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"He shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the Master's use."—2 Tim. 2:21.

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THE MASTER STOOD IN HIS GARDEN

The Master stood in His garden, Among the lillies so fair
His own right hand had planted, And train'd with tender care.
He look'd on their snowy blossoms, And mark'd with observant eye
That His flow'rs were sadly drooping, For their leaves were parch'd and dry.

"Lillies need to be water'd," The Heavenly Master said;
Where-in shall I draw it for them, And raise each drooping head?
But close to His feet in the path-way, All empty and frail and small.
Was an earthen vessel lying Which seem'd of no use at all.

The Master saw and He rais'd it, From dust in which it lay;
He smil'd as He gently whispered, My work it shall do to-day
'Tis only an earthen vessel, But close it is lying to me;
Tho so small, 'tis clean and empty, That is all it needs to be.

So forth to the fountain He bore it, And filled it full to the brim;
How glad the earthen vessel, To be of use to Him!
He pour'd forth the living water, Refreshing the thirsting flow'rs
Till empty was the vessel, And again He fill'd it there.

The drooping lillies He water'd, Till all reviving again,
The Master saw with pleasure He labor'd not in vain.
His own hand had drawn the water, Refreshing the thirsting flow'rs;
But He used the earthen vessel, To convey the living show'rs.

And then to itself it whispered, As aside He laid it once more,
I still will lie in the pathway, Just where I lay before;
For close would I keep to the Master, And empty would I remain;
Perchance some day He'll use me, To water His lillies again.

—THORO HARRIS.

OPERATIONS OF THE HOLY GHOST

Mat. 1:18-21—The birth of Jesus Christ was in this wise.

Mark 1:8—I indeed have baptised you with water.

Mark 13:11—Holy Ghost will and does speak through mortal man.

Luke 1:13-14-15—Filled with the Holy Ghost even from His mother's womb.

Luke 2:25-26—Revealed to Simeon by the Holy Ghost that he would live to see the Lord's Christ.

Luke 4:18—He hath anointed me to preach.

Acts 10:37-38—God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost.

Acts 1:2—Jesus through the Holy Ghost gave commandments to the Apostles.

Acts 1:8—Ye shall receive power after the Holy Ghost is come upon you.

Acts 2:5-6-7-8—Holy Ghost speaks the languages of the world.

Acts 4:29-30-31—Holy Ghost gives boldness to preach the world.

Acts 5:32—Holy Ghost given to them that obey God.

Acts 6:2-3—Select men full of the Holy Ghost to serve in temporal affairs of the church.

Acts 8:14-15-16-17—Philip established the church in Samaria.

Acts 9:17—Ananias sent that Saul might receive his sight and be filled with the Holy Ghost.

Acts 10:44-45-46—The Gentiles receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 19:6—Paul laid hands on them and the Holy Ghost came on them.

Acts 2:38-39—Holy Ghost for you and your children.

Acts 20:28—Holy Ghost makes overseers in the church.

Rom. 5:5—The love of God shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost.

I trust this lesson will be a blessing to all who read it. It surely has been a blessing to me in searching the Scripture on this subject.

Yours in the name of the coming King,

H. O. BROWN,
Galveston, Texas.

TAIAN, SHANTUNG, CHINA.

A Report of the District Evangelistic Work
By Lillian P. Greer, in Charge.

What hath God wrought! After two and a half years absence from the field I returned to find a revival sweeping over it, bringing newness of life to dead churches as well as to our Bible women and pastors, thus welding them and their flocks into a bond of brotherly love that has never before existed.

It has been a year such as I never dreamed of experiencing, for long had I felt that the day of miracles was past and that the Acts would never be re-acted. But it has been my inexpressible joy to witness the Holy Spirit manifest Himself in many exact duplications of those recorded in the history of the early church. The harmony and oneness of purpose among the workers has made it possible for us to spend more time in evangelistic work and less in supervising.

