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## "The Mystery of Iniquity Doth Already Work."



**H**ERE is a holding back, a hindering, a restraint just now on the part of God against the forces of evil. Mercy contending with judgment. The cup of iniquity is filling up so quickly. But grace is restraining—for the long-suffering of our God is salvation. The activity of hell would seem to eclipse the grace of heaven. The mystery of iniquity doth already work; only He who now letteth, or restraineth, will restrain until restraint is impossible. "Prophecy unto us smooth things!" This is the cry of many. And there are lots of smooth prophets. And they are helping to fill up the cup of iniquity. It is the greatness of our God, the greatness of His mercy, the greatness of His grace, that is tolerating the greatness of iniquity. Those who should be seers and prophets have bat's eyes. The Lord calls them, "Blind leaders of the blind." And they, with all those who follow them, will both fall into the ditch—the apostle John calls it "the pit."

"Prophecy unto us smooth things!" Like shepherd, like sheep. Now it is a case of, "We have piped unto you **and ye have danced.**" And the dancers encourage the piper. And they will both find their feet slipping. They have mistaken the miry clay for the solid rock. No, their feet have not "well nigh slipped"—they are slipping, and they are well nigh in the ditch. But they think they are going up instead of going down, that they are progressing instead of receding, and they love to have it so. "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only He who now letteth will let (He who now restraineth will restrain), until He be taken out of the way. And then shall that wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming: even Him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish: because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie.

"But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren, beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: whereunto He called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. Now our Lord Jesus Christ Himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work" (2 Thessalonians 2).

-:- **LOVED** -:-  
Elizabeth Sisson

"Loved! then the way will not be drear;  
For One we know is ever near,  
Proving it to our hearts so clear  
That we are loved.

"Loved! when our sky is clouded o'er;  
And days of sorrow press us sore;  
Still will we hear Him evermore  
Say, 'Ye are loved!'

"Time that affects all things below  
Can never change the love He'll show.  
The heart of Christ with love will flow  
And we are loved."

A very precious old friend of mine, a blessed saint, highly conscientious and holy, but somewhat legal, told us one day as she walked the street a sweet Voice said within, "Nancy, I love you. Nancy, I love you." "So," she said, "if the Lord said it, I suppose He does." Life became richer and sweeter in its ministrations to others, because she kept receiving the caresses of a great Lover, as she heard Him saying, "I love you."

He is saying to you, dear reader, this moment, **FROM UNDER HIS SHED BLOOD**, "I love you." Let it come into the ears of your heart, and rejoice thou in the love-warmth. "God so **LOVED** the world," "SO loved the world." Hear it, poor, dear sinner, you who have so hated the Lord and His Word, "God so loved the **WORLD**." If you are in the world, that means **YOU**, means He gave His only Son for **YOU**. Hear it, dear child of God, He **SO** loved, that He gave, and is **ALWAYS GIVING** His Son. He gives Him **TO YOU**, that your life may be always, "Not I, but Christ." Every moment, in every provision of life, He is always saying, "I love you." "All things are of God." "All things are **for your sakes**." All things working together! Listen! Hear it! How stupendous the utterance!!! To conform us "to the image of His Son!!!" How glorious the purpose! What magnitude of pattern! And every trifle lighter than air, as well as every cataclysm of woe, every height of throne, of gift and bounty; **ALL** working together to bring it to pass! Sweeter than lullaby of a crooning mother's heart, comes every moment, each passing event, laden with "I love you."

Accustom yourself to hear it, and praise Him for the brown-paper parcel of events which wraps the love. Love thrives on reciprocity. You know that in natural life. How quickly affection is checked if a maiden doubts her lover's words of affection, or resists his caresses. Our tiniest every-day occurrences are the vehicles on which our great Lover sends His, "I love you." Do not make so much of the incident as of the message with which it is freighted.

Many years ago, a returned missionary from India, I walked the street on some errand, when it was borne upon me, "This is spring time, shad time, would you not like a bite of shad?" Accustomed to constant and deep self-denial of all sorts, I said to myself stoutly, "No, I do not want it. I want nothing but what I get." Then within a gentle Voice whispered, "But if the Lord gave it, you would like it, wouldn't you?" Returning home, I found a bouncing shad in the kit-

chen, marked, "For the Missionary," and the family dined royally that day. A sweet suggestion that God in blessing us lets the overflow into hearts around us. Another motive for hearing Him say all the time, "I love you." After dinner came the Voice, "I made you to long for the fish, then touched the brother's heart to send it, that you might hear My whisper, 'I love you.'"

I had a girl friend in India, between whom and a young man had sprung up an ardent affection, at least it was ardent on her side. But he went to England and left her letter-less, and otherwise broke her heart. Now he writes he is returning and appoints a date to meet her. Her whole being is on the strain that the interview may be a success and old love may return. Knowing him to be an artist, she denied herself everything to gather together her little monies to get him a gift. With delight she showed it to me, "I am sure he will like this, he is so artistic." I thought grimly, "I'd let him go to Guinea, before I would do that!" But then my heart was not involved! Oh, is there any other reason to account for Jesus overlooking our many, many slights of Him, and still pressing on with His love, but that His heart is **so** involved! Oh, that "I love you," of His is a voice out of His poverty—

"In a world His hands had made,  
Not a place to lay His head!"

out of His persecutions; a voice from the blood-sweat of Gethsemane, a voice from the writhings of Calvary, ever saying in **ALL** things, "I love you."

To return to the maiden and her gift. When the interview with her lover was over she came back to my room, her pretty gift in her hand. With a half sob she said, "He took it, called it 'pretty,' laid it down, but forgot to carry it away when he went!" Is there a sob in the heart of Jesus when we turn the deaf ear to the choice gift of His love, the "I love you," in each event of our life?

"I have loved you with an everlasting love, therefore (no other reason for it whatever) with loving-kindness have I drawn you." No other reason in each "draw" but infinite, eternal love! How did He draw you? He began with me by letting every earthly prospect fail me. My young life plans were crushed. Then He set my secret sins in the light of His countenance, and I was guilty and miserable. Love, unutterable Love, shattered life for me that I might take nothing less than Love supernal as my portion! The blessed "draw!"

Two young Scotch Christian girls had been meeting with reverses. They had seen their father die. His death plunged them from easy living into rigid economy. Later the only brother sickened and died. This brought them still lower in finances and they had to take to needlework for support. Their last remaining joy, the precious, frail mother, was taken. As they bore the coffin from the house, the one sister screamed, "Now I know God hates me." There was a sympathetic sob ran through the room from friends and neighbors attending the funeral; but the other sister said, "Now I know that God loves me, for 'Whom the Lord loveth, He chasteneth.'"

Oh, that sweet "I love you," it runs through all our life. It speaks out through every great and small affair. "I have loved you, **THEREFORE** have I done this and that and everything. I love you, I love you.

To you I am always whispering this, and if you will let Me, I will so give you Jesus to be all your life, with His ears (inside of yours) you shall hear Me ever saying I love you." "The Lord direct your hearts into the love of God."

If you will but abide under His sweet, glad, holy Word, you will hear Him say, "As the Father hath loved Me, SO have I loved you: continue ye in My love." If you will but keep under this gladsome word, "I love you," there RECEIVING love, you will float out on God's love as a mote floats out on a sunbeam, and the eternal progression of God's love will take possession of you; and you, for whom He laid down His life, will find yourself day by day and hour by hour laying down your life "for the brethren." In your praying for them, laying down your life for the brethren. In denying self to give unto them, laying down your life for the brethren. Not even in your thoughts (much less your speech!!!) dwelling on their sins, their faults, their frailties. But because He laid down His life for us, we also, hourly and momentarily directed in the sweet current of God's love, lay down our lives for the brethren. Yes, even though the more abundantly we love them the less we are loved. So the stream of God's love flowed through Paul, and so if we will give it right of way it will flow through us.

"That the love wherewith Thou hast loved Me may be in them!" Let it come; it is whispering now, "I love you." Hear it, which is appropriating it, and it will cause you to see a love-atmosphere touching every one you meet. "He that dwelleth in love, dwelleth in God." It is "the ointment of the right hand which bewrayeth itself." God sees you in Christ; not in sin, not in nature, not in your half-finished condition as a Christian. "Accepted in the Beloved."

In the old days of kings and queens and thrones and earthly grandeur, there was a bishop of the English church. Like all bishops of that time he was considered a mighty man, sitting at the royal feasts next to the royal family. Among many other favors, all bishops had the franking privilege. In those days postage was very high, but my lord the bishop had but to write his name on any matter and it went free to all lands that the postal system reached. This particular bishop was known to be a very kind-hearted man. After dinner one day there came to the kitchen a poor woman in great distress; her letter must reach her boy in Australia by the outgoing mail and she had no two shillings postage. "Would the bishop frank it?" she asked. My lady, the bishop's wife was interviewed. "Of course he would do it. Sit down, good woman, till he wakes up; he is taking his afternoon nap." "Oh, I cannot wait," wept the woman, "I have to walk to the town post office and catch this outgoing mail, not another for a month."

There was an awkward silence, for my lady never disturbed the bishop's nap. Just then in danced the joy of the household, the only little granddaughter, her golden curls floating in the breeze, her heavenly blue eyes sparkling. "Lottie, will you take this letter to Grandpa for this poor woman and ask him to frank it?" "Yep," she lisped, and away she ran, curls streaming in the air. She knocked, but no answer. "Drappa! Drappa! let me in." No answer. A prolonged snore. On tiptoe she rose, got the door open, rushed in, shook her snoring grandfather awake. He opened his eyes with hot indignation which was changed to intense delight as he saw the idol of his heart. Letter in hand, she cried, "Drappa! hurry twick!

frank it! the poor woman wants to go to the office right now." Like wax in her hand the great man rose and put the desired signature on the letter. With the carrying power of his name upon it (Whatsoever ye shall ask in My name), away ran the idolized grandchild to the woman. The child had won out. The obscure peasant woman who had never seen the face of the bishop was accepted in the beloved.

We, too, are "accepted in the Beloved." The woman clutched the letter and sped on her way. Precious one (SO precious to the heart of God!) clutch thou the sweet assurance, "I love you," and like mighty breezes it will daily, hourly, momentarily waft you to your heavenly port. "Accepted in the Beloved!" Always in Jesus since you came under the Blood! And God works steadily forward toward the Christian you are to be. He can work so much faster if you give Him the confidence that constantly accepts His love in all that comes.

