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# EDITORIAL

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By W. G. McCARTNEY

## *Uses for Letters of Interest*

Many of our readers have written us expressing their appreciation for the magazine, **LETTERS OF INTEREST**, and suggested ways in which it has been used by them. The following are some of them:

*First, as a prayer list.* What great encouragement it would bring to the hearts of the servants of the Lord, especially those laboring in the out-of-the-way places, to know they are being remembered before the Throne of Grace both by individuals in their homes, in assembly prayer meetings, and in sisters' prayer meetings. Many of the long pauses in our prayer meetings might be eliminated if suggestions for prayer were made at the beginning of the meeting. **LETTERS OF INTEREST** always contains requests for prayer in the letters and reports.

*Second, as an up-to-date address guide of preachers.* In nearly every issue of **LETTERS OF INTEREST** about 100 names and addresses are given of the Lord's servants giving their full

time to the work of the Lord. This is done for the convenience of those desiring to correspond with them.

*Third, as a real encouragement to missionaries.* Some of our readers when finished reading **LETTERS OF INTEREST** send their copy to a missionary. The missionary likes to get news from

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home. Some of the missionaries who receive LETTERS OF INTEREST and read of the activities of others of the Lord's servants have told us it brings them great joy and is next to a visit home.

*Fourth, as a suggestor of methods.* Little is said in the Word of God as to methods, conditions — customs, change. Therefore, methods of reaching people with the gospel of necessity must change too. It is interesting to read in the various departments of LETTERS OF INTEREST the various methods used by others in the Lord's work and their results. "That by all means," said the great apostle, "we might save some."

*Fifth, as an exhorter to greater steadfastness in the things of God.* It is not enough to read what others are accomplishing for God. But LETTERS OF INTEREST coming into your home is for the purpose of stimulating you to a greater interest in the work of the Lord. Do not lay down the magazine without asking yourself this question: "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?" Your responsibility is increased when you have been informed about the needs of the work. Others are sacrificing to make the gospel known. Are you?



### **The Cover**

Beginning with this January issue and continuing through the year, 1948, D.V. the editors of LETTERS OF INTEREST plan to publish on the front cover of the magazine photographs of buildings, places or persons in connection with assemblies of the Lord's people gathered together in His precious name.

The photograph this month is that of the Home for Aged Christians at

Longport, N.J. This home was opened in the early months of 1947, in hearty fellowship with the assembly in Atlantic City, N.J., and other assemblies in that vicinity. Under the able direction of brother Wm. Moon. It already has proven a great blessing in filling a need for the Lord's dear people in the eastern states.

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

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During the months of August-November the writer labored in the Gospel and ministry of the Word among some assemblies of the midwest, having meetings in Chicago and Evanston, Illinois; in Holland, Grand Rapids, Detroit and Ferndale, Michigan; and in Windsor, Ontario. On our return homeward we had meetings in Kansas City, Missouri; Kansas City, Kansas; and in Denver, Boulder and Longmont, Colorado. Interest in all places has been good, though attendance has not been large, and we had not the joy of seeing souls brought to Christ through the Gospel. It seems that but few unsaved are brought into our Gospel halls anywhere. This is surely the day in which we who would reach the lost must go out into "the highways and hedges and compel them to come in." Great darkness is settling down over the entire world, and our own land—so enriched through the Gospel of former days—is not escaping this darkness. But thanks be unto God we as yet have full liberty to preach the Gospel, and we may labor in the assurance that God's Word "will not return unto Him void."

The saints in all places visited have manifested real interest in expository preaching, expressing themselves as receiving "food for their souls," and "enjoying being told just what is in a portion of Scripture." We would commend this to our fellow-laborers as a much-needed and profitable ministry. Especially is it

manifest that there is a dearth of ministry in connection with two most important and interesting subjects—i.e. church, or assembly truth; and dispensational truth. The wonderful truth of the imminent return of our blessed Lord seems to be fading from the minds of our people. Seldom do we hear this as a subject of Christian conversation. "Why speak ye not a word of bringing back the King?" (II Samuel 19:10).

In Grand Rapids we had the privilege and pleasure of visiting "Rest Haven"—a home for aged sisters, conducted by our sister Grace Pell, assisted by a staff of fine Christian helpers. While our visit was brief, it was a real pleasure to note the warm Christian atmosphere, to which one and all seemed to contribute: Comfortable, clean and cheery rooms and beds; bountiful, well-cooked meals (of which latter we partook) and manifest contentedness of the indwellers were features to be noticed. The very feeble—some of whom are helpless—receive careful and competent nursing. We would earnestly commend this real home for the aged saints to the interest and prayers of all the Lord's people.

During the next few months (D.V.) we expect to labor in the Word and the Gospel in various places in California, a large field in itself.