Since there was no fourth year class this year in the Bible Training School, Miss Ching was released for the country evangelistic work. The Lord was good to give me such a devoted and experienced worker, for many phases of this revival, tho new to me were not to her.

There is an evident hunger and openness to the Gospel everywhere among people of all ages, and the confession of sins turning from them and trusting the Lord Jesus for salvation is not confined to older people, nor is the desire to serve Jesus and the willingness to suffer persecution. One little girl, converted one evening, told the next evening of the persecution she had endured during the day because she could not enter into the gambling games with her playmates as had been her want. When asked how she had overcome the temptation she said she went to the home of another girl who had just been saved and together they prayed for their playmates. One young girl led her widowed mother to the Lord through patiently enduring her violent temper attacks when intoxicated, and the tender care she gave a baby brother, the only son. The baby was scalded on both hands and feet and could not be quieted except through prayers of the sister who, when she went to pray, carried him

to the church in one of the village homes. The mother was convinced that Jesus does hear and answer prayer and accepted Him as her Saviour. There was great rejoicing among the Christians of that village for all had been praying for this mother.

The simple faith and trust in God of these new converts is a challenge to us. A widow just converted this spring was persecuted by her neighbors because she continued to keep the Sabbath and worshipped a God who put more rust on her wheat, they tauntingly affirmed, than on that of her unbelieving neighbors. She told them her Heavenly Father would feed her some way, even though all her wheat was taken by rust. Hers was the first to ripen and consequently harvest hands were secured at a much lower price than her neighbors had to pay later. A few of them commented on this difference in price, but not until her peanuts and "tall grain" flourished beyond any previous year, and noticeably beyond similar fields of her neighbors, did her persecutors confess that her God was a living and powerful one. One came to inquire how many cakes of bean fertilizer she had used on her field of "tall grain." When told that she had not been able to buy any at all he said, "I used five on my field adjacent to yours, but my grain is not nearly so good as yours. Your God surely is taking care of you." She told me this as we walked through her field of grain. When she had finished she said humbly, "Let us return to the house and together thank the Heavenly Father for the care He takes of His own."

The numerous occasions of prayer for the sick and afflicted, or for those who are striving to overcome the gambling, opium, or drink habit, gave us opportunities to bring whole families to the Lord. Last week a young man told me he was home to see his mother, an invalid, a paralytic not being able to rise from her bed for more than a year, who after accepting Jesus as her Saviour and Healer, was now doing her own housework. He confessed he had doubted her healing until he saw for himself. I asked him if he ever heard of Jesus before his family wrote him. "No," was his reply, "but I believe Him now after seeing the wonderful things He has done for my mother and other members of my family. When I re-

turn to my work I shall look up a church where I can learn more about Jesus."

Revivals have been held in several homes, the above mentioned being one where blessings have come through prayers for the sick. These homes are now meeting places for the new Christians. The many remarkable conversions followed by a passion to win others to Jesus are features of the revival which stamp it as absolutely genuine.

A young man of our own city who had wrecked his father's business through losses in gambling, was led to the Lord by a relative who assured him that Jesus would take away the desire to gamble. The young man in his testimony a few evenings later, explained how he desired to be a filial and obedient son, but did not have the strength to overcome the temptation until he believed in Jesus who gave him immediate and complete victory, and that not from the afternoon when he confessed his sins and took Christ as his Saviour, had he once had the slightest desire to gamble. On the other hand, he was repelled by the thought when his friends invited him to join them in a game. He witnesses everywhere he goes to the power of blood to cleanse from sin, and has a great love for the sick who send for him to pray for them. He has great power in prayer and has led many to the Lord.

The wonderful miracles God has permitted me to behold and the fruits of the Spirit as I have seen them manifested in the lives of so many of our workers have made me hungry for a deeper experience in the Lord, and for a deeper conviction of the power of the Cross, so that I can say with Paul, "I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth."

