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My Mother

I keep a priceless painting in the
temple of my heart,
A gift to me from Heaven, in
the Master's perfect art—
A little home-like picture of a
mother; oh, so dear,
Whose prayers I fondly cherish,
and whose lessons I revere.

No vision, so poetic, can the
brush of man portray.
The earth must have its angels,
and there's one abides with
me;
Her hair is winter whitened, and
her eyes are summer blue.
Like clouds of snowy softness
when the sunbeams trickle
through.

And though her hand clasp
sometimes trembles, and a
halting step occurs,
But, oh, the tender sweetness
of that tender soul of her's.
And if the sun and stars may
perish, and the world would
fall apart,
Still my mother lives for ever, in
the temple of my heart.

—Pvt. Fred Gribben.



We, as a Movement of people have reached a crisis. We must make an all-out effort for God in evangelism, church building, Missionary work, Home missionary work, publications and every phase of God's work or be lost in obscurity. It is not our desire to be lost in the glories of the past but forge ahead to our place in God's divine plan.

The Paper, also, has reached a crisis. To continue and expand the ministry of the printed word in these great days through the pages of our publication, The Apostolic Faith, a greater and more definite evidence must be manifested by the ministry, laity and the churches.

The paper reached its peak several years ago and for the past few years it has been at a complete standstill.

The circumstances under which the editors have labored to give you the best publication possible under unfavorable conditions, have been everything but encouraging. It seems a hopeless situation. It is impossible to work and plan and hope for a more worthwhile publication.

A small minority of the ministry has cooperated, boosted and used the pages of the paper for their announcements, revivals and sermons. With definite lack

of interest in this part of God's work the difficulties have been almost unsurmountable.

Expansion and enlargement of the paper with the ultimate goal of building a large circulation with enough funds to produce a first class publication seems an impossibility. This has been our vision and hope but it has been thwarted long ago.

There is no objective in drifting with no ultimate plan or goal in view. And, we are drifting — aimlessly — not knowing one week nor one month ahead whether a paper can be published or not. No material — no sermons — no announcements — no news — no money.

It has been suggested to us many times that we put the paper on a subscription basis. That would be well and good if every evangelist and pastor would boost subscriptions and make it a point to see that every member of each congregation subscribed. But, this cooperation isn't given now with free subscription. I wonder if it would be under paid subscription?

When a publication is put on a subscription basis, technicalities are involved. It has to be handled with accuracy and promptness, mailed on an exact date every month, etc.

If the ministry and laity of the Movement believe a change in editorship will bring better cooperation and interest and cause the people to get behind this work, we are ready to step aside and give this place to someone whom the ministers would elect.

A deepened spiritual hunger is being expressed by large numbers of our people who are desiring to see the entire Apostolic Faith Movement forge forward in every department. Issues of momentous importance are before us.

In harmony with all concerned the only answer to the problems confronting us is to call a special meeting of the ministry for perhaps two days, and openly and prayerfully discuss these matters of significance, the future and continuance of the Paper as well as other matters.

If you consider this publication and the progress of the Movement in general of profound importance, whether you agree or disagree with my conviction, will you please make this a matter of definite, earnest prayer and write us expressing your conviction concerning our paper.

Faith makes a man a Christian. His life proves he is a Christian. Trial confirms him as a Christian. Death crowns him as a Christian.

Consider the turtle. He makes progress only when his neck is out.

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In Non-Essentials, Liberty;

In All Things, Charity.

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Today's Book of Martyrs

Russell T. Hitt

More Christians have been tortured and slain in the last twelve months than all who died under the iron boot of Rome during the days of the early church.

While accurate figures are not available, there is much to confirm that the persecution of the saints in 1950 and 1951 transcends anything the world has ever known.

Unlike the slaughter of earlier history, the present wave of persecution is not confined to the boundaries of a single empire or continent. Today's martyrs are falling in nearly every part of the globe.

Well-documented news reports coming from various parts of the world, trace a clearly-defined pattern of contemporary persecution. While it is true that there are sporadic accounts of violence against believers in Moslem or pagan lands, most of the atrocities occur in lands where fanatical Roman Catholics predominate or in countries which have been taken over by Communists.

Whether from behind the Iron Curtain, with atrocities reported from Esthonia, Latvia, Lithuania and other European countries, or from Italy, Spain, Mexico, and South America, behind the "Purple Curtain," the tales of cruelty bear a strange resemblance.

The mask of the Red "liberators" of Korea has been torn off to prove that Communism above all flaunts the blood-stained banner of Anti-Christ. It is also true that, in the very name of Christ, other believers have been slaughtered in Columbia and in at least another half dozen countries of South America.

Even though the Communists and extreme Romanists have

waged a battle against each other for control of many lands, both of these totalitarian powers have found time to liquidate Protestants, the record clearly shows.

To the casual observer, the situation in Columbia has been a political struggle between the anti-clerical Liberals and the Church-supported Conservatives. But reports appearing in the New York Times and Time magazine show that evangelical Christians have died at the hand of the rioting Conservatives. The Washington office of the National Association of Evangelicals has published a carefully documented list of the bloody incidents in Columbia which are traced directly to the hands of the Roman Church. A protest to the State Department against the atrocities of Columbia has been made both by NAE and the foreign missions department of the Presbyterian Church, U. S. A.

Early estimates of the number of those slain in Columbia was set at 25,000. While a large share of the fatalities were inflicted upon political opponents, missionary leaders have estimated that several thousand native Christians have perished as martyrs.

Religious News Service quotes the Christian Times of Pusan, Korea, as stating that 20,000 Christians have been slain by North Korean Communists since June.

Edwin L. Kilbourne of the Oriental Missionary Society tells the shocking story of "Black Sunday" in Seoul, when 10,000 Christians were slaughtered in one day by the Reds.

Sources in Hungary insist that evangelicals there have much greater freedom in their worship and witness since the

"People's Government" took over than when the Roman Catholic Church dominated the land.

Yet this contrasts sharply with reports from other Iron Curtain lands such as Latvia. Refugees from the area tell of indescribable horrors inflicted upon believers.

"Christ has died — long live Judas Iscariot," is reported by Latvian Vards. Latvian newspaper printed in Sweden, as one of the rallying cries of the Bolsheviks in terrorized Latvia.

"Communist cells are obligatory for all government offices and schools," the report says. "Recently the Latvian government printing office issued an order to gather and burn 18,000 Lutheran hymnals. Teaching religion in schools brings severe penalties under the penal code."

Karl Leyasmeyer, Latvian refugee now touring the United States for Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship, tells of his experiences.

"I was arrested and sentenced to die. Standing before the Communist firing squad, I suddenly experienced Christ's presence in such glorious reality that I lost all fear. Full peace came to my heart. Christ clearly instructed me what to say and enabled me to look into the eyes of satanized men and say: 'I am innocent and you must not shoot.' I went on talking. They waited. After a few minutes they decided to torture me until I pleaded guilty. Christ's divine presence was real in this, too. They brought me to the secret police prison for further examination. During that one night more than 200 men were killed. In the last minute, in an amazing combination of circumstances, one of the guards let me out."