A dentist once said to me, "You know I can do better work in your mouth than in many, because you stand up to the work." He meant I was willing to be hurt and bear. "Doctor," I replied, "I have every confidence in your workmanship." Let us stand up to the work of our God, knowing that every touch is LOVE. "He died because He loves me so."

"And nothing really matters if the  
Lord loves me,  
And He does, oh yes, He does."

"Loved with everlasting love,  
Led by grace that love to know;  
Spirit breathing from above,  
Thou dost whisper, 'It is so.'  
Oh, this full, this perfect peace!  
Oh, this transport all divine!  
In a love which cannot cease,  
I am His, and He is mine."

"His forever! Only His!  
Who the Lord and me shall part?  
Ah, with what a rest of bliss  
Christ can fill the loving heart!  
Heaven and earth may fade and flee,  
First-born light in gloom decline,  
But while God and I shall be,  
I am His! And He is mine!"

The day is gone when Pentecost is just known by a little meeting house on a side street.—Dr. Markley.

"God often encourages the weak in faith by giving speedy answers to prayer; but the strong in faith will be tested by God's delays."

"By neglect of God, and forgetfulness of His word and promise, our minds may become blinded to plainest things. Isaac, through self-will and allowing his natural partiality to blind him, would have set aside as nothing the purposes of God concerning Jacob."

"Man without God may seem something at a distance. Come near him; be familiar with him; you find him to be nothing. But 'blessed are they that dwell in Thy house; they will be still praising Thee.' Even now, while yet in the earthly house of this tabernacle, we find that growing acquaintance with God brings with it increase of reverence and love. Oh, blessed hope! we shall know as we are known; see face to face and be satisfied; waking up in the likeness of the Lord."

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## THE SPIRITUAL CONFLICT AND THE ARMOR NEEDED

A real fight with a real enemy with real weapons—unreal, unknown, not understood by the rank and file of Christians. But we have a real fight, a real enemy, who sets out with a real purpose—to overthrow, to undo, the followers of Him whom he failed to overthrow and undo when He was upon the earth. The fight is relegated from the Saviour to the saint. Christ had to have the anointing of the Spirit before He met the enemy in the wilderness, and so today in these last days we need the anointing of the Spirit in order to meet the enemy and effectually handle the Word of God that overcomes the enemy. It is not a carnal warfare, it is not a physical warfare, therefore you cannot have carnal nor physical weapons.

"For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds." The weapons are supplied by God for the purpose of pulling down strongholds. The holds are in heavenly places, they are entrenched, and only heavenly instruments can dislodge them.

"Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God." Imaginations! Vain imaginations by which the evil one thought to be equal in His throne and even above God! His imagination is going to be fulfilled, but not in the realm where he intended it to be fulfilled. Satan is to be pulled down and driven out of heavenly regions, and so his imaginations can only find fulfilment upon the earth. He will be incarnate in the son of perdition who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God." Spiritual weapons in the hands of spiritual children of God have pulled down imaginations and high things from high places, high things that have exalted themselves against God. Christ will be victor over every thought, plan, scheme, that may be raised against Him. He can deal with the fiery darts of thought the enemy may hurl at you.

"And bringing into captivity every thought unto the obedience of Christ." When He says, "Get thee hence," hence they will go. You cannot drive them hence. He can.

"Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil." A divine armor for a divine fight against an enemy who is against God and God's people! Take unto you the whole armor of God. You will need it all. A full equipment and supply is free and gratis to every soldier of the King of kings. God's armor and the whole of it for the whole of every blood-bought child of God!

"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places." It is a wrestling, a contention, but not a human wrestling, not a human contending, not against a human foe—against principalities.

The Holy Ghost's description of an unseen foe is little understood, is little spoken about, seldom preached on, is ignored by a large majority of professing Christians, but they are real principalities. These powers have a power from the prince of the power of the air. Christ said, "This is your hour and the (hour of the) power of darkness" (Luke 22:53). They have a scope, they have a realm, but God wants that realm to be invaded by His spiritual children.

"Against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world against spiritual wickedness in high places." Against the powers that have been in authority, against the rulers of darkness who will not take a defeat and will not relinquish their power without a struggle. There are spiritual wickednesses in high places, a headquarters staff, directing, controlling, energizing the subordinate powers.

"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." The armor of God provides a protection which enables you to stand against these unseen but nevertheless powerful, potent forces of the enemy. Note the equipment. Every item is tested. The Old Testament saints, of whom we have record in Hebrews 11, tried some of these instruments and not one failed.

"Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth." Adam and Eve lost the girdle of truth and tried to supply the deficiency with fig leaves. God wants to equip His every servant with the girdle of truth, truth in the inward parts. David said, "In the hidden part Thou shalt make me to know wisdom." This hidden part is the first point of attack of the enemy and the first part where we must be armed.

"And having on the breastplate of righteousness." Jesus Christ was made the righteousness of God. Put ye on the Lord Jesus Christ, the righteous One. He was overshadowed by the Holy One and He wants you to have His own righteousness. A righteous heart—the vital parts covered—covered with righteousness.

"And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace." An activity to run to meet the foe as David did, and at the same time proclaim peace to the Israel of God. The death of the giant meant victory to frightened Israel.

"Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked." Do not think that you will be unassaulted. The Master was rained upon by the enemy and the children will not get any better treatment. The shield of faith has no loopholes. It is adamant. The shield has qualities that will quench the fiery darts and at the same time will protect the one behind it.

"And take the helmet of salvation." The mind protected with God's crowning work, Salvation.

"And the sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God." Christ Himself taught you how to wield it. Take nothing from and add nothing to the bare Word of God. There is no sheath on this sword. It is ever-sharp of itself. Don't you try to sharpen it. It is a two-edged sword and cuts backwards and forwards—the promises of the past and the promises of the

future, which are all yea and amen in Christ Jesus. These promises have been or shall be fulfilled in the future.

The Word of God is complete in itself—without embellishments. There are presentation swords with jewels and decorations, but they are useless in meeting a stubborn foe. The sword of the Spirit is the Word of God. Jesus Christ, the Son of the living God, never met the enemy with His own words. The enemy said: "If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread." What a plea Jesus could have made to prove that He was the Son of God. He could have said, "Consult My mother, consult Gabriel, consult Simeon, consult John the Baptist, consult the crowd who saw My anointing at Jordan." He never added to the Word of God, but simply said, "It is written." "Thus saith the Lord," was sufficient for Him.

You can have your ornamented sword. Christ had the sword of the Word of God. If He needed it, you do. If you think that you can do better than He by taking another sword, you will find the enemy will laugh at your sword and you will suffer and lose. The ornamented sword is all right for an ornamented fireplace, but not to fight the spiritual wickednesses in heavenly places.

"Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints." Spiritual prayer, inspired by the Spirit, comprehensive in its scope, and comprehensive in its results. "With all prayer" is the complement of the armor. It will strengthen the arm to wield the sword of the Spirit.

God wants this class of warriors today and is giving His Spirit for that purpose. Many who think they are warriors have not the spiritual equipment to fight these principalities, these unseen powers, but God is raising up another class who will carry out His purposes.

Do we think that God is pleased with shallow confessions of deep sins? Compare Job 40:4 with 42:2-6.

#### FOUR ESSENTIALS OF ENDURING SERVICE

I must wait for four things:

First, to know whether a work is God's work.

Second, to know whether it is my work.

Third, to know whether it is God's time.

Fourth, to know whether it is God's way.

—George Muller.

#### LIVING BY FAITH

The all-wise God whose never-failing providence ordereth every event, often makes what we set our hearts upon unsatisfactory, and sweetens what we feared; bringing real evil out of seeming good, and real good out of seeming evil, to show us what short-sighted creatures we are and to teach us to live by faith upon His blessed Self.—A. M. J.

#### AN INVESTMENT FOR GOD

If you want to have a safe investment, an investment on which you will get interest as long as you live, an investment upon which there will be no taxes, an investment which will work for the Lord after you have gone to be with Him, purchase an annuity bond of the General Council, Assemblies of God. You can secure a bond for \$50.00 or you can secure a bond for \$50,000.00 Write for free booklet written by Brother E. N. Bell.

#### OUR KING WANTS US

During the late war a young man was brought into a hospital at the Front, battered to pieces and in agony. He pleaded again and again:

"Nurse, put me to sleep," but she guessed what he meant from the way he said it, and dared not comply. "Put me out of it," he pleaded, "what is the use of keeping me alive? What good can I be to anybody?" But she refused. He asked the doctor in charge, and he refused. Finally he begged them to write to the King and ask his permission to end his sufferings. To pacify him the doctor replied that he would, and told the King the whole story of his brave soldier, who had lost courage and given in to pain. Two or three days later came a telegram for the soldier, and this was what it said:

"Your king wants you.—George." That was the turning-point. He recovered. So let us not lose courage in the great fight against lethargy in the homelands and Satan across the seas. This story from the magnificent Heart of Africa Mission paper (113 Fulton St., New York City) reminds us that "OUR KING WANTS US!" Quit you like men. Be strong.—Homera Hodgson, in S. S. Times.

#### A FUNDAMENTALIST SPEAKS OUT

Fire symbolizes power for service. Matt. 3:11, "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance; but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire." Acts 2:3, "And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them."

I believe, with all my soul, in the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The Scriptures teach it very clearly. Because there have been some folks in the world who may have made a fad of the precious doctrine a lot of the rest of us have gone to the other extreme. Would to God we could come together, for a season of prayer. For a ten days of waiting until He should come. The reason why more souls are not won is because we lack the zeal of the Lord; we lack enthusiasm; we lack power. May He grant us that irresistible power like Stephen's, today.—J. Frank Norris.

#### "QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS"

We regret that there has been some delay in getting out the book of Brother Bell's, "Questions and Answers." This book is now being printed and we hope to have copies ready for delivery by the end of the month. The editor of the Evangel has written a brief biography of Brother Bell that contains many interesting things about our brother's life hitherto unpublished. This biography is inserted in this book as an introduction.

It was the purpose of Brother Bell to bring out this book this winter and so he personally supervised much of the editing of the same, rewriting many of the answers to questions. Almost every week we receive letters asking us questions, the answers to which have already appeared in the Evangel. You will find the answer to many of the questions most frequently asked in this book of Brother Bell's.

