The Apostolic Faith

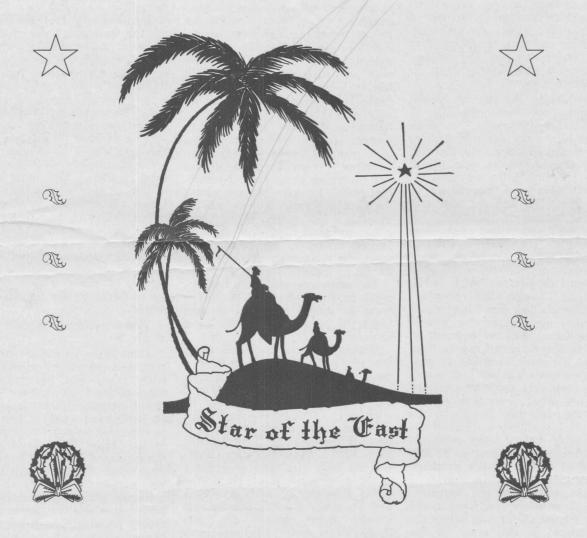
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"Where is he that is born king of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him." Matt: 2:2.



Christ Our Redeemer

Mrs. Robert E. Feagin

Genesis 45:4-5. "Joseph said unto his I shall command him." brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said, I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt. Now therefore be not grieved, nor angry with yourselves, that ye sold me hither; for God sent me before you to preserve life."

The life of Jacob's son as he went down into Egypt, a prisoner of the Caracau leaders, begins one of the most fascinating pictures of service in the Bible. As a climax, see him in our text, forgiving, loving, tender toward his wicked brothers—a saviour to them in their great need.

Now study the life of Joseph in comparison with the life of Christ. He was sold by those nearest him. He was sold because of envy and jealousy. Yet through God's providence he was placed where he could bring salvation to the very ones who thought to destroy him. He suffered and was despised because of his virtue. See him always patient and meek when condemned by false witnesses. Marvel at his benevolence toward his persecutors. Thrill as he gives the bread of life to "ALL THE WORLD." Joseph's life is prophetic of Christ's life. For his brethren he makes no demand for money but for them. The future holds no dread to those near of kin to him. Behold his great yearning to protect his own. Yet see him righteously applying tests as necessary to know what is in their hearts. How faithful was Joseph in the land of his affliction. His fortitude in his darkest hour made the dawn bright with peace as he saw Judah go surety for his brothers. His sacrifice was not in vain.

Each parable would be inexhaustible as it revealed itself in the life of Christ. Centuries before the incarnation, in this story of Joseph, God graciously gave the world some idea of what to expect in Christ's life. Does it not inspire your faith to let Him plan for you?

Deut. 18:18. "I will raise them up a prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and I will put my words in his mouth; and he shall speak unto them all that

In old Testament times, the prophet was God's mouthpiece. He brought messages from God and carried the petitions of the people back to God. Even as Moses was a prophet, the great intercessor between Israel and their God, so later on Christ was to be like unto him. Moses had no goodness of his own, but the possibilities of God's omnipotent power, revealing itself in the deliverance of His people, crushed under the bondage of Egypt, was ever an intriguing subject with him while he was herding his flocks in Midian. Yet it was no easy task that God assigned to Moses as he sent him back to Egypt. Imagine Pharaoh saying unto him. Why do you want de-liverance? Your own people are not observing these Jewish principles now. I know nothing about the God of Israel. You are championing a lost cause. In all earnestness and love God spoke through Moses, trying to get Pharaoh to sense His supremacy over the gods of the Egyptians.

He made repeated personal appeals to Pharaoh and the Egyptians to accept him and be free from the plagues that were soon to come.

Moses' consecration to his work was so sincere and his humility so great that when God tested him by offering to blot out Israel and make of him a great nation, he cried out, "If Thou wilt forgive their sins; and if not, blot me, I pray Thee, out of Thy book." Exo. 32:32. The incarnate Christ was to bear the same experience as the great intercessor. He united Himself so closely with man that had He failed of His purpose He would never have seen His Father's face again. Meditate upon these wonderful illustrations of



our Redeemer and thank God He is ours today.

Lev. 25:25. "If thy brother be waxen poor, and hath sold away some of his possessions, and if any of his kin come to redeem it, then shall he redeem that which his brother sold."

When Israel came to Palestine, each tribe was given a certain division of land. The 23rd verse of this same chapter indicates that God considered the people as tenants, for He says, "The land is mine.'

Each family had the right to use the land assigned to them, but it could not be sold in perpetuity, for at the end of fifty years it must revert to the original family. If because of poverty, any man sold a portion of his possessions it could be redemmed any time by him or one near to kin.

The Hebrew word for kin in this text is goel or redeemer, let us get acquainted with it for he is a type of Christ. He must be near of kin. A brother, uncle or cousin. Upon the redeemer developed the responsibility of avenging the violent death of any one in the family. He also had the right to re deem any possession sold by any member of the family. In the garden of Eden, Adam sold out his property to the "Prince of this

The one redeeming must be near of kin.

Jesus came to redeem not only man, but everything in connection with man, and his redemption must proceed along very definite and legitimate lines. It must be no haphazard work. Christ could be redeemer only by becoming one of us. How then could this be accomplished except through incarnation? This text tells us there was nothing obligatory about the redeemer accepting the responsibility; so there was nothing obligatory about Christ being our redeemer. But as He volunteered to become a man's Brother, He has the right to redeem. May He redeem our possessions.

Isa. 7:14. "Therefore the Lord Himself shall give you a sign; behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

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To Me He Hath Given Jesus

By Elva Zachrison

To some He hath given gold and silver, yea, riches in abundance, with luxury, ease, and comfort. He hath given it, for it is God who giveth power to get wealth. Deuteronomy 8:18. To others He hath given beautiful homes, luxuriant surroundings, high-powered cars, and modern aircraft. But to me He hath given Jesus.

To some He hath given power and influence and honor. Upon the pages of the current papers their names are inscribed, and thousands pay to them their respects. Their name is power and their words are law. To others He hath given position and fame and worldly success. But to me He hath given

Jesus.

To some He hath given talent and ability and worldly wisdom. Their brilliancy dazzles and their deeds are applauded. To others He hath given the opportunity of intensive training and a liberal education. In the great universities of the land they spend many years looking into the mysteries of science and erudition. But to me He hath given Jesus.

To some He hath given social standing and great prestige. Their ideas and customs are eagerly sought and followed by the crowd. To others He hath given multitudes of friends and hosts of gay companions. But to me He hath

given Jesus.

And because He hath given me Jesus, I have a mansion in a country where there are no earthquakes, or floods, or devastating storms. The precious metals of earth are as nothing compared to what is wrought into the workmanship of this priceless mansion. The streets of the city in which this mansion is located are paved with gold. What need have I of ornaments of gold or vanity's necklace of pearls? Someday I shall pass through a gate of pearl, and walk upon streets of gold. All because He hath given me Jesus.

