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Commemorating the forty years of the outpouring
of the Holy Ghost in this latter day rain.

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"And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the
babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."
Luke 2: 12

Season's Greetings

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THE LATTER RAIN

The Story of the Origin of the Original Apostolic or Pentecostal Movements

(Reprinted from the July, 1926, issue of the paper, by the late Chas. F. Parham)

In the years 1898 and 1899 I was pastor of the Apostolic congregation located at 4th and Jackson Streets, in Topeka, Kansas, composed largely of some of the best people of the city, who believed in a know-so conversion, holiness of heart and life, the healing of the body and the soon coming of the Lord. In connection with our congregation we had a large healing home, to which the sick from all over the United States came for healing, and mighty miracles were wrought in the name of the Holy child Jesus. Previous to this, I had been a Holiness Evangelist after having left the Methodist church, to get an opportunity to preach the above named truths. Having been a Holiness preacher for some years I was thoroughly grounded and rooted in the teaching of sanctification, as a second definite work of God. And I would like to state right here, in the opening of this article that for many years no Apostolic, Pentecostal or Full Gospel preacher dared to open his mouth to dispute the doctrine of a second work of grace. Neither do I believe that any one can receive the real Baptism of the Holy Spirit without being first definitely Sanctified.

In the spring of 1899 I was led to visit various religious institutions seeking to find any deeper truths than we were then preaching and enjoying. For years Sanctification had been called the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, or the same thing as taught in the 2nd chapter of Acts. Then from Stephen Merritt of New York City, Dr. Gordon of Boston and Dr. Keene of the Methodist church, we learned of the precious anointing; that abideth, which they all mistook for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and the Pentecostal outpouring, but which afterward proved to have been only the marvelous anointing that they received in the upper room when the door was locked, and Jesus came in unto them the first night after His resurrection. Thousands of Holiness people pressed into this new blessing, and rejoicing in an

experience that was like an artesian well, ever bubbling within. I had been among that number. But still hungry for something, I visited the Eye Opener work, conducted by Evangelist Kelly of Chicago, also the work of Dr. Dowie, who was still in Chicago, on Michigan Boulevard, with an immense Healing Home. Going eastward I visited Malone School in Cincinnati, examined the Christian Alliance work in New York City then spent a month in the Holy Ghost and US Bible school at Shiloh, Maine, conducted by Frank W. Sanford, returning through Canada by way of Winnipeg. I visited many other institutions of deep religious thought and activity. In all that trip I was convinced that people had been truly sanctified and anointed with the Holy Ghost, but still felt there was a mighty outpouring yet for the church. On arriving at Topeka, Kansas, my home, I found that two Holiness preachers had stolen my work from under me and I was virtually set out in the street. A number of my friends urged me to start a training school for ministers and Christian workers. After a series of miracles in which God wonderfully supplied the means we secured Stone's Folly, a magnificent mansion, located a little over a mile west of Washburn College, which later became widely renowned because of the outpouring of Pentecost as the College of Bethel, to which we invited all ministers and Christians who were willing to forsake all, sell what they had, give it away, and enter the school, for study and prayer, where all of us together might trust God for food, fuel, rent and clothing. The purpose of this school was to fit men and women to go to the ends of the earth to preach. "This" Gospel of the Kingdom. Matt. 24: as a witness to all the world before the end of the age. Captain Tuttle who, with a few others of us, climbed to the topmost tower eighty-seven feet from the ground, to dedicate that building to the above named purpose, had a vision although he was not a man given to visions. But above that building he saw a lake of fresh water which began to overflow and continued until all the earth was refreshed with the coming of the water.

Our purpose in this Bible School was not to learn these things in

our heads only but have each thing in the scripture wrought out in our hearts. And that every command that Jesus Christ gave should be literally obeyed. No one paid board or tuition, the poor were fed, the sick were entertained and healed, and from day to day, week to week, month to month, with no sect or mission or known source of income back of us God supplied our every need, and He was our all sufficiency in all things.

In December, 1899, we had had our examination upon the subjects of repentance, conversion, consecration, sanctification, healing and the soon coming of the Lord. We had reached in our studies a problem. What about the 2nd Chapter of Acts? I had felt for years that any missionary going to the foreign field should preach in the language of the natives. That if God had ever equipped his ministers in that way He could stop in the middle of the road and give the first preacher that went out for money a bawling out in Arabic that anyone today ought to be able to speak in any language of the world if they had horse sense enough to let God use their tongue and throat. But still I believed that our experience should tally exactly with the Bible, and neither sanctification nor the anointing that abideth taught by Stephen Merritt and others, tallied with the 2nd Chapter of Acts. And having heard so many different religious bodies claiming different proofs as the evidence of their having the Pentecostal Baptism, I set the students at work studying out diligently what was the Bible evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. That we might go before the world with something that was indisputable because it tallied absolutely with the word.