Similar stories, too numerous to recount, have been reported from Esthonia, Lithuania, Poland and Russia itself, where conservative estimates indicate there are upwards of five million evangelical believers.

It is virtually impossible to

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Tributes to Mother

Many of the world's greatest men and women have paid tribute to their Mothers.

Said Washington Irving, the Essayist:

"A Mother is the truest friend we have, when trials, heavy and sudden fall upon us; when adversity takes the place of prosperity; when friends who rejoice with us in our sunshine, desert us when troubles thicken around us, still will she cling to us, and endeavor by her kind precepts and counsels to dissipate the clouds of darkness, and cause peace to return to our hearts. A father may turn his back on his child, brothers and sisters become inveterate enemies, husbands may desert their wives, wives their husbands; but a Mother's love endures through all; in good repute; in bad repute, in the face of the world's condemnation, a Mother still lives on and still hopes that her child may turn from his evil ways and repent; still she remembers the infant smiles that once filled her with rapture, his merry laugh, the joyful shout of his childhood, the opening promise of the youth; and she can never be brought to think of him all unworthy."

John Wanamaker, Christian Philanthropist and Merchant:

"It is a good thing for a boy to be proud of his Mother; to feel complacent when he introduces her to his comrades, knowing they cannot help seeing what a pretty woman she is, so graceful, winsome, and attractive! There is always hope for a boy when he admires his Mother, and Mothers should care to be admirable in the eyes of their sons."

Theodore L. Cuyler, Minister of the Gospel:

"I cannot name any time, day or place when I was converted.

It was my Mother's steady influence that led me gradually along, and I grew into a religious life under her potent training, and by the power of the Holy Spirit working through her agency. I feel now that the happy fifty-six years that I have spent in the glorious ministry of the Gospel of redemption is the direct outcome of that beloved Mother's prayers, teaching, example and holy influence."

J. S. C. Abbott, Historian:

"In a college where one hundred and twenty young men were preparing for the ministry, it was found that more than one hundred had been led to Christ by their Mothers."

Dwight L. Moody, Evangelist:

"My Mother? It was she who put her arms around us when Father died. It was she who made it possible for us to have even the small comforts of life, and when we were so poor that we scarcely had food to eat or fire to warm us, it was she who protected us. All that is good in my life, I think, has come from her; and I have never come near Northfield that I have not found myself walking nervously up and down the aisle of the car, anxious to reach home, that I might see my Mother."

Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States:

"I remember my Mother's prayers — and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life. All that I am, or expect to be, I owe to my angel Mother."

Wendel Phillips, Orator and Reformer:

"Whatever I have done in my life has simply been due to the fact that when I was a child, my Mother daily read with me

a part of the Bible, and made me learn a part of it by heart."

James Whitcomb Riley, Poet:

Mother, O Mother! the years
are so lonely,

Filled with but weariness,
doubt and regret!

Can't you come back to me,
for tonight only,

Mother, my Mother
And sing, "Little brother

Sleep, for thy Mother bends
over thee yet!"

A MOTHER'S CREED

I believe in God and in Jesus Christ.

I believe the Word of God as given in the Old and New Testaments.

I believe in family prayer.

I believe in the sanctity and responsibility of motherhood.

I believe in having a deep concern for the spiritual welfare of my children.

I believe in making the home attractive, so that my children will not seek enjoyment elsewhere.

I believe in an intimate companionship between myself and my children.

I believe in pointing out the moral dangers to which my children are exposed.

I believe it is my privilege and duty to know the companions of my children, and to be familiar with their forms of amusement.

I believe in teaching my children, by precept and example, to know and follow Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

—Adapted from the Christian Evangelist (The Pentecostal Evangel).

Circumstances Cannot Break God's Promises

Alexander H. Kerr was converted under the ministry of Dwight L. Moody at the age of fourteen, and joined the Presbyterian Church at Philadelphia. In 1902 Mr. Kerr read a book entitled "Judah's Sceptre and Joseph's Birthright," by Bishop Allen. In his book, Bishop Allen referred to the vow Jacob made in Genesis xxviii., where we find the following words, "Of all that Thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee." Twenty years later this same Jacob returned to his home with servants and cattle in great abundance; he thus became one of the rich men of the East as a result of keeping his covenant of tithing with the Lord God.

With some doubts, but with a sincere desire to test if the Bible is true, to prove without a shadow of doubt that there is a personal God and that His promises are from everlasting to everlasting, and that they are intended for the people of this day, Mr. Kerr, on June 1st, 1902, made a special covenant to set aside a certain percentage of his income for the work of the Lord. At that time he had a mortgage on his little home, owed many obligations, and was burdened with cares and worries especially of a financial nature. However, he determined to prove God as did Jacob (Proverbs III. 9,10; Leviticus xxvii. 30-32; Genesis xiv. 20 and xiii. 2; especially Malachi iii. 7-18).

Mr. Kerr often remarked that if modern-day sceptics wanted proof that there is a God, and that the Bible is His Holy Word and all its promises are true, all that is necessary is to tithe for one year, and God will prove to them without doubt that He is "the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Within three months after Mr. Kerr began to tithe, unexpected and unfore-

seen blessings came to him — so much as that it seemed to him that God had thus opened his eyes to behold His love and His faithfulness to His promises, especially made in regard to tithing or giving one-tenth.

That same year Mr. Kerr, with a very small capital, but with strong faith in God's titling promises contained in Malachi iii. 10-12, organized the firm known as the Kerr Glass Manufacturing Company which became one of the largest firms selling fruit jars in the United States. The jars were manufactured for him in San Francisco. At the time of the San Francisco earthquake this firm was manufacturing his fruit jars. Mr. Kerr had put practically every cent he had in the world into his fruit jar enterprise, and then came the earthquake! His friends came to him and said: "Kerr, you are a ruined man." He replied, "I don't believe it; or if I am, then the Bible is not true; I know God will not go back on His promises." He wired to San Francisco, and received the following reply:

"Your factory is in the heart of the fire, and undoubtedly is destroyed. The heat is so intense we will be unable to find out anything for several days."

What a time of testing this was! But his faith in the Lord never wavered. He believed Malachi iii. 11, and stood on this promise, unmoved. About a week after the earthquake and fire, a second telegram arrived saying:

"Everything for a mile and a half on all sides of the factory burned; but your factory miraculously saved."

Mr. Kerr immediately boarded a train for San Francisco. This factory was a two-story wooden building containing the huge tanks where the glass was melted, which tanks were kept

at 2,500 degrees; oil was used for fuel, and therefore this building was the most inflammable in San Francisco. The fire had raged on all sides of this glass factory, creeping up to the wooden fence surrounding the building and even scorching it; then the flames and fire leaped around and over and beyond the building, burning everything in its path. However, not a single glass jar was cracked by earthquake or fire! This was nothing short of a miracle of God's divine power in protecting this man who held his faith that God's promises made to those who tithe would never be broken by any circumstances!

