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One Day At A Time

One day at a time, with its failures and fears
With its hurts and mistakes, with its weakness and tears,
With its portion of pain and its burden of care
One day at a time we must meet and must bear.

One day at a time to be patient and strong;
To be calm under trial and sweet under wrong;
Then its toiling shall pass and its sorrow shall cease;
It shall darken and die, and the night shall bring peace.

One day at a time—but the day is so long,
And the heart is not brave, and the soul is not strong,
O Thou pitiful Christ, be Thou near all the way
Give courage and patience and strength for the day.

Swift cometh His answer, so clear and so sweet;
"Yea, I will be with thee, thy troubles to meet:
I will not forget thee, nor fail thee, nor grieve;
I will not forsake thee; I never will leave."

Not yesterday's load we are called on to bear,
Nor the morrow's uncertain and shadowy care;
Why should we look forward or back with dismay?
Our needs, as our mercies, are but for the day.

One day at a time, and the day is His day;
He hath numbered its hours, though they haste or delay.
His grace is sufficient; we walk not alone;
As the day, so the strength that He giveth His own.

—Annie Johnson Flint.

SERMON OF THE MONTH

The More Excellent Way

By Rev. Donald Dibbens

I Corinthians 12:31, "But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet show I unto you a more excellent way." I have chosen, for our consideration, a subject of vast proportions. Paul had just finished relating the gifts of the Spirit to the Corinthian brethren, and their effectual working and necessity in the lives of professing Christians; then he closed this chapter with the mentioning of the "more excellent way." Let us notice the very good admonition that he gave in the first part of this verse. "But covet earnestly the best gifts." Paul was very firm in his desire to see these folk enjoy the effectual working of the gifts of the spirit. He realized the necessity of these gifts being active in lives and to help the progress of the church. I am fully persuaded that the same necessity exists today. I am in firm accord with the belief, of striving to obtain the working of these gifts in our midst today. It isn't that we place these gifts on a low level; on the contrary, we place these gifts at a premium; but there is still a more excellent way.

During the past three to five years there has been a distinct move toward obtaining the gifts of the Spirit. This move has had both good and bad effects. There has been signs of definite advancement in the right way, and there has been signs of definite retrogression in the wrong way. In spite of all these results let us be aware of the necessity of our continual effort being put forth to obtain the best gifts; and in so doing may we be conscious of the "more excellent way."

Our attention is called to the first three verses of the following chapter. I Corinthians 13:1-3. Here we have a comparison. Notice with me the five comparisons. 1. Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels. 2. Though I have the gift of prophecy. 3. Though I have all faith. 4. Though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor. 5. Though I give my body to be burned. These

five things are very much to be desired. We would be foolish, indeed, to say that these mentioned things were not noble, upbuilding, and beneficial; but note the comparison that Paul gave: a tinkling cymbal or sounding brass; I am nothing; it profiteth me nothing. Paul was putting a premium on "the more excellent way." The comparison is very severe. Faith without charity equals nothing. F minus C equals 0. Nothing is just a big fat zero. You may wonder how it would be possible to have these various things and not have charity. I shall not take space and time to go into that in detail; but I will tell you that Paul knew that it was possible and no doubt he had encountered some of the same in his day; just as we have encountered some of the same in our day. Luke 13:24-28 leads me to believe it more emphatically. "Strive to enter in at the straight gate: for many, I say unto you, will seek to enter in, and shall not be able. When once the master of the house is risen up, and hath shut to the door, and ye begin to stand without, and to knock at the door, saying, Lord, Lord, open unto us; and He shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are: Then shall ye begin to say, We have eaten and drunk in thy presence, and Thou hast taught in our streets. But He shall say, I tell you, I know you not when ye are; depart from Me, all ye workers of iniquity. There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth, when ye shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out." Let us not be guilty of using the wrong sense of values. We need to work toward these many gifts and benefits always keeping in mind that there is a "more excellent way."

"The more excellent way" is centered around love. This little four lettered word covers a vast scope of territory. It cannot be defined as faith is defined. "Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Heb. 11:1. Love has so many different avenues that no one sentence can properly describe it. The world ex-

ists upon its blessings. This would be a most terrible place to live without the blessing of love. "It is a beautiful necessity of our nature to love something."—Jerrold. "The greatest happiness in life is the conviction that we are loved, loved for ourselves, or rather loved in spite of ourselves."—Hugo.

Let me name a few of the kinds of love: Mother; father; sister; brother; wife; husband; relatives; friends; mother-in-law; father-in-law; sweetheart; puppy; receiving; giving; for God; of God; and the love of money. Here are some of the definitions that Webster gives of love: Fondness; ardent affection; good will; a feeling of strong personal attachment induced by a sympathetic understanding; tender and passionate affection for the opposite sex; the benevolence attributed to God. Now that we have all this vast territory under consideration let us narrow the territory down to a smaller scope and we will still have more territory than we can fully comprehend. We by pass all the natural kinds of love and are confronted with the Love of God: higher than the mountains; deeper than the ocean; boundless as the sea; and covers all the worlds. This one kind of love is best explained by the Golden Text of the Bible. John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life." The little two letter word is used to describe the love of God, "so." You may feel this is a poor way to describe the love of God. Think of it in this way; let your imagination gather all the great things, all the big things, all the good things, all the noble things together in one mighty heap; and the love of God is just "so" big to be greater than the entire mighty heap. John used a beautiful personal way to describe the love of God. "Love is the river of life in this world. Think not that ye know it who stand at the little trickling rill, the first small fountain. Not until you have gone through the rocky gorges, and not lost the stream; not until you have gone through the meadow, and the stream has widened and deepened until fleets could ride on its bosom;

not until beyond the meadow you have come to the unfathomable ocean, and poured your treasures into its depths—not until then can you know what love is.—Henry Ward Beecher. We have never known the love of God until we come to the realization that God loves a sinner just like me. We have never shown love until we begin to radiate the beauty of that love of God that has been imparted unto us.

We are now back again to "the more excellent way." Paul uses fifteen things to define this more excellent way; charity; Christian love. This is our part of love. Our territory is narrowed now to the bounds of our responsibility in this great love plan. The territory is still plenty vast but by applying ourselves there is a possibility of us possessing these wonderful attributes. Remember without charity we could add up to nothing. The fifteen characteristics of "the more excellent way" are found in verses four through seven of first Corinthians thirteen. This is not a way of theory. This is a way that is proven and tried, it will work. Primarily it thrives best in undesirable circumstances. This makes it a necessity for Christian victory, because we encounter undesirable circumstances at every turn of life's road. There may be more territory ahead of us to possess than there is territory behind us that we have possessed; so let us not be discouraged but encouraged to dig and dig hard for conquering Christian love as we reach forth to the "more excellent way."