Contributed by Edna Baker.

Those poor who are without a covering for their bodies are to be pitied; but with what tears should we lament those—how rich so ever they are in this world—who are without a covering for their souls, and so stand naked in the storm and under the dreadful droppings of the wrath of God.—Joseph Caryl, 1650.

"I AM THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE"

I am writing this with praise and thanksgiving in my heart for a God who never fails. I had suffered for ten months but we did not know what was wrong, so on March 8th, we called the doctor. He said I had a tumor and would have to be operated on the last of the week as it was the kind that grows very fast, but I am glad that we can stand on God's promises in time of trouble. He said He would never leave or forsake us, and I can say as Job, "I know that my Redeemer liveth."

The same day I was examined, Bro. Robert Parham and wife, came to see us and I went to services with them. They prayed for me and a peace and calm came into my soul I had not had for a long time. It seems like when we are weak He always sends some one along to make us strong.

Tuesday and Wednesday I had company mostly of the unbelievers, and they asked what I was going to do. I told them that I had trusted the Lord ten years for our healing and I knew if I trusted Him wholly He would not fail me now.

Wednesday afternoon, while my sister and mother were with me, we looked out and saw Bro. Gail Schultz, and Bro. and Sister Tucker coming. We said, "Praise the Lord, Just when we need some one, He sends them along." They were on their way to Waller for meeting and stopped by to see us. Bro. Schultz had fasted and prayed that day and said he had felt so burdened for me. So they prayed and God answered in a wonderful way. They prayed that God would smite the thing, let it dry up just as the sun dries the moisture from the earth.

I went out to bid them goodbye and walked back into the house. I said, "Praise the Lord, I am healed." We could see the tumor going down just like a balloon. By 8 o'clock it had gone down 3 1-2 inches and the next day I could wear clothes I had not worn since last spring. I weighed on Sunday and was seven pounds lighter.

On Thursday afternoon Sisters Chapman Feagen, Wendt and Watson came to see me. We all rejoiced to see the power of God so manifested. I went back to Hempstead with them

and then that night we went to the meeting at Waller to give my testimony for the Lord. Bro. and Sister Ditto came to see me Saturday. I praised God for the ones He sends to pray and encourage. I am glad tonight that we know Him as King of kings, and Lord of lords.
Mrs. John Smith, Bellville, Texas.

ENCOURAGEMENT FROM GOD

The world of sin is 'round us,
The way is some times hard,
We give ourselves the warning,
"My soul, be on thy guard."
The way we walk is sprinkled
With many a tricky clod,
Let us "look up," for we all need,
Encouragement from God.

In these days, dark and sinful,
God's children must beware,
The devil has his traps set,
In places everywhere!
The church, as well as dance hall,
It is not just the mob,
Let us, "look up" and we shall gain,
Encouragement from God.

The signs we see appearing,
Our Savior soon will come,
He will not wait much longer
To take His children home.
Lift up your heads toward Zion,
As the short path here you trod,
Is not His promise, "Soon I'll come,"
Encouragement from God?

Esther L. Johnson.

"EARTHQUAKES"

Statistics show that in the last 10 years up to the beginning of this year, (1933) we have had more earthquakes than in all past history. This does not include earthquakes since March 10 of this year.

1400	137 quakes
1500	174 quakes
1600	253 quakes
1700	378 quakes
1800	640 quakes
1900 to '33	3000 quakes

Contributed by Evang. Wilfred C. Parham,
Address Baxter Springs, Kansas

EASTER SERVICES

Great Easter services were planned in Alvin, Texas, by Gail Schultz and Bro. and Sister Tucker, from Thursday night over Sunday with a great all day meeting Sunday with basket dinner. Many were expected to be there from out of town.

The Drachenberg Evangelistic Party were to be at the Tavener Community Church near Beasley, Texas for an all day meeting with basket dinner, Easter Sunday.