Leaving the school for three days at this task, I went to Kansas City for three days' services. Returning to the school on the morning preceding watch night services in the year 1900. At about 10 o'clock in the morning I rang the bell calling all the students into the Chapel to get their report on the matter in hand. To my astonishment they all had the same story, that while there were different things occurred when the Pentecostal blessing fell, that the indisputable proof on each occasion was, that they spake with

other tongues. About 75 people beside the school, which consisted of 40 students, had gathered for the watch night service. A mighty, spiritual power filled the entire school. At 10:30 p. m. Sister Agnes N. Ozman, (Now La Berge), asked that hands might be laid upon her to receive the Holy Spirit as she hoped to go to foreign fields. At first I refused, not having the experience myself. Then being further pressed to do it humbly in the name of Jesus, laid my hands upon her head and prayed. I had scarcely repeated three dozen sentences when a glory fell upon her, a halo seemed to surround her head and face and she began speaking the Chinese language, and was unable to speak English for three days.

When she tried to write in English to tell us of her experience she wrote in Chinese, copies of which we still have in newspapers printed at that time. Seeing this marvelous manifestation of the restoration of Pentecostal power, we removed the beds from the dormitory on the upper floor, and there for two nights and three days we continued as a school to wait upon God. We felt that God was no respecter of persons and that what He had so graciously poured out upon one He would upon all. On the night of January 3rd I preached at the Free Methodist church in the city of Topeka, telling them what had already happened, and that I expected on returning the entire school to be baptised in the Holy Spirit. On returning to the school with one of the students we ascended to the second floor, and passing down along the corridor to the upper room, heard most wonderful sounds, the door was slightly ajar, the room was lightened with only coal oil lamps as I pushed open the door I found the room was filled with a sheen of white light above the brightness of the lamps, and twelve ministers who were in the school of different denominations, were filled with the Holy Spirit and speaking with other tongues. Some were sitting, some still kneeling, others standing with hands upraised. There was no violent physical manifestation, though some trembled under the power of the glory that filled them.

Sister Stanley, an elderly lady, came across the room as I entered, telling me that just before I en-

tered tongues of fire were sitting above their heads. When I beheld the evidence of the restoration of the Pentecostal power my heart was melted in gratitude to God for what my eyes had seen. For years I had suffered terrible persecutions for preaching Holiness and healing and the soon coming of the Lord. I fell to my knees behind a table unnoticed by those upon whom the power of Pentecost had fallen, to pour out my heart to God in thanksgiving. All at once they began to sing "Jesus Lover of My Soul" in at least six different languages, carrying the different parts but with a more angelic voice than I had ever listened to in all my life. After praising God for sometime, I asked Him for the same blessing. When He distinctly made it clear to me that He raised me up and trained me to declare this mighty truth to the world, and if I was willing to stand for it, with all the persecutions, hardships, trials, slander, scandal, that it would entail, He would give me the blessing. And I said, "Lord, I will, if You will just give me this blessing."

Just a word: After preaching this for 26 years with all the persecutions. I have been permitted to go through it with misunderstanding and the treatment of false brethren and knowing all that, that blessing would bring to me if I had the time and was back there again, I'd take the same way.

No sooner was this miraculous restoration of Pentecostal power noised abroad, when we were besieged with reporters from Topeka papers, Kansas City, St. Louis and many other cities sent their reporters, who brought with them professors of languages, foreigners, government interpreters, and they gave the work the most crucial test. One government interpreter claimed to have heard twenty Chinese dialects distinctly spoken in one night, but all agreed that the students of the college were speaking in the languages of the world, and that with proper foreign accent and intonation. There was no violent physical manifestation. There was no chattering, jabbering, sputtering or stuttering. Each one spoke clearly and distinctly in a foreign tongue, with earnestness, intensity and God given unction. The propriety and decency of the conduct of each member of the Bible school won the warmest comment from many visitors.