**JAMES H. BLACKWOOD**  
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On the 26th of October, I started a series of Gospel meetings in the Parting-

ton Gospel Hall, Windsor, and so far the meetings are good, with a fair interest. The first Lord's Day there was a baptism of eight; four young women and four young men. It was a joy to see them obeying God's Word, and we trust they shall live in the full enjoyment of the precious truth of baptism. There are a few unsaved coming to the meetings, and we trust the Lord will reach and save them. The Gospel is still the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth. We had a very good conference in Peterboro on October 18 and 19. Brethren F. Watson, J. Dickson, R. Robert, G. Johnstone and R. Bruce ministered the Word and the attendance was large. No doubt the saints were helped with such practical words, for surely we need such in these days when everything around us suggests that the coming of our Lord is near at hand.

**WM. M. BROWN**  
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After much exercise we are now located in the little State of Delaware. There is a great need here as everywhere and brother Ed. Richmond and I expect to work the State together. We are living temporarily in a small three-room furnished apartment with few conveniences, waiting for a new apartment house to be completed in Dover, one apartment of which we are to get by the fifteenth of December, Lord willing. We can then have our furniture moved down from Asheville, N. C. and get settled and started in some campaigns. The prayers of the Lord's people will be much appreciated for us in this big move.

The five years spent in North Carolina were, in a measure, some fruitful

years. We spent nine months working in fellowship with brother Lester Wilson in Greensboro in the Forest Avenue Tabernacle. The balance of the time was spent in the mountain section in Asheville, and in Greer and Anderson, S. C. When we went to Asheville first, we found a group of about a dozen sisters and one brother who met to remember their Lord. We were helped of God in getting the Gospel out into that resort town through tracts, tent and radio, and of course the regular meetings in the hall. The Lord has blessed the little assembly by increasing the numbers and now there are around forty in fellowship with two progressive Sunday schools. The brethren there have just added twelve feet to the front of the hall. . . .

Please pray that the State of Delaware may be opened up for the Gospel and that a number of good assemblies will be planted in God's time. This is a pioneer work and the fellowship in prayer of the Lord's people will be appreciated. In time we would like to put on a radio broadcast over the State, if the Lord so guides.

**FRANK CARBONI**  
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**Long Branch, N. J.**

We have just come back from a trip visiting the Italian speaking assemblies. It pleased the Lord to prosper our going to them, seeing His hand in salvation of some and restoration to others. My wife was with me this time, for I dared not leave her alone at home. Since she took sick and was taken suddenly to the hospital not so long ago, I feel a little anxious about her, although she is much better. Her quick recovery has caused our hearts to praise Him who doeth all things well.

Soon 1948 will be here and we desire to send our affectionate greetings in His

name, with good wishes for your health and spiritual blessings from Him by whom all blessings flow (III John 2).

This year is almost gone, and we have good reasons to thank our Heavenly Father for His great mercy and abundant grace experienced during the past year, seeing His good hand leading us beside the still waters of His pasture, while traveling on in the midst of this dark and turbulent world, seeking peace, yet refusing to acknowledge Him, the Giver of peace.

The past year has seen many new open doors, all over the world, where the Gospel of the grace of God is proclaimed. There are places where the wonderful news of salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and Him alone, is being told out with much liberty. No one would have dreamed, at least for us Italians, to preach the Gospel even on the street corners of Rome! These things have gladdened our hearts, giving praise and adoration to our blessed Lord.

Our eyes are also lifted up, for we are waiting for Him that cometh, shall come and will not tarry. We are waiting for the "Shout" promised in His Word. Then we shall see Him whom we long to see. To hear His voice. It must be wonderful to see the *Wonderful One* face to face!

Meanwhile He has told us to "occupy till He come" and we all, the favored ones, redeemed of the Lord, surely will seek to discharge our duties for Him, even though stumblingly, steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not vain in the Lord (I Cor. 15:58).

**L. T. CHAMBERS**  
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A few weeks ago we had the joy of presenting the subject of Christ in the tabernacle structure to a small group of believers in Anderson, S. C. where our brother Brown has been laboring. Before that, our late brother Roger Eames spent the last days of his life there.

We believe this subject serves to strengthen and build up the saints. We would like to hear from assemblies who desire this ministry on the tabernacle with the model.

Mrs. Chambers and myself are now traveling and living in a house-trailer, and therefore do not need accommodations in these days of acute housing shortage.

**ANDREW CRAIG**  
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This past month (letter dated Nov. 17) I have given a little help at Camden, N.J., Patterson, N. J. and Astoria, L. I. Yesterday, Nov. 16, I commenced a series of Gospel meetings at the Bronx Assembly, New York City. The attendance was very encouraging for the opening meeting, so we pray that the interest will increase, the Lord's people be encouraged and precious souls saved.