In 1912, Mr. Kerr wrote his first leaflet on the subject of Tithing, entitled, "God's Cure for Poverty." This was followed by another tract entitled, "God's Loving Money Rule for Your Financial Prosperity." Every case of fruit jars that left that factory contained one of these leaflets. He advertised to give them away to people who would judiciously scatter them — bearing the entire cost himself. From 1912 to the time of his death, February 9, 1924, he had freely distributed more than five million of these leaflets!

Three weeks before his death he addressed the members of the First Baptist Church of Riverside, California, on the blessings and riches of tithing possessions, income and increase. Every business in which he was interested tithed. His returns were so great he created a Tithing Fund and had it incorporated. His tithing gifts went around the world, for he was deeply interested in missions at home and abroad. He gave liberally.

He was greatly interested in the distribution of Testaments, Gospels and religious literature. He rose from poverty to millions because he BELIEVED that God would honour His promise to pour out His blessings



ITEMS OF INTEREST



DAGEN

Pentecostal Newspaper

The Fifth Anniversary of the first publication of Dagen (Day) the Swedish Pentecostal Newspaper was recently held in Stockholm, Sweden. A great crowd filled the famous Filadelfia Church until many had to stand, and the street outside was thronged with multitudes at the close of the special meeting.

The meeting was sustained on a high note of thanks to God for His help in the great undertaking. A full choir and orchestra led the praise, and a new feature was the brass band of the young men. It was a thrilling occasion when the huge congregation sang, with full orchestra accompaniment and organ, the majestic new national song composed by Lewi Pethrus when on holiday in Lapland — "Svenska Folk, du Borde Tacka." A cantata specially composed for the occasion was rendered by the united choirs, commencing with the great song, "Hallelujah for the Cross" and finishing with "When the Pearly Gates Unfold." There were short messages from various workers particularly connected with the paper, of which Lewi Pethrus is Editor-in-Chief.

The importance of possessing a national Pentecostal organ for news and views was stressed, especially owing to the prejudiced attacks of other sections of the Press upon the Pentecostal Movement earlier in the year. There could be no doubt of the enthusiasm of the Pentecostal people in Sweden for their own newspaper.

—Pentecost.

ACTUAL STATISTICS FROM UNITED STATES

Our readers will wish to have the official and conservative statistics of the membership of the various main Pentecostal bodies of North America. They are given as follows: Church of God in Christ (a Negro organization, and 23rd in the list of the largest Protestant Churches in America), 340,530. Assemblies of God, 275,000. Church of God (Cleveland, Tenn.), 106,490. Church of God (Anderson), 105,022. International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, 66,000. Pentecostal Holiness Church 34,000. The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada record a membership of 35,500.

We believe that some of these Groups have officially registered considerable increases in membership since the above figures were compiled.

THANKS TO CHURCHES

ARNETT, OKLAHOMA
WICHITA, KANSAS

New York Tabernacle
FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.
STOCKTON, CAL.

GRANBY, MISSOURI
WEBB CITY, MISSOURI
GUYMON, OKLAHOMA
BALKO, OKLAHOMA
BIG SPRING, TEXAS
KATY, TEXAS

RALLS, TEXAS
PERRYTON, TEXAS
WALLER, TEXAS
LOGAN, OKLAHOMA
JOPLIN, MISSOURI
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Bible Class
BAXTER SPRINGS, KAN.
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Bible Class
GALENA, KANSAS
FT. SUMNER, N. M.

Obituaries

Gary Lynn Patterson, son of Rev. and Mrs. Bill Patterson of Granby, Missouri was born April 1, 1949 and departed this life February 26, 1951 at the home in Granby at the age of 1 year and 10 months and 25 days. His death followed an illness of several weeks.

Surviving besides the parents are: one sister, Delpha Lee, and two brothers, Gaylon Coye and Billy Marlon, all of the home. Also, the maternal grandmother, Mrs. Eda Farley of Granby and the paternal grandmother, Mrs. Ella Petterson of Aroma, Missouri. A host of other relatives and friends will greatly miss him.

Funeral services were held at the Tabernacle in Granby with Rev. Gail Schultz in charge, assisted by Rev. Jim Royce.

Alvin A. Fowler was born in Dunlap, Iowa, March 15, 1875. He suffered a cerebral hemorrhage on March 1 and passed way on March 12, 1951 at Picher, Oklahoma.

He is survived by his wife, Ella. one son, John Fowler of Crestline, Kansas; one daughter, Mrs. Pauline Parham of Baxter Springs, Kansas; three grandchildren, Roberta and Charles Parham and Janet Fowler; also, two nephews and one niece in Iowa survive.

He was a kind and loving husband and father and will be greatly missed by his family as well as his many friends.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Gail Schultz. Burial was in the Carterville, Cemetery, Carterville, Mo.

My Personal Testimony

Evangelist Beulah Clay

I was born in Smithfield, Missouri in 1903, the third child of a family of nine. My father was a miner and a very wicked man, but worked hard to support his family.

I remember my grandmother giving thanks at the table when just a child, such a warm feeling came into my heart as she prayed. How I admired her!

One day a group of ladies came to our home and held a prayer meeting. We children stood around in awe, as they sang, "Where The Healing Waters Flow.", and "When the Roll is Called up Yonder." My mother knelt by the bedside while they prayed. She seemed so happy as they left. Parents, the example you set, the little children see and hear are the things that stay with them through the years. The poet well said,
"I took a piece of living clay
And gently formed it day by day,

And molded it with power and art—

A young child's soft and yielding heart.

I came again when years were gone,

He was a man I look upon—
The early imprint still he bore,
But I could change him then no more."

Times were very hard and work became scarce in the mining field where my father worked. Then World War I was declared and distress was upon the land. Father left the family and went elsewhere to find work. Finding employment in another mining town the family soon joined him. Surrounded by the wickedness and sin of a booming mining town, without spiritual training, except the moral and honest teaching a busy mother could give, I grew to womanhood.

When I was sixteen I married a boy who worked in the mining field. We had many friends

but none of them were christians.

In July of that year, I had my first attack with my appendix. The Doctor came and said if I wasn't better soon, I would have to have an operation. I soon recovered from this but had chronic appendicitis, goiter and a serious nervous condition. Often spending weeks in bed and suffering many things at the hand of the Physicians.

Our first son George was born in 1926. When he was nine months old I attended a Holiness Camp Meeting and was converted. God definitely dealt with my husband then but he would not yield to the Lord. Soon after my conversion we sold our home and moved to a farm in Missouri. I would study and pray consistently and the spirit of God spoke to my heart to preach the Gospel then. I would write down scriptures, thoughts, inspirations, and alone with my baby I would preach to multitudes. God blessed, but not knowing how to yield to the spirit I became discouraged.