Our first public appearance after others had received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit was in Kansas City, in the Academy of Music, about January the 21st. The Kansas City papers loudly announced our coming. Two columns appeared in the Kansas City Journal, with large headlines on the front page. These headlines being the largest on the front page attracted the attention of the newsboys, and they not knowing of Pentecost from a Holocaust, ran wildly up and down the street crying their papers, "Pentecost, Pentecost, Pentecost; read all about the Pentecost."

I have on record the sermon preached on this occasion. The first upon the Baptism of the Holy Ghost in all modern Pentecostal Apostolic Full Gospel movements. Also on file all that the papers had to say about these things in those days. Through great trials and persecutions we conducted the Bible school in the city of Topeka itself then one in Kansas City. At this time I wrote the first book published by any Full Gospel people called "The Voice Crying in the Wilderness." In it was fully set forth almost in full all that is now being taught in different movements throughout the world. Both the pulpit and the press sought to utterly destroy our place and prestige, until my wife, her sister and myself stood alone. Hated, despised, counted as naught, for weeks and weeks never knowing where our next meal would come from, yet feeling that we must maintain the faith once for all delivered to the saints. When we had car fare we rode, when we didn't we walked. When buildings were closed to us we preached on the street. Thus continuing the fight until the spring of 1908 when a Wesleyan lady minister who was brought into the faith when we had held a meeting in Lawrence, Kansas in March, 1901, invited us to hold a meeting in a mission she had established in Nevada, Missouri. Here a mighty work was done.

During the summer months we felt led to Eldorado Springs, Missouri, where people came from all over the United States to try the virtue of spring water for the healing of their bodies. We stood at the corner of the park where steps led down to the spring. People came by the hundreds to hear the message and hundreds were

healed. Bearing the message of God to all parts of the United States. Our home was continuously besieged with sick and suffering for prayer. One day Mrs. Ed Arthur, of Galena, Kansas, who had heard the message on the street, and who had been almost blind for years, came to the house for prayer and as she was returning to her rooms, being led, her eyes suddenly were healed, and the glorious light of day broke in upon her. On returning to her home in Galena, her healing was noised abroad. A friend of hers, Mrs. Hinckley, who had been given up by the physicians who said she had but one chance in a hundred, came to Eldorado Springs, and was healed of a cancerous tumor and deafness in one ear of 42 years' standing. With this came an invitation to Galena, Kansas, where the revival was opened in a tent. Here the blind, lame, and deaf and all manner of diseases were marvelously healed. Great numbers were saved.

Cold weather approaching the fall of 1903, the Grand Leader building, an immense double store room, was secured. Here nightly for three months people were saved by the hundred. Healed of every known disease, coming hundreds of miles to receive the ministry of healing. Perhaps 500 were sanctified and at least 250 received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The Joplin Herald, The Cincinnati Inquirer, The Philadelphia Ledger in writing up this meeting declared it to be the greatest in power, and miracles since the days of the Apostles. Thousands attended the Watch night meeting, and 600 remained until after sunrise to return to their homes. Spontaneously, meetings on these lines sprang up in all the mining camps around about and as the need demanded, preachers like mushrooms developed over night and went to fill the pulpits in these different meetings. This meeting was followed by a great meeting in the city of Baxter Springs, Kansas, where I located and have lived nearly ever since. Having always been shown the greatest respect and consideration by my fellow townsmen and where for 22 years they have met annually to celebrate my birthday in numbers ranging from one to two thousand, until it had become a national affair.

Meetings were then held at Mel-

rose, a small village, 12 miles west of Baxter Springs, Kansas, and as a result, the first Apostolic, Pentecostal or Full Gospel Chapel, of all modern movements, was erected at the cross roads of Keelville, 10 miles west of Baxter Springs, Kansas. After a tremendous meeting with thousands in attendance, held in the great store rooms of the Roosevelt Flats at 9th and Main streets, Joplin, Missouri, at which so many people were saved and healed, so that from the ending of the winter of 1903 and 1904 thousands of people from Carthage, Missouri, through southwestern Kansas to Miami, Oklahoma, were believers in the power of the "Faith once delivered to the Saints."