1. Charity suffereth long. This is longsuffering. A lad, in the daily Vacation Bible School that wife and I worked in this past summer, gave a very good definition of longsuffering. We were studying the fruit of the spirit and encountered the word, longsuffering. I asked the class, "Can any of you give me a definition for longsuffering." This lad spoke up and said, "It is suffering longer than you can stand." Everyone had a good laugh, but the more I thought about it the more his definition impressed me. I believe he has something. "Suffering longer than you can stand, is a misstatement," You may say. Let us look at it this way: you suffer as long as

you can stand and then Charity comes to give you grace to stand longer. The natural man can go just so far; but when we include the power of God applied to the ability of the natural man, we can fulfill this definition.

2. Charity is kind. Kindness is usefulness. There is never a place that kindness is not useful. Kindness is not always a pat on the back, or a soft spoken word. Here is a place that we may have the wrong sense of value. Whom the Lord loveth, he chasteneth. Correction is a mark of kindness. It is very useful. Now I'm not talking about kicking and cuffing around, I'm talking about things that come to us in a harsh manner that are very useful and therefore are kindness in disguise. The story is told of a little boy and girl that were playing. During the process of their play the little girl caught her clothes on fire. The little boy had been taught in a fire drill at school that the best thing to do in such a case was to lie down and roll, thus putting the flames out. He called to the little girl to fall down and roll. The little girl, terribly frightened broke to run. The little boy had been told that this was the worst thing she could do. He ran to her and shoved her down, and began to roll her about on the ground. This apparent mistreatment saved the little girl's life. It is rude to push someone down, but in this case it saved a life. Kindness is a token of expression or action that is useful. Kindness is not always agreement; neither is kindness always disagreement. Kindness is always useful.

3. Charity envieth not. Envy in its original meaning was "to bring to a boil." Envy is not a quick acting element. It does not rear itself spontaneously. It takes a period of time to get to the effective point. Envy is like a cold kettle of water placed on a lighted burner. First it gets warm; then it gets hot; then it boils; and if it boils long enough it will get to puffing and steaming. Charity has a way to turn the fire off before it gets too hot. Don't ask me how? I just know that it does, by experience.

4. Charity vaunteth not itself. It is not a braggart. It never feels big I and little you. It never does stretch the truth. It can take the facts, good

or bad; great accomplishments or small accomplishments.

5. Charity is not puffed up. One of the examples that comes to me is the frog. This night creature begins to swell up and continues to swell up until he is nearly twice his original size, then he croaks. It is quite a sight to see him go through the process of making his call into the night. This is his normal procedure. Charity does not follow this procedure. Charity does not have to put on a show to be noticed. It looks normal wherever you find it.

6. Charity does not behave itself unseemly. The definition of the word: seemly is: "Fitting or proper in respect to conventional standards of good form or taste." I would say, "That means to be at the common level of any occasion." You might say, "I know some occasions where Charity would have some difficulty to conform to such a standard." I would say, "Charity just wouldn't be at such a place." Charity doesn't over dress; and Charity doesn't under dress. Charity is fitting and proper.

7. Charity seeketh not her own. Charity believes and practices the rule of lifting up others to lift up itself. Charity never tries to rise by pushing the other fellow down.

8. Charity is not easily provoked. It is even tempered. It acts as a peacemaker for strained relations. It works as an ointment to cover the raw place. It acts as a balm for the proverbial sore toe; so that the sore verbal sore toe; so that the sore spot can heal.

9. Charity thinketh no evil. It has a way to divert the evil thoughts that prey upon the mind. Evil thoughts produce evil deeds. Charity has a quality that gets to the bottom of the evil thoughts and helps to flit them away before they can become attached to the thinking and eventually seated in the heart.

10. Charity rejoiceth not in iniquity. Some have stooped to the low level of rejoicing in iniquity. You will never find Charity here.

11. Charity rejoiceth in the truth. Truth has the quality to stand of its own self. Here is where Charity is found rejoicing. It matters not whether it be to our hurt or to our

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From My Viewpoint

By Gail Schultz

(EDITORIAL)

HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERY BODY! And also the richest of blessings be yours from the Mighty Hand of our God. He indeed is great and greatly to be praised. How men live with out Him I do not know, as I see it, they do not, they only live fleeting moments with no purpose nor goal. Life is so powerful when entrusted in God, and so helpless when lived for self.

Another year has come and gone, it has left its scar on this old world in trouble and sorrow, in blessings to them that serve and obey the Lord —yet they too many times have suffered because of death and sickness and loss. For remember we are still under the curse, that is why we look forward to the day of deliverance, when our Deliverer will come. Jesus is a miracle, of the past, present and future.

We all have so many needs in getting ready for His coming. If there was ever a time, when we needed more love, consideration and united purpose it is now. Too many have

self centered interests, and look for the easy road, and temporal blessings. I know it is easy to do.

Firmly we must stand by our convictions, not because doctrine is worth more than grace, but because a person tossed about by every wind will soon be blown from their course. However let us remember that we must not be radical nor hurtful. Only the wisdom of God can charter the right trail. Let us seek that trail in 1957.

I know that most of you by this time have received word that we have a new little boy in our home. We have given him the name of Gaylon Lee. He is so healthy and strong and growing with all his might. Needless to say, we love every inch of him, and he is really part of us now. As foster parents our aim is to bring him up in the fear and service of the Lord.

God has made man to dwell with heavenly hosts during eternity, so let us strive to be ready for that great day. I know there is the dreadful barrier of sin, but I also know the way that demonishes that barrier and makes all men free and new creatures in Him, Our Blessed Saviour. The things of this old world wane, and the earth itself totters with age, but I know of a day when there will be a new order under Jesus, our Blessed King. The creep, eating and exequy march of times will indeed bring this new order, a new day. Yes, all things will be new. 1956 is history, our lives have sealed their deeds for that year, be they good or bad. May each of us seek to make full proof of our labors in the Lord for 1957, so that when it too has closed its doors, there will be no regrets, nor lasting failures, but peace and victory and love and joy in Jesus Christ, our Blessed Lord, who does all things well.