The first two years we were on the farm the river washed our crops away, the next year a drought came and we lost everything we had. Our daughter Betty was born in 1929 and my health began to fail and I continued to get worse as we left the farm and went back to the mines.

I soon neglected to pray and go to church so backslid and went deep in sin. My husband taught me to dance and took me to dances and parties. Frequently while planning a good time I would take suddenly ill and be in bed for days.

One day our son became seriously ill. Nothing we did seemed to help him. He lay lifeless, with his eyes glassy and set in his head. All night as I watched over him I realized our need of God. As morning dawned I

knew he was slipping away from us, and as I became broken I promised God if He would spare my baby I would serve Him. I meant it with all my heart but the flesh is weak. My husband left for work that morning expecting to be called home any time. God works in mysterious ways His wonders to perform. As I sat praying a man of God passed by our door. We called to him and he came in, laying his hand upon the fever ridden head of the baby he prayed. Immediately the fever left and he was healed by the power of God. He was sitting in the floor playing when husband came from work that evening.

Before the week ended we were invited to a dance. Forgetting our vows and promises to God we went. While we were dancing a telephone call came. Husband's brother was dying with a ruptured appendix. We rushed to the hospital and as I took his hand, he said, "Beulah pray." Oh, the shame and remorse that swept over me. I remembered promises made to God and broken vows. I couldn't pray.

His sister, Ona, a blessed saint of God, who had prayed for us for eight years came to his bedside. She earnestly prayed, finally saying, "Lord, at any cost save my loved ones." Some times the cost is great. Across the hospital bed, she said, "Beulah, pray with me." Only a backslider can know how I felt. At early dawn he passed on. The night before his funeral I was taken violently ill and seemed to be getting worse all the time. Several Doctors were called and I was taken to the hospital. After careful examination the Doctor said only an operation would save, but I was too far gone for that. Finally, I was sent home from the hospital to die. For days I couldn't eat or drink, my throat was paralyzed. They turned me with a sheet I was so weak and ill, weighing only 111 pounds. Real-

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Brief Mention

PERRYTON, TEXAS

Lenard Carlson has resigned as pastor of the church at Perryton. Robert Girouard is serving as pastor until August. Evangelist Marcus Adair began a revival there April 29.

GUYMON, OKLAHOMA

Robert Girouard, pastor of the Perryton, Texas church, recently conducted a series of special Bible lessons at the Evangelistic Chapel in Guymon. God is blessing in all departments of the Guymon church. The Sunday School has reached the 208 mark. Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Rees, Pastors.

ROCKDALE, TEXAS

Evangelists J. M. and Vera Scott recently held a good revival in Rockdale. Services are being held in a tent until the new church is completed. The new church is well under way and they expect to be in it soon. James Ahrens, Pastor.

GALENA, KANSAS

Evangelist Harry Shallenberger recently conducted a good revival at the Empire church in North Galena. The attendance was good with the church filled every night. Six souls were saved and four received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Nine were baptized in water. Tommy Smith, Pastor.

WICHITA, KANSAS

Evangelist Homer Coberly recently held a good revival in the New York Tabernacle in Wichita. Attendance was good, God blessed and a number of souls were saved. Paul Bailey, Pastor.

NEEDHAM, ALABAMA

God is blessing in the work at Needham, the church is progressing nicely. W. I. Nutt, Pastor.

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LOGAN, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist and Mrs. K. Kerr are in charge of all the regular services at the Midway church while the Pastor, Marcus Adair is in a revival at Perryton, Texas.

PALM CITY, CALIFORNIA

God blessed in the recent revival held at the Palm City church by Evangelist George Hintergardt. The Christians especially were greatly helped and four came to the altar for salvation. James Hosler, Pastor.

STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA

The blessing of the Lord continues to rest upon the work at Stockton. The entire church is moving forward. The Sunday School record now stands at 86, it has been climbing steadily for the past few months. Lee Brock, Pastor.

CONROE, TEXAS

Evangelist Jennie Evans held a good revival in the Recreation Hall in Conroe the last of March and first of April, several were saved and sanctified in the meeting.

BIG SPRING, TEXAS

Evangelist Jack Barker and party have closed a good meeting in the church at Big Spring. The church was blessed of God, several were saved and sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit. Several wonderful healings were wrought by the power of God. Interest and attendance were good all through the meeting. Eugene Cornell, Pastor.

BRITTON, OKLAHOMA

The congregation at Britton have now purchased a lot and hope to start building a new church soon, and will appreciate the prayers and help of God's people. God is blessing in all the services and the fine group of believers are looking forward to their new church home. Frank Stimson, Pastor.

MEADE, KANSAS

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Wooster began their pastoral work at the Meade church on April 15. God is blessing their ministry there and they report a fine group of people to work with.

GALENA, KANSAS

The Lord is blessing the services in Galena and souls are being saved along. The church is praying for a revival soon. The pastor, Patrick D. Smith, has resigned, to become effective in August.

HEMPSTEAD, TEXAS

Evangelist and Mrs. George Polvado and Mr. and Mrs. James Dewees have recently held a good revival in the church at Hempstead. Several were saved and reclaimed and four received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Joe B. Dewees, Pastor.

DONIPHAN, MISSOURI

God is blessing a new work in Doniphan under the ministry of Evangelist and Mrs. Virgil Buckner. Work has started on a new church building, everyone is interested and God is blessing.

BYRON, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist and Mrs. Robert Wokaty recently held a good revival in the Willow Glen Church near Byron. The Wokatys are now making their home at Hudson, Kansas. They have been visiting churches and working for the Lord in that area.

OLATHE, COLORADO

Evangelist and Mrs. Charles Mahan and Marcena have been in charge of the regular services at the Olathe church while the pastor, Ralph Durham was in revivals in Missouri.

KINGSMILL, TEXAS

Evangelist and Mrs. Floyd Lamunyon have just concluded a good revival in the Kingsmill Church. Pearl Yeakley, Pastor.

SPEARMAN, TEXAS

Evangelist and Mrs. Glayron Rees and Richard Nealey held a good revival in the church at Spearman. C. R. Dale, Pastor.

SULPHUR, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist and Mrs. Billy Sparks have just closed a good revival in the church at Sulphur. James Cardwell, Pastor.

FAYETTEVILLE, ARK.

Evangelist and Mrs. Millard Brown recently held a revival in the Fayetteville church. Interest was good and God blessed the services. Don Russell, Pastor.

ANDERSON, MISSOURI

Evangelist and Mrs. Ralph Durham held a good revival in the church at Anderson. Jim Royce, Pastor.

WEBB CITY, MISSOURI

Evangelist Tica Tabor, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Baumgartner and Henry Fuller held a good revival in Frisco Mission in the last part of March and first of April. A daily radio program was conducted from a Joplin Studio. Several were saved, sanctified and four received the Holy Spirit. Harold Cooper, Pastor.