My physical strength gave way under the stress of labors and some of the people from that section of the country having moved to Texas, I sought rest in the spring of 1904, with my friends at Orchard, Texas. But in three days after I arrived there a great revival broke out and I was instantly strengthened for the campaign. So many were healed and so many saved and baptised in the Holy Spirit that there was scarce one left to plead the cause of the wicked one. Returning again to the work in Kansas and Missouri we held several meetings, culminating in the hard fought battle at Columbus, Kansas, at the close of which a company of 18 workers accompanied me back to the work in Texas. Stopping briefly at Orchard, Texas, where we were joined by six other helpers, we invaded Houston, Texas, in the summer of 1904, without money, without taking collections, trusting only to God. We secured Bryan Hall, then one of the largest in the city, threw out our street workers, house to house visitors, until a mighty sweeping revival swept the city and towns about. Blind, deaf, lame, sick, hunch backs and even those who had begun to mortify in death were healed. The sanctifying power of God as well as Pentecostal Power of God swept the meeting. I have copies of the Houston Post and Chronicle of those dates. Nothing like it had ever been heard tell of.

From this meeting went out workers to Alvin, Angelton, Brazoria, Needville, East Bernard, Wallis, Brookshire, Katy, Humble and Crosby and many other places. Everywhere swept the power of

God. Thousands of people became believers in the Full Gospel or Apostolic Faith as it was then called. Returning with most of my workers to northern fields again I later enlisted another company in the summer of 1905, having strengthened and built up the work as it had largely spread over southeastern Kansas, southwestern Missouri, northeastern Oklahoma and northeastern Arkansas. In the summer of 1905, with my new company of workers I again invaded the southland. It was reckoned in the summer of 1905 that 25,000 people had accepted the light of the Full Gospel. After visiting the different missions in south Texas, we opened a campaign in Caladonia Hall, Houston, Texas. The street work, the slum work, won the admiration of the citizens of Houston.

A Holiness preacher who had accepted the faith the year before, had gathered a large assembly in Brunner, a suburb of Houston. Following this revival we opened a Bible school for the winter, which was crowded with students. Into this Bible school came Brother Seymour, the colored man, who later opened the work in Los Angeles. He had charge of a small Holiness church in the suburbs. He came daily for three months, taking all the truths and teachings that we had held from the beginning, and later both in his preaching and in the articles that he wrote for his paper. He both preached and wrote word for word the things he had there learned. Early in the spring I made up the carfare and sent him as the first advocate of the Apostolic Faith to Los Angeles, Calif., where on Bonnie Brae Street with a company of white and colored, Pentecost first fell in California. Moving from there to Azusa Street where one of the most tremendous religious upheavels of modern times occurred. But which later became tremendously freighted with wildfire and fanaticism. And yet through the printing of the paper called The Apostolic Faith and the news that went out, the Pentecost was soon known throughout the world.

From this place went Mrs. Crawford, who established one of the Full Gospel movements in the country in Portland, Oregon. With immense headquarters and missions in many parts of the U. S., she was the first white woman to receive the baptism of the Holy

Spirit on the Pacific Coast. About this time Brother Seymour wrote me frantic letters appealing for help. Spiritualistic manifestations, hypnotic forces all the old time working up the animalistic power known among the colored people in camp meetings in the south with all manner of fleshly contortions broke loose in the meetings. He appealed to me to come quickly to help him weed out that which was real and that which was false, but during a camp meeting held in Baxter Springs, Kansas, in the early summer of 1906, I received a definite call to Zion City, Ill., the home of Dr. Dowie, (as any of the prophets of old testament times were called of God.) Dr. Dowie had been discredited and displaced. The actions of the new man who took his place had disgusted a host of Dr. Dowie's followers both in Zion City and throughout the world. After entering the city and all doors being closed against me, we opened meetings in many of the best homes of the city. So that every night we had five meetings running which lasted from 7 p. m. until 12 p. m. with residences crowded upstairs and down. (Under special ministers and helpers) I made it a point to preach in five different homes every night. I preached at the first home at 7, the next at 8, the next at 9, the next at 10, and the next at 11 o'clock. The result was that hundreds were reclaimed from a backslidden state, marvelous healings took place, pentecost fell profusely and thousands of Dr. Dowie's followers in Zion City and throughout the world by reading my sermons in the (Independent) were brought into the light of a fuller Gospel than they had previously known. So that Dr. Dowie's movement furnished at least 500 ministers, workers and evangelists, among the best in the world today.

Mr. Fred Bosworth, noted minister of today, was sanctified and baptised with the Holy Spirit and went to his wide fields of labor. South Africa was swept by workers that went out from that meeting. And I believe that it was workers from that meeting who were instrumental in bringing this Gospel to Mr. Robert Semple, first husband of Mrs. Aimee McPherson, and who received the light of the restoration of the Gospel of Jesus Christ from him.