Because He hath given me Jesus, I have passed from death unto life. I was a criminal, condemned to lie, powerless in the grip of the demands of a broken law. But He gave me Jesus, and thus lifted me

out of the depths of degradation to the heights of honor—lifted me far out of weakness into might, out of weariness into strength, out of inefficiency into power. Greater honor than, a few years from now, to be buried in Westminster Abbey, or to have my statue in the Hall of Fame is mine, for my name is inscribed in the Lamb's book of life. Prestige, position, honor, success, are mine, as enduring as eternity—all because He hath given me Jesus.

Someday my voice, touched by the Master Chorister, shall sing a song of perfect harmony that even the angels cannot sing—a song of delivererance from sin and death through the redeeming love of God, the song of Moses and the Lamb. Talent, capacity, efficiency, skill, will be mine—all because He

hath given me Jesus.

Someday I shall be privileged to look into the mysteries of creation—to see in the wayside flower the workmanship of the Master Designer and in the location of the farthest star the accurancy of the Master Builder. To look into the sciences upon which the universe of God is constructed—that is part of the laboratory work in the universe extension course I shall take.

My scholarship has already been provided for—all because He hath given me Jesus.

Someday I shall be introduced to the great and eminent of earth, the world's truest aristocracy. To look into the faces of the noblest and best of all the ages, to find sweet fellowship in the association of the good and great of earth, to find kindred souls whose tastes and sympathies are complementary to mine—this will be but the beginning of the social life in the glorious existence beyond this. ' the loves and sympathies that God has planted in the soul will find truest and sweetest exercise." Unfettered by time, distance, or mortality, we shall "soar to world's unknown" and wing our tireless flight to heights of joy and love and unutterable blessing—all because He hath given us Jesus.

But crowning all else, and eclipsing even this, there will be the friendship of Jesus, the One whose voluntary descent into the outer darkness via Gethsemane and the cross made all this a possibility and eventually a glorious reality. And this is the part of the inheritance for whose fulfillment we need not wait. It can become a blessed

reality even now.

Do you wish to know the friendship of a Personality that never leaves you through prosperity or poverty, through sickness or health, through joy or sorrow, through hopes fulfilled or hopes disappointed? Let Him give you Jesus. Do you long for a complementary soul who understands all about you, who feels every emotion that touches your heart and knows every reaction that registers in your breast? Let Him give you Jesus. Do you need a balm to heal the bruise that sin has inflicted, or to satisfy the aching void that some crushing disappointment has left? Let Him give you Jesus.

And because He has given you Jesus, you shall have that all-sufficiency to satisfy every need, to meet every emergency, to fill every necessity. Wonderful beyond the feebleness of words you will find this transcendent experience, when, from the throne room of the Infinite, He sends you the answer to your heart's supplication. 'Lord,

give me Jesus.'

Plan Now to ATTEND January 6 - February 27 BIBLE SCHOOL . . . BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

CLASSES

Classes will convene from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon for five days each week in the chapel.

DAILY SCHEDULE

Chapel	8:30 a.m.	9:00
Prophecy	9:05	9:45
Doctrine	9:50	10:30
Evangelism	10:35	11:15
English	11:20	12:00
Music	2:00 p.m.	3:30

SUPERVISION

The school will be under the supervision of the Faculty.

> Alford Whiteley, Dean Elkins, Ark.

Floyd LaMunyon Laverne, Okla.

Gail W. Schultz Laverne, Okla.

Albert L. Durham Dumas, Texas

Paul Bollinger Guymon, Okla.

Pauline Parham Baxter Springs, Kansas

Grace LaMunyon Laverne, Okla.

Paul Harbin Center Point, Texas

RULES OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH BIBLE SCHOOL

6:45 a.m. Reveille. Beds made immediately.

7:15 a.m. Breakfast.

8:30 a.m. Chapel Services.

10:00 p. m. General Prayer.

CONDUCT

No one will be allowed in the Cooking Department without

permission from the cooks.

No loitering in halls; spend time in study halls or own rooms. Parents will be held responsible for children at all times. Do not permit them to play in rooms or halls.

All unnecessary noise and roughness is prohibited.

Use of lights and utilities must be conservative.

Each student will be required to be at the School each evening except Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, leaving then only on permission.

Lights out in rooms and dormitories at 10:30 p. m. Bed check,

doors closed. Quiet please.

All rules must be observed; health and sanitation are important. Each student will be assigned special detail.

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FACULTY.

EVANGELISTIC TRIP

Rev. Alford Whiteley, Dean of the Bible School, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon are making an extensive Evangelistic trip through Kansas, Okla., Texas, Nebraska and Colorado in the interest of the coming Bible School, they expect to visit all the churches of the Faith while on this trip.

DONATIONS

All donations whether money, linens or foodstuff, etc., should be sent directly to the Apostolic Faith

Bible School, P. O. Box 110, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

LODGING

Dormitory rooms will be available for all single students. Married couples may rent sleeping rooms or apartments. Everyone please bring own bedding and linen.

REQUIREMENTS

Every student coming to Bible School will be required to take three study subjects. All visitors will be expected to attend classes.

Pray Bible School * Talk Bible School * Come Bible School

WHAT DO YOU KNOW **ABOUT CHRISTMAS?**

You may be surprised at how little you know about the facts of the Christmas story as told in the Bible. And you may be more surprised to find how little you know about Christmas customs and words which we use over and over. But don't feel too bad-we had the same experience. In fact, if you can get five right out of each of the quizzes below — consider yourself considerably more alert than the average. Even if you only get three out of each ten, you'll at least learn something when you look up the answers on page 6. Then try it on your friends and watch them struggle over the simple answers!

SO YOU THINK YOU KNOW THE CHRISTMAS STORY?

- 1. To whom was the birth of Christ first announced? (Not foretold).
- 2. Which gospels do not record the birth of Christ?
- 3. What information did the scribes give Herod when the wise men came from the east?
- 4. Whom were they quoting?5. What is the "Magnificat" and what does the word mean?
- 6. Who ordered Mary to name her baby "Jesus"?
- 7. Who told Elizabeth to name her child "John"?8. What was the "home town"
- of Jesus?
- Why is Bethelehem called "the city of David"?
- 10. Who was Caesar Augustus?

THESE ARE ALL ABOUT CHRISTMAS

- 1. What well-known Christmas carol did Martin Luther write?
- 2. Where is the "Church of the Nativity?'
- 3. What Christmas carol did Mme. Schumann Heink sing nearly every year over the radio?
- 4. What was Tiny Tim's Christmas blessing?
- What does "Madonna" mean?
- 6. Where does the word "Christmas" come from?
- 7. Is the exchange of gifts a part of Christmas celebrations all over the world?

LOVE THEE



Jesus, precious babe of Bethlehem Brightest jewel from heaven,

Saviour of men

Came to this world of sorrow and shame

Seeking the lost, oh, blest be His name.

Tempted and tried with like

passions as we Tho' without sin, He suffered for

Tenderest love and compassion He Oh, Babe of Bethlehem, I love Thee.

He called His disciples, "Come follow me,'

In sorrow and sickness a comfort I'll be,

Your burdens I'll share, I know every care,

When tempted and tried I linger

To walk with you, love you, and banish your fear,

I'll strengthen and keep, I hold your soul dear,

Hear, He is calling! His glory vou'll see.

Oh, Man of Galilee, I love Thee.

