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A SUSTAINING PROMISE FOR THESE LAST DAYS  
“In famine he shall redeem thee from death; and in war from  
the power of the sword.”—Job v:20

(CONTIUED FROM LAST MONTH)

**EXTRACTS FROM DAILY PAPERS FOLLOWING THE FIRST OUTPOURING OF THE PENTECOSTAL BLESSING... AT THE COLLEGE OF BETHEL, TOPEKA KANS, WATCH NIGHT MEETING 1900.**

**FROM WHENCE IT HAS BEEN PREACHED AND SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE WORLD. THESE ARE NOT THE FULL ACCOUNTS BUT ONLY THE FAVORABLE COMMENTS.**

The heavy black print were headlines in the papers and the lighter prints only matter from articles.

Kansas City papers 1900—February  
**AT THE ACADEMY OF MUSIC REV. CHAS. F. PARHAM OF THE COLLEGE AT BETHEL TO CONDUCT REVIVALS IN AN UP TOWN HALL.** Mr. Parham is the leader of the Topeka sect which has started out to induce the world to return to what it exponents, call the early Apostolic Faith. Mr. Parham and several of his followers claimed to have conferred upon them the GIFT OF TONGUES, and of other powers the early disciples were said to have had. among them that of healing. And are expecting that the millennium will be hastened by their preaching. its advent being, in their opinion a matter of only a short time.  
**SIX PRAYERS HOURS OF PRAYER PARHAM AND STUDENTS HOLDS SERVICE AT SHELLY PARK.** C. F. Parham, with seventeen students from Bethel College Bible school at Topeka, Kans., held a session of prayer yesterday in a tent at Shelly park. The session lasted Six hours. From 9 A. M. to 3 P. M. during which time over one hundred persons offered prayer, including many of the students, who prayed in foreign tongues by means of the "gift". Last evening the Evangelist held a regular prayer meeting which was attended by about seventy-five people. Several different languages were used by the people. The Bethel Bible School, according to its founder and present head, is the only religious institution in the world to the students of which has the "gift of tongues" been given from God. "We are not working for money" said a student last night. We do not ask for money from anyone. The Lord will provide. If we are worthy, we will

have plenty to eat and plenty to wear. If we are not worthy we will starve.

The workman is worthy of his hire. We are well fed and receive considerable sums of money from those whom the Lord moves to give. "When asked to explain the gift of tongues" a student said, "It came to the students Jan., 1st last, direct from God. We could none of us speak any other language beside the English. When gift came from God we could speak twenty-one different languages, and by the grace of God, we touch nothing that is not proven by the Bible. Our religions is the religion of truth, not the religion of fashion, as practiced by the churches. We do not preach come-outism or come in-ism, but recognize all good Christians anywhere we met them. Ours is the religion of God.

#### **SAYS THEY ARE PERSECUTED**

Rev. C. F. Parham tells of his followers, hardships.

The Rev. C. F. Parham, of Topeka, Kans., who teaches the gift of tongues thru inspiration, began a series of meetings at 1675 Madison Ave., last night. He spoke of the persecutions that have always attended every great reform, which he and his followers were experiencing in some degree. We believe, that ours is the last reform and the second coming of Christ is close at hand. Our work is set for the restoration of faith and power and unity among believers and the speedy evangelization of the world. Mr. Parham claims that he and his followers thru their faith are able to preach in different languages. The sect has a school, **THE COLLEGE OF BETHAL. TOPEKA, KANS.**

**Kansas City Times, Jan. 27th., 1901**

Converts get what they pray for by inspiration in languages unknown to them-selves.

Topeka, Kans., Jan. 25th. The Rev. Chas. F. Parham who lately attracted much attention in Kansas City, is at the head of a company of enthusiasts who have founded what is called the College of Bethel, Gospel school in this city. There are about 40 in the school. They pray for what they want and get what they pray for, they have plenty to eat and wear. they say the Lord provides. In conversation with a times correspondent recently Mr. Parham said, that on New Years day one of the students, Miss Ozman became suddenly gifted with a new and strange tongue and spoke in a language un-

known to herself and to the others. The next day, said Parham I went to town and on my return found many of the students talking in unknown tongues, no two talking the same language, and no one understanding his or his neighbors speech. From that time on spiritual development was marvelous. He asserts that the students—Americans without education in foreign languages—have lately spoken in French, German, Swedish, Bohemian, Chinese, Japanese, Hungarian, Bulgarian, Russian, Italian, Spanish and Norwegian.

We teach that part of our labor will be to tell the churches the uselessness of spending years in preparing Missionaries for work in the far-off. All things come thru faith, we ask God for Power and then have faith that power will come. All things come thru faith, we ask God for food and raiment and we receive them. I have started out many a day without a cent and returned with \$25 in my pocket. my prayers had been answered. There was nothing supernatural about it, I needed the money for the Lords work, God knew it, and put it in the hearts of men who had money to supply my needs. We wanted power from on high to help save the world; we prayed for it; we received it. When the unknown tongue is disputed Parham always cites the 17th verse, 16th chapter of Mark, which says: "and these signs shall follow them that believe, in my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues.

Kansas City Times

PREACHER ISSUES A DEFI. REV. CHAS. F. PARHAM OF TOPEKA ISSUES CHALLENGE TO HEALTH OFFICERS.

I defy the officers of the law to come into my home and attempt to vaccinate me or members of my family. The above statement was made last night during Revival services at 1675 Madison St. I do not believe in your miserable vaccine, and I wouldn't let any one put it in my arm. I do believe in obeying the laws of your city and the nation, but as a citizen of heaven and an ambassador of God I refuse to let them put that rotten vaccine in my body. It is unconstitutional. it is against our laws and our freedom of religious belief, of which we boast. I have as much right to refuse to obey that law as the Quakers had in refusing to go to war.

THROWS AWAY CRUTCHES AS EFFECT

OF PRAYER. MRS. JENNIE CAIN SAYS SHE IS HEALED WITHOUT MEDICINE ONE GET THE GIFT OF TONGUES.

Mrs. Jennie Cain, 911 East 14th. st., yesterday afternoon at the six hour session of Rev. Chas F. Parhams Revival, threw aside her crutches she had used for twenty-seven years and walked to her home, last night she attended the service without crutches. The crutches she had used hang high on the walls of the Revival Hall. During the six hours of prayer yesterday Rev. F. V. Nichols, a student of the Kansas City Methodist College says he received the Gift of Tongues. He believes it was the Assyrian Tongue. I began talking and talked so fast he could not stop, I could not articulate at all and my words went faster than I could understand. but I know and believe it was the Pentecostal blessing, I am being led by God. At the close of the service, eleven knelt for Salvation, the students all kneeling talking and praying with the Penitents.

Kansas Journal and Times, March 11th., 1901

PRAYER IS HIS CURE

CHAS. F. PARHAM AGAIN IN KANSAS CITY HOLDS TWO MEETINGS, IN THE INTERIM GOES AMONG THE SICK, ANOINTING WITH OIL AND CURING BY PRAYER, TALKS OF HIS WORK.

Chas. F. Parham the Evangelist of Topeka, Kans., spent last night and yesterday in Kansas City, holding meeting and effecting cures and performing all the acts of an old time Apostle, during the interval of the meetings he visited the sick and healed many, merely by anointing with oil and by prayer. On the walls of the Hall were a pair of crutches thrown away by a woman who was cured. "Do you claim any virtue for the oil", asked, the reporter after the meeting last night. None whatever the Evangelist replied. It is prayer that cures, we treat all diseases alike. It was a wonderful meeting that we just closed in Lawrence, Kansas at the end of three weeks, between 12 and 15 persons received the Gift of Tongues three of them were negroes, (these were the first negroes to receive the Gift), one spoke Spanish and a man who was present and who spent his life among the Spanish, said that it was as pure Spanish as he ever heard, and other spoke German not merely the high and low German, but the dialects of the different section of the country, and

others spoke the Osage Indian language.

The Lawrence Jeffersonian Gazette of May 14th, had this to say of the meetings of the Full Gospel believers.

