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# My Mother's Bible

This book is all that's left me now,
Tears will unbidden start—
With faltering lip and throbbing brow
I press it to my heart.
For many generations past,
Here is our family tree;
My mother's hand this Bible clapsed;
She, dying, gave it me.

Ah! well do I remember those Whose names these records bear, Who 'round the hearthstone used to close After the evening prayer, And speak of what these pages said, In tones my heart would thrill! Though they are with the silent dead Here are they living still!

My father read this holy book
To brothers, sisters, dear;
How calm was my poor mother's look,
Who loved God's word to hear
Her angel face—I see it yet!
What thronging memories come!
Again that little group is met
Within the halls of home!

Thou trust friend man ever knew,
Thy constancy I've tried;
Where all were false, I found thee true,
My counselor and guide.
The mines of earth no treasure give
That could this volume buy;
In teaching me the way to live,
It taught me how to die.

-George P. Morris.

# "Lest Ichabod' Be Our Name"

1st Sam. 4:21.

(The Glory Hath Departed)

By Marcus L. Adair Logan, Okla.

GOD, WHO AT SUNDRY TIMES AND IN DIVERS MANNERS SPAKE IN TIME PAST UNTO THE FATHERS BY THE PROPHETS, HATH IN THESE LAST DAYS SPOKEN UNTO US BY HIS SON.—Heb. 1:1-2.

When the Apostles and those that heard Him began to tell the story of 'Redemption through Christ's Blood', indeed it was a story of saving Grace, inspired of God to be given to a lost and dying world. This story has continued to be told since that great day of triumph; when Christ came forth from the grave victor and conqueror over death, unto this day. This story of salvation has weathered every storm throughout the centuries. It has come to this, our generation, with the same power and authority as when John the Baptist proclaimed "BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD, WHICH TAKETH AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD." It has been a story of peace and consolation to millions; it has meant salvation and healing to multitudes. Yes, this is the plan of redemption which the angels desired to look into.

Through the dark ages when it looked as if every spark of "Salvation Through The Blood" would be lost and forgotten, still God did not forget. He knew that out there in the future, again the light would shine, and He would have a people that would be strong and do exploits in his name. Then one day God called Martin Luther, the great reformer, the same came preaching "THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH." This was the greatest message the world had heard since that day when three thousand souls repented at the cross when Peter the apostle stood and cried "YE MEN OF JUDEA, AND ALL YE THAT DWELL AT JERUSALEM, BE THIS KNOWN UNTO YOU, AND HEARKEN TO MY WORDS; FOR THESE ARE NOT DRUNK-EN, AS YE SUPPOSE, SEEING IT IS BUT THE THIRD HOUR OF THE DAY, BUT THIS IS THAT WHICH WAS SPOKEN BY THE PROPHET JOEL. - AND MANY OTHER WORDS DID HE TESTI-FY AND EXHORT, SAYING, SAVE YOURSELVES FROM THIS UNTOWARD GENERATION." Acts 2:14-16-40. Was not Peter considered as being drunk? As being a fanatic? As being a heretic? Even so Martin Luther was scorned, persecuted and his name cast out as evil for the message he brought. After all this 'Hell upon Earth,' Martin Luther still preached "THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH." Certainly, God's word has said "THEREFORE BEING JUS-TIFIED BY FAITH WE HAVE PEACE WITH GOD THROUGH OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST." A man even though 'DEAD IN TRES-PASSES AND SINS', can find peace and spiritual life at the cross.

In the year 1729, two young men in England, while studying God's word, saw that to be pleasing to God and to be deeper in His love they needed to be Sanctified and to live a life of Holiness. This they began to do and teach with the authority that God gave them to do so. God in due time had revealed to them that "WHEREFORE JESUS ALSO, THAT HE MIGHT SANCTIFY THE PEOPLE WITH HIS OWN BLOOD, SUFFERED WITH OUT THE GATE." These men were John and Charles Wesley.

At the turn of a century, in the year 1900, God looked down upon a group of consecrated, godly people that had assembled to pray. They had spent several days in study and prayer. New Year's night had come and a watch night prayer service had begun. They had met for no other purpose than to seek God for more of his grace and power. God had given by one of his prophets the words "AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS SAITH GOD I WILL POUR OUT OF MY SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH: AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHESY, AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VIS-IONS, AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS, AND

ON MY SERVANTS AND ON MY HANDMAIDENS I WILL POUR OUT IN THOSE DAYS OF MY SPIRIT: AND THEY SHALL PROPHESY" Acts 2:17-18. At this great New Years prayer meeting God had fulfilled His word. The time had come for the latter rain of God's Spirit to be poured out upon his people. Had not James said, "BE PA-TIENT THEREFORE, BRETHREN UNTO THE COMING OF THE LORD, BEHOLD, THE HUSBAND-MAN WAITETH FOR THE PREC-IOUS FRUIT OF THE EARTH, AND HATH LONG PATIENCE FOR IT, UNTIL HE RECEIVE THE EARLY AND LATTER RAIN." God had called upon someone he could trust to bring to the world the great teaching and blessing of the BAP-TISM OF THE HOLY GHOST, WITH THE EVIDENCE OF SPEAKING IN OTHER TONGUES AS THE SPIRIT GIVES UTTER-ANCE. God had found a man he could use, not because he was a 'God man' 'Super man' or one to be worshipped but because of his humility and his consecration to God. This, God found in the life of Charles Fox Parham. Many was the time he was mocked and belittled and persecuted and even despised by some but yet he knew that the callings of God were without repentance. He was faithful to his place in the vineyard of God and from the foundation messages from God's word that he brought the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, With Fire, has been preached throughout the world.

And now to us of the Apostolic, Full Gospel, Pentecostal people of the world, the 'TORCH' has been handed. May the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, who still remains the same keep us true to our calling. 'WALK-ING WORTHY OF THE VOCA-TION WHERE IN WE HAVE BEEN CALLED!' Lifting high the bloodstained banner of Christ Immanuel being as he has asked that we be "A CITY THAT IS SET ON A HILL CAN NOT BE HID."

The word of God has rightly said that "IN THE LATTER TIMES SOME SHALL DEPART FROM THE FAITH, GIVING HEED TO SEDUCING SPIRITS AND DOCTRINES OF DEVILS, SPEAKING LIES IN HYPOCRISY: HAVING THEIR CONSCIENCE SEARED WITH A HOT IRON." It is sad; but yet it remains a fact that some

have done that very thing. We are not considering people that have only a dead profession of churchanity but we are talking about the (so-called) Spirit filled people that are supposed to have something that the 'world' doesn't have. People that sinners expect to live clean, holy lives. Some people LIVE so that the people, God or no one else expect them to accomplish anything for God even though they claim His name. Many have drifted after the spirits that tend and lead to fleshly manifestations, and power demonstrations. "God, give us more power but not for demonstrative purposes like we sometimes see." However, today multitudes of (so-called) Spirit filled people have fallen into ruts of formalism, ritualism and even 'comeoutism' and have become so formal and set in their ways that the proverb states their case very well; "The sow that was washed has returned to her wallowing in the mire" -2 Pet. 2:22. Let us be careful that we ask the Lord to help us to be open minded and love all people in fellowship of God's spirit. It is true we can become as bound to an unwritten creed as to one that is precisely writ-

Multitudes have fallen in with the fashion and folly of the world and failed to bring forth fruit for God. Many of our (so-called) Christian women of this day endeavor to look, act, and dress like they were trying to be candidates for some theatrical performance of Hollywood. Yes, some may think we are fanatic about dress but when I see my (so-called) sisters dressing in slacks, middies, and shorts (I think this would be the best name for many of their dresses) it makes me think they should be sent back to ask FATHER what he thinks about such. Where are the preachers that used to preach that we should be careful how we dress? Where are the preachers that used to preach that women should abstain from the use of paints, makeups, smearups and such? Where are the preachers that used to preach that it was a shame for a woman to cut and mar her locks of hair that God had given her for a covering? Remember the words of Bro. Charles F. Parham? quote "God give us godly women that will be more than just bungalow christians, for they are the ones that are painted all over in front, shingled on top and no up-stairs." We pray that these words will be something that will do each of us some good and not just

something to read and then forget.

When I was a child I lived in the cotton country. Each year in the fall I would be called with my dear old mother and dad to help pick the cotton to gain a few dollars for the essentials of life. How well do I remember the first day in the cotton patch. My knees were tender and when I would get down on my knees to pick the cotton the very smallest pebble or stick under my knees would make me flinch with pain; but after a few days my knees would become tough and calloused over and soon I could crawl over rocks, pebbles and sticks without any pain at all. Sometimes we see "Cotton Picking Christians" they are the ones that are calloused so hard that they never feel hurt or touched by the Word of the Lord.

There can be no doubt that this is the 'Gospel of The Kingdom' that Jesus said should be preached to the ends of the earth. We must guard against becoming selfish and sectarian in our experience with God, as individuals and also most of 'all as a movement of God's people. We must keep in mind that there are others that are serving God besides our own movement of people. May we be permitted to give some words from PARHAMS "VOICE CRYING IN THE WIL-DERNESS" page 62. Certainly for this seems to be what is befalling many of our Apostolic, Pentecostal ranks of today. We quote: "Holiness people failing to walk in the deeper truths, the blood ceased to cleanse,



they became narrow and sectarian; while many of them ran into raving fanaticism, declaring they could no longer worship with this or that organization, declaring everything of an organized nature to be Babylon; they went forth to be gathered into some little mission in a store building around the corner in the suburbs of Babylon, and in a few years-when they thought their friends would no longer recognize it, brought out their Babylonish garment from its hiding place and began to wear it. Becoming as sectarian and narrow in their little missions as they declare the churches to have been." May God hear our cry and never let our movement of people be found guilty of becoming narrow and selfish in our experience with God, but be able to RECEIVE THOSE THAT ARE WEAK IN THE FAITH, trying to help them and not push them down. Being as our Bro. Charles Parham has said again in Voice Crying Wilderness page 63 quote: "Some of the Apostles who had imbibed the narrowness with which some of our modern leaders are inoculated, said to the Master: "WE FOUND ONE CAST-ING OUT DEVILS IN THY NAME AND WE FORBADE HIM BE-CAUSE HE FOLLOWED NOT WITH US. JESUS SAID: FORBID HIM NOT, FOR HE THAT IS FOR US IS NOT AGAINST US" Luke 9:49. So in these chaotic times we shall reveal the spirit of perfect love and unity, by honoring every true apostle, pastor, teacher and worker, of whatsoever name or order they may be-in their respective places; loving one another with pure hearts fervently, realizing that he that is for us is not against us. For there is just such a happy medium to receive light and truth from whatsoever source it may come, not to displace our own light or experience, but to add to and illuminate it. Keeping our hearts free from all sectarianism, free to love every true child of God."

When we look at 'Webster' for just a moment we find the word Apostolic. AP-OS-tol'ik; meaning to pertain unto an apostle, the doctrines of the apostles, as an apostle, and as we say, contending for the faith that was once delivered unto the saints.' Six words up the column before we got to the word Apostolic we passed by another word. Let us go back to this word which is Apostate. A-pos'tat; one who has forsaken his faith, one

who has renounced or lost his faith after partaking of holy orders, a backslider or traitor.

When the wife of Phinehas saw that the Glory of God had departed from Israel she called her son 'Ichabod'. This name has many times been given to movements of people that have forgotten God and gotten their eyes on self. Our movement is not yet backslid but surely "A stitch in time saves nine." God knows there are enough sects and orders filled with rips, tears, splits and ravels that fill

our land today. Let us be careful that we are UP AND ABOUT OUR MASTER'S BUSINESS WITH OUR HEARTS FILLED WITH LOVE AND FIRE OF GOD.

God could get along without me, God could get along without you, God could get along without our movement: but how coud we get along without Him? May God bless our movement and help us all to 'FIGHT THE GOOD FIGHT OF FAITH' and remember these things—Lest 'ICHABOD' be our name.