The price of this book is 50 cents postpaid. Send your order for a copy to the Gospel Publishing House today.

God cannot seal a pardon in the soul without confession. (Psa. 32:3, 5).

## The Bible or Christian Science-Which?

By Lilian B. Yeomans, M.D.

It not infrequently happens, when we are pressing the claim of Jesus Christ, the Great Physician, as the Healer of His people, that we are met with the remark:

"Oh, you are a Christian Scientist, are you not?"

To which query the proper reply is:

"No; I am not a Christian Scientist, because I cannot accept both the teachings of the Bible, and those contained in 'Science and Health with a Key to the Scriptures,' the official text-book of that cult, as they are mutually contradictory, and of the two I choose the Word of God, so, while I believe that Jesus Christ is, as He has always been, the Healer of all who come to Him in simple faith, I am unalterably opposed to Christian Science because it is opposed to the plain teaching of the Bible."

To make the truth of the statement that the Bible and "Science and Health" are mutually contradictory quite plain, let us compare their teachings on seven fundamental doctrines, viz: (1) Creation, (2) The Incarnation, (3) Sin, (4) The Atonement, (5) Prayer, (6) The Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and (7) The Second Coming of Our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Which are we to believe, God's Word, or the statements of Mrs. Mary Baker Glover Eddy, founder of Christian Science, in the official text book of that cult, "Science and Health with a Key to the Scriptures"? That it is impossible for us to accept both, because they are mutually contradictory, is evident from the comparison of their respective teachings on seven fundamental doctrines, viz.:—(1) Creation, (2) The Incarnation, (3) Sin, (4) The Atonement, (5) Prayer, (6) The Promise of the Comforter, and (7) The Second Coming of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, given below:

### THE BIBLE

"Science and Health"  
(103rd ed., published in 1896)

#### CREATION

"The spiritual, or essential, man is coexistent and eternal with God" (pp. 231, 509); "has existed forever" (p. 198); "is perfect, even as the Father is perfect" (p. 191).

"How can the material organization become the basis of man? . . . Is this truth or is it a lie? It must be the latter" (p. 517).

#### THE INCARNATION

"Thou shalt conceive in thy womb and bring forth a Son, and shalt call his name Jesus, . . . and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: and he shall reign over the house of Jacob forever." Luke 1:31-33.

"Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have." Luke 24:39.

"Mary's conception of him was spiritual" (p. 228), that is, she did not give birth to an actual body but to a spiritual idea.

"To accommodate himself to immature ideas . . . Jesus called the body . . . he raised from the dead 'flesh and bones'" (p. 209).

"Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: and every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come." 1 John 4:2, 3.

#### SIN

"All have sinned." Rom. 3:23.

"If we say that we have no sin we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." 1 John 1:8.

"Man is incapable of sin, sickness, and death" (p. 471).

"Evil is but an illusion" (p. 476).

#### THE ATONEMENT

"But this man after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God, . . . for by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified." Heb. 10:12, 14.

"One sacrifice, however great, is insufficient to pay the debt of sin" (p. 328).

#### PRAYER

"Ask, and it shall be given you." Matt. 7:7.

"Praying always with all prayer." Eph. 6:18.

"Shall we ask the Divine Principle of all goodness to do his own work? Prayer to a personal God is a hindrance" (p. 308).

#### PROMISE OF THE COMFORTER

"It (Christian Science) . . . is . . . the Comforter which leadeth into all truth" (p. 21).

"And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another comforter, that he may abide with you forever; even the Spirit of Truth." John 14:16, 17.

"John, the Baptist, prophesied the coming of the immaculate Jesus, and saw in those days the spiritual idea as the Messiah, who would baptize with the Holy Ghost—Divine Science" (p. 553).

#### SECOND COMING OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

"I go to prepare a place for you, and if I go to 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.

"This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven." Acts 1:11.

"The second appearance of Jesus is unquestionably the spiritual advent of the advancing idea of God in Christian Science" (p. 126).

To sum the matter up—The Word of God, which "endureth forever," and "Science and Health," produced by Mrs. Mary Baker Glover Eddy during the last fifty years, are diametrically opposed to one another on all essential points; so we have to choose between them. Which shall it be then, The Bible or Christian Science?

The sacrificial death of Jesus Christ on Calvary is spoken of by Mrs. Eddy as "the great delusion," and it will be noted that she places man on an equality with God in His origin, character, and eternity, "so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thess. 2:4). How could teaching be more characteristically Antichristian?

## Solid Ground for Confidence.

"Being **confident** of this very thing, that he who **began** a good work in you **will perfect** it until the day of Jesus Christ" (Phil. 1:16).

Confidence is a great asset in any enterprise. And the better the ground for the confidence, the greater asset it is. The more important an enterprise is, the more necessary it is to have firm ground for confidence. No one is embarked upon so great an enterprise as the Christian. So no one is in so great need of confidence. And no one has so good ground for confidence. It is as firm as the character of God; for it was God who **began** the good work in us; and likewise its perfecting depends upon God. So if we have any heart for God and His kingdom, and have within us any evidence that He has begun a good work in us, we can have confidence that He will perfect it until the day of Jesus Christ, so long as we "hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm unto the end" (Heb. 3:6). "For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our **confidence** stedfast unto the end; while it is said, Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your heart, as in the provocation" (Heb. 3:14, 15).

So we see how important a thing confidence is in the life of a Christian. And just as certain as there is a devil to oppose the work of God and to deceive Christians, he will do his utmost to **destroy confidence** or to deceive the soul into building their confidence upon an insecure foundation. We should expect this from our wily foe, and should be on the watch for his working at the two extremes of this question—either to destroy confidence or to give an **unwarranted**, a counterfeit confidence. At the one extreme he has made multitudes of souls believe that there is no such a thing as having any confidence about things eternal, and that they cannot know whether they stand any chance of being saved or not until the end comes. Then at the other extreme he makes some people believe that if they accept certain historic facts about Christ, they are eternally sure of salvation, regardless of anything they may do.

This verse tells us that there is not only a beginning to the work of God in a human life, but that there is a carrying on of that work to perfection. Both are the work of God. Therein lies the ground of our confidence. If the good work has been begun in us, it was God who began it, and not we ourselves. Jesus once said, "No man can come unto me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day" (John 6:44). So if we have had any drawing to Him, we can know by this that it was the Father which drew us. This is strong encouragement to begin with. The very conviction of sin, which makes us know our need of a Saviour, is the work of the Spirit of God—the Father by His Spirit beginning the good work in us. And as He began, so it is for Him to carry on the work; and the verse assures us that He will do it. As God is unchangeable, we could not expect that He would change His mind about saving a soul after He had begun the work.

But right here is where the enemy would force the soul into the unwarranted extreme, mentioned above, of believing that they are eternally secure, regardless of anything they may do or may not do.

We can be kept from this subtle snare of the enemy if we consider and remember that there are conditions to salvation—that when God begins the good work in a person, that person must **respond** to God's working. When the Holy Spirit **convicts of sin**, the person must **repent** of sin before God will go any farther with that soul. When that is done, God will reveal Jesus to the heart as Lord and Saviour. And when we "believe on the Lord Jesus" we may receive "the gift of the Holy Ghost" if we "ask" for Him. Then it is our part to "walk by the Spirit, and we shall not fulfil the lusts of the flesh." Provision is made "that ye sin not; and if any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins" (1 John 2:1, 2). "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

Thus there is everything to encourage an honest soul, and nothing whatever to discourage. God is the one who is to do the work from start to finish. We surely can have no difficulty in believing that He is equal to it. All we have to do is to let Him have His way with us—"Let go and let God."

It takes time. God knows that the whole thing is not done in a second, or there would be nothing for Him to "perfect until the day of Jesus Christ." He will work just as rapidly as you will let Him, and do just as much as you will give Him credit for. Is it not fair that He should have credit for what He does? If you should take credit to yourself for what He is doing in you, it would defeat His very purpose for Him to continue to work along that line; and so, sometimes, when a soul gets lifted up with pride or with self-confidence over what God is doing, instead of giving praise to God for it and having confidence in Him alone, He has to leave such a one for a time, as he left Hezekiah, to let him find out what a sandy foundation he is resting his confidence upon (See 2 Chron. 32:31). But even when God works in that way, He is doing it for the good of His child; and we ought to rejoice in His faithfulness and wisdom.

Just one thought more to spur us on to let God work rapidly. He will work this good work "until the day of Jesus Christ." That will be the day for judging what we are. There will be no opportunity for us to get ready then. We must BE ready for that day. And if you do not hinder God, He will see that you ARE ready.

"Cast not away therefore your **confidence**, which hath great recompense of reward. For ye have need of **patience** (endurance, steadfastness), that after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry" (Hebrews 10:35, 36, 37). This entire epistle to the Hebrews is written to encourage confidence, and to inspire the believer in Jesus to hold fast. Feed on it; it is for your good.

W. E. Clark.

Some folks would rather have a peanut stand than a department store, because it is easier to count the peanuts than the articles in a department store.—Dr. Markley.

## -:- HERE AND THERE -:-

**Pentecost revivals in Russia.** We have received a letter from J. E. Varonaeff, the pastor of the Pentecostal assembly of Odessa, Russia. He writes, "The Lord helped me to visit Petrograd, Moscow, Smolensk and Kiev. Some Pentecostal friends and some Baptists welcomed me with great love in Petrograd. During ten days we had revival meetings every night and the Lord helped me to deliver them from some difficulties. In Petrograd we have now organized a new Pentecostal assembly in which Brother V. N. Tikoniroff is pastor and Brother S. M. Golooche is evangelist. In Smolensk the Lord helped us to organize a new Pentecostal assembly from Baptist people and there I baptized many souls in water according to Matt. 28:19. Our assembly in Odessa is growing and during the last six weeks the Lord baptized about thirty in the Holy Spirit and many souls have been saved. In Ukraina we have our assemblies and brethren in about sixty villages and five cities. Please pray for us and our workers.

**Great blessing in Esthonia.** Brother Arthur F. Johnson writes us from Esthonia, which before the war was a part of Russia: "We arrived at Reval about ten days ago and have already had the opportunity of holding a number of services. Truly God is doing a wonderful work in this little land. Four of our Swedish brethren have been doing a great work here during the past year. About three hundred souls have been saved in the various places and a good many of this number have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as in Acts 2:4. Close to one hundred have been buried with Christ in baptism according to Matt. 28:19. Several more new converts are waiting to get baptized in water, among those a former Russian millionaire, his wife and her two sisters. This man has lost nearly all his earthly possessions in the Russian revolution and lives in a humble home on one of the many narrow streets in Reval. Still, he is happy because he has found his Lord and Saviour and feels richer now than when he was a millionaire in Russia. Hallelujah!