Rev. Chas. F. Parham, of the college of Bethel, Topeka, Kansas, with about twenty students will conduct a meeting in Lawrence, Kans., the meeting is for the restoration of the Apostolic Faith and Power. The unity of believers the "Witness" Evangelization of all nations in this coming century. No churchism nor comoutism, will be preached, the meetings will be attended with the gifts of 1st Cor., 12th Chapter.

"The Lawrence World"

A GREAT WORKER

CHAS. F. PARHAM WILL HOLD A SERIES OF MEETINGS IN LAWRENCE.

Chas. F. Parham, who has won an international reputation since leaving Lawrence five years ago will return and hold a series of meetings in Music Hall.

Mr. Parham is not the founder of any new church or creed. He insists that his mission is to have people return to the Apostolic Faith. His views are referred to as strange and yet he claims that the country ought not to regard the first principles of the Christian Religion as strange. He will bring about 20 of his students to this city and will take no collections, will not ask any man for a cent but will be well fed and supplied with all the necessities and many of the luxuries of life. Mr. Parham does not impress one as being a peculiar man. Indeed he is a right good fellow and is earnest in his life's work. Whatever may be said about him he has attracted more attention to religion than any other religious worker in years.

The most peculiar thing about him and his work is the gift of tongues. His students can speak in languages they never heard before it has been demonstrated that it is not gibberish but real languages and can be understood by foreigners.

Mr. Parham believes that the world is ready to return to the Apostolic Faith and is going about preaching the word and asking people to enlist under this banner. He is not representing any church and will not perfect any organization, but will preach the word of God as he has the light. Two meetings will be held daily. Not only does his converts speak in many lang-

uages, but they cast out devils and heal the sick. This speaking in tongues is some thing new. It came to them with the present century (Falling on Watch night 1900—1901) since that time it has been extended far and wide, Mr. Parham claims this is not remarkable. It is simply a witness of his relation to the true Faith. Mr. Parham has an interesting personality.

He was for a number of years a preacher in this city and country about and had great power in revivals. He is essentially a revivalist. He left the regular ministry about five years ago and since that time has been doing evangelistic work. He will be in the city for about ten days and the meetings will give those interested in the man and his work a chance to see for themselves what manner of work he is doing to attract such world wide attention.

#### WONDERFUL CURES IN KANSAS

Taken from Joplin News Herald, Cincinnati and Philadelphia Ledger.

Galena, Kans., Jan. 27, 1904.

It is doubtful whether in recent years anything has occurred that has awakened the interest, excited the comment or mystified the people of this regions as the religious meetings being held here by Rev. C. F. Parham familiarly termed "The Divine Healer."

Almost three months have elapsed since this man came to Galena and during that time he has healed in his meeting over one thousand people and more than 800 converted. When Rev. Parham first began to attract attention he was holding meeting in a large tent, and soon the streets in that vicinity were crowded nightly with people who were anxious to see the wonderful man who was healing the sick the maimed and the blind without money and without price. When it was found that the tent was utterly inadequate to accommodate the crowd who assembled a large double store room that would shelter 2000 people was procured. A platform was built at one end, stoves were set up, rough pine boards were installed to be used as seats. Here for the past six weeks Parham has preached to crowded houses, and the interest shows no sign of abatement. In this rude temple cures that are looked upon almost in the light of miracles have been performed. During the services there have been as many as fifty people at the altar at one time seeking to be restored in soul and body. Here people who have not

walked for years without the aid of crutches have arisen so straightened that they were enabled to lay aside their crutches to the astonishment of the audience.

#### CURED BY FAITH

These cures they claim were effected solely by faith through prayer and faith. Nothing else is done, though Rev. Parham often lays his hands upon the afflicted ones while the devotions are going on, with the result that some say it is due to his own magnetism that so much is accomplished.

Parham and his followers do not advocate Christian Science or Spiritualists, but their belief condensed is that God is able to overcome all, cure diseases of both soul and body and will do so if they live a consecrated christian life and depend on Him for all." The healer" makes no charges and takes no credit upon himself, saying that he was only teaching the people the "True Way". He takes no collections, but not with standing has had the needs of himself and family well supplied for by donations from a grateful public.

Rev. Parham is a slight built spare man extremely delicate looking in fact he has said that he was an invalid and badly crippled until he was healed through prayer. His face is pale and earnest looking, while masses of brown hair covers his remarkably shaped head, Parham is the posseser of such a remarkably personality that some have accused him of hypnotizing his followers. Others go so far as to term him a fanatic, but all regardless of sect or prejudices, agree that he has brought about conditions that were never before witnessed in all these parts of the country.

#### ALL NATIONS REPRESENTED

Here women who have formally lived for society and gaily kneel beside some fallen sister and endeavor to paint her heavenward and the "Followers" receive what they term the "Pentecost", and are enabled to speak in foreign tongues. Languages with which they are free from this power, they are utterly unfamiliar. This alone is considered one of the most remarkable things of the meetings. Last week a woman rose during the meeting and spoke for 10 minutes no one apparently understanding her, and Indian who had come from the Peoria nation in the Territory that day to attend the meeting stated that she was speaking in the

language of his tribe and that he could understand every word of her testimony. \* Others have spoken in Latin, in Hebrew, in Chinese, and various other tongues, and while such manifestations have filled the public with wonder some are of the opinion that the religious demonstrations of this band are carried to extremes.

One night this week over four hundred remained at the meeting all night singing, praying and speaking in other tongues. Not until the broad day light did they disperse, and it was a strange sight they presented wending their way homeward in the morning. On another occasion hundreds congregated on the banks of Spring River during one of the coldest days of the winter and witnessed Rev. Parham immerse almost one hundred people in its icy waters, not one of whom however contracted even the slightest cold, but of all the wonderful things which has transpired in connection with these meetings nothing has attracted the attention of the people as has the "Healing", which have not been confined to an ignorant uneducated class of people on the contrary, some of the most conservative, intelligent persons, not only here but within a radius of one hundred miles have visited "The Healer" with wonderful results. Mrs. E. L. Arthur, wife of one of the most prominent and influential man in Galena, was one of the first to be healed through Mr. Parham's agency. She was almost blind, her visits to some of the most noted oculists in the United States have according to her own words done her little good, under "the Healers" instructions she removed her glasses and went forth entirely healed and has never had even the slightest return of her affliction, the high social standing and excellent reputation of Mrs. Arthur has done much in bringing Parham before the public in a favorable light, following close upon this was the restoration of Mrs. C. O. Frye of Joplin, Mo., whose husband is one of the best known mine operators in South West, Mo. Mrs. Frye has been a constant sufferer for years, but states that now is in excellent health though the prayers of Mr. Parham and his band. Mrs. L. C. Anderson of this city has been healed of cancer. Mrs. L. B. Hinckley of a tumor, she also has been given the power of hearing in one ear deaf for 42 years. Mrs. James Pond had three cancers tumors that have completely disappeared. Clarence Rawland a

14 year old boy, was cured of stammering, his speech was formally almost unintelligible. Mrs. M. A. Boyd, whose lower limbs had been paralyzed for four years, at which place she experienced not the slightest sensations when electric needles were inserted in her flesh, was completely restored. Children born deaf and dumb have been brought out of their afflictions. Others who have met with accidents have been healed. Such a case occurred recently when the 2 year old child of Mrs. L. Love a widow fell from a window a distance of 18 feet to the stone walk below. Physicians were summoned who pronounced the injuries internal and extended no hope. A friend prevailed and the minister was sent for in two or three days the little one was well.

The list of those who have been benefited by Rev. Parham's visit to this section is indeed a large one and cases like the preceding have done much to cause the people to regard the man with almost superstitious awe, but when one meets him in every day life he is so quiet, so unostentatious so sympathetic that he invariably wins confidence. His wife, is in every sense a home woman and heartily in sympathy with her husband's work, although on account of little ones in the home is not necessarily taking an active part in it. However her sister Miss Lilian Thistlethwaite is a close attendant at the meetings and an earnest worker.

The Parham home or "stopping place", as they call it is always full of visitors, some of whom have come many miles to consult the Minister, others are objects of charity, whom the couple are befriending. In the last two weeks branches of the Parham meetings have sprung up in the different mining camps all of which are attracting large crowds and it is difficult to enter a company where the wonderful results of these meetings are not the chief topic of conversation.

