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THROUGH THE YEAR

God be with you in the Springtime,
When the violets unfold,
And the buttercups and cowslips
Fill the fields with yellow gold;
In the time of apple blossoms,
When the happy bluebirds sing,
Filling all the world with gladness—
God be with you in the Spring!

God be with you in the Summer,
When the sweet June roses blow,
When the bobolinks are laughing
And the brooks with music flow;
When the fields are white with daisies
And the days are glad and long—
God be with you in the Summer,
Filling all your world with song.

God be with you in the Autumn,
When the birds and flowers have fled,
And along the woodland pathways
Leaves are falling, gold and red;
When the Summer lies behind you,
In the evening of the year—
God be with you in the Autumn,
Then to fill your heart with cheer.

God be with you in the Winter,
When the snow lies deep and white,
When the sleeping fields are silent
And the stars gleam cold and bright,
When the hand and heart are tired
With life's long and weary quest—
God be with you in the Winter,
Just to guide you into rest.

JULIAN S. CUTLER.

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CHRISTIAN NEGLIGENCE

By A. D. Urshan

"My sons, be not now negligent."
—2nd Chron. 29:11; Hebrews 2: 1-5.

You are faithful to your job and for fear you might oversleep and miss being on time a day or two, you will thereafter set your alarm clock that it might alarm and arouse you from your sweet (and many times much needed) sleep so that you will neglect your job no more. Why? In most cases your honest living comes from your job, hence you tremblingly hold on to it.

You are still more faithful to your health. If a cold hangs on to you for awhile; if the pain does not diminish as quickly as you think it should; if prayers are not answered as soon as you anticipate they should be; if you are losing sleep; if your appetite is getting dull and you are losing weight, then you are frightened and become worried and alarmingly consult physicians and other help. You mean to be alert and neglect your health no more. Why? Because your life is valuable and sweet to you even though it may be filled with sorrow, labor and disappointments.

Then why not be equally, if not more careful and faithful, about your eternal welfare, about your undying soul, yea, about your God-given, blood-bought salvation? Why are you neglecting it by neglecting things pertaining to your great salvation? Do you think you can escape the consequences? Do you think Almighty God will let you keep on playing religion and overlook your neglected duties toward Him?

"My sons, be not now negligent," for the Lord hath chosen you to stand before Him, and that ye should minister unto Him."

How Do We Neglect Our Salvation?

To neglect salvation is to neglect the things that worked out our salvation, and those things are as follows:

1. Conviction

How you once saw nobody's faults but your own and that caused you so earnestly to seek God, hiding your own face in your hands, praying and pleading with God for forgiveness—but now you see others' faults, thereby neglecting your own repentance and confessions and prayers.

2. Appreciation

You once appreciated so much God's love, people's prayers, everybody and everything was so good in your sight, but now you murmur and complain against His people and against His own dealings with you, neglecting brotherly love and thankfulness.

3. Fellowship

Once you could hardly wait for service, you longed to pray, to hear the Word of God and have fellowship with God's saints, but now a little excuse keeps you away from all this and you don't feel bad about it, either.

4. Obedience

Once you could hardly do enough for God's servants and God's church and His people, you asked, what more can I do? But now you are grieved when told to pay tithes, to attend regular services, to tarry with seekers, to pass out tracts, et cetera. Now! You have come to the place that if you continue to neglect you will not escape the awful consequences, like those of Adam and Eve's disobedience, Saul's stubbornness, Moses' anger. If God spared them not because of the word they heard from Angels, how shall you escape if you continue neglecting divine conviction, appreciation, fellowship and obedience?

God's message to you is this, "Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling," for it is God that says to repent, to confess and to pray and also to obey. Let us not neglect our souls as we do not neglect our sleep, food, dressing and the other temporal things.

"My sons, be not now negligent."

This warning message is to you that once were saved; yea to you who are not saved. God's wrath and indignation is as strong as His love; therefore, fear God and hold fast on His free gift and do not neglect your salvation any more.

Imprisoning Our Own Fifth Column

The fifth columnists are known as the national members of a nation or country who are unfaithful and independable citizens. Our own being and personality are saturated with such undesired, independable and dangerous appetites, inclinations and desires, thus our

fallen and base natures are the fifth columns in our lives. It is these elements in us that cause us to be careless, indifferent, and not serious about our high, holy and eternal call through the great salvation of God. It is these sinful germs in our members that makes us to neglect prayer, fellowship, thankfulness and faith in our God. And against these we must fight by denying and crucifying self, by condemning sin in the flesh and by bringing under our body as the countries now in war are doing with their political fifth columns.

A few of God's people, both ministers and the saints, who are faithful and useful, know the truth of this message; namely, negligence, which brings disaster in all walks of life and it does more serious damage in our soul's salvation than we can realize, as it cripples our usefulness for God and His church with the loss of peace and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Oh, dear ones, the time is too precious and short to play religion. It is time to awake unto prayer, watchfulness and be no more negligent.

The Overcomers Are Vigilant and Never Negligent

Some wonder over the steadfast and victorious saints, and ask what is the secret of their success? The answer is their watchfulness, prayers and faithfulness to the divine matters as those who are of the same mind for their earthly positions, health and occupations. If the strict faithfulness in temporal things rewards, will it not reward you far more when you are true and vigilant for spiritual things? Yes, it does and the Christian overcomers know this. The overcomers are Christ's true followers and here is their record of life, "And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts." Gal. 5:24. Are you Christ's? Are you an overcomer or a slacker, which? "My sons, be not now negligent."

You may ask, "Where do I neglect the most?" What brings sorrow with much cost? Neglect your tithes, your offerings and sacrifices; and you will grieve away the Holy Ghost.

But you ask again, "What shall I do now?" and to God's known

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FROM DANIEL TO ARMAGEDDON

By S. G. Norris

FOUR HUNDRED YEARS OF SILENCE

Series No. 6

In series No. 3 of these prophetic studies entitled "From Daniel to Armageddon," we printed a chart (April issue of the *OUTLOOK*) which brought us as far chronologically as we dare to journey in the Old Testament and still have Scriptural proof of our statements. That article refreshed our acquaintance with Zerubbabel, Ezra and Nehemiah and their activities under the second Gentile world power, the Medes and Persians. When we close the Book of Nehemiah we are finished with the Old Testament as far as time is concerned, i.e., no other book brings us closer to the New Testament than this record. All else is detail, although it is inspired and very important. We mention these facts that the reader will be able to have a clearer picture of events, their place and time of happenings.

In series No. 4 (June issue) the third world Gentile power was brought into view, but in order to get detail for an explanation of this part of Nebuchadnezzar's image as revealed to Daniel, we had to turn back as far as time is concerned from Nehemiah's time to the Book of Daniel, who looked out through the telescope of prophecy and shed light upon the period known to Bible students as the **FOUR HUNDRED YEARS OF SILENCE**.

This period of approximately four hundred years is the time that elapsed from the close of the Old Testament to the coming of John the Baptist, who heralded the coming of Jesus Christ and brought in the New Covenant or New Testament. We have no inspired Scripture for this four hundred years of silence. Therefore, we must turn to history to fill up this gap in order to better understand the New Testament. New terms, such as "synagogue" come into view. New sects such as Pharisees and Sadducees are mentioned freely in the New Testament which we never read of in the Old. The Herods have come into power. They are new to us in this journey from Daniel to Armageddon, because the last national leaders we knew of were Zerubbabel, Ezra, and Nehemiah, who played such important parts in leading a large group of

the children of Israel who had been captive in Babylon back to the land of Judea. (Note: Southern Canaan, which we knew as *Judah* from the time of the division of the kingdom under Rehoboam and Jeroboam was changed to *Judea* after the Persian power gained control over the children of Israel.)

We will take up the fourth Gentile world power (Roman Empire) in the near future, but this month we would like to fill in with information concerning this four hundred years of silence so that the reader may bridge over from the Old to the New. Without this brief explanation it would be confusing as the conditions that meet us in the New Testament are surely changed from those in the days of Nehemiah.

Let's go back again to Nehemiah to pick up the thread of our study. After the Persian king granted him permission to return to rebuild the walls of the city of Jerusalem he plunged into this work under many hardships until his name is synonymous with the thought of revival in the midst of near impossibilities. His life should encourage especially every pastor that has found himself facing the problem of rebuilding assemblies and churches which were left in a crushed condition by the adversary. When the news of the completion of these walls reached the ears of the Jews in Babylon, more and more returned, not only from Babylon but also from Egypt and other countries where they had been scattered. These Jews that returned were in a far different mental frame than those who had been driven out. They returned to their homeland which had been tainted by the heel of the conquerors. New ideas of religion, society and commerce had been brought in. The returning Jews also brought with them new ideas acquired in the lands where they had taken refuge. We might say that Palestine became a sort of melting pot with no strong Jewish leadership after the death of Nehemiah, so that it is not surprising that we enter into this period of four hundred years of "silence" and confusion expecting almost anything to happen. And happen it did. These returning Jews might be likened to a son who has left home and traveled around the world. When he re-

turns, he has many ideas acquired on foreign territory which conflict with the simple home life of boyhood days. Don't forget that God had stripped Israel of her political power in 588 B. C., and even though the Jews returned, their political power was not recognized by the Lord because He had given it over to the Gentile powers. The Jews, even to this day, are under the control of Gentile powers, and will be until Jesus comes at the Battle of Armageddon.

The true prophets were dead, the last cry of Malachi had been silenced, Nehemiah and Ezra no longer guided the civil and spiritual thought of their countrymen. The Jews who had been in foreign lands had seen sights that took root in their hearts; for example, the great temple worship at Babylon and Egypt. The power of the priests in these lands inoculated them with a desire to have their priests possess this power. They imitated these foreign religions although carrying out in principle their own law of Moses. Thus the priests, who were a very corrupt class, gained more and more power.

