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O Jesus, thou are standing  
Outside the fast-closed door;  
In lowly patience waiting  
To pass the threshold o'er:  
Shame on us, Christian brethren,  
His name and sign who bear:  
O shame, thrice shame upon us,  
To keep Him standing there!

O Jesus, thou art knocking:  
And lo! that hand is scarred,  
And thorns Thy brow encircle,  
And tears Thy face have marred.  
O love that passeth knowledge,  
So patiently to wait!  
O sin that hath no equal,  
So fast to bar the gate!

O Jesus, thou are pleading  
In accents meek and low,  
"I died for you, my children,  
And will ye treat me so?"  
O Lord, with shame and sorrow  
We open now the door:  
Dear Saviour, enter, enter,  
And leave us nevermore.

—Selected.

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## THE FIRST SHOWER OF THE LATTER RAIN AT TOPEKA, KANSAS

### An Account of the Early Days of Pentecost

First in the College of Bethel, Topeka, Kans. of which Bro. Chas. Parham was the Dean and teacher; then of meetings he held in Lawrence, Kans., Kansas City, Mo., Eldorado, Mo., Galena, Kans., Joplin, Mo., and all South Texas.

Mr. Parham spent five years before any other preacher aided in preaching this wonderful Gospel suffering untold persecutions and almost starvation to maintain these wonderful truths and all the pentecost preachers of the world who today have many fine incomes and easy births owe it to the bravery of this man of God, a radio message is hereby sent out to the pentecost world to pray for this man who so bravely preached and endured so many things for this Gospel that God will fully cleanse and continue to mightily fill and use him for many more years. May the Lord bless all who read these pages.

We are indebted to Stanley H. Frodsham for the accounts herein set forth in his book, "With Signs Following" Published by the Gospel Pub. Co., Springfield, Mo. The book is on sale by them, containing 250 pages—

In the fall of 1900 a Bible school was opened at Topeka, Kansas. A large building was rented and about forty (including children) came with the one purpose of studying the Word of God. No textbooks but the Bible was used in this school. The method of study was to take a subject and look up every reference with a view to seeing exactly what the Scriptures taught on all fundamental doctrines of the faith. One subject they studied was the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The students were given time for an exhaustive searching of the Scriptures and then were asked, "What is the Bible evidence of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost?" They were unanimous in their answer, "Speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance."

One room in this Bible school was dedicated to the Lord as a "Prayer Tower." The students resorted to this room for three hours watches and at times students would ask for the privilege of spending the whole night in the prayer tower, and this was granted to them. Day and

night ceaseless prayers ascended to God. One godly man when praying for the blessing of the Lord upon the institution was given a vision of a vast lake of fresh water about to overflow just above the building, and he stated he saw enough water in this lake "to satisfy every thirsty soul." The ministry of evangelism was not neglected, and meetings were held every night in the city of Topeka. We will let one of the students, Mrs. N. O. La-Berge, formerly Miss Agnes N. Osman, who was the first to receive the Baptism in the Holy Ghost in the school, tell her story:

"I had been a Bible student for some years and had attended T. C. Horton's Bible School at St. Paul, Minn., and A. B. Simpson's Bible School at New York City. For some time I had been doing mission work. In the fall of 1900 I was in Kansas City and heard that a Bible school was to be opened at Topeka, Kans. I had the desire to go to this school, and asked the Lord that if it was His plan for me to go, to provide the fare. A sister gave me more than enough to pay my fare and so I felt assured it was God's will for me to go. I was living by simple faith in the Lord, trusting Him to supply all my needs according to Phil. 4:19.

It was in October 1900, that I went to this school which was known as Bethel College. We studied the Bible every day and did much work down town at night. Much time was spent in prayer every day and all the time. Prayer was offered night and day continually in a special upper room set apart as a prayer tower. I had many blessed hours of prayer in this upper room during the night watches. As we spent much time in the presence of God He caused our hearts to be opened to all that is written.

"I had had some experience with the Lord and had tasted the joy of leading some souls to Christ. I had had some marvelous answers to prayer for guidance and in having my needs supplied. I was blessed with the presence of the Lord, who, in response to my prayer, healed some who were sick. Like some others, I thought that I had received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost at the time of consecration, but when I learned that the Holy Ghost was yet to be poured out in greater fullness, my heart became hungry for the promised Comforter and I began to cry out for an endowment with power from on high. At times I longed more for



the Holy Spirit to come in than for my necessary food. At night I had a greater desire for Him than for sleep.

"We were admonished to honor the blood of Jesus Christ to do its work in our hearts, and this brought great peace and victory. A text very much used was this, 'Now the God of peace has brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, thru the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.' (Hebrews 13:20-21).

"As the end of the year drew near some friends came from Kansas City to spend the holidays with us. On Watch Night we had a blessed service, praying that God's blessing might rest upon us as the new year came in. During the first day of 1901 the presence of the Lord was with us in a marked way, stilling our hearts to wait upon Him for greater things. The spirit of prayer was upon us in the evening. It was nearly seven o'clock on this first of January that it came into my heart to ask that hands might be laid upon me that I might receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. It was as hands were laid upon my head that the Holy Spirit fell upon me and I began to speak in tongues, glorifying God. I talked several languages, and it was clearly manifest when a new dialect was spoken. I had the added joy and glory my heart longed for and a depth of the presence of the Lord within that I never knew before. It was as if rivers of living waters were proceeding from my inmost being.

"The following morning I was accosted with questions about my experience of the night before. As I tried to answer I was so full of glory that I pointed out to them the Bible references, showing that I had received the Baptism according to Acts 2:4 and 19:1-6. I was the first one to speak in tongues in the Bible school and it seemed to me that the rest were wanting to speak in tongues too. But I told them not to seek for tongues, but to seek for the Holy Ghost. I did not know at that time that any one else would speak in tongues. I did not expect the Holy Spirit to manifest Himself to others as He did to me. It was some months later that I was persuaded in my own heart about the evidence of the Baptism, and

I proved to the Lord nine times concerning it. At that time the Holy Ghost was being poured out and God was working in many ways with saints and sinners. I saw a number of hungry hearts who were seeking for the Baptism. I watched nine different ones receive the Holy Spirit, saying to myself and before God, 'I will see if everyone talks in tongues,' and one by one everyone received the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues and as the Spirit gave them utterance. I felt satisfied that God was giving His own evidence to every one of us.

"On January 2, some of us went down to Topoka to a mission. As we worshipped the Lord I offered prayer in English and then prayed in another language in tongues. A Bohemian, who was present said that I spoke in his language and that he understood what I said. Some months later at a school house with others, in a meeting, I spoke in tongues in the power of the spirit and another Bohemian understood me. Since then others have understood other languages I have spoken.

"The hearts of other students were made hungry for the Holy Spirit and they continued to tarry before the Lord, on the 3rd of January some of the students went to the mission and others gathered in prayer at the Bible school praying for the Holy Spirit. God answered their prayers by pouring out His Spirit and one after another began speaking in tongues and some were given interpretation.

We will let Miss Lillian Thistlewaite, who received the Baptism on this occasion, tell the story of this heavenly visitation:

"An upper room had been set aside for tarrying before the Lord, and here we spent every spare moment in audible or silent prayer, in song or in just waiting upon Him. There was no confusion as only one prayed audible at a time and when more than one sang, we sang the same hymn. It was truly a precious waiting, the presence of the Lord was very real and there were definite heart searchings. I was not looking for 'tongues', but for some evidence from God that would convince me that I had received the Baptism. We prayed for ourselves and we prayed for one another. I had never felt so little and so utterly nothing before. A scrap of paper charred by fire is the best description I can give of my feelings. Then thru the Spirit I received this message in my soul,



Praise the Lord for the Baptism, for the Spirit does come in faith thru the laying on of hands.' Then a great joy came thru my soul and I began to say, 'I praise Thee' and my tongue began to get thick and great floods of laughter came into my heart. I could no longer think words of praise for my mind seemed to be sealed, but my mouth was filled with a rush of words that I did not understand.