**HARRY GREGORY**  
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It has been some time since our last letter to you, and much has taken place—hence this letter.

First we want to thank you and the dear saints in the Lord, for your intercessory prayers in our behalf. We are both happy and thankful to report that the

Lord has very graciously provided a home for us in Salt Lake City, and we are very comfortably situated. We can surely say with the hymn writer, "Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto us!"

It was my happy privilege several weeks ago to go and hold meetings in Uintah and Duchesne Counties and while there was asked to conduct a funeral. I also baptized a young "G.I." who was recently saved.

The first of this month it became necessary to take secular employment, as also must have been the case with bro. Paul of old—at times. He worked with his hands that he be chargeable to no man, etc.

By God's grace, and if He so wills, I purpose to hold jail meetings on Sunday afternoons here in Salt Lake City. We will also continue to have Bible readings in homes that are opened to us from time to time.

**HAROLD HARPER**

**Bethany House  
Wheaton, Ill.**

I keep busy here. Just at present I am taking eight classes a week with the young people of Emmaus Bible School, Toronto, during the mornings, and a meeting each night in one of the assemblies. This time I am seeking to help the smaller groups around the city who need the help. Was encouraged by seeing a young man trust the Lord as I stopped by in Rochester, N. Y., enroute for Toronto. Soon will the Body of Christ be complete, and our day of service here will be gone forever.

**WM. INGRAM**  
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These past few months we have been

busy in the Lord's work on the Canadian prairies, and on the border states of North Dakota and N. Minnesota.

Looking back we thank God for open doors and a few open hearts to receive the Word.

A few days ago we received a letter from a young man who has heard us preach the Gospel many times over the years, and to whom we have personally spoken concerning his soul's welfare. Now he writes to say he has made the great decision; this comes to us from the Lord to remind us, "In due season ye shall reap if ye faint not."

We were with some scattered believers on the prairie in Manitoba at Canadian Thanksgiving, and had a time of refreshing with them, and the blessing of the Lord in our midst.

My wife still finds much joy in reaching the children in some of the rural schoolhouses on the Canadian prairies; the children listen well to the Bible message, and the seed is sown in these young hearts and lives that will bring forth fruit unto God. We value the prayers and fellowship of God's children.

**A. LeROY LIVINGSTON**  
**Peach Springs, Arizona**

We would like to state in our fifth letter from the vicinity of the Hualpai Indians a few facts that we may have overlooked that the Lord's people would like to know. The chapel is located in the town site of Peach Springs, and has frontage on Highway No. 66, which highway is open year round for traffic to coast. Our living quarters are in the chapel apartment and basement.

There are Indians living just across the highway as well as scattered over the 40 acre area of the town site.

We can see just across the street a hut 10 by 14, one room, roughly built in which live at least six adults and five children. How they can live we can't understand. Some of them come to our meetings.

There are some who live quite modern, but most of them choose the other way.

They are glad when we visit them, and they respond by coming to the public meetings.

It is very difficult for them to hold conversation with any white people. As they attend the meetings they are very backward and shy and barely answer questions, but we know that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth.

There are two Indian brothers here who have been saved for more than 25 years and gather according to scriptural principles.

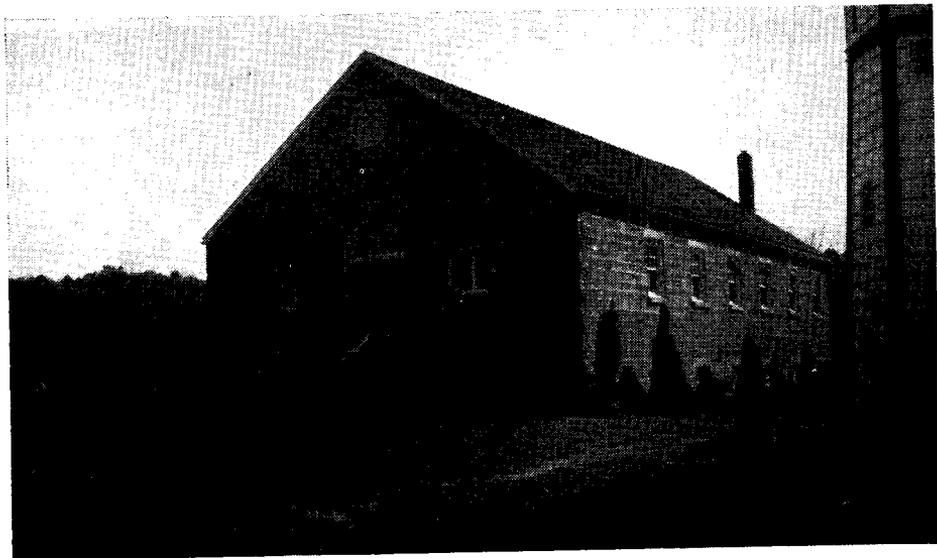
The Indian Council who have full control on the Reservation, will not per-

mit any other religious activities than they have had for 30 years since the Andersons first came, for which we are thankful with such an open door for the Gospel and other scriptural principles.