We were invited to preach in a Baptist church last Friday night. I have seldom seen a more hungry crowd. The building was filled, and every soul was "all attention." When we gave the altar call many came weeping to seek the Lord. Several prayed through to salvation. Praise God. The great need in Reval is a suitable building for services, seating at least five hundred, and I believe God is going to give us a place soon. God is preparing hearts for a great revival in Reval. Many sinners are under conviction and will come when we can gather them. We have visited some other villages, too, and souls are coming out for God. One of the workers here came back from one of the large islands

out near the coast and reported great victory. A number have been saved and eight baptized in the Holy Spirit last Friday night. Praise the Lord.

The most wonderful thing in this little land is the open gospel door. I believe God is going to prepare many Russians and Esthonians here who will later on carry the full gospel into Russia.

**Pentecost in Scandinavia.** Brother George Jeffreys of Belfast, Ireland, has recently been visiting Norway and Sweden and sends a very enthusiastic report to the *Elim Evangel*. He states that he found that in the Philadelphia Pentecostal assembly of Stockholm, there were two thousand three hundred members and there were four pastors helping in this work. He says that the building, though large and spacious, was inadequate to accommodate the surging crowds. The largest auditorium in the city had been booked and both it and the Philadelphia church had long queues outside for an hour before the commencing time. He states that the Pentecostal work in Sweden is united throughout the whole of the country and consists of over three hundred assemblies. The movement is making rapid strides in all directions. Over one hundred Baptist ministers, and many others from the various denominations, have left their churches there and joined the movement. Missionaries have gone forth by the scores, to foreign lands, and are supported by the assemblies. Evangelist Harold (*Evangelist Herald*) is the one Pentecostal paper in Sweden, and it is published and printed by the Philadelphia assembly in Stockholm. The editor of the paper is one of Sweden's leading authors, who recently received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit and joined the work. He states that from the commencement of the work complete unity has prevailed.

**"A Nation Turning to the Light."** In most parts of Europe it is very dark these days, but in Czecho-Slovakia, the most thriving of the new republics in East-Central Europe, there is rising a very strong and healthy evangelical movement. During the past three years about two millions of the population of thirteen millions have come out from the Roman Catholic Church. Dr. Gillie and Mr. H. M. Gooch of the World's Evangelical Alliance have recently been visiting this country and are most enthusiastic in what they have seen. In one village where three years ago there were only seven Protestants, there is now a healthy Evangelical church of 700 souls. In another village where there was not a single Protestant three years ago they found 300, all eager to hear the gospel. In one church in a suburb of Prague, there is an addition of one hundred and fifty converts every month. The pastor, Mr. Kubat, was once a monk and a worshipper of the

Virgin Mary, but he was converted by reading the New Testament. In his congregation there are seven thousand converts, many of whom owe their conversion to the reading of the Scriptures. The President of this new republic, Dr. Masaryk, is a remarkable man and states that "a man without religion is a moral monstrosity."

**Miracles in England.** Two years ago we printed a number of reports of a blessed revival in East Anglia, a part of the east coast of England. The Lord has been graciously healing the sick in this part of England, according to the report of R. E. Griffith, the vicar of St. Benedict's church, Norwich. This minister was recently preaching at Westminster Abbey in London, the church at which all the kings of Great Britain are crowned and at which all its most illustrious are buried, and testified in this august building to what his own eyes had seen. He declared, "I myself have seen blind people see. We have seen one with a withered arm, for sixteen years hanging at his side, suddenly shoot it out perfectly whole. We have seen cancers disappear within twenty minutes. I may tell you quite candidly that this great work of which I am here to speak tonight, is upsetting altogether the religious life of the people in East Anglia. It is upsetting people in this way—they are beginning to understand their religion to be a spiritual thing. It is not merely the healing of the body; that is of minor importance. We find that in this work not only bodies are healed, but we find that souls are converted, and faith is renewed in many lives."

**Gospel Sky Signs.** A few days ago we watched from our office a man in an aeroplane writing a sign in the sky with smoke that issued out from the rear of his plane. He was advertising a certain make of cigarettes. We wished that his services were devoted to something worthier.

Some Christian brethren have, however, inaugurated a mission for the purpose of displaying the gospel on revolving electric signs throughout the world. The electric signs employed are the latest in electric devices, and each evening advertisements and items of stop press news and public interest are flashed out, thereby compelling steady, unwavering public interest. Some Christian brethren are arranging to have the Word of God interspersed between the advertisements and news items, the texts appearing approximately once every three or four minutes until midnight. Already in London and Paris these gospel texts are flashing out in the sky.

The following are some of the texts that are being flashed out.

"Be ye reconciled to God."

"Fight the good fight of faith; resist the devil and he will flee from you."

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ; and thou shalt be saved."

"How shall we escape if we neglect so great salvation?"

"The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is Eternal Life."

"The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanseth us from all sin."

The Lord has promised that His Word shall not return unto Him void. Pray that many may be saved through these gospel texts.

**A Pentecostal home for lepers.** We have received from Pastor A. G. Ward of Toronto a letter from Brother Harry Waggoner, who for six years had charge of the Chandkuri Leper Asylum in India. Brother Waggoner has recently been home on furlough but he states, "The cry of the poor outcast—the despairing, dying leper—never ceased to sound in our ears, and then as the days slipped away the Lord began to speak to us of a new step of faith. We trusted Him to take us back to India and there, by faith in Him alone, establish a home for these poor needy ones. How the cry deepened and at times there was a blessed consciousness that God was going to make it all a reality. Of those months of tears and prayers and yearnings we cannot fully speak, but finally there began to dawn the consciousness that verily He was going to send us forth, and in a precious way He raised up those who had 'caught the vision' to stand back of us in earnest fervent prayer and financial aid." Brother Waggoner believes that the Lord is leading him to the Basti district in North India where there is a population of nearly two million souls, and the way is opening for him to join Miss Bernice Lee at Uska Bazar. A splendid tract adjoining the mission compound is offered to Brother Waggoner and there is every indication that he should go forward. He asks that dear ones in the home land shall stand with him most definitely for the speedy procuring of this land. He writes further, "There is practically nothing being done for the poor outcast leper in North India, and already we are getting word of missionaries who want to send to us those who either already have been, or may be rescued. In Gorakhpur, a large city only forty miles from us, there are many lepers, and we long to speedily be able to invite them, not to an asylum but to a HOME, where they may not only be cared for physically, but be led to the feet of Him, who in the days of old was 'moved with compassion' toward the poor despairing leper."

**Something like a sacrifice.** From Brother Waggoner's report we cull the following quotation:

"In a far-away Leper Home in Asia, just outside the famous city of Mandalay, there lived for several years, and has just died, a poor Burmese leper named Maung Yaung. His was a sadly stricken lot, for the scourge had deprived him of most of the faculties of the living. Locomotion was denied him for his legs were withered to a shred of bone; his face was marred and scarred with disease; his nose was gone; his eyes were dim; his hearing difficult; his voice reduced to a hoarse whisper. Few humans can have suffered as he did, and few can have

rejoiced as he! He was as patient, humble, unselfish as we may hope to see on earth. And the reason? He had found the secret of every precious thing. He was a simple disciple of Jesus Christ. I sent home some time ago the story of a little secret passing act which he blushed to find had been blazoned through the Home. At a Bible Society service held in the church of the asylum, he had slipped a coin into the collection which represented a third of his small monthly food money. 'Can you really afford it?' he was asked by the doctor. 'Yes,' he replied, 'I can eat less and the Society can do more. It gave me a Bible for two-pence and it cost five times as much. It deserves help.' I called this at the time of writing, 'a gleam' among the lepers."

**Preservation from hippos.** Brother Norman Burley writes from the Lombomo Pentecostal mission, Komatipoort, So. Africa: "One night recently, at the Maquekeza station, a herd of hippos left the river on our side and began to make loud sport within fifty yards of the mission house door. It was a pitch black night, and a hippo is not a plaything. A souvenir tooth, extracted by nature—not by me, thank you—stands as a paper weight on my table as I write. It stands on a base two inches square, with five fangs, each three inches long. The edge of the base of the tooth is specially hardened, presenting the appearance of a short sword blade, twisted and zig-zagged so as to get hold in every direction. And they do. Several of the students have been compelled to desist from coming to school in the evenings because they are continually being chased by the hippos. However, to return to our night. One wondered what would happen, when suddenly the thought presented itself, "Why not pray?" And pray we did, asking the Father to chase the hippos back to the river immediately. Silence ominous indeed after the continued row which had well nigh deafened us, then a final trumpet of triumph or insolence—it mattered not—and they plunged back into the river. Not another sound was heard from them till after sunrise, when nine of them, five being huge beasts, announced the fact that they were still there, though plunging into the river from the other side."

Writing of the progress of the work Brother Burley says, "During the month visitations have been paid to one hundred and sixty five homes of the people. There were present in such home services one thousand six hundred and thirty-seven people and as a direct result of these gatherings twenty-four have given themselves to the Lord. This does not take into account over seventy services in the churches nor is mention made of the close on eight hundred enrolled during the month in the various day schools. Brethren, pray for us all, white and native, that we may be daily equipped for the day's work."

**Plagues in South Africa.** Brother Edgar M. Scurrell writes from Cape Town, So. Africa. "Truly the days are being shortened—for if they were to be pro-

longed no flesh would survive. Plagues and pestilences are alternating. Distress is at every turn. Sin has ceased to be a disgrace. And the righteous are a public nuisance.

"The situation looks grave here regarding the locusts. Multiplied millions of last year's locusts are still on trek leaving a trail of bare ground, denuded trees and grave disappointment behind them. This is not all. The mother locusts of last year's swarms laid their eggs in the sand for the first spring rains to hatch out—and this greater catastrophe is now developing. Last year's plague was about the worst known, but what will the result be of multiplied millions of increase, while as yet the old locusts still live? Some farmers have lost their labor and their seed twice in this year—their veld (pasture) eaten to the roots—and then, as if to add insult to injury, the locusts swarmed upon the backs of their sheep to eat their wool.