Easter Services Held at the Spring Grove Mission.

The Spring Grove Mission at Galena, Kansas, held services all day Easter which were directed by Bro. A. W. Webber, pastor. The sunrise service began promptly at 5:42 a. m., with special singing, and even at this early hour, with threatening rain, the Mission was full. After prayer, a box of promises were passed out and read by the audience, then Bro. Butler, pastor of the Joplin Mission, gave the Easter sermon. A holy presence pervaded the place, as he related the wonderful story of Christ's resurrection, and we realized indeed He had risen, for our hearts burned within us as we worshipped the living Christ. Now hath He risen from the dead, and become the first fruits of them that sleep, and because He lives, we shall live also.

This service closed about 8 o'clock and the many friends who had come from a distance, who could remain, were invited to different homes where a bountiful breakfast was served. A large crowd attended the services throughout the day, and a number of preachers, from far and near took part in the services. In the afternoon the Lord's Supper was served, followed by foot-washing and a baptismal service.

This gathering together of God's children made us think of that great Home Coming around our Father's throne. Let us all endeavor to be there, whatever the cost, cleansed from all sin by His precious blood, and clothed in His righteousness. At the night services Bro. Harold Mills, who is holding a revival meeting at Joplin, Mo., preached and two souls were converted.

CHRIST KNOWN IN THE BREAKING OF BREAD.

Cleopas and a fellow disciple to Emmaus walked one day.

When a stranger approached them quite timidly.

To converse with them on the way.

"What communications are these ye have?

As to-gether ye walk and are sad,"

"Oh, have you not heard of our Master's death?

No more can His servants be glad."

We trusted that He should all Israel redeem
That no power could take Him away,
But He hung on the cross and His life blood flowed

And to-day is the third woeful day—
Yea, certain women to the sepulchre went
And delusions did meet them there,
For they made us astonished upon their return.

With visions of angels so fair.

We found it even as they had said,
And His cold still form was not there,
They say He is risen, that He is not dead
But how can that be, we inquire.

Abide with us, for the day is far spent.
More Scripture from you we would hear,
Oh, can it be He who is breaking our bread,
Our King and our Savior so dear?

Our hearts burned within us as over the way,
The Scriptures to us He explained,
How Jesus must suffer and die on the cross
That forever as King, He might reign,
Oh! Let us rise up and go tell all the brethren,
That Christ has come forth from the grave,
No more shall we mourn for to Him has been given

The grace and the power to save.

FERN HAMMON

Cheney, Kansas,
April 2, 1934.

Greetings to all.

Just a short letter to let all know of the way of God has blessed and is still blessing in the Cheney revival.

We started a revival in the Mission, February 25, and Sister Jennie Evans and Sister Price of Meade, Kansas, came and the services were turned to them and the Lord has blessed from the very first night in giving souls for our hire and truly we are seeing the glory of the Lord filling hungry hearted people, many of whom have sought God for years for the filling of the Holy Spirit, on a sanctified life.

Up to date there have been 19 saved, 20 sanctified, and 18 received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. One in the number being my little twelve-year-old daughter. Praise God for an over flowing joy.

Many of the old timers of the faith say it is like the early days when Bro Parham first brought the truth to Cheney.

Bro. Fred Campbell and wife were in charge of the singing and special song services, and Bro. Campbell gave an account of his experiences as an overseas world war veteran, Friday night, March 16, a story many desired to hear for it was filled with a message of the signs that the prophets told would mark the close of the Age.

The Lord willing we shall make a tour in a few weeks to the West for some meetings through Colorado on to California returning through Western New Mexico and Texas.

Those desiring to have us come by for a few nights or to hold a meeting in your town, we would be glad to hear from you and make arrangements to do so. If you are in Revivals would be glad to come by and let the children help out with special song services. Write me at Cheney, Kansas, at once.