**WILLIAM J. OGLESBY**  
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Reading, Pa.

The Greenwood Hills Chapel (See cut) located two miles east of Fayetteville, Pa., was opened early in September with a week of special meetings in which brother George Landis and I shared.

During the months of October and November while brother Landis was away, it was my privilege to help the small assembly in their various meetings. Happy fellowship was enjoyed in two weekly Bible classes, on Wednesday evening studying II Corinthians and on Lord's Day morning the Gospel of John in the Senior Bible Class. On Friday night showed slides on Pilgrim's Progress at the Happy Hour for boys and girls. This was always a bright service with the



children taking part in singing and memory work. With some adults attending regularly we had as many as 88 present. Each Lord's Day evening witnessed a good attendance at the Gospel meeting with some from the neighborhood coming in response to visitation work.

On Thanksgiving Day the saints had their first conference in the new Chapel with better than 100 present, a number from nearby assemblies. The morning service was in the form of a conversational Bible study with II Timothy under consideration, particularly the second chapter. Our brethren John Bramhall, P. D. Loizeaux and A. S. Loizeaux unfolded many precious truths. In the afternoon brother Bramhall and I shared the ministry giving further exhortation to faithfulness to the Lord and His Word in these latter days. A clear ringing Gospel message was brought by brother Bramhall in the evening. Truly the day was one of rich feasting on the Word and happy fellowship and called forth deep thankfulness to God for the gracious way He undertook in every detail.

As we leave Greenwood Hills, we would like to commend this small assembly to the Lord's people for prayer-fellowship, and also assure the Lord's servants coming this way that a visit from them would be appreciated.

In the will of the Lord, we plan to spend the first four months of 1948 in the southern states particularly in South Carolina where we had a season of ministry last winter giving help to some of the small assemblies. The prayers of the Lord's people for this venture will be greatly appreciated.

**FRANK PIZZULI**  
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I've visited the assemblies in Brooklyn, N. Y., Orange, Hoboken and Long Branch, N. J., Methuen City, East Boston and Worcester, Mass. Thank God, the Italian work in these cities goes on well.

I've been leaving the work here in Mechanicville, for a few weeks at a time, that they may learn to be independent of man, and to look to the Lord for guidance, help and teaching as to the assembly, etc. D.V., I'll be here for a few more weeks and then leave for special Gospel meetings elsewhere.

Thank God, the young assembly goes on well, and they are keeping up their interest and activity in the Gospel. The open-air meetings in Troy, N. Y., have been discontinued for the winter because of cold weather, but the tract distribution will be continued here all winter, D. V.

We have had some nice times of refreshing recently through the visits of some of our dear brethren from the Boston area.

On November 15 and 16, we had with us our brethren W. Herbert Marshall, and Edward B. Wilson. The Word of God was ministered to us with simplicity and power, and the believers were very much encouraged by their timely visit. The unsaved were warned of their danger, and pointed to the Saviour of sinners. We trust, and it is the unanimous desire of all the believers here, that our brethren will return soon to pay us another visit.

On November 22 and 23, our brethren

ren Arthur Dewhurst and Frank Procopio were here, and again we enjoyed the Lord's presence and blessing through the excellent ministry of God's precious Word.

These helps on the way are very much appreciated, and the full results I'm sure will be known only in eternity.

Greetings in the Lord's name.

**GEORGE RAINEY**  
Mount Plymouth  
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The meetings I had in Peterboro, Toronto, Brantford, Niagara Falls, N. Y., were helpful to those who heard His Word. Now I am busy in Waterloo, Iowa, and there is a hunger among the saints for divine truth. I go from here on the 14th, to St. Louis, Mo., for ministry. Then, to Buffalo, New York, for Thanksgiving Conference (D.V.). I will value prayer as the days in which our lot is cast are trying. In the will of God, I plan to be home for Christmas.

Our son Harry has been ill in Florida and was moved from Daytona Beach hospital to New York. There the doctors are treating him and seeking to avoid an operation. His trouble is a rare case of thyroid. It may be due to his war experience, or strain doing heavy work. This has been a test to his faith in God and to ours as well. However, He makes no mistakes and we are in His college learning of Him. Pray for Harry and his family. His wife and two children are at Mount Plymouth. His mother is with him in New York.

**V. M. RIVERA**  
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After three months spent in visiting a few assemblies in the Central and New

England states, I returned over a month ago.

Since then I have been distributing several thousands of tracts that accumulated during my absence. Also broadcasted two Gospel radio programs over the local Mexican Station KCOR. And I am continuing with house-to-house work and carrying on with the meetings here and there and rendering help at the local assembly.