Thanks, many many thanks to the many friends that remembered us at Christmas, we did not send cards this year, but we were glad for every remembrance received to us and to our boy. We feel we are living richer and fuller lives just because so many of you are so good to us, and our garden of memory is blooming full. God bless you one and all and in closing **HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERY BODY.**

Lines From The Co-Editor

By M. D. METHVIN

The year of 1956 is now history. The blessings you have received from God, the ground you have gained, the victories you have won are all past experiences. The mistakes of 1956 can be a profit for 1957. By correcting our faults we can be drawn closer to God in this new year.

I know God has been wonderful to us in the past year, but we are looking forward with great expectations to this new year, knowing that God is going to do marvelous things for our movement.

It is my hope and prayer that throughout this whole year God will be very near to each and every one of you, and that each issue of the Report shall bring courage and God's love into your home. We wish you a very very happy new year.

MORE GOOD NEWS—

The Apostolic Faith Report is growing with each number, and we are now printing 2,500 copies. Send in the name of your friend or loved ones. Let's keep this work going and this good word spreading far and near.

ARNETT, OKLA.—

The Rev. Leland Grimmer of Enid, Okla., will take up duties as pastor of the Apostolic Faith Church at Arnett, during the absence of Bro. and Sis. Harold Bollinger.

The new sanctuary room on the church is drawing to completion. Plans are being made at the present time for the purchasing of some pews.

Your prayers for this place is appreciated.

BALKO, OKLA.—

Dear Bro. Gail:

The work of the Lord continues on at Balko. Our fall revival with Bro. J. W. Clanton as Evangelist, was a great blessing to the church.

Pray for us that we may be a blessing to the folks at Balko.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Ferguson
Pastors.

HOLY CONVOCATION

The Lord in His wisdom and power has indeed met with us in our hours and days of worship. This report comes to you before it is over, because this is the deadline for the paper. However, already the building has been filled with attending representatives from over the South-West including folk from California, Mississippi, Alabama, Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Kansas, and Colorado, also Tennessee. O gracious Spirit of our God that has made each song a blessing—every sermon a joy, filled with inspiration and wisdom. The testimonies have been filled with praise to a loving Heavenly Father. Prayers from hungry hearts have gone up to our God, who always hears and answers. Yes, this is a feast of the good things of the Lord.

Most of you are acquainted with the Apostolic Faith method of service conduct. From the 9:00 a.m. prayer call, all through the day worship continued. The Bible lessons were excellent and gave us a new hope of His Word, and of His soon return. The children were remembered in their special service at 1:30 p.m. with Sis. LaVonna Webb and Sis. Yvonne Morris in charge.

Each afternoon a speaker to meet the occasion was chosen, just adding more good things.

The Young People were given ample help in their services just before the night services. Marie and Helen Arnold of Rockdale, Texas, were in charge.

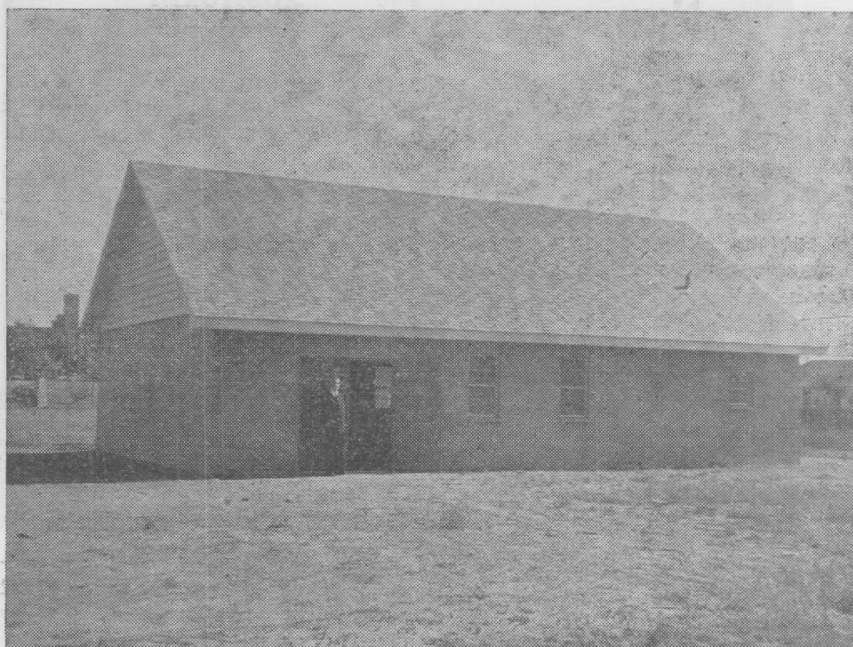
The Evangelist service was worthy of its name and nature with adequate grace coming to all hungry hearts. The Bible School dorms were completely filled. Many others were in rooms and tourist camps about town—with a good local and district representation.

Meals were served—good meals—on time. Bro. Floyd LaMunyon, Sis. Arnold, and Sis. Bonnie Clanton and Sis. Deliah Wooster took this responsibility, others assisting. Bro. Arnold, too, has worked untiringly.

Other features of this convocation will be a foot washing for Sunday afternoon and the Sacrament for the watch night service.

The day song services have been

NEW CHURCH AT AMARILLO, TEXAS



ANOTHER NEW CHURCH, and it is with pride that we add to our Movement this very nice church, constructed of hydite, with a beautiful interior finish to be in appropriate colors. The church is located on the corners of Sandran and Bivins streets in the fast growing city of Amarillo, Texas. Here many souls can be reached.

Already the Lord has given a very nice revival, the first in the church, conducted by Bro. Bob Russell, of Booker, Texas. Sermon and song and prayer gave a background of spiritual victory and there were soul blessings to many. All this alone is worth the continuous effort of

under the supervision of Bro. Harold Bollinger, and the night choir has been directed by Bro. Donald Dibbens.

The entire convocation is under the direction of Bro. Paul Clanton, Bro. M. D. Methvin, Bro. Bob Cooper, and Bro. Roy Wooster.

The committee expresses deep thanks to all attending and every one assisting if present or not.

This convocation is acting as a spring board and booster to the coming Bible School beginning January 3, 1957.

Bro. and Sis. John Modrick, the pastors, for one soul is worth more than all the world. In 1951 Bro. and Sis. Modrick moved to Amarillo, where they felt the Lord was sending them to labor for Him. They held services in their home. Part of the time, Bro. Modrick would conduct revivals at other points, while Sis. Modrick kept the home fires burning. As the Lord provided, and time permitted the new building was erected on the present site, which first had to be obtained. The first service in the new building was conducted Oct. 14, 1956, with pastors in charge. It was a glorious occasion to see so much accomplished for the Master.