## Why I Believe In The Sunday School

By J. Edgar Hoover

Director Federal Bureau of

Investigation

In 1920 there resided in a certain Midwestern city a family consisting of seven sons and a daughter. To their parents the reform school was more familiar than the Sunday school.

The sons were aged six, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, and twelve. Soon the boys began associating with members of a gang who later became notorious desperadoes. They started stealing equipment from cars and selling it to junk dealers, and for these minor offenses they were sent to reformatories. Upon their release they again associated with the gang—now automobile thefts and robberies claimed their attention. Today all seven brothers are behind the bars for their failure to conform to the rules of our social order.

It is not necessary to mention other specific illustrations of the somewhat chaotic trends in our modern society -cold, bare figures on youth in crime are sufficient. Nearly 20 per cent of all our crime is committed by boys and girls of less than voting age. Last year it was not the hardened criminal of middle age who was arrested most frequently—it was rather the boy of nineteen. During 1939 persons under 21 years of age committed 12 per cent of the criminal homicides, 29 per cent of the robberies, 46 per cent of the burglaries, 33 per cent of the larcenies, and over 52 per cent of the auto thefts according to fingerprint records received by the FBI. Certainly such figures portend dark days ahead for a nation whose criminal army already aggregates 4,750,000 and whose appalling crime bill amounts to approximately \$15,000,00,000 annually.

The monetary cost of crime overlooks numerous elements which cannot be evaluated in dollars and cents. It does not include the thousands of mothers of our youthful offenders who have held tight to their hearts the babes for whose future they dreamed and planned. What greater challenge to decent citizenship is needed than this bitter disappointment to the motherhood of America? Then there is the victim—and the victim's family. The dependents of a murdered man are given no thought when the crime is planned and consummated. •

I am convinced that there is little likelihood of our diminishing crime by studied effort to reform habitual criminals. The house has already been burned down—it cannot be re-erected from the debris and ashes. The only possible way to strike a telling blow at crime is to strike at it before it gains momentum through its affiliations and thru the cunning technique of law evasion acquired so quickly in association with the underworld. The time to strike is during youth when our boys and girls are being molded into manhood or womanhood to follow one of two courses—the tangled path of crime or the straight one of honesty and decency.

Honesty more than anything else is needed in America today. We must look to the home, the school and the church primarily to establish this basic principle in our youth. Significant in the attack of the church upon the legions of crime and delinquency is the work of the Sunday school. Of course I believe in the Sunday school. Crime among youth would become practically negligible if the young people of America attended Sunday school regularly during their formative years. Surely no one cognizant of the true crime situation in the United States could be blind to the importance of the activities of this institution in reducing materially the army of youthful offenders and delinquents.

In addition to its strictly religious aspects the social features of the Sunday school are of paramount significance in the lives of its students. Who are the everyday associates of your boy? Of your girl? Do they run with the crowd? Do your boys associate with those who idle away their time on the street or in the alleys or who frequent the corner poolrooms or saloons? The Sunday school offers our young people an opportunity to make worthy friends. I firmly believe that there is a vast difference in so far as character is concerned between the average Sunday school attendant and the boy who habitually frequents the corner dive. Also there is the opportunity for much healthful and wholesome fun and enjoyment in the Sunday school parties or socials, athletic contests and other similar activities sponsored by many Sunday schools. These unexcelled diversions are important in the lives of many boys and girls.

What of leadership and preparation for the future life of a citizen? Sunday school classes are organized groups for uplifting moral instruction and each member has a definite task to perform.

Through the Sunday school it is possible to impress upon receptive youth the principles of Christianity. These, it must be recognized, are foundational in a democracy and in a society predicated upon justice and liberty. Today our democratic institutions are being assaulted by those who would substitute for American ideals and practices the revolutionary doctrines from foreign shores. These exponents of hatred and atheism seek to infiltrate their hideous and outrageous propaganda into democratic America through the medium of our youth. More and more they are seeking to paint for our young people rosy pictures of the conditions in their own godless lands. 'We in America want none of their panaceas or their deceitful preachment. The Sunday school and other similar institutions can play a vital role in guarding our citizens of tomorrow against the atheistic and the undemocratic teachings of those who would "save America."

I believe every child should be taught the Golden Rule and its application to the ramifications of our modern life. The Sunday school affords an excellent training ground for the inculcation of this principle in our youth. It is a fact that too many misguided and neglected boys and girls are thieving, robbing, and engaging in numerous other criminal activities. We know that some mysterious and diabolical hand does not take the child from the cradle and place it upon the road to crime-a road which leads only to misery and destruction. More of our children should be reached by the Sunday school-more should be taught that they cannot get something for nothing. I am reminded of the case of Alvin Karpis, a young man who wanted everything in life without working for it. He craved everything which other persons possessed; he wanted big cars and plenty of money. During his brief criminal career Karpis was implicated in fifteen bank robberies, numerous murders, and three kidnapings, which brought him enough loot to satisfy the wants of a millionaire. Today Karpis is in Alcatraz for life and should be an example to those who do not respect the rights of others.

Hero worship might be called a characteristic of youth, but what hero should our boys and girls worship? Shall they heroize John Dillinger, "Pretty Boy" Floyd and others like them? Floyd's name was emblazoned across the front pages of our newspapers on many occasions and he was brave indeed when he enjoyed the protection which he bought in various criminal hideouts throughout the Southwest. But eventually he was forced out into the open by the relentless search of the FBI. At last he was hunted down—the so-called "Phantom of the Ozarks" was nothing but a dirty hoodlum having no qualities worthy of emulation.

The Sunday school teacher can be a friend—a comrade to our youth in addition to being a teacher. As the tries to live according to the ideals of Jesus Christ, the hero of Christianity,

he will inspire respect and admiration for those ideals on the part of boys and girls.

As we who are engaged in law enforcement face the future, we hope for the day when crime among the youth of America will be substantially reduced. The Federal Bureau of Investigation is equally as interested in the prevention of crime as in its punishment. Sunday schools have been a bulwark against crime and delinquency in the past and their future in this regard is bright. Proper support to insure the continued growth of this institution presents a challenge to the American citizenry.

-The Judson Press.

### **THOUGHTS**

By Rev. Albert L. Durham Wichita, Kansas

I do not subscribe in any way to the teaching: That to deny a condition, or think that it is not; will in any way change or do away with it's existance. If that were true, the course of this war and many other undesirable conditions could be changed, by merely drawing upon that mental ability. But God's word does speak specifically of the state of mind a Christian should be in, and it is possible to attain. First I want to say: There is nothing that will save the soul from sin but the BLOOD OF JESUS. Yet after we are saved; the things we think upon wield a great influence upon our Christian character, and help to mould our Christian experience.

In Rom. the first chapter and beginning with the first verse we read of a people that, though they once knew God; yet they became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. The twenty eighth verse says: They did not like to retain God in their knowledge, and God gave them over to a reprobate MIND, and they became filled with all unrighteousness.

In Matt. 9:4, Jesus asked the Jews: Why they thought evil in their hearts? Jesus knew what their thoughts were, and he knows our thoughts today. Read Matt. 15:19, Here the Lord put evil thoughts in the same category

with adultery, fornication, murder, thefts, false witness and blasphemies. God destroyed the old world, because it was wicked, and every imagination of the thoughts of man's heart was only evil continually. Gen. 6:5.

Prov. 23:7, "For as he thinketh in his heart so is he." The person that can think of nothing, but the things of sin and ungodliness will usually be found doing the same things that they think upon. While the child of God has time to THINK upon the word of God, the good of others, and the things of the Lord that need doing. There is a blessedness upon that person: For David said in Psa. 1:2, "His delight is in the law of the Lord, and in his law doeth he meditate, day and night."

I have heard people say: "You can't keep from thinking, evil." But the word of God says we can, 2 Tim. 1:7, God hath not given us the spirit of fear, but of love and power, and a sound mind. I believe if anyone has a right to a sane mind, it is a child of God. It is a part of our heritage, through the blood of the Lord Jesus. 2 Cor. 10:4-5, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God; to the pulling down of strong holds. Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ." Did you ever notice how much is spoken in this passage about imagination, thoughts and the knowledge of God?

If your thoughts have been getting away from you; you can bring them into captivity, and throw them in the prison house of God's overcoming grace.

In Zech. 7:10, "Let none of you imagine evil against his brother in your heart. One of the devils greatest tools of today is evil imagination: God's people thinking and imagining things about each other, and the world that they should not. While you can't prevent the enemy from presenting the wrong kind of thoughts to you: you can keep them from becoming a wild imagination, of evil seed to take root in your heart. You can make them a captive by God's grace. David said. Psa. 19:14. "Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight: Oh Lord my strength and my redeemer." And remember blessedness comes to

the person that meditates in God's law day and night.

Phil. 4:8, "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue and if there be any praise, thing on these things." Beloved if you will do what this one verse says to do, as a christian, you will be a long way on the road to overcoming victory.

The five senses that God put in man: to taste, touch, see, hear and smell; are the antenna of man. Through this nerve system, and the mind itself, acting as a dial to tune the heart, we either receive the seeds of sin, or the call of God through his Spirit and Word. The Word is preserved in the bible. When our conscience is touched, by his holy Spirit, (the Holy Spirit brings the word of God to us, and the Devil brings temptation to sin). And we, through repentance and faith, come to God: We come in contact with our Maker. For faith cometh by hearing and hearing by the word of God. But with the heart man believeth unto righteousness and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Now to the person that is not in touch with God, all these five senses, being a receiving point for temptation to sin; and God's grace not being in that heart, to overcome the temptation, it takes root in the heart; and being fertilized by the carnal nature that is already there, it becomes transgression against the law of God. So through the practice of a life of sin, these five senses of the human body become more and more sensitive to temptation. So the mortal human finds himself down to the forces of temptation and a life of sin, that only God's grace, through the atoning Blood of Jesus can break and give freedom

My friend: God sent his son, that we might be free from the bondage of sin. And I believe there is plenty of grace to help in time of need. What think ye? Matt. 22:42.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wooster of Alvin, Texas, announce the marriage of their daughter, Vera Mae, to Mr. Harold D. Wills of Alvin, Texas on Tuesday the twenty-eighth of March.

# "JEPHTHAH VOWED A VOW UNTO THE LORD"

By Mrs. W. W. Chapman,

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And Jephthah vowed unto the Lord, and said, If thou without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands, Then it shall be that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the Lord's, and I will offer it up as a burnt offer-

ing. Judges 11:30-31.

No doubt when Jephthah vowed the above vow unto the Lord, little did he realize what a great price he would have to pay to pay the vow, no doubt he thought it would be one of his pet animals or a servant, his mind was on getting the victory over the Ammonites that had sorely oppressed the Israelites for years. He was so lost in prayer and consecration, and God gave heed to his prayer and gave him a complete victory over the Ammonites. Surely he was on the mountain top and was going home to tell the good news to his family, but just as he got home he was reminded of his vow as he saw his beautiful young daughter running out to meet him, the only child he had. She was so happy to see him she met him dancing and singing and making music. Immediately he rent his clothes in anguish and grief, he told her he had opened his mouth unto the Lord and could not turn back. She immediately understood, and said, "My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth unto the Lord, do to me what proceeded out of thy mouth." What a wonderful girl, willing to give her life up as burnt offering that her father might be true to the Lord and keep his vow, which he did two months later, and his name went down on record in the 11th of Hebrews along with men and women that had great faith in God such as Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and many others. I am sure it was God that helped him keep his promise for in the natural it was impossible to keep it.

