionary. Send all missionary offerings to J. W. Welch, Treasurer, 2838 Easton Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

JOHN D. JAMES.

China.

The floods which have recently visited China are the most destructive the Chinese have known for many years. Many lives were lost and much property destroyed. Others who survived the flood had to go hungry only as someone came and gave them rice for food. It is awful to think of the thousands who went down into eternity without Christ. I praise God that I, with another European brother and one Chinese help, was able to give to the poor Chinese one thousand dollars worth of rice, through the kindness of the Red Cross Society and others who gave us the rice. These poor people were so glad to get the rice, and I am sure it will open doors for the Gospel which have previously been closed. We need to enter them now.

Have been sorely tested for lack of funds. The floods destroyed my mission in such a way that I had to pull down the front and side wall to the ground and the upper story had to be taken down. This stops my school and my meetings also. I have no place to live in but I know God will undertake. Am trying to put up the mission part which will cost about \$35.00 and have paid a little more than half this but have not the other. I am badly in need of about three hundred dollars to be able to continue this work. Pray for me.

MARY A. BLAKENEY.

South Africa.

Truly God is mindful of His Own. I sent you a letter some time ago telling you of Mr. Blankeney, my husband, going forth to the Congo, Belg. They left June 20th. Bro. Burton and Bro. Salter from England also Bro. Armstrong from here were the congo party. God truly had gone before them and now the Congo is wide open to the Pentecostal people. It has meant much but God is able. The last word from them was a telegram from Kokondja, Katango, Sept. 1st. On it was: "Blakeney fully recovered. Salters very ill. Armstrong passed away."

This has been a hard blow to us. We have wired twice. No reply from them. But Father knows. Yes, He loves, He cares. Our eyes are upon Him. But we have said "All the way with Thee I'll go," and He is proving me these days, but by His grace I'll go all the way.

The financial needs are great at present. Will you not pray for us that God in His own time may meet them. Bro. Armstrong leaves a wife and two sons. One son has gone on before him. He also gave his life as a Missionary and died with fever a few years ago.

Sister Richardson and Hodges left here Sept. 1st. for the Congo. Pray for those who are gone forth. Also remember us in prayer.

TEXAS WORKERS CONVENTION POSTPONED INDEFINITELY.

The Texas Worker's Convention which had been announced to be held from Oct. 31st to Nov. 7th incl. at Fort Worth, Tex. has been postponed indefinitely. Brother Collins reports that they are in the midst of a great revival. Brother Collins says that they have no time for contention. He says they are out for souls and do not propose to be sidetracked by any tricks of the enemy, that they are going on according to Heb. 6:1-3.

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BRO. B. S. MOORE, JAPAN.

We have three Sunday-schools now and three workers, one Japanese teacher and amid trials, we rejoice to be able to report we are yet on "terra firma." God is saving and healing some and the walls are being built in troublesome times. 150 children in three schools and three workers and a teacher. Funds come slowly, but God is faithful.

BROTHER POST OF EGYPT.

Word comes from our Bro. Post of Egypt, that urgent duties in this country have called him home and he feels that God has a service for him here in relation to the work in Egypt. He desires prayer that God's purpose may be fulfilled in the briefest possible time. Remember our brother in prayer. He is now in this country.

A CALL FROM CENTRAL AMERICA

B. A. Schoeneich.

God only knows how much we are hindered for want of help. There are many places to visit with the Gospel that we have never touched yet, and our hearts long to go but we can only be at one place at a time. O that God would stir up hearts for this neglected land of dark Central America.

BRO. B. T. MOORE, JAPAN.

One of my workers has received the baptism and we praise God. It will mean much. The Japanese are slow to accept deep spiritual things. We are continually getting some saved and have started another meeting in another section. The house, which accomodates about 40, is full and some stand at the door. We are now having great rains and the parched crops are reviving. Great floods are destroying property and crops in the North, and also in Mongolia and China. Tidal waves near here. Volcanic eruptions in the sea. 1915 is a "Red Letter year." More yet to come. We are in the time of "birth pangs." Deliverance will come soon. Hallelujah! The weather has been extremely hot but we continue to fight the devil and had a good service last night. A navy man has turned to the Lord.

We have had printed and distributed nearly 30,000 tracts in Japanese and some rolls of Chinese tracts and papers, and thousands of English tracts and papers among the big Ocean Liners that land here. We ask a continuance of your interest and prayers.

MR. AND MRS. F. H. GRAY, JAPAN.

Since coming to Japan we have spent most of our time studying the language, but feel now that God would have us open up definite mission work. We have moved to the interior city of Koga Machi, which has about 25,000 population. There are many smaller villages not far away. We have rented a new brick building on the main street for a mission hall, but the expense of fitting it up is quite high. We are having a concrete floor and some partitions put up besides other changes. When completed we expect to be able to seat nearly 100 in the main hall. Our Sunday school and after-meeting rooms up-stairs will hold about 125 or 150 people.

Koga is a strong Buddhist town and very conservative. We sorely need your co-operation in prayer and finances, as the Lord leads. It is a problem to secure an interpreter who is at all satisfactory. We are now trying a brother who has had much experience and seems to be hungry for the baptism. As he has five in his family he wants \$18.50 besides house rent. We solicit your co-operation. Pray especially

that God will meet us in power, saving and baptizing in the Holy Ghost.