The present building, pictured above is 30 by 46 and is so planned that it will later be used as the educational rooms when the auditorium is added to this unit. There is still lots of work to be done, not only on the present building but on future expansion. However, there is a praise in our hearts for what has already been accomplished. To all those that have helped by any means from Amarillo or other points, a sincere thanks is expressed by Bro. Modrick and family. If in or near Amarillo, make this your church home. In passing through, don't pass the Modricks by, but lend them a helping hand and a boosting prayer.

Prayer Is Imperative Now

I PETER 4:7

By Mrs. Robert E. Feagin
Hampstead, Texas

The end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer. How solemn the announcement, "The end of all things is at hand."

Immediately preceding the end, events of vital concern to us are to take place. Upon the earth there shall be time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time. Dan. 12:1.

Should that time of trouble break forth today, would we be among those declared by God to be "righteous" and "holy"? Or would we be among the unjust? Let us not put these questions aside with little thought, for our eternal destiny is at stake. Shall we not heed the admonition of Jesus and every day be "sober and watch unto prayer".

Luke 6:12. "It came to pass in those days, that He went out into a mountain to pray and continued all night in prayer to God." Throughout His life on earth Jesus was beset with the fiercest temptations of Satan; yet He did not yield even by a thought. His life was one of perfect obedience to His Father's will. Jesus was the greatest teacher and evangelist that has ever lived. He presented the truths of salvation in simple language; yet the deepest thinkers as well as the unlearned listened spellbound to His words. Wherever He went, He brought peace and healing to sinsick souls. Such power attended His word that even his enemies declared, "Never man spake like this man." John 7:46.

Jesus was the Great Physician, He still is. He held all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases among the people. Matt 4:23. None who came for healing were refused. Wherein lay the secret of Christ's sinless life and the power of His word and works? It was not in Himself, for when He came to live among men, He laid aside His divine power. He said, "I can of mine own self do nothing." John 5:30. He depended wholly upon His Father. The

OBITUARY

George Mifflin Sandy was born March 10, 1867, and departed this life on November 7, 1956, at the age of 89 years, 7 months, and 27 days.

Funeral services were conducted at the Full Gospel Mission in Laverne, Oklahoma. Rev. Jack Barker and Rev. Harrol Waterbury were in charge.

Survivors include his wife of the home in Laverne, two daughters: Mrs. Tressie O'Hair and Mrs. Gladis O'Hair, both of Kennewick, Washington, six grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren.

May God bless and comfort, for this He can do when all other sources of strength are gone.

disciples understood that He received His power through constant communion (prayer) with God. They asked Him to teach them to pray.

The people also recognized the source of His power for beholding His works, they glorified the God of Israel. How wonderful, how comforting, is the assurance that we have access to the same source of power that Jesus had. Prayer! Are we teachable?

Blessed are the poor in spirit for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Christ is here blessing those who have a sense of their spiritual poverty. The leaders of His time prided themselves of being rich in spiritual treasure, not knowing they were wretched and miserable and poor, blind and naked. We must take inventory of our lives and treasures for as we look about us we see our churches with the lame, the sick, the afflicted, they have been with us for years. Prayer is the sincere desire of the heart. We must lack sincerity or we would see the word fulfilled. Let's look at ourself and not our neighbor. How about that stomach trouble? How about that affliction we carry around? We can't hide them. Let's turn the searchlight in instead of on, and see why the Body of Christ is so weak, that we can not pray the prayer of faith that the Lord may raise these up. You! Me! Psalms 86:15, "But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion and gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth." Do we

want to be what God needs us to be? Then spend time meditating on God's graciousness.

It was that divine quality exercised by Jesus in winning many who came to Him for physical help. It is the very essence of heavenly thoughtfulness poured out on selfish human beings, often unappreciated and unthankful. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? Very few people value or know of this wonderful power, and we must quench the spirit lest we offend. We have grown so modern and streamlined that an old-fashioned experience is out of date, or just certain ones are allowed the freedom of the spirit. The word "temple" is not a word ordinarily used for a dwelling of man, but is used only for a dwelling place of the Deity.

In the days of Solomon, God told the Israelites to make Him a temple, that he might dwell among them and they too were encouraged to spend a great amount of labor, thought, and care upon it. They could see His Shekinah that rested over the ark and they had many other evidences of His immediate presence. None but the priests could enter into the temple for it was a sacred place. It should be today, but foul spirits have entered in and only the chosen few can have any thing to do with services because they cannot measure up to the chosen few. "Beware, God is not mocked, for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." So many are sowing to the flesh and of the flesh, they shall reap corruption.

Paul was constantly emphasizing the fact that we are the temple of The Holy Spirit, and Peter refers to Christ as the head of the corner and believers are lively stones, building up a spiritual house. He also calls the believers a Royal Priesthood. I Peter 5:9.

Just as in olden times God asked Israel to spend great quantities of money, time and effort on His temple, so today, He desires that man spend a great amount of energy in the making of his heart a fit dwelling place for the Holy Spirit, for He will not dwell in an unclean temple. He is not dumb that He cannot speak, wake up to the knowledge that the call might come any

time. "Behold, He cometh, Go ye out to meet Him." You might not have any oil in the vessel with your lamp. It will not burn without the life giving power of the oil to burn.

He is our instructor. 1 Cor. 2:11-12. He is our intercessor. Romans 8:26-27. This world is a specialized world. Schools give special training, and turn out graduates who are proficient in particular lines of work. God, too, has established a special school in the Art of Salvation. His Holy Spirit, the instructor in this school, is one of infinite knowledge. And how we need it. One who knows the deep things of God. 1 Cor. 2:10. How we need to know. It is just as the word says He knows all the things of God.

Listen, folks, where are we? If I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the Kingdom of God is come upon you. Matt 12:18. He is the agency through whom the power of God is manifest and this should be evidence that the kingdom of God was come unto them. But we some times can't see the forest for the trees. We can't pray the prayer of faith because of someone we think has not what it takes to work the work God left us. We need to pray as we have never prayed before. "O God, Help me!" I nearly wrote "A sinner." You be your own inspector. "For by their fruits shall they know them." Remember, the Holy Ghost is not dumb.