At the beginning of this year I am sure that many of God's people made vows unto the Lord, and the enemy will try in many ways to make us break those vows, but let us remember that God gave Jephthah grace to keep his, though it was a rash vow and God did not require of him to

make a vow like that one. Neither does He require it of us, yet if we do make a rash vow it would be better to keep it than break it. I believe it is good to make vows unto the Lord. When I was converted twenty years ago I promised God I would go to Sunday school and be on time. He has helped me to keep that promise and blessed a hundred fold. I think a good vow we could make at this time is to pray more, read the Word more and do more for God this coming year than ever by His grace and help, for the night is coming when no man can work. Well you may say I work as hard as I can for Him, but you know there is always room for a little more for Him. Men and women everywhere are working overtime on account of labor shortage and they are paid double for all the overtime so if we should work overtime for God He will not forget to pay us for the overtime, too. Let us ask Him to pay us off in more joy and more faith for the joy of the Lord is great strength in the testing time. If you have not made a vow unto the Lord concerning His work, make one and be careful to keep it and He will give you joy untold all along throughout the year as you keep it.

## GRIEVING THE SPIRIT

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption, Eph. 4:30.

> By Evangelist Jake Pletcher, Arnett, Oklahoma

Pleasing God, working for the Lord, living for Him, turning people from sin to God, being a useful servant to Him, has always depended upon careful observance, and obedience to the plans, will and voice of the Lord.

After repentance, carefully strive to bring forth therefore fruits, meet for repentance. Put away lying, and speak the truth. Put away anger, wrath and hatred and let love reign in your life. Let him that stole steal no more, but let him work with his hands that he may have to give to him that needeth. Forsake transgressions, evil works, and unbelief. Begin to work for Jesus and to trust Him.

After an experience of Sanctification, carefully walk in the way of holiness, so you can bring forth the fruits of Righteousness. Let the power of the Spirit of Christ control your life and fill you with love of God, peace and assurance of Christ, longsuffering, patience, gentleness, mercy, faith, hope, temperance, meekness, humility. If these things reign in your life, those you come in contact with, will know there is something to the cleansing power of the blood of Jesus and you will not grieve the Holy Spirit.

After receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, the seal unto the day of Redemption, then let us carefully allow Him to use these temples so that rivers of living waters can flow from our innermost parts, to the hearts and lives of others, witnessing fearlessly by the power and annointing of the Holy Spirit for Jesus. Relying completely and trusting fully in the great work of Christ and the mighty power of God to anoint, lead, heal, save, avenge, bless, reach the needy, to cast down the strongholds of sin and unbelief, to cast down imaginations, superstitions, and every high thing that would exalt itself against the knowledge of Christ, not depending on the arm of flesh or what we know or can do. "Not by power nor by might, but by my Spirit," saith the Lord. If we stay full of faith and full of the Holy Spirit, signs and miracles will follow the Church of the living God. But if ye lack these things, ye are blind and cannot see afar off. Let us not grieve the Holy Spirit by failing to walk in the light He has given. Today, great penetrating search lights have been invented to locate the enemy in the air and on the sea. So the great light of His holy word has shone forth that we might not walk in darkness and unbelief. Also, that we might see the devices of Satan and shun the appearance of evil.

Let us not grieve the Holy Spirit because we don't understand what He would have us do, not do; believe, not believe; say, not say; think or not think. If any of you lack wisdom let him ask of God, and it shall be given him. James 1:5. Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth. II Tim. 2:15. If we are blind to things that need to be done around us, it grieves the Holy Spirit. The harvest

is still ripe. Awake to righteousness. If we lose our first love of doing things for Jesus, then he has somewhat against us. Paul said, "Woe is me if I preach not the Gospel." The lost need to see the Savior. Jesus said, "If I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto me." Let us show Christ and Him crucified to the lost. The sick should be brought to Jesus for healing, the up and down failing Christian, to Him for cleansing, sanctification and grace to overcome. The weak, self depending, unconvincing Christian who doesn't know the great benefits of the Baptism with the Holy Spirit should be brought to Jesus. He will baptise with the Holy Ghost and fire. The Great Supper is ready, bid them come.

It grieves the Holy Spirit when we fail to believe the mighty promises of God. If the Bible promises unto you and your children, great, exceeding, precious promises: Life and more abundant life; a complete armor; full salvation for spirit, soul, and body, yea, the deep things of God, believe them, stand on them, though your own mother or best friend, or your spiritual advisor or an angel of light, say they are not for you, or wrest the word to mean something else. You live by them and count them precious and you'll not break the seal unto the day of redemption.

Lord, teach us to speak a word in due season, a word of encouragement, a word of hope. Lift up the hands that hang down, strengthen the feeble knees. Words of truth and soberness. not silence, not bitter words of condemnation, or criticism, not filthy words of vanity, not dirty stories, or evil imaginations, "They say, "I heard," "she told me," etc. The redeemed from the earth had no guile in their mouth. Rev. 14:5. Don't break the seal. If we keep our mouth open too much and too wide our influence for God will leak out, thus grieving the Holy Spirit.

Let us think right that we might be able to speak and live right. If we meditate on the sins and pleasures of the world, the offers of the devil, and give them a place in our thoughts they will crowd the instruction and the promises of God's Word out. Then we will begin to want the husks of this present world in preference to the riches of Christ thereby grieving the Holy Spirit.

The spirit of compromise, joining hands with the defiled, large United Councils, Big Federation of Churches, saying "the main thing is, just believe that there is a God." "After all we are all religious," but the Bible says the devils believe and trembled. It will take more than the organized efforts of men and movements to turn the tide of wickedness, and do any thing for this old sin sick world. Jesus said, "No man cometh unto me except the father draw him," getting into something big and easy is not going to do it. The spirit of compromise letting down the standard to increase the numbers, to have a larger church is grieving the Holy Spirit. Woe, to them that go down to Egypt for help, but they look not unto the Holy one of Israel, neither seek the Lord. Isa. 31:1. The Bible tells us that when the enemy of God's people would come . against them, their faith was to be in God not in large numbers, great chariots, or many horsemen. Christ and his word is the only foundation that is sure. The doctrines, and plans of men are going to fail, when everything that can be shaken will be shaken. Col. 2:22.

We look about us in concern as we see wickedness, iniquity, madness, crime, and beastly desires of men and women sweep the world. Many religious people will try to unite their efforts and have a voice in politics and a system of rule of man. On the other hand we see a large number of people through love for the great truths, high standards and pure doctrine of the word of the Lord taking their stand for the high standard of the Gospel turning away from the attitude of worldiness. II Tim. 3:5, II Cor. 6:14-18.

Jesus said, "Watch ye therefore and pray always." That ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass and to stand before the Son of man. Luke 21:36. Grieve not the Holy Spirit of life and fill you with love, joy of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the

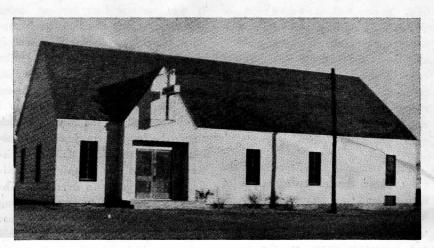
day of redemption. To grieve not the Holy Spirit is the Highest standard of Christian living the bible teaches.

We can be sure that he, the Holy Ghost, will always guide us into truth the ways and word of the Lord, that he will magnify and make plain the things of Christ to us. He will show us the sureness of the Holy promises. One time the writer was in need of healing for his body. He knew God had promised deliverance, but was not able to stand on those promises. Then in prayer the Holy Spirit gave him a promise by inspiration, and made him to feel the sureness of that promise. He stood on that promise and was delivered. The way of salvation is wonderful, a marvelous atonement, enlightening truth, a compassionate living savior, amazing gifts, administered by a tender, meek, heart piercing, easily grieved Holy Spirit, the third person to God. Made like unto the son of God abideth a priest continually.

Grieve not the Holy Spirit of God whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.



Evangelist Jack Barker, Builder of the Apostolic Faith Church of Laverne, Okla.



APOSTOLIC FAITH CHURCH, LAVERNE, OKLAHOMA

### HISTORY OF LAVERNE CHURCH

The following is a brief record of the Apostolic Faith work in Laverne, Okla.

Those present in the first Evangelistic party were: Bro. and Sister Jack Barker, Bro. and Sister Eldon Bollinger, Bro. John Modrick, Mrs. Joe Thompson Girouard, and Mrs. Grace Pigg LaMunyon.

The Revival Campaign opened March 3rd, 1929 with large crowds attending every service, the town was stirred, many were saved and blessed of the Lord.

A camp-meeting was held here in the following August which was well attended, with several states represented and a fine Spirit of Unity prevailed.

In the spring of 1930 under the direction of Bro. Jack Barker and others, a church building was erected, and on May 5th, 1930 was dedicated by Evang. Ben Barker.

Bro. Jack Barker was pastor for a number of years, and in the fourteen years of the work here there has been a Watch-night-service every year on December 31. Many ministers have conducted revivals, while scores of souls have been Saved, Sanctified and received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Two years ago Bro. Ben Barker took the pastorate, and since that time the church building has been remodeled, now as an auditorium 30 x 30, two class rooms, rest room, basement 12 x 30, with room for two classes.

We are glad Laverne has a place to worship, where the Apostolic Faith believers can come and feel at home.

The Laverne Church sends greetings to Churches of the Faith throughout the nation.

Ben Barker, Pastor

Laverne, Okla.



Rev. Ben Barker, Pastor of the Apostolic Faith Church of Laverne, Okla.

#### **OUR SAVIOUR'S HANDS**

Beautiful, wonderful hands of our Saviour, they are spread in mercy and love, They reach to all of His children, they reach to the Heavens above; They are always ready and willing to help us along life's way To guide, protect and save us; Oh may we from them never stray. No other hands so faithful will all of our burdens share As we travel life's weary hi-way, till we reach our home up there.

Beautiful, wonderful hands of our Saviour, tho in foreign lands I be, They reach across the waters, they are there to comfort me. Tho within me courage falters, and the night grows very black, Still I know that He is with me, He will roll the waters back. We must all our doubts surrender, take Him as our dearest friend He will stand right there beside us, till we reach our journeys end.

I am thankful Dear Lord for those blessed hands They have kept me these many years, They have helped ease many a heart ache They have wiped away many a tear They have given me courage when on Sinking Sands, Those Beautiful wonderful hands.

> Luna M. Raymond Cave Springs, Ark.

#### WORLD FEDERATION

The Bible predicts A WORLD FEDERATION OF NATIONS.

It will be headed up by ONE MAN. That man will be the ANTICHRIST (Rev. 13:7). His two-fold program will be PEACE AND SECURITY (I Thes. 5:3).

An international program for effecting PEACE AND SECURITY will be inaugurated. Man will make one final effort to solve his problems WITHOUT GOD. The whole world will be REGIMENTED. INTERNA-TIONAL SOCIALISM will be the form of government in that day. The government will OWN ALL PROP-ERTY AND CONTROL ALL PEO-PLE. Everyone will be compelled by law to WORSHIP THE DICTATOR (Rev. 13:8). Christianity will be OUTLAWED. The death sentence will be placed upon all who worship CHRIST. No one will be able to employ or to procure employment, without taking the MARK OF THE BEAST. It will be a mark branded in the hand. If the hand is incapacitated, the mark will be branded in the forehead. (Rev. 13:16, 17.)

The man who will head up that world federation of nations is called, in Bible prophecy, "The Beast" (Rev. 13.4-8). He will be SATAN INCARNATE. (Rev. 13:4.)

-Bible News Flashes.

#### REVIVALS IN BORNEO

The following story has been told by Dr. T. J. McCrossan. It concerns a Borneo missionary named Arthur Mouw who had received his Bible school training under Dr. McCrossan's teaching.

About seven years ago a new mission was opened in an unevangelized district in the East Indies, and Arthur Mouw and his wife were sent there. He prayed for special help in learning the new language, and it was not long until he was telling the natives the story of Jesus who healed the sick and who died for our sins. He told them that He arose from the dead, and that He is living and is just the same today.

Soon the natives came to him with their terrible incurable cases of sicknesses. The missionary felt he must pray for their healing, otherwise his mission among them would be ended. So he called on the living Christ to do the work, laying his hands on the sick in Jesus' name, and he felt a mighty power going through his arms and the worst cases were healed instantly. Soon they brought hundreds and thousands, and Jesus healed them.