"I tried to praise Him in English, but could not, so I just let the praise come as it would in this new language that was given. The flood gates of glory were wide open. The Holy Spirit had come to me, even to me, to speak not of Himself but to magnify Christ—and oh, what a wonderful Christ was revealed. It was then that I realized that I was not alone, for all around me I heard great rejoicing while others spoke in tongues and magnified God. One sister had a wonderful language. She spoke in tongues and immediately following came the interpretation, a beautiful poem of Christ, and worship to Christ, proving the words of the Savior, 'When the Comforter is come . . . He shall testify of Me, He shall not speak of Himself; He shall teach you all things and bring to your remembrance what soever I have said unto you.'

"With a simultaneous movement we began to sing together, each one singing in his own new language but all in perfect harmony. As we sang 'All hail the power of Jesus' name' and other familiar tunes, it would be impossible to describe the hallowed glory of His presence in our midst. The cloven tongues of fire had been seen by some when the evidence had been received.

"Never had such a hallowed joy, such refined glory, or such an abundance of peace ever come into my life before. The Comforter had come and the words of our Lord Jesus Christ were brought continually to our remembrance as scripture after scripture was unfolded by day and by night, and I was filled with a settled peace and quietness my soul had never before known. I laved in the Heaven lies.

"As we went into meetings it seemed impossible that anyone could resist the messages given. Some understanding the languages given, were convinced; but with others the prophesy was fulfilled, 'With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak to this people; and

yet for all they will not hear me, saith the Lord' (I Cor. 14:21.)

On one occasion a Hebrew rabbi was present as one of the students read the lesson from the Bible. After the service this rabbi asked for the Bible from which this lesson was read. The Bible was handed him and he said, 'No, not that one, I want to see the Hebrew Bible. That man read in the Hebrew tongue.' On other occasions in the sermon there was a short message in tongues. At the close of the meeting a man arose and said, 'I am healed of my infidelity; I have heard in my own tongue the Psalm I learned at my mother's knee.'

Concerning those first days of the out-pouring at Topeka, it was soon noised abroad that Pentecost was being repeated and shortly afterwards an article appeared in the Topeka paper ridiculing the speaking in tongues. Other newspapers began to hear it and sent reporters, and articles appeared in the Kansas City and St. Louis papers concerning the outpouring. This advertised the work and letters came pouring into the school asking for explanations, and some came to see what the Lord had done. Mrs. LaBerge writes: "After some weeks of blessing in the school our hearts were burdened for other cities, and the Lord made it clear for a company of twenty of us go to Lawrence, Kans. We were glad to proclaim that God had fulfilled His promise to us in giving us the Holy Spirit and we were sure He was now ready to give the same to every believer. An old theatre was rented for the meetings.

We made house to house visitation throughout the day, going two by two praying for the sick in homes wherever we could get admittance. Large numbers came to the meetings and many were saved. The sick were healed and a good number of believers received the Baptism just as we did, speaking in tongues and glorifying God. Francene Dobson of Joplin, was one who received the Baptism in this meeting. A company of us visited Kansas City and a good meeting was held there. Some were saved and healed and a number received the Holy Spirit, and speaking in tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance, and there was great joy. From the beginning we proclaimed the importance of a clean, holy life of victory and power for every believer. We honored the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. We believed and



taught all the words and commands of the Lord Jesus Christ, repenting, the forgiveness of sin, a sanctified life, separation unto the Lord and power over sin thru the in-dwelling Christ.

After awhile the work of the school seemed to have been finished and those connected with it went into Evangelistic and mission work. Some went south giving the light of Pentecost in Missouri, Texas and other fields.

Howard D. Stanley of Topeka, Kans., one of the students that was present when God visited the Bethel Bible school, says he personally saw cloven tongues like as of fire come down in to the corner of the room the third night after Miss Agnes Ozman received the Holy Spirit. Speaking of the early days of this visitation, when the students were preaching the gospel in different parts of the country round about, he says, "many times while the word of God was being preached the Holy Spirit would fall on them that heard the Word and they would begin to speak in tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."

It was in 1903 that a most gracious Pentecostal revival came to the city of Galena, Kans. We will let Mrs. Mary A. Arthur of that city tell the story in her own words.

"In order to tell of the wonderful working of the Holy Spirit in the first mighty outpouring of His power in Galena, Kans., it will be necessary to relate Gods way of bringing it to pass in healing me and baptising me with the Holy Ghost.

"I was afflicted with dyspepsia for fourteen years, also with prolapsis, hemorrhoids and paralysis of the bowels and my greatest distress was in my eyes. The optical nerves were afflicted in a way which might culminate at any time in sudden blindness. My right eye was virtually blind from birth. I could only see bright colors with it for a few months at a time and then all' would turn dark. All my seeing depended on my left eye. I sought help of many prominent oculists and tried allopathy, homopathy, hygienne, osteopathy, and Christian Science. In the summer of 1898 a Kansas City Doctor operated for the second time upon my eyes, after which they grew much worse. To reduce the inflammation and nerve strain, he prescribed the blistering of my temples, back of my ears and back of my neck constantly for six months.

This was done. I spent two summers in a dark room and could neither read nor write for the pain and fear of sudden blindness. Five years passed in which I knew no moment apart from pain, and everything I tried for relief only ended in a new dissapointment.

"The story of blind Bar-timaeus was ever on my heart. I often asked, 'Will not Jesus heal today as when He was here on earth?' The only reply was, 'No, He has given us doctors to do this work now.' I had not heard of anyone being healed by faith and prayer but I kept earnestly seeking God every day until one morning in February 1903 He gave me the promise in James 5:14-15, 'Is there any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the church; let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise them up: if they have committed sins they shall be forgiven him.' I made request to my pastor, asking him to anoint me with oil and pray over me, assuring him that God HAD HEARD BY PRAYER AND WOULD HEAL ME ACCORDING TO HIS WORD. He replied, 'You are on the right track, Mrs. Arthur but I have no time to do it now; I am busy with the church work and have my reports to get ready for the conference in March, but after that is over, I will pray for you.' I was full of hope and expectation. I thought a month of waiting would be easy, but my pastor did not come. In May I appealed to him again. He answered 'I am too busy writing two addresses for the thirtieth of May, but after that I will have time for you. I waited now until July and was quite discouraged. I knew of no one else to call. I asked him for the third time and he said, 'Mrs. Arthur, you will have to pray it out for yourself.' I told him that God said that the elders were to anoint with oil, and I asked him whom I should get to do it. and how could I get the promised blessing without fulfilling my part of God's word. He did not anoint me, and so in despair of help or hope I grew rapily worse.

"My husband urged me to go to Eldorado Springs, Missouri, but I reasoned with him that I had been there for three summers without benefit and that it was no use to go again and that I would rather stay home. The enemy was secretly tempting me with thoughts of suicide if I suddenly went blind. My husband insisted



on my going to Elderado Springs so I went in August. A few days after my arrival I was in the park and heard a small number of people singing. I heard the minister announce, 'If there are any here seeking God for salvation or healing in there bodies, come to my house tomorrow morning at nine o'clock'. The next morning I went to the meeting and Gods gracious word was opened up to me and I saw the truth that Christ Himself took our infirmities and bore sicknesses in His own body on the tree, and that His atonement provided a full and complete redemption for my spirit, soul and body. My heart was glad and my hope once again sprang up as I heard these wonderful words. The minister and helpers then prayed for the sick.