So not alone does the Holy Spirit give form to our unuttered longings, but He wants to be the medium of power of God, toward us and through us. It is by His power, for example, that our hearts are made pure. It is only by His power that we are made partakers of the divine nature. It is by His power that we overcome all hereditary or cultivated tendencies to evil. Through Him we will receive constantly new endowments of physical, mental and spiritual powers. Our faculties will be enlarged and multiplied and every talent will be added that we can possibly use. Prayer changes things. One of the chief offices of the Holy Spirit is to be the revealer of the plan of salvation.

He came to reprove the world of sin. The Holy Spirit revealed to Nebuchadnezzar the plan of God in such a way to win his heart and

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John Clifton Carl, son of Benoni and Margurett Carl, was born Aug. 27, 1896, at Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, and departed this life Nov. 17, 1956, at 9:15 a.m. at Carthage, Missouri. He was 60 years, 2 months, and 21 days old.

On Dec. 19, 1920, he was united in marriage to Bessie Lee Curtis at Mt. Sterling, Kentucky. To this union were born two children. Mr. Carl lived a very interesting life; From 1916 through 1920, he attended Ba-re-a College of Bare-a, Kentucky. In 1922 he came into the light of Apostolic Faith Gospel at Battle Creek, Michigan, in a revival conducted by the late Charles F. Parham. In 1930, he attended a camp meeting of the Apostolic Faith at Roswell, New Mexico; Later that year he moved to South Texas near Galveston.

In 1942 he entered the ship yards at Wilmington, Delaware, and worked there until 1945. He attended the Bible School at Baxter Springs in 1946. The same year he moved to Joplin and bought a home and was employed by the Joplin Body and Trailer Works until his retirement in 1955 because of failing health.

His survivors are his wife, Bessie Lee Carl of the home; one daughter, Berna King of Lexington, Kentucky; one son, Clell V. Carl of Joplin, Missouri, and eight grandchildren. Also two sisters, Mrs. Ethel Dunn of Lexington, Kentucky, and Mrs. Mamie Myers of Mt. Sterling, Kentucky; and one brother, Bert Carl of Sharpsburg, Kentucky.

make him a servant of heaven. So just as the teacher speaks and repeats again until finally the student sees through the problem, so God again and again, from every possible angle, reveals His plan to man. Are you not glad He has sent His Spirit into your heart? Will you not listen while He reveals to you the wonders He has in mind for you? In a large picture gallery there hangs a picture of a large boat with cattle that are being ferried across an angry river during a storm. The artist has so cleverly pictured the dark threatening clouds and the play of treacherous jagged lightning, that one immediately concludes that the cattle

THE YOUNG PEOPLES' RALLY

The regular Young Peoples' Rally was held the fourth Monday in November at Laverne, Oklahoma, because of the revival there. The participants were from Laverne, Woodward, Arnett, Midway, Oklahoma, and Follett, Texas, bringing songs and readings. The evangelist Rev. Raymond Barker from Katy, Texas, brought the sermon centering around John 3:16.

Due to the Christmas season the next meeting will be postponed until the fourth Monday in January, and will be held at Arnett, Oklahoma.

LEAKY, TEXAS—

Bro. Lloyd Schrimpf has taken responsibility of keeping our services while we are working at Bible School. I am sure they desire an interest in our prayers and I know the church would appreciate our remembering Leakey because surely there is a need of more of the Lord in this place.

We are trusting that the work in Leakey will go forward as the people get behind Bro. and Sis. Schrimpf for the glory of the Lord. We also desire an interest in your prayers that we might be at our best for the Lord as we labor for Him.—Mr. and Mrs. Jim Morris.

LEROY, KANSAS—

Just a few days past, Bro. Eugene Rainey conducted some special services with these people. The Lord sent showers of refreshing, and two were reclaimed and one found the Lord in salvation for the first time. Other experiences were sought, and the church was greatly encouraged. Bro. and Sis. A. L. Moses are the pastors and are doing a great work with this church. Remember them in prayer and pay them a visit when possible.

are doomed to disaster. But the title of the picture is "Changing Pastures." We need to drag our weary feet out of the dry pasture we seem to be satisfied in and let God lead us to green pastures and still waters. We need to restore our souls ere we die and perish just for the want of close inspection in prayer.

TESTIMONIAL

Dear Bro. Schultz:

Greetings in Jesus Name! The Lord has given me a burden to write my testimony of how Jesus is able to heal our bodies, no matter what the disease may be. My heart aches when I see how the devil pins sickness of all sorts on God's people, and they fail to trust God for the healing of their bodies. It seems people are afraid to trust God, not realizing that we are His handiwork, that He is the giver of Life, and also knows all about us. God has promised to never leave nor forsake His own.

At the age of seventeen I was born again, my life was changed I became a new creature in Christ Jesus. I was so happy with my new found joy, I had a testimony every chance I got. I also led a prayer life. I had no desire for worldly pleasure because in Sunday School we had been taught it was sin, and that God's people are a separate people and different from the worldly people.

But all too soon I found I was lacking something, I didn't have standing grace. Before I knew it, the devil had me down. I started to seek sanctification, the second definite work of Grace. It seemed I didn't understand it. I felt the need but did not get the assurance, I consecrated as good as a knew how, but I wanted to be sure before I claimed it. The altar workers seemed to disagree. One said a person knew definitely when sanctified and another said you won't have a special feeling, just wait and see. But when I finally received the experience of Sanctification, I knew it. I had standing grace and a Holy boldness to lift my voice against sin and unrighteousness. I found I had to have Faith. No matter what we seek God for we must believe that He is the rewarder of those that diligently seek Him. Also that God's Word is true and can not lie.

I had heard preaching on healing, and also read and heard testimonies, but saw very little practiced. Everyone went to the Doctor when they were sick, and so did I. One summer I took cold and developed pleurisy. There wasn't much the Doctor could

do for me. I suffered many different times through a period of eight years. One night I was healed while seeing the pictures shown on the Life of Christ. A converted Jew was the pastor of a certain church of our town and we went to see them. It was rather lengthy, so the children went to sleep. I was holding the baby on my lap, the other one beside me with my arm around him. There pleurisy struck me again. I was in such pain and agony, I didn't know what to do. Just then a picture of how Christ looked down with compassion and love on a woman and healed her. I looked up in faith and prayed a silent prayer, saying Lord, if you could heal then, you can heal now, touch my body. Oh, the joy that came over me! I could hardly keep quiet, but I praised God in my heart. Later many a time I would praise God for His healing power, but I never would tell how He had healed me of pleurisy. I was afraid it might come back on me, then people would say I lied to begin with. But God was so merciful to me in all my doubt and fear, He did not permit the devil to ever pin pleurisy on me again to this day. I was healed instantly.