You can see the foundation of this power gaining momentum during this four hundred years of silence. Therefore, we need not be surprised at the authority of Caiaphas at the time of Jesus. The high priest was practically king of the land during the period following Nehemiah. It was a puppet rule to say the least. Nevertheless, the high priest possessed power that was never dreamed of in Moses' time. Foreign influences were strong in Palestine during this four hundred-year period, so strong that the language of the Jews changed step by step from Hebrew to Aramaic. After a few generations the Jews could not understand their own Scriptures. (The Old Testament was written in Hebrew.)

Synagogues

When they had been driven in exile, away from their beloved Solomon's temple, it was necessary for them to congregate together wherever possible each Sabbath in order to preserve their religion. These meeting places were called meeting-houses or synagogues. Therefore, when they returned, this practice of erecting synagogues which they had been forced to do

in foreign lands, became popular and many were erected over the land of Palestine. Thus, we see how these were started, and how common they were in the New Testament, but these synagogues would have been strange sights, indeed, to David and others before the fall of Judah to the armies of Nebuchadnezzar.

The Grecian Influence

Alexander the Great, who conquered the Medes and Persians, stamped the Greek influence on the Jews. He gave the Jews freedom of worship but at the same time so surrounded the Jews with every possible Greek influence that the Greek language supplanted all others. So strong was this influence that even after the fall of the Grecian Empire to Rome, the language and customs were predominantly Greek. At the time of Jesus, the Romans were in power politically but the language was Grecian. That accounts for the fact that the New Testament was written in Greek and not in Hebrew.

The Maccabees

The ungodly leader of the Grecian armies following the death of Alexander the Great was named Antiochus Epiphanes (see July issue). His rule was so brutal that a God-fearing man, Mattathias, with his five sons led a rebellion. One of these sons was named Judas Maccabeus. He was a fearless military leader and took up the gauntlet against the Greeks after his father's death. His desire was purely of a religious nature for he and his followers fought for religious freedom which the ungodly Antiochus Epiphanes had denied them. Just remember that the Maccabees originated in power because of a desire to overthrow the "Brass Heel" of Greece in order that God might be worshipped in freedom. The succeeding generations of old Mattathias Maccabeus, however, became corrupt, but the desire for freedom smoldered in the hearts of the Jews and this led a new group to arise called the Pharisees.

Pharisees and Sadducees

The Pharisees were the Martin Luthers of their day. They protested against the corrupt state of affairs and the mingling of Jewish laws of worship with those of Greece and foreign powers. They were Nationalists—a party that were almost fanatical in their desire that the Law of Moses be preserved, and also that Israel be

maintained as a separate nation and not engulfed by foreigners. Their original purpose was of the highest ideals but like many other good movements in its inception, it became tainted with their own ideas and laws, which in some cases superseded the Laws of Moses. They were still very much in power, at least from a religious party's standpoint, at the time of Jesus. Jesus denounced the Pharisees for their hypocrisy because they had built up many religious ideas of their own and stumbled over these while forgetting the weightier matters of Moses' law. They had become cold in their experience and very proud. They opposed the teachings of Jesus and demanded his crucifixion. It is too bad that such a noble beginning should sink to the depths of blindness and hardness of heart that we find them in during the ministry of Jesus.

The Sadducees were another political party which supported the corrupt priests. They claimed to be descendants of the high priest Zadok. They were the rich upper class and for the most part hypocrites and far less spiritual than the Pharisees. Because they were in harmony with the priestly ruling class, they opposed Jesus with all of their force. They knew that if His Gospel was accepted, theirs would be overthrown. Caiaphas was a Sadducee. The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection, life after death nor the existence of angels. They were bitter against Jesus and also demanded His Crucifixion.

The Herods

The little land of Judea was torn by internal strife and foreign conquerors all during the period of the four hundred years of silence. That explains the rise of the Maccabees, the Pharisees and Sadducees, etc. The ROMAN EMPIRE overthrew the Greeks about 160 B. C. and again Judea was overrun with trouble. Pompey was probably the first Roman conqueror to overthrow Palestine, but he, in turn, lost his power to Julius Cæsar, who succeeded him as leader of the Roman Empire. This Cæsar appointed Antipater, an Idumean half-breed Jew, as the procurator over Palestine because of his military assistance and sympathy with Cæsar during his struggle for leadership of the Roman Empire. His rule was short-lived, however, and at his death his power fell into the hands of his son Herod. This Herod, son of Antipater, the half-breed Idumean,

became the king in Judea—the leader of God's people. He was one of the worst that ever lived. He it was that built the temple that the disciples showed to Jesus as mentioned in Matthew 24. He caused it to be built, not for the love of God or the people, but simply as a monument to himself and a desire to be great in the world. It was a political desire and not a religious one that caused him to construct it. He was a mighty despot among the Jews, cruel and hated by them all. You will remember how insanely jealous he became in the closing years of age, hoping in this slaughter of the innocents to snuff out the life of Jesus, who had just been born in Bethlchem. Thus we find Herod, the half-breed, on the throne as king in Jerusalem when we emerge from the four hundred years of silence and open the pages of the New Testament. Herod was a true type of the people he ruled over for they were for the most part backslidden in heart and foreign-controlled both by political power and religious influence. Their speech was Grecian, their king a puppet of Rome, not even a true Jew, their priesthood corrupt, their temple spacious but devoid of the power of God that existed in Solomon's day, and their everyday life so intermingled with foreign elements that true nationalism was almost buried. No true prophet had spoken for four hundred years—hope was almost gone—into such a scene do we find John the Baptist stepping that he might introduce their true Messiah—Jesus of Nazareth. No wonder our Saviour was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief!

Jesus' Problem

Just remember when you face a task that is very discouraging and a situation that seems impossible, the conditions that Jesus faced after this four hundred years of "dark ages." Our Lord and Saviour chose a period that looked hopeless to present His Gospel. It had to be real to triumph in such an atmosphere and even though He lost his life on Calvary, His Gospel has outlasted all the Pharisees, Sadducees, the Herods, the Cæsars and world powers and will yet rule over all the earth. Look up, brother, the Lord our God has never asked us to tackle a situation that He would not go before. He is our Shield and Buckler and exceeding great Reward.

May this series help to bridge the

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THE OPEN DOOR

By Thelma Sprout

"And the Lord said unto Noah, come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation." Gen. 7:1.

God had looked down upon the face of the earth and lo, it was full of wickedness and abominations. It was so very wicked that God repented Him that He had ever made man. Out of all the teeming thousands on the earth at that time there was only one righteous man, Noah. God said Noah was righteous before Him in this generation.

The command soon came from God to build an ark because He was going to cause a great and terrible flood to come to pass upon the land. Did Noah question God? Did he say, "Now Lord, you know it has never rained here before and everyone will make fun of me and say I am crazy if I build this ark and tell them there is going to be a flood. Lord I just can't do it. This thing is too hard for me. Why, I would lose all of my friends, my prestige would be shattered and my business ruined. What would my family do without the income I am getting now? The price is too great. No, Lord I just can't do it." Nowhere in the Bible does it record that God ever had to tell Noah a second time to build that ark. It made no difference to him what people thought of him, or how they would talk. He knew He could trust God to take care of him and his family.

Noah went ahead and built the ark as God had commanded. He went on when it looked as though God had not seen his hard labor or his difficult position. The people mocked, they scoffed, they said, "Where is this rain you have been telling us of for years? Why hasn't it come? Don't believe such nonsense any more. Don't you think if God were going to do it, He would have done it before now? Come on, forsake this silly idea of yours and have some fun with us."

Still Noah did not give up his belief in God. He struggled on and finally the day came when God told him to take his family and the beasts of the earth and go into the ark, for the flood was coming. How could they get into this ark? The walls had been made so that they could not climb them and the win-

dows were too small to get into; there was only ONE way they could enter that ark and that was by way of the door. After they had entered God shut the door and no man could open it. Then it began to rain. It rained for days without stopping. The people became frightened and bethought themselves of Noah. It might be that he was right after all. They ran to the ark and asked for admittance, they screamed in their desperation but the door remained as God had shut it. There was nothing now for them but death, cruel, hard death. In the Bible we read that it rained for forty days and nights. Finally the tops of the mountains were even covered with water and all the people on the face of the earth were drowned. Destruction overtook them when they rejected the open door of the ark.

The ark is a wonderful type of Jesus Christ. To Him we can flee for safety. He is the way of refuge. The flood is typical of the tribulation period soon to come upon the face of this old, sin cursed world. The ark of safety was provided for us on the Cross; all we have to do is to enter the *open door*. Jesus said, "I am the door; by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved and shall go in and out, and find pasture." John 10:9.

Jesus, through the Holy Ghost, gave the children of men instructions how to get into this ark of safety, how to reach Him and to please Him. How was this done? By obeying Acts 2:38 "Then Peter said unto them, Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of your sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost." The door is open to all who will follow.

Today, we once more find sin rampant on the earth. Today it is even as it was in the time of Noah. They eat, they drink, they marry and are given in marriage. Sin, vice, crime of every kind is now on the face of the earth. Nations can even slaughter thousands of their fellow neighbors without any attempt at an excuse. God is looking down on the face of the earth even as He did in Noah's time. He sees the sin, the ungodliness and the blood on the earth. Once more He

is repenting that He ever made man. Blood, innocent blood, covers the face of the earth, violence and deceit are considered good, but God is looking down. The handwriting is on the wall for this old world, "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin. God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. Thou are weighed in the balance and found wanting." Wanting in what? In Godliness, in honesty, in true Christianity, in everything that is fine and good. Your Kingdom is numbered, and finished. Evil may triumph for a day but not for long, for our God is looking down and will soon come to rescue the world from the clutches of Satan.