In a later meeting, Raymond T.

Ritchey, then a lad of 19 years, after a desperate struggle was wonderfully converted. His ministry has awakened thousands to the knowledge and power of the Faith once delivered to the Saints. From this first campaign in Zion City, we hurried to Los Angeles. To our utter surprise and astonishment we found conditions even worse than we had anticipated. Brother Seymour came to me helpless. He said he could not stem the tide that had arisen. I sat on the platform in Azusa Street Mission, and saw the manifestations of the flesh, spiritualistic controls, saw people practicing hypnotism at the later over candidates seeking the baptism, and also many who were receiving the real Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

After preaching two or three times I was informed by two of the Elders, one who was an hypnotist, I had seen lay his hands on many who came through chattering, jabbering and sputtering, speaking no language at all, that I was not wanted in this place. With workers from the Texas field we opened a great revival in the W. C. T. U. building on Broadway and Temple Streets in Los Angeles. Great numbers were saved, marvelous healings took place and between two and three hundred who had been possessed of awful fits and spasms and controls in the Azusa street work were delivered, and received the real Pentecostal endowment and spake with other tongues.

A continuation of this story of Pentecostal outpouring will appear in other issues from time to time.

Brief Mention

Brother Bob Palmer, who is President of the Tri-State Young People's rally, was hurt in an automobile accident and had a severe cut above his right eye. The Lord has undertaken and he is getting along nicely now.

We have on hands a limited number of "Personal Return of Christ," by Lawrence M. Booth. The book contains very important information about the Dead Sea, also George Washington's vision, and the signs of Christ's coming. While they last we will send this

book free of charge, to all those who send their name, address and free will offering for the 1940 mailing list of the Apostolic Faith Paper.

The Rees Brothers Evangelistic Party recently held a wonderful tent meeting at Leakey, Tex. They are now in Pola, Tex., for some special services.

Brother Elmer Russell, wife and family, who have been laboring in Wichita, Kansas, for some time, are now in a revival meeting at Booker, Texas.

Evangelist Irene Dillsworth has returned from California and is having some special services in the Seneca Street Mission in Wichita, Kansas.

Evangelist and Mrs. William Yeakel have been laboring in California for several months. They have returned to Wichita, Kansas.

Brother and Sister Charles Mahan and family, who have been in California, for some time are now back in Kansas.

Evang. and Mrs. Harold Cooper and Mrs. Johnson have returned to Leakey, Texas, from Nebraska.

Evangelists Beulah and Lawrence Clay and family are now in the state of Iowa in the evangelistic work. Sister Clay has recently closed a very good meeting at Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

Evangelist Jennie Evans assisted by Miss Hallie Chitwood has just closed a one week revival at Spearman, Texas. A large number were blessed of the Lord. Five were saved, eight were sanctified, and five received the Holy Spirit. They are now in a meeting in Vanderpool, Texas. Mrs. Hattie Newman of Perryton, Texas, accompanied them. They are looking for a great revival at Vanderpool.

Brother J. W. Elliott is now in meetings in Texas. He is not so well at present. Let's everyone pray for him.

Brother Gail W. Schultz had a very good meeting at Laverne, Oklahoma. It was well attended by people from the towns around. Brother Jack Barker, pastor.

Evangelist and Mrs. Marcus Adair of Perryton, Texas, and Evangelist Jake Pletcher and wife, are now in a revival meeting at Shattuck, Oklahoma. They have recently closed a meeting at the Miller school house, 9 miles north of Gage, Oklahoma. God is blessing their ministry.

Brother F. J. Copeland of Waka, Texas, is pastoring the church at Farley, New Mexico, while Brother Jake Pletcher is in the evangelistic work. The church at Farley, New Mexico, is planning a revival to be held during the Christmas holidays.

Evangelist Ed Durbin of Gravette, Arkansas, has closed a revival meeting at the Buckhorn school house, near Adrian, Missouri.

Many have written in and asked for extra copies of the paper to hand out to their friends. We are always glad to send out extra copies when we have them. The paper is growing. Your prayers and cooperation are appreciated.

Evangelist Sol Getz is pastoring the church at Arlington, Kansas, since the closing of the revival.

Mrs. M. E. Marshall, 4599 Pecos Street, Denver, Colorado, writes that she is having Sunday school, Bible study, and prayer meetings in her home. She is very anxious for a work of the Apostolic Faith to be established in Denver. All our readers in Denver should pray for this work and try and attend services here.