Then about eight years ago I got awful sick. I was in so much pain, I could do nothing to relieve it. I had thought many a time before that we should trust the Lord more wholly. I didn't go to the Doctor, but prayed for the Lord to heal me. An evangelist and his wife came through the country and stayed at our house for a day or so. I told her of my illness as they were ready to leave and asked an interest in their prayers. They anointed me with oil and prayed the prayer of faith and went on their way. I was relieved for a while but it got worse again. Several months later they came back. I was still sick. They anointed me again and prayed. I got better again, but in a short while I was worse. In the meantime I had gone to the Doctor. He gave me a shot, and told me my trouble. He said I was too bad already and the shots would not heal me. I would have to have an operation, so I didn't go back any more. I had decided to trust the Lord completely.

I was looking forward to Camp Meeting time. I thought there I

might be healed. When time came I was hardly able to go, but I went, sick as I was. There again I was anointed and prayed for, but not healed. So I came back home. People of the church came to me saying have you been back to the Doctor. I told them I would trust the Lord. I stood alone only for the preacher and his wife. They encouraged me to have faith in God and not give up. They were concerned about me. I had been taking a certain kind of pill for gall bladder trouble. I had done everything I thought could stand in the way of my healing, since James says in Chapter 5, verse 16, confess your faults one to another and pray for one another that ye might be healed. I believe a lot of times there's things standing in the way; then we get discouraged and go to the Doctor.

The preacher and his wife came to see me as soon they came back from Camp Meeting. It seemed I was than before. They were troubled very deeply. They didn't seem to know what could stand in the way. We knelt down for prayer. All three of us prayed again asking the Lord why I couldn't get the victory. Just then those pills popped up in my mind. I asked them could they stand in the way. They didn't know, but asked if I was willing to quit taking them. I said yes. That day the Lord healed me. They told me to relax in the Lord and they would exercise faith for me. After anointing me and praying the prayer of faith, she said the Lord gave her the assurance I was healed. I believed God would heal me as He had witnessed to her. The next day I was out in the yard going about my tasks, when it seemed to me God spoke in an audible voice saying, "you're healed." I stopped to think I had slept all night without pain and had felt fine all day. Then such a joy came over me and God was so near to me, I shouted for joy and praised God. I have testified many a time to this glorious healing. The Lord taught me to trust Him like no one else could do. I had promised the Lord I would die of pain unless He healed me. When we're willing to die we are completely in His will.

I have never taken a drug in any shape or form since then. I still had gall bladder trouble, but the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. James Hosler, Rockdale, Texas, announce the marriage of their daughter, Leota Faye, to Jack Sheedy, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sheedy, Sabinal, Texas, on Saturday evening, five o'clock, Nov. 24, 1956, at Uvalde, Texas.

GRANBY, MO.—

We are happy to report that God is still being good to us at the Granby Gospel Tabernacle. God is still blessing and things are going along fine. The Sunday School attendance is running along in the 90's. Each Monday night there is a Young People's service. The prayer meeting has been changed from Friday night to Wednesday night. The Sunday services meet with Sunday School at 10 a.m., 11 a.m., and 7:30 p.m. Make this your church home and source of spiritual instruction if in or near Granby. The invitation is to whomsoever will.—Bob Cooper, pastor.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENTS

A son born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lingar on Nov. 24th, 1956. His name is Lyle Glen.

Deryl Dean is the name given to the son of Rev. and Mrs. Jerry McClenagan of Roswell, New Mexico. He was born December 27.

Gaylon Lee is the name given to the little boy who has come to make his home in the Mr. and Mrs. Gail Schultz home.

In the course of a day, how many times do you smile? It drives away ills as nothing else will.

healed me of that too, about four months later. This time I was instantly healed. I felt the healing power of God go through my body. Praise His Holy Name for His great love unto mankind. Jesus died on the cross that we might have Life and have it more abundantly. He suffered without the Gate for our sanctification, and by His Stripes we are healed. Glory be to God!

A sister in Christ,
Mrs. H. J. Schoenhals

THE GREATEST OF THESE IS CHARITY

By Mrs. Roy Townsend

In Paul's writings to the people at Corinth, he made known the importance of Charity (love). He places it as being superior to all gifts. "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of Angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding brass, or a tinkling cymbal." I Cor-13:1. Here we find that Paul doesn't except, even himself, hence using the words "Though I." He made it very plain that we could not push the standards on our brother or sister, but that we, individually must measure up to God's approval.

Now as we think deeply for a few moments, let each of us take inventory and determine whether or not our lives measure up to this great chapter on love. Though we have great ability to speak, even a command of various languages and fail to have charity (love), our lives are lived in vain. We have heard sounds that have no feeling and cymbals that are empty. The scripture tells us that such is our life if we have not charity. Though we have the gift of prophesy, have all faith, bestow all our goods to feed the poor, even give our bodies to be burned and have not charity, we are nothing.

What is charity (love)? Webster's definition for charity is as follows: "Christian love for God and men." Christian meaning Christ-like; thus we would read the definition as: "Christ-like love for God and Men." Now, what kind of love for God did Christ have? We can quickly find the answer in Luke 22:42, and there are many more scriptures that would give us the answer.

"Father, if thou be willing remove this cup from me: never the less not my will but thine be done."

Christ loved God so much that he was submissive to the will of God even unto death. Christ knew His mission into the world and would have rather had the issue of death removed, but still He said "not my will but thine be done." Do we as Christian people, whose lives should portray Christ, do we have the kind of love toward our Heavenly Father, that should it mean death we would be resigned to do God's will? Beloved, there is a vast difference between being a real Christian and just saying we are Christians.

Now concerning a Christ-like love to men, can we be mistreated over and over again, suffering long and still remain kind? Jesus did. Can we see others about us prosper in spiritual and material things and not envy them? Are we ever guilty of feeling puffed up when God has especially blessed or annointed some effort we have put forth for Him? Do we always walk in a well behaved manner being courteous and attentive to others? Are we sometimes found hunting for something to complain about or be provoked at, and then letting the devil soothe our feeling of condemnation by telling us it's just our nerves? When we hear an evil report of our brethren, do we anxiously wait until we can repeat it or do we make it a matter of prayer? Do we slightly rejoice when gross evil or injustice befalls our neighbor or brother and say: "Well, he asked for it," or do we rejoice in good as one having charity does? Can we bear all things, even help in the load and cares of others having faith and hope and still endure all things?