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#### MAKE IT PLAIN

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On the sixteenth day of the battle of Gettysburg. I entered the room where a young wounded colonel was apparently near to death's door. As I entered, he beckoned me to his bedside. and threw his feeble arms around my neck.

"Oh my Father, how glad I am to see you.

I was afraid you would not come till it was too late. I am too feeble to say much, though I have a great many things to say to you; you must do all the talking. Tell me all about dear mother and sister."

I soon perceived by all the appearances of those in the house, that there was no hope entertained of his recovery. But as I could no longer endure the agony of suspense, I at last inquired of the doctor, "Doctor, what do you think of my son's case?" "Entirely hopeless." "But is there nothing more can be done to save him?" "No sir. Every thing human skill and kindness can do has been done. Your son has been a brave and successful officer; has been a great favorite in the army; has won the highest esteem of all who know him, but he must die. Immediately after the amputation the gangrene set in, and defies all efforts to arrest it. "Well Dr., how long do you think he will live?" "Not more than four days. He may drop away any hour. We are constantly fearing that an artery will give way, and then it is all over with the colonel. What do you wish to do in reference to his death. you had better do at once." "Have you, or has anyone, told him of his real condition?" No, we have left that painful duty for you to do, as we have been expecting your arrival for several days."

As I entered the room with the dreadful message of death on my heart. the eyes of my son fastened on me. "Come, sit by my side, father; have you been talking with the doctor about me?" Yes. "What did he tell you? Does he think I shall recover?" There was painful hesitation for a moment. "Don't be afraid to tell me just what he said." "He told me you must die." How long does he think I can live? "Not to exceed four days, and that you may drop away any hour--that an artery may slough at any moment which you cannot survive. With great agitation he exclaimed. Father is that so? Then I must die, I cannot, I must not die. Oh, I am not prepared to die now. Do tell me how I can get ready? Make it SO PLAIN that I can get hold of it. Tell me in a few words, if you can, so that I can see it plainly. I know you can, father, for I used to hear you explain it to others."

'Twas no time now for tears, but for calmness and light, by which to lead the soul to Christ. and both were given. My son I see you

are afraid to die. "Yes I am." "Well I suppose you feel guilty." "Yes that's it. I have been a wicked young man. You know how it is in the army." "You want to be forgiven, don't you?" "Oh, yes that's what I want. Can I be, father? MAKE IT SO PLAIN that I can get hold of it."

At once, an incident which occurred during the school days of my son, came to my mind. I had not thought of it before for several years. Now it came back to me, fresh with its interest, and just what was wanted to guide the agitated heart of this young inquirer to Jesus.

Do you remember while at school in--- you came home one day, and I having occasion to rebuke you, you became very angry and abused me with harsh language? "Yes father, I was thinking it all over a few days ago, as I thought of your coming to see me, and felt so bad about it that I wanted to see you, and once more ask your forgiveness." Do you remember, how after the paroxysm of your anger had subsided, that you came and threw your arms around my neck, and said "My dear father, I am so sorry I abused you so. It was not your loving son that did it, I was very angry. Wont you forgive me?" "I remember it very distinctly." "Do you remember what I said to you as you wept upon my neck?" "Very well." you said, "I forgive you with all my heart, and kissed me. I shall never forget those words." "Did you believe me?" "Certainly, I never doubted your word." "Did you feel happy again?" "Yes perfectly, and since that time I have loved you more than ever before. I shall never forget how it relieved me when you looked upon me so kindly, and said I forgive you with all my heart."

Well now this is the very way to come to Jesus. Tell Him you are sorry just as you told me. Will He forgive you? He says He will, then you must take Him at His word for it, just as you did mine. "Why father is this the way to become a Christian?" I don't know any other. "Why father, I can get hold of this. I am so glad you have come to tell me how."

He turned his head upon his pillow for rest. I sank into my chair and wept freely, and committed the case to Christ. He too, I was soon assured had done His. The broken heart had made its confession, had heard what it longed for. "I forgive you," and believed it. It was but a few moments of silence, but the new creation

had taken place, the broken heart had made its short simple prayer, and believed, and the new heart had been given. A soul had passed out from nature's darkness in marvelous light, and from the power of sin and Satan unto God, I soon felt the nervous hand on my head, and heard the word "Father", in such a tone of tenderness and joy, that I knew the change had come.

"Father, my dear father, I don't want you to weep any more, you need not. I am perfectly happy now. Jesus had forgiven me. I know he has, for he says so, and I take His word for it, just as I did yours. Wipe your tears. I am not afraid to die now. If its Gods will, I should like to live to serve my country, and take care of you and mother, but if I must die, I am not afraid to now, Jesus has forgiven me. Come Father lets sing—"When I can read my title clear." And we did sing. "Now father, I want you should pray, and I will follow you." We did pray, and Jesus heard us. "Father I am very happy. Why, I believe I shall get well. I feel much better."

From that hour all his symptoms changed—pulse went down, and countenance brightened. The current of life had changed. The Dr. soon came in and found him cheerful and happy—looked at him—felt his pulse, which he had been watching with intense anxiety, and said,— "Why Colonel, you look better." "I am better, Doctor. I am going to get well, my father has told me how to become a Christian, and I am very happy. I believe I shall recover, for God has heard my prayer. Dr., I want you should become a Christian, too. My Father can tell you how to get hold of it."

In the evening three surgeons were in consultation, but saw no hope in the case, and one of them took his final leave of the Colonel.

Next morning the two surgeons, who had been in consultation came in and began as usual to dress the wound. On opening the bandage, they suddenly drew back, and throwing up their arms, exclaimed,— "Great God this is a miracle" The gangrene is arrested, and the colonel will live' God has heard your prayers' ".

"Why Dr.," replied the colonel. "I told you yesterday, that I believed I should live for I asked Jesus that I might live to do some good. I knew he heard my prayer, and now you see he

has. Bless the Lord with me Doctor."

Meanwhile, "Our son must die", had gone over the wires, and made sadness at home. Next day, "Our son will live, and is happy in Christ", followed, and joy came again to the loved ones.

After his recovery, the colonel returned to the people whose sons he had led with honor through fifteen hard fought battles. They in return, gave him the best office in the gift of a loyal and grateful people. Among them he now lives in prosperity and honor, he is a member of the Church of Christ, and the father of a happy family, growing up around him, and consecrated to the service of His Redeemer. I too was made a better man and better minister by that scene, where this dear son, struggling with his guilt and fear of death, was led to Jesus, and found the pardon of his sins. I there resolved never to forget that charge he made me, in his extremity: "MAKE IT SO PLAIN THAT I CAN GET HOLD OF IT." I have made this my Motto of every sermon I have preached, and God has blessed the effort.

#### "LOVE COVERETH"

Recently a sister asked me to write an article answering the question why those professing godliness so constantly criticize Christian workers and pass on evil reports. There is only one answer; they lack the perfect love of God that covers.

Under the old covenant and under the new we have the statements, "Love covereth." (Prov. 10:12; 11 Pet. 4:8) And "the Love Chapter," emphatically confirms this, as the Greek for "Love covereth all things with silence." (1 Cor. 13:7.)

Early in Bible history we have a record of God's appreciation of the love that "covereth."

Blessings were given to Shem and Japhet because, when they heard of their father's shame, they walked backward and "covered" him, and "saw not the nakedness of their father." (Gen. 9:23-27.)

The Holy Spirit writing through Moses must needs record Lot's worldliness for our warning. (Gen. 13: 10-13.) But the Holy Spirit, writing through Peter, overlooks Lot's sin, long since forgiven, and tells us, "God . . . delivered just Lot, vexed with the filth conversation of the wicked; for that righteous man . . . in seeing

and hearing, vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds." (2Pet. 2:7-8)

A true history must mention Rahab's falsehood, but love covers the heathen woman's sin of ignorance and only recalls her faith when she hears of Isreal's God. (Josh. 2: 8-16; Heb. 11: 31.)

Jesus was unsparing in His denunciation of the Pharisees to their faces, and He sent a strong, characteristic word to the sly, cunning, deceitful Herod; but He never personally spoke evil of any individual behind his back. He reprimanded Peter to his face severely, but He did not tell John privately that Peter was influenced by Satan. He openly and publicly rebuked Simon, but He did not go into the home of Mary and Martha and talk over how uncourteous Simon had been.