"A day or two later I was again in this cottage meeting and told them how the Lord had led me to believe that He would heal my eyes, and I asked them to pray for me according to James 5:14-15. They did so and I asked them what I should do with my glasses. I was wearing two pairs, one over another. The minister said, 'Sister, if you take the Lord for your Healer you will get on faster without the crutches.' I thanked him and stepped outside the door, wondering how I could get to my room. I folded my handkerchief and held it over my eyes, and took the hand of my four year old daughter. She led me on to the main street where she asked me for tomatos and cookies. She went two blocks to get them, and returned. She let go of my hand to eat the cookies. I spoke to her but got no answer. Then alarmed for her, I lifted the handkerchief off one eye and saw her half block behind me. I could open my eyes in the light and had no pain, and O, it was so wonderful to me.

"I looked on a new white awning, then up at a white cloud, then at the noonday sun, and it was so beautiful. I cried, 'Praise God the work is done.' And He answered me, 'You are every whit whole'. Then His mighty healing power surged thru my body from head to my feet and I was made to feel a new person. It was like being lifted from a dark pit of despair and suffering to the mount of Transfiguration. I gained twenty-nine pounds in a short time and could eat four meals a day. No more starving dyspepsia. The glasses and all remedies were all cast away. I could read day or night and have never

had another burning ulcer since.

"I hastened home to tell my husband. The family and friends joined in our rejoicing. There was someone in the house almost continually to hear that wonderful story. One husband and wife came at eleven oclock to hear my story. Men came to my husband's office to hear it, until the whole town heard of my healing.

I was healed on August 17, 1903, and joy and gladness filled my soul continually.

With this came a deeper thirst for God than I have ever known before. As I sought the Lord He gave many promises concerning the Holy Ghost. I read them over and over again. I felt I must have the Comforter to come in and abide so I waited on God until September. I prayed, 'O, Lord, I know you saved, called sanctified and healed me, but how will I get the Comforter? You went away to send Him and I can not live without Him.' Then the Lord questioned me, 'Would you give up your friends, your mother and sisters?' I said, 'Yes, Lord, You gave up Heaven for me.' 'Would you be willing to be misunderstood by others?' 'Yes, Lord, You were misunderstood, and what am I to with ond nothing? I give all, only let me have the Comforter.'

"His presence was manifest by a white light filling the room that night and a fear came over me. Then I prayed for the perfect love that casts out fear. In the morning while I was dressing the Lord told me that the Comforter would come to me that day. I hastened to be ready as for a guest. It was a busy day in the home and it was not until evening that I got alone to pray. Then I said, 'He will come to me according to His word, and as I praised Him for His faithfulness and asked Him to take the throne of my heart, the blessed Comforter came in and joy overflowed in another language. Then He gave me the words in English and later many languages, often interpreted by friends who spoke the language. He also gave me the most beautiful songs in the Spirit and indescribably glorious and so different from singing. In October 1903, a meeting was started in our town for two days but so many came that we did not have room so about October 20 we opened a large tent meeting adjoining our home. The meeting continued until Thangsgiving and after we secured the Grand Leader



building on Main street. This building was fifty by one hundred and ten feet, but the doors had to stand wide open as the crowds overflowed into the street. Two meetings were held each day until January 15 and ALL THE CITY WAS MOVED. Large numbers from surrounding towns came, for God stretched forth His hand to heal the sick by hundreds, and many signs and wonders were wrought and hundreds were saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.

One night when we were in the tent meeting the Holy Spirit was manifested in Heavenly song and the interpretation came in English. The tent was full of angels and these were seen even by sinners. Those who stood outside saw a white cloud come down and rest on the tent. Two Nuns from St. Louis, who were visiting a friend came to the meeting and heard the anthem that the Spirit gave. They said it was sung in the most perfect Latin and that it was translated into perfect English. They said that their Catholic choir had tried to learn that anthem for a month and finally gave it up as too difficult.

"There was deep conviction, heart-searching, great humiliation, wrongs were righted, as the believers sought the Baptism in the spirit. Sometimes they received the spirit during the preaching of the word, or in their homes at work. No sacrifice was counted too great by hungry hearts. One night as a little company tarried in prayer with the pastor from the Bever's Avenue Methodist Church in Joplin, Mo., and with his wife, at about two o'clock in the morning the Spirit came again in song, and five who knew little of music sang together, each a different part, in perfect tune and harmony, an anthem none of them had ever heard before.

A little three year old child fell from a second story window of a large store building on Main street. She fell about eighteen feet to the sidewalk. Three doctors were called and they said, 'Nothing can be done for the child, she will die from internal bleeding, or if she does become conscious, she will have convulsions until she dies'. They advised the mother to call for prayers, agreeing among themselves it would be a test case, as they knew the child's condition. In response to prayer, God healed the child.

"The revival extended to Baxter Spring, Columbus and Joplin, and after a short while the

company left for Texas to carry the fire there.

We are indebted to Mrs. John C. Calhoun, formerly Etta Gray Fields, for the following account of the early days of the Pentecostal revival in Texas. In the early spring of 1904 a report reached the writer in the city of Houston that the Latter rain had fallen in a prairie village named Orchard, forty miles west. She was greatly interested in this report and searched the Word diligently to see if what was reported was scriptural and decided to visit the scene. Attending the community church one Sunday morning she realized a supernatural power in the songs, prayers and testimonies the like of which she had never seen before, and her heart was strangely warmed within her. A blessed matronly lady, whom she learned afterward to be Mrs. Anna Hall, gave from the pulpit a soul-stirring message. The spirit of the Lord was present in marked power, speaking for Himself from time to time in strange languages thru the lips of His handmaiden. In the evening meeting Mrs. Hall again preached. It was a never to be forgotten occasion. In that hour she heard the call and received the promise of the Father, and today the blessed spirit still abides.

Returning to Houston she testified to the congregation of Pastor W. F. Carothers, who was the leader of the Holiness Church in Brunner, suburb of Houston. The testimony was received kindly and a great searching of the Word began among these noble Bereans, with the result that when about two months later an evangelistic party came from Kansas to hold a campaign in Bryan Hall, this church was ready for the message, and almost immediately God set His seal upon the work by Baptising in the Spirit a sixteen year old girl, member of the congregation. Others were soon filled with the spirit and many healings followed, and this holiness band became the first Pentecostal Church in Houston.

There were many saved in this meeting and there were some noble cases in healings. Mrs. Delaney, a well known woman in this city, was seriously injured in a street car wreck about two years previous to this first meeting. She was paralyzed and had to go about in a wheel chair. One day she was being wheeled down the street and came to the meeting. Previously she had been given a vision of one of the



workers, and the Lord had showed her that he would pray the faith of prayer for her. In this street meeting she saw the man the Lord had shown her in a vision. She stopped in and listened to the preaching and inquired where the meetings were being held. A few days later she was brought to the meeting, and was carried chair and all upstairs. She was prayed for and instantly healed and this caused a great stir among the people.

A special conference was held in Houston in 1905 and at the close several workers went to the near-by towns, and some others went to Alvin, Texas and took the Opera House. God visited this place with a very gracious revival. About two hundred were converted and about one hundred and thirty four received the Baptism. Brother Hugh Cadwalder was one of the fruits of this meeting. The revival soon began to spread throughout the state of Texas and many hundreds were saved and filled with the Holy Spirit. In the fall of 1905 a Bible school was held in Houston, Texas, and about sixty preachers attended. A number of these went out into new fields and were soon having gracious revivals.

A convention was held in Orchard, Texas, from April 13, 14, 15, 1906. At the close of the convention a number were at the depot to take a certain train. The train was late, and they spent the time in singing and testifying and preaching. When the train arrived they were all full of the joy of the Lord and as they boarded the train the Lord began to Baptize first one and then another in the Holy Ghost and in about an hour twelve had received the Spirit, among whom are P. M. Stokely and Joe Rosselli. Both of these are now in the ministry. This was about the time the spirit began to fall in Los Angeles.