One day the natives pitched tents around the mission. However, they were not the sick. They were two thousand healthy people who had come to learn more about Jesus who healed

their sick. So Arthur Mouw talked to them until his throat was sore. Then his wife talked. When she was tired, the native workers talked. Then Arthur Mouw took it up again. The meeting continued all day. There were six thousand saved. After careful examination the missionary felt satisfied and baptized two thousand. Recently another two thousand were ready for baptism. And the revival still goes on, according to the missionary's report.

-From the Comforter, S. Africa.

# THE CHRISTIAN'S DAILY DOZEN

First, turn your heart to God for grace
Before you look on any face.

Next, breathe a word of thankful greeting

To Him who watched while you were sleeping.

Now, if you find this hard to do, Invoke your will to help you through;

Just clinch your hands or turn your head,

'Twill drive the night mists from your bed.

Next say a verse or hum an air To make an atmosphere of prayer.

At length, when mind is keenly turning,

Repeat some new verse you are learning.

Then it will surely clear your vision To voice in words the day's decision,

To talk with Christ about your work, For Heaven can never bless a shirk.

And now, prepared the day to meet, Arise and stand upon your feet.

Then, from the table while you're dressing,

Glean something from the Book of Blessing;

And, for the climax of all motion Fail not to kneel in sweet devotion.

So go you forth with smiles to greet The first and every heart you meet;

And all day long your soul will thrive, And men will thank God you're alive.

#### MISSIONARY LETTER

Apostolic Faith Pub. Co. P.O. Box 300 Baxter Springs, Kansas Dear Ones in Christ:

Greetings in the worthy name of

our soon coming King!

Kindly accept our deep thanks for the offering and also the Apostolic Faith paper received from you. It does seem so good to be able to contact our dear brothers and sisters in the Lord again after our shut-in days during the past couple years of our internment in Shanghai, China. God was good and He cared bringing us safely back to our motherland, taking 74 days and a distance of 22,000 miles on three oceans, and stopping off in three continents, S. India, S. Africa, S. America before reaching our dear motherland.

But it all seems like a dream to us yet somehow, for our hearts and minds are in dear, suffering, struggling China. Were compelled to leave on account of occupied territory, but are looking forward to returning in God's good time. Kindly bear China and our

dear faithful Chinese co-workers i.e., Pastors, evangelists, teachers and Bible women much on your hearts in prayer, and also the number of Mission stations and schools still carrying on in the strength of the Lord, under much pressure and suffering, shortage of food, and many many trials. But God is ALL SUFFICIENT, and as surely Paul's verse to the Corinthians fitted us when all seemed shut off in the natural, "MY GRACE is SUFFI-CIENT—" We were cared for somewhat like Elijah during those couple years. How precious God is in any circumstance as we trust HIM and not fear.

May the Lord bless you, and perchance it may be we shall have the privilege in meeting you while here in the homeland. We expect to be going to Chicago next week, and then west for a time of rest and recuperation the Lord willing. Shall appreciate your prayers, and may the Lord bless you.

> Yours In His Fellowship, Emma B. Lawler, E. Beatrice Lawler.

#### MINISTERIAL JEALOUSY

Jealousy among preachers, perhaps is the worst of all professional jealousy, because the ministry has to do with the souls of men. Preachers get so jealous that they would sit by and let two-thirds of the population of their town perish before they would do one thing to help a revival along outside their own little bailiwick. Preachers get so full of denominational jealousy that they will not even fellowship you if you are not eating out of the same denominational dish of pottage. This same jealousy gets into some preachers who style themselves executives over God's heritage (we doubt if God had anything to do with the putting of them there) and they use their influence to stop honest and earnest revival efforts. The public is not blind to all such things, and the sooner such ministers and their unChristian actions are brought to the bar of public opinion the better off all Christian denominations will be.-The Prophetic News.

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#### **TESTIMONIES**

Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

I received the anointed handkerchief and just want to tell you that I am completely healed. I had some kind of fits and had tumors. The doctors said I would have to have an operation, but thank God for my healing and that He is still on the throne and hears and answers prayer. I am saved and sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and have been healed many times through prayer. I hope your good work goes on forever.

Your Sister in Christ,

Mrs. Mae Garrison North Carolina

Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

Thank you so much for sending me your paper. My brother-in-law in California, who is in the Navy wrote to his mother about the Bible and many papers you have been sending him. I am enclosing a small offering to help in this work.

Sincerely,

Mrs. A. L. Chamberlain

Texas



Group of Gospel Workers in front of the Apostolic Faith Mission at Galena, Kansas Year 1907.

#### **REVIVAL OF 1903 IN** GALENA, KANSAS

By A. W. Webber (Latter Rain History continued from last issue)

Jesus declares that "whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do," and in James we are told that "the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up."

These and many other scriptures of like character bear evidence that the entire human family can become recipients of God's mercy, provided some interested individual, capable of doing so, will ask in Jesus' name and pray the prayer of faith for that one who may be unable to do this for himself.

Varied experiences and many diverse happenings of past years have not in the least bedimmed the writer's memory regarding such an experience as this in his own life, at a time when affliction, diagnozed by medical science as white-swelling with which he was stricken at the age of four years, resulted in the writer being compelled to spend a great part of his early life, between the ages of four and fourteen, on crutches.

This, of course, interrupted my attending school regularly; however, during four years of my grade school, while under the tutorship of two sisters, I was brought into contact with Mrs. Mary Arthur, a third sister, who also had suffered many bodily ailments, including almost total blind-

On pages 88 and 89 in the book covering the Life of Charles F. Parham, Mrs. Arthur writes concerning the restoration of her sight and the healing of her body when she met up with Brother Parham in Eldorado Springs, Mo., in the summer of 1903, to which place she had gone with hopes of improving her health; and after her return home, Brother Parham came to Galena as he had promised Sister Arthur he would do, and a short time after his arrival a tent was erected at the corner of Third and Galena Ave., where he began conducting revival services.

At the insistence of Sister Arthur my parents took me to this tent meeting, and there I heard and saw strange, but wonderful things. People singing, shouting, praying, and many speaking languages that I couldn't understand; while all about the tent were empty cots and wheel-chairs, and numerous discarded canes and crutches were hung round about the tent, while those who had been delivered from using same leaped and shouted and rejoiced in the Lord.

With a feeling that I was in a strange place, but on Holy ground, I went forward for prayer, and evidently someone called upon God in Jesus' name and prayed the prayer of faith in my behalf, for I, too, found freedom from the use of crutches and other maladies of which I make no mention here.

With the approach of cold weather the tent was banked on the outside and stoves were installed to provide heat within; however, the crowds soon outgrew the tent, and the meeting was moved into the Grand Leader building on Main Street. This building was a large double store room, estimated to seat 2000 people, and through the entire winter months of 1903-1904 this building was filled nightly to capacity, with scores of people standing at every service. Also nightly the altars were filled (there were several altars), with dozens of people seeking salvation, sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and Brother Parham would sit for hours praying for the sick, and on New Year's night of that year the building was packed until after midnight, and between 400 and 500 people, including business and professional men and families, as well as folk from all walks of life, remained at the altars until after sunup the next morning.

Out of the hundreds who went forth to evangelize as the result of that meeting some have fallen away and others have gone on to their reward, yet full gospel meetings continue in Galena today under the leadership of Sister Lulu A. Parham, who is pastoring a goodly congregation at Spring Grove Mission on South Main Street, where a fine work is being accomplished among the young

people.

The cartoonist has pictured the man with snow shovel in hand and wiping his brow after clearing the snow from all paths and walks around his home after the first heavy fall of the season. For a few days he rested in the thought of a job well done, but awoke one morning to find these same paths again filled with a fall of snow even heavier than the first. Somewhat discouraged, however, he again tackled the job of clearing the paths, but when the path from the house to the barn was finished he considered his job finished and laid his shovel down. When the third snow fell a few days later, covering all signs of every effort he had made to keep his paths clean and open, he gave up in despair and his paths went unattended throughout the balance of the winter. And while it is evident there have been times of slackening since full gospel was first brought to Galena, Kansas almost forty years ago by the late Charles F. Parham-first in not being attentive to the stranger, second, in not being interested in the

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### BRIEF MENTION

NOTE—We are glad to mail blessed handkerchiefs to those who desire them. Please let us hear from you at any time.

Brother Willie and Sister Mary King and family have just closed a very successful Revival at the Willow Glen Church, seven miles east of Byron, Okla. The people of God have been encouraged and the work builded up. They have been elected as Pastors of the church and God is blessing their labours.

Evangelist and Mrs. Robert L. Parham expect to be back at their home base in Baxter Springs, Kansas around the middle of May and plan to be in tent Revivals through out the summer months.

Brother and Sister C. R. Dale, Pastors of Fayetteville, Ark., have been in special services throughout the Tri-State District the last few weeks.

Brother J. W. Elliott has been in ill health and desires the prayers of the people of the faith that he shall be restored to health that he may continue to preach the gospel. He has been holding special services at Logansport, La.

Brother John Wagner of Freedom, Okla., reports God is blessing in an old time revival now being held at District 41 near Freedom, by Evangelist Jake Pletcher. Splendid crowds are enjoying the meeting.

Brother and Sister Hap Watkins, Pastors at Ralls, Texas report God is blessing and the work of the Lord is progressing there. Souls are being saved and they are working diligently to see much accomplished for God there.

God has been blessing the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Robert Girouard in Cheney, Kansas. They have given in their resignation and their farewell service will be the first Sunday in July.

Evangelist and Mrs. Tica Tabor, who have been pastoring the church at Katy, Texas for several months,

expect to be in tent meetings about May 1. God has graciously blessed their ministry at Katy and the church has been built up by their untiring efforts.

The Cook Missionary Party of Houston, Texas has been conducting a wonderful Revival at the Heights Faith Tabernacle, 20th and Gostick Sts., in Houston. God is graciously blessing, the big Tabernacle has been filled every night. A great number have been saved and healed by the power of God. Brother Calvin Cook has been doing some splendid preaching in the old time way.

Calvary Chapel, 1100 East Las Tunas, San Gabriel, Calif., and the Good News Tabernacle, 2310 W. Jefferson in Los Angeles came together at Calvary Chapel for a grand all day Easter Service. A big basket dinner was served at noon and a real time of fellowship was enjoyed by all. God graciously blessed and poured out His spirit in the afternoon meeting and it was a time of great rejoicing. Many friends and loved ones came as it was a farewell service for Evangelist and Mrs. Robert L. Parham. Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Parham, Pastors.

Evangelist Robert L. Parham has been visiting the hospitals in California. God has blessed this work as tracts, papers, books and Bibles were given out. The eagerness for religious literature, and the cheerfulness of the wounded boys would touch the heart of everyone, could they visit the bedsides and witness the testimonies of these boys. One hospital has twenty miles of beds, and there is an open field and open hearts there for the Gospel. May God help us to lend a helping hand in this great time of need.

Evangelist and Mrs. Robert L. Parham have had special week end services at Palm City, Sultana and San Francisco, Calif. God graciously blessed in every service, souls being and sanctified to the glory of God.

Brother and Sister J. M. Scott, Pastors of Magnolia, Ark., report Victory in the work of the Lord there. The new church building is going up and they are praising God for it. With all the saw mills tied up and seemingly every door closed, God answered prayer and made a way for them to obtain the lumber and essentials for

the building of the new church. They have had several visitors lately for special services, Evangelist Bob Palmer; Brother Francis Sutton; Brother and Sister E. W. Dickson.

Evangelist and Mrs. George Bollinger are now in a good Revival at the 5th St. Church in Baxter Springs, Kansas. Good crowds are attending and the Lord is blessing. The special music and chalk drawings have been an added feature as well as the old time preaching of the Gospel.

B. F. Clark, Pastor

Evangelist and Mrs. John Modrick have just closed a good Revival at the church at Curtis, Okla. The church was greatly blessed. Brother and Sister Harold Cooper, Pastors.