He walked on earth in days of His youth

An example to man, to teach as a truth,

With love pure and tender He trod the road,

With heart broke and bleeding, He bare the load,

On Calvary's tree, my soul to set

For He loved even you, even me, Do not reject Him your Saviour is

Oh, Lamb of Calvary, I love Thee.

Now He is risen forever to reign In the hearts of mankind forever

the same, Victory thro' Jesus from sin He sets free

And life more abundant for you and for me.

Filled with the fulness of grace divine

This is glad tidings to lost mankind,

Send forth the message, so others may see

Oh, risen Christ, I love Thee.

Jesus is coming to earth again, To claim His bride, the redeemed from sin.

Who must be ready spotless and

Washed in His blood, His glory to share,

Prepared are the mansions not made with hands,

Come, share with me this heavenly land.

For behold He cometh, my Saviour I'll see,

Oh, coming King, I love Thee.

-Susie Page.

- 8. What is the history of "X" in Christmas?
- 9. How is "noel" connected with Christmas?
- 10. What does the word "Yule" mean?

-Sunday.



A team of young people, just three young people wholly dedicated to the cause of Christ, went over to the British Isles a few months ago. The work done there was monumental. They held 360 gospel meetings, led thousands of people to Christ, visited 27 major cities, traveled over 100,000 miles. Publications heralded the campaigns as being the greatest since the days of D. L. Moody.



ITEMS OF INTEREST



ANSWERS TO CHRISTMAS OUIZZES

The Christmas Story-

1. The shepherds (Luke 2:8);
2. Mark and John; 3. That the Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem; 4. Micah 5:2; 5. The song of Mary in Luke 1:46-55; the word means "it Magnifies."
6. An angel of the Lord; 7. So far as we know, her husband Zacharias; 8. Nazareth; 9. David was born and grew up there and the city was filled with his descendants; 10. The first Roman emperor.

All About Christmas-

1. "Away in a Manger" was written for his son one Christmas eve; 2. In Bethlehem; 3. Silent Night, Holy Night; 4. God bless us every one; 5. Mother; 6. Christ and Mass; 7. No—only in Teutonic countries; 8. "X" stands for the Greek letter "Chi" which was the first letter in "Christ." 9. Comes from the French word for "birthday." 10. Christmas Feast"—from the Norse.

Bernard Baruch said recently, "The war began a year ago. The question now is when the firing will begin."

VICI, OKLA. Rev. and Mrs. John Modrick have been elected pastors of the Vici Church. Attendance is increasing and good interest is being shown. Rev. and Mrs. Winston Barker and the Peterson Girls are now in a revival there.

CHENEY, KANSAS. The J. R. Watkins Evangelistic Party have been in special services at the Cheney Mission. A good response is being given and added interest is being shown in the coming Holiday Convocation. Rev. Gladys Eaken, pastor.

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NOTICE

We are now revising our mailing list for 1948. Due to the continual advance of the price of the printing and paper bill it has been necessary for us to limit the number of papers printed and sent out each month because of the lack of finance. We cannot afford to send the paper to those not desiring it, but we do want to send it to all who want it as long as God supplies the need to keep it going. So, if the Apostolic Faith is a blessing to you, and you want it to come to your home every month, please let us hear from you at once, and your name will be placed on our new mailing list. Otherwise your paper will be discontinued. WRITE TODAY!

The Apostolic Faith, Box 300, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

BIRTHDAY DINNER

A lovely surprise birthday dinner was given Sunday, October 26, in honor of Rev. John Hockersmith on his 78th birthday, at his home 1232 W. Nelson in Webb City, Missouri. A goodly number of friends from the Tri-State district were present. Two lovely birthday cakes were presented Brother Hockersmith along with many presents. Rev. Audley Hervey had charge of the afternoon service in the home. Brother Hervey read a message that was given and taken down by Brother Hockersmith.

PRAYER LIST

Mrs. J. E. Bivens Mr. E. L. Ward Mrs. Sicily Akridge Daisy Easthom Mrs. Louise Rodriguo Mr. Doyle Taylor Billy Wokaty

DUMAS, TEXAS. Evangelists, Albert and Ava Durham, Pastors of the Dumas Church, have been conducting a very successful revival at the church. Six or seven souls were saved, and some definite victories were gained. The Sunday School has doubled in attendance. Robert Lee Durham is having regular children's meetings, using flannel board and chalk talks.

CHIEF CORNERSTONE

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BECAME LIKE CHAFF OF SUMMER THRESHING-FLOORS; AND THE WIND CARRIED THEM AWAY, SO THAT NO PLACE WAS FOUND FOR THEM, AND THE STONE THAT SMOTE THE IMAGE BECAME A GREAT MOUNTAIN, AND FILLED THE WHOLE EARTH.

When the nations of the world are gathered together for that great and final battle, Armegeddon, we see that stone that was cut out of the mountain, without hands, grinding to powder all fighting forces of the world, destroying them with the brightness of His coming. Then shall this stone fill all the earth. Messiah shall reign and earth shall keep her Jubilee for a thousand years. There will be no tempter. The devil will be bound for a thousand years. The curse will be lifted. The deserts shall blossom as a rose, the fierceness of animals will be changed. The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, the leopard shall lie down with the kid, the calf and young lion and fatling together and a little child shall lead them. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain.

Praise the Lord for that day when Jesus shall reign King o'er

all the earth.

WHY JESUS CAME

1. As a Light (John 12:46).

2. To Fulfill the Law (Matt. 5: 17).

For Judgment (John 9:39).
 For Comfort (Matt. 11:28-

4. For Comfort (Matt. 11:28-30).

5. Because He was Sent by the Father (John 5:36).

6. To Save the Lost (Luke 19:

7. To Give Life (John 10:10).

—Milton B. Walton.

More men fail through lack of purpose than through lack of talent.—Billy Sunday.

SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT

High in the Alps of Austria, 127 years ago, was born the sweetest Christmas carol the world has known.

The day before Christmas in the snow-bound village of Obendorff, the organist of the little village church discovered that the organ was badly damaged by mice. Hopeless drifts of snow separated them from the organ repairer in the next town.

"There's just one thing that might keep the people from being too disappointed—a new song!" agreed the minister and organist. So Pastor Joseph Mohr retired to his study to write some words and organist Franz Gruber clothed them in a simple melody.

During the service the next day, they introduced the carol to the congregation—with only a guitar

for accompaniment.

At the close of the service the musician was despondent. He confided to his wife that he felt he had spoiled the service with so poor a song. "Why, Frank Gruber," his wife responded, "It is a beautiful song. People will sing it for many Christmases to come."

ANOTHER YEAR!

Another year! Shall it be mine
In which to serve my Lord divine,
Or shall I cross the border line
Ere it is past?

Another year to smile or weep, Another year my vigil keep, Or shall I gently fall asleep— Or raptured be?

Mine but to trust, not mine to know;
My Lord, 'tis even better so;
And should I stay, or should I go,
All's well with me.

Another year! If Thou shouldest will
That here on earth I tarry still,
I pray Thee, Lord, in me fulfill
Thy will divine.

—L. M. Culver, in Alliance Weekly.

She was right. Around the world "Silent Night, Holy Night" has brought quietness and peace to weary men every Christmas for scores of years.

—Our Sunday School Counsellor.