In the years that have followed, God has sent very gracious revivals throughout all of Southern Texas, and southern states. There have been many remarkable revivals in Texas. An outpouring of the spirit in Dallas in 1912 in which the Lord's hand was stretched forth in a very special manner to heal the sick brought seekers from every part of the state and also from other countries. Oklahoma had very wonderful visitations, especially at Tulsa, where the work was built up under the ministry of W. T. Gaston. Throughout the state of Ark-

ansas there have been many blessed revivals. The South has been true on the fundamentals of the faith and as a result throughout the South God has given many wonderful outpourings of the Holy Ghost.

### THE SEVENTH AND EIGHTH KINGS

Continued from April

Again let us take up the subject where we left off in April, and consider the possibility of Mussolini being the Seventh Emperor.

In reading Daniel's account of the times of the Gentiles, or the four world powers imbodyed in the image of a man, he says that in the days of the ten kings, or the toes of the image, shall the God of Heaven set up a Kingdom that shall break in pieces and consume all these Kingdoms, and it shall stand forever. Read Dan. 2:40-45; also 7:19-27.

The head of gold was the Babylonian Empire (Dan. 2:37-38.) The breast and arms of silver were the Median and Persian Empires (Dan 2:32-39, Dan. 5:30-31; 7:5; 8:3,4,20; 11:1-2). The belly and thighs of brass was the Grecian Empire (Dan. 2:32-39; 7:6-17; 8:5 6,7,8 21,22; 11:2,3,4). The legs of iron, and feet part iron and part clay, was, and shall be again the Roman Empire (Dan. 2:33, 40-45; 7:19 27; 8:9-12, 23-25; 11:21-45; Luke 1:1-2. Tiberius Caesar was ruler of Roman Empire when John the Baptist came preaching.

God set up His kingdom in the hearts of men by the Gospel of Jesus Christ during the early part of the reign of the fourth Beast Kingdom.

The Roman Empire was planned by God, to exist in two periods of time. The setting up of Christ's earthly material kingdom did not take place during the first period of the Empire. Instead the Empire was overthrown by the barbarians, and what was called the Dark Ages set in.

John the Revelator spoke of the Roman Empire as the Beast that was, and is not, and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition (Rev. 17:7-18). This Beast is connected and joined with the three beasts before it, as a part of the whole image and will be destroyed at the coming of Jesus Christ.

The four parts of the image in Dan. 2, are the same as the four great beasts of the seventh chapter, the lion, Babylon, the bear, Median



Persian Empire, the Leopard Grecian Empire, the fourth beast Roman Empire. John, in joining together the four beasts headed up in the last beast, or Anti-Christ, goes back in the account of Daniel and begins with the leopard then the bear and last the lion, while Daniel begins first with the lion, then the bear, and last the leopard and Anti-Christ Rev. 13:1-2; Dan. 7:1-8). This makes clear that the beast of Revelations is that fourth beast of Dan. 7, which has ten horns and seven heads. These seven heads are seven mountains located at Rome, Italy, the capital of the Roman Empire that is the geographical location and John says there are also seven kings, five had already fallen, and one was, at the time he wrote the Book of Revelation, he spoke of the one who was ruining the Roman Empire then, and the other seven kings had not yet come. Also the eighth king is the beast or Anti-Christ (Rev. 17:7-17).

The ten horns are ten kings, but they had received no kingdom yet up to that time, but would in the closing days of Gentile time arise and as one man give all their power to the beast or Anti-Christ, they are to fight against Jesus when He comes to reign.

What I desire to make clear about this is, that there must be the resurrection of the Roman Empire in order that the seventh and eighth kings might rule as the six before them have done. And this ruling must be done on the seven mountains of Rome, Italy. For the seven heads are seven mountains. Another great power that will arise during the last period of the Roman Empire will be Babylon, the great mother of harlots and abominations of the earth. This is Papal Rome, the Catholic Church, which sits on Vatican Hill, one of the seven hills of Rome, Italy.

This woman is Rome as a city and the Catholic Church as a religion; both are to be revived in these last days the same as the civil government of the Roman Empire. Papal Rome will sit upon the back of civil Rome and ride into power upon the scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy having seven heads and ten horns (Rev. 17:3). The government of Italy is the only present world power that could do the Pope and exalt the Vatican because it is the power that segregated the Pope and put down the rule of the Church in civil affairs.

Therefore, there must be a coming alive of three separate powers. First the Roman Empire, second the Roman Catholic Papal power, last the beast or Anti-Christ power, and all three arise in Rome the city of seven hills which will rule and reign over the kings of the earth (Rev. 17:18). This city will be the seat of the Anti-Christ until the close of or nearly so, of his reign, then in order to repulse the coming of the king of the north he will enter into Palestine and build or plant his headquarters in Jerusalem where he comes to an end, none helping him in an escape, for all gathered around him are helpless at the coming of Jesus who takes over the kingdom and destroys the armies.

While the Anti-Christ reigns at Rome he practices land grabbing, he takes control of the glorious land, Palestine, also other countries. Egypt is spoken of as one and he will control their gold and silver. The Ethiopians of north Africa will then be at his steps; England will send her ships against him and that will cause him to take out his spite on the daily sacrifice and cause it to cease in the Jews' temple. He will gather all Jews that forsake the Holy Covenant into arms to stand on his part. For a while he prospers until tidings out of the East (China) and out of the North (Russia and Turkey) trouble him. Then comes the Great Armageddon Battle as all nations gather to fight Jerusalem. Read carefully Dan. 11:21-45.

I do not say that Mussolini is the seventh king. But he rules in the Empire that the six before him ruled, also he has freed the Pope and entered into secret treaties with the Pope. He is exalting the Woman Papal Rome, also the city of Rome. Papal Rome has risen to great power on the back of civil Rome and is joined together with Civil Rome today, awaiting the Anti-Christ's arrival to complete the marriage for Papal Rome is the bride of the Anti-Christ, but will finally be destroyed by the ten kings turning against her. For proof that Papal Rome and Civil Rome are joined together here is some striking news taken from The Fellowship Forum of Washington, D. C., June 19, 1926. "Mussolini Boasts of His Power in U. S. Politics; Forms League With Papists

Alliance of Aggression Made Between 750,000 Knights of Columbus and 100,000 Fascists in America; Joined by Common Bonds of Ro-



manism: United Political Action First Objective Mussolini's Black-Shirts to Act as Military Arm of Roman Church." What does all this mean?

Simply this: Mussolini and his Fascists have spread their tentacles all over the world. His cry is: "Me and the Pope."

We can see the woman mounting the civil power brought about by Mussolini.

Plans are already under way for the beautifying of Rome, which is to be the capitol city of the revived Empire. "Within five years," said Mussolini, "Rome must become the most wonderful city in the world in the eyes of all the people of the globe. My ideas are clear, my words are precise and I am sure they will soon be translated into concrete facts.

Vast, well-ordered, powerful as in the days of the first empire of Augustus. Rome must again become the wonder of the whole world.

The theatre of Marcellus, the capital and the Partheon will soon have large squares around them. A wide street will be built between the Piazza Colonna in the heart of the city and the Pantheon. The century-old monuments of our history must rear their imposing immensity in the necessary solitude. New houses, schools, public baths, gardens, and playing grounds will soon be given to Rome's Fascist population.

Such is the amazing plan that has already been put into operation, and within five years, we are told, all this is to be accomplished. Well-known architects are already at work seeking to surpass Michael Angelo. The rules given to the different architects state that "the designs must be in architectural style never before used." A modern bath like the ancient Roman one is to have warm and cold swimming pools, library, saloons, reading rooms, rest rooms, playing rooms and an auditorium seating five thousand persons, besides other novel features.