Before that time, the rains are coming. The flood is at hand! There is only one refuge and that is Jesus Christ who died that you and I might be saved and made white in His blood. Flee to the Rock "that is higher than I," flee while there is yet time. Pick up a newspaper, listen to the radio, what do you find? You find that thousands of people are fleeing their homes before the advancing hosts arrive. Why are they fleeing? They are fleeing for their lives. They know that to linger means death, horrible, terrible death. The roads are jammed with people and strewn with those who have been killed or were not strong enough to stand the arduous journey. The road to heaven is marked by the blood of the Saviour and by the blood of thousands who gave their lives that this glorious Gospel might live. The door of Salvation is open. Enter while you may.

Soon darkness is coming upon this old world. Soon she will be wrapped in the thickest darkness she has ever known. Soon the floods of God's wrath will be opened, and there will be no escape then for the door will be shut. The people who have had the Holy Ghost and have lived godly lives will be gone with the Lord, the Spirit of God will be lifted from the face of the earth. No one will talk to you about God, just sin and wickedness beyond words. What a picture! Then it will be too late to run for the door, then it will be too late to seek for God, for the door

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HOW GOD LED ME ON

By Mrs. Agnes Habeck

"Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that He cannot hear." Isa. 59:1. Oh! How glad I am today, that I know for myself, and not another, that He heard me when I cried unto Him, and cast my sins away, to be remembered against me no more. Praise our God forever!

My father was a Roman Catholic. When my mother married him she went into the church, also, and we children were taught to believe that no other church was right. We were never allowed to enter any other church; we dared not disobey, as my father ruled his house with an iron rod, even my mother dared not cross him. Suffice it to say our home was miserable. Then when I was about ten years old, God spoke to me. Had I known then that Jesus saves, these intervening years would not have been wasted. You that have been reared in a Christian home should be so thankful. But let me stop here and pay honor to my father and mother for good moral training, which is so lacking in many homes today. As I grew up I made up my mind I was going to be a great orator, having won several prizes in contests, but again I was defeated as my father said, "No!" I could not go on to school or take lessons in elocution, either. Only God alone knows the heart-breaking days that followed. My pillow was soaked with tears at night. I believe I can truthfully say that was the bitterest disappointment of my life. When I was sixteen years old my grandfather (my mother's father) sent for me to come to Illinois and stay with him. Oh! now as I write I can see the hand of God leading me on, Hallelujah! It was there I heard for the first time that Jesus died for me—that I, even I, might live a holy life. God was striving with my heart and I went to the altar and repented, yet the fear of my father's wrath (although he was several hundred miles away) was so grounded in me I never went on with God. It was here I met and married my husband. I will pass over the next four years of my life, for it was far from happy. I tried to find pleasure in the picture shows, in the card table and other places of amusements—yet I was miserable. I cried myself to sleep

many nights wanting something that would satisfy my hungry soul. Then one day God came upon the scene again. My husband lost his job. In the meantime my family had moved to Oklahoma, so I decided to go home. In August, 1914, I arrived in Collinsville, Okla. I found the town in much excitement, as there was a man who had put up a tabernacle and was preaching that "Jesus was coming soon"; and that we must receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost with speaking in other tongues—as in Acts 2:4. Never had such things been heard and people were stirred, especially as this preacher was telling the people how the Catholics were going to play such a part in the closing of this age. Mother had lost some of her fear of my father and we decided we'd go and see. From the first sermon I heard, God began to talk to me and I know the preaching was right. After going just a few times, one night God let me see *hell* in all its fury. With the scream, "*I'm lost, I'm lost*" I made my way to that altar and there in the sawdust I wept my way to Calvary.

Not long after, I received the blessed baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues. Then followed five years, when I scarcely knew where I was; I was carried away in the Spirit, I was walking and talking with God. Then one day God said, "It's time you are walking alone." I came down to earth, and got such a jolt that the very foundation was crumbling beneath me. Then came about three years of such trials as I never thought could be. I found out that everything that glitters is not gold. I was so shaken had I not built upon the Rock I could not have stood. God, in His great love and tender mercy, never once let loose of me. Then God began to let me see how His people were drifting with the world; they were beginning to do the very things they had preached against. Our women no longer dressed as becometh holiness, they cut their hair, their dresses were so short they were an abomination. They began to go to the beauty parlors, and to send their daughters into them to learn the trade. How my soul was stirred within me when I saw these things. I began to call upon God.

Then one morning as I was reading the Word I heard a voice call me by my name. I listened thinking my husband might have come home and called; then the voice came again, this time I went into the lobby of the hotel where we were living, thinking it might be my landlady, but she said she had not called, so I went back and lo, I heard the voice again. This time I knew it was the voice of God. I answered, "Here I am, Lord." Then came back the answer, "I've called you, I've called you." This is what He said to me. Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and show my people their transgressions (Isa. 58:1) lest their blood be required at your hands."

Not many days after that I was called upon to speak in the assembly, where I belonged. I began to call on God for a message, and He gave me my text, which was Jer. 2:11-13. I began to pray and ask God to change it, but He would not, so I delivered the message. So my first message was to my own people. In 1935, we moved to Kansas, where my husband had a position. There was an assembly there and they were building a new church. Of course I could scarcely wait to go to church. So Sunday morning I went to Sunday School. Imagine my horror when a woman in decidedly immodest dress got up to teach the Bible Class! I never went back very many times. I soon found out they indorsed lodges and had a deacon in the church who was a member of two popular lodges. He died while we were there and these lodges had charge of the funeral in the Pentecostal Church. I found out that scattered around over the country were several fire-baptized Holiness people, also some Church of God folks; neither had a place of worship. Some way they heard of me and called on me, asked if I would preach for them if they got a building where we could at least preach holiness. They got the building. God sent us an evangelist and several were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. I was overseer of the church for two years, then we returned to Collinsville, Okla. Of course I went back to the church where I belonged and found it

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Outlines For Young People's Meetings

By Mary Williams

II Timothy 2:15

St. John 5:39

Isaiah 34:16

October 6, 1940

SUBJECT: Esther, Type of the Church
MEMORY VERSE: 2 Tim. 1:12

During the month of October our studies will be in the book of Esther. This book gives a beautiful story of the providential care of God for His people during a certain extreme trial. Our study will be with the view of "Esther, a type of the Church." Assign the following divisions of the book to be given orally the first Sunday. (This must be done one week ahead.)

1. The story of Vashti. 1:1-22.
2. Esther made queen. 2:1-23.
3. The conspiracy of Haman. 3:1-15.
4. The courage of Esther brings deliverance. 4:5; 6; 7:1-10.
5. Vengeance. 8; 9:1-19.
6. The Feast of Purim. 9:20-32.
7. Conclusion—Chapter 10.

Everyone should read the entire book until acquainted with the events therein.

October 13, 1940

SUBJECT: Esther, Type of the Church
MEMORY VERSE: Psa. 31:19

ESTHER

1. Replaced first wife of Ahasuerus. 2:17.
2. Choice one. 2:17.
3. Purification. 2:12. Oil of myrrh and sweet odors.
4. King loved Esther.

CHURCH

1. Gentiles took place of Jews to be bride. Acts 13:46; 15:14; Eph. 2:12, 13; Mat. 21:43.
2. Choice one. Jno. 15:16; Rom. 16:13; 1 Pet. 2:9; Mat. 20:16; Eph. 1:3.
3. Purified. Tit. 2:11, 14; Acts 2:38; 1 Pet. 1:22; Acts 3:19.
4. King Jesus Loves Church. Eph. 5:25, 27. S. of S. 4:7; Jer. 31:3; Jno. 15:9, 13; 1 Jno. 3:16.