"Jesus"

Jesus! How does the very word overflow with exceeding sweetness, and light and joy, and love and life; filling the air with odors, like precious ointment poured forth; irradiating the mind with a glory of truths in which no fear can live; soothing the wounds of the heart with a balm that turns the sharpest anguish into delicious peace; shedding through the soul a cordial of immortal strength! Jesus! the answer to all our doubts, the spring of all our courage, the earnest of all our hopes, the charm omnipotent against all our foes, the remedy for all our weakness, the supply of all our wants, the fullness of all our desires. Jesus! melody to our ears, altogether lovely to our sight, manna to our taste, living water to our thirst, our shadow from the heat, our refuge from the storm, our pillar

of fire by night, our morning star, our sun of righteousness. Jesus! at the mention of whose name every knee shall bow and every tongue confess. Jesus! our sanctification; Jesus! our redemption; Jesus! our elder brother—our blessed and only Redeemer. Thy name is the most transporting theme of the Church, as they sing going up from the valley of tears to their home on the mount of God: Thy Name shall ever be the richest chord in the harmony of heaven where the angels and the redeemed unite their exulting, adoring songs around the throne of God and the Lamb. Jesus! Thou only canst interpret Thy own Name, and Thou hast done it by Thy works on earth and Thy glory at the right hand of the Father.

-Bethune.

Brief Mentions

CARL JUNCTION, MO. Rev. Madge Robinson, pastor of the Thom's Station Church, recently conducted a very wonderful revival there. The meeting was especially good and was outstanding in many ways. A goodly number was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Spirit.

NOTICE

Evangelists Robert and Dora Beydler are visiting a number of the churches preparatory to leaving for the West Coast to sail December 25th for Hawaii to do missionary work. Let's give them a boost.

DECKERS PRAIRIE, TEX. Rev. A. B. Corl is pastor of the church at Deckers Prairie. Regular services are on Thursday nights and Sundays.

Evangelist and Mrs. E. W. Dickson of Magnolia, Arkansas, have been in charge of the regular services at the Snell Church near Meridian, Miss., while the pastor, Rev. Earl Morgan, was away for a few weeks.

JOPLIN, MO. Evangelist Audley Hervey recently held a good revival at the Sunshine Mission in East Joplin.

CHICAGO, ILL. Evangelist Opal Ferry is having regular services every Friday night in her home at 6030 South Mayfield. The Lord is blessing and several have received the Holy Spirit.

GRANBY, MO. The Granby Church reports good interest and spiritual growth under the leadership of Rev. Bill Patterson, pastor.

TANEYVILLE, MO. Mr. and Mrs. Gail W. Schultz, Evangelists, will be leaving Taneyville the first of December and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Russell, Evangelists, will take charge of the work.

Holy Convocation

HOLIDAY CONVENTION
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM

CHENEY, KANSAS

DECEMBER 26TH THROUGH 31ST

Meals will be served in Cafeteria

WRITE FOR RESERVATIONS AND INFORMATION Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Eakens, Pastors

PLAN NOW TO ATTEND

PLEASANTON, KANS. Evangelists, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scott and Anna Ruth, assisted by Frances and Eula May Taylor, have just closed a good revival at the Brethren Church, southeast of Pleasanton.

MENARD, TEXAS. Work is progressing nicely on the new church at Menard. The Lord is blessing in the regular services. Those desiring to help in this new work please write to Evangelist Murphy Barnes, Menard, Texas.

ARNETT, OKLA. Evangelist C. O. Bard of Joplin, Mo. recently held a good revival at Arnett. Frank Stimson, pastor.

PERRYTON, TEXAS. Rev. and Mrs. Herold Cooper are proving very efficient pastors of the Perryton Church. The church is growing in spirituality and blessing.

WICHITA, KANSAS. Good attendance and interest is being shown in all the regular services at the New York Tabernacle. Robert Girouard, pastor.

SNYDER, TEXAS. Rev. Vester Clanton has resigned as pastor of the church. Rev. Alford Whiteley was there recently for a special service in the interest of the Bible School.

Remember Your Missionaries

THANKS TO CHURCHES

An appreciative thanks to the following churches who have been giving regular offerings to the Apostolic Faith Paper.:

WICHITA, KANSAS
(Hoover Orchard)
KATY, TEXAS
BIG SPRING, TEXAS
CURTIS, OKLAHOMA
CHENEY, KANSAS
ARNETT, OKLAHOMA
BALKO, OKLA.
HARDESTY, OKLA.
STOCKTON, CALIFORNIA
MAGNOLIA, ARKANSAS

BIG SPRING, TEXAS. Rev. and Mrs. Paul Bailey are proving very efficient pastors of the Big Spring Church. Every service is being blessed. The church is praying for a revival in the near future.

ANDERSON, MO. Services are held at the rural Log Church near Anderson every Thursday night and Sunday morning and night. All ministers and the laymen are invited to come. Rev. Ronald Day and Iva Hutchinson are in charge.

JOPLIN, MO. Regular services are held each Tuesday, Friday and Sunday at the Full Gospel Church, 1314 S. Main in Joplin. All ministers and workers are extended an invitation and welcome to attendand take part in these services. Don Ogden, pastor.

HOLY CONVOCATION

SOUTH TEXAS HOLIDAY CONVENTION AT CENTER POINT

DEC. 26TH THROUGH 31ST

Meals served in High School Cafeteria

High School auditorium can be secured for services if needed

WRITE FOR RESERVATION AND INFORMATION TO

Rev. Eugene K. Cornell, Pastor
Box 63
Center Point. Texas

Rev. Paul Bailey Gen. Del. Big Springs, Texas

CASSODAY, KANS. Evangelist John Peacock and Evangelist Frances Sutton have just closed a good revival near Cassoday, Kans.

ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO. Evangelist and Mrs. Sidney Rees assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huff, Gospel singers, held a good meeting in October at the North Hill Mission. Paul Clanton, pastor.

MERIDIAN, MISS. Rev. and Mrs. Earl Morgan have accepted the pastorate of the Snell Church. They want to attend Bible School providing they can contact some minister to look after the church through January and February.

OAK HILL, MO. Work is progressing on the new church that is being built near the state line by Brother and Sister Lawrence Clay. Evangelist and Mrs. George Clay are assisting in the building of the church. Several have helped at different times on the building. Those desiring to help may write the Clay's at Rt. 2, Eureka Springs, Arkansas.

DICKINSON, TEXAS. The work of the Lord is progressing at the San Leon Church. A goodly number of children and young people attend the church. They are planning a Christmas program and play. Bro. Herschel Campbell preaches at the regular services.

BYRON, OKLA. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wokaty, Ministers are no longer pastoring at Englewood, Kansas, they are open for pastoral or evangelistic work. Their permanent address, Byron, Okla.

STOCKTON, CALIF. The new church at Stockton is showing progress in every way. The attendance is good and interest is increasing, the Sunday School attendance reached 74 one Sunday during the recent revival. Evangelist Jack Barker and family and Evangelist and Mrs. Lee Brock and family recently closed a good meeting there. The Albert Janzens recently paid a visit to the church. A group from the church go to the prison farm every Wednesday night for services, they sing and preach to about 250 there. William Yeakel, pastor.

MAGNOLIA, ARK. Rev. and Mrs. George Bollinger have just closed a special meeting at the new Bethel Church in Magnolia. Rev. C. R. Dale, pastor.