Reverend and Mrs. Paul Bollinger are now in a meeting at Follett, Texas.

Evangelist Alford Whitely has just closed a wonderful meeting at San Leon, Texas. A number were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit. He is now in a revival meeting at Galveston, and plans to take the pastorate of the Apostolic Church at Alvin, Texas, after the first of the year. God has blessed Brother Whitely's ministry in a wonderful way throughout the past year.

Evangelist Homer Coberly, wife and family have recently made a visit to the missions of the Tri-State District.

Brother John Hockersmith of Purcell, Missouri, has been holding meetings in the Tri-State District.

Brother Jack Hisey, who is pastor of the church at Curtis, Okla., is now living at Woodward, Okla.

Evangelists Dora and Loyd Boren recently held a meeting in the Eddy school house, southwest of Arnett, Oklahoma.

Evangelist Olen Bachelor is now in a meeting at Milano, Texas. Prospects are good for a revival. Good crowds are coming and interest is being manifested.

Evangelist Ben Barker and party, Brother and Sister Brock, have recently closed a revival at Spearman, Texas, where Brother Paul Bailey is pastor. They are now making a tour of South and Southwest Texas.

Brother Gene Cornell, wife and family are pastoring the Spring Grove Church at Galena, Kansas. Brother Cornell has been doing a great work for God in Galena. He is also helping with the Apostolic Faith paper at Baxter Springs.

Evangelist and Mrs. Claude Parham, who have been home for the past two months helping care for Brother Robert Parham during his illness, are now having special services in the Tri-State District, and will be out in the evangelistic field soon.

Evangelist and Mrs. Millard Brown were called home from meetings in West Virginia on account of the illness of his father.

Evangelist Hattie Ostrander and Mrs. Mansfield are laboring together and the Lord is blessing their ministry in Coronado, California.

Mrs. Pearl Menke, pastor of the Cheney church, writes that souls are being saved and sanctified in the regular services there.

Evangelist Ronald Crozier of Canada, has recently closed a meeting at Perryton, Texas, in the Full Gospel Tabernacle. Large crowds attended his meeting there.

Brother Robert Denton has recently built a church at Hockerville, Oklahoma. The Lord is blessing his ministry in this place.

Other Fields

HASSELL, N. M. — Evangelist Alford Whitely and family have held a very successful tent meeting in Hassell, New Mexico, the past summer. Brother and Sister Whitely have done a splendid work here and they wish that some minister of the faith would come to Hassell to carry on the work as they are taking the pastorate at Alvin, Texas.

VENTURA, CALIF. — Brother and Sister W. C. Parham, who are now pastoring in Ventura, California, have just recently closed a very successful revival meeting.

HOUSTON, TEX., 90 Knox Street, West End — The Sutton Brothers Evangelistic party have been laboring here for several weeks and the Lord has been blessing. Souls are being saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit. One Sunday night the Holy Spirit settled down over the whole congregation and everyone was praying and communing with the Lord until 2 o'clock in the morning. At the last report, there was six saved, a number sanctified and five received the Holy Spirit. God is blessing in a very special way. Any of the older ones of the faith who have been seeking the Holy Spirit for years are being filled. Everyone who has not received the Holy Spirit should take new courage. Brother A. B. Stansberry is pastor of the church here.

BAYARD, NEB. — The Lord has blessed the labors of Evangelist and Mrs. Albert Durham and Evangelist and Mrs. Harold Cooper, who have been laboring for several months, and a work was established here. God has certainly blessed their ministry. They have returned to Missouri by way of Colorado and Oklahoma. Brother George Hindergardt is pastoring the work.

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANS., Fifth Street Mission — Evangelist Jake Regier, Joe Lilly, Albert and Jona Janzen are in a revival meeting at the Fifth Street Church. There is a very good spirit in the meeting and everyone is looking for a great revival. Several have been saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit.

ROCKDALE, TEX.—Evangelist Vera Scott of Magnolia, Arkansas, is now in a revival meeting at the Apostolic Faith Tabernacle in Rockdale, Texas. God is blessing in the meeting and everyone is looking for great things in the Lord. Brother and Sister Roy Wooster are pastoring in the work of the Lord there. God is blessing their ministry.

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NEW WAVERLY, TEX.—Evangelist and Mrs. E. W. Dickson are now in a revival meeting here. God is blessing in their ministry. Brother and Sister Allen Broyles are assisting in the meeting.