"And the King tarries for wise purposes! He waits to be gracious to us! But in the processions of the locusts we read the announcement of His Coming—His chariot wheels are rumbling over the hills of Glory."

**Further Plagues.** Brother L. T. Schwede of Johannesburg, So. Africa, writes further concerning these plagues of locusts: "One month ago I left Robertson, Cape Colony, for the Free State and have been preaching in a place about twenty-three miles away from the railroad. I have seen many wonderful things in this world but never like this. I believe God is visiting South Africa already with His judgments, the beginning of sorrows. I saw locusts in countless millions, clouds upon clouds, flying about ten miles all around like a black smoke driven by a strong wind. They made a noise like the roaring of the sea. Wherever they slept in the night they ate up all that is green. There are many more this year than last. The locusts have destroyed over one hundred thousand bags of corn in the Transval and the farmers do not know what to do. Some farms already have been destroyed and if it lasts three months longer the cattle will die of hunger. Another plague we have had during the last three months is that one half of the horses have died with horse sickness. Some farmers have not a horse left or any corn in the fields. Please pray that God may drive these locusts into the sea, which is about three hundred miles from here. Let this request be made known to all Christian assemblies in the United States that God might save this country from being destroyed by these locusts."

**The judgment of lightning.** Brother Dan Crawford sends us an incident of their lonely forest life in the Congo. It is of ten girls whom the Bantus call, Twa-nakashi tupuve, which is rendered exactly in that other alliteration, "loose lassies." "They were caught in the rain and ran into an empty hut, then started

singing the loose songs of loose lassies. Singing defiance to this rattling thunder! The listeners in the other grass huts were alone left to finish the story. They say they heard one great crack following a flash of lightning, and the whole ten crowded into that hut were silent forever. 'Killed by fire from heaven' is their phrase for this break with the old tribal rule of silence. Alas, they died in the dark in their sins."

**The judgment of wild beasts.** It is written in Deut. 32:24, "The teeth of beasts will I send upon them, with the poison of crawling things of the dust." Again in Ezekiel 14:21 we see the wild beast is one of God's four-fold chastisement for sin, "I send My four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence." It is estimated, according to a report which we take from the Morning Star, that in India alone each year tigers kill on an average of 786 persons and 28,093 cattle; leopards kill 399 persons and 42,812 cattle; wolves kill 244 persons and 9,984 cattle; other animals kill 728 persons and 7,307 cattle; and snakes kill 21,880 persons and 10,376 cattle.

The following is a message from Roumania quoted from a recent issue of the London Times: "Wolves have raided the

village of Rietroom in Roumania and killed five children. The peasants, armed only with clubs and pitchforks, fought to drive the wolves off, but in the conflict six peasants were killed and thirty-eight bitten, while the wolves only had one killed." God says in Jeremiah 8:17, "I will send serpents, adders, among you, which will not be charmed, and they shall bite you, saith the Lord." We take the following quotation illustrating this text from the New York Times, "One result of the great heat preceded by long droughts is a plague of vipers in all the higher parts of Switzerland. Mountain climbers have had narrow escapes on dangerous slopes where they suddenly encountered the vipers. In the district of Lugano a party of climbers, trying to ascend crags known as Denti della Kechi, were driven back by a horde of vipers. One man, while clinging to rocks in a difficult position, was bitten by a viper, but immediately sucked out the poison. A man in another part of Switzerland, while walking on a mountain slope, was bitten by a viper and died before alcohol could be administered or help procured." Surely God's judgments are in the earth and it is His purpose that the people shall learn righteousness.

ilate it well. That assembly, that home, which so considers its young, shall without fail reap its own rich harvest therefrom.

**Thursday:** "According to the hand of Jehovah his God upon him" (Ezra 7:6).

Did you ever notice how beautifully and easily a fish swims? It has been noted that herrings can swim through the ocean for a week without weariness. When God creates a thing for a purpose He never makes a bungle out of it. Shall we fancy then, you and I, that God will do less for us than for a poor fish? Certainly not. We have His blessed Word to assure us that He will qualify us, by His grace, to live an overcoming life and serve Him in our environment whatever it might be, for His own honor and praise.

**Friday:** "Have (I) eaten my morsel myself alone?" (Job 31:17).

What a keen thrust for the selfish heart! And there are so many ways of being selfish, so many times any one of us might say:

"I thought of myself, and wrought for myself and none beside.

Just as if Jesus had never lived, and as if He had never died."

**Saturday:** "That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another" (1 Cor. 12:35).

Recall that striking story of King Solomon dealing with the two mothers over the two babies, one of whom was living, the other dead. Then feel all the mother yearning of the one to whom the living babe actually belonged, as she plead with the king to give the babe to the other mother rather than slay it. This is the spirit in dear Pentecostal believers which will end forever all schism—the willingness to give up our preferences, our privileges sometimes, and even our rights, rather than see the tiniest dissension start in the body of Christ.

**CLEVELAND, VA.**—We closed a 16-day tent meeting here, in which much interest was displayed. The Pentecostal message was new to Cleveland, and many people from the different denominations have stated that they now see the "Baptism in the Holy Spirit" as we preached it. Ten souls were saved, and several are seeking the Baptism in the Spirit. At the close of the meeting, we rented a hall, which we seated and lighted, and the prospects look very bright for a well-established mission there. Pray for this place.—M. B. Hampton, Maggie Treadway, and H. L. Shumway, evangelists.

#### WITH THE LORD

News has just reached us of the home-going of Evangelist Robert Sadler of Sawtelle, Calif. Our brother recently visited his daughter in New York City and while there passed away with pleurisy and pneumonia. We desire to express our sincerest sympathy with those bereaved.

### DAILY PORTION FROM THE KING'S BOUNTY

Mrs. A. R. Flower

**Sunday:** "Even so would he have removed thee out of the strait into a broad place, where there is no straitness; and that which should be set on thy table should be full of fatness" (Job 36:16).

How often have we frustrated God's best purpose! We chose the way which appealed to us as the most desirable, only to find later God's choice was different and in the end would really have been the most desirable. We chose the fertile plains as did Lot, only to meet a sad disappointment; when we might have waited and had Abraham's unlimited and abiding portion. If only we could always remember that,

"God gives the very best to those Who leave the choice to Him."

**Monday:** "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last" (Rev. 23:13).

The light of heaven—is the face of Jesus. The joy of heaven—is the presence of Jesus.

The melody of heaven—is the name of Jesus.

The harmony of heaven—is the praise of Jesus.

The theme of heaven—is the work of Jesus.

The employment of heaven—is the service of Jesus.

The fulness of heaven—is Jesus Himself.

**Tuesday:** "Behold, I say unto you, lift up your eyes, and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest" (John 4:35).

One of Christ's commands all right, but how are you obeying it? Stop! Look! Listen! See yonder China's four hundred millions groping in a dim twilight peopled with evil spirits and darkened with gross ignorance. Look farther and see the three hundred and fifty million heart-hungry, waiting people of India's teeming plains, mocked by their four hundred million idol gods. There is Russia with her one hundred and eighty-five millions; and all of dark Africa with the one hundred and eighty millions—nearly all of whom are unsaved—from which place rises the ghastly death-wails of fifteen thousand persons a day who enter the unknown blackness with only demons for guides. Ninety million are waiting in South America. And Jesus said, "Go" as well as "Look!"

**Wednesday:** "Take this child away, and nurse it for me, and I will give thee thy wages" (Ex. 2:9).

What a place the children have ever had in the heart of God! What a privilege, too, we have in nursing them for Him. If Jesus carries, our Pentecostal children will be the workers of tomorrow. Now are the all-important seed-sowing days in their tender lives. Don't get so busy, dear parents, enjoying your spiritual delights, that you fail to "nurse them" in the Lord. Their spiritual welfare should be carefully planned for in the home as in the assembly life, and be sure you break the food small enough for them to eat it comfortably and assim-

## REPORTS FROM THE FIELD

**DYERSBURG, TENN.**—Since returning from the General Council we have had a blessed meeting. Fourteen were saved. One received the Baptism in the Spirit and all the saints were built up.—W. N. Mills, pastor.

**MALDEN, MO.**—We have just closed a 4-week meeting. Brother and Sister Simms preached the Word. Both the church and outsiders were stirred. 25 or more were converted; 7 received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Anyone in fellowship with the General Council will find a welcome here at any time.—Pastor H. T. Owens.

**BUCKLIN, MO.**—We are surely glad to report a real victory from the Lord here. The second Sunday after coming home from the General Council I was preaching at Brookfield, and my wife preached here, and God, in His great love and mercy, is beginning to work; 11 or 12 came to the altar, some being saved or reclaimed. We are continuing the meeting all week and more are being saved, and six received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.—Elmer Snyder.

**TOLEDO, OHIO**—We have been in a continuous meeting for over 4 weeks. The power of God has been manifest. This revival was preceded by much prayer for many weeks and God has answered in a marvelous way. The Harrell party, 25 in number, came and started a big campaign in the terminal building. Truly the power of God fell and hundreds and thousands came out to see and hear. Many were healed but the meetings were marked by conversions. About 500 have professed salvation. Many received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Our building holds about 1000 people and we are planning further campaigns. Pray for us. This city has many infidels and skeptics and opposition is on all sides—but Jesus is Victor.—Paul C. Bucher.

**NEWARK, N. J.**—We have just closed a very successful fifteen days evangelistic campaign. Brother Bert Williams was with us. From the very beginning the Lord manifested His presence. Some thirty-five souls were saved, three or four received the Baptism in the Spirit, and a number were healed. The attendance at all the meetings was very good, and the morning Bible studies proved most helpful. Many strangers came from the immediate neighborhood and we believe they were made hungry for God, and will continue to attend the regular meetings. At the last evening service we had a crowded house. We felt loath to close the campaign but our brother had another appointment awaiting him. May God continue to use him for the salvation of many precious souls.—Allan A. Swift, pastor.

**ENID, OKLA.**—A fine meeting is going on here—22 have received the wonderful Baptism in the Holy Spirit; 19 have confessed Jesus as Saviour. The work here has been torn up because of mixed beliefs—and **unbelief**—but is coming out clear for Pentecost. I hope to set an assembly in order this week. We have about 40 baptized believers (Acts 2:4).—Evangelist Glenn Millard.

**SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**—I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for His goodness to the children of men: He has truly been good to me and mine for which we praise Him. We also want to praise the Lord for the way he has been blessing since we came to this city; the power of God is truly falling; there have been 12 saved and 14 received the wonderful Holy Spirit; we buried 12 with Christ in baptism yesterday; our hall is full almost every service and God is blessing. Pray that we may keep humble and ever declare the whole counsel of God.—A. F. Gardiner and wife.

**MONTANA, KANS.**—We are in a great meeting in this place. There is much interest and the Lord is awakening the people round about, and bringing great crowds together and the outlook is good for a revival of real old-time religion. Of course the Pentecostal gospel is new to many. Some of the politicians came out to see what the Ex-Probate Judge had to say and why there was such a change, but, praise the Lord, their curiosity was turned into prayer. Pray that the Lord will keep me humble and out of self so He can use me for the salvation of souls and for the glory of God.—W. W. Thompson.

### EVANGELISTIC CAMPAIGN AT CASTLE, PA.

Evangelist Bert Williams, Perry, N. Y., will hold an evangelistic campaign at the Pentecostal church, No. 9 West South street, New Castle, Pa., from November 4th to 18th inclusive. Services every evening at 7:45 p. m. Sunday 2:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning service, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday of each week at 10:30 a. m. Come praying and bring others along to this feast of good things. For further information write Wm. Bender, 804 Harbor St., New Castle, Pa. Telephone 796 M.

### A CORRECTION

Brother Eric Booth-Clibborn asks us to correct a statement that appeared in the Evangel concerning the work at Fort Morgan, Colo. He stated that the tabernacle was too small, and that there had to be a double meeting. This was true of this work in a special campaign that preceded the General Council, but is not the case all the time.

**BARTLESVILLE, OKLA.**—Last spring Brother A. B. Harmon and I held an inter-denominational meeting. Eleven hundred persons claimed salvation, and we prayed for over seventeen hundred sick bodies. Now the saints are needing an assembly for the full gospel, but there is much opposition. Pray that the work shall be organized here and a real man of God sent as pastor.—J. L. Nevills, evangelist.

**BROOKFIELD, MO.**—We just closed a successful 2-week meeting. Thirty-one were saved or reclaimed; two baptized in the Holy Spirit. Biggest stir here since the church was organized, nearly two years ago. Am leaving Brother and Sister Pollard of England, in charge of the work here, which enables me to devote my entire time to evangelistic campaigns.—John H. Bos-trom.

**OAKLAND, CALIF.**—We have been in charge of the Assembly at Oakland for the past two months, having come from Dallas, Texas. How wonderfully God has blessed us since taking this work! I believe we have as fine a band of saints here as can be found. Praise the Lord! Yesterday was a glorious day for us. The Lord visited us with showers of blessing. Seven were saved. One sister came crying out to the Lord for mercy, saying she was guilty of all the sins mentioned in the Word of God. Soon heaven smiled on her, and such rejoicing; then she knew the burden was gone and rose with a shining face to give God the glory. Close to her was another kneeling, who arose with the glory in his soul having just been saved. Then a middle-aged man who couldn't find room at the altar, because it was filled with seekers, knelt and prayed through until he, too, struck fire. A dear sister seventy-three years of age openly confessed Christ for the first time. How the people rejoiced as she lifted her hands and with tears streaming from her eyes gave her testimony. Another sister breaks down and soon finds Jesus as her Saviour, too. At the end of the altar service two fine young men rise to their feet and add their testimony to the saving power of our Lord, weeping and praising God at the same time.

At times the power has been so strong that people have received the Baptism in the Spirit sitting in their seats. Others would break forth speaking in tongues, the moment hands were laid on them. **All glory and praise to Him who is worthy!**

I am teaching in Brother Craig's Bible School every morning. What a wonderful school it is! We have a hundred and twenty-five students, coming from all parts of the world—Denmark, Wales, Alaska, Canada, and almost every state in the Union. Sometimes the glory of God comes down like rain upon us, and books are laid aside while we worship the King! We ask the prayers of the saints of God.—Mrs. Roxie Alford.

## MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT

All offerings for Foreign Missions and for expense of conducting the Missionary Department, should be sent by Check, Draft, Express or Postal Money Order, made payable to J. Roswell Flower, Treasurer, 336 West Pacific St., Springfield, Mo., U. S. A.

### PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE IN JAPAN

**Miss Mae Straub**, who escaped the worst part of the earthquake, inasmuch as her station is located at Kobe, and whose work is in connection with Sister Taylor, writes:

Kobe was just shaken a bit, but communication between Kobe and the other cities was cut off. Refugees, returned from Yokohama, say the sights are indescribable: charred bodies and bodies floating on the water; suffering ones and those still looking for missing ones. It is all too terrible. Practically all refugees have come to Kobe or Osaka, although many are still there in Tokyo and Yokohama.

The saddest thing is the condition of the children—little ones, scattered, some still with brothers or sisters, children who within a day were left without homes food or clothing, father or mother. Many of these little ones saw their parents pinned under the falling buildings, many calling piteously for help; others burned to a crisp while trying to escape, but surrounded on all sides by fires.

This is our opportunity, but we cannot do anything without money. Brother Moore's worker and wife were killed, and the children left—three of them, one a baby of only four months. They should be in a Pentecostal children's home. We are planning now to have them brought here. We shall probably have more, but there will be many, many more than we can possibly take. Many hundreds will go to heathen homes and may be sold into sin, as they get old enough. We want some of them for God. Are there not some Pentecostal friends who will give special help for this work?

We have already one child who is an orphan, four whose father is in jail and whose mother was tempted to take them to a Buddhist temple, and three belonging to our matron, who was living in poverty and most unsanitary conditions. All these have prospered physically and spiritually. But here is a very definite need for nerve-strained orphans. I have done what I could to help—teaching, and eating Japanese food with our children for six months, but yet there is a great lack. Now more funds are absolutely necessary. Shall they be denied to these little ones. Friends who feel led to send for this work, will you please designate your offering for "Nishinomiya Pentecostal Children's Home." God will bless you for it, I know.

### FURTHER NEWS FROM JAPAN

**Mrs. Estella A. Bernauer** writes further concerning the disaster in Japan:

September 20, 1923.

I sent you a card about September 7th

in regard to the terrible calamity which had overtaken this country. You have probably had full accounts of it in the newspapers ere this. I think it would not be possible to exaggerate them, for I have been told by those who went through it, and also by those who visited the devastated places afterwards, that words could not describe the awfulness of it all. Our hearts are sad for the thousands of wounded and dying, the thousands of homeless refugees and the thousands of helpless little children, made orphans by this terrible calamity. And the worst is, that in many cases, instead of turning the hearts of the people toward God, and softening them, there has come a hardness even among some professing Christians.

From a human viewpoint the future looks black to me. Then I think, "Could God have brought me to Japan for just such a time as this?" You must remember how I have had an orphan home on my heart for years. Oh, if only we had it now, to gather them in. I wonder if I have failed God, or if some of His stewards have failed to do what He would have had them do. We Pentecostal missionaries are peculiarly helpless to do what our hearts would prompt us at this time of need. During the months of July and August I did not receive enough to pay expenses, and when this blow fell, it found me crippled, as well as others. Now, if only we could have money to build suitable places for worship, and to give forth the Gospel, and also the home for these helpless children.

We are not yet receiving mail, either from Tokyo or the States, but are told that we will in a few days. My native preacher came here to see me this week. He was obliged to walk some miles and to stand all the way up in the train. He looked very worn as he had not had a good night's rest since the earthquake. He told us that our house (and all others in the neighborhood) is standing, but damaged so badly as to make it uninhabitable in cold weather. He tried to talk to the owner about repairs, but he would not listen. We do not know as yet what we can do. At present two of the Christian boys are guarding our house.

We cannot get personal checks cashed now. Most of the post offices are destroyed and therefore all monies should be sent by New York draft, at least for some time to come. We are very grateful to God for keeping us from these horrors.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Brother B. S. Moore and wife announce that they are leaving for their headquarters address at 901 Raymond Ave., Long Beach, Calif.

### THE HOME OF ONESIPHORUS

Brother L. M. Anglin sends a very interesting report of the progress that has been made in the Home of Onesiphorus, Taianfu, China. This report covers the three years ending May, 1923. During this time, the Home clothed and schooled the following number of children:

In 1920 an average of 108 children.

In 1921 an average of 251 children.

In 1922 an average of 259 children.

Until May, 1923 an average of 275 children.

Considerable building has been done during this period, as follows:

In 1920, built one large dining room for girls, and three school rooms.

In 1921, built new dormitories for 120 children; repaired dormitories for 48 children; built three-room house for missionaries; built bath room for boys.

In 1922, built large sewing department for girls.

In 1921, bought 9½ Chinese acres of land at a total cost of about \$3586.00 U. S. currency.

Brother Anglin also reports that there is a blessed spirit of co-operation among the workers, and that the spiritual tide has been rising slowly in behalf of the work.

### HEAVENLY DAYS IN ARGENTINA

**Miss Alice C. Wood** writes from South America, "This leaves us on the victory side in the Mission. These are heavenly days with us all on account of the presence of the Master and His good will towards us. God bless you and all the saints likewise. Last Sunday I baptized a woman who has lung trouble. It was a time of blessing. Afterwards she had a vision of Jesus on one side of her bed and the devil on the other side. She is meeting with strong opposition from her Roman Catholic mother, but she remains firm. Her daughter and two others want to be baptized soon, when I hope to have helpers come from outside again for more special meetings. Oh may we all keep in His will, abiding in Him, bearing abundant fruit of the Spirit. The Lord is at hand."

### JESUS THE HEALER IN THE CONGO

**Mrs. Jennie L. Bendiksen** writes from Kikwit, Congo, Central Africa. "Our hearts have been encouraged to see God work. A backslider, who had once been a teacher, had drifted far away from God. He took very sick with influenza and word came to us that he was dying and had lost his speech. When we arrived we saw plainly he was nearing the end and it seemed for a few minutes that it would be useless to pray for healing now. But before I left the house to go over there, Jesus said, 'To them that trust His name will He arise with healing in His wing,' and Jesus never will make a mistake. So on the Word of God we prayed and they all realized that Jesus did the work, praise His name. We are looking for great things from the Lord."