With God, a forgiven sin is "covered." (Psa. 32:1.) There is not a hint of David's transgression in the New Testament, though his name occurs fifty-seven times.

If we forgive "even as" He, we never speak of an injury done to us. (Eph. 4:32.)

A high standard? Yes, but the overcomers reach it. The sons of God are perfect in love "even as" their Father. (Matt. 5:44-48.) They reprove those whom they believe are wrong but they put away all "evil speaking," and "take account" only of the "lovely" things. (Eph. 4: 31; Phil. 4:8.) They never mention a true, vile report nor pass on an evil story, that possibly after all, may be much exaggerated or altogether untrue.

Years ago, when I was a babe in Christ, somebody stabbed me. It was my rule never to tell any human being of a wrong perpetrated against me. But this time I said to myself, as I lay on my couch thinking it over: "I must just tell Tom." But the Spirit whispered, "Love covers." and I saw that I must not even tell my husband.

Then I opened my lips to talk to the Lord about it in prayer, and more decidedly than before the Spirit said, "Love covers." I was ready to weep. "Why, Father," I cried, "may I not even tell Thee about it?" Very tenderly He said, "Love covers." I rose instantly and went to my writing. Perhaps a week, perhaps a month, elapsed before I even recalled that I had been wounded, and then could not remember who or what had caused my pain.

The years went by whenever the Spirit said,



"Love covers." He wrought in me the obliteration of bitter wrong, until one midnight I found myself wholly sleepless as the surges of a cruel injustice swept over me, and the love which covers seemed to have crept out of my heart. Then I cried out to God in an agony for the power to obey His injunction, "Love covereth."

Immediately the Spirit began to work in me the power that brought the forgetfulness. Mentally I dug a grave. Deliberately I threw up the earth until the excavation was deep. Sorrowfully I lowered into it the things which had wounded me. Quickly I shovelled in the clods. Over the mound I carefully laid the green sods. Then I covered it with white roses and rapidly walked away. Sweet sleep came. The wound which had been so nearly deadly was healed without a scar, and I know not today what caused my grief.

More years went by and there came into my life a succession of daily trials small and stinging that I seemed utterly unable to forgive and forget. Again my agonizing cry to God was answered. In vision I dug another grave down in the swamp at the side of the house. Into a casket I put the noxious things, and lowered them, and covered them and put upon the earth the weeds and rushes, and waited for the roses, but none came. I cried out, "Father, aren't you going to give me any roses?" And then up from each corner of the rough mound there sprang a tiny evergreen tree, that grew slowly toward heaven. I had my victory.

Last week, opening a letter from a dear friend I read the words "For your eyes alone. Read and burn." So I walked down the roadway out of human sight, and sat in a breach in the stone wall and read the letter three times over with much blessing. Then I tore it into bits and threw them into the crevices beside me. Then I covered every crevice with small stones until not a single trace of the letter could be seen.

Then I sat and prayed intensely for such a knowledge of God's thought of "Love covereth" as would make it utterly impossible for me ever to "see evil any more." (Zeph. 3:15; Isa. 33:15)

A. C. M. B.

### THE EAGLE AT NIAGARA

An eagle was seen on a cake of ice floating in the river above Niagara Falls, feeding on a

dead lamb. A sleet was falling at the time, freezing as it fell. The unconscious eagle, intent upon its meal, surveyed the scene, obviously aware of approaching danger, yet nothing daunted, expecting to escape the threatening flood by flight. The ice was born into the current, nearer the rapids, and then the falls. The eagle crouched to mount into the air, but its feathers were congealed into fetters. The harmless mist had frozen into bands of ice while the eagle was feeding in security upon earthly things. Nearing the brink, in frantic fright it strove to force the pinions, but it was bound; and with a piercing shriek of agonizing terror, plunged into the merciless abyss. This perilous picture will never be forgotten, neither the thought, what if the coming of the Lord should find me occupied with earthly things, unprepared to meet the Bridegroom of my soul.

—Selected.

### A DEEPER DEATH TO SELF, A MOST IMPORTANT MESSAGE

By G. D. Watson

There is not only a death to sin, but in a great many things there is a deeper death to self a crucifixion to and in detail, and in crucifixion to self is the unfolding and application of all the principles of self renunciation which the soul agreed to in its full consecration. Job was a perfect man and dead to all sin but in his great sufferings, he died to his own religious life-died to his domestic affections, died to his theology; all his views of God's providence: he died to a great many things which in themselves were not sin, but which hindered his largest union with God.

Peter, after being sanctified and filled with the spirit, needed a special vision from heaven, to kill him to his traditional theology and Jewish high Churchism. The very largest degree of self-renunciation, crucifixion, and abandonment to God, take place after the work of heart purity. There are a multitude of things which are not sinful. Nevertheless our attachment to them prevents our greatest fulness of the Holy Spirit and our complete cooperation with God. Infinite wisdom taken us in hand and arranges to lead us thru deep, interior crucifixion to our fine parts, our lofty reason, our brightest hopes,

our cherished affections, our religious views, our dearest friendship, our pious zeal, our spiritual impetuosity, our narrow culture, creeds and churchism, our success, our religious experiences, our spiritual comforts; the crucifixion goes on till we are dead and detached from all creatures, all saints, all thoughts all plans all tender heart yearnings, all preferences, dead to all troubles all sorrows all disappointments, equally dead to all praise or blame, success or failure, comforts or annoyances, dead to all climates and nationalities, dead to all desire but for Himself. There are innumerable degrees of interior crucifixion in these various lines. Perhaps no sanctified person in ten-thousand ever has reached that degree of death to self that Paul and Madam Guyon and similar saints have reached.

In contradistinction to heart cleansing, this finer crucifixion is gradual. It extends thru months or years, the interior spirit is mortified over and over in the same points, till it reaches a state of divine indifference to it. A great part of believers have gone thru all sorts of (Dying daily) to self before they found that calm, fixed, union with the Holy Ghost, which is the deep longing of every child of God. Again in contradistinction to heart cleansing, which is by faith, this deeper death to self is by suffering. This is abundantly taught in the scriptures and is confirmed by the furnace experience by thousands.

Joseph was a sanctified man before being cast into prison, but there the iron entered into his soul (Psalm 105-18 margin).. and by suffering he reached the highest death of self. There are literally many scriptural passages like Psa. 71 19-21 teaching that the upper ranges in the sanctified state are wrought out thru suffering. Perhaps the most remarkable passage of the word on this subject is in Romans 5th chapter. The first verse teaches justification by faith, the second verse teaches full salvation by faith and verses three to five teach a deeper death and fuller Holy Ghost life by tribulation.

When the soul undergoes this deeper death of self, it enters into a great widness of spiritual comprehension and love; a state of almost uninterrupted prayer; of boundless charity for all people; of unutterable tenderness and broadness of sympathy; of deep quiet thoughtfulness; of

extreme simplicity of life and manners and of deep visions into God's plan of the coming ages. In this state of utter death to self, suffering sorrows, pains, and mortifications of all kind are looked upon with a calm, sweet indifference. Such a soul looks back over its heart-breaking trials, its scalding tears its mysterious tribulations with gentlesubduedness, without regret, for it now sees God in every step of the way. Into such a soul Holy Spirit pours the ocean current of His own life; its great work henceforth is to watch the monition and movements of the Spirit within it, and to yield prompt, loving, unquestioned co-operation with Him. Such a soul is at last in deed and in truth, reached the place where there is "none of self and all of Christ".

#### SWEETS FROM SOLOMON'S SONG

Abbie C. Morrow Brown  
Chapter 2 "The Kisses."

"He will kiss me with the kisses of His mouth." 1:2.

It is beautifully in harmony with love, both human and divine, that this Bridal Song should begin with the personal pronoun, "He." A young woman in the ardor of her first love seldom mentions her lover's name. The earthly is a type of the heavenly. Mary Magdalene cries out in her anguish. "Tell me where ye have laid Him." John 20: 15.