We are very much encouraged to see new faces at each gathering and covet the prayers of the Lord's people upon the ministry of His Word.

**C. THEODORE SCHWARZE**  
Athens, Ga.

It was a real joy to have been able to minister all along the way from our summer place on Long Island, New York, to this place. One happy stop was at Bedford, New York, where a Christian physician and his wife are hoping to establish a Christian testimony and invited us to conduct a seven day campaign. There were many unsaved present at these meetings as well as Christians who had not been enjoying the fellowship with their Lord and with other Christians as they should have been. The meetings were much blessed and the Spirit used the Word.

Meetings were held elsewhere, especially at Roanoke, Virginia, where four meetings on church truth were blessed to the saints who attended. Here in Athens, the Christians greeted us joyfully and are looking forward to the Bible classes which are to be held this winter, the Lord willing. We are also hoping to have cottage meetings and to extend the work for children, in which Mrs. Schwarze is interested.

**SAMUEL STEWART**  
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Lord willing, I purpose to be up at the assembly at Kingston, Ontario, for the month of January—and possibly longer if needs be. There is considerable exercise with the Lord's people there, and they long to see the Lord come in and revive the testimony. We request that many of the readers of **LETTERS OF INTEREST** will join us in prayer, to the end that the Lord will be pleased to come in and give much blessing to His people, and that souls may be reached for Him.

**AUGUST VAN RYN**  
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I keep very busy in His service, and find joy in seeing blessing on His precious Word, both among saved and lost. I spent a month this trip in Detroit, Mich. having meetings in several assemblies, as well as speaking at the conference in Flint, and at special rallies in Flint and at Detroit; then was for a week at Appleton, Wis., with one night at Casco, where a testimony for the Lord is being revived again, after years of division and stagnation. Now going for a week at South Bend, and from here will be going to Centerville, Iowa, and thence to the conference at Kansas City; then to Grand Rapids, Mich., for their annual Thanksgiving conference; then home for awhile, by way of Augusta, Ga., for a week's meetings.

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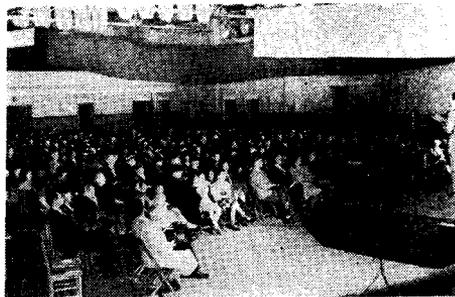
Brother Gall and I continue to hold forth the Word of Life here on Chicago's Southside. In addition to the regular meetings in the assembly, we are holding

cottage Bible readings. At the close of our ten weeks of tent meetings, we were invited to read and explain the Word of God in a home two blocks away. One soul professed to receive the Lord recently; the interest is good.

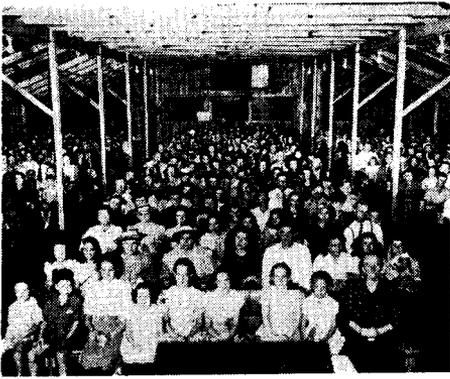
There has been no letdown in our efforts to get on the way with our hall, still waiting upon the Lord to exercise the hearts of His own to share the burden which we bear. The cramped quarters where we now are meeting make it utterly impossible to carry out our plans of evangelism. We hear that the R.C.'s are planning a new church not far from our still vacant lots. The God of Ezra and the returning remnant is our God, "There are many adversaries."

**LESTER WILSON**  
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Greensboro, N. C.

This has been one of my best years of the sixteen I have been in North Carolina. In January and February we had a campaign in Durham, N. C. with thirty-seven professing, the majority men. Then we opened a new place, Sanford, N. C., about fifty miles from Durham. Our first



campaign there was during March in the Armory. In spite of many difficulties the first two weeks, we finally got a hold and a good crowd attended, as



seen in picture; twelve professed. The next series was held in a temporary tabernacle made from two army barracks. Brother Welcome Detweiler, Ray Felton, Leslie Rainey and W. G. Smith helped in taking down the one and erecting the other. The first series in the Tabernacle was well attended and some twenty-five professed. We had a third series in Sanford during August and September which was the best of the three. Fifteen professed and the interest of this third campaign is seen in picture of the last night. There is a nice group of Christians in Sanford now and two meetings a week are holding interest until another series is held in the spring, D.V. Clarence Low of St. Catherines, Ontario, took care of the song-leading in the last series.