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HARDESTY, OKLA. — Evangelist Gail W. Shultz, assisted by Brother and Sister Floyd LaMunyon and J. W. Depew are now in a wonderful meeting at Hardesty. Brother Schultz plans to hold a meeting at Clear Lake, Oklahoma, after his meeting here.

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SENECA, MO. — Evangelist and Mrs. Tica Tabor are in a meeting at Seneca, Missouri. The Lord is blessing in their meeting and the people of the Tri-State District have cooperated and supported the meeting with their attendance. They expect to pastor the work for awhile. Evangelist and Mrs. Joe Faries, who have been assisting in the meeting, have returned to Moreland, Oklahoma.

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GALENA, KANS. — The revival at the Springs Grove Mission is progressing nicely. Brother and Sister John Modrick are in charge of the revival. Brother Gene Cornell is pastor. Four have been converted, three sanctified, and one received the Holy Spirit. Interest is being manifested in the Children's and Young People's Meetings conducted by Sister Modrick. The meeting will continue indefinitely.

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ENGLEWOOD, KANS. — The mission at Englewood is now one year old. Brother George Vasser is pastoring. Attendance is increasing and much interest is being shown. Brother Vasser plans to conduct a revival in Englewood soon.

BE SURE TO SEND US YOUR NAME FOR THE 1940 MAILING LIST NOW SO THAT YOU WILL NOT MISS THE NEXT ISSUE OF THE PAPER.

ANNOUNCEMENT

A CONVOCATION OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MOVEMENT WILL BE HELD IN THE NEW APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION OF RALLS, TEXAS. SERVICES WILL BEGIN DECEMBER 23, WITH DEDICATION OF THE NEW MISSION DECEMBER 24. SERVICES WILL CONTINUE THROUGH NEW YEAR'S WITH THREE SERVICES DAILY. ALL MINISTERS AND GOSPEL WORKERS ARE INVITED TO COME HELP IN THESE SERVICES. ALFORD WHITELEY WILL BE IN CHARGE. ASSISTED BY PASTOR ELVIS BISHOP.

BIBLE SCHOOL

We wish to acknowledge the many letters from everyone concerning a Bible School this winter. Several missions have also wanted a Bible School in their church. We certainly appreciate the interest that is being manifested in a Bible School, but owing to our health, it will be impossible for us to have a Bible School this year. We feel that in the near future, the ministers of the faith will realize the opportunity and responsibility of a Bible School, and that in due time a permanent Bible School can be worked out for those who are interested.

IN CALIFORNIA

Robert and Pauline Parham, Evangelists, are now in California and plan to have some special meetings after the first of the year and would like to get in touch with all the readers of the paper and see as many as possible while there. You may get in touch with them by writing to 1510 Nevada Street, care of Mr. Reuben Davis, Rosemead, California.

THANKS

I want to thank the dear ones of the faith, both ministers and lay members, who stood by me during my time of sickness. I was in bed five weeks and sick over seven weeks. But I am now up and going and I certainly praise the Lord for it. May God bless you is my prayer.

Your Brother and Co-Laborer,
ROBERT L. PARHAM.

The things we think we know and don't know are just assumption but the things we know and know we know are true knowledge.

TRI-STATE YOUNG PEOPLE'S RALLY

The Young People's Rally of the Tri-State District was held Monday night, November 13, at the Full Gospel Mission, 1314 South Main Street, Joplin, Missouri. A large crowd attended and enjoyed a very spiritual service. Two new churches were represented. The next Rally will be held December 11, at the Spring Grove Mission, Galena, Kansas. Bob Palmer, president.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Miss Eloise Arnce of Webb City, Missouri, and Mr. R. LaVerne Johnson of Nevada, Missouri, were united in marriage, Sunday, October 8. The ceremony was read by Reverend Harold Mills.

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Miss Rosalie Berry of Baxter Springs, Kansas, and Mr. Leroy Stephens of Baxter Springs, Kansas, were united in marriage October 29. The ceremony was read by Reverend Walter Michener.

PRAYER LIST

J. W. Elliott.
Stella Donaldson.
Alice Carter.
Mrs. E. Metcalf.
Mrs. Dyche.
Bob Palmer.
Mrs. Tom Boulware.
Mrs. Albert Durham.
Bro. and Sis. Lloyd Shrimpf's daughter.