Christian friend, charity or love never faileth, we don't find the faults you have just read about in the lives of a real Christian that has charity. The real love of God doesn't have to find excuses to cover up for wrongs committed toward our fellow man. Love is what held Jesus to the cross, that lost humanity might have life and that more abundantly. Children and youths are starving for Christ-like love, that is one reason why the juvenile homes and reformatories are overcrowded.

I John 4:7 "Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; . . . he that loveth not knoweth not God for God is love."



SERMON OF THE MONTH— THE MORE EXCELLENT WAY

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advantage, Charity knoweth that the truth is best and therein rejoiceth.

12. Charity beareth all things. It builds a roof over failures. It makes it possible for the one in failure to make the necessary adjustment or correction. One of the examples of this is where they brought the woman taken in adultery, to Jesus. Jesus dispersed those that brought her by stooping and writing in the sand, with this comment, "He that is without sin cast the first stone." Then he built a protection over her to help her get adjusted. "Where is thine accusers?" he asked. She said, "I have none." Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn thee; go and sin no more." He did not commend her in her deeds but he showed enough understanding to help her get adjusted. Charity does not sanction sin. It does offer protection and help to the helpless.

13. Charity believeth all things. It has a healthy faith. This does not mean that it believes everything. It is not gullible. It does operate in the realm of a reasonable confidence.

14. Charity hopeth all things. It is optimistic. It has the quality to lift the gloom or split the gloom and let the sunlight of God's love come pouring in. The reason for this great quality is because it takes God into account.

15. Charity endureth all things. It keeps on keeping on. A good example of this is the old story of the turtle and the rabbit. It may not have the physical or mental attributes to win the race but it has the quality to persevere. It never sleeps on the job. It just sticks its neck out and keeps going on.

This is the "more excellent way." Here outlined, in part, are some of the greatest benefits that we can have. These are available to every one of us. It is up to us. We can dig in and attain or we can give up.

Every one of us wants to be a winner. Let me quote the first three words of verse eight in closing. "Charity never faileth." Thanks be to God for all of His benefits. This is the "more excellent way."

SPEARMAN, TEXAS—

In the fall Bro. Murphy Barnes conducted a revival in a tent in Spearman, and from that time on there was a burden for a church in town to replace the country church. As the people there sought the Lord in prayer they felt that it was time to move. So now there is a new church under construction, and prayer is going up that the blessings of the Lord will be upon the work and the workers. A wish is expressed that this moving in God's will may send blessings to others, so that our hearts may all rejoice because of our labor of love for the Master. We certainly are praying and trusting God's eye may ever be upon all who enter that house.

The building is located in the South part of town, since this is a new addition, we trust that is just where the Lord wanted it. The building is 34 by 70. It will have four class rooms. It has an east entrance and is located on two lots, with one of them a corner lot, this gives streets on both sides, east and south. The cinder block walls are more than half laid. (Dec. 7). The foundation is constructed so that brick walls may be put up later. They wish to see work go right on through the winter. We are glad for the Lord's presence in our services and trust He will bring others into the fold quickly. May we all work with all our might, for the night is fast approaching when no man can work.

Last minute report: The walls of this church building is now up. O praise the Lord for another step toward completion.—Sis. Ed. Greever, pastor.

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BRO. HOMER COBERLY WRITES

After the closing of the Stockton, Calif., meeting I visited Bro. Ruben Davis and family. He asks me to preach, I accepted, I saw an Indian sitting well back in the church I said, "I see an Indian sitting back there, I want you to come up here." He did. I said, "I have a friend, a very dear one in India that looks so much like you. His name is Abraham." That is my father, he said. His name is Stephen Abraham, that is my brother he said. We had a hugging time. He is attending Santa Cruz, Calif., Bible School and has only been here a few months. I really was thrilled to see our Dear Bro. Stephen Abraham's own brother. His name is Oommen, Address 800 Bethany Drive, Santa Cruz, California.

SPRING VALLEY, CALIF.—

In regards to the last revival of the Spring Valley and Lemon Grove church, we are glad to report victory. Brother and Sister Ray Michner of Baxter Springs, Kans., were the evangelists in charge. There was a great awakening for the entire church, with several reclaimed and other definite victories won, including two teen age girls receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. We enjoyed the fellowship of these fine evangelists. Here is an open door for the ministers of the Apostolic Faith, so please come by. Bro. and Sis. L. A. Long pastors.

IMPERIAL BEACH, CALIF.—

Just before the Spring Valley revival Bro. and Sis. Michner conducted a mighty good revival with the Imperial Beach church. Here the blessings of the Lord fell, and several were saved, plus other blessings as given of the hand of the Lord. Bro. and Sis. Doyle Wiles are the pastors.

HARDESTY, OKLA.—

The Lord is blessing in our services at Hardesty, Okla., with a good interest in every service. Our Sunday School is good with the attendance running from 65 to 75. All ministers are invited for any of our services. Bro. and Sis. E. K. Cornell, pastor.

DEAR ONES OF THE FAITH

I want to thank you for all your prayers and you will be glad to know God has heard and answered. I was healed Sunday, Oct. 28th. Jerry and Wiley Allen came to Riverside for Sunday School, and wanted us to go to Lemon Grove for night services, which we did. While I was preaching, all at once I straightened up and said, "Folks, I'm healed!" I raised my hand and the power of God surged through and through my body. I hadn't preached with such strength and power for years. While I was preaching some were healed, and others when we layed hands on them and prayed. Since then I have preached at Riverside and Palm City with the same victory in strength and power. My earnest desire is to do the perfect will of God and be a blessing to others.

Sister Etta Mae Peters
Riverside, California

CHIVINGTON, COLO.—

The new work on the Bowen Ranch, near Chivington, under the direction of Bro. and Sis. Chas Mahan as evangelists and pastors is growing and an invitation is extended to all to come to this place of worship. The Bible Class meets each Tuesday evening at 7:30. The Sunday School meets at ten, with the eleven o'clock service following. There is also a night service. Remember this work, pray for this work, and come to this work.

SUNRAY, TEXAS—

December 23 was the last service in Sunray, Texas, for J. D. Ray and family after their resignation in order for Mrs. Ray to serve in Bible School. Bro. Sol Getz was secured by the church to serve as pastor.