October 20, 1940

SUBJECT: Esther, Type of Church
MEMORY VERSE: Deut. 33:27

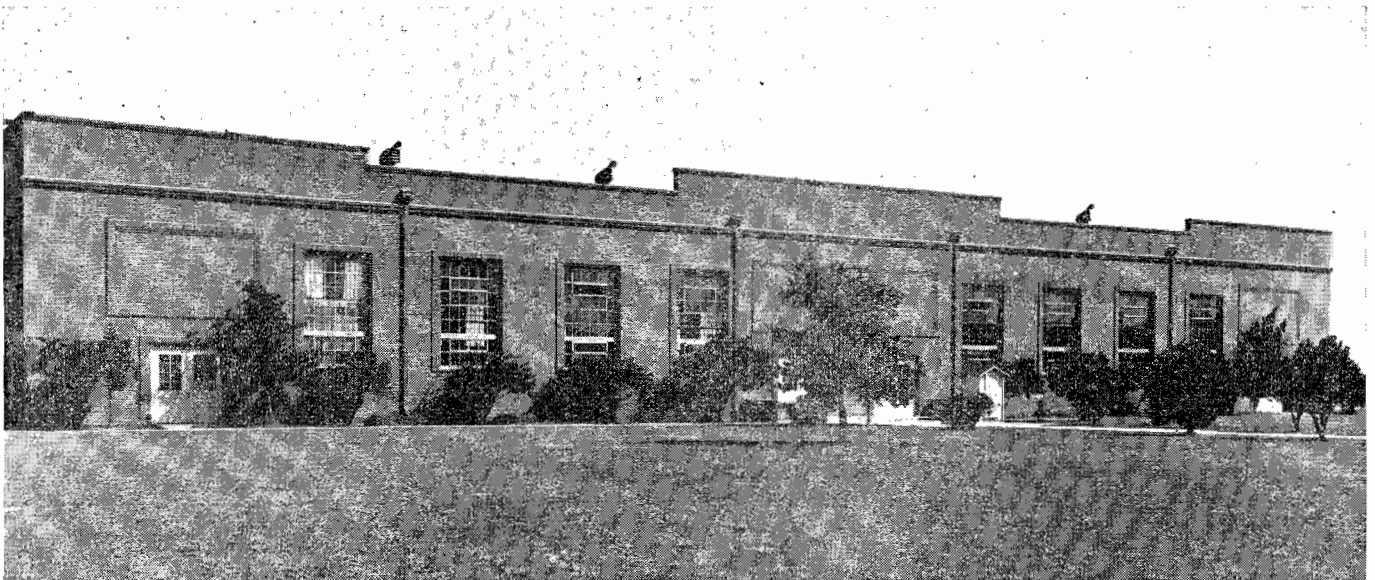
ESTHER

5. Intercessor. 7:3, 4, 8:6. Examples: Moses—Exo. 32:32. Paul, Rom. 9:3.
6. Manner of Approach.
 - A. Called fast. Willing to suffer.
 1. Examples: Nineveh, Jonah. 3:7-9. Jehosphaphat. 2 Chron. 20. Cornelius—Acts 10. Daniel 3. Jacob.
 - B. Royal apparel.
 - C. Inner Court. 5:1.
 - D. Gained recognition—5:2.
7. Sign of Sceptre.
 - A. Submission—5:2.
 - B. Prevailed—5:3.
8. Promise of Reward—5:3; 9:12.

CHURCH

5. Intercedes. Rom. 8:26; Heb. 4:16; 2 Cor. 5:11 and 20; 1 Tim. 2:1; Eph. 6:18.
6. Manner of Approach.
 - A. Fasting. Matt. 9:15; 6:7; 2 Cor. 11:27; 1 Cor. 7:5; Joel 1:14; Acts 13:3.
 - B. Royal Apparel.
 1. White linen. Rev. 19:8; 3:5; 3:18; 4:4.
 2. Spotless. Eph. 5:27; 6:10-17.
 3. Fine Needlework, Psa. 45:13-14.
 - C. Inner Court, King's Presence, Mat. 6:6.
 - D. Must gain recognition.
 1. How. Heb. 11:6; 4:16.
 2. When. Jno. 14:23.
 - E. Church must draw near. Eph. 2:13; Heb. 10:22.
7. Sign of power (sceptre).
 - A. Submission. Jas. 4:7; Col. 1:18; Eph. 1:22, 23.
 - B. Prevailed—Jas. 5:16; Lu. 18:7.
 1. Examples—Elijah. Jas. 5:17; Daniel 10:22; Moses. Deut. 32:33; Hezekiah, Isa. 38; 2 Kings 19.
8. Promise of Reward—Jas. 1:12; Rev. 22:12; Lu. 12:32; Psa. 58:11; Lu. 6:23; Mt. 16:27; Prov. 11:18; 2 Tim. 4:8.

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Young People's Page

By Eld. Oliver F. Fauss

SHALL HE FIND FAITH?

When the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith? (Luke 18:86). Now faith is the substance (assurance) of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. (Heb. 11:1). In the remainder of the chapter we read some wonderful examples of faith in God. Other hopes may fail us, but let us "have faith in God" as Jesus told Peter. (Mark 11:22) "For the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you and keep you from evil (2 Thess. 3:3). He it is who laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the works of His hands (Heb. 1:10; Psa. 19:1). Why should we not trust fully in the God of all creation? "The foundation of God standeth SURE, having this seal The Lord knoweth them that are His, and let everyone that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

Since it seems that there are so few of the younger generation who have laid aside the love of the world we need to encourage one another to be steadfast in the faith and build on the firm foundation (Eph. 2:20). We have no time to waste, for it seems the things of which we have read and heard preached are now ready to be fulfilled, even the coming of Jesus.

Of course, we want to hear His voice of welcome. We want to be among the faithful. It is easy to see that the great falling away has come. Are we determined to face the foe with our shield of faith and march forward to victory in the midst of Satan's fiery darts? Young people, now is the time to fight. Never surrender—only to Jesus. Never say "I can't." Let us take for our motto, "By the grace of God we will." Let us hold the forts while the enemy bombards. There is nothing that can defeat us if we have obtained His faith. How shall we obtain it? By having our conscience purged from dead works to serve the living God (Heb. 9:14) and holding fast the profession of our faith without wavering (Heb. 10:23). Do we want to be vessels of honor, sanctified and meet for the Master's use, prepared unto every good work? Let us accept Paul's advice to Timothy to "Flee youthful lusts, but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart."

The storehouse of God has riches immeasurable for those who exercise faith in Him. He is able to give more than we ask or think. Not only will we be profited in eternity by our faith in Jesus but we are rewarded here, from day to

day. In John's writing (1 John 5:14, 15) he says "And this is the confidence that we have in Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will He heareth us: And if we know that He hears us, whatsoever we ask we know that we have the petitions that we desired of Him."

The Apostle Paul was a wonderful example of faith. We read of His sincerity, faithfulness, troubles and persecutions (2 Cor. 4), yet He said (verses 17, 18) "For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory; while we look not at the things which are seen, for the things which are seen are temporal; but the things which are not seen are eternal."

Is this hope not worth fighting for? "Blessed are they that have not seen and yet have believed." Is that FAITH pressed into your heart today? "For without faith it is impossible to please God." Let us hold fast our faith and a good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck. Let us not be in that number but rather with those who for their faithfulness are going to receive a CROWN OF LIFE. Rev. 2:10.—LUCILLE STEWART, Pres. Student Council, A.B.T.S.

How God Led Me On (Cont'd)

more worldly than ever. I was discouraged and utterly disgusted.

Then I began to hear of the "Oneness" Church (so-called). Bro. Voar Shoemake was pastor. They began to tell me how he preached holiness, so I went to hear and see for myself. How my heart rejoiced when the wonderful messages would come on holiness, but when they would preach on the Oneness of the Godhead or baptism in Jesus' Name, well I just couldn't see that way. People who have always believed in the Oneness of the Godhead do not know what a battle those have who have come out of the Trinity doctrine; I had years of it instilled into me. We were warned not to go about them; told they were Anti-Christ and that we would be deceived if we hung around them. Truly, sometimes I would have such a fear I would

say to myself "I'm not going back," nevertheless I always went back. Then I would pray and say, "Lord, don't let me be deceived." How I praise God for an honest heart. Three years I went and mingled with the Oneness people. Little by little my eyes began to open. I saw they had the power of God among them, yet I thought the way I was baptized was sufficient, i.e., in the name of the Father, and of the Son and Holy Ghost. I quit fighting. Then God sent his servant and minister, Bro. Wilbur King from Salem, Oregon, that I might see and know the truth; Satan and all his hosts turned loose on me. My husband, who had never uttered a word against me as to where I went to church or how I worshipped, forbade my going to the Oneness church. He said I should not take our little boy there. They did not know it, but they were helping me to see that it was

the right way. How the Devil tried to keep me from hearing Bro. King. Satan whispered in my ear and said, "Don't go and hear him, he won't preach anything but *his* doctrine anyway. I never went the first night, for which I shall always be sorry, but I went the next night, and truly Brother King was not half through his message before I was convinced that if I wanted to be in the rapture I, too, must be buried in the Name of Jesus. And let me say here I never missed another service. Two weeks from then I went to Siatook, Okla., and was buried in His name, Bro. Horace Wilburn officiating.

"The world may sweep around me with her dazzle and her dreams, yet I envy not her vanity and pride. For my soul looks up to Glory where the golden sunlight gleams. And I'm living on the Hallelujah side."



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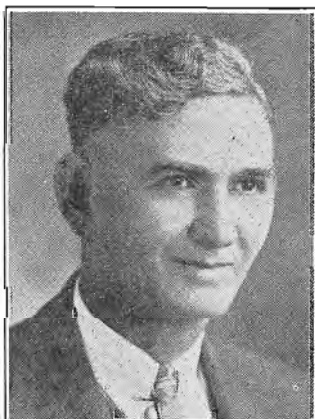
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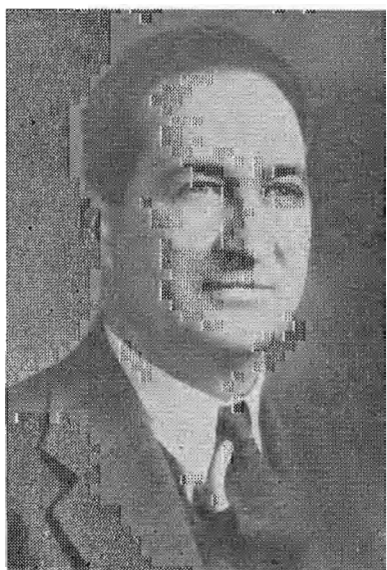
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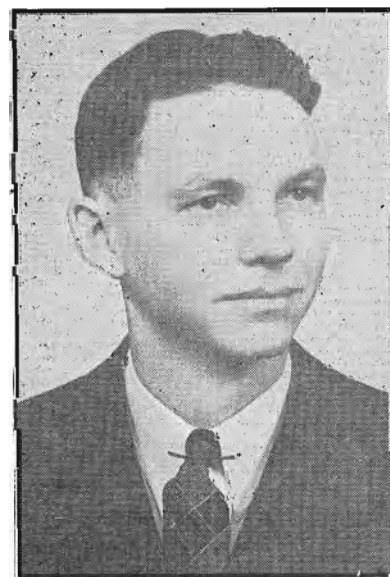
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FOREIGN MISSIONARY BULLETIN

The condition of the Foreign Missionary work reflects the terrific spiritual battle that is going on in the world, and should move any real saint of God to do his part to help our faithful missionaries.