HARDESTY, OKLAHOMA

The churches of Hardesty will hold a union Daily Vacation Bible School, June 11 to 22. Services are reported very good and the church is moving along nicely. Donald Dibbens, Pastor.

**WILDWOOD DALE
YOUTH CAMP**

(Bentonville, Ark.)

Ages 10-15 July 8-14
Ages 15-25 July 15-22

For spiritual instruction for the finest fellowship, for a wonderful vacation, come to Bentonville in the heart of the Ozarks play ground to Wildwood Dale Youth Camp.

LEAKEY, TEXAS

Evangelist Bob Russell and party conducted a good revival in Leakey the last of March. God blessed throughout the meeting. Twenty-two were saved and some sanctified. Jake Pletcher, Pastor.

WHEELER, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist Bob Russell held a revival in a community church near Wheeler and is pastoring temporarily at the present. A fine spirit is manifested in all the services and several have been saved in the regular services.

SOMERVILLE, TEXAS

The Lord is blessing in all the services at Somerville. New Fluorescent lights have been installed, and a beautiful cedar pulpit has been given to the church. Alice Williams, Pastor.

ARNETT, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist Tica Tabor, Mr. and Mrs. Baumgartner and Henry Fuller held a very successful revival in the church at Arnett during February. Several were saved in the meeting, three sanctified and three received the Holy Spirit baptism. The church is spiritually on fire and moving on for God.

The pastor, Ted Jackson, has resigned effective June 1st, and the Jacksons expect to make their home in Galena, Kansas and enter evangelistic work.

ALIEF, TEXAS

Bennie Stanberry is pastoring the church at Alief. God is blessing in all the services.

EUREKA SPRINGS, ARK.

The Oak Hill Country Church is blessed with improvements adding to the convenience and beauty of the church. A new floor covering has been laid and venetian blinds added recently. God is blessing in all the services. Beulah Clay, Pastor.

GRAVETTE, ARKANSAS

Evangelist and Mrs. Joe Fairies are conducting services at the Mt. Olive church. New ones are attending and God is blessing.

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

Rev. Wm. Yeakel has resigned as pastor of the church at Roswell and they held their farewell service on April 22. The Yeakels expect to enter evangelistic work.

ALVIN, TEXAS

Evangelist Roy Wooster and party recently held a good revival in Alvin. Evangelist and Mrs. Roy Wooster, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pletcher, James Brooks and Billie Don McIlvain are now in evangelistic work in Mississippi.

The church at Alvin is moving forward, God is blessing the ministry of the pastors, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sherwood.

KATY, TEXAS

Evangelist and Mrs. Gail Schultz are now in a revival in the church at Katy. God is blessing the ministry of His word. Hap Watkins, Pastor.

CHENEY, KANSAS

The work of the Lord is progressing at Cheney. Evangelist Lula Parham recently held special services there. God blessed in all the services. Earl Neilson, Pastor.

KINGMAN, KANSAS

The church at Kingman is growing, also the Sunday School. God is blessing, they are now holding services in the new auditorium. Pearl Menke, Pastor.

MORE BRIEFS

WICHITA, KANSAS

God is blessing in the church at Hoover Orchard, the work is growing. The church is planning on building Sunday School rooms and also a parsonage. Sister Dessa Bollinger is assisting in the work there. Neola Moore, Pastor.

BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS

Evangelist and Mrs. Otto Busch and Jimmie Wallis recently held a good meeting in the Apostolic Church in Baxter. Several in the Tri-State district attended and assisted in the meeting. Doris and Wallace Bingham, Pastors.

BELLVILLE, MISSOURI

A new church has been established and dedicated at Bellville, northwest of Joplin, Mo. Evangelist and Mrs. James Arnce have just held a good revival there, Norma Jean Hervey was pianist for the revival. P. J. Hutchinson, Jr., Pastor.

SULPHUR, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist Billy Sparks and Evangelist and Mrs. Gilbert Dowart have just concluded a good revival near Sulphur. Twelve souls have been saved and many blessed. James Caldwell, Pastor.

SNELL, MISS.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubry Murry are now pastors of the church at Snell. God is blessing their ministry and the work is growing.

SENECA, MISSOURI

Evangelist and Mrs. Billy Sparks have accepted the pastorate of the Seneca church. They will begin their ministry here on Sunday, May 20.

CAMP MEETING

of the Apostolic Faith
LAVERNE, OKLA.
AUGUST — 1951

MADERA, CALIFORNIA

Evangelist Pauline Parham will conduct a revival in the Community Church at the Orphanage in June. At that time the Orphanage repair and remodeling work will be completed and the Institution will be dedicated to the Lord. Mr. and Mrs. J. Reuben Davis, Pastors.

CAMP WOOD, TEXAS

Evangelist George Decker and Calvin Springer are now in a tent revival in Camp Wood. Francis Sutton, Pastor.

ELDERS ORDAINED

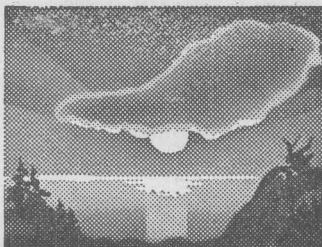
The Katy, Texas Apostolic Church has recently installed three new elders. One to replace Wallace Ditto who recently moved away, and two more were added to give a five man Board of Elders.

The pastor, Rev. Hap Watkins presided, and Rev. Jacob Regier delivered the ordination message on March 4, 1951.

The following elders were ordained to this office by the laying on of the hands of the presbytery:

Melvin Scott, permanent
Raymond Barker, 2 years
Roland Busch, 1 year.

Other members include Clarence B. Peck and Charles H. Stockdick.



RETURNED FROM ISRAEL

Evangelist and Mrs. Ben Barker of Laverne, Oklahoma and the Rev. Marcus Adair of Logan, Oklahoma have returned from a trip to Israel. They touched several countries going and coming by plane. They spent eight days in the Bible Land and have many interesting things to tell as well as many pictures of great interest. These ministers are visiting the churches in special services and showing pictures of Israel as well as of Rome, Athens, Paris and London.

SENECA, MISSOURI

Bill Handley has resigned as pastor of the Seneca church to enter evangelistic work.

WINCHESTER, KENTUCKY

Evangelist and Mrs. Bill Handley and Evangelist and Mrs. Glayron Rees are in Kentucky for evangelistic work and expect to open new fields and establish some churches in that area.

BRANSON, MISSOURI

Evangelists J. M. and Vera Scott are now in a revival in Branson. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Depew are assisting in the meeting. Rev. Grady is pastor of the church.

CRANDALL, MISS.

Evangelist Ben Barker and Evangelist and Mrs. Wilbur Fullbright have just held a good revival in the church near Crandall. Gladys Eaken, Pastor.

STELLA, MISSOURI

Lloyd Schrimpf and family are now pastoring the Union Chapel church. God is blessing their ministry. Recently, Evangelist and Mrs. Wilbur Fullbright and Harrol Waterbury held a Youth revival there.