BAYARD, NEBR. Evangelists Walter and Leota Jacobs closed a good revival the last of November at the Bayard Church. Several souls were saved and the entire church blessed. Hallie Chitwood assisted in the meeting. Ralph Denton, pastor.

Remember Your Missionaries

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NOTICE

The convocation scheduled for Greenland, Arkansas, through the Christmas holidays has been canceled, because of conditions beyond our control.

Alford Whiteley, Pastor.

FORTSUMNER, NEW MEXICO. Evangelist Marian Price and Sister Hickman have rented a building and have opened a new church at Fort Sumner. The Lord is blessing and they are encouraged with the prospects there. Any ministers or workers going that way are invited for services.

GALENA, KANSAS. A special New Year's Eve watch night service will be held at the Spring Grove Church on Wednesday night, December 31. The service will be held until the midnight hour. All the churches of the Tri-State District have been invited to this service. Ted Jackson, pastor.

WEBB CITY, MO. All the churches of the Tri-State District gathered at the Frisco Mission in Webb City for a great rally on Thanksgiving night. A number of ministers and singers took part in the service and Evangelist Gail W. Schultz brought the evening message. Olen Bachler, pastor.

OLATHE, COLORADO. The Charles Mahan Evangelistic Party are now in a revival at the Olathe Church. A splendid interest is shown. Several ministers and workers will also be helping in the meeting. Jacob Regier, pastor.

MONTROSE, COLO. Evangelist Ralph A. Durham is conducting a radio program from the Montrose Station. Anchored Faith Radio Hour is heard every Sunday at 8:15 a. m. and every Monday through Friday at 9:15 a. m.

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CHILDREN'S PAGE





The Gift

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

What do you children think of when you think of baby Jesus? Perhaps at first you think of His mother, Mary, and of Joseph, her husband. Then there was the long, long road from their home in Nazareth, down to Bethlehem. Mary riding on the donkey, and Joseph walking and leading the animal.

But that is not all you think of when you remember baby Jesus. You remember that there was no room for Him in the inn, and that Joseph and Mary spent the night in the stable.

Did you children know that at one time Jesus lived with God, His heavenly Father in their home beyond the skies? Yes, He surely did, for the Bible tells us that He was "in the beginning with God."

Then why do you suppose God sent His only Son down into this wicked world, to live and to die at the hands of cruel men? Did not God love His Son, Jesus? Yes, God surely did love His Son, but He also loved you and I and the

whole world.

Let us read again the verse at the beginning of our story. It is found in John 3:16. "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son."

You remember the story of how God formed Adam and Eve, and put them in the beautiful garden of Eden. But they were not satisfied, and did wrong, and sinned. Because they sinned, everyone born after them were sinners, even you and I.

God looked down at the wicked world, and saw the people needed help badly. What better could He send than His only begotten Son, Jesus. And so it was that the angel appeared to Mary and told her that God would send her a son, and His name should be called Jesus.

Do you think this has been a wonderful gift? Yes, it surely has. Millions of people, since Jesus was born, have been one of the "Whosoever believeth" and have received everlasting life. Every year we especially remember "The Gift" of the baby Jesus to the world. Let us be especially glad this year that God loves us, and that Jesus will save us from our sins.

-Viola Modrick.

Sleep Little Christ Child

Sleep little Christ child, In slumber so sweet; The gentle-eyed cattle Are here at Your feet.

The star of the morning Shines over your head, While angels watch over Your soft manger bed.

Sleep, little Christ child! The shepherds are here To worship the baby So small and so dear.

A gift to the world,
A heavenly King;
To YOU we lift our voices
And gratefully sing.

-Selected by Viola Modrick.



Draw from 1 to 2 and so on. When you have finished, you will have the bed in which the Christ child slept.



RANGE, OKLA. Evangelist Jennie Evans closed a successful revival on November 5th at the Range Church. The Lord crowned every service with victory and the Christians were blessed and strengthened. Two were saved, seven sanctified and two were filled with the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Avis Lee Janzen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Janzen was wonderfully healed of a broken arm. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Janzen.

GREENLAND, ARKANSAS. In the absence of Bro. Alford Whiteley, Pastor of the Greenland Church, Rev. Lula Parham and Mrs. Nellie Clopton and Rev. Joe Faries have been looking after the Sunday services.

CAVE SPRINGS, ARK. Rev. Joe Faries has resigned as pastor of the Cave Springs Church and expects to be in Evangelistic work after the first of the year. The Charles Mahan Evangelistic Party just held a very good revival there. Two souls were saved and the entire church was blessed.

GUYMON, OKLA. Evangelist and Mrs. Sidney Rees assisted by Rev. Paul Harbin and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Huff have just closed a good meeting at Glen Rose Community Church near Guymon. Grady Adcock, pastor.

HOUSTON, TEXAS. Evangelist and Mrs. Darrel Sutton are now in a revival at the White Oak Church near Houston.

HEMPSTEAD, TEXAS. The Lord is blessing in the regular services at the Hempstead Mission. An excellent response is being received from the radio program which is being broadcast every Sunday afternoon from 3:00 to 3:30 from the Brenham Station. Alma Jane Denman of Milano has charge of the Young People's Work of the church and is assisting in the radio work. Ed. and Frances Stork, pastors.

CENTER POINT, TEXAS. Evangelist Ben Barker and party re now in a revival at the church at Center Point. Eugene K. Cornell, pastor.

Season's Greetings

At this, the most enjoyable season of all the year we extend to you, our readers, a most sincere and happy Holiday Season.

There was reason for gladness when Christmas became a reality. A Saviour was born. The Eternal Son of God had entered human flesh to become our Redeemer. He gave Himself, and thus was

God's first and greatest Christmas gift.

Christmas is always a time of song and of giving, and both of these are right. It is God's plan to fill heaven and earth with song—one unending song of praise in which all creation is united. God gave His Son for our Salvation, Christ gave Himself for our purification. A life-time of service and giving—yes, giving all, of time, talents and earthly store, cannot repay the debt we owe.

I bring my gift today; a heart subdued By love divine; a life laid at His feet In consecration, joyous and complete; A soul redeemed by blood, by grace renewed.



Your Editors,

Mrs. Pauline Parham Mrs. Lula Parham

If I Had Not Come



Dr. A. B. Simpson told of a striking Christmas card published some years ago with the title, "If He had not come." It was founded upon the Savior's own words, "If I had not come."

The card represented a clergy-man falling asleep in his study on Christmas morning and dreaming of a world into which Jesus had never come. In his dream he found himself looking through his home, but there were no little stockings in the chimney corner, no Christmas bells or wreaths of holly, and not Christ to comfort, gladden and save.

He walked out on the public street, but there was no church with its spire pointing to heaven. He came back and sat in his library, but every book about the Savior and the Gospel had disappeared. A ring came to the door bell, and a messenger asked him to

visit a poor dying mother. He hastened with her weeping child and as he reached the home he sat down and said, "I have something here that I am sure will comfort you." He opened the Bible to look for a familiar promise, but it ended at Malachi, and there was no Gospel and no promise of hope and salvation, and he could only bow his head and weep with her in despair. Two days later he stood beside her coffin and conducted the funeral service, but there was no message of consolation, no word of a glorious resurrection, no open heaven, but only dust to dust, ashes to ashes, and one long, eternal farewell. He realized at length that "He had not come" and burst into tears and bitter weeping in his sorrowful dream.