Pray we may be a blessings to many,

H. L. WATKINS

Evangelistic Party.

Hitchcock, Texas.

Dear ones of the Faith:

I wish to take this way of telling you how much your articles and letters in the paper help me from time to time, as perhaps some of you cannot realize what it means to live where you are seemingly cut off from God's people, and that is why we look forward to the arrival of the "Apostolic Faith" paper so much. If I could only put into words **how much** the paper has helped me! So many times I have felt as if I must give up in bleak des-

pair, when just at the hardest part, along would come the paper with some letter or article that seemed to be the very things to encourage me and make me see the futility of giving up, and it helps us to keep our faith in God and His dear children everywhere. Then too, it tells us where our ministers are and when revivals are being held near us. We are interested to know about the revivals and we don't know what we would do if we could not receive our paper every month. If I can not send an offering, I can and will pray that God will provide funds for the paper, so it can go on.

To you, who have the privilege of attending church, won't you please pray that God will open up a way which will enable us to attend church and Sunday school. We have two children, 9 and 12, and I feel the very urgent need of our children being in Sunday school.

If any one feels impressed to write us, we would appreciate it, for I am longing to mingle with God's people.

Your sister in Him,

Mrs. J. C. Carl.

Editorial note. I receive many letters like the above and they encourage me to do my very best to continue to keep this silent messenger going into hundreds of homes over the U. S., Canada and foreign fields, without setting a price on the paper. I certainly appreciate the co-operation of our friends, who are helping spiritually and financially, to make this paper possible. While we hear that many religious papers, that have a stated price have been discontinued during the depression, we feel that God has provided for this paper in a marvelous way and we thank Him for it.

Tracts.

As we have many calls for tracts, I added some to my article, "Earnestly Contend for the Faith", which was published in the last December paper, and had it printed in tract form, which I will be glad to mail out on request. Any offerings sent for the expense of printing these tracts will be used in getting out more tracts. In looking over old papers I found some of Mr. Parham's sermons which were written years ago but never published, and I hope to get these printed as soon as I have the means to do so.

Ikoma P. O., Nara Ken, Japan
1st February, 1934

Greetings in the Mighty Name of the Lord.

We are glad to announce that we have opened the New Year with a victory in the camp. God greatly blessed the New Year Convention when some 120 were fed three times a day for four days, by faith, 12 were baptised in water, and five in the Holy Spirit.

All are rejoicing in God's goodness to us as a Mission that we were able to end the old year with no debts, or mortgages, having built three churches during the year, whilst carrying on work in other places, paying rents, and making additions and improvements on the Compound Ground.

Faith is increasing for the means to move forward this year. We hope to be able to build the Printing Department, some more barrack churches, and in a few weeks we shall pitch the tent again in new places, and push the battle forward for God and souls.

The Bible school has opened its New Year session with new life, one new student entering the school, with another old one who had left the school for a period returning, and we dare to believe that though 1933 was one of the best years we have ever seen in the work, faith is gripping the promises of God for an even better year this 1934.

Faithfully yours,
LEONARD W. COOTE.

"WHEN LOVE SAYS DON'T"

Don't mail that sarcastic, bitter letter which you wrote in an angry mood, and which gave you a feeling of spiteful satisfaction because you thought you had done a smart thing and were going to "get square" with some one who had insulted or injured you—burn it. There is a better way. Try it.

Don't say the mean thing you have been planning to say to someone you think has been mean to you. Instead give him the love thought, the magnanimous thought. Say to yourself: "He is my brother. No matter what he has done, I can't be mean to him. I must show my friendliness, my magnanimity to this brother."

This is Love's way.

Selected,

Dear Ones of the Faith:

Just a line to let you know where we are and our plans. Time has been flying by for the past two months as we have been laboring for the Master in the harvest field.