In the midst of the trials, however, there are some very definite notes of encouragement. From nearly all stations come reports of revivals. Our faithful missionaries in China, Bro. Bullock, Sister Iry, Sister Stieglitz and others report quite a move of the Spirit of God resulting in the salvation of souls. One great hindering cause mentioned by Sister Iry especially, is a great revival in the opium industry, which means many wrecked in body, soul and spirit.

Food prices are rising in nearly all the foreign countries, and yet our missionary offerings are not keeping pace with this additional expense. Bro. and Sister Davis from Africa report success in their work there. This young couple have been severely tested with sick-

ness and should be taken care of well.

We received news from the Canadian Organization that Brother and Sister Hull and Sister Dickson left their stations suddenly, due doubtless to conditions which they had not been able so far to explain. We presume there is a very strict censure on mail. They expect to arrive in New York about the middle of September. Offerings, therefore, should not be sent direct to their former addresses. We will advise you later as to their arrangements.

We are without fresh news from Estonia, and are wondering what the saints there are doing. One thing sure, they need our help very badly. Let us not fail them.

Our dear Sister McCarty is still carrying on a very aggressive work in spite of the rise in food prices.

In closing, what are you doing for our missionaries? It is now or never.

Conditions in China

The poverty here is so severe this year—so much suffering. Beggars got so thick on the streets and would not move on nor even wash or go to the free clinic to have their sores dressed (most of them are opium smokers) that the authorities buried several of the baser sort alive. They spread disease as sure as impure water does, but conditions make one's heart ache.

Three opium smoking women have been in to our mission for deliverance lately and have been set free. A case of tuberculosis is here now and seems much improved. Another woman was in for healing but so far not even a touch for the body or soul as far as we can see and she desperately needs both. Two women have lately been filled with the Spirit. God also continues to bless in two of our out stations. One station sorely needs a reviving please make it a special subject of prayer.

MRS. MAE IRY, Taiyoh, Shans Prov., North China.

BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY GHOST

Jesus promised His disciples just before He went away,

That He would send the Holy Spirit and that He would come to stay,

Also, that, upon His coming, He would reprove the world of sin,

With a time of mighty victory, which was shortly to begin.

Chorus

Oh, the blessed, blessed Spirit, how I feel Him in my heart!

And I know He will never leave me, nor from me will He depart.

You may have the blessed Spirit if you do the same as I,

And I know He'll never leave you but will take you home on high.

Then, again, upon the Mountain His last words were words of fire,

They were words of exhortation—"Ye must receive the power!"

They must tarry in the city, in that famous upper room;

Make a perfect consecration; wait until the power come.

Oh, how wondrous on that morning when they all with one accord

Bowed in humble supplication, trusting nought but Jesus' word.

They had made complete surrender and obeyed the blessed Lord;

Then with mighty power and splendor was the Holy Ghost outpoured.

But this blessing which was given unto them on that great morn

Still is handed down to others—is for all of the Spirit born.

Not for these disciples only did my blessed Saviour pray,

But for all that would accept Him and His holy will obey.

So you hear the exhortation, "Tarry for the power, Make a perfect consecration, then expect the refining fire."

When it came, I knew I had it for I felt that sacred flame

Burning out the carnal nature, cleansing me of every stain.

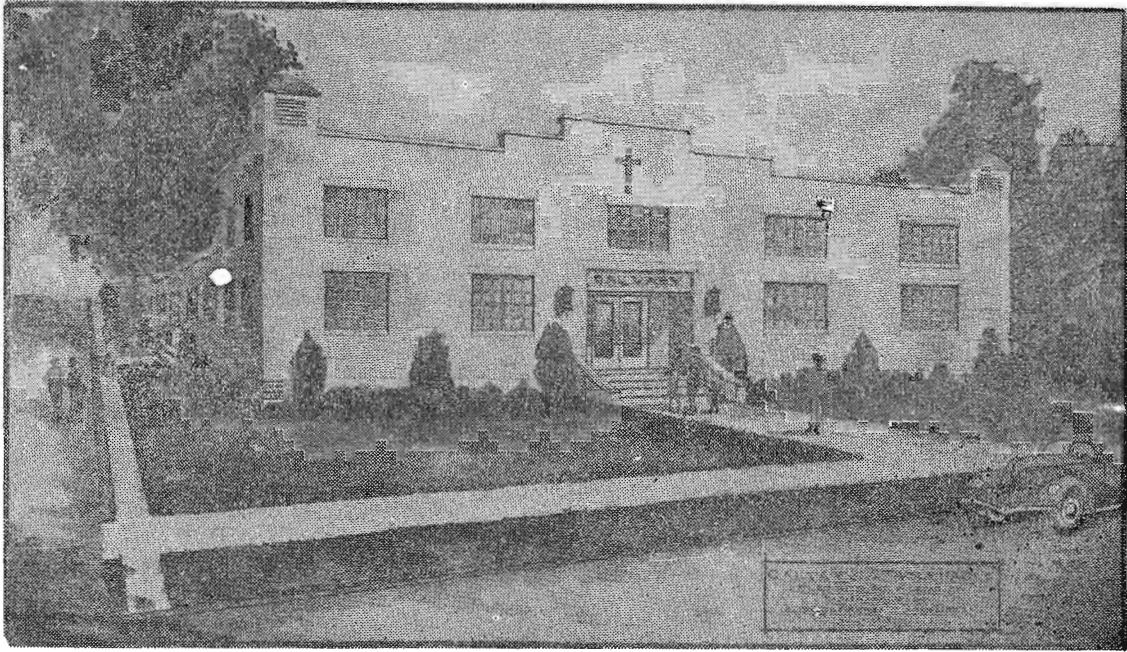
Glory, glory, how He filled me! How my heart did leap for joy!

And I felt His blessed Presence, a settled peace that none can destroy.

Grasp the promise, now, my brother; dare to put it to a test,

Cease your struggling, "Die completely," enter into perfect rest.

W. F. HERBIG



CALVARY TABERNACLE
Indianapolis, Indiana

This beautiful tabernacle will be dedicated about October 10. The building will be 60x125 feet with an auditorium of 5,200 square feet of floor space. The auditorium will

seat 1,000 persons. It will contain, besides the auditorium, space for office and Sunday School rooms.

Pastor R. G. Hoekstra, whose aggressiveness for the Lord we all admire, is on the air over station WIBC every Sunday at 8:30 A. M.

"God Working with Them"

The story of the growth of the Calvary Tabernacle Church is another demonstration of God working with men. The Apostle Paul said that we are laborers together with Christ.

In the year of nineteen hundred and thirty-four a small group of Christians purchased the "Church of the Holy Innocents" at the corner of Fletcher Ave. and Cedar St. It was their purpose to maintain a church on the principles of the New Testament teachings of the Lord Jesus and his apostles.

In the year of nineteen hundred and thirty-six Rev. Raymond G. Hoekstra came to lead the church, and in the Spring of the next year became the permanent pastor of the congregation.

In the Spring of that same year the church building was remodeled

and enlarged to accommodate the increasing numbers who came to hear the Word of God and to find salvation in the old Bible way.

For a period of six months, a weekly radio broadcast was conducted on station WIRE. Through this broadcast many listeners became acquainted with the truth and power of the Apostolic Gospel.

The last four years has seen the congregation and Sunday School grow until it is now four times its original size. A number of Sunday School rooms were built to accommodate this department of the church.

When in the year of nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, a new radio station, WIBC, came to Indianapolis, the Calvary Tabernacle program was the first to contract time on the new station.

The Lord's business is the most important thing in this world, and we should always and ever keep it first. Through this weekly broadcast, many thousands of persons have been blessed, the local congregation has greatly increased, and the work of God throughout the state has been benefited.



Pastor R. G. Hoekstra

October 27, 1940

SUBJECT: Esther, Type of Church
MEMORY VERSE: Psa. 57:1

ESTHER

CHURCH

- 9. Honored King as King—5:4; 5:8.
- 10. Delivered from Haman—7:10.
- B. Must fight—9:2.

- 9. Honor the Lord—Dan. 4:37; Psa. 118:1; 1 Sam. 2:30; Pro. 3:9; 1 Tim. 1:17 Rev. 5:13.
- 10. Delivered from sin—Col. 1:13; Rom. 5:19; 2 Cor. 1:10; Rom. 6:22.
- B. All Christians are Warriors—1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Cor. 1:10; Eph.

- 11. Hazarded life—4:11; 5:1, 2; 8:3, 4, 5.
- 12. Final reward.
- A. Jews' life and Honor—9:4, 5; 8:11.
- B. Enemies, death—9:4.

- 6:10-17; 2 Tim. 2:3, 4; Ex: Paul, 2 Tim. 4:7.
- 11. Hazarded life—Heb. 11; Acts 15:26; Gal. 6:17; 1 Cor. 15:31; 2 Cor. 4:8-10; Phil. 3:7, 8; Acts 20:24.
- 12. Final Reward—2 Tim. 4:8.
- A. Righteous—Rev. 2:7, 11, 17; Rev. 3:5, 12, 21; Rev. 21:7.
- B. Wicked—Psa. 9:17; Rev. 20:11-15.



Children's Page

By Catheryn Ruh

THE SHEPHERD BOY

Young David, who could tend the sheep

And cheerful harp tunes play
For work well done whate'er the task,

Was made a king one day.
And so from David's time to ours,
The long, long ages through,
It pays for everyone of us
Our very best to do.