Last Lord's Day, Nov. 16th, we closed our fifth campaign of the year. This was held in Winston-Salem, N. C., and twenty-five professed during the five weeks, twenty being baptized this week. Over one hundred additional chairs were needed on Sunday nights to seat the

crowds. We have also seen some saved in regular meetings between campaigns making some 125 who have professed this year. This report does not cover the boys' camp work which saw a good number profess. Neither does it cover the activities and faithful labors of other brethren on the field, such as brother Mackay of Greensboro, W. Detweiler at Durham, W. G. Smith at Burlington and W. Bousfield at Winston-Salem. Ray Felton has been with me all year and has been a great help with his solo singing on the radio and in all the meetings. Brother Detweiler led the singing in three campaigns. A daily broadcast has been carried on in connection with each campaign.

I said at the beginning that this was one of my best years in the South, but it has had its sorrows too. One of the young assemblies in these parts was almost wrecked, and that by a brother who circulates among the assemblies as a ministering brother. No godly or God-sent man would seek to make room for himself at the expense of a work or another man's labors; nor courteous enough to evacuate when unable to cooperate. We are happy to say this situation is healing. Unity of work and workers is essential to the forward march of any local or district work. How strange that saved men who see little done themselves should criticize and tear down the labors of another!

In closing this report on our labors during 1947 we ask the prayers of God's people that the ground gained may not be lost but rather expanded and that largely during 1948, D.V.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

Donald Ross, in an Editor's Note in the **BARLEY CAKE**, August, 1883, states: "We do not profess to chronicle all the work, or name all the workers in the United States and Canada, or even all of those gathering to the name of the Lord Jesus. Those we mention month by month are those concerning whom we have any information at the time we write."

After 64 years, we seek to follow on in the same lines as brother Ross. We solicit more information from correspondents, leading brethren, and the Lord's servants, so we can report more of the work being done among the assemblies.

During the past year, the number of the Lord's servants mentioned in connection with their activities, including conferences, has averaged 100 each month.

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The meetings started by these brethren in Beetown, Wis. on November 2, continue at this writing, December 3. We understand one has professed to be saved, and others are interested.

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**DOUGLAS IBBOTSON**  
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Naval Base, S. C.

Brother Detweiler had four weeks of Gospel meetings in the Charleston, S. C. Gospel Chapel in October and November. The meetings were well attended, and some nights there were over 40 strangers present. Two professed to be saved. While brother Detweiler was in Charleston, brother Ibbotson, who has stayed here for the past five years, took advantage of the opportunity to visit assemblies in New Jersey and Chicago, Ill.

The work in Charleston was started as a war work, and when all the brethren and sisters, who were then in connection with war activities, left, brother Ibbotson was left alone with a nice building and three or four sisters.

In the last two years, God has blessed in the salvation of souls, others from the denominations have taken their place with them and there are now about twenty in fellowship.

**JOHN T. DICKSON**  
1449 Van Buren St.  
Hollywood, Fla.

Brother Dickson had a week's ministry meetings in the early part of November in Midland, Ont.

**HERBERT G. DOBSON**  
9253 S. Marshfield  
Chicago 20, Ill.

**JAS. LIPKE**  
2018 West Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

These brethren have just finished a series of Gospel meetings here in Pawtucket. God gave help in proclaiming the old, old story. Two professed faith in our Lord Jesus Christ, as their Saviour.

J. W. WINNING

**DAN M. DUNNETT**  
722 Dodge St.  
Lake Geneva, Wis.

Brother Dunnett spent some time this fall in the Ozarks, visiting the assemblies and ministering to the needs of the saints.

Later he spent some time around St. Louis, Mo. and Belleville, Ill., where his ministry was much appreciated by the Christians.

**CLARENCE FERWERDA**  
Poplar Bluff, Mo.

Brother Ferwerda commenced a series of meetings on the Feasts of the Lord, at Bible Chapel, Tilden, Ill., November 4, each Tuesday of the week for seven weeks.

The first one was well attended with many coming from Sparta, where brother Ferwerda is holding meetings on each Monday of the week. The Feast of the Passover was very instructive to all who heard. "For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us" (I Cor. 5:7b).

HERBERT WHITE

**HENRY FLETCHER**  
252 St. Clarens Ave.  
Toronto, Ont., Canada

Brother Fletcher had three weeks' Gospel meetings in Cliff St. Gospel Hall, Boston, starting October 26.

While none professed at the meetings, a woman whom brother Fletcher met in the home of a Christian professed to be saved.

**JOHN GOVAN**  
9591 Sorrento Ave.  
Detroit 27, Mich.

Brother Govan was in Vancouver, B. C. in October and November. He had a series of meetings in Fairview Hall with some conversions, and then began in the Woodland Avenue Hall. When we last heard, he was still going on there.