Suddenly he awoke with a start, and a great shout of joy broke from his lips as he heard his choir singing in the church close by: "Oh! come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant! In Bethlehem's manger lies the King of kings. Oh! come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord."

-Selected.

Jesus, The Chief Cornerstone

(Radio Sermon given over Station KWHI, Brenham, Texas)

For our subject, we wish to speak of Jesus, "The Chief Cornerstone." There are many honest-hearted people in the world today that are seeking to know the right way.

JOHN 14:6 Jesus says. "I AM THE WAY. THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE: NO MAN COMETH UNTO THE FATH-ER. BUT BY ME."

Isaiah prophesied of the Christ promised. ISA. 28:16 "THERE-FORE THUS SAITH THE LORD GOD. BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION FOR A FOUNDA-TION. A STONE. A TRIED STONE, A PRECIOUS COR-NER STONE. A SURE FOUN-DATION: HE THAT BELIEV-ETH SHALL NOT MAKE HASTE."

Isaiah prophesied this 712 years before Christ was born into this world. There was to be a foundation laid. If you do not know Christ as your personal Saviour, then you can begin now to build upon Jesus Christ that sure foun-Whether Isaiah understood the fulness of this prophesy or not, the Holy Ghost plainly contemplated its fulfillment in Christ alone.

I Pet. 1:10-12 it reads, "OF WHICH SALVATION THE PROPHETS HAVE ENQUIRED AND SEARCHED DILIGENT-LY. WHO PROPHESIED OF THE GRACE THAT SHOULD COME UNTO YOU: SEARCH-ING WHAT TIME OR WHAT MANNER OF TIME THE SPIRIT OF CHRIST WHICH WAS IN THEM DID SIGNIFY, WHEN IT TESTIFIED BE-FORE HAND THE SUFFER-INGS OF CHRIST AND THE GLORY THAT SHOULD FOL-LOW. UNTO WHOM IT WAS REVEALED. THAT NOT UN-TO THEMSELVES, BUT UN- TO US THEY DID MINISTER THE THINGS WHICH ARE NOW REPORTED UNTO YOU BY THEM THAT HAVE PREACHED THE GOSPEL YOU WITH THE UNTO HOLY GHOST SENT DOWN FROM HEAVEN: WHICH THINGS THE ANGELS DE-SIRE TO LOOK INTO."

The men of old prophesied of things to come as they were moved by the Holy Ghost. So Isaiah prophesied of that foundation that was to be lain, that tried stone, the precious cornerstone. You may ask the question, "Of

whom does this speak?"

Paul in writing to Ephesians 2:19-20 said, NOW THERE-FORE. YE ARE NO MORE STRANGERS AND FOREIGN-ERS. BUT FELLOW CITI-ZENS WITH SAINTS AND A HOUSEHOLD OF GOD: AND ARE BUILT UPON FOUNDA-TION OF THE APOSTLES AND PROPHETS. JESUS CHRIST HIMSELF BEING THE CHIEF CORNERSTONE.

I have no other way; no other plan to offer you than that foundation which has already been lain. How many of us, if we are planning on building a home, do not first sit down and count the cost? Yes, indeed we do. In like manner, are many people counting the cost of what it will take to serve God. World's goods, dollars and cents will never be able to buy this salvation. It cost the Jewel of Heaven, God's only Son.

John 3:16, FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY BEGOT-TEN SON, THAT WHOSO-EVER BELIEVETH IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH BUT HAVE EVERLASTING LIFE.

The provision for our salvation has already been made, Jesus Christ is Chief Cornerstone today. I

have wondered many times and maybe you have too, why He was spoken of as "Chief Cornerstone." We find from information concerning building of Solomon's temple, the cornerstone, the one which made the connection where the two walls met and came together, this was a great stone hewn out by stone squarers and was very costly. As the cornerstone stands most perpendicular and exactly proportioned so does Jesus Christ stand as a foundation for us today. The things of this earth will pass away with the using, but our hope in Christ is the only anchor for the

II Tim. 2:19 "NEVERTHE-LESS THE FOUNDATION OF GOD STANDETH SURE ANDELL THIS SEAL, THE THEM HAVING KNOWETH LORD THAT ARE HIS, AND LET EVERYONE THAT NAMETH THE NAME OF CHRIST DE-PART FROM INIOUITY.

We can know when we are saved, and we can build upon that foundation, Jesus Christ being

Chief Cornerstone.

Matt. 7:24-25 says, "THERE-FORE WHOSOEVER HEAR-ETH THESE SAYINGS OF MINE AND DOETH THEM, I WILL LIKEN HIM UNTO A WISE MAN WHICH BUILT HIS HOUSE UPON A ROCK, AND RAIN DESCENDED AND FLOODS CAME, AND WINDS BLEW, AND BEAT UPON THAT HOUSE AND IT FELL NOT, FOR IT WAS FOUNDED UPON A ROCK.'

Jesus Christ is that rock. He is the shelter in the storms of this life. Oh, it is so wonderful to have that assurance that there is peace, safety and security for us in this world. We cannot and will not ever be able to find these things in the world. But amidst all the chaos and confusion, Jesus is that rock in a weary land. We all need to be careful how we are building lest when storms and winds of this life blow against us, we will fall and go down. Back to the scripture we read in the beginning from Isaiah's writings, speaking of the foundation that was laid in Zion a stone, a tried stone, a precious cornerstone. Most of us when we go to buy something that is or any value, we look for the trade

mark to see whether it is genuine. We know then that it is dependable, that it has been tested, tried and proven, so for our benefit Christ was given lest we build upon another foundation. This Stone, this precious cornerstone was tried.

First, in Luke 4:1-13 He was tried by the devil. Jesus was tempted of the devil for 40 days and nights. When he hungered the devil said, if thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be bread. He also showed Jesus all the kingdoms of the world; this he would give, if Jesus would only worship him. Jesus said, 'GET THÈE BEHIND ME SATAN: FOR IT IS WRIT-TEN, THOU SHALL WOR-SHIP THE LORD THY GOD, HIM ONLY SHALT AND THOU SERVE.

If we would only take time to think that Jesus was tested and tried, He opened the way before us and we can conquer in His name.

Second, we notice Jesus was tried by men. Luke 20:1-38 The chief priests and scribes tried Him on giving tribute to Caesar. The Sadducees confronted him with

questions of resurrection.

Third, He was tried by God. Matt 27:46 "MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAST THOU FORSAKEN ME?" There on the cross where He bore shame and iniquity, the sins of the whole world, God turned His face from Him. Why: you ask. Jesus paid the supreme sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. He had to go to the cross, there was no other way. The shedding of blood of bulls and goats could no longer atone for sin. Jesus the lamb of God, gave His life willingly. He is that tried stone that precious cornerstone. He is that stone of tested solidity to bear the vast superstructure of man's redemption. I am not recommending to you today a way that is impossible, because Jesus is the way, the truth and life. He that rests upon Him shall not have shame of disappointment or flee in panic. This precious cornerstone, this sure foundation has been tested by the devil, by men and even by God Himself.