The Facisti papers tell of a plan to have Mussolini head a new force in world politics. "The Associated Dictators of Europe," which in plain words would be the ten kings or horns of Daniel with the Roman Emperor as head.

In order to achieve such greatness Mussolini must work hand in hand with the Vatican, for the Pope and his helpers are familiar with the political affairs of every country and nation in the world. For fifteen centuries the Roman Catholic church has played a dominating part

in Europe. She has made and deposed kings and queens; caused wars; created and destroyed national boundries; interfered politically, economically and socially with nations and individuals, always with one object in view—the strengthening of her position. Where Romanism cannot rule she is meek and mild. Where she holds sway she is a fiend incarnate.

Her spies are in every camp of every political party, of every government, of every secret organization in the universe. She knows in advance with which side to cast her lot. She caters to kings until their thrones begin to totter and when the rumble of revolution breaks out, in the front ranks of the advancing hordes are to be found her ministers and leaders, demanding a republican form of government. There is not a string on the harp of life that she does not touch. She is today more active in Europe and in the United States than ever before in her career. The Eucharistic Congress that was held in Chicago last year was but a feeler of her power in this country.

Mussolini ordered the crucifix re-installed in schools, government buildings, military barracks and elsewhere, this is indicative of his general leaning toward the Catholic Church. But in addition he has done much more than this and openly announced that he favored the domination of the church not only for Italy but the rest of the world as well.

Mussolini, in the last three years has become the tool of the Roman hierarchy in Italy. In three years time he has almost wholly destroyed what it took liberty-loving men centuries to accomplish, one of his orders were: "All social work done by Protestant church in Italy must be stopped immediately. The Protestant churches must close all their evening schools." For the order reads, "The matter of teaching both spiritual and physical, is a delicate one and should be entrusted to the state and its Church (Roman Catholic)". Mussolini has destroyed the free press in Italy; has carried on relentless war on Masonry; destroyed their lodges, burned their records, killed and imprisoned them by hundreds, and has now turned his guns against all Protestantism. A Protestant church near Naples was burned to the ground and the congregation beaten and clubbed.

I have a friend who is a missionary in Belgian Congo Africa. He writes me that their great-



est trouble is with the Catholics. They are in control with the civil government, as soon as he has any men converts they rush them off to the mines to work so they won't get any more teaching. They are trying to win the natives of his territory by offering them yards of cloth and pants to wear.

Also in China, we read that the Catholics had a footing there for more than three centuries. At the end of 1923 the Catholic Church numbered fifty seven bishops, 1,481 European priests, 1,071 Chinese priests and 2,208,800 native Christians.

Protestant missions date from 1807. In 1920 they were served by officials numbering 6,636 including 464 missionaries and 462 Chinese physicians, 1,270 ordained ministers and 206 foreign nurses. Native Christians numbered 618,601. This was given by the Literary Digest, March 12, 1927, page 48.

This shows what a hold Babylon the great has on the nations and kings of the earth. John said, "I saw a woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus" (Rev. 17:6). No wonder the word says, "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues" (Rev: 18:4-5). Many real Christians will have to flee Italy and other Catholic countries. Palestine is a place of refuge for Christians for a while, because their government is like ours in that respect, "worship God according to the dictates of your heart." Many Christians will be gathered in Palestine but they will also have to flee when the Roman government takes control and the Anti-Christ persecutes them. They will flee into three countries, Edom, Moab, Ammon, for God will protect the children of God who make up the pure women in Rev. 12th chapter, during the reign of the Anti-Christ, 42 months.

(To be Continued)

W. Bacon.

## THE MISTAKES OF EVOLUTION

Evolutionists tell us of a time in past ages called the Neolithic period, which some declare dates back to 30,000 years ago. During this early age, evolutionists say mankind in its barbarism did not know anything about writing. But recently there was discovered in France among a mass of remains of this so-called Neolithic age, some ancient tablets, with writing on them which resembles to some extent our common English alphabet. The letter T. W. L. X. and H. can plainly be made out on one of the tables. It is said intense interest has been aroused by this discovery. And indeed there should be. For this goes to prove that an age which evolutionists say existed on earth 30,000 years ago, in fact has existed only a few thousand years, since our common English or Latin alphabet had its origin. Give God time and he will surely live up to His promise of making foolish the wisdom of this world.—Watch and Pray.

Floyd M. Durham announces a Revival Campaign to be held at Christopher, Mo., from June 18 to July 10.

Christopher, Mo., is 8 miles southeast of Neosho, on the Stella-Neosho, Highway.

Cave Springs, Arkans.  
May 19, 1927.

Dear one in Christ. Praise the Lord.

We are still on the firing line and God is on the throne and answers prayer. Just closed a four weeks meeting, 26 saved, 7 sanctified and two remarkable healings. One man was sent home from the hospital. We prayed and God answered according to James 5:14-15. Then Roy was very sick. I don't know what it was but God raised him up in answer to prayer after the breath had left his body.

How we love and praise Him, and He supplies our every need according to His promises in Philipians 4:19.

Yours in the Kings Services.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Jenks



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## EDITORIAL

This paper is mailed to all free, especially the poor. All those who can give are expected at once and from time to time to give all they can to keep it going, spreading the original truths of the Pentecostal Apostolic Movements or latter rain work to all the world. This will mean that some will have to give into the hundreds to do this.

This paper is the official organ of 100,000 Apostolic Faith believers who are firmly established in the following truths: Conviction for sins, followed by repentance to God and man; this results in a real conversion—thus conceived of God and made alive. To remain justified we seek, through entire consecration, sanctifying grace and thus enter a life of true holiness. In this grace of sanctification we teach deliverance from all disease, inbred and acquired, as well as the law of sin in our members, which enable us to live above disease as well as sin.

## RELIGION GONE WRONG

C. C. Cook

A dreadful curse has fallen on the Church of Christ: its name is Modernism! At home and abroad—even in heathen lands where its representatives and writings go—it is blighting the souls of men.

Here are two counts in the indictment against it:

**I.—It Holds and Propagates Apostate Doctrines**

In so doing it condemns beliefs which for centuries have been recognized as the basis of Christian faith. Beliefs for the maintenance of which myriads of martyrs have freely laid down their lives, so essential did they esteem them.

No foundation doctrine has been allowed to escape the attack. One has only to name any doctrine that has stood for sound faith and been universally accepted during the ages to find arrayed against it these hostile powers bent on its nullification.

The inspiration of the Bible: its authority and nerrancy; the Diety of Christ involving His pre-existence, His virgin birth and the Trinity; the reality of miracles; the merit of the atoning blood of Christ in saving sinners: the bodily resurrection of our Lord and of believers; His coming again or personal presence—these and their logical resultants are all subject to the onslaught of gifted men, who are shrewd enough to clothe their attacks in pleasing and often pious language abounding in scriptural terms, to the deceiving and confusing of average well-meaning, but not well-instructed Christians, who thus are often led to believe that these enemies of the truth are really its defenders.

Now and then the thinness of their disguise is seen—the rents in their pretentious garments. They are not constructionists and so have nothing to give in exchange for that of which they would rob their unsuspecting dupes. Under this demand is therefore to be seen their spiritual poverty and spiritual bankruptcy. These reckless men endeavor to shatter, in a moment, beliefs that represented the consensus of the ages.

Their plea is that of advanced scholarship and progress of modern thought, as though man's inventions and discoveries in the material realm give any reason for experimenting with



and overthrowing the tested value of the eternal verities.

And yet these men—whose demand is equivalent to asking humanity to embrace a shadow, to pursue a mirage, to step into quicksand, are impatiently and arrogantly charging those who adhere to the old truths with stubbornness, stupidity and intolerance; because forsooth, they will not agree that the Bible is filled with mistakes and falsehoods; that miracles are a deception; that Mary was an impure woman; that Jesus was a bastard; that salvation by faith in Christ's atoning sacrifice is a myth; and above all, that they—the scholarly modernists—do not know more than Christ and the apostles!