—BERNICE LOWELL PEABODY.

"The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want." Psalm 23:1.

I am wondering as I write this story "How many of you boys and girls like to sing?" Do you enjoy singing songs about Jesus? I hope all of you like to sing because Jesus loves for us to praise Him in song. Our story is going to be about a boy that loved to sing and also to play. This boy that we will read about played on a harp. Have you ever heard a harp? It makes very beautiful music. Listen to different musical instruments as they are being played and you will hear them singing songs, too.

Long ago there lived a boy who loved to sing. I'm sure you have heard stories about him before. His name was David. Remember? He helped his father take care of sheep and as he watched over them he sang songs. Often in the evening as David was bringing the sheep home his father would hear his song long before he saw him. In the morning the sun was so bright and the air smelled so good that David couldn't help but sing praises to God all the way to the pasture. When midday came and the sun grew hot David would lie down in the cool grass and watch the soft white clouds overhead. He would listen as the bees hummed a little tune. He would look across the pasture at the tall distant hills whose tops were often hidden in the clouds, and would think how wonderful and how good God was. Then, beautiful songs would come into his heart. Sometimes the songs would be about hills, sometimes

about flowers, often about the sheep in the pasture, and always in his songs he would thank God.

When night time came and all was still and quiet, David would get out his harp and sing and play. He would look up into the sky and sing about the moon and the stars. Then he would think of all the wonders of the day—flowers, birds, trees and rivers, and he would make up songs about them. His father, after working hard all day, would grow rested listening to David.

One day a very wonderful thing happened to David. A messenger boy came hurrying to the home of the little singer. David's father answered the door. The messenger said, "The king is sick and sad. It seems no one can help him. He has heard of the beautiful songs which your son sings, and he wishes him to come to the palace at once." Now, nobody ever refused the king, so Jesse, the father of David, quickly prepared a gift for David to take as he went to the king. I imagine David must have prayed as he went to meet the king. A little shepherd boy going before a great and mighty king!

When David entered the king's room the king did not speak to him; he did not even seem to see him. The King's head was bowed and he appeared so sad and lonely. I am very sure that David must have asked God to help him sing sweeter and better than he ever had before. He began to touch the strings on his harp, and as he played, he began to sing softly about the hills where the king used to play when he was a little boy. He sang about God's love for the stars, the sun and the moon. He sang about the birds and flowers and how God takes care of them. He probably sang about his sheep and the green pastures.

Very likely the strange, sad look left the king's face, as he listened enchantedly to the shepherd boy sing and play. He forgot all about the things that were troubling him. He began to smile and seem relieved. The king turned and

watched David, and a great love came into his heart for him. (You know boys' and girls' singing makes people happy. It makes them forget how hard they must work, or how tired they are.) He loved him so much that he sent a letter to Jesse, David's father, saying, "Let David, I pray thee, stand before me, for he hath found favor in my sight."

Now, Jesse loved his son very dearly, but he was so glad that David could bring joy and happiness to others, that he allowed him to go. Sometimes when the king was well and happy David would go back to his sheep. David loved the great outdoors and the green pastures, and being with his sheep. He would lie again on the soft green grass and rest, and as he rested God would send more beautiful songs into his heart. David always sang his songs first of all to his father, who enjoyed them so much. I believe that David's father must have thanked God too for those beautiful songs, don't you?

I wonder if you know that you can read these beautiful songs God gave to David. They are found in the book of Psalms in the Bible. Maybe you can't write beautiful songs like David, but you can sing songs that somebody else has written, can't you? See if you can find someone to sing to. Mother is tired at night; Daddy comes home sometimes troubled and discouraged. then you be a little David and try singing.

Our hearts will be like gardens
fair

If the sweet flower of praise
grows there;

We can do more than flowers
and birds,

For we can offer thanks in words.

—From "Carols."

"Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord." 1 Cor. 15:58.



CONVENTIONS AND NEWS



Tri-State Conference at Cotton Valley, La.

Our big Tri-State Bible Conference will be held at Cotton Valley, La., for seven days beginning October 28. Evangelistic services which will be held at night will be conducted by Elder J. E. Dillon and wife. There will be two Bible Lessons daily, one from 9:30 to 11:30 A. M. and the other from 1:30 to 3:30 P. M. We are expecting teachers such as Elders B. E. Echols, S. L. Wise, R. L. Blankenship, and many other able ministers. Rooms will be furnished free and meals on the free will offering plan. We urge every minister, especially in the Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, area to attend this great conference

—PASTOR W. E. YOCOM

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Illinois State Convention

The Illinois State Convention of the P. A. of J. C. met at Elder M. E. Golder's church in St. Louis, July 23 to 26, inclusive. The first day was devoted to the Sunday School work of the State. Many interesting reports were given and there was quite a bit of discussion concerning the work accomplished by the Sunday School.

After a brief business session, the Young People's work rendered a very interesting program. We all feel like saying, "May God richly bless the young people for the efforts they are putting forth for God."

On Wednesday of that week the hour of prayer was followed by devotional services at which time Elder B. W. Robinson spoke from Matt. 6:33. He was followed by our National Chairman, W. T. Witherspoon, using the same thought. Our hearts are made to rejoice as we see, day by day, God moving in the midst of His people both to will and to do of His own good pleasure.

The afternoons were devoted to Bible teachings, which, despite the heat, were well attended. The Spirit of the Lord was manifested in every service and unity and love prevailed in our midst. We, as a State work, feel like pressing on to deeper depths and higher heights in Christ.

Our next meeting will be in Chicago at Elder J. S. Holly's church, October 22 to 25. Prepare now to attend.

—NORA BAKER, Sec'y, Treas.

Conference at McCleary, Wash.

The twelfth quarterly meeting of the Emmanuel Coast Conference met at McCleary, Washington, with Pastor E. D. Howell and his assembly. It began on July twenty-third, and closed on July thirtieth.

Oneness brethren from all along the Pacific coast gathered for a time of fellowship and of spiritual refreshing. California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho and British Columbia were all represented.

In times past, we have said, "This is the best conference we have ever had," but the brethren have agreed that this one was the most blessed of the Lord of all the gatherings we have had for many years.

The day was begun with prayer at 7:30 o'clock in the morning, continuing with morning worship at ten o'clock. The afternoon Bible studies lasted from two P. M. until four o'clock. A glad service of praise and testimony began at 6:30, and lasted until time for the soul-stirring evangelistic meetings, which began at 7:45. This made five big meetings each day, and all were well attended. The saints that gathered for these meetings, showed that they were the kind of folks that mean business with God.

Two received the Holy Ghost, and the saints were stirred to seek the deeper things of God. Many sinners heard the Apostolic Gospel preached in power and purity. We are looking to God for a continuation of the many benefits derived from this time of holy convocation.

A missionary meeting was held on Friday afternoon. Sister Leonard, whose husband was killed in China a few years ago, was an inspiration to all. Brother and Sister H. E. Redmon were also present. Sister Redmon spent many years in China and is planning to return to that country as soon as the way is opened.

Brother and Sister Sargent from the Morton assembly also placed their call before the assembly. God has called them to work in China and they are looking to Him to make the way open for them in spite of war, turmoil and trouble.

The saints of the McCleary assembly contributed liberally from their gardens, farms, and cellars. Fine meals were served on the free-will offering plan, and every one was cared for in the most hospitable manner. Elder E. D. Howell

is the pastor.

After the conference closed, we had one more week of Apostolic camp meetings in the tent. The ministry of Evangelists R. G. Hammond and H. W. Coulon was a blessing to all. Brother Clinton Brown brought some beneficial and instructive Bible studies in the afternoon meetings.

We are looking forward to another meeting with the brethren in the near future, and desire the prayers of all for an even greater manifestation of the moving of God's Holy Spirit in our Pacific North West.

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The following poem is composed by Mrs. Marie England of Sullivan, Ill., in memory of her husband who was taken in an auto accident four years ago, on August 2. The Lord has supplied every need for the five children who were left. Mrs. England writes, "I praise Him for He is abundantly able to do all things. My husband and I were saved over four years before he was taken away. He lived the life and I am sure he was ready to meet his blessed Saviour."

Just four years ago today,
Our dear Daddy was called away,
It leaves our home so sad and blue;
We hardly know just what to do.

But then we'll look away and say,
"Not my will, but have Your way."
Our precious Lord knows what is best,
He'll give us grace to stand the test.

So some sweet day my Lord will say,
"Arise my fair one and come away."
All will be well and happy then,
How glad and sweet will be the end.

So follow on, my children dear,
And live the life that is always pure,
And you, too, shall come and rest with us
In the home of the blest with peaceful bliss.

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Send all articles and reports for the Young People's Page to Elder Oliver F. Fauss, R.F.D. 10, Box 640-C, Houston, Texas. Be brief and right to the point; typewrite articles if possible and use only one side of the paper.

GRAINS *from the* HARVEST FIELD

REPORT from BETHANY SANCTUARY, LYNCHBURG, VA. We praise God for Jesus, the Saviour of our life. We thank Him for victory through His precious blood. Our revival meeting has closed and the saints were wonderfully blessed and encouraged. Soul-stirring sermons went forth each night. Much good was wrought in Jesus' Name. We covet your prayers.

PASTOR E. P. WILLIAMS,
ROBERTA J. SCOTT, Reporter.

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OAK HILL TABERNACLE, INDIANAPOLIS, IND. Many months have come and gone since you last heard from us but we are still holding the fort against sin and the Devil. We have remodelled and redecored. We are rounding out our twentieth year as pastor. We hope to soon begin an old-fashioned God-sent revival.