**J. A. GRAY**  
Box 346  
Prtage LaPrairie  
Manitoba, Can.

**J. A. RONALD**  
Box 402  
Portage La Prairie  
Manitoba, Can.

These brethren labored for seven weeks in October and November on the Saskatchewan prairies. They gave help to the assemblies in Mervin, Neeb, Lashburn, Maidstone and Louisville.

While ministering the Word to these assemblies, they visited seven towns with Gospel literature, and sought to enter the homes of the lost with the Gospel. They also had three weeks of meetings in Edam, which is 16 miles from Mervin. During the above meetings, souls were saved and backsliders restored. They purpose commencing meetings during the latter part of November in Taylor-side and seek the prayers of the Lord's people for this effort.

The conference at Louisville was well attended. Brethren Gray, Ronald and Dr. Groff took part, and the ministry was profitable.

**JAMES GUNN**  
Box 993  
Midland, Ont.

These brethren had three weeks' Gospel meetings in Strongville, Ont. in October. Brother Gunn went to Chicago in November and had some meetings in connection with the Evanston, Ill. assembly.

**SAM HAMILTON**  
Route 2, Box 222  
LaCrosse, Wis.

Brother Hamilton, who had to remain close to home for some time, due to family illness, started Gospel meetings in Lynxville, Wis. in November.

**DAVID HORN**  
1537 S. Milwaukee  
Denver 9, Colo.

**JOHN HORN**  
419 Smith St.  
Atchison, Kan.

David and John Horn have just closed three weeks of meetings in the Gospel Hall at Atchison.

The Two Roads and Two Destinies chart was used as a basis for their messages. A good number of strangers and friends attended the meetings. A man and two women were brought out of darkness into light, and accepted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Saviour. They have intimated that they are ready for baptism.

The Christians here are encouraged and happy as the result of the meetings.

R. L. TOWNSEND, Cor.

**DOUGLAS HOWARD**  
43 Hilton Avenue  
Toronto, Ont.

**FRANK PEARCEY**  
205 Margueretta St.  
Toronto 4, Ont.

These brethren were encouraged during their meetings in Highfield Rd., Toronto, by seeing three profess to be saved.

**ALBERT JOYCE**  
417 Rockhamton Ave.  
Toronto, Ont.

Brother Joyce had some meetings in

Portage LaPrairie this fall, using his chart, "Egypt to Canaan."

**GEORGE LEEST**  
California

**WILLIAM MORGAN**  
1320 W. 59th St.  
Los Angeles 24, Calif.

These two young brethren, while on the Gospel Tour, from Chicago to Denver and back, were impressed with the needy fields on the Nebraska-Colorado border.

They returned and had a month of meetings in Palisade, Nebraska.

**LORNE E. McBAIN**  
745 W. High St.  
Jackson, Mich.

**NORMAN CRAWFORD**  
448 Glen Lake Ave.  
Toronto 9, Ont., Can.

These brethren were continuing meetings in November in a new hall at 64th and Woodland Ave., Philadelphia. The assembly now meeting here, formerly met at Dickinson St. and 20th.

The Christians are anxious to reach the people in this new neighborhood, and when last we heard they were encouraged by the attendance.

**ROBERT McCLURKIN**  
General Delivery  
Galt, Ont.

**ROBERT BOTH**  
51 Eastmount Ave.  
Toronto, Ont.

These brethren saw blessing in their eight weeks of meetings in the Manitoulin Island. Five souls professed to be saved, and they made some nice contacts with Christians in the denominations. One night the entire body of a local church came to the meeting and it was necessary to get extra chairs to seat the people.

They hope to see an assembly started here, D.V., in the not-too-far distant future.

Manitoulin Island is located in Georgian Bay, in Lake Huron, between Upper Michigan and Canada, and is over

80 miles long. The present population is around 10,000. Brother Booth has visited the island with the Gospel every year since 1942.

After leaving Manitoulin, they visited Alpena, Mich. Brother Booth stayed two weeks and brother McClurkin one week. Here they had two meetings daily, and spoke to 80 children in a school. One professed to be saved in this place.

Our two brethren expect to start a series of Gospel meetings in Broadview Hall, Toronto, on the first Sunday in January.

**FRED NUGENT**  
424 McKenzie Ave.  
London, Ont.

Brother Nugent, aided by Harold Wagler who was recently commended to the Lord's work from Shakespeare and Stratford Assemblies, began Gospel meetings about the middle of October in Salem Gospel Hall, Detroit.

When last we heard in November, the meetings had been in progress four weeks, and we were told twelve had professed to be saved.

The blessing started when the Lord's people began to pray, and some nights as many as forty stayed after the meeting to pray for souls. Tears were mingled with the prayers of the Christians, and the Scripture was fulfilled, "He that goeth forth weeping, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again, with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him."