Pray for this comparatively new work there. Thank you.—J.D. Ray

KINGS MILL, TEXAS—

The Kings Mill community church of Kings Mill, Texas, had a revival meeting last November under the leadership of Evangelist S. V. Clanton of Snyder, Texas. Bro. Clanton preached the gospel in the power of the Holy Spirit and his ministry proved a blessing to the church.

PERRYTON, TEXAS—

The Full Gospel Church here recently enjoyed a wonderful revival with Evangelist and Mrs. Jack Barker assisted by singers Mavis and Vonda Van Benthusen and Neal Ragan. The meeting ran for three weeks and was a very great blessing to the entire church. Three persons were saved, four were sanctified, and four received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Brother Barker preached the gospel in the old-time straight forward manner and the congregation responded and co-operated fully. As a result, God blessed the church and many persons were spiritually edified.—Reverend and Mrs. Floyd LaMunyon, pastors.

EXTRA GOOD NEWS—

If our plans do not go astray we are going to buy an addressing machine and this will be the last copy of the paper that will have to be hand addressed. We wish to thank all that have helped in mailing the paper, and we will still need help but not so many and in a different manner. The ministry gave their consent to this addressing machine. We have \$111.00 in this fund now, and the entire cost will be about \$250.00, so don't forget that your help is still appreciated.

CROSSVILLE, TENN.—

Bro. and Sis. Otto Busch and family attended part of the convocation and reported that they were busy every day, working with all their might in Tennessee for the Lord. They have eight services each week. (I would call that a full time job, with a little over time put in.) They minister to several congregations, and find many needy souls. Each Sunday at 8:30 a.m. they broadcast this gospel from the Crossville radio station WAEW. Let us remember them in prayer that in due season a great harvest of souls may be their reward. Their address is 18 Pigeon Ridge Road, Crossville, Tenn.

ROCKDALE, TEXAS—

God is blessing in our services. A new family of six are coming. We are thankful for all God is doing. Recently we had 48 in our Sunday School. A group of our young people attended the youth rally at Katy the first Monday night in December.

We desire prayer that our church might grow.

We extend an invitation to all gospel workers and ministers of the faith to come for services. Yours in His service, Bro. and Sis. James Hosler, pastors.

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"IT IS MINE"

There is no spot in all the earth like unto the Land of Canaan in the Divine estimation. There Jehovah set up His Throne and His Sanctuary; there His Priests stood to minister continually before Him; there the voices of His Prophets were heard testifying of present ruin and future restoration and glory; there the Baptist began, continued and ended his career as the Forerunner of the Messiah; there the Blessed One was born of a woman; there He was baptized; there He preached and taught; there He labored and died; from thence He ascended in triumph to the right hand of God; thither God the Holy Ghost descended, in Pentecostal Power; from thence the overflowing tide of gospel testimony emanated to the ends of the earth; thither the Lord of Glory will descend ere long, and plant His Foot on the "Mount of Olives"; there His Throne will be reestablished and His Worship restored. In a word His Eyes and His Heart are there continually; its dust is precious in His sight; it is the center of all His thoughts and operations as touching this earth; and it is His purpose to make it an eternal excellency, the joy of many generations.

This is one place where God hath said "It is Mine". Lev. 25:23.

Where is the king or the emperor; where is the power, human or diabolical, than can wrest, "The Pleasant Land," out of God's omnipotent grasp?

True, it has been a bone of contention, an apple of discord, to the nations. It has been and it will yet be, the scene and center of cruel war and bloodshed. But far above all the din of battle and the strife of nations, these words fall with divine clearness, fullness, and power upon the ear of faith: "The Land Is Mine."

BAYARD, NEBR.—

The Lord continues to bless in the efforts that are put forth from this point to glorify the Lord. The new parsonage is near completion and is really beautiful, we hope to have a full story and picture for you soon. Bro. and Sis. Amos Harris are to be commended for their faithfulness to the Lord and the people there.

Esai Calderon
Box 665
Guatemala, Guatemala
Dec. 21, 1956

Rev. and Mrs. Gail Schultz
Box 110
Baxter Springs, Kansas

Dear Brother Gail and Sister Edna:

Greetings in Jesus precious name. I trust this will find you all well and happy in the Lord as we are in Guatemala.

A few days ago I got your letter. Thank you very much for it, now we trust this gets there soon. We are here busy for the Lord. This year leaves with us many special blessings, many revivals held, many souls saved and many spiritually helped and many wonderful miracles. Praise God, we count with several churches now, and have confidence that soon we will have many more; we are now in need of a school, and trust many students will come if we could have it as many are already preaching without any educational help. Of course they are preaching God's message and it will do that great work anyway.

We are praying for you and trust the Lord is keeping you healthy to proclaim His word. Give our greetings to all the good people there. We just closed a healing revival and many were healed, Praise God. Our church building is almost finished and we trust soon it will be completed.

My wife and baby are fine. Junior is talking now almost everything. Of course, he talks Spanish. I don't think he will make it out with the English.

Well, Brother Gail, may the Lord bless you real good and give you and your dear wife a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

HINTON, ALABAMA—

The Hinton Apostolic Faith Church is progressing under the leadership of Bro. and Sis. L. J. Ekrlich. A number of improvements have been completed the past few months.

Services are held at Snell, Mississippi, each Thursday evening. The Lord is blessing in this work.

All ministers of the Faith are welcome.

CONVERSION

Look, God, I have never spoken to you—

But now—I want to say, "How do you do."

You see, God, they told me you didn't exist—

And like a fool—I believed all this— Last night from a shell-hole I saw your sky—

I figured right then, they had told me a lie.

Had I taken time to see things you made,

I'd known they weren't calling a spade a spade.

I wonder, God, if you'd shake my hand.

Somehow—I feel that you'll understand.

Funny—I had to come to this hellish place,

Before I had time to see your face. I guess there isn't much more to say, But I'm sure glad, God, I met you today.

I guess the "zero hour" will soon be here.

But I'm not afraid since I know you're near.

The signal!—Well, God,—I'll have to go.

I like you lots—this I want you to know—

Look, now—this will be a horrible fight—

Who knows—I may come to your house tonight.

Though I wasn't friendly with you before.

I wonder, God—if you'd wait at your door.

Look—I'm crying! Me! Shedding tears!—

I wish I'd known you these many years—

Well, I'll have to go now, God—goodbye—

Strange—since I met you—I don't fear to die.

SORRY—

that now and then we miss a name, forget it or it gets lost. The paper is coming out each month and if your copy does not arrive, please let us know. We are doing our best to handle all material sent us, and take good care of the file and be of personal help to every one.