Rom. 9:33 says "AS IT IS WRITTEN, BEHOLD I LAY

ZION A STUMBLING STONE AND ROCK OF OF-FENCE AND WHOSOEVER BELIEVETH ON HIM SHALL NOT BE ASHAMED." If you know Jesus, you have nothing to be ashamed about. I was at one time a sinner walking the ways of the world without any hope. The future was dark, the road I was traveling was rugged, the mountains were steep, my heart was burdened, the load of sin was more than I could bear. "THEN JESUS CAME." THEN JESUS CAME! PRAISE HIS NAME! My night turned into day, my sorrow into joy.

Luke 20:18 says, "WHOSO-EVER SHALL FALL UPON THAT STONE SHALL BE BROKEN, BUT ON WHOMSO-EVER IT SHALL FALL, IT WILL GRIND HIM TO POW-

DER.

Oh when the gospel of salvation was preached to me in its fulness and I saw Jesus the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world, I knelt one night at an altar of prayer in front of a little old school house in an open air meeting at San Andres, about 9 miles from Rockdale, Texas. I told Jesus I was sorry for sins I had committed. I asked Him to forgive me, to cleanse my life, create in me a new heart, with the Psalmist David of old, I can say, "I WAITED PATIENTLY UP-ON THE LORD. AND HE INCLINED UNTO ME AND HEARD MY CRY. BROUGHT ME UP ALSO OUT OF AN HORRIBLE PIT, OUT OF MIRY CLAY, AND SET MY FEET UPON ROCK, AND ESTABLISHED MY GOINGS AND HE HATH PUT A NEW SONG IN MY MOUTH, EVEN PRAISE UN-TO OUR GOD.

Oh how I love the Lord because I know He is real. We cannot go on feeling we are good moral people and we will just live and do the best we can. Jesus Christ is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world. There is no other foundation than that which has already been laid. When Peter and John were on their way to the temple to pray there was a lame man at the

gate Beautiful, begging alms of people. When they looked upon him they said, "SILVER AND GOLD HAVE I NONE, BUT SUCH AS I HAVE GIVE I UNTO THEE, IN THE NAME OF JESUS, ARISE AND WALK." The lame man was healed and began to leap and praise God. The people were astonished and Peter began to preach to them and exhort them by repentance and faith to seek remission of sins. The rulers of Jews were offended at Peter's sermon and they threw Peter and John into prison. The next day we find them before the Sanhedrin.

Acts 4:10-12 "BE IT KNOWN UNTO YE ALL AND TO ALL PEOPLE OF ISRAEL THAT BY THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST OF NAZARETH WHOM YE CRUCIFIED, WHOM GOD RAISED FROM THE DEAD, EVEN BY HIM DOTH THIS MAN STAND BEFORE YOU HERE WHOLE. This is the stone WHICH WAS SET AT NAUGHT OF YOU BUILDERS, WHICH IS BECOME HEAD OF THE CORNER. NEITHER IS THERE SALVATION IN ANY OTHER FOR THERE IS NONE OTHER NAME UNDER HEAVEN, GIVEN AMONG MEN WHEREBY WE MUST BE SAVED."

There is no other way, JESUS IS THE WAY. We must come to Him. The message of the coming of the Lord is being preached, the warning cry is going forth, we are living in the close of the Gentile age. Man's opportunity to seek God will soon be gone. Now is the time to fall upon that stone and be broken. We have spoken of Jesus the Chief Cornerstone. Turn with me to Daniel 2, we see this stone mentioned again, 34th and 35th verses. "THOU SAWEST TILL THAT STONE WAS CUT OUT WITHOUT HANDS, WHICH SMOTE THE IMAGE UPON HIS FEET THAT WERE OF IRON AND CLAY AND BROKE THEM TO PIECES, THEN WAS THE IRON, THE CLAY, THE BRASS, THE SEL VER AND GOLD, BROKEN TO PIECES TOGETHER AND

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& MISSIONARY PAGE

Giving to Missionaries, Sound in the Faith

To be a regular tither is obeying God. To be a cheerful Christian giver is fine, to be a particular giver to missionary work is fulfilling the Great Commission, but to be merely a liberal giver without knowing the worthiness of the work to which the gift is going is often not only a waste of God's money but a contribution to the work of Satan.

Much modern missionary work (so-called) is not the work of spreading the Gospel, not of rescuing the perishing. Much of it is a mere attempt to civilize the heathen with no attempt whatever

to save his soul.

"By grace are ye saved through The gospel of Christ . . . is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth," and "faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God." "Men are born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the Word of God." If then, the heathen are to be saved, they must be saved by the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The Gospel is the Good News, and the Good News is that "while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." There is no salvation in plows, mechanics, books, and medicine. These things will follow salvation, but they will never bring salvation. Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

There are two terribly tragic conditions in operation among some supposedly worthy missionary enterprises today. One is that some of the work under the name of "missions" is merely educational, cultural, scientific attempts to civilize instead of to Christianize the heathen. The other is that in altogether too many denominational missionary enterprises, too little of the money, supposedly given to missions, ever reaches the field. Bureaus, boards, and highsalaried executives too often prove to be parasites. Satan has many schemes to keep the Gospel from reaching the lost. Some leadership and organization is often necessary, but to give carelessly, supposing it to be pleasing to God merely because it is called "giving to missions," and because it is "our church" and "our program," may be devilish and fatal. To carelessly or knowingly give one's money in support of a Christ-rejecting, Christ-denying program is to become partakers of their evil deeds.

Do not close your purse to missions, but make sure that your missionary giving goes to missionary work SOUND IN THE

FAITH.

BETHLEHEM

I shall not tarry over scrolls
That chart the planets of the
night;

Nor follow paths of endless goals The ordered orbs of heaven's light:

Nor shall I halt with sense and mind

At palace, pouch, or merchant's mart;

My caravan shall press to find A Saviour for my hungry heart.

-Henry Webb Farrington.

SAILING FOR HAWAII

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beydler, Evangelists of the Apostolic Faith will be sailing on December 25 for Hawaii to do missionary work. They expect to establish a mission work there. A more detailed account of their plans will be given in a later issue of the paper. They expect to leave Los Angeles, Calif., on the afternoon of Christmas Day. Those desiring to contact them can reach them at their home address, Rt. 1, Clearwater, Kansas.

TALKEETNA, ALASKA

We have been helping on the church at Anchorage, but have now moved to Talkeetna for the winter. We have rented a large house with a large living room that we plan to hold services in, or at least Sunday School. This is one of the oldest towns of Alaska and although it is not very large it sure does need a church. I asked if there had ever been a church here, the answer was no. It has a population of some 200 people. It is located on the Susitna River and is about 40 miles by air to the famous Mt. McKinley, which affords a very beautiful site from here on a clear day. We are very thankful for our own plane because it is the only way one can go.

As to our plans, we would like to see a small church and the people have a chance to hear the Gospel. The more we see of Alaska the more we feel the great need for the Gospel to be preached and lived before the people. The town is very sinful, but Jesus said, "He came to seek and to save that which was lost." We are very glad for the burden that the Lord has given us for the lost here and for the vision to see a church in this place. We desire the prayers of all the Faith that we will not fail the the Lord in this great field of

labor.