Because of the blessing of the Lord on the meeting at Brookshire, Tex., we stayed there longer than we had planned. Many that don't go to church came and the meeting was a great spiritual blessing to all. Then the ministers of South Texas voted that Bro. Stanberry and myself should have charge of the South Texas Camp Meeting, also our baby was not feeling in the best of health and we had to change our plans some, so we came by home and left the baby with our folk and hurried on to Booker, Texas, for a great revival there, where Bro. and Sister Fred Campbell have already started, and a great revival spirit is already on the meeting. Bro. Percy Campbell is pastor.

We hope to continue this trip at a later date, as so many were blessed as we went by to tell them of the goodness of the Lord. We are looking for everyone who possibly can to be at the coming camp meetings, make your plans now to attend. We have a donation toward a loud speaker, for the coming camp meetings. Those who attended the camp meeting last year saw how we needed one, and how nice it was when we used Bro. Mack Wyatt's loud speaker for a few nights. We are in a position to buy one at wholesale price, and we are trusting the Lord to make it possible to do so.

The Lord has been very good to us, in renewing our strength as we are continually going on for the Master, Pray for us.

Your Faithful Servants,
ROBERT AND PAULINE PARHAM,
Gen. Del. Booker, Texas.

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Miss Sallie Strickland of Waller, Texas, passed away March 13, after a few day's illness. The funeral services were conducted the following day at the Strickland home by S. W. Ditto, assisted by C. R. Swanson. Our sister first heard the Full Gospel message in 1923, which she accepted and she has been true to the faith. She was the last of the family as her father and mother went on only a few months before her.

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CAMP MEETINGS.

SOUTH TEXAS CAMP MEETING, East Bernard, Texas. June 1st to 10th. A great camp meeting for the Southland, and a cordial invitation is extended to the dear ones everywhere to come to this Camp Meeting.

A number of noted Bible teachers, ministers, evangelists and musicians are coming. Make your plans to be at this camp meeting. For further information, write A. B. Stanberry, 1215 Utah Avenue, Houston, Texas, or Robert L. Parham, Box 6, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

ANNUAL NATIONAL CAMP MEETING, Baxter Springs, Kansas, August 2nd to 12th. Plans are under way for a greater camp meeting here, than last year and many are already planning on coming. For further information write, Apostolic Faith Publishing Company, Baxter Springs, Kansas, or Robert L. Parham, Box 6, Baxter Springs, Kansas.

The plan for camp meeting is for everybody to take care of themselves, in rooms or camping. A common table will be set for all, as the Lord supplies the need.

We are trusting that each one will plant a portion of your garden for the camp meeting, and that each Mission or Church will appoint a delegate, who will represent the camp meeting, in your locality and will see that all donations and food stuff are brought to the camp meeting, this will surely lighten the burden of the camp meeting on all, and will be greatly appreciated.

BRIEF MENTION

Bro. Millard E. Brown writes April 2: We are in a meeting now in Gray, Okla. The prospect is good and I already feel the Hand of God on this place. We closed our meeting at McMiller schoolhouse Saturday night (March 31) and had an Easter service at Hardesty,

Okla., and began meeting here last night.

Howard O. Guest is assisting Garfield Stockwell in a revival in the court house at Leakey Texas. Interest is being shown and they request our prayers.

Bro. and Sister Wilfred C. Parham have now got a house car and are rejoicing in the fact that they will soon start out in the evangelistic work.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gossenberger are holding a revival meeting at Mt. Pleasant, Colo., 18 miles north of Flagler, Colo. Many are coming to these services and often times the building will not hold the crowd. The meeting has been going on four weeks and many hearts have wept their way into salvation.

Francis R. Sutton and brothers are having a revival meeting at Caney, Kansas. Some have been saved, and the Lord is blessing. They request our prayers.

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ROBERT AND PAULINE
PARHAM

2 SERVICES DAILY
3 SERVICES ON SUNDAY
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At
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SINGING CAMPBELLS
WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOU
P. M. CAMPBELL, PASTOR