Evangelist and Mrs. M. E. Brown are now in a Revival meeting at the New York Tabernacle, 2nd and New York Sts., in Wichita, Kansas. Rev. Albert A. Durham, Pastor.

Evangelist Ava Durham has recently closed a very successful Revival at the Hoover Orchard church in Wichita, Kansas. Several were saved in the meeting and God graciously blessed in every service. Sister Francis Stork, Pastor.

Brother Ed and Sister Francis Stork have resigned as Pastors of the Hoover Orchard Church in Wichita, Kansas and will leave soon to Pastor the work at Bayard, Nebraska and do evangelistic work in the North Platt Valley in Nebraska.

Brother and Sister C. E. Orendorff who have been assisting in the work of the Lord in different places in northern Calif., are now enroute back to Winslow, Arkansas where they intend to do pioneer evangelistic work this summer. Sister Idress Fidler will be assisting them.

Brother and Sister Earl Bliss report continued blessing and victory in the work of the Lord at Kalamazoo, Mich.

Evangelist Jack Barker, assisted by the Nelson sisters of Laverne, Okla., are now in an old time Revival at the Twin Mounds church near Logan, Okla. Rev. Marcus L. Adair, Pastor.

Rev. Marcus L. Adair, pastor of the church at Twin Mounds, near Logan, Okla., writes that the people thereare going to build a new church and are expecting to have the money on hand by August 1. Two hundred dollars have already been given and they hope to have 12 or 1500 dollars by Aug. 1. The work of the Lord is going forward and everyone is expecting the program to go over in a big way.

Evangelist and Mrs. Gail W. Schultz are now in a Revival at the North Hill Mission, 1701 N. Washington Ave., Roswell, New Mexico. Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Yeakel, Pastors.

Evangelist Jack Barker, assisted by the Nelson sisters, has just closed a fine revival at the Mission in Englewood, Kansas. Fifteen or more were saved and God blessed in a wonderful way. Brother and Sister James Hosler, Pastors.

Evangelist Bob Palmer is now in an old time Revival at Hitchland, Okla. The Lord is blessing and good interest manifested. Brother and Sister Floyd LaMunyon are assisting in the Revival and are a great blessing with their splendid music and singing. Rev. and Mrs. Paul Bollinger, Pastors.

Brother and Sister Sherman Sutton have recently closed a good Revival at Spearman, Texas. The Lord blessed and everyone enjoyed Sister Sutton's preaching. Brother and Sister Sidney Rees, Pastors.

Evangelist Homer Coberly and family have been in a Revival at the new church in Dumas, Texas. Evangelist and Mrs. Gail Schultz were in the Revival one night. Brother and Sister F. P. Copeland, Pastors.

Every Friday night special prayer services are held at the San Leon, Texas Mission, for the purpose of praying for all service boys. If you have anyone in the armed service you are invited to these prayer services. Other services are, Bible study on Monday nights in the different homes. Sunday school every Lord's Day at 10 o'clock and Evangelistic service at 7:30. Herman Hoke and W. H. Campbell, Elders and Rev. Alford Whiteley, Pastor.

#### LET'S WORK AND PRAY TOGETHER

We are thankful for those who have the vision of putting the gospel in the printed page to our boys in service as well as those on the home front. They all need encouragement in these dark days with so many husbands, sons, fathers, brothers and sweethearts away from the home.

This issue of the paper represents hundreds of dollars and we sincerely thank every minister, layman and church group who have had a part in it. May God bless you. Your continued prayers and support will keep the gospel going to the front lines of home and battlefield. Let us hear from you!

#### THE APOSTOLIC FAITH PAPER

Box 300

Baxter Springs, Kansas

Brother Johnnie Peacock writes an encouraging letter from Cheney, Kansas and sends word of cheer to all to keep holding on and stay true to the gospel.

Sister W. T. Hazell of Houston, Texas writes God is blessing in the jail services there and also in the hospital work. Mother Hazell is a great personal worker and God has honored her work in these places in a special way.

Brother Bill Briles is now Pastoring the work in Snyder, Texas. Services are now being held in the different homes, but arrangements are being made for a church. The work is coming fine and everyone is cooperating and the Lord is blessing every effort. The church board has been elected consisting of Robert Gregory, President; Leo Heath, Sec. and Treasurer; and Ben Peterson.

Brother Francis Sutton of Mannford, Okla., writes his father is still ill and very weak, but he is expecting to be out on the firing line again soon. He and his brother Homer Sutton, expect to be in Evangelistic work together.

#### A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT TO PRAYING MOTHERS

The Christian life in the army is certainly no easy one, and each day brings some problem or trial we must face. There are lonely hours during the day and night vigilance when it seems that we have gone the last mile. We are lonesome, no place to gohomesick and no one to cheer us. Then we remember that back home a few faithful mothers are gathered together, having come aside from the cares of these duty-filled days for an hour of prayer. Then it seems that we have been put in touch with heaven. The sun seems brighter-the birds' songs are sweeter, and as we watch the big bald-headed eagle from its nest in the tall jack pines, soaring high in flight, we are reminded of the Scripture—"Our strength is renewed like the eagle," and we "shall mount up with wings as eagles." It is hard for us who have nailed our colours to the mast, to kneel in prayer at our bedside in front of fifty or sixty men. We do not drink or gamble, so alone we stand as ambassadors of the King of Kings, with an example to set. Mothers, we need your prayers.

Our temptations are many—our road is rough—the way is hard. On behalf of those boys who do not realize that someone's mother is praying for them, I say, "Thank you." They say "Give us guns, tanks and planes"; but more important than any of these is prayer, and without it we fail. Mothers, there are thousands depending on those few precious minutes in prayer for boys of the armed forces for courage and strength. Whether we fly in darkness through the star-cavered heavens, sail the dangerous high seas or meet the foe in the land, we must be supported by prayer.

When these war clouds blow over and the din of war has ceased, and peace is again restored among nations, the unsung heroes of the conflict will be faithful praying mothers who stood by us in prayer.

—Ggnr. Vernon Nixon, Victoria, B. C.

**REVIVAL OF 1903** 

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regarding our own personal needs—nevertheless, God still hears and answers that prayer that is prayed in Jesus' name, and still manifests himself in healing power when the prayer of faith is prayed.

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#### ANNOUNCEMENT

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Pvt. Gerald W. Crouse
Atlanta, Georgia

Pvt. Gerald W. Crouse is the son of Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Crouse of Argonia, Kansas, and was a great helper in the service of the Lord before entering the army. He is a very talented musician and singer, and his life is proving to be a blessing in the service of his country.

#### Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

I am going to school here studying to be a mechanic. I have been going to church steady and enjoy the services and the blessings of our God. No matter where we are, if we trust the Lord, He will surely take care of His own. I have been getting the paper right along and really enjoy reading it.

I ask an interest in your prayers that I'll stay true to the Master that He may use my life for His glory.

May God bless your lives as you

labor for Him.

Yours in His Service, Pvt. Gerald W. Crouse Atlanta, Georgia.

# Our Boys In Service

The Office of Censorship, Washington, D.C., requested us to omit complete address of boys in service. We are glad to cooperate for the safety of our boys. Any letters sent to the boys in care of us, we will add complete address and forward.

Dear Brother and Sister in Christ:

I have been ill with the flu but am now praising God for the victory. I had a very interesting talk tonight with a negro Wac. She has a real experience in God and was talking the way some people trusted in the arm of flesh instead of trusting in God. She went on to say that people got sick, bringing it on themselves by indulging in sinful pleasures, that God made our bodies and He meant for us to enjoy good health and that if we kept our lives clean for Him, He would take care of us. The boys all around just stopped what they were doing and listened and were surprised to know I agreed with all that had been said. I told them the Bible would back it up, and that God would protect us and keep us if we trusted in Him.

May the richest blessings of God rest upon you as you work for the Master.

Pray for me that I might keep my life free from sin and condemnation.

A brother in His service,

Pvt. George R. Gregory, Jr.

Wendover Field, Utah.

#### Dear Friend:

I thank you kindly for the very nice testament you sent me. It is of exceptional value because it contains helps in front and harmony of the gospels in the back, also other valuable information which is necessary in really studying God's word. I will carry it with me always and you can be assured I will read it often, as any subject of Christ's teachings can readily be found in the helps. It will also come in handy to answer questions pertaining to God's plan of salvation which soldiers sometimes ask me.

I would be pleased to hear from you folks and may God bless you in your work.

Pvt. Joseph W. Snader Charlotte, N. C.



P.F.C. Theo. A. Winter A.P.O. 813 New York City, New York

Dear Brother Robert:

I received the paper and your letter but sorry to have waited so long to answer. I just got out of the Hospital. Our Chaplain has been transferred to another place and I sure do miss him. We have had civilian preachers the last two Sundays. I sure would like to go to a good revival again.

May God bless your efforts for Him,

Ted Winters.

#### BRING HIM TO CHURCH

While conducting a recent revival, a young service man from the community, came home on a furlough. He was a paratrooper, and had already made five jumps. The same day he came home the pastor of the church called on his mother, and advised her to bring the young man to church. She did. The second time he came to church he was saved, and returned to his duties a follower of Christ.

May the Lord help all the Fathers and Mothers of our service men to hold up our Christ to them, for He has promised if this was done He would draw all men unto Him.

Mrs. John Modrick.

Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

I received your paper and sure was glad to get it. It is the most interesting paper I have ever read. Please remember to pray for me, I need it so while in the army, and by the prayers of the christian people I know I will be able to make Heaven my home.

May the Lord help you to continue with your good work.

Your Brother in Christ, Pvt. James Darrald Miller Camp Shelby, Miss.

#### Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

I want to thank you for the book and Testament. I sure enjoy reading them and the paper too.

I am truly glad that I can say I know the Lord and that He is still on the throne to hear and answer prayer and will keep us from all evil and harm if we will trust in Him. I know He has heard and answered prayer for me.

Pray for me that I will grow stronger for the Lord and the boys here will see what it is to live for God. All they think of is drinking. They all make fun of me for listen-



Lewis Lavaughn Evans, F2/c C/o Fleet Post Office, San Francisco, Calif.

Lewis Lavaughn Evans, is the son of Evangelist Jennie Evans. He volunteered in the Navy in March, 1943, and is now serving on a Sub in the Southwest Pacific. He is desirous to hear from his christian friends and covets the prayers of all.

ing to the gospel singing and preaching over the radio. But I tell them they will wish some day they too had listened to the word of God.

Remember me in your prayers, Pvt. Marvin Gannon Camp Stoneman, Calif.

Dear Brother Parham:

I received the paper and sure was glad to get it. I let some of the other boys read it and they sure enjoyed it. I will be getting a furlough soon and I am going to attend some of the good meetings in the Tri-State District.

The church I have been going to down here has been having some good meetings, young souls are being saved and sanctified and some have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

I want you to remember me in prayer that I may grow stronger in the Lord.

I am always looking forward to receiving the paper.

Your brother in Christ, Pvt. Bill M. Demery Fort Benning, Ga.

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Parham:

I sure was pleased to hear from you. I thank our Lord for people like you that are giving the men in uniform good encouraging letters. My wife and I both are very much interested in church work and we do believe in being faithful and loyal to our Divine Master. Our home is in western North Carolina. We are Baptists, and don't know of any church of your kind in our part of the country.

We do hope this awful war will be over soon so all the men in service can go home.

May God bless and give you power to carry on with your good work.

A friend in Christ,
Pvt. Elmer Robinson
Camp Swift, Texas

Dear Friend:

I have been receiving your paper for some time, also received the Testament, which I am thankful for. The paper is very interesting and I would like to continue to receive it, and I am enclosing a free-will offering for it

> Irwin P. Spurr c/o Postmaster, New York, N. Y.



Pfc. Quinten H. Beagle San Diego 14, Calif.