What arrant, colossal impudence! They are actually affiliated with all the infidels, atheists and agnostics of the past they are thus keeping step with Hume, Voltaire, Paine and Ingersoll.

What has Modernism to say about "the precious blood of Christ;" the Holy Spirit as an indwelling presence; the transfiguration of character that comes by believing; the reality and particulars of a future life? As to these subject it is dumb or derogatory. The joy of a knowledge of sins forgiven; the inspiration from the sacred hymns of the church; the sure and glorious hope of an eternity with the Redeemer—these are all surrendered when one becomes a modernist for the empty opinions of foolish men, that vanish in thin air.

#### II.—It is Controlled by a Worldly Spirit

Here the bars are entirely down. There is compromise and conformity all along the line. No worldly social practices are condemned; no test of separation from the world made as to church-membership. All applicants are taken in, yes, even coaxed to enter, with no conditions entailed either as to doctrinal belief, or abstinence from the common, questionable practices of the world; the dance, the card table, the theatre, impure literature, immodesty in dress, the engeral license among the young are all condoned, and some of them even used as auxiliaries to the church's success. The highest credential to church-membership seems to be "a mild desire to be good."

External things are much in evidence: vast edifices involving great expenditure, with all that accompanies the fostering of pride, the ministering to aesthetic taste—these become

the occasion for enthusiasm.

But what else can be expected? If human reason is the final court of appeal who is to prescribe bounds to conduct and proclaim interdicts to looseness? There is no voice of authority—no criterion as the Laodicean Church careens in a tempestuous sea without captain, pilot, compass, chart, ballast, anchor or rudder.

Christ as the Bible presents Him is the only Light of the world:

The Bible with its own claims to authority, IS the only Guide:

The Church, redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, is the only true fellowship.

If men cover the light: reject the Guide and disdain the fellowship—then all is lost and for them, their dupes, there is no hopes for all eternity!

"Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this world? Hath not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?"

But God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God has chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

That no flesh should glory in His presence."

#### A BURNING MESSAGE, STARTLING FACTS AND QUESTIONS

The board of bishops of one of our largest orthodox denominations, on lamenting their spiritual dearth have lately confessed to their 5 000 000 members that the 5 'P's', property, pleasure, position, man power and pride, had supplanted the consciousness of sin and efficacy of intercessory prayer; That Christ was too often ignored as a divine Saviour from sin by individuals and social groups, though followed as an alluding ideal and admired as a profound teacher; That sin had been largely banished from their words, because it had been exiled from **their experiences**, and we are endeavoring to usher in the reign of God through a prayerless church; That prayer has disappeared from an overwhelming majority of their homes." Such is enough to cause not only that church of 5 million to go in sack cloth and ashes but the whole of Christendom and our nation. But who is wise enough and big enough and pressed enough to lead back to Gods alter? When President Harding crossed his crime-



stricken country and died, he was pressed in his spirit and cried at every city after commenting on education, science and material greatness, he said, "Nothing but a revival of spiritual Christianity will check or save the crime situation." No church took it to heart, no such revival has come. The crime waves have increased. Membership drives, formal personal evangelism has gone on, thousands join, yet no such REVIVAL comes.

A nice pleasing fellowship exists among churches but no spiritual sin convincing soul saving emphasis or unity. God's heart is big. He would "that all come to repentance." God would that such Holy Spirit emphasis, Holy Spirit convicting, and melting unity might so press us that all churches, big and little, might so see their littleness, vanity, bigness, selfishness, deadness as to go into the dust of humility and trust and let the almighty Powers sweep in on the whole from one end of our country to the other. According to Revelations, the Christ who knows, chastised the whole mess of churches in Asia and demanded repentance. They were "luke warm, dead, fallen, naked, passionless and worldly." "Repent and do thy first works over," was His cry. The creed pulls, hobby pulls, membership drives and pulls, and big campaigns, and personal formal evangelism has with the big science and starry lectures all had their day, and three-fourths of the race are only guessing whether we are going up or down. In this 'Christian nation' there are over 40,000,000 of adults who do not pray or go to church and God means nothing to them.' And a big majority of church members care little and have no time for prayer meetings and family altars. If our wealth, science and material things can so greatly increase and reach to such perfection in half a century, why in 200 years with such Bible, spiritual and Godly inheritance from our fathers, has not our moral atmosphere been long cleared and righteousness covering our land instead of increased crimes?

Brethren, Ministry and churches, we could be commended for many things, but honestly, looking the whole past and present square in the face, is there any word, scripture, command, or need or chastisement that is more to the point any needs emphasis more than the 4th and 5th verses of Rev. 2nd chapter?

The burning question, is, who or what truth,

or calamity will it take to get leaders and all to see, the Holy fire and burning passion of those "first works" and get us where those mighty sweeping Holy Ghost revivals have full swing? Let all churches and leaders cease number greed and have no joinings under 6 months of "fruit meets for repentance." Pray for a mighty contrite, confessing, Holy LOVE REVIVAL in your own soul. Amen.

May Gods mercy stir all. Think; Our now President Coolidge said to this same board of bishops: "We must maintain the ETERNAL VERITIES of the Christian religion or perish." Dare any soul reread, face the facts, search out the eternal verities and go on at ease in Zion. Pray.

L. D. THORNBURGH, Pastor.

Glendale, Calif.

### HOW PRAYER "WORKS" IN CONGO

By J. Hershey Longenecker

The simple faith of Congo Christians stimulates the faith of their missionary friends. Certainly my own faith has often been encouraged, or my lack of faith rebuked, by the child-like trust of my dark-skinned friends, as I have labored on the Congo Mission.

It would encourage the faith of any believer to be present in meetings of evangelists and hear them tell of answers to prayer for bodily healing, for deliverance from trouble, for conversion of friends, or for help in any kind of need.

I shall try to give here a few incidents that have come under my personal observation and which are cherished in my own memory.

#### The Pastor Kasukasha and the Soldier Boys

The Baluba are a peaceable people compared to other tribes, and do not like to be called to be soldiers. But when called they must go.

The old pastor Kasukasha has sent many young men from his village school to study to become evangelists. He was doing a fine work in the village of Lulenga.

The other men of our station were away somewhere. A messenger brought a note from Kasukasha asking that we write to the State officer asking release of two of his pupils who had been designated by the chief to be soldiers, and who were taken away for training by that officer. As they were not yet in our evangelistic school I felt that I could not properly ask



their release, lest the officer presume that if all become Christians it would be impossible to get men for government service. So I sent word to Kasukasha that I could not interfere, that God would release these men if He could, otherwise they seemed called to be evangelists to the other soldiers with whom they would be placed.

The situation in that distant village became serious. The unconverted friends of the recruits became indignant because the missionaries would not intercede for their friends. They turned away from Kasukasha and the Gospel. They did all they could to bring him into disrepute and to destroy his work. Their efforts succeeded to such extent that the crowd attending church faded away, and Kasukasha found himself in a very discontented village. But Kasukasha would not be discouraged. He insisted that God would still release those boys, and that after all their dependence should be upon God rather than on the white men. So the Christians set to praying for those boys. And soon, to the surprise of the mocking unbelievers, the first boy was released by the officer. But the other boy was taken off with other recruits on a long journey to the State Post. But the Christians kept on praying. And a few days later the second boy turned up at the Mission station at Bibanga. He said that when called before the military officer he told him that he wished to fight in a higher warfare; that he wished to be an evangelist, and that the officer told him that was a greater work, and he might go.