SOUTH AMERICA

Norman Parish

"Unto you it is given of Christ, not only to believe on Him but also to suffer for His sake" Phil 1:29 — "They that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the Word" Acts. 8:4.

Christian missions ever since Paul's day have been one continuous record of suffering and sacrifice. The ruins of the Old colosseum at Rome still bear witness to the early martyrs who were there flung to the fury of the wild beasts. We read of Judson languishing in a filthy prison in Burma, of Livingston enduring untold hardship in Africa, of Nannington foully murdered in Uganda, of many others including 189 protestant missionaries martyred during the Boxer uprising. They "loved not their life unto the death." There are martyrs today that are unheard of.

Colombia today is a country of martyrs. Within the last month Rev. Oscar Smith, missionary, was taken from his bed in the night and shot to death. The caretaker of the pastor's house outside of our city (Medellen) was taken out, shot and his body thrown in the river. Many have been attacked and because they found a Bible there the believers have been thrown into jail. The pentecostal mission in our city was attacked, windows and doors destroyed and the believers injured. Our new pastor in Medellin, in his last place had his home burnt to the ground as well as ten others. They tried to burn the church but couldn't, so the priest took it and now has a school in it to teach Catholic religion. In our mission home there is a family who had to walk a mile and a half after dark with their six children to hide them in another mountain home so they wouldn't be attacked in the night and had to rise up at 4:00 a. m. and get them back before anyone knew they had been hid during the night. Another family who attend were on the

SPECIAL SERVICES

Rev. Charles H. E. Duncombe of Bolton, Lancashire, England, has been in special services in the Tri-State district. His visit to the churches was through the invitation of Mrs. Pauline Parham, who was a guest speaker in his church in England last summer. He spoke in Galena, Kansas, Webb City, Joplin, Granby, Missouri and Baxter Springs, Kansas. His ministry of the Word enriched and blessed each congregation. His visit to the Apostolic Faith churches terminated with special week-end services, May 4, 5, 6 at the New York Tabernacle in Wichita, Kansas. He is returning to England on May 26.

train. The police opened their suitcase, found a Bible, took it out, hit the woman over the head and destroyed the Bible. They couldn't say anything or they would have been shot. Dozens who attended our services in the mountains or who were our friends were in jail when I left Colombia. Words cannot express the cruelties that have taken place there. "They were stoned, they were sown asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword; they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being afflicted, tormented" HEB 11:37. 'When shall it cease'? We do not know, but while the anti-protestant government is in power it will go on. We read in Acts that Herod, the persecutor of the church was eaten of worms and gave up the Ghost," while "the word of God grew and multiplied." Thousands of believers have been scattered all over Colombia, escaping persecution. God is going to bless their testimony and His judgment awaits the government and the priests who say it's no harm to kill the Liberals and the Protestants.

SERVICE

"Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ."
— Gal. 6:2

'Tis not by strength of armies,
Nor the wisdom of great men,
But by the Holy Spirit—
Drooping souls revive again.

'Tis not great deeds of valor,
'Tis not in speeches long
But the tender touch of service
That makes the faint-heart
strong.

O, thou the matchless Son of
God,
Thru service and the grave
The Father's will thou didst re-
veal,
Thy all Thou freely gave.

We thank the blessed Master,
That our love and service free,
When given to the least of these,
Is received as unto Thee!

Lilian Thistlethwaite.

BALKO, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist Elvis Bishop has just closed a good revival in the church at Balko. John Whipple, Pastor.

LAVERNE, OKLAHOMA

Evangelist Elvis Bishop, assisted by Harrol Waterbury is now in a revival at the church in Laverne. Olen Bachler.

TANEYVILLE, MISSOURI

Evangelist Bob Russell held a successful revival in the church at Taneyville in February. Sixteen were saved and some sanctified. Excellent crowds attended throughout the meeting.

Evangelist and Mrs. Wilbur Fullbright and Harrol Waterbury held a week's Youth Revival in Taneyville in April. These special services were a great blessing. Gail W. Schultz, Pastor.

The Prodigal traveled from "give me" to "make me" before he was richly blest.

TODAY'S MARTYRS

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learn much of the present status of these Christians. But it is known that in earlier years many thousands of them were exiled by the Soviet Courts to Siberian mines and logging camps of Solovki Island in the White Sea. Suffering from frostbite, starvation diet and dysentery, these followers of Christ were beaten with clubs and whips as the thanks for their long days of back-breaking toil.

In his book "Life and Sufferings of Christians in Solovki, Siberia and Russia," Peter Deyneka describes the horrors of Solovki:

"As you come into the Island of Solovki, there hangs a chain made of human fingers and hands. These were taken from the bodies of exiles who refused to work and are hung as a warning to all new exiles.

There are persistent reports which indicate Christianity has gone underground in many Iron Curtain lands. With them comes the heartening news that many are turning to Christ!

In the earlier days of Red occupation of Poland, the Reds gave great freedom to the Protestants. But as time went on, restrictions were leveled against evangelicals, too. While Christian activity is still proceeding, mission leaders report, the days for effective witness to be limited.

Just recently an account published in the Gospel Herald told of the flight of 30,000 Mennonites from their homeland in the Ukraine to Germany. During their trek the Mennonites, mourning the Siberian exile of thousands of their fellow believers, endured unspeakable hardships. Freezing weather, wagons mired down in the mud, frostbite and illness were only a part of their suffering.

In the Far East the Red Monster has displayed his fangs in a manner unmatched elsewhere.

Korea, a land blessed by the benefits of Christianity, saw the Reds begin a systematic annihilation of the leadership, most of them keen Christians.

More than thirty prominent Christian leaders of various Christian denominations and missions were summoned to a meeting on July 23 by the Communist authorities. They have never been heard from since. In another large city twenty-one of the pastors were killed.

Stories of the Christian heroism have come from Korea. Previous issues of "Christian Life" (September, 1950, and February, 1951) presented the account of the martyrdom of godly Pastor Yang Won Son, who adopted the Communist killer of his two sons. It will be recalled that the valiant soldier of the Cross later testified to his North Korean captors until a soldier bashed in his mouth with a rifle butt. After he was beaten, a bayonet was thrust through the brave man's body. Finally, a bullet released him from his agonies.

When the Korean pastor's body was laid out in a coffin, his wife threw her arms about him and cried, "Dear, you did not fail to give your testimony, Glory be to the Lord."

How many of the 600,000 professing believers of Korea now survive is not known. Many thousands of them have endured in the stark misery of a Korean winter behind the lines held by the United Nations troops. Over them has hung the dread possibility of complete extermination should the United Nations defender be withdrawn. Only a miracle from heaven can deliver these hardy believers. Perhaps there is some indication that the Lord already has heard their cry, for it is known that frostbite and typhus have mowed down thousands of the foe.

In China, there are contradictory pictures. Until recently many American visitors to that ancient land declared there was religious liberty under the new regime. But as time has advanced

there is evidence that the Reds in China are no friendlier to Christianity than they are in any other part of the world.