Pfc. Quinten H. Beagle is a fine young christian and is using his influence and working for the Lord while in the service of his country. While stationed in California he has been attending services at Palm City, and has been a blessing to the church there

Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

I was very glad to receive your paper and the Testament and I promise to read it and put my whole heart into it. I have been in the army for 12 months now and expect soon to join the boys overseas, and I pray and desire your prayers that I will be ready to meet my Saviour at any time. I thank the Lord for the prayers my mother has sent up for me.

Sincerely,
Pfc. James H. Godwin
Camp Rucker, Ala.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Parham:

I sure was glad to hear from you and thank you for the present you sent me. It is very hot here, but we have plenty of bananas and cocoanuts. I hope and pray this war will be over soon so I can go home to my wife and son. I am sending you a souvenir from here

God bless you and keep praying for my wife and son and for me also.

> Your brother in the Lord, Pfc. Bennie Heiman c/o P.M. San Francisco, Calif.

New Guinea

Dear Brother in Christ:

I have read two books by Parham but would like complete literature on three things mainly, Healing, Sanctification and the baptism of the Holy Ghost. I also would like to have a Bible correspondence course if you have one to offer. I want to study to show myself approved unto God a workman that need not be ashamed and if you can help me do this I will surely appreciate your help. What I have read so far I see you believe all of God's word and act on it where most churches or religions today when they come to something that is hard to believe they walk around it instead of taking it by faith whether it agrees with science or man's reason. With God all things are possible to them that believe.

A Brother in Christ, Pfc. Kenneth Modin c/o P.M. San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Brother Parham:

I want to thank you for the paper, it has been a great blessing to me and I have received it with great pleasure. The Lord has been wonderful to my wife and me. God so graciously undertook for us in moving here, it was a direct answer to prayer. The people are so nice here. We attend the Glad Tidings Tabernacle and my wife has preached there some and I also preached my first sermon there. My wife and I are setting a certain time every day for Bible study and prayer and we surely want to keep in the center of His will. It is so wonderful to steal away into a quiet and secret place and relax both body and mind and draw a little closer to our Heavenly Father.

God bless you and your good work, Sgt. and Mrs. Robert Fisher Fort George G. Meade, Md.

Dear Ones:

I received the paper and many thanks, I sure enjoy reading it. I have passed my overseas exams and was to be here six weeks for training but may be here longer.

I appreciate everything you have done for me and all that you fine folk are doing to carry the gospel to the lost.

> Pvt. Milton Smoots Fort Custer, Mich.

Dear Robert and Pauline:

The paper came at a time I truly needed it most. I was in the hospital with an attack of malaria fever. The paper was a great comfort to me. I have let several of my buddies read it and they also think it fine. I received the two books you sent and I have read them from cover to cover and found them to be a blessing to me. I can remember Brother Parham in our home and how he preached and the books made it all so real to me.

I earnestly hope you keep spreading the gospel of truth to the ends of the earth, as it is really the gospel of truth.

I am praising my Saviour because He healed me when I was sick.

I am sending an offering to help carry on this wonderful paper of truth. Do pray for the sick boys here in the hospital.

> Always your friend, Pvt. Emmett E. Yeakel c/o P.M. San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

Sure glad to hear from you again, as I am always glad to hear from those in the Lord's service. Thank you for the books you sent me and also for the paper, I get so much good out of them. This is a time when we should pray more than ever before for surely Jesus is coming soon.

Remember me in prayer and thank you again for the paper.

Your brother in Christ, Pfc. Clyde W. Jones c/o P.M. Seattle, Wash.

Somewhere in Italy

Dear Brother Parham:

Enclosed you will find a money order to be used for the expense of the paper. I have been receiving the paper regularly since arriving overseas and it has followed me where ever I have gone throughout the past year. I am turning some of the papers over to others to read after I have finished them so perhaps they will accomplish a good purpose. I have also received several books you sent to me, thanks ever so much.

Herman Ernst.

Dear Ones in Christ:

I receive the paper regularly and it certainly is a blessing to me. I am glad for the Lord, that in such days as these we can trust in Him. When there is so much sin on every hand,

we can turn to Him and find satisfaction and peace. Since being in the army I have seen sin in a much greater way, but it only makes me more determined for Christ.

May God greatly reward you for your prayers and labor.

A brother in the Lord, Pvt. Othel E. Cumbie Camp Barkley, Texas

Dear Brother Robert:

I am writing to send you this small offering to be used in the work of the Lord. I am doing fine and enjoying the blessings of the Lord. I desire your prayers.

The last issue of the paper was very good and I sure did enjoy it.

Keep up your good work and to you the best in everything.

Love and prayer,
Pfc. Virgil Mott
Columbia, S. C.

England

Dear Brother Robert:

I received the paper and was indeed glad to hear from you. I have been quite busy lately and haven't had much time for writing. I still have the Testament you sent me when I was at Jefferson Bks, Mo., and carry it with me all the time. I made my first mission to Berlin this week and and I had the Testament with me. If a man didn't know how to pray, I think a place like that is a way to learn. Every man on my crew was praying and we came through without a scratch. A lot of fellows in the barracks read the paper and seem to enjoy it as much as I do, so please continue to send it to me.

I will be expecting an answer soon. H. L. Watkins, Jr. C/o P.M. New York, N. Y.

Dear Brother Robert:

I am well and doing fine. I have a good place to go to church, I get to go on Saturday nights and Sundays. The people of the church sure treat me fine. I finished reading the book you sent me and liked it fine. Have given it to others to read. I am sending an offering for the paper.

As ever, Cpl. John Wesley Huston Camp Polk, La.

Dear Robert and Pauline:

I do appreciate the Apostolic Faith paper and like to read it, I pass it on and the other boys like to read it too. I can't tell you how much I appreciate it all and the books too. I am glad I am trusting in the Master and see things the right way. I need your prayers, and not only me, but thousands of other boys everywhere. Your prayers are greatly appreciated.

Your friend, Pfc. Henry Hanson c/ P.M. New York, N. Y.

Dear Brother and Sister Parham:

Greetings in Jesus Name!

While I was at Camp Wolters, Texas, a sergeant which was a gambler awakened me every night for two weeks wanting to know whether he was going to hell if he didn't quit gambling. I tried to point the boy to Christ the best I could and asked him several times to go to church with me, but he always had an excuse putting it off until next time, and about a month after this he shot himself. One can only sin so long and get by with it. We can't do wrong and get by. A boy here cursed me for praying at my bedside, and it wasn't but a few days until he went to the hospital in a bad condition, and now he is going to the hospital again and wants me to come to see him. How I praise Jesus I can cling to His everlasting arm.

I would like for you to send me a thousand tracts on Divine Healing and a thousand on How to be Saved. I am sending some names for the Apostolic Faith paper.

A Brother in Christ, Pvt. David C. Williamson 347 Boot Co. T. C. Section 1 CPE Charleston, S. C.

Dear Servants of God:

I must write and tell you how much I enjoy your paper. There has been some wonderful blessings in it for me. It gives me courage to press on. I enjoy it and then pass it on. I pray that I will be able to attend some good meetings soon.

A follower, William David Alley, Jr. C/o Fleet Post Office San Francisco, Calif.

Middle East-Iran Dear Brother Robert:

I am glad to hear from you and appreciate your letter very much. Mother is sending me the paper by air mail and I get it more promptly. I am feeling fine and God has directed my way into work that I enjoy very much. I continue to be blessed and encouraged in the Lord.

You can feel assured that the paper and the publications for which you are responsible bring much sunshine to my life. The paper is invaluable to me as it is the only medium now by which I am in contact with all the movement. May God bless you.

> Cpl. Paul B. Johnson c/ P.M. San Francisco, Calif.

> > England

Dear Brother Parham:

Have receive your letters and the paper and glad to get all of them. It means much to me to read the writings of others. I am fine in every way and the Lord is continually with me for which I am thankful. I had six days furlough and went to the big city and saw lots of interesting things. So often I thought of God and his greatness while being at the different places. I went to church several nights and met a christian English boy and enjoyed my visit with him.

> Yours truly, Raymond Earl Rich c/o P.M. New York, N. Y.

> > England

Dear Brother Parham:

Just a word of thanks and appreciation to you and the many friends who made it possible for the Testament and papers I have received for the last few months. I really enjoy reading them. I only wish I could do something to help in the great work you are doing.

Pray for me that I will do my duty for God and my country, and live a better life before my fellowman.

> A soldier friend, T/s Thomas L. Ford c/o P.M. New York, N. Y.

Dear Brother Parham:

I have received your gospel papers and books. I appreciate them very much. They help me so much at this time when everything seems so dark. It does my heart good to know that the christian people back home are praying for all of us out here. I was only a small boy when I last saw you. In my mind there remains a vague mental picture of you. Your ideals always appeared to be so much higher than the average persons. The fact that you remain a man of strong christian faith, convinces me that you must have the right outlook on life.

I remember the Camp Meetings when I was small. Everyone seemed so happy and at peace with one another. That is the best feeling a man or woman will ever have. I will have to admit I have neglected praying to God for guidance and protection, and if it had not been for you folks back home praying I might never have received your papers and package. Death has been close and I know it was prayer that changed everything.

I would love to be back and hear your sermons and be in one of your revival meetings again. I pray that day will arrive soon. Please answer this letter as soon as possible.

Your friend,

C. E. Perham, Jr. USMC c/ Fleet Post Office San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Robert and Pauline:

I have been receiving the paper and would like to know of all the folks of the faith in and around San Francisco. I am Supt. of the Sunday School of the Sunset Mission, located at 1326 9th Ave., our Pastor, Sister Pearl Thomas Yeakley offers a cordial invitation to ministers to come for services at any time. We make personal calls and would contact friends or anyone interested in the work of the Lord if they would please send in their names and addresses.

We are looking forward to greater victories in Christ in this place.

Remember us in your prayers,

Sgt. Floyd Lee Parrick 500 Fillmore St., San Francisco 17, Calif.

#### Dear Friends in Christ:

I have been getting the paper and sure do appreciate it, it gives me great pleasure as well as comfort to read what the people back home are doing in God's work.

I don't get to go to church very much, only on Sunday mornings.

I am no longer in Australia, but somewhere in the Southwest Pacific. Pray for me that I will get closer to God.

> As ever, Pvt. Ralph Denton.

> > Somewhere in Italy

#### Dear Brother Parham:

Just a few lines to let you know I am still among the living, which I am thankful to God for. I have had my share of close calls and have done my share of praying, for which I give credit for being alive today. Other boys admit too that they call upon God when shells fall close by. The 91st Psalm, 7th verse is quoted by home folks writing as well as by the chaplains. "A thousand shall fall by thy side, and ten thousand by thy right hand, but it shall not come nigh thee." I was dreaming one night and these words came to me. "Though thou walk through the valley of the shadow of death, no harm shall come nigh thee." It may not be a scripture but I believe God gave it to me as a sign of safe keeping.

Yours in His service, Pfc. Earl A. Mansee c/o P.M., New York, N. Y.

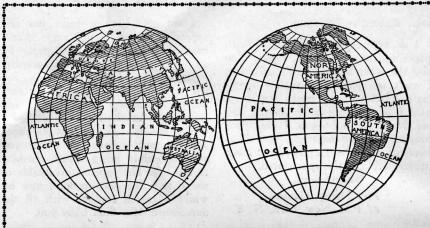
#### Dear Brother Robert:

I am now stationed in the Hawaiian Islands. I have met some Christian boys here on the station and the chaplain meets with us on Monday and Friday nights for Bible study, only a few come but we trust more will become interested. I like it here and outside of the States, I don't know anywhere I had rather be. May your work be a success.

Wayne H. Huff c/o Fleet Post Office San Francisco, Calif.

#### Dear Robert and Pauline:

Just a few lines to let you know I am well and healthy. I received the book and I assure you it was very nice. I was somewhat surprised that you remembered me. It means a lot



## LETTERS BRING THEM CLOSER TO HOME

Make the men feel that they're still a vital part of the life they left behind—through cheerful, anointed, inspired letters written frequently! They're the best morale and spiritual boosters we can give them!