A kiss is the token of special affection, and the gift of the bridegroom at the altar. Lives there a woman, who has loved devotedly, who can not recall her intense longing for this expression of affection, from her lover? His first embrace; his first gift; the time and place of the betrothal kiss; the marriage salutation, and her foolish grief that first morning when her husband went away without a goodbye kiss!

Is there one who has entered into close relationship with the Divine, who can not recall the first intense longings for expressions of His affection. the first utter abandonment to His will. the first gifts. the first manifestation of His love. and the first grief when He seemed to have forgotten!

The kisses of His mouth."

"The lips of promise meeting the lips of prayer."

In the East they do not kiss each other on

the mouth. In Jerusalem my servants kissed my hand, and my friends, who followed the native custom, kissed me first on one cheek, and then on the other.

How happy I was that hour when Jesus became my Savior; and when I received Him as my Sanctifier; and when He became my Physician; and when He called me into service; and when He taught me the art of soul-winning; and when I was permitted to tell of His goodness to thousands; and when it pleased Him to bestow the gifts of prophecy and healing; and when I learned that He was "coming back to earth again," and when, through a manifestation of glory in my body, I was given the assurance that Father, Son and Holy Spirit were abiding within. John 14: 21-23.

And then, one day, I saw the promise of an endless life. John 6: 58; 8: 51; Rom. 2: 7, a place beside the Bridegroom at the Marriage Supper. Rev. 3: 21; 19: 7-9. Then my heart cried out for "the kisses of His mouth," that would forever assure me that the place of His tenderest love, this position of highest honor, should be mine. And He has graciously granted me to be able to sing:

"Thou art Beloved, my deep desire,  
And my love's eternal bliss;  
Thou are the Rest, where leaneth my  
breast,  
Thou hast given the Holy Kiss.

"Thy heart from mine can none divide.  
For one are the Bridegroom and the Bride.  
It is sweet, Beloved, for Thee and me,  
To wait for the day that is to be."

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Los Angeles, Calif.

### WHY GO TO CHURCH?

In 1831 France, determined on prison reform, sent her most brilliant son, Alexis de Tocqueville, to the United States to study our prison methods. This visit resulted in two remarkable books.

On placing the second work in the hands of publishers he said, "I sought for the greatness and genius of America in her commodious harbors and her ample rivers; it was not there. I sought for the greatness and genius of

America in her fertile fields and her boundless forests; it was not there. I sought for the greatness and genius of America in her rich mines and her vast world commerce; it was not there.

"I sought for the genius of America in her free public schools and her institutions of learning; it was not there. I sought for the greatness and genius of America in her matchless Constitution and her democratic Congress; it was not there.

"Not until I went into the churches of America and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the greatness and genius of America. America is great because America is good. If America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great."

### TOUCH HIS THRONE

When you pray at morn or sundown,  
By yourself, or with your own;  
When you pray at rush of noon-tide—  
Just make sure you touch the throne.

When you pray in hours of leisure,  
Praying long and all alone;  
Pour not out mere words as water,  
But make sure you touch the throne.

When you pray in busy moments,  
Oft to restless hurry prone,  
Preivity will matter little,  
If you really touch the throne.

When amid the congregation  
Of God's saints, in prayer you groan,  
He will hear your voice, and answer,  
If you truly touch His throne.

When you pray as Christ directed,  
Who, of old, Christ's power have known;  
As they touch His garment-border,  
So make sure you touch His throne.

When you pray, as Christ directed,  
In a manner clearly shown,  
In His name, and by His Spirit,  
You will always touch His throne.

—Winifred A. Iverson.

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### EDITORIAL

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

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

### A FEW WORDS TO ALL

Greetings in Jesus name: to all the dear readers of the Apostolic Faith paper.

This has been a very successful year of labors in Gods vineyard, every meeting of this year has been met with Gods approval and its

wonderful how He confirms His Word when we preach it as it is.

Our trip in the southland was a great success. We left Aug. 30, arrived at Rockdale, Sept. 3 and 4 weeks of great meetings there with Gods richest blessings. It was great how God did send out the Gospel Message and I never saw more eager earnest ones than at "Gay Hill" then on to other places to Katy, Beasley and Houston, where we had wonderful services and with many prayers and calls so urgent for us to stay for meetings we could hardly leave them, until we promised to come back in near future. Then heading north we visited other places enroute to our meeting in Mo., where we are now 7 miles south west of Stella at Union Chapel in a great meeting for a general gathering of all the dear saints of several communities near by, also many unsaved are coming and we're expecting a great victory to be won.

I am glad today that we are living in a time when "this Gospel" is being inspected by people of all classes and best of all it stands the tests and in spite of all contradiction it is the Religion of Jesus Christ.

May we all do our utmost to prove our faith in Him and seal our profession with our lives of godly living. That will prove Gods Word and his promise certain and sure.

"May God Bless you all" and lets carry on the work during the absence of our dear Bro. Parham and stay behind him with our prayers.

Your Bro. in His service.

Floyd M. Durham, Stella Mo.

### THE TRIP ABROAD

I am fast arranging the last details for the trip to Palestine. Money is coming in so that I will have enough to get there and some little for expenses for a time, I want to spend at least three months there. I will have a great meeting in west New York, Cor. Adams and 17 street as a farewell meeting in America and invite all who can in eastern States to be there, the dates are from Nov. 13th to 27th, then I expect, nothing hindering, to sail on the Carinthia from New York, Dec. 3rd and have engaged 2nd class passage to Alexandria, Egypt, thence by rail to Jerusalem.

I want every dear reader of this paper to

send me a letter there and I will answer by at least mailing you a post card of some sacred place of the Holy Land, a card with a picture on it.

You can address mail to Chas. F. Parham, Jerusalem, Palestine, care of the American Consulate. It will take 5 cents postage and if you send any offerings get the foreign money order so that I can cash it there. But I will mail you a card whether an offering is sent or not to all who writes me there. As it takes a month for it to go you better write soon and have it on the way so it will get there by Christmas. The dream of my life is about to be realized and I hope to profit by going so that my message may be more fully rounded out and be a greater blessing to all to whom I shall minister on my return. God bless you. All mail sent to Baxter Springs, Kans., will be answered promptly and all moneys on the paper should be sent to Mrs. S. E. Parham made payable to her. Blest handkerchiefs will be left by the hundreds so that any one needing one can write to Baxter Springs, Kansas. Every one boost for the paper while I am gone and get it into the hands of as many as you can. I will take a typewriter and have a small table and stool and visit all places of interest and set right there and write of what I see on the spot and mail for the paper to print for your benefit. May God bless and prosper you all and bless you in all things that pertains to life and Godliness.

Wildomar, Calif.,

Oct. 13, 1927.

Dear Brothers and Sisters—I am writing this testimony with the view of doing something for our Lord, who has done so much for me and I haven't done anything for him. I have lived the best part of my life in sin. Now I must serve the Lord all the rest of my life and I believe there will be someone who will read this that will do the same as I am doing.

A few years ago while living in San Francisco I was working nights and as I was alone and there was not much to do, my wife gave me the Bible to take to work with me. I read the New Testament through five times and some in the old. I thought I would like to be saved, but did not make any special effort to seek the Lord however the Lord revealed Himself to me one night and I assure you that was the happiest

time that I had ever witnessed in all of my life. I thought if I could only feel that way all the time life would sure be worth living. Well as time went on I was busy making a living and I gradually slipped down to the foot of the hill and drifted out into the old world, but all along the Lord has been wonderfully merciful to me. He has healed me when I was sick and saved my life three times.

The Lord healed me when I was taken seriously ill with severe cramps in my limbs, I could not sit up or lie down, I never thought any one could live in such pain.

About nine o'clock that night my wife sent my son to Corona, a near by town where Brother Parham was holding meetings, and about the time they prayed I was completely delivered and went to bed and rested well. Praise the Lord for his wonderful healing power.

One night last July I was bitten or stung by a poisonous bug which made me very sick, immediately after I was bitten my whole body itched so I could hardly stand it and my heart beat at a terrible rate. My upper lip became stiff and swollen, and I broke out in a perspiration. I told my wife that I was going to die, she said I was not going to die and called my daughter and they prayed. In the meantime I fell over in a faint, but the dear Lord heard their prayers and saved my life.