ELMER B. HAMMOND. CHINA.

Truly God has been with us this past summer, protecting us from the unusual heat. The latter part of August, just before the missionaries returned to their respective stations, the Lord gave us a precious convention. About thirty of us met together to worship Jesus. The power fell and we were encouraged, refreshed and blessed. Love and unity prevailed and the presence of the Lord was mightily felt. We are expecting great things from the Lord this year. Pray for South China.

The Lord is calling me to places where the Gospel has not yet reached. I ask the saints to pray that every need may be supplied and that the way may be opened. Workers and money are needed. "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me." Pray for us.

MRS SERENA HALLAND AND MISS FLORA HALLAND. So. China.

We have come back from an evangelistic trip in the country about 100 miles or so up a muddy river to some heathen villages. We sold Gospels, preached the Gospel and prayed for the sick. God called me to Shek kei and Sha Chung three months ago but it seemed like it could not be done as no means came for the trip. Finally a widow in Los Angeles sent \$10.00 but we needed half of that for house rent. By figuring it out to go in Chinese style and eat Chinese food, we found we could make the trip. God was with us and we were kept by power divine. We hope to go back to Sha Chung in the near future to open up a permanent work among the heathen, God willing. There is no mission in that place. There are many giants and high walls to be overcome but, by His grace we can do it. Who will stand by us with means and prayers? God has already worked in the people's hearts. They are willing to let us come and live in their village provided we will teach them a little English. We promised, but we told the village Magistrate of that place we were there for the sake of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Though he was a heathen, he said "All right." We realize that it means self-denial and lack of fellowship with other missionaries for eight or nine months in the year. We are waiting God's time to send us forth. Please pray for us that God may do far above what we are able to ask or think. Praise His name!

L. B. SLY. So. America.

We wish we could report grand meetings and souls being saved, but such is not the case. We realize that the key to the situation here, as in every hard field, is believing, constant and importunate prayer. This is the reason we write as we do that the saints in the home land may pray intelligently for these deceived people under the Roman yoke and for your servants on the field. Who will take up the ministry of intercession for this place? Who will help lift the burden by prayer or means? Both are certainly essential. The press we have for printing tracts is a beauty but we need about \$150 to clear it. That will put us in good condition for work. We would welcome a practical printer here to work among us.

We ask your earnest prayer for one young man who is coming to read the Bible and sing with us at every opportunity. Also for another who has recently married. The harvest truly is great but the laborers few.

I want to take another trip into the neighboring towns with Testaments and tracts soon. Pray that the way may be opened. We are praying that Pentecost shall come to Ecuador. The Pentecostal bands in Chile are growing and blessed of God. This altitude is very trying on Mrs. Sly and she feels the need of rest. Pray for her. We do not want to complain or murmur.

S. SMIT. South Africa.

Since last writing to you a brother and myself were invited by some natives about sixty miles from our station to come and minister to them. We walked there and back so as to be able to hold meetings on the way amongst them, and as far as the eye could see were native huts scattered all over the country, some of the natives hav-

ing never heard the Gospel. Praise God! we were able to tell them of God's love for them and that Jesus died on the cross to save them. More than once we had to sleep in a hut and eat the same food as the natives. We prayed for the sick and God healed them, and after some days of walking and preaching as we went, we arrived at our destination where we found a company of natives, including three preachers who stand for the full Gospel which was revealed to them by the Spirit of God even before they invited us. We were welcomed with open arms, and had some glorious meetings, especially on Sunday morning when separating the three preachers to the Gospel work by laying on hands and prayer. One of them fell under the power of God and received the baptism of the Holy Spirit with speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. On our way back God also richly blessed us and made us a blessing in the healing of the sick and in preaching this Gospel to many hungry souls. The Lord also supplied our needs on the way in caring for my family at home. Praise Him forever! Please pray that all needs may be supplied for the opening of a Mission Station amongst these thousands of natives.

WILLA B. LOWTHER, CHINA.

For a long time I have been feeling that the Lord was cutting me loose from Hong Kong, but I so desired to keep right in His will and move with Him. Recently the Lord made it perfectly clear to me that He wanted me at this time to move into the interior, and in many ways it has already been proven that the Lord is in my going. The interior work is much harder than in Hong Kong but to be in His will is the sweetest of all. These 200 miles back from the coast will be but a stepping stone for me to get into the far back interior. Some two or three of our missionaries have a call from God to go to "Kwong Sai," a province of fifteen million people (supposedly) who have never heard the Gospel. No missions, no missionaries, no Bibles. My heart burns for this people, whether to intercede or to go.

The flood in So. China was terrific,—the worst China ever had. It is estimated that two hundred thousand people lost their lives, and now cholera has followed the flood. Many people are engaged in relief work. Our own missionaries were all safe but some of the other missionaries came near losing their lives.

Bro. Denney has been sick in Sam Shui with chills and fever for about two months and does not seem to get any better. We hope God will deliver soon, for China has no missionaries to lose. The Lord has kept me unusually well, considering this very trying climate.

There are numbers of open doors but I don't know now just where I will settle. Over a week ago I gave my first little public talk in the native language. In a few more months I hope to be more free in personal work.

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