# Your Servants ROBERT AND PAULINE PARHAM Baxter Springs, Kansas





WRITE-AND WRITE OFTEN TO THE BOYS

to have some of the christian people praying and thinking about you. I know if it hadn't been for the people's prayers in Houston and the people that I know, there is no telling where I might be today.

I have a good job, if you want to call it a job, in the office of the Battalion Quartermaster. I like it very much. They make it as pleasant for us here as they can.

I will appreciate your prayers and will enjoy hearing from you.

Your friend, Cpl. Harold E. Campbell.

## FROM A LOST SOLDIER'S POCKETS

Among other things from a lost soldier's personal belonging we find the following—"This is the time for new revelation," he wrote in an awkward hand. "People don't think much about religion nowadays. But we need a voice from on High, brother, and I don't mean maybe. This thing had got out of human ability to run. I'm no religious fanatic. But we are in a situation where something bigger than human brains has got to give us advise."—LIFE.

#### I MET GOD ON A RAFT

By Sergeant Johnny Bartek

Why don't folks believe in God? I can't understand it. They seem to be afraid to believe in Him. Maybe it's because they've never met God, or recognized His working. That used to be the way with me, but when I met God in that raft out there on the Pacific I promised Him I'd tell everyone about Him.

My mother and dad are both Christians—the kind that believe the Bible . . . believe God and trust Him. They used to say, "Johnny, you must be born again!" Over and over again I heard that phrase . . . it didn't make sense to me then.

But soon I was in the Army . . . and I wasn't ready to meet God. Most everyone knows what happened when our plane carrying Captain Rickenbacker crashed and the events that followed in the next few days. Then's when I really turned my thoughts to God. Time after time out there on the raft I could hear my father saying, "Johnny, you must be born again."

My church at home had given me a New Testament. I had it in my pocket. That Book gave us something. Every time we read, it seemed to give us courage and faith to go on.

As soon as we were in the rafts and at the mercy of God we realized that we were not in any condition to expect help from Him. That's why we spent so many hours of each day confessing our sins to one another and to God. I never realized what a sinner I was, until I was thrown at the mercy of God.

We found in the Bible where it said, "If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just to forgive us" (1 John 1:9), and "The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" (Romans 6:23).

Then we prayed—and God answered . . . It was real. We needed water. We prayed for water and we got water—all we needed. Then we asked for fish, and we got fish. And we got meat when we prayed . . . Sea

gulls don't go around sitting on people's heads waiting to be caught.

On that 21st day, when those planes flew by we all cried like babies. It was then that I prayed again to God and said, "If You'll send that one plane back for us, I promise to always believe in You and to tell everyone else."

That plane came back, and the others flew on. It just happened? It did not! God sent that plane back!

Since that experience, life has been different. The pressure seems gone. I know that I haven't anything to worry about . . . Since I got right with God I've been happier than at any time in my life.

I don't know much about the Bible. But I do know God, because I've met Him. I'm just finding out how to live. People ask me if I'm going to be a minister. I don't know. I'm spending all my spare time reading the Bible. I want to do what God wants me to do.

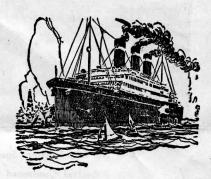
When I walk down the streets on Sunday on my way to church I see so many young people who don't seem to care about God. They'd rather spend their time in a movie or at a baseball game. How can that be? Let them spend 21 days on a raft at sea and they'll really believe and appreciate the privilege we have of worshipping God. It must be they haven't met Him. I'd like to talk with them and tell them what I know about Him. But will they listen?—As told to Albert Salter.

## STORY OF A MERCHANT MARINE CAPTAIN

Sister Miller gives us a very interesting story which she heard given in a church near her home. She says:

"A very interesting testimony was given by a Captain in the Merchant Marine who knows how to pray and trust God. He also holds services on the ship to turn men's hearts to God. He told how God had answered the prayers of two Missionaries in need of transportation to their stations in the Near East. The proper length of

time had elapsed to permit mentioning the names contacted. The Captain said that last May, when fifteen days out of San Francisco on the way to the Near East and heavily loaded with war materials, they ran into a bad



storm in the South Pacific. He knelt in prayer, asking God to calm the storm, as he had done at other times. But the Lord did not answer; and after three days the cargo was shaken loose and shifted about so much they were compelled at New Zealand to make secure the cargo. While there the American Consul called the Captain up and asked if he had room to take a Missionary who wanted to get to his station in the Near East.

The Missionary had been told he possibly would have to wait six months for transportation. He prayed that God would send a ship that way to take him to his station, where he was needed to carry on God's work. The Captain then understood why God did not answer that prayer to calm the storm. God had used this means to answer the Missionary's prayer, and the storm was the answer.

After they left New Zealand they ran into a monsoon storm that made progress very difficult, the cargo shifting about again. Some of it washed overboard and was lost. They were compelled to put into Melbourne, Australia, to secure the cargo again. There they found another Missionary was waiting for transportation to the Near East. He was told that he must wait a year before a ship would be going that way. But he had prayed earnestly that a ship would be sent that way to take him to his station.

Does God answer prayer? Yes—to the faithful and obedient.

-Missionary Echoes.



All Day Meeting, Spearman, Texas, 1921 Revival Conducted by Morton Sisters

## History of the Spearman Church

By Mrs. Ed. Greever Spearman, Texas

In the year of 1920, many people of the Panhandle of Texas and Oklahoma were blessed of the Lord in hearing the gospel of Jesus Christ in its fulness, brought to us by spirit-filled God-sent messengers.

The first to come to Spearman were May, Bess, and Eva Morton. Feeling God had led them to this place, a door of utterance was opened. This was the theatre building owned by a man by the name of Finley. It was during this meeting that some of the people of the town and surrounding country decided they would erect a building dedicated to God for the preaching of the Glorious Gospel. This building was completed by May, 1921, and a revival started under the direction of Bro. P. C. Nelson and the Morton Sisters. People came many miles from all directions to be in these services. It was estimated there were 1000 people in one of the Sunday services, so the congregation was divided that day, Bro. P. C. Nelson preaching to the men and boys in a garage building owned by Mr. Cooke, while Sister Eva preached to the women and girls in the church.

All during this meeting there was an overflowing crowd, often cars and trucks were driven up by the windows where hungry hearts listened attentively to the songs of praise and the giving of God's holy Word. There

were several miraculous healings, and many were saved. Sixty-five were baptised in water at the close of the meeting.

In 1923 all through this same section of the country the Holy Spirit was poured out upon a thirsty people. These services were conducted by Irene I. Dilworth, who came to Spearman after meetings at Range, Okla., and Perryton, Texas.

In years following, Bro. S. W. Ditto held several meetings here. Bros. Chas. F. Parham and S. E. Waterbury were here for special services also. These men, we know being elders in the Apostolic Faith movement, brought to us principles of the Doctrine of Christ as recorded in Hebrews 6th Chapter, that we might be rooted and grounded in the truth and going on unto perfection.

All through the years the Lord has continued to send His chosen and ordained ministers and workers to encourage lives, and to continue to sow and water the seed, God giving the increase.

Some who were with us when we first heard the whole counsel of God, as is the case in other places are not with us today. Some are waiting the resurrection, both the first and second, and some have moved to other fields of labour while with others, when persecution arose because of the Word, they fell away. Cares of life and deceitfulness of riches have choked out the Word for some, and as



Rev. and Mrs. Sidney B. Rees, Pastor Spearman, Texas

Jesus said, some seed fell on good ground, and there are those who are bringing forth fruit with patience.

Regular services, until 1939, were conducted by our home Spirit-filled ministers and workers. Bro. Paul Bailey and family were with us two years, he, in charge of the pastorate.

Since Oct., 1942, Bro. Sidney Rees and wife have been pastors of the flock. As a church at Spearman we desire the prayers of God's people everywhere that we may be faithful until the glorious appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, that when He who is our life shall appear we shall also appear with Him in glory.

#### WIDE WALLS

Give me wide walls to build my house of Life—

The North shall be of Love, against the winds of fate;

The South of Tolerance, that I may outreach hate;

The East of Faith, that rises clear and new each day;

The West of Hope, that e'en dies a glorious way.

The threshold 'neath my feet shall be Humility;

The roof—the very sky itself—Infinity.

Give me wide walls to build my house of Life.

-Anon.

### Christian Perfection

By W. Bacon Fairland, Okla.

The grade of religion our people have been running upon is below the level where sanctification begins. Holiness must be preached specifically, urgently and efficiently. The people must not only hear it, but must be led into the real experience of overcoming and standing grace.

The patriarchal church apostatized into paganism, the Jewish into materialistic ritualism, the Apostolic into idolatrous Romanism, and the Protestant in the wake of her predecessors, is already in the vortex of lifeless formalism. Something must be done among full gospel people or we will go down in the wreck of our predecessors.

Holiness of heart and life is our only hope, and every trend and stress of word, work, and preaching, should be well seasoned with God's leaven of the doctrine of holiness.

A few points regarding Sanctification will clear up the mist that veils so many eyes. It is the one delight of satan to cover over and substitute any kind of a blessing labeling it "just as good" but God calls it by the right name—sanctification.

Bishop Foster beautifully says in his book, "Motives to Holiness" "Are they (motives) not everywhere? Do they not come down from the heavens and spring from the earth? Do not we feel them within and behold them without us? Is there anything that has a voice that does not preach it? What is heaven but an eternal monument of its glory? What is hell but a terrible and endless declaration of its necessity? Turn where we will, whether to time or eternity, to the throne or the abyss, a million arguments commend it to us. A million voices urge it upon us-Christian Purity, P. 184, P. L. 177.

Sanctification will solve all your difficulties. The best policy is to get the experience, which, like regeneration and everything else that God does, is supernatural.

Don't trouble yourselves about the difficulties, but go to God and get the blessing and call it what you please,

explain it as you please, but get it and keep it.

Many think it takes entire sanctification to keep us from committing sin. This is a great mistake. Justification the minimum of Christianity keeps from committing sin. It is a lamentable fact that the popular standard of justification in almost all of the churches is infinitely below that of the Bible. Regeneration is not complete Purity. "Except ye be converted and become as little children" Matt. 18:3 shows that conversion brings you to the status of your infancy. But infants have sinful tendencies." And I brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal even as unto babes in Christ, for ye are yet carnal." I. Cor. 3:1-3.

The same apostle exhorts the same people to cleanse themselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit perfecting holiness in the fear of God. 2 Cor. 7:1.

These scriptures state in so many words that babes in Christ have carnality, depravity inbred original sin, fallen spiritual nature, the fallen world. The meaning of sanctify is to take the world out of you, to cleanse the heart from carnality. As David said, "I was shapen in iniquity and in sin did my mother conceive me.

1 John 2:15—16 tells us that the lust of the flesh and of the eyes, and the pride of life and love of the world is not of God, but of this world and will pass away, but he that doeth the will of God will abide forever.

These are the things that sanctification deals with. There is irreconcilable antagonism and perpetual war between holiness and sin and that war is destined to continue till the one or the other is exterminated. Paul speaks of the antagonism in the Galileans. The flesh (depravity) lusteth (warreth) against the spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh and these are contrary the one to the other, so that ye cannot do the things that ye would. In a measure that war goes on in the heart and life of the regenerate. We are born in Adam the first, fleshly where sin inheres and must be transferred to Adam the second in whom holiness inheres. The grace of sanctification removes inherent depravity (inbred or original sin) for which we are not condemned, because we never committed it. This great outside wicked world can never hurt you if you get it all out of your heart and keep it out. Ships float in the great ocean, but if the ocean gets into them they soon sink.

The meaning of sanctify is to take the old world out of you, while growth means the development of the new world created in regeneration.