But all this time I had not been serving my Savior as I should have and in His mercy He warned me again in the same manner, only this time a great black spider bit me while I was in the barn and I became sick exactly as I did before and I knew that if I did not call on the Lord and repent of my sinful life I would go into eternity lost, but as I prayed and called on God and determined in my heart that my life would be spent for His glory we got the victory praise God.

Now dear saints of God, please pray for me that I shall be able to live a godly life and keep my vow to God and be filled with His Holy Spirit.

Just a Brother,

Wm. H. Creswell

Dear Bro. Parham:

Greetings in the name of our Christ. Just a line, this leaves us well and with victory. Had a wonderful time at Passaic, Mo., 150 saved and

7 sanctified. I recieved Pentecost and some wonderful healings. Then we came to Maysburg, Mo., where we pitched our tent and the Lord surely is giving us the vitcory here. Baptized Sunday, had a basket dinner and the crowd estimated 400 people. Gods power was so wonderfully felt among us that men shook hands and made friends that hadn't spoken in years. Then we had the sacrament at night and about 150 people partook with us. The people sure are fine in this place. I will go from here to Adrian, Mo., for the next meeting. Pray for us and send some papers to Adrian, Mo.

E. W. Durbin,

Home address Gravett, Ark.

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Apostolic Faith Pub. Co.

Baxter Springs, Kansas.

We have been receiving a copy of the Apostolic Faith for quite a while. We want to express our thanks to Bro. Parham for the Apostolic Faith paper. Wish to state we will send an offering in the near future but will say please change address back to Pheonix, Ariz. as we are called back to the pastورش of the work in Pheonix, we had when you came by and held us a meeting. We expect to go by Amarillo, Texas Would like to have an appointment with the saints along at different places. Would like to have their aquaintance and their fellowship for a night or so. Would like to hear from an one reading your paper along the road west to Pheonix, drop us a card pastors or members of any denomination. There is a party of us four grown people and two children. We have evangelized since coming to Arkansas over a good part of the state of Oklahoma, seeing hundreds saved and many baptised in the Holy Spirit, saved and healed, yielding to the sanctifying grace of God. We hate him who hates us and his name, the devil, the author of all disease, sickness and sorrow, but the mighty God of our salvation said, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." The gospel means what God says it means Mark 16:16 to 20, "Salvation for the soul and healing for the body sarticfication by consecration and the mighty baptism of the Holy Spirit which comes to our life to work out the work Jesus left to be done." John 14-12. Is He working in your life dear reader as He works in the life of the editor and all the spirit filled lives? Have we faith in

God or are we looking for signs? Without faith it is impossible to please God. Heb. 11-1 to 6. James 5-1 to 18, just try believing God for body, soul and spirit and see what wonders He will do in this evil time of infidelity and deceit. Don't say you have not the grace for Christ said My grace is sufficient.

We would like to see this in your paper if you have room. Evangelist W. E. Wright and party, our next address will be Pheonix, Ariz. P. S. This article will be read by many of our friends from coast to coast. We are praying for the advancement of the Apostolic Faith Movement and Bro. Parham and Company.

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114 W. 9th St.  
Oklahoma City

Dear Bro. and Sister Parham:

Bro. Parham's good letter came and we rejoiced in the Lord, for the way that things are coming to pass for the trip to Europe etc, and the Holy Land.

It surely will be the joy of a life time to be in Bethlehem on Christmat day, and to walk along the shore of Gallilee and cross the plains and among the hills of Judah. Some day ere long I hope to enjoy the same privelege of visiting and may be remaining in the country as the Lord leads.

My consecration has been made to go to the foreign fields as a messenger with this gospel of the Kingdom before Jesus comes. As he leads I shall do my part, either stay or go. Pray for me.

We had a very good meeting at Vining for the building up of the children of God. The Haire twins were wonderfully blessed, they were so filled with the Holy Spirit anointing and now we know He can baptize and give the fulness. pray that they will go thru. It is hard for them to fully trust God. since they have seen so much flesh manifestations.

Our next meeting will begin Oct. 20th about 18 miles north of Jefferson, Okla.. and about one and one half mile from the state line. It is a new field, pray for us. The twins are going with me. I send our chirstian love greeting to you all. the family and those at Baxter. God bless you. Pray that we may know where the Lord wants us to go.

Yours in the Battle

M. E. Daley and Family

The Apostolic Faith Church  
Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Lochbaum in Charge  
P. O. Box 2778  
Honolulu, T. H.

Chas. F. Parham

Dear Friend and Brother:

The old time revival is here. Souls are coming to the altar at every service. This great revival has been going on for the past four years; souls being saved and the sick healed, many receiving the wonderful experiences of sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost ever since August fourth, 1923.

Since the starting of this wonderful Gospel of the Kingdom of God, 2550 have been baptised in water, and over 800 have received the Holy Ghost as Acts 2:4.

When we first came to the Islands of Hawaii, we started in a tent, then built a church that seated 250. We then had to build again, and enlarged the church to double its size, which now seats 500 and again our congregation has outgrown the size of the present church and we are about to build again.

God spoke to us in a message in tongues and interpretation and showed a vision of a great large electric sign over the church burning bright "JESUS COMING SOON". We did not have the money for the sign, but ordered it. It cost \$617.00 and when it was completed, we had the money to pay for it. God spoke again and showed me a vision of a large Gospel car. It is all painted white from the top to the bottom. There is a large spare tire on the side with the words "JESUS THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD", on the rear "GET READY JESUS IS COMING SOON".

Every Monday night we hold street services. Thousands have heard the full Gospel from this car and heard the message of His soon coming.

The church also has a printing plant and prints all of the church tracts and song cards. God has spoken to us that He is going to give us a larger printing plant so we can get out our own paper as before.

He has spoken about giving us a temple that will seat about 3000 people and has promised us a day of Pentecost 3000 souls in one day.

We have just bought the ground to build the temple on, adjoining the church property, which is on Middle Street, a newly constructed Boulevard, the main thoroughfare in and out of the

city around the Island.

There is no place in the Gospel to be so coveted as a place of prayer at the foot of the cross, where God hears and answers as He does in our prayer tower. That is our motive for sending out this letter, asking for your united prayers for the salvation of souls and the great outpouring of His Holy Spirit for these Islands and all over the world.

See Matt. 24:14 And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations: and then shall the end come.

Yours in the service of the King Jesus,

Brother and Sister

Chas. Lochbaum, A. Lochbaum

### THE TREE OF HOLINESS

"Of all the trees that in earths vineyard grew and with their clusters tempted man to pull and eat.—one tree, one tree alone, the true celestial manna bore, which filled the soul. The Tree of Holiness; of heavenly seed. A native of the skys, though stunted much and dwarfed, by times, cold, damp uncongenial soil, and chilling winds, yet yielded fruit so pure, so nourishing and sweet, as on his way, refreshed the pilgrim, and begot desire unquenchable to climb the arduous path to where her sister plants, in their own clime around the fount and by the stream of **life blooming beneath** the sun that never sets, bear fruit of perfect relish fully ripe.

"Plant this tree, uprooted by the fall, to earth the Son of Man descended, shed his precious blood, and on it ever more, from off His living wings, the Spirit shook the dews of heaven to nurse and hasten its growth. Now was this care, this infinite expense, not needed to secure the holy plant. To root it out Hell strove with all its strength, and blew with all its blasts; and Sin with cold consumptive breath involved it still in clouds of mortal damp. Yet did it grow, thus kept protected thus; and bear the only fruit worth plucking under heaven.

"But few alas! the holy plant could see, for heavy mists that sin around it threw perpetually; and few the sacrifice would make by which alone its clusters stopped, and came within the reach of mortal man. For this of him who would approach and eat, was rigorous-

ly exacted to the full.

To tread and bruise beneath the foot, the world entire; its prides, ambitions, hopes, desires; its gold, and all its brodered equipage; to loose its loves and friendships from the heart, and cast them off; to shut the ear against its praise, and all its flatteries abhor; And having thus behind thrown what seemed so good and fair, then must he lowly kneel, and with sincerity, in which the eye that slumbers not nor sleeps, could see no lack this prayer pray: "Lord God! thy will be done, thy holy will how e'er it cross my own! Hard labor this for flesh and blood! too hard for most it seemed, so, turning they the tree derided, as mere bramble, that could bear no fruit of special taste; and so set out on upon ten thousand routes to seek what they had left behind.—POLLOCK.