When this news reached Lulenga it turned the village upside down, or rather right side up. For the mouths of the scoffers were stopped, and the crowd now laughed at the scoffers, and the crowds once more hung upon the ministry of old Kasukasha, the servant of the God Who Answers Prayer.

#### Prayer for Rain

While the South Caroline House was under construction we had extremely dry weather in the midst of the rainy season. A famine threatened, if rain did not come. My wife suggested that we have prayer for rain at Sunday School. I forgot about it at the Sunday School service. The drought continued another week, and the situation was extremely serious. Imagine then my perplexity when I was told after

church Sunday morning that it was commonly reported in the heathen village that I was the one holding up the rain because it would interfere with my building work.

What could I do? If I should publicly pray for rain, and God should send it, it might confirm the heathen in their mistaken notions. But if I should pray and God should not send rain, would it not weaken the faith of the Christians? So it seemed clear that others had better do the praying. At Sunday School I made a few remarks showing that the power to send rain or withhold it was only in the hands of God, but that He could send rain in answer to the prayers of His people. So I called on three officers of the church to pray for rain. And within 24 hours we had an abundant rain. And lest peradventure some should think lightly of it, rain was again withheld until special prayer was made the following Sunday, and again it rained within 24 hours.

#### Prayer and the Big Trees

Some of you have heard elsewhere about two big trees cut down for erecting the hospital and other buildings at Bibanga Station. It was thought that these trees were full of "bakishi" (ancestral spirits), and "mihongo" (other evil spirits whose origin is not so clear). The heathen woodcutters were afraid to cut down the first tree until a missionary and an officer of the native Church went to pray under the tree for divine protection for the workers. After the first tree had been cut into lumber without accident I supposed that they would no longer fear the second. When I sent them to cut it down I gathered them in a circle and prayed for them, in my yard. But they returned, and asked me to go with them and pray right at the tree. The trees were of tremendous size, and cutting the two of them into lumber required nearly a year. But in spite of the fact that there were dozens of ways in which accidents might have happened, both trees were cut into lumber without any accident to the men. To me this was a remarkable answer to prayer, for any accident in this case, however caused, would have been attributed by the heathen to the power of the evil spirits supposed to reside in the trees.

#### The Native Church Prays for a Sick Baby

There was a time when our family alone occupied Lusambo Station without doctor or



nurse. Our baby girl became very ill one night and we were very much concerned about her. In the morning when I left for the early prayer meeting she had a high fever. Without saying anything to my wife about it I went to the pastor who had charge of the service that morning and told him of the baby's illness and asked that public prayer be made for her. At the close of the service I returned to the house and found my wife marvelling over the sudden change for the better which had taken place during my absence. She did not understand it until I told her that the native Church had been praying for the child, and then she knew that God had promptly answered the prayer of our native friends.

#### Prayer for a Missionary

Word came to me at one time of the serious illness of a Miss W., a friend of ours of another society, also known to the Pastor Musonguela. It seemed as if her condition was hopeless. I called upon the native Christians to pray for her. Some weeks later I had a letter telling of great improvement in her condition. I was very happy over the news and hastened to tell the pastor. I was disappointed at how calmly he received the news. He quietly remarked, "Well, we prayed for her." And the more I thought upon the remark the more I realized that his lack of excitement was due to the fact that he had been confident all the time that such news was coming.

I have one fear in telling you these incidents showing how real prayer and its answer in the life of the Congo Mission. These incidents will do harm if you get the impression that the Congo Christians can do all the praying for the Congo Missions. Without the slightest doubt it is the purpose of God to bless your great work in that field according as the Church in America and the Church in Congo pray together for such blessing. In heaven you will see fruit of your gifts for the work in Congo only in proportion as the gifts were backed by earnest prayer. You would not think of throwing your seed into the garden without cultivating it with spade and hoe. You ought not to put your money into the church collection without praying daily for what you wish the Lord to do with it.

I believe that a dollar followed by daily fervent prayer is worth more to the work of God

in Congo than a hundred dollars given without prayer. And so I plead with you to spend time upon your knees following your missionary dollars (and those given for local church expenses as well). In eternity it will make a tremendous difference whether you have spent your time here in bridge parties or in prayer meetings, in picture shows or in the secret place of prayer.

Shawnee, Oklahoma.

May 6, 1927

Bro. Chas. F. Parham

Baxter Springs, Kansas.

Our dear Bro. and helpers in the King's business.

Greetings:

You requested me to give you a detail account of the Muskogee minister meeting held one month ago, but on account of the weather condition causing bad roads only a few were present, yet we had a very profitable time in the Lord and the Spirit of unity so much needed among the brethern and all real children of God was wonderfully in evidence.

I thank you for the roll of papers sent me and am sure they did good and know your circulation will be made larger. When you get back to their part again I want to make arrangement to meet with you for a while. I feel that as our Lord has been taking people from all of the various movements in times gone by, advancing them in to better privileges, sifting out the chaff, that he is now once more doing the same using the best in their latter day movement, with so many names, to bring forward a mighty people for himself, and to their great end, a people who really have a spirit of unity rather than a theory only. I am sending you a list of names to whom you will please send the paper and especially the April number, if you will I am sure there are all hungry for your good helps in the old Apostolic way and teachings.

I am sending you an offering now and will send some more very presently. Pray for us because I feel that our labors are identical in their lines.

Your Bro. in Christ Jesus, Gods Son.

J. J. Enos, 1217 E. Main St.



## LEAVES BY THE WAYSIDE

On arriving in Calif. I found meetings already at Corona where the Lord greatly blest us in giving out the word, many old timers were refreshed and new ones added to the faith. Bishop Allen was with us for the week-end and gave much fine and valuable help.

One night a young man from a town many miles away came to ask that we pray for his father, who was dying, we immediately did so, he was healed and his son reclaimed. A man came all braced up with pillows from Glendale, Calif., (70 miles) sick a long time, no solid foods for two weeks, was healed and is doing fine to-prayer room, nursery, gentlemen's cloak room, day. Then we went to Burbank where they are dedicating a fine New Church, it contains a fine two dressing rooms near the Baptistry with Sunday school rooms besides the fine auditorium. It's a free Church for full Gospel work. We are dedicating five such buildings in the country this month. One in Hempstead, Texas, a large Tabernacle in Buffalo, Okla., another in Saginaw, Mich., and one in Baxter Springs, Kansas where the Music House gave a fine Piano for the New Mission.

Well the work is going forward all over in a mighty way and God is uniting in free Missions not only many new people but thousands of fundamentalists of the old line Churches. After the meetings in Burbank, Calif. I visited several places as calls came begging for one or two nights in many places in southern Calif., and with what time we had, many fine singers came to help. The Melba quartettes the Floating Brick a man marvelously saved from the depths, the Rex Qualls Family of singers, with many others. My what blessings fell on many hearts as we went from Mission to Mission. so many were healed for as they heard of the mighty Miracle of deliverance wrought in Bro. Davis of Long Beach Calif., (who was delivered from the incurable ward of the Sanitarium) they had faith given them for healing too. I came to California especially to pray for my old time friends who used to live in Verona, Mo. when I heard of his helpless plight and confinement. In three days he was delivered next day went home for dinner, the fourth day came to all day meeting and on the fifth day they released him from the asylum. He is fully de-

livered, no trace of any disorder at all. He will be with us to preach at the National Camp Meeting. Well, may God bless in a mighty way those who are standing for the FAITH in Calif.

I am closing my Campaign here preparatory to going to Polar Texas. 24 miles north of Snyder, Texas for a big Brush Arbor meeting. Pray for us there. Then I will go to Buffalo, Okla., to dedicate a new Tabernacle and then right on to Baxter Springs, Kansas for the big National Camp Meeting, July 16 to August 16th. Be sure to arrange to come.