You may obtain a growing victory over sin from the time you are justified, but this is not enough. The body of sin, the carnal mind must be destroyed, the old man must be slain, or we cannot put on the new man, which is created after God in righteousness and true holiness. There is a time and place in our experience where the grace of sanctification cleanses us in a moment. Exactly as we are justified by faith and have the witness of the Spirit, so we receive the grace of sanctification by faith and receive the witness of the Spirit. Heb. 10:14, 15. For by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified. Whereof the Holy Ghost is also a witness to us.

To talk of this work being gradual would be nonsense as much as if we talked of gradual justification. We are to come to God for an instantaneous and complete purification from all sin, as for instantaneous pardon. No where in the scripture are we directed to seek the remission of sins by degrees, one now and another later.

Inbred sin may exist where it does not reign. Where the new life exists, grace has the mastery. The Holy Spirit will reveal and lead you through those chambers of your heart where to your sorrow you have seen so much defilment and show you that it is all gone and your heart is clean. The moment the heart is cleansed from sin, the Holy Spirit fills it with the pure love of God which casteth out fear.

All the graces imparted in regeneration exist without their antagonisms, love without malevolence, faith without doubt, patience without rebellion, long-suffering without murmuring, humility without pride, and hope without a cloud, and obedience without the slightest wavering.

The Bible nowhere imputes purity to growth, but it does impute it to the cleansing blood and refining Word. An apple grows but it still is an apple.

Purity is one thing and maturity is quite another. Growth leads to the latter, but cleansing by the Blood to the former. Growing into Sanctification is impossible, because sin belongs to the old creation but sanctification belongs to the new creation.

The farmer keeps his field clean and God makes his corn grow. Who ever heard that the growing of the corn would kill all the weeds, briars and bushes and clean out the field?

We have access into this grace of Sanctification and are able to stand by that grace, through faith. There still remains the dying daily and keeping under of our lives, will and body through the law of obedience to all the known will of God, as the light shines on our pathway.

W. Bacon, Fairland, Oklahoma.

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#### THE OFFICER'S CONFESSION

A Chaplain of a regiment on one of the fronts, while going his rounds, met a young officer of the same regiment who seemed to have something on his mind.

"I think I am due to make you a confession, chaplain," he said at last, with some slight embarrassment. "Two nights ago during a heavy barrage, our telephone lines were shot out. I found that I had to go over to the

major's command post, several hundred yards away. As I looked out, it seemed to me the shells were dropping along the road like a Western hailstorm; but I had to go just the same. I don't mind telling the world that I was scared good and plenty.

"I hadn't said a prayer since I was a little boy, and never expected to say another, but as I went I found myself praying to God as naturally as if I had been praying all my life long. I got back, although it didn't seem possible that anyone could do either. It wasn't until then that it came over me how instinctively and how mightily I prayed during the shelling, and I said to myself that there was only one way about it: if I prayed like that when I was being shelled, I should be a low-down thing if I stopped praying just because I wasn't being shelled. It also seemed to me that the decent thing to do was to own up: and so I made it a point to tell you that now every night I'm saying my prayers."

"God bless you; and keep it up!" said the chaplain. As he went his way, the chaplain thought of the ten healed lepers, only one of whom came back to give thanks. "About every man at the front has had something of that experience," he said to himself. "Why don't they remember it afterwards?" Why don't we?—Ernest Lloyd.

#### BE NOT AFRAID

Have you come to the Red Sea place in your life: Where, in spite of all you can do, There is no way out, there is no way back, There is no other way but thru.

Then wait on the Lord with a trust serene, Till the night of your fear is gone, He will send the winds, He will heap the floods, When He says to your soul "Go on."

And His hand shall lead you through, clear through, Ere the watery walls roll down;
No wave can touch you, no foe can smite,
No mightiest sea can drown.

The tossing billows may rear their crest Their foam at your feet may break, But over their bed you shall walk, dry shod In the path your Lord shall make.

-Selected.

#### **FACING LIFE**

Lieutenant-General W. G. S. Dobbie

Former Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta

This statement was sent to the Canadian Forces by the brave defender of the Island of Malta. All through the air raids on the "most bombed piece of land in the world," General Dobbie carried on his usual spiritual exercises, Bible classes, prayers and services with his entourage and military following.

Facing life is a necessity at all times, but the expression has a peculiar significance in war time and especially to the members of the fighting forces. I, therefore, venture to send a message to my comrades of the Services in Canada, giving my experience of this problem during a long service in the Army, in the hopes that it may be a help to others, and especially to those who are at the threshold of their service career.

In one sense, the problem is a simple one. We all, in our weakness, helplessness and foolishness, need someone who is strong and wise and who will help us and guide us in the varied and complex problems which arise. Some of us seek to find such a person in some earthly friend whom we greatly admire and love. But that solution is at best an incomplete one, because the best of earthly friends cannot give us the strength we need, or the peace for which we long. Others of us try to find satisfaction in an association with some organization. There again the solution is incomplete, since an organization, however excellent, lacks the personal touch for which we crave.

The only real lasting and entirely satisfactory solution I know of is to be found in Christ, and it is He whom I desire to commend to you with all the earnestness of which I am capable.

I have, through His great goodness, known Him for many years. I am, therefore, commending to you someone whom I have got to know in all sorts of circumstances, in peace and war, and at all the ages from boyhood up till now. So I have had experience of Him at your age. . . . He showed me that I was a sinner, and as such unable to stand before God. This knowledge became a heavy burden to me, until He further showed me that by His death He had paid the penalty of my sins and that, therefore, I might go free. When this dawned upon me, the burden disappeared, and from that day to this I have known and rejoiced in the fact that my many sins have once and for all been carried by His atoning Blood, and that the whole of the past has been forgiven and forgotten.

I have also found Him to be a wonderful Companion, who is ready to be with me at all times and in all circumstances. No earthly friend can do that, but He can and does. How good it is to know that especially in this time of war, with all the future so unknown before us.

He also is a wonderful Helper. I have for many years made it a practice to ask His help in all my problems great and small, professional and private. The help He gives is very real and I can assure you that it is a very practical and real thing to seek and obtain His help in Army life. . . . Remember He is anxious to come into your life, to settle the question of the past, to be with you for the present, and to assure for you the future.

#### CHRISTS'S BOUNDLESS LOVE DYNAMIC UTTERANCE

An old Scotch woman, when first she saw the sea, exclaimed, "I thank God for one thing of which there is enough."

The love of Christ is boundless like the sea. It is sufficient for all our needs, and for every man who ever lived or shall live on the earth. It is exhaustless.

-Costen J. Harrell.

Those who call themselves Christians and yet do not wish all others to be Christians are confessing insecurity of their own faith. A church that is not training in terms of bringing the Gospel to all men is tacitly admitting that it has no message for any man.

Kenneth Scott Latourette.

# CAMP MEETINGS Mississippi Camp Meeting July 6th to 16th

Snell Community, 20 miles southeast of Meridan, Miss. Rev. Otto Busch in charge.

# Texas Camp Meeting July 20th to 30th

Rockdale, Texas, Rev. Roy Wooster and Rev. Alfred Whitely in charge.

# TRI STATE CAMP MEETING Aug. 10th to 20th

Webb City, Missouri, Rev. Earl Neilison, Rev. Glayson Reese. Rev. Olen Bachler in charge.

# FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

Father, I thank Thee, for eyes that can see

The majestic mountains, the rolling sea.

The morning's dawn, the rising sun, The star-lit sky, when day is done.

For the flight of a bird that on the wing,

I praise Thee God, when I hear it sing.

The beautiful bud that's ready to flower,

The darkening clouds, the refreshing shower.

Yes, Father, I thank Thee From day to day That Christ is the Light that leads the way

To higher courts for Love Divine
That I may reach the goal sublime.

—Maude V. Treacy.

## A SAFE TREASURE HOUSE

A gentleman who had been in affluent circumstances met with financial reverses. A short while after this a friend was expressing his sympathy and said: "You lost everything, did you not?" "No," the gentleman answered, pointing to a successful young minister just passing on the opposite side of the street; "a few years ago I put a thousand dollars into the education of that young man, and I haven't lost that."

Riches take to themselves wings and fly away; moth and rust corrupt earthly possessions; fire burns them and floods sweep them away; but the treasures which we put into spiritual values are permanent, declaring dividends in eternity as well as time.

—Selected.

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## - - Obituaries - -

Mrs. Emma C. Lee, known to every one who knew her as Mother Lee, passed away at her home in Monterey Park, California on April 2 after an accident which confined her to bed for several weeks prior to her passing. She was a very devout and sincere Christian, and was very active in christian work. For several years she had conducted a prayer meeting every week in her home, and was dearly loved by all who knew her. Mother Lee lived in Cheney, Kansas many years and was active in the church there before coming to California.

She was born in Confidence, Iowa in 1874. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Frances Mae Fowler; two granddaughters, Mrs. Rey L. Felts, Mrs. O. O. Carter, two grandsons, John W. Fowler, and Lee Fowler and also four great grandchildren.

Rev. W. C. Parham and Rev. Robert L. Parham were in charge of funeral services at the Pierce Brothers Chapel in Monterey Park, Esther Harris and Dorothy Oiler sang.

Burial was in the El Monte cemetery.

Clyde Krase was born near Cheney, Kansas, July 24, 1901 and passed away very suddenly at his home in Cheney, March 30. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Krase of Mt. Pleasant community. He professed faith in Jesus as his personal Saviour and was baptized when a young man. He was a devoted husband, a kind and loving father, a good neighbor and a conscientious workman and in every respect a fine citnzen.

He is survived by his wife Dora Scott Krase, his daughter, Nondis; one sister, Mrs. J. Bennett; three brothers, Robert and Paul of Milton, Kansas and Carl of Mulvane, Kansas.

Funeral services were held Sunday April 2, at the Cheney Christian church. Rev. Robert Girouard officiated assisted by Mrs. Pearl Menke.

Music for the service was given by a quartette composed of Fern Hunt, Grant Hall, Rev. Albert Durham and Donald Dibbens all of Wichita, Kansas. Mrs. Henry Janzen was the pianist.

Internment was in Mt. Pleasant cemetery.

Rev. William R. Norton, 88 years of age, passed away at his home in Galena, Kansas on March 27. He had been in ill health for some time. Brother Norton had been a minister of the Apostolic Faith for many years and was commonly known everywhere as the "blind preacher." On account of ill health Brother Norton had not been active in service for several years.

He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Mamie Shrum of Metz, Mo.; a son, Eugene Norton of San Pedro, Calif.; a stepdaughter, Mrs. Florence Erickson of Wichita, Kansas and several grandchildren. Funeral services were conducted at the Spring Grove Mission in Galena, Kansas, with Rev. Lula Parham, Pastor, in charge.

Ruth Marie Platner, beloved wife of Lee Platner, of Granby, Mo., passed away February 26, at the hospital in Stella, Mo. She was born July 30, 1907 in Granby, Mo.

She, with her husband were converted several years ago and lived a very devoted and consecrated Christian life to the hour of her passing. She was active in the work of the church and was a loving wife and mother.

Surviving besides the husband, is one son, Delmar James; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Charlton; six brothers, Frank, Robert, Obern, Jim, Lewis and Carl Dee; also five sisters; Ella, Celia, Wilma, Mildred and Dorothy, one brother and sister preceded her in death.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. Ralph Durham and Rev. Earl Neilson.

#### YOUNG PEOPLE OF THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

Greetings in Jesus Name!

I am writing this letter to tell you of the blessings of the Lord, that we, the Young People of Palm City, California, have been enjoying.

Brother and Sister Robert Parham came for a few nights of meeting and the Lord really blessed during their stay. Sister Parham gave a wonderful talk to the young people, waking us up and putting a new desire in our hearts to serve God more diligently in the future. Four of our group were saved and 3 sanctified in the four nights of meeting.

It encourages our hearts to hear of God's blessings on other young people and we thought it might help you to fight the battle a little harder to know that God is blessing us way out here in California.

When we receive the next issue of the paper we will be looking for a letter from some of you, telling us of God's goodness to you.

With Christian love and prayer,

The Silver Strand Church Young People of Palm City, Calif.

Naomi Mahan, President