PASTOR T. C. DAVIS.

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HIBBING, MINN., PRAISES GOD. The Lord is working here in a wonderful way. In a recent baptismal service, three were immersed in Jesus' Name, two of whom received the Holy Ghost that same night. Evangelist J. H. Harrington spent about three weeks here and did a wonderful work. Milton Buller, an A. B. I. graduate, is the new pastor. We covet your prayers.

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TWO GIRLS from HAWAII attend A.B.I. My daughter, Grace, and a Filipino girl, Emily Mirafior, will arrive the latter part of this month in San Francisco and then travel to St. Paul where they will attend the Apostolic Bible Institute. Both girls have worked and are paying their own way over and back from Hawaii. No missionary money is being used to send the girls to this fine training School.

PASTOR C. D. STILES.

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FINE REPORT from LINCOLN, MAINE. My wife and I came here January 29. Since that time with the help of the saints we have built a parsonage and a mission. We dedicated the mission August 19. It is only through God's blessings and strength given to us that we have been able to accomplish this work.

PASTOR DAVID E. GRINDELL.

BUILDING A NEW CHURCH at McCUNEVILLE, OHIO. Please pray that God will bless and prosper this new church that we are building.

PASTOR GLEN LEAMAN.

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NEW WORK at BILLINGS, MONTANA. We wish to report victory in Christ. We have lots on which to build a church for which we praise God. We are truly thankful for the prayers of the OUTLOOK readers. We want to see a church for Jesus' Name here. Any child of God that wishes to help in this work can send his offering to Pastor Allen Hull, Box 315, Route 2, Billings, Montana. These offerings will be used for a church building. Pray that the Lord might send a Holy Ghost revival.

PASTOR ALLEN HULL.

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IN THE HARVEST FIELD at MILTON, FLA. In a three weeks' meeting, eight (five of whom were fighters of the Jesus' Name baptism) have been baptized in Jesus' Name and several have prayed through according to Acts 2:4. May all that read the OUTLOOK whisper a prayer for us that we might be a blessing to someone along life's way, for we intend to be soul winners for Jesus. Truly the "harvest is white but the laborers are few."

ELD. J. D. NEWNOM
AND FAMILY.

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NEW CHURCH at GARY, INDIANA. It has been quite a while since we sent in a report but God is still looking on us with favor. On May 18 we dedicated our new church. On July 15, we started a revival campaign with Eld. J. H. Carson of Chicago who was with us until July 27. During this time one was baptized and two were reclaimed. Then Sister Willie Johnson of Moundsville, W. Va, evangelized here until August 10. Two were baptized and two were filled with the Holy Ghost. We were sorry that Sister Johnson had to leave at this time for Gary was being stirred such as it had not been for several years. She will be with us again in November. Pray for us.

PASTOR GLEN M. BOGUE.

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"Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth."
Col. 3:2.

GOOD REVIVAL in SPRING HILL, La. We are having a good revival here in the Shiloh Community near Spring Hill, La. Some say that the best interest is being manifested in the history of the church.

ELDER WALLACE MCKEEHAN.

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EVANGELISTIC REPORT. We have been in meetings almost continually since April. We just closed a three weeks' revival in a new field at Rayville, La. Seven received the Holy Ghost. The Lord blessed and we are encouraged. Pray that God will have His way in our hearts.

EVANGELIST AND MRS. LOUIS
ARMSTRONG, Selma, La.

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REVIVAL FIRE BURNING at COTTON VALLEY, LA. We recently closed a revival in which Elder Jack Hudspeth was the evangelist. Six received the Holy Ghost and four were baptized in Jesus' Name. We certainly praise God for young men like Brother Hudspeth. He will prove a blessing to any church. Elder Corlis Deas, Overton, Texas, had charge of the choir singing during this revival. He is a fine young man and all for the Lord.

PASTOR W. E. YOCOM.

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READS the OUTLOOK. I think the OUTLOOK is wonderful. I read it all the time and find so many inspiring articles therein.

MRS. ENGLAND,
Sullivan, Ill.

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BAPTIZED EIGHT at MIAMI FLA. God is blessing in our revival with the Miller brothers from Mississippi as the evangelists. W baptized eight August 25.

PASTOR H. C. GEIGER.

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BOUGHT NEW CHURCH at WINCHESTER, IND. We just bought our building and had the dedication service yesterday. We have remodelled some.

PASTOR LESTER MCFARLANE

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WANTED: A young man or woman who is really consecrated to God to travel in Gospel work. We want someone who is able to drive a car.

MRS. HENRY RUNDEL,
c/o Arthur Brown, Room
1, Princeton, Kans

TWO SAVED at POLLOCK, LA. We are glad to report a small work for the Lord. About two months ago, through our feeble efforts and righteous prayers, which God's Word states, "availeth much," there were two babes born into the royal family of God—a man and his wife. The man was nearing his seventieth birthday and had used tobacco and snuff since he was about eight years of age. He was completely delivered from this habit after receiving the Holy Ghost. We alone can do nothing, but God Whom we serve can do all. Pray for us.

MRS. BETTYE MALONE.

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S MEETING at FRANKLINTON, LA. There are thirty young people enrolled in this meeting. The interest is increasing rapidly. We enjoy the OUTLOOK lessons very much. We have a good collection in the penny march and local treasury. We desire the prayers of those who read this fine magazine that more young people will be born into the kingdom of God to witness for Jesus.

PASTOR HAROLD PARROTT,
MARIE BULLOC, Reporter.

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THANKING the LORD at PERRY PARK, KY. We are praising our God for His goodness to us. Recently four were buried in the precious Name of Jesus and three received the Holy Ghost. We thank Him for His faithfulness. We covet your prayers.

PASTOR ED CAMPBELL.

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OUTLOOK BOQUET. I think the OUTLOOK is a wonderful magazine. By God's grace I am going to see that it is put into more homes.

MRS. R. F. ENDECOTT,
Austin, Oregon.

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GOOD TENT MEETING at LANCASTER, OHIO. Six or eight were expected to be baptized in Jesus' Name at this tent meeting August 11. Brother S. R. Hanby reports that the meetings have been good.

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REPORT from MENA, ARK. Elder T. A. Gill, the new pastor, held a revival assisted by Evangelist T. G. Borah. Seven were baptized, seven received the Holy Ghost and several were reclaimed. Pray for us, please.

BURNET, TEXAS, HAS REVIVAL. We are glad to report that God has given us a great revival in the Pentecostal Assembly of Jesus Christ Church at Burnet. Eld. G. P. Gilbert, former Editor of the Gospel Light, was our evangelist during the six-weeks' campaign which closed August 14. The Lord wonderfully blessed Brother Gilbert in proclaiming the Word and in giving faith for the healing of sick and afflicted bodies.

Interest was excellent from the beginning and the crowds were large each night. It was a real old-time Pentecostal meeting where the presence and glory of the Lord came down in every service and people attended from near and far. Many declared it to be the greatest revival they had ever attended, others said it was the best in twenty years, and still others declared it was the greatest Burnet had ever had. Scores came to the altar and sought God. Seventeen were baptized in water in Jesus' Name, some were re-filled and some filled with the Holy Ghost—about sixteen in number.

Not only the Burnet Church but the saints of surrounding churches have been greatly refreshed and encouraged during this revival to press forward in the Name of the Lord. On Tuesday and Friday nights of each week the sick were prayed for. God confirmed His Word with signs following. Many testified of being healed during the meeting of different diseases such as cancer, heart and stomach trouble, kidney disease, bad eyes, throat trouble, appendicitis and many other ailments.

Although the revival closed and Evangelist Gilbert left immediately for other fields of labor, yet the revival spirit continues on—two more have received the Holy Ghost, bringing the total up to eighteen and many others are seeking God in our regular services. Truly the Lord has done great things for us whereof we are glad. We covet your prayers that we may be ready for the soon coming of Jesus.

PHANETA HESTER, Reporter,

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TESTIMONY. I have had the Holy Ghost nineteen years, August 20, and have been baptized in Jesus' Name for nineteen years in June. Today He is still real to me and I mean to be one in the first resurrection.

MRS. MAUDE L. CARROLL,
Olive Hill, Kentucky.

FOUR filled with HOLY GHOST at NEW CASTLE, IND. We are glad to report that God is still blessing our church. We have just closed a revival in which seven were baptized in Jesus' Name, nine repented, and four were filled with the Holy Ghost. One woman who had formerly been a Nazarene was filled with the Holy Ghost while sitting in the congregation. God is healing in our midst. Pray for us that we may continue on until Jesus comes.

PASTOR EARL McELHANEY.

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FELLOWSHIP MEETING at RIVERBANK, CALIF. Our July fellowship meeting for Northern California was held in Riverbank. Evangelist Edna Myers had been preaching here assisting Elder R. E. Glasgow. At this meeting there was a good attendance from various cities. Our District Elder, J. J. Mann, was with us. A sweet spirit of Christian fellowship prevailed throughout the day. We expect a larger ministry because of the greater unity among the ministers and the saints as the outcome of these fellowship meetings.

PASTOR FRED INABNIT,
Berkeley, Calif.

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GOOD REPORT from PLEASANT RIDGE CHURCH north-west of BROOKHAVEN, MISS. We are praising the Lord for the revival which began August 10 and closed August 23 in which twelve received the Holy Ghost and fourteen were baptized in Jesus' Name. The surrounding community is stirred. Elder Daniel Talley and wife from Bogalusa, La., were the evangelists. Pray for the work here that the Lord will continue to bless.

PASTOR A. D. VARNADO
JODIE MAE NEWELL, Reporter.