### THE WORK IN LIBERIA

Brother J. M. Perkins writes from Liberia, West Africa, "We surely appreciate your loving interest in the work and in us all, and somehow you make us feel that you are real sorry when the offerings are a bit less than usual. Well, we endeavor to plan our work according to our income and not to go in debt. There were forty in the yard when we came back but we are down to less than thirty now.

"Sister Kirsch has been with us for about six weeks and the Lord willing will return to Nynaboo tomorrow. We have been praying much together for her deliverance and healing. Last Saturday Sisters Bingeman and Howard arrived here from Palm for a bit of change and rest. We are glad the new house is so nearly done and that we have the room to entertain them. This is developing into a real missionary Rest Home, without any special effort to make it one. We were so blessed and helped ourselves in the missionary rest homes while we were home this last time that we feel very glad to have the opportunity of ministering to others in the same way that we were ministered to by others.

Later: "Miss Brisbin came over last week to talk things over. She remained over the following day with us. Brother and Sister Alger are away on an evangelistic trip for a week or so just now. The Lord willing, Miss Bingeman is to return to Palm next week if we succeed in getting John and Rachel and possibly Miss DeGroat to go with her. The Howards, who came down for a change too, have chosen to go to Cape Palmas to take charge of the receiving station there until Brother and Sister Neeley arrive. Arrangements are about made to rent a house at the Cape for \$200.00 a year. This will fill a real need. Hitherto we have been dependent on traders and strangers to do our business for us. These are very busy days for us so I must close, with Christian love and best wishes to all the Evangel family."

### FRUIT FROM THE SUDAN

Miss Margaret Peoples writes from the French Sudan, "Greetings from Africa in the precious name of Jesus. We are all well here at present. Brother Taylor had blackwater fever, but thanks to God, he is able to be around again. It caused us no little anxiety as you may know for he is the only man here. He overworked hauling the baggage when he first came back, going day and night to get it here before the rains. Then he just lay down and for a week he was not able to take interest in anything. But such are the missionary problems. We cannot lie down under them and forget the cry of the perishing heathen. The light in the face of Jesus encourages us to press on and to fulfill His will for our lives. There is also joy in so doing for His presence makes up for everything we are denied. Even now it is glory, and what will it be when we see Him face to face.

"We had a baptismal service a few Sundays past when six were buried with

Him by baptism. The attendance at the meetings has not decreased even though it is the rainy season, but have rather increased. Also from time to time we can talk to the multitudes that continually come into Ouagadougou.

"Our needs are many, but laying them before the Lord, we are persuaded He will supply. I suppose you know that we intend to commence to build the church this coming dry season, D. V. The white ants have destroyed my Bible and so I must have a new one. Will you please send me one.

"The rains are coming in abundance now and the native crops seem to be coming out all right. We planted potatoes this season and they are doing well. Also planted tomatoes, which flourish well in the rainy season, besides other vegetables. May the blessing of the Lord continually abide upon you."

### PRaise FOR DELIVERANCE

Brother Frank Finkenbinder writes from Porto Rico of the wonderful deliverance he has had from fever, as follows: "I want to thank God that I am able to be up again. I know that you beloved ones have been praying for me for I can feel that someone has touched the throne in my behalf. For twenty-seven days I was unable even to sit up, and for more than eighteen days I ate no food at all, not even a cup of milk. Thank God, for four days I have been sitting up some, and while I am very weak, yet I feel the touch of God that holds me up. Before I was stricken I weighed 183 pounds, and I have no doubt lost more than 50 pounds, so you see I have a reason to feel so weak.

"During my sickness I was made to see what a blessing a Ford car would be to me in my work. My work calls me out among the Assemblies the most of the time. I do not have much travelling money, and as I go to assist in a series of meetings or to attend to some particular business matter, I cannot return home to recuperate, but must go on to the next Assembly where they are in need of help. The native way of living is very different from ours, and as I am out, I go as far as I can and stay as many days as I can stand it and then return home for a season. Very probably I have to suffer a little from stomach trouble and headaches for a few days, but this is the first time that I have had to lie abed for twenty-seven days.

"It seemed that the Lord showed me that with a car I could travel with less expense and make shorter stays out among the natives and thus safeguard my health. I am not sure of the price of a new Ford touring car here now, but I know that great bargains can be had in second hand cars. I just mention this to you that you might pray with me about it."

Now is the time to send an extra offering to give our missionaries some extra help at Christmas and New Year.

### IN A LAND OF UNREST

Mrs. V. G. Plymire writes from the Tibetan border, "While there is so much unrest all around us, we have a deep settled peace. Never was China in such a state as at present. Every mountain road and gully is full of robbers. Natives fear to travel, because of bandits. Only the other day they refused to escort Mr. Plymire on a three-days journey. The bandits are treacherous beyond description. But as we move on with our Great Captain we have no fear.

"Mr. Plymire has left on a long trip among the Tibetans and again we are alone. The work is moving along and God is in our midst. There are many signs of His workings. The children's work is very encouraging—more than sixty children twice a week to service. The guest-room is far too small to accommodate so many. They are learning the Word and how to sing. Some truths have gripped their hearts and as they grasp the Scripture meanings their faces light up with a light indescribably beautiful.

"I asked one child if she knew of any plan whereby she might be saved and she answered, 'The heart plan.' There are eight or nine Tibetans coming into these services. This causes us to rejoice for no other mission on the border has this number of Tibetans who attend services regularly. They are only children but they carry the Gospel message back to their heathen parents and into their homes.

"The Chinese women come in groups. They are on the whole more open, yet for the services we generally have two or three Tibetans in. Last Sunday there were 27 women, six of whom were Tibetans. Two were from a distance while the others were from nearby. The Word is going forth and it will yield the increase some time.

"When we realize what glorious opportunities we have for preaching the Word, so many who have never heard before, our hearts cry for Him to be so lifted up that He will draw to Himself many of these souls. Pray that we may be faithful in the little things entrusted to our care. We long to see a revival in these parts. Pray with us for this. Pray for Mr. Plymire as he travels in among these people, that strength may be given for the privations and hardships encountered. We appreciate the many prayers offered in our behalf."

### MEN WANTED FOR AFRICA

When we received word of the recent illness of Brother Wilbur Taylor in the French Sudan, our hearts were stirred. What if he had died. He is the only man on that field. The attitude of the Government is such that if our young women had been left alone, they would have found it impossible to have continued the work without Brother Taylor. If there is a field in the world that needs a man, it is the French Sudan. Where is the man of rugged, pioneer type, who will dare to obey God and give his life for the souls of lost men in Africa?

## Forthcoming Meetings

### TWENTY-NINTH ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CONVENTION

The twenty-ninth annual Thanksgiving convention of the Highway Mission Tabernacle, 22nd & Oxford Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., will be held November 18 to December 2 inclusive. Workers have been engaged for these meetings and are as follows: Pastor Chas. A. Shreve, of McKendree Methodist Church, Washington, D. C. (We have worked long to get Brother Shreve, and are happy to announce him); Pastor Joseph Tunmore, Pittsburgh, Pa., Chairman of the Eastern District Council; Brother David H. McDowell, Asst. Chairman of the General Council of the Assemblies of God; Missionaries, Brother and Sister G. M. Kelley, of South China. We regret that we are unprepared to entertain guests from out of town, but our deaconesses will do their best to provide comfortable and economical quarters for those who wish same. Write to Mrs. B. F. Scott, 1744 N. Taney St., Philadelphia, Pa.

### NEW YORK CONVENTION

The sixteenth annual Pentecostal Convention will be held at GLAD TIDINGS TABERNACLE, 325-9 West 33rd St., New York City, November 23 for 17 days. We have secured the following special workers: Watt Walker, the Cherokee Indian evangelist; D. H. McDowell, Springfield, Mo.; William K. Bouton, Flushing, N. Y.; James Edward Howard, Newark N. J.; and Joseph Tunmore, Pittsburgh, Pa. There will be many other ministers, and missionaries from different parts of the world present.

There will be two services daily, 2:30 and 7:45 p. m. Divine healing services on each Friday of the convention at 2:30 p. m. Missionary day and offering, Sunday, December 4. N. B. The Tabernacle is located one-half block west of Pennsylvania Depot in 33rd Street. For further information, write Miss M. Burman, 311 West 11th St., New York City, Convention Secretary.

### OKLAHOMA STATE COUNCIL

The Oklahoma District Council of the Assemblies of God, D. V., will convene at Collinsville, Okla., Nov. 13 to 17, on Tenth and Center streets, one block and a half west and one south of the Depot. We hope to be able to take care of all the ministers and one or two delegates from each assembly.

Those wanting license or ordination, bring sufficient recommendation to satisfy the mind of the Presbytery.

Those ordained or licensed in the Council who expect to be in the state the coming year, who cannot attend the Council, send your name and permanent address to the secretary in time to be in the Minutes. As there are several that have failed to get their mail and some that neither the chairman nor secretary have heard from, we especially desire to insist on this.

Plan to come and stay all through the Council. For further information write Pastor R. V. Freeman, 1008 Oak St., Collinsville, Okla., Chairman or Secretary.

### OPEN FOR CALLS

I am open for calls as pastor. Am in fellowship with the General Council. Any Council Assembly in need of shepherding write me. J. W. Gary, Edom, Tex., Route 1.

I will be glad to hear from any of the brethren of the Texas, Arizona and New Mexico District, needing an evangelist. Let us make this a wonderful year in Evangelistic work. Write E. L. Newby, District Evangelist, Bridgeport, Texas, Box 224, or the Chairman, J. C. Wilder, 2612 West 26th St., Fort Worth, Texas.

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

After having been five years in charge of the Assembly at Fredonia, Ariz., I have recently accepted the call to be pastor of the Pentecostal assembly at Glendale, Calif. My new address is 721 Wing St., Glendale, Calif.—Arthur W. Frosham.