Mr. Davis and family are accompanying me east to be in the meeting. He is the man who was so wonderfully delivered from the asylum when I came out here. After doctors said he never would be any better God did the work. He was raving at the time, but last night he made a ten minute talk, one of the finest I ever heard, and the audience was astonished at it all, a mighty miracle of God. I have many calls, one from Ore where they have a Tabernacle, fine wooden structure seating 8,500 people. I may go there in September.

Last night we had a great meeting in Fullerton in a big tent. The Christian Missionary Alliance came over in a body from their meeting house and we cheered them as they came in.

My birthday was Saturday, June 4th. They planned a shower on me of postal cards, letters, telegrams, and presents. All sent to Baxter Springs, Kansas. We will tell in July Paper of the shower.

Then there is talk among some of my friends of making up my expenses to go for a trip to Palestine. Wouldn't that be fine. Wife wants to go along. Every one pray for me that I may be my best for God.

Many fine meetings are going on all over the country. Brother Ditto, Bacon, Sebers, Swanson and many others are doing fine work in Southern Texas. Dr. John G. Lake is planning an all Summer Camp Meeting for Houston, Texas.

Sister Daley is having great success in San Saba, Texas. Bro. Horace Winkins and others are having splendid meetings about Lovington, N. M. Homer Coberley is working out from Roswell, N. M. with many others. Benj. Baker, Jack Barker, Chester Jackson are at Buffalo, Okla. in fine meetings. Sister Dilworth is having fine meetings in Enid, Okla.. Bert Lowe is on the west slope of the Rocky Mountains in



Colorado with mighty blessings. Eldon Bollinger and wife with Sister Joe Tompson are working out from Booker, Texas. Sister Ostrainer is having great success in Denver especially in healing. Sister May Hickley has been having great success in Idaho and Montana in Revivals. Wilfred and Alice Parham are closing the greatest Revival ever held in Springfield, Oregon. Bro. Louis Hunter is in charge of the meetings in Corona, Calif. and will soon pitch his tent in Redlands for a Revival. Bro. Mack Wyatt assisted by Ora Simmon and her party have a great meeting in Fullerton. Bro. W. J. Adler and a fine Crop of workers are in charge of the work in Burbank, Calif. Bro. Wm. McCorkle and workers are having great success in about Nelson, Mo. ect. ect. It would take most of this paper to note the wonderful success God is giving our workers in this and other fields, of the world. We are especially inviting you to assist the work in foreign fields, by mailing your missionary offering to the following places and mentioning our paper in so doing. For Japan, Mail to Postor L. W. Coote, P. O. Box 22, Semba P. O. , Osaka, Japan. and request him to mail you his paper. Japan and Pentecost. Then we have adopted as our own, the Heart of India Missionary Society of which Bishop J. H. Allen is the president. You can make offerings care of Bishop J. H. Allen, 695 Atchinson Street, Pasadena, Calif., and ask him for whatever information he can give you about the wonderful work being done in India, of which I will give one instance.

Sister Eaton and others in India came in possession of a fine grove and they at once said this shall be our Orphanage grounds and as they needed a well began to pray that the money would come in for the boring of the same well. They got down 90 feet, struck impossible rock and no means to go further, so after much prayer, Sister Eaton was led to ask the Governor to finish the well. Well of course he said, "if you call your orphanage the 'Children's Paradise' you will have to have water so promised to send the government well driller. Over he went, on down, but finally lost his tools, stuck them in the bottom, and after much vain effort was unable to release them, then told the sister that he would make one more effort next day and if he could not dislodge them he would

have to give it up. All night long they prayed and in the morning the driller made a last effort and suddenly they came loose and as he drew them out with the tools came a volume of water—a real gusher and it flows today; plenty of water. God again, as in Moses time, smote the rock and gave water. We will announce from time to time where to send offerings to other fields.

While we were in Oregon two years ago, they send word that a man was dying to pray. We sent out workers and prayed at the appointed time, but when they got there he had been dead for some time. Nothing daunted they prayed and that man is alive today and working in meetings. We will have a testimony soon from others who have been really dead and raised in these days.

Beasley, Texas

Dear Bro. Parham:

Don't know exactly where you are, but I do know that you are somewhere working in the Master's vineyard, with a zeal, courage and determination, that can scarcely be found in a man's breast. And with that Great and Mighty one's approval upon your life and work, and a host of people with great respect and burning love towards you backing you up with fervent prayers. to the great Lord our God and Redeemer. Before whom I gladly bow in this very hour for sending out His minister, mighty in the Scriptures and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire and has not allowed one single lazy hair to grow on his head.

The Lord has blessed us according to His riches in glory many times.

The meetings are still going on nicely in this part of the country. Expecting great victory ahead.

Am praying mightly for God to guide you in his way even if it is to our part of the country.

Enclosed please find check for the paper, or any other use, as you see best.

Closing with wish and prayer that not one single stronghold of the enemy may be able to stand before you.

Lee S. Drachenberg.



## JESUS IS COMING

Soon our Savior is coming,  
To take His Bride away;  
To reign with Him forever  
In a bright and endless day

Yea by faith I see them coming,  
That blessed blood-washed throng;  
My soul is thrilled with rapture  
My heart is filled with song.

Every sorrow will be banished,  
Every tear stain wiped away;  
We'll reign with Him forever,  
In a bright and endless day

Beside the crystal river,  
Upon that peaceful shore,  
We'll see our dear Redeemer,  
And praise Him evermore.  
One of His  
N. B. D.

## ARE YOU ONE OF THESE?

By John Fletcher

The praying hypocrite.—The praying hypocrite prays with his tongue, but not with his heart. The heart of the Christian goes first in prayer.

The hypocrite asks according to his wishes, looking no further, like Israel for quails. Balaam for leave to curse God's people, Rachel for children. But the Christian, like Hannah, who prayed hard and submitted all to God.

He is wavering and double-minded. "Can God furnish a table in the wilderness? Will He hear and answer?" The Christian asketh in faith, nothing wavering, as Moses at the Red Sea, while Israel cried and expected death.

The hypocrite is sometimes presumptuous also: "Wherefore have I fasted, and thou seest not?" The Christian always comes as a poor beggar, crying with the centurion, "I am not worthy." He quarreleth with God, if not answered: "This evil is of the Lord." But the in his heart; Christian confesses and forsakes his sin.

The hypocrite prays without faith, without expecting an answer; therefore he often cuts

short his prayer, especially in secret. The Christian pours out his soul in prayer, gives good measure, pressed down, running over, being assured that word standeth fast. "If ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall my heavenly Father give His Spirit to them that ask it?"

## LAST WORD

"If a brother be overtaken in a fault ye that are SPIRITUAL restore such a one in the Spirit of meekness" is good message to many of the Brethern today lets all pray one for another that each may be all God would have us to be and if there is a God in Heaven He truly can deliver from ALL EVIL in each one of us, and we all have glaring FAULTS in ourselves that are as great in sight of God as thise we see in others we so freely criticise and scandalize.

Many reports of meeting came in to lat for this paper, the work is going with leaps and bounds especially among workers and places where they are not organized then there is no new church to join and we only bring a message, many new fields are being opened up for the truth.

Bro. Parham has been the recipient of a flood of letters, wires and birthday cards, with many presents with a bountiful offering of prayer for future success and blessing him for the truth he has brought and expressing the gratitude of a multitude of people who have been brought to God for both salvation and healing through his ministry.

The mails are filled with request for prayer for healing and as we bless Kerchiefs and mail them out wonderful reports are coming in continually of marvelous healings of all manner of diseases.

The dedication of the Buffalo, Okla., Tabernacle will take place with a two days rally, July 3rd and 4th, all day meetings, the dedication of the Baxter Springs Community Chapel, a beautiful new Mission building, will take place Sunday, July 10th all day meeting with basket dinner, all invited to these services. Chas. F. Parham will be in charge of meetings.



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