For the most part of the Soviet pressure has been subtle rather than violent, but it has been steady. So persistent has been the pressure that the China Inland Mission along with the other great denominational and interdenominational missionary societies are moving out.

What will happen to the Chinese Christians (at least 1,000,000 Protestants) remains to be seen.

But sometimes there have been brutal incidents in China. One elderly missionary and a Chinese deacon in a village church were summarily executed by the Reds because, their accusers declared, they were extorting money from needy people. The charge was based on the fact that voluntary offerings were taken up in the church.

In many areas the Chinese church already had been forced underground by the relentless tactics of the new overlords. Churches are "borrowed" for government purposes. Meetings are called at the time of church meetings and all are obliged to be present at the political gatherings.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister Jacob A. Malik expressed the official Soviet view when he declared: "We know that missionaries have always been a weapon of aggression and they have served as to promote the conquests of the ruling circles and to enslave peoples who were a source of income."

But through it all God overrules in some wonderful ways.

The wife of a Red Chinese Army officer lay near death in a missionary hospital in Shanghai. When he was faced with the possibility that either his wife or baby would die, he bowed in prayer with a nurse and asked the Lord to save both lives. They lived and the young officer accepted Jesus Christ.

When he began to witness before his men and fellow of-

ficers, he was told to deny his faith. He refused and ultimately was sentenced to death. Blindfolded he was forced to kneel for his execution. The soldier, who was to carry out the death order, pointed his loaded pistol at the condemned man's head. Then he pulled the trigger. The gun backfired and killed the executioner. No one else attempted to carry out the execution order, so the Christian officer went free.

Throughout the Far East as the Red Tide threatens to engulf each country in its path, Christians are dying for the faith. The Korean, Christian tribesmen who have fought valiantly for freedom in Burma, have been mowed down in many bloody incidents, often Communist-inspired.

In terror-stricken, turbulent Indo-China the Red guerrillas often choose innocent Christians as their victims.

One young man was skinned alive by a red mob as his mother looked on.

An elderly woman of seventy was shot at the door of her house, then her son and his family were brutally beaten and arrested and their house was set on fire.

At Ma-lam a number of Christians were shot and their church building destroyed by fire.

While the Reds have carried on their program of horror the persecution in South America, especially in Columbia seems even worse.

Baron Fray Von Blomberg, just returned, tells about the unspeakable death of the Colombian pastor, an elderly man who poured out his heart to the visitor. Returning to his village, a party made up of renegade police and bandits, waylaid the old man and killed him. Then they hacked his body to pieces and sent a portion of the corpse to each member of his flock saying,

"Here is a piece of the pastor who loved you so well."

But God has his eye on Colombia. When the missionaries were

driven out of two cities, they fled on foot with all their possessions. Two weeks later a great earthquake destroyed the two towns according to von Blomberg.

It is almost unbelievable that the outrages committed in Colombia could be perpetrated in this modern world if one did not know Rome's powerful control over communications, press and governments.

Early estimates of the number of those slain in alleged political ferment in Colombia was set at 25,000. Undoubtedly up-to-date figures would push this total much higher. Of course, not all of these were evangelical Christians. Many were political Liberals who opposed rule by the clerically-inspired Conservatives.

Yet the stories of Protestant persecution are as terrifying and they are numerous.

Three armed men came to the home of a missionary family of four at Manizales, saying: "We have come to search your house."

The trio found Bibles, New Testaments, hymn books and tracts; then asked the missionary, "Are these yours?"

"Yes," the missionary replied.

"Do you believe them?"

"Yes, we certainly do."

The intruders then murdered the father in cold blood with a pistol bullet. The mother and children burst into tears only to be told:

"Stop crying — get over there and bury this man. If he is not buried by noon, we'll be back and you'll join him."

In Valle, a simple Christian worked his little coffee patch during the week, preached the Gospel on Sundays as he had opportunity. One day a group of twenty men took him to the local cemetery. They stood him up in an open grave and filled in the dirt until only his head appeared above the ground.

"All right," the mob told him. "You are going to give up your Liberal belief and renounce Protestantism."

"I don't object to turning Conservative," the faithful witness declared. "Politics is a minor matter, but I will never give up Jesus Christ."

"You'd better start praying because you're going to die," the crowd told him.

This was his simple prayer: "Lord, if you can win more souls by my dying than by my living, I'm ready to die."

One of the tormentors became so angry that he shot the Christian through the head, killing him instantly.

But God heard the martyr's dying prayer. Within three weeks fifteen of those men had hunted out the local Christian congregation and confessed their faith in Christ.

A Christian evangelist, living in the town of Pasto, was confronted by two men who said they wanted him to tell some of their friends about the Gospel. At a lonely place on the road, they bound the evangelist's hands and feet and emasculated him.

Scores of churches have been bombed and burned. Congregations have been dispersed and many missionaries have been barred from carrying on their work. Literally thousands of simple believers have felt the sting of persecution and death in Colombia for no greater crime than seeking to walk in the steps of their Saviour.

This word has come recently from the missionaries stationed at Cascaj in Peru: A mob of men, primed with alcohol, set off on a "heretic hunt" after being told by their bishop and priest that protestants are in error and should be treated accordingly. Doors were beaten down, believers were beaten and dragged into the streets and their possessions were turned over to looters.

The official police report in the town of Cascaj lays the blame for the rioting on the parish priest, Dr. Victoriano Huayton Ortega, ignoring his proper



MISSIONARY PAGE



Alaska

ABOUT SPENARD CHAPEL

By Robert G. Palmer

Many questions concerning the progress of the church building have been written the past months. Because of the interest of many of the Lord's people we thought a few comments about the building and work in general would be appreciated.

Work on the chapel, 32 x 50 feet in size, began by digging a basement in the fall of 1948. The basement walls were built of pumice blocks and with the coming of winter no more was done until the spring of 1949. Having put windows in, a roof on and a concrete floor, the services of Spenard Chapel were moved from the home of Rev. and Mrs. Glayron Rees to the new building. Being able to work only as the Lord sent in funds for material the work on the superstructure didn't begin until the spring of 1950. Feeling the need for experienced help, prayer was made and as an answer to prayer there were two men, Rev. Albert Durham and son, Bob Durham, who drove from Spearman, Texas, to give about five or six weeks work on the building. Ivan Perkins, who was living here also gave of his time toward the building. Others volunteered at various times and the work progressed into October at which time Rev. Ralph Durham, Olathe, Colorado, came for a revival. He came one week early to help get the building along far enough to hold services in the upstairs leaving the basement for classes during Sunday school. Rev. Rees and I had worked very close together since the beginning of the work and we regret that he was called away suddenly by the illness and death of his father. His work here has been missed greatly

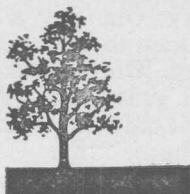
and his ministry on the air and in the chapel has been missed by many.