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CAN SCARCELY WAIT for OUTLOOK. Our paper is getting better every day. It means so much to me as I am here where the Pentecostal message is not preached or practised. May God bless every one who helps to make up this paper. I can hardly wait each month for it.

MRS. IRENE LYBARGER,
Meadville, Pa.

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LIKES OUTLOOK. The OUTLOOK is surely food for any hungry soul. May God continue to bless in a mighty way is our prayer.

FRED BREECE,
Ironton, Ohio.

THE QUESTION BEE

A Monthly Contest!

QUESTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER

1. What three chapters in the Bible contain 80 or more verses?
2. What proper name is found in both the first and last verses of the New Testament?
3. What chapter in the Bible contains verses all ending in the same manner?
4. What is the first tree mentioned by name in the Bible?
5. Which one of the three main feasts will be kept during the millennium?
6. How is the man classed who keeps the good for himself and offers the corrupt things unto God?
7. What natural reasons would give Joseph and Mary an interest in the temple at Jerusalem?
8. What was Jesus' first miracle after the sermon on the Mount?
9. When did a man lose his life because of a bundle of sticks?
10. Who was Beelzebub?
11. From what were the broad plates for a covering for the altar of incense made?
12. By what other name was Solomon called?
13. In what practical way did the people of Ephesus prove their sincerity in having accepted the Gospel?
14. Why do we believe that the Gospel had already reached Italy by the time of Paul?
15. Who was the first prophet to prophesy after the captivity?
16. Whom did David send back to Jerusalem to be his "spy" in Absalom's house?
17. When was the first famine mentioned in the Bible?
18. In what two instances in the Old Testament was mention made of the embalming of the dead?
19. When was Beersheba so named?
20. What was Jesus' last act in Perea?

\$1.00 Prize Winner: Mrs. H. H. Wunderlich, Route No. 2, St. Paul, Minn.

ANSWERS FOR AUGUST

1. "Come, let us see one another in the face." 2 Chron. 25:17; 2 Kings 14:8.
2. He slew his son. 2 Chron. 24:22.
3. Hebrews 11:16 states that the builder and maker of the country which the old patriarchs sought was God. Jesus said in St. John 14:1-3 that He was going to prepare a city for them. The Jews, the founder of whose race was Abraham, believed in only one God. These words, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is one Lord," had been spoken to them by God on Mt. Sinai. Throughout all their national history, every calamity that befell them could be traced back to the fact that they had accepted and worshipped other gods. Their wisdom for the future was of a place which was prepared by God. When Jesus told His disciples that, "I go to prepare a place for you," He also was speaking to Jews proving by His very words that He was God manifested in the flesh.
4. Acts 17:21.
5. The weightier matters of the law, judgment, mercy and faith, ought to be done, and the other (the paying of tithes) not to be undone. Matt. 23:23.
6. Dan. Joshua 19:47, 48.
7. Jehoiada. 2 Chron. 24:13.
8. Luz. Gen. 28:19; Judges 1:23.
9. For the slaying of Sisera. Judges 5:18-21.
10. Jacob.
11. Trophimus. Acts 21:27-29.
12. Antioch in Syria was the second headquarters for the Apostolic church (the first having been at Jerusalem until the persecution arose). Antioch in Pisidia in Asia Minor was a city visited by Paul on his missionary journeys.
13. From the time when God called Moses unto the mountain of Nebo to the top of Pisgah and from this lofty height gave him a view of the beautiful promised land of Canaan. Deut. 34:1-4.
14. 1. Abram built an altar there. Gen. 12:6.
2. Jacob buried his household's idols there. Gen. 35:4.
3. All the children of Israel under Joshua made a new covenant with God. Josh. 24.
15. About six furlongs from the wall of the city.
16. A book in ancient times consisted of a single long strip of paper or parchment which was kept rolled upon a stick and unrolled when it was read. A roll was usually written on one side only. This particular roll, however, was written on both sides, a fact so unusual that mention was made of it.
17. The Apocalypse.
18. Forty years old. Gen. 25:20.
19. A military term signifying a guard of four soldiers, two attached to the prisoner and two kept watch outside the cell.
20. Prov. 27:1.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Mrs. Wallace, Portsmouth, Ohio; Mrs. R. S. Davis, Portsmouth, Ohio; Elsworth Durbin, Mrs. Della Durbin, Mrs. Bessie Langston, Mrs. Jennie Dennis, Losantville, Ind.; Lila Durbin, Kokomo, Ind.; Mrs. H. J. Albers, Marshfield, Mo.

CHRISTIAN NEGLIGENCE (Cont.)

will humbly bow? Attend to your spiritual duties and defer no more to pay your vow. Then the Spirit will guide you in all things.

Repentance, faith, and confessions must be made for the Lord to your own heart has said over and over, "See that from henceforth all your debts to God and men are paid and all the treasures of your life at Jesus' feet are laid."

THE OPEN DOOR (Cont.)

will be shut. Enter the *open door* while you may, God's Spirit will not always strive with man. If the Lord be God, follow Him.

May the Lord stir our souls to

such an extent that nothing will matter save the salvation of precious souls, for the night cometh when no man can work.

DANIEL—Continued

gap from the Old to the New Testament and give our readers at least fragmentary information of the main events that transpired during the period from Malachi to John the Baptist, which is known as the four hundred years of silence.

Why Jones Does Not Go to Church

1. The sermons are too long—or too short.
2. The music is too classical—or too simple.
3. The church is too hot—or too cold.
4. The weather is too stormy—or too beautiful.
5. The garden needs attention.
6. He has business at the ranch—or in the city.
7. The usher is a hypocrite—or queer.
8. He can worship God at home. (But he doesn't.)
9. He has a radio now. (And greatly enjoys the jazz orchestra.)
10. Anyway, it's his own business, and he got enough religion when he was a boy, and he's as good as any church member.

How Big Is Gibraltar, and Why Is It So Named?

Great Britain's mighty fortress, located at the gateway to the Mediterranean off Spain, is about three miles long from north to south and varies in width from $\frac{1}{4}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ of a mile. At its highest point, the Rock stands 1,408 feet above sea level. As a word, Gibraltar is a corruption of the Arabian "Jab-al-Tariq," which may be translated to read "Rock of Tariq." Tariq is the name of the Moslem general who seized the Rock in 711 and invaded Spain. Gibraltar, which was held by the Moslems for some 600 years, has been Britain's since 1704, when a Spanish garrison yielded it to a British fleet after two days of mediocre resistance. Britain's ownership of the Rock was formally confirmed in the Peace of Utrecht in 1713.

The Bible in Germany

That interest in the Bible in Germany is undiminished is evident from a leaflet of the German Faith Movement, which states that "in more than 2,000 parishes in Germany there was organized a Bible Week designed to strengthen the hearts of the parishioners." It is further stated that a missionary magazine called *Thy Kingdom Come* has a circulation up to 150,000 copies an issue.—*Signs of the Times*.



R. G. Cook

Moslem Marriages

"The Moslems have very strict rules as to marriage of relatives. The prohibitive degrees with regard to marriages are as follows: Mother, daughter, paternal aunt, maternal aunt, brother's or sister's daughter, grandmother, granddaughter, mother-in-law, stepmother, daughter-in-law, and granddaughter-in-law. The marriage of two sisters at the same time is forbidden, but the marriage of a deceased wife's sister is allowed. Marriage with a deceased brother's wife is very common in moslem countries, such marriage being held to be a very honorable means of providing for a brother's widow. The marriage of cousins is also desirable, as being a means of keeping families and tribes together."—HUGHES, *Affinity*, p. 11.

Home Missionaries?

Our people need to see the open field at our door. I know there are twenty-seven millions of child widows in India. But what about the 36,000,000 unchurched youths at our door? What about 70,000,000 unchurched people in our nation? What about sixty thousand churches without a convert or an addition last year? There are 21,000,000 people in our country on some kind of relief. What about ten millions out of work? What about 90,000 people in a city of 115,000, who did not enter a church door last year? While wringing your hands over the heathen abroad, what about your next door neighbor who never enters a church door? Have you said anything to him about Christ?—*HERALD OF HOLINESS*.

Briefs

After submitting a questionnaire to 1,200 Protestant Episcopal clergymen and 1,200 Episcopal laymen, the *Layman's Magazine*, a national Episcopal monthly, declares this to be the Episcopal attitude toward the European war: "Though the aims of neither side in the war can properly be termed Christian, there is a moral balance clearly in favor of Britain. The United States should therefore extend wide material aid and credit to Britain, but not military aid; and at the same time this country should prepare."

Nazi-ism in France

Already the hand of Nazi-ism is taking a strangle hold upon the economic, social and religious life of the French people. With a change in constitutional government, replacing the Republican form with a totalitarian state, the French government is tightening its reins and allowing its official news agencies to release adverse propaganda against French Jews. Already a Nazi newspaper in the French language, *Lex Paris*, has made its appearance; its program proclaimed in its first editorial announced that the war and its disastrous consequences for France were due entirely to the Jewish propaganda against Germany. The paper went on to say that there was no real reason for war between Germany and France but the Jewish capitalists in conjunction with England brought it about. The popular prediction is that with the elimination of all Jewish government office holders, it will not be long until they will be forced to leave French soil—where to! Nobody knows.

Tobacco Business

Since the 1911 order, tobacco consumption in the United States has zoomed upward by about 136 per cent. Last year, buying through 600,000 retailers, tobacco-conscious Americans smoked 172 billion cigarettes, 5,311,000,000 cigars, and pinched up 38 million pounds of snuff. The lion's share of this huge volume of business has gone to the "Big Four," and their combined annual income has usually exceeded the entire farm value of the American tobacco crop.

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