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR HOME MISSIONS

From October 12 to 25 inclusive  
 \$50.00: Assembly, Houston, Texas.  
 5.00: S. S., Dunsmuir, Calif.  
 3.14: G. L., Trinidad, Colo.  
 1.00: N. F. R., Quinlan, Okla., Mrs. W. M. H., Oklahoma City, Okla.  
 .50: Assembly, Grand Prairie, Texas.  
 Total \$ ..... \$60.64  
 Amount previously reported ..... 15.35  
 Total amount received during month of October ..... \$75.99

### CONTRIBUTIONS FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS From October 19 to 25 inclusive

(This does not include offerings for expenses of the Foreign Missions Dept.)  
 \$713.63: Pentecostal Church, Cleveland, O.  
 400.00: Assembly, Houston, Tex.  
 291.62: Assembly & S. S., Tulsa, Okla.  
 230.00: Assembly, E. Akron, O.  
 195.00: Glad Tidings Assembly, New York City.  
 155.00: Bethel Temple, Dayton, O.  
 135.00: German Assembly, Philadelphia, Pa.  
 112.00: Lighthouse Pent'l Assembly, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
 100.00: H. M. B., Braddock, Pa.; Fernwood S. S., Lansdowne, Pa.  
 90.00: Gravity Pent'l Assembly, Ariel, Pa.  
 60.00: Assembly, Harpursville, N. Y.; Bethel Gospel Assembly, New York City.  
 52.05: Ithaca Pent'l Mission, N. Y.  
 50.00: Mrs. W. W. Z., Akron, Ia.; Bethesda Pent'l Assembly, St. John's, Nfld.  
 19.75: Assembly & S. S., Minot, N. Dak.  
 19.73: A. E. C., Muskego, Okla.  
 17.50: Assembly, Walla Walla, Wash.; Assembly, Colorado Springs, Colo.  
 17.00: V. O., Walzer, Minn.  
 16.60: P. K. O., Harrah, Wash.  
 42.00: S. W. Va., Western W. Va. & E. Ky. District.  
 41.03: Upper Room Mission, San Jose, Calif.  
 39.55: Assembly, Denver, Colo.  
 38.00: Passover Prayer League, Chicago, Ill.  
 36.00: J. A. O., Sister Bay, Wis.  
 35.00: Mrs. G. W. S., Los Angeles, Calif.  
 33.00: Bethel Tabernacle, Watsonville, Calif.  
 31.50: F. S., Alberta, Canada; Grace Tabernacle, Church, Syracuse, N. Y.  
 30.33: Assembly, Monroe, Ia.  
 30.00: Assembly, Olympia, Wash.  
 29.00: Mrs. G. I., Bemidji, Minn.  
 28.00: Pisgah Missionary Prayer Band, Los Angeles, Calif.  
 25.00: S. S., Noonan, N. Dak.; Assembly, Cleveland, O.; Mr. & Mrs. H. S., Warren, Ill.; J. D. B., Depew, Okla.; B. L. L., Los Angeles, Calif.; Assembly, Strain, Mo.  
 22.00: Assembly, Mishawaka, Ind.  
 21.70: S. S., Collinsville, Okla.  
 21.30: Assembly, Pueblo, Colo.  
 20.10: Assembly, Wellston, Okla.  
 20.00: Assembly, Endicott, N. Y.; Mrs. E. M., Milton, N. Y.; Four Fold Gospel Assembly, Bakersfield, Calif.; J. R. B., Noonan, N. Dak.; H. M., Clarendon, Ark.; J. E. B., Springfield, Mo.; Assembly, Los Angeles, Calif.  
 15.71: A friend, Maynard, Ark.  
 15.00: Mrs. M. L., Portland, Ore.; H. A., Springfield, Mo.; Mrs. J. W., California, Calif.; Assembly, Findlay, O.; G. K., Philadelphia, Pa.  
 13.75: Assembly, Leavenworth, Wash.  
 12.75: Brick Church, Walbert, Mo.  
 12.50: H. McC., Winsper, Idaho.  
 12.00: Mrs. P. J. B., Buffalo, N. Y.  
 11.13: Assembly, Hartford, Ala.  
 11.00: D. H. L., North Bergen, N. J.  
 10.50: South Run S. S., Noxen, Pa.; A. T. U., Great Bend, Kans.  
 10.00: Mrs. S. J. S., Kingsport, Tenn.; Mr. & Mrs. W. E. W., Detroit, Mich.; C. S. B., Onalaska, Wash.; Mrs. B. H., Newton, Ia.; Assembly, Worley, Idaho; B. M., San Francisco, Calif.; J. H. S., Turlock, Calif.; N. P., Fredonia, N. Y.; Mr. & Mrs. R. E. E., Duncan, Okla.; F. C., Chicago, Ill.; M. E. S. & D. S., Abilene, Kans.; M. S., Schuler, Okla.; Mrs. M. C. S., Greensburg, Pa.; A. B., Chicago, Ill.; Lebanon Pent'l Assembly, Paterson, N. J.; Mrs. W. O. F., East Palestine, O.; A. W. B., Calgary, Alta.; Assembly, Memphis, Tenn.; A. E. T., Buffalo, N. Y.; Mrs. W. M. H., Oklahoma City, Okla.; Mrs. E. S., Kimberly, Minn.; Highway Mission Tabernacle, Philadelphia, Pa.; G. S., Chicago, Ill.  
 9.00: I. J. Y., Brockton, Mont.; Glad Tidings Tabernacle, Reading, Pa.  
 8.00: Glad Tidings Assembly, Milton, N. Y.; C. W. B., Milcuto, W. Va.  
 7.25: Rosebud Assembly, Mo.  
 7.20: C. B., Oswego, Ill.  
 7.00: Assembly, Gresham, Ia.; J. W. H., Marvell, Ark.; J. G., Molden, Ark.  
 6.25: Mrs. A. B. H., Edom, Tex.  
 6.14: S. S., West Point, Ind.  
 6.00: J. B. K. & H. K., Largo, Fla.; D. W., Portland, Ore.; E. W., Cleveland, O.; Mrs. D., Buffalo, N. Y.; R. N. L., Gardnerville, Nev.  
 5.83: Assembly, Sunnyside, Wash.  
 5.75: Small S. S. children, Noonan, N. Dak.  
 5.45: S. S., Gooding, Idaho.  
 5.10: Young People's Org., Granite City, Ill.  
 5.00: Assembly, A. Bellingham, Wash.; Mrs. M. B. T., Tres Pinos, Calif.; Mr. & Mrs. L. R. K.; Raton, N. Mex.; Mrs. F. E. S., Lamoni, Ia.; A friend in N. Ga.; Mrs. F. B., Brooklyn, N. Y.; Anon, Upland, Calif.; J. C. F., Cincinnati, O.; Mrs. E. E., Pine Island, Minn.; Assembly, Kalispell, Mont.; A. A. McC., Colorado Springs, Colo.; Mrs. M. H., Los Angeles, Calif.; E. M., Picardy, Md.; J. B. J., Fort Morgan, Colo.; F. A. F., Zion City, Ill.; M. Z., Santa Monica, Calif.; R. A., Springfield, Mo.; A. F., Gerald, Mo.; Mrs. R. S., Lakeside, O.; W. M. C., Alton, Ill.; J. D. B., Turtle Creek, Pa.; Mrs. B., Buffalo, N. Y.; H. B. O., Hooker, Calif.

4.50: Mrs. O. M., Hazelwood, Pa.  
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 4.01: G. L., Trinidad, Colo.  
 4.00: Mrs. W. R. F., Eustis, Fla.; Mrs. L. L., Caywood, N. Y.  
 3.75: G. T., Pittsburg, Kans.  
 3.60: C. W. L. P., Mt. Hope, W. Va.  
 3.50: Glass P. O. Church, Cottondale, Fla.  
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 2.35: Assembly, Cairo, Ill.  
 2.30: Assembly, Clarendon, Okla.  
 2.25: Sapp Church, Cottondale, Fla.; A. F. C., Flat River, Mo.  
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WEBB CITY, ARK., is greatly in need of a good Pentecostal preacher to start and build up a new work. Write to Roy Werschky, Webb City, Ark.

### TEXAS DISTRICT COUNCIL

Just a few words about our Texas Council Meeting which was held at the Rosen Heights Assembly of God Church, Fort Worth, and some things that followed. The Lord was with us from the first service and many of the brethren said they had never seen the revival spirit run so high in a meeting of this kind; the altar was full every time a call was made and the night of October 4th after a hard day of business we had a sweeping evangelistic service—some were praying, some weeping, some shouting and of course everyone felt it was "good to be there." After the Council was over we continued the revival until Oct. 14. Strong young men came down to the altar weeping like children, and with uplifted hands and open hearts they would praise the Lord and come up from the altar speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance (Acts 2:4). Praise the Lord! Rosen Heights Assembly is a small church, only about 2 years old but we can say of a truth that the Lord is there. Two years ago Brother Wilder put up a tent on the lot where the church now stands. It was a new community for our message (of course there was other Pentecostal work in Fort Worth but not in this part of the city) and now there is a nice church that will seat four or five hundred with 4 additional Sunday School rooms, and I think it is all paid for. Our God is working not only in Fort Worth but everywhere. I will go to Mineral Wells, Texas, October 19 to help Brother Whitworth in a revival; this is a new field. Please pray for us.—E. L. Newby.

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# A CRISIS IN OUR HISTORY

A Word to All Our Subscribers

Seven months ago we began to publish the Pentecostal Evangel every week instead of every other week, and did not increase the subscription price. We had received many letters from our readers expressing the wish that we could bring the paper out every week, and one brother wrote, "I wish you would bring it out as a daily." We knew that the cost of production would be almost doubled, but we felt that the subscription list would be greatly increased and the increased subscriptions would go a long way toward the additional cost.

After a trial of seven months we find that we have on our subscription list today actually about three thousand names less than we had at this time two years ago when we were bringing out the paper every other week.

• We have received many letters from brethren who suggest, "Why do you not increase the subscription price?" Our answer is this. During the war we noticed that a certain Pentecostal paper doubled its subscription price. After some months Brother Bell wrote to the editor and asked him what effect this had on his subscription list. He replied, "Our income is just about the same, but our subscription list has gone down to half what it was." Brother Bell said, "We must not increase the price of our paper for we do not want to lose half our subscribers. It is better for us to sacrifice a little and continue to send out our Evangel at the same price." And so, although we are now publishing the paper weekly, we desire to avoid increasing the price of the paper, for we do not want to lose a single subscriber but wish to gain many more.

From the many letters we receive we know that many are getting blessing through the paper, and we are sure that none of our readers want us to go back to printing the paper every other week again. But if we are to continue printing the paper every week it will be necessary for us to have a far larger subscription list. The initial cost of production is just the same whether our circulation is one thousand or one hundred thousand, but the more copies we can print the cheaper will the cost of each paper be. We believe that if we have a subscription list of thirty-five thousand names there would be no loss in the production of the Evangel, but today there are on our subscription list less than eighteen thousand names.

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