#### A CALL TO PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

June 6, 1927.

Mrs. Carrie Judd Montgomery Editor Triumphs of Faith Oakland, California.

My dear Mrs. Montgomery:

A group of members of the Episcopal Church in this Diocese who have been associated with the Pentecostal Movement believe that praying groups scattered about in the world be glad to unite with Christians of many other names in prayer for the success of the World Conference on Faith and Order.

This Conference meets in Lausanne, Switzerland, during the first three weeks of next August. There will be representatives of almost every considerable Christian communion which acknowledges Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, coming together for the purpose of discussing the barriers now separating the Churches and the way in which they may be removed so that all the followers of Our Lord may be united in their common faith. It is a vastly important gathering for the future of Christianity.

Some years ago it was my great privilege through the interest of the few active members of our Church to whom I have referred to come into some slight touch with the life of the Pentecostal groups. It was my special privilege to symbolize our common faith by holding a Communion Service at St. Clement's Church in

Berkeley at which a number of Christians, leaders in the Pentecostal Movement were present and joined with us. There are diversities of gifts in the Church but the same Spirit and it was my hope to symbolize in this service the fact that we have a real underlying unity. There is one Spirit and at some future time the Church which will have grown out from the Churches will be big enough to recognize the wide diversity of gifts within the same body. At the time of that Communion Service and since, I have known how deeply and how rightly you and your associates depend upon prayer and I was not surprised when a member of this group suggested to me that this longing to serve Christ's purpose in the world would, she felt sure gladly express itself in widespread prayer for God's blessing upon this Conference. I make bold therefore to ask you to make this appeal which I am sure will be answered. Since you have been with the Pentecostal group here from its beginning, will you not print this letter in your next issue of the "Triumphs of Faith"? Then I will send marked copies to other magazines asking their editors to copy and thus unite in the spiritual fellowship of this call to prayer for Christian unity.

With high regards. I am

Yours faithfully,

Edward L. Parsons, Bishop of California

#### CHRISTIANIZING OF CHINA SEEN

##### Reaction From Chaos There May Bring It About Missionary Says.

Despite internal dissension in China, and the anti-foreign spirit that prevails there, which has practically driven missionaries from the country, Dr. Isaac Page, district secretary of the China-Inland mission, who is in Omaha on a speaking tour, has faith that China will again come into its own.

"The Chinese are an honest people," he asserts. "and in the philosophy of Confucius they built up a national wisdom that was reflected in the sane government they enjoyed before the revolution.

"What the Chinese need is Christian faith to give virility to their philosophy, and I believe that China is in the dawn of that achievement for it is a possible reaction to the political and economic chaos that exists there."



Stella, Mo., Oct. 29, 1927.

Dear Bro. Parham, your good letters to hand and surely we are glad to hear from you always.

Meeting here is good such crowds we can't take care of them and a great interest among the Christians in pressing on far a closer experience in Him.

Say I wanted to come up a day or two before the 6, but as I am so busy and the care of the meeting I don't know if I can come before Sunday morning. Wish you could come down about Wednesday or Thursday night, but I know something about what it means and know you can't go so many places, so guess we can get by someway if you will pray much. I don't know how long the meeting here may continue it is a center location for several districts and they sure are coming.

Will see you soon if God wills,

Your Bro Floyd M. Durham.

Chester, Ark., Oct. 10, 1927

Dear Bro. Parham:

We came here three weeks ago and began a meeting in an old Methodist church. It was about two weeks after we began before we could get any one to raise their hands for prayer. Finally two young girls came to the altar and began to pray in great earnest. While we were praying for these two, conviction began to seize upon the people. Before we closed the alter services almost every sinner in the house was under conviction.

The meeting is now going on with sweeping victory, there has been about 33 saved and eight or ten sanctified. We had a baptizing yesterday and 21 were baptized. This meeting has exceeded all expectations. I never would of thought that there would be as many people saved as has been in this thinly settled county. O'd time church people say they never saw a meeting just like this.

If you have any extra papers, we would like for you to send us about twenty of them. It does make any difference whether they are new or not. We enjoy the paper more and more, and are going to try and get some subscribers before we leave here. We have not written to the paper for some time, but we wanted you to know that there were a few ripe fields yet in

Arkansas, that have never been harvested.

With many prayers for your continued success.

I remain your brother in Christ,

J. W. Elliot.

### THE RETURN OF THE FLOWERS

The summer passes with the grass and flowers  
And, blown by the gusts of autumn breeze  
In golden colors, falling down in showers,  
Piled in soft beauty, lie the withered leaves.

There is a quietness comes creeping in  
A sadness, a desire to lie and rest,  
And where before exaultant life has been  
Is something that suggests the thot of death.

And then, as musing on the passing scene  
I think of those, my privelage to know,  
In all their loveliness of youthful music  
In lifes fair spring time of the long ago.

I seem to hear their voices as they speak,  
Their laughter and their songs in revelry,  
Can see again the tear upon the cheek  
Bespeaking hearts of loving sympathy.

Some few yet cling as last leaves on the tree  
Soon by the guests of time—alas too soon—  
Lost in the silence of God's mystery  
Joining the hosts beyond the silent tomb.

What joy to know there is an awakening day,  
The circling season will bring back the spring  
The life return that seemed to pass away  
The flowers will bloom again, the birds will sing.

And natures season is God's voice that speaks.  
Infalable, in truth, He points us plain.  
Oh hearts, so sad, that for your loved ones  
break  
Your flowers, vanished, shall return again.  
Milton B. McCoy, Denver, Colo.

### THE SCRIPTURE TRUE, BUT THE INTERPRETATION WRONG

Men ask you, "Do you believe the Bible?"  
It is generally easier to understand the  
preachers text than to understand his interpre-

tation of it. Some years ago I wonder why men could not understand the Bible as I understood it. Today it is even stranger that men can understand the Bible just as I understand it. Of the ancient Pharisees and the Sadusees, it was said, that one believed in Angels, the other didn't one believed in a resurrection, the other didn't, One believed in a Spirit, the other didn't. But they both as church bodies, agreed that Christ was not The Son of God. Which should show us how wrong one man can be when he differs from his fellow, and how much greater the wrong can be when they both agree on a wrong.

It is very easy for us to see our brothers views and Ideas of the Bible are all wrong. But after all might not we (having the same Spirit of truth to guide us as he had,) be just as wrong in our views and ideas of the Bible as he? O Lord! give us more religious toleration toward our brother.

Dr. J. M. Barnes.

#### A CARD OF THANKS

I now wish to extend a card of thanks to those who have written us to cheer along in our great sorrow and loss of wife and mother, also for the donations sent in for our comfort and help. Many have asked what am I going to do and what are you doing? I am doing my best to do Pastor work out here on the plains from Roswell N. M. to Polar Texas as there are but few preachers in this country then I am ready for Evangelistic work if God should see fit to so order. I have the children in school at present, I am caring for them myself, and if I have failed to answer any letters will try to do so in this one. God bless you all.

Evangelist H. L. Watkins and children.

Lovington, N. M.

#### THE CHURCH

Jesus said, "I will build my church." Matt. 16:18. He built it, Eph. 2:19-22 and I Pet. 2:5.

##### Description

It has a solid foundation, Eph. 2:20.

It has a great high wall, Isa. 20:1, Zech. 2:5 and Rev. 21:12-16.

It has a door, John 10:7-9. Continually open, Rev. 3:7-8.

It has a head (Ruler) Eph 1:22 Col. 1:18,

Eph. 5:23.

It has a name, Acts 20: 28. I Cor. 1:2, I Cor. 10:32, I Cor. 11:22, 2 Cor. 1:1 Gal. 1:13, I Tim. 3:5-15.

It is built together, Eph. 2:22.

It is fitly framed together, Eph. 2:21.

It is fitly joined together, Eph. 4:16.

It is knit together, Col. 2:2.

It has no creed, I Cor. 12:25, Heb. 12:22-23.

It is founded on a rock, Matt. 16:18.

It will stand forever, Dan. 2:44, Heb. 12:28.