—The Leonard Turners.

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CHRIST OUR REDEEMER

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Let us look at prophecy, not as something decreed of God, but merely His foreknowledge of the acts of man as he comes under the various influences of life. Because God knows all things from the beginning to the end. He is able to tell what man will do, without in the least forcing him to fit into any prescribed experiences.

Jer. 23:5. "Behold the days come, saith the Lord, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth." What a wonderful promise for our comfort in these days of turmoil. Now that the controversy between good and evil is almost completed how foolish it would be to doubt.

Numbers 27:17. "I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh: There shall come a Star out of Jacob and a Scepter shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and shall destroy all the children of Sheth." Not alone to Israel through such profits as Isaiah and Jeremiah was to come the vision of this wonderful redeemer. It was God's plan that the whole world should feel His influence.

Micah 5:2. "But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting."

Micah, eighth-century prophet living in Judah, had a message from the Lord for both Samaria and Judah in the times of Hezekiah

Luke 1:30-32. "The angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favor with God. And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shall call his name Jesus. He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto Him the throne of His Father David.

For centuries, through the voice of the prophet and by all manner of illustrations, God, had placed

before the inhabitants of this world some conceptions of His wonderful plan. But the antagonist of God's program was not asleep. Full well did he understand that God could not become man, except by the virgin birth. One was to come to the earth who would be truly the Son of the Most High God, and his name was to be called Jesus; or according to the Hebrew, Joshoa (Saviour) and He was to be ruler of Israel, those controlled by God. What is this story to you? Luke 1:35. 'And the angel answered and said unto her. The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee; therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.'

In God's divine plan there are three instances of the overshadowing of the Holy Spirit preceding the development of some special work. In creation's dawn the Spirit brooded over the face of the deep. All creation became submissive and yielding, and the result was the beautiful garden of Eden. Again the Holy Spirit brooded over a virgin's heart; in response to the wooing of the Spirit, Mary became submissive and the result was the birth of the Saviour of the world. Yet only upon her yielding to God could this miracle be effected.

Again the Holy Spirit broods over Mary's heart, if she will but submit to his wooing influence there will appear a new creation. Each overshadowing has its special place in God's plan.

Mary, greatly awed by the immensity of the plan, did not question God's ability, but merely asked for information and guidance. There was no doubt in her mind as there was in Zacharias; and the Holy Ghost, delighted to give her one evidence after another that she was to be the mother of the child of promise. Her meditations were confirmed by the wonderful prophecy of Elizabeth, her cousin, and the angel of God fortified her heart with the knowledge that with God nothing shall be impossible. Luke 1:37. Mary did not shrink from the dark days ahead-days full of suspicion and criticism, but yielded her heart to

the comfort of the Holy Spirit. Explain the mystery of the virgin birth and you can explain the mystery of Mary's regeneration. One is as easy of explanation as the other. One is as full of mystery as the other. Will you surrender to that new creation power even as Mary surrendered to her Lord.

Matt. 2:2. "Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him.

The Bible is full of evidence that the events surrounding Christ's birth are matters of divine planning. Remembering that God's ability to see the end from the beginning does not indicate a divine decree. It merely seems the play and counter play of human emotions and writes out the result.

Gal. 4:4. "When the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son, made of a woman, made under the law."

It seems it would be impossible for any one to pack into twentytwo words any greater depth of meaning than Paul has put into this.

What richness and beauty in the statement when the fullness of time was come. The word fullness indicates an unhurried completion of the task. "Made of a woman" is expressed elsewhere by Paul as the "likeness of sinful flesh." Rom. 8:3. For all eternity Christ took upon Himself the form of Man. He will always be both man and God. He did this for you, that you might have a part with Him throughout life and eternity. What a treasure we have in Him.

Acts 10:43. "To Him give all the prophets witness, that through His name whosoever believeth in Him shall receive remission of sins."

Because of His incarnation and His fulfillment of all the laws of redemption, Christ is the Deliverer from bondage of sin, and therefore has the right to be Judge of All, both Jew and Gentile; bond and free.

At what infinite cost and great personal sacrifice has he obtained this power. Surrender to Him, and feel the influence of it in your life.

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OBITUARIES

Jasper F. Brewer, 80 years old, died at 1:15 a. m., October 27 at his home, 1211 Virginia Avenue, Joplin, Mo. He was a member of a pioneer Joplin family and a retired mine operator.

Born in Madison County, Ill., he moved to Joplin when he was a small boy, the year after the founding of Joplin. He was a member of the Full Gospel Mission and for a number of years was the church treasurer. At his death, he was the only surviving deacon from the original organization of the church. He was a member of the Woodman of the World.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Cora Brewer of the home; a daughter Mrs. Georgia Hitchcock of Long Beach, Calif.; a brother, Rev. James A. Brewer of Joplin; seven grandchildren and five greatgrandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the Full Gospel Mission in Joplin, October 31. Several musical selections were given by mixed choir and trio. Rev. E. H. Miller of Carterville was in charge, assisted by Rev. B. F. Clark of Liberal, Kansas.



Charley Gibson Gilmore, born April 6, 1881, in Texas County, Mo. Came with his parents, at the age of 17, to Indian Territory (now Oklahoma). Was united in marriage August 13, 1905, to Miss Ethel Archer of Tennessee Prairie, south of Galena, Kansas. To this union was born two children Opal Gilmore Carmack and Oliver J. Gilmore. Brother Gilmore had been a farmer near Baxter Springs until 1921 when he left the farm and moved his family to the home

where they now live in Baxter Springs, Kansas.

He was converted at the Fifth Street Mission in December 1921. into the Full Gospel Faith and has been a devoted and faithful servant of the Lord at that place until the time of his departure. He had been in failing health since last spring, but was seriously ill just two weeks. He left this life October 30. 1947. at 7:50 p. m., at the age of 66 years, 6 months and 24 days. He leaves his wife. Ethel A. Gilmore: his daughter, Opal M. Carmack; his son, Oliver J. Gilmore and wife Blanche and 5 grandchildren, Peggy Jean, Donna Jane, Jackie Wayne, Charles Dean. and Opal Arlene: also one brother. R. N. Gilmore of Sapulpa. Oklahoma: one sister. Ethel Hutchinson of Springfield, Mo.; several cousins, neices, and nephews; and a host of friends.

He was laid to rest in The Lowell Cemetery on Sunday afternoon, November 2nd at 5:00 p. m., with hundreds of friends and loved ones attending. Rev. Marcus Adair of Logan, Oklahom had charge of the services, assiste by Rev. Virgie Parham and Rev. Clinton LaTurner of Baxter Springs. Music was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon of Laverne, Oklahoma; who sang three songs, "No Disappointment In Heaven," "Let Me Go Down to the River," and "When I've Gone The Last Mile of the Way."

The following poem was written and dedicated to him by his wife:

Oh, yes! he's gone, God called him home

His work on earth is done His cross laid down, his crown received

The victory has been won

No more can battles rage, against his weary soul,

Nor tempter cross his way again, he's safely sheltered in the fold. His life has spoken lasting chimes that ring like golden bells,

And though he's fallen in the fight, his loving memory ever dwells. We're yielding now our will to God, his race was bravely run, And now we say Thy Will No.

Ours O God in heaven be done.