Through the guidance of Bro. Durham some work was done during the revival and future work was outlined. To the present time we have covered the ceiling with firtex tile, the walls of the auditorium with sheet-rock and rustic siding. Class rooms and the entrance are now being worked on with hope of the building being completed and dedicated this summer. The outside finish of white asbestos shingles must be completed as soon as weather permits.

God has wonderfully supplied the financial need for the building through gifts and offerings from various churches or Bible classes in forty-two different cities or communities and from individual gifts from people attending the chapel or interested friends in the States. There is an indebtedness of approximately \$1,500.00 on the building and it is hoped that an additional \$1500.00 besides the indebtedness will be enough to complete the building.

Special revival services are planned for the near future and your prayers for the work will be appreciated very much.

"I wonder why it is that we are not all kinder than we are, How much the world needs it."



Dear Christian Friends,

We are really enjoying the God given privilege of being in the States again and have enjoyed every service we've been in. It's so wonderful to meet with our brothers and sisters in Christ where we can worship the Lord together.

We left Honolulu airport on March 14, at 7:00 p. m. and had a nice trip all the way. We were home for the last week of the Bible school and we also enjoyed all those services. We just got back from visiting our churches in the south in behalf of our Missionary work, and plan to go to other churches as the Lord leads. We are praying earnestly to be led by the Lord in these services and we need the prayers of every Christian that our lives will be a blessing to others as we serve Jesus.

The work in Hawaii is progressing. The Beydlers are badly in need of help in their services there, but the Lord is blessing their labors for Him.

I'm glad that I know Jesus as my personal savior and that I know the God I serve is alive and will not only hear our prayers, but is also willing to answer when we need Him.

We need your prayers that we will know God's will for us in the future and be able to be a blessing for Him.

Christian Love,
The Ralph Dentons.

There is no such thing as liquor control. Liquor invariably does the controlling.

Difficulties are God's errands and when we are sent upon them we should esteem it a proof of God's confidence.

Alcohol makes men colorful—gives him a red nose, a white liver, a yellow streak, and blue outlook.

CIRCUMSTANCES CANNOT BREAK GOD'S PROMISES

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today upon any man or woman who would accurately and carefully tithe or set aside one-tenth of his or her possessions, salary or income for spiritual purposes.

Thus we have a concrete example that verifies God's promises which He has made to any person, anywhere, anytime, whether religious or otherwise, to bless that person on financial lines if he will accurately, systematically, and continually lay aside the tenth for the work of the Lord. Any man or woman can prove God's promises in regard to the blessings of tithing. If you are a Christian, the blessings of tithing will not only be financial but also they will be physical, mental, and most of all, deeply spiritual

— The Elim Evangel

MY PERSONAL TESTIMONY

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izing L couldn't live I began seaching my life and knew I was making a leap in the dark, lost without hope and without God.

Despairing was I in the gathering gloom,
I dreaded the night as I dreaded the tomb.

For weary was I of my burden of sin,

Then somebody knocked and I whispered, "come in."

T'was Jesus the wonderful Saviour of men,

He banished my fear and sin.

Today I am whole, with a song in my soul,

I'm glad I invited Him in.

Brother and Sister Frank Kenney was on their way to church and stopped to see how I was. When husband told them, they said, "After man has done all he can, there is a higher power." Husband replied, "Seven Doctors said only an operation would save her, and I guess they knew what they were doing."

Voices grew fainter, and light

got dim and finally went out. The next thing I knew I heard praying, faintly at first, then louder as life came back into my body. Like an electric shock the power of God went through my body. I raised up in bed and asked for a drink of water. I drank seven or eight glasses of water and juice from three oranges. My husband standing at the foot of my bed, as they prayed said, "Lord, if you will heal my companion I'll serve you," he meant it earnestly and sincerely.

I told them to pray again and I would go to church with them. After the second prayer I got up, dressed myself and went to church. The people of the town were expecting to hear anytime I had passed away and were surprised to hear I was at church, healed by the power of God. I gained 16 pounds in seven weeks. Many were brought to the Lord and saved because they saw and believed. This wonderful healing has stood for thirteen years. Since then the Lord has given us two more boys.

We are now Home Missionaries, pastoring a little church here in the beautiful Ozarks; telling the story of a Saviour that saves and heals. Despairing one, listen, there is someone outside who wants to come in and be your Saviour, healer and guide. Don't turn him away. Your soul is in need and He is a wonderful Saviour.

A double atonement has been made. A double cure for a double curse.

Psalm 103: 2,3; Jeremiah 17: 14; Isaiah 53:5; I Peter 2:24; St. John 3:14-16; James 5:13-15; Matthew 9:5-8; Mark 9: 23.

Evangelist Beulah Clay
Eureka Springs, Arkansas

"Still as of old,
Man, by himself is priced.
For thirty pieces Judas sold
Himself, not Christ."

TODAY'S MARTYRS

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function, incited the people to rise up against the members of a social group.

From Venezuela, Brazil, Ecuador and other South American countries come constant reports of priest-fomented riots and murder. It's bad too, in Italy, Spain, Mexico and the Philippines, and growing worse in Quebec. Only the willfully blind will deny the pattern of persecution that points to such fanatics of the Roman Church.

But there is a bright side to persecution and martyrdom. Invariably bloodshed is followed by great outpourings of blessings. Already there are victorious reports of revival in Colombia, Korea, China, and wherever the Serpent carries on his ceaseless war against the Son of God and his saints.

"Persecution is good for us," a Moscow pastor told a missionary leader. "It brings us down on our faces before God. It united us to be one with Christ. It has called us to our trust in a living God. Nothing can separate us from His love."

—Christian Life.





Christianity

Christianity is the one religion which proffers to save a man without eliminating, mutilating or starving some part of his essential nature. Christianity saves men wholly.

Buddha called upon men to realize their nothingness; Jesus helped men to become all that was possible for them to become.

Buddha said that life was evil and promised men a heaven of unending sleep. Jesus said that life was good and promised men a heaven of unending growth.

Epictetus bade men to suppress their emotions and urged them to deny gratification to their feelings. Jesus aided men to deepen and to strengthen and to direct their emotions. Christianity is not a repressive religion; it enables men to express themselves fully and finely.

Christianity does not impoverish life; it enriches it. Christianity does not narrow life; it

expands and enlarges it. Men become not less but more their real selves as they become disciples of Jesus.

A petty, starved nature is not that of a Christian. An emasculated, anaemic life is not a Christian life. Christ imparts both vitality and virility.

He awakens undreamed of depths of vitality in our being. He thrills our weakness into strength. He makes our personalities deep and rich. He imparts to us life and life even more abundantly.

A thorough-going Christian should have a healthier body, a stronger reason, a kinder heart, a firmer will and a richer imagination than his fellow.

Being a Christian means being increasingly broad-minded and large-hearted and deep-spirited. It means being an exuberant son of God.

—W. T. McElveen