Its support—Tithes and Offerings, Lev. 27: 30-33, Mal. 3:8-10, Matt. 23:23.

Its form of worship, I Cor. 14:26. Heb. 10:25.

#### Membership

To be a member, "Must be born again," John 3:8, Psalm 87:5, I Cor. 12:18.

Their names—"Christian", Acts 11:26.

#### The Signs of a Christian

Prayer, Matt. 6:6, Acts 9:11.

Preaching, Mark 1:14, and 16:15, Rom. 10:8.

Healing, Matt. 10:7-8, Mark 16:15-18 James 5:14, Psalms 91.

By E. L. Stevenson, Artesia, N. M.

#### A Sinner

Bound with fetters—bound!  
Stronger than chains of steel,  
Oh, release me from the clutch  
Of Satan's will! I would be free!  
I would be free!  
I would the brighter skies to see!  
But how?

#### Jesus

As sharp as a two-edged sword,  
The Spirit of Truth!  
Cut asunder the shackling cords  
Of sin—I came to give you liberty!  
And sweetest healing,  
For every scar of shame or sin,  
Have faith!

#### THE FAREWELL, ALL DAY RALLY AT BAXTER SPRINGS, KANSAS

Mr. Parham's farewell meeting at Baxter Springs, Kansas November, 6th, was well attended by a host of friends from far and near, some coming over 200 miles to spend the day

with him in these services and bid him God's speed on his journey to the Holy Land.

The morning service was mostly spent in testimony, after which Mr. Parham told of his hopes and plans for work in the foreign fields. The afternoon was especially given for a healing service, and a host of sick ones were prayed for. At night Mr. Parham's sermon was on the subject of prophecy and the Presence and power of God was felt throughout the day.

The solos and duets sung by Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Parham, who have just returned home from the west, were enjoyed very much, also the music which was furnished by the "Gospel Orchestra" of Baxter Springs, Kansas. All felt the assurance that the call to the foreign fields was the leading of God and rejoiced that God has made it possible for Mr. Parham to soon do what he has so long desired, to tread the land our Savior trod. But there was sadness also in saying good-by to the one who had lead so many of them to the Christ and deeper experiences in God. Tears filled many eyes as they promised to pray for him during his absence, and we are sure they will not neglect to do so.

We know also that he had the prayers of many dear friends and readers of this paper from coast to coast, who knew that he was leaving home at this time. Thank God that we know He hears and answers prayer.

Mr. Parham left November, 8th for Tonganoxie, Kansas, where he held a farewell meeting Tuesday night. He left Kansas City Wednesday for New York with Wilfred and Alice Parham who are driving through to help him with his meeting there.

In a day letter received by his family, he says they had a fine trip, and arrived in New York, Saturday 10:30 p. m., where they found warm reception awaiting them.

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#### LAST WORD

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We are mailing a number of sample copies to new addresses. Should anyone get this paper for the first time and desire it continued to your address, please mail us a letter with or without a donation giving your address plainly written and you will get the paper. All letters and donations for the paper should be sent to Mrs. S. E. Parham, Baxter Springs, Kansas. Letters

for myself should be addressed to me in foreign lands, and I will have my post office address in each paper each month. Money sent to foreign lands should be sent by a foreign post office money order. Ask your postmaster for that kind of a money order or if sent to Baxter Springs, Kans., state in your letter that it is for the foreign work. It is possible that my son and wife Wilfred and Alice Parham will accompany me if they are able to raise the funds to do so.

Will sail Dec. 3rd, from New York to Jerusalem. A large number of friends, Evangelists and ministers came to Wichita, Kansas meeting, from many States to bid me goodbye before going East for sailing. These touching scenes of farewell will long live in my memory.

I was able to spend five days from Oct. 25th to 30th with the dear friends in Wichita, Kans., where Evangelists Wyatt and Kerr are holding a large tent meeting. The weather has been exceptionally fine for this time of the year. Evangelist Emma Lang and her granddaughter Beatrice assisted in these meetings and have returned to Detroit and Canada for future meetings.

All arrangements have been for a revival campaign in West New York, N. J., at the corner of Adams and 17th St., from Nov. 13th to 27th this will be my farewell meeting in America. Many in eastern States are coming to attend.

We closed a splendid meeting in Moorefield, Neb., where Bro. A. B. Stanberry is pastor. The churches of the community not only consolidated their congregations but their church buildings and now have a commodious building with Sunday school rooms and basement facilities for dinners and the Socials affairs of the church while there were not many saved some were really healed and a few saved but the christians were wonderfully built up in the things of God and a foundation laid for splendid future work. Bro. Stanberry is an ideal pastor for a community church. One special feature worth noting in this meeting was a Bible contest. Sides were chosen and the entire community went to reading their Bibles. A fine Bible was offered for the one who read the most chapters, while the side which was defeated in the contest was supposed to serve ice cream and cake to the victorious side in the contest. In two weeks the little

town and community around read 21,963 chapters. The two leading contestants read respectively 3,133 and 3,312 chapters apiece. As both had done so well the congregation voted them each a Bible, but the one who really won the prize was a young school teacher, Miss Zella Stoner. I recommend that these Bible contests be held in all meetings in the country. Sides need not be chosen, but a splendid Bible can be offered as a prize to the one in the community reading the most chapters in a stated time.

The meeting of five days in Wichita grew in interest until the last night when a great crowd came, they almost took me by force to compel me to stay on for one more week, but that was impossible. The last day Ministers, Evangelists, old school mates and neighbors of 45 years came to hear the messages and bid me goodby, it truly was a touching scene when so many old time friends came bringing memories of almost forgotten past and their affectionate farewells and God speeds will never be forgotten tho many lands and seas divide us.

Quite a number have responded to the call for donations for the work abroad and now we are already for sailing with cabin engaged on the great steamer. Carinthia sailing Dec. 3rd, arriving in Alexandria Egypt, Dec. 20th, which will give ample time to get to Bethlehem for Christmas night. will meet you at the throne that night.

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#### "THE INVITIOUS THREE"

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"I am a God of Reasons"  
 (The Father speaks with me)  
 "Come, let us talk to-gether  
 Tho sins like scarlet be,  
 White as snow, I'll wash them.  
 Tho. they be crimson red.  
 Reason with me. Child of mine,  
 With me. The great God Head.

Not only from the Father  
 Do I hear the still small voice;  
 In accents mild. my Jesus too  
 Says "Child make me thy choice.  
 Come unto me, ye weary.  
 And be ye yoked with me,  
 I bore the cross. I paid the price,  
 Remember Calvary!

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come"  
 Let whosoever will!  
 And him that is athirst—  
 "Come" freely drink his fill!  
 The "Invituous Three" I claim,  
 From Father, Spirit, Son.  
 I'll reason drink, I'll bear the Cross  
 For these, the Three in One.

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#### BE A BOOSTER

If you think your church the best,  
 Tell 'em so!  
 If you'd have it lead the rest,  
 Help it grow!  
 When there's anything to do,  
 Let them always count on you.  
 You'll feel good when it is through,  
 Don't you know?

If you're used to giving knocks,  
 Change your style;  
 Throw bouquets instead of rocks  
 For awhile.  
 Boost your pastor and your church;  
 Knock the knocker off his perch;  
 Lift the stumbler from the lurch—  
 With a smile!

When a stranger from afar  
 Comes along,  
 Tell him who and what you are—  
 Make it strong.  
 Never flatter, never bluff.  
 Tell the truth, for that's enough.  
 Be a booster, that's the stuff,  
 Don't just belong.

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#### "HE IS FAITHFUL THAT PROMISED"

Every promise of Scripture is a writing of God, which may be pleaded before Him with this reasonable request: "Do as Thou hast said." The Creator will not cheat His creature who depends upon His truth; and, far more, the Heavenly Father will not break His word to His own child. "Remember the word unto Thy servant, on which Thou hast caused me to hope," is most prevalent pleading. It is a double argument: It is **Thy Word**, wilt Thou not keep it? Why hast Thou spoken of it if Thou wilt not make it good? Thou hast caused me to hope in it; wilt Thou disappoint the hope which Thou hast Thyself begotten in me?

—C. H. Spurgeon.