NEW HOME DEDICATED

Brother and Sister Ralph Durham, pastors of the Granby Tabernacle, dedicated their home Monday night, November 6. A large crowd attended. Among the ministers present were Homer Coberly, Evangelist Jake Regier and party; Joe Lilly, Albert Janzen, Jong Janzen, and Harve Willard. Brother Ralph Durham is doing a great work for the Lord in Granby, Missouri.

PRAYER MEETING

An Apostolic Faith Prayer Meeting was held at Brother and Sister T. B. Tucker's home, Katy, Texas, Thursday night, November 23. The service was a blessing to all who attended.

The story of the cross is never so well told as when told by one who knows it by experience.

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SEASON'S GREETINGS

Dear Ones of the Faith:

We wish to take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation to you for your cooperation throughout the past year, in editing and publishing the paper. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May God bless you and yours throughout the coming year.

Sincerely in the Faith,
Brother and Sister Robert L. Parham,
Editors of the Apostolic Faith Paper.

We are glad for the scores of letters that are coming, telling of the success in the evangelistic field. It seems as though a real revival is sweeping the country, and the people that know the gospel are praying through to deeper things in God. The time is short, so let each one of us deepen our lives in the Lord.

Obituaries

W. T. HAZEL was born in Rockdale, Texas, November 13, 1862, and departed this life at his home in Houston, Texas, October 8, 1839. He was converted in an Apostolic Faith Revival in Killeen, Texas, conducted by S. W. Ditto in 1915. He pressed his way on to sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost and has been a strong believer in the gospel, and a true Christian since his conversion. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mollie Hazel; two sons, three daughters, eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at 909 Knox Street, October 11, 1939, by S. W. Ditto. Brother Fred Campbell and wife had charge of the song service. Another service was held at Rockdale, Texas, October 12, with Brother Ditto, Brother Eiland and Brother Jackson in charge. Interment was in the Hickory Grove cemetery near Rockdale.

B. D. COBERLY (known to many as Dad Coberly) was born in 1863, in West Virginia, and passed away at his home in Cave Springs, Arkansas, Sunday, October 22, 1939, at the age of 76. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Mary Coberly; two sons, Evangelist Homer Coberly, and Fred Coberly; one daughter, Mrs. Delphia Arnett; and a number of grandchildren. He was converted in a revival meeting conducted by Brother S. E. Waterbury and the late John Holt of Cave Springs, Arkansas, and has been a faithful worker ever since. He is well known by the older members of the faith and has been the means of leading and praying scores of souls through to an experimental know-so salvation. At the High Top camp meeting, conducted by the late Chas. F. Parham and Brother Ed Durbin, he led many souls to the Lord and among the number in that meeting was Brother Robert Parham. Pallbearers were Ora Simpson, Roy Wallis, Hobart Crouse, Oscar Smith, Joe Faries and Garland Smith. Music was by Evangelist Jake Regier, Jona Janzen, Albert Janzen and Joe Lilly. Ministers who had charge of the funeral were Tica Tabor, Claude Parham, John Modrick, Gene Cornell and Ed Durbin.

HERBERT BUFFUM, well known song writer, passed away October 9, 1939. Brother Buffum wrote about one thousand songs during his lifetime and at his funeral two of his favorite songs, "I'm Going Higher Some Day" and "I'm Going Through." were sung. He is survived by his wife who is now in Long Beach, California.

FRED KING, of Galveston, Texas, passed away November 15, 1939. He is survived by his wife. Funeral services were held in Galveston, October 17.

MRS. MAGGIE PETTIT was born in 1868, in Calhoun county, Alabama, and died November 2, 1939, at the age of 76, at Heflin, Alabama. Sister Pettit was one of the older ones of the faith and was in the work in the early days. She has been the means of leading scores of persons to the Lord and was known to many of the older ones of the faith as Mother Pettit. She is survived by her sister, Mrs. Estell Vise, with whom she lived, and one daughter, Mrs. William Johnson, of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and one son, George Cunningham, of Wichita, Kansas.

WILLIAM ROBERT JOHNSON, Baxter Springs, Kansas, passed away November 14, at the age of 54 years. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Nannie Johnson; two sons, Robert and William; two daughters, Mrs. Roy Deem and Erma Lue Johnson. Funeral services were held at the Bethel Apostolic church. Music was furnished by the Regier evangelistic party. The Rev. Robert L. Parham was in charge.

Missionary work was begun by Christ and must be perpetuated by the church if the church is to be sustained by divine power and is to have any traces of the miraculous in it.