**WALTER PURCELL**  
3025 S.E. Ankeny, Apt. 1  
Portland 15, Oregon

Greetings from Catherine and myself from this western point.

We have now been in Portland 16 months and wish we had come out here

years ago, only of course it is always best to wait for the Pillar of Cloud, and be assured of His presence.

We enjoy receiving the **LETTERS OF INTEREST** and following the work of God through His servants.

My work is quite varied, but the great burden of my heart is to help the Lord's dear people into a healthy progressive assembly life. There are so many places with a small, or no, Sunday school, or Gospel testimony, and I ask the Lord to enable me to help the young men, and young women, of our assemblies, to reach out after the children and adults in their respective districts.

As you probably know well, I was giving full time to the work many years ago, and too many street meetings and tent meetings developed throat trouble, but this last summer I was privileged to spend three months in various tent efforts, and find this climate suitable to my throat.

The Lord alone knows all the exercise in such a movement, but I do praise Him that He has filled my hands, and opened doors everywhere here, and I long for your prayers, that my stewardship may be discharged faithfully.

At Eugene, Oregon, where tent meetings were held in 1946 by brethren Neil Fraser and Fred Elliott of Portland, and an assembly gathered at that time, now have a flourishing Sunday school and do a good work among the college students at the U. of Oregon.

**WM. M. RAE**  
236 S.E. 32nd Ave.  
Portland, Ore.

Brother Rae planned to visit Chicago in November. He had reached St. Louis

after calling at various assemblies, helping the Lord's people, when he received a telegram asking him to return to the Coast, because of the sudden death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. C. G. McClean of Vancouver. Brother Rae together with Harold Summers spoke at the funeral. Mrs. McClean was preceded in death by her husband less than four months ago. They will be greatly missed by the assembly, formerly on Seymour St., Vancouver.

**GORDON N. REAGER**  
Box 141  
Decatur, Ga.

**PAUL PLUBELL**  
7336 Tabor Ave.  
Philadelphia, Pa.

These brethren had five weeks of good Gospel meetings in 86th St. Gospel Hall, Chicago, ending Sunday, November 16.

A daughter of one of the Lord's servants professed to be saved, and this caused great joy. The Christians were helped by the meetings, and some said they were the means of drawing them closer to the Lord.

Our brethren hope to begin a series of Gospel meetings on Brock Ave., Toronto, the second Sunday of January.

**J. J. ROUSE**  
234 Crescent Rd., N.E.  
Calgary, Alta., Can.

Brother Rouse arrived home in Calgary, after an absence of eight months, during which time he ministered to the Lord's people in Ontario and the United States.

He preached in one place in Ontario on July 6, 1947, where he has preached on July 6, 1894, 53 years before.

Since returning home he has been busy distributing clothing to the poor Christian families. Some of these are in a sad way because of poor crop conditions.

Brother Rouse visited an outlying assembly in the country one Sunday after returning home, where 17 met at 1:00 p.m. to remember the Lord, and at 3:00 p.m. 30 met to hear the Word. After this, there was a two-mile walk in the snow, an hour's wait on a bleak crossroads for a bus, and it was after midnight when he arrived home.

**JAS. SMITH**  
16811 Murray Hill  
Detroit 27, Michigan

**ARNOLD GRATTON**  
539 Elizabeth St.  
London, Ont., Can.

These brethren commenced a series of Gospel meetings in the Ferndale Gospel Hall, Detroit, on November 16.

Before starting here, brother Smith visited Asheville, N. C., where he lived and labored for some years. His visit was much appreciated by the assembly.

Brother Gratton has not been well, and his doctor advised him to discontinue preaching for a time. However, he has not had to discontinue, and had recovered sufficiently to enable him to visit Acton, Ont. for week-end meetings, before going to Detroit. This is the place where brother Joyce and he saw considerable blessing in several Gospel efforts.

**FRED WATSON**  
92 Regal Rd.  
Toronto, Ont.

Brother Watson had a series of meetings in Sudbury, Ont. during November.

**THOS. WILKIE**  
Box 183  
Forest, Ont.

**E. B. SPRUNT**  
78 Awde St.  
Toronto 4, Ont.

The meetings commenced by these brethren in St. Catherines, Ont. on October 2\*, continue at this writing, December 1.

The interest is increasing and the meetings are large, with the hall being filled some nights. We understand a man

and a woman are anxious to be saved.

A young woman anxious to be saved drove to St. Catherines from Grand Bend to talk to brother Wilkie. She professed faith in the Lord Jesus before leaving.

#### **BOISE, IDAHO**

The Christians meeting in the Assembly Chapel on Thirteenth and O'Farrell Streets were treated to a fine time by Missionary F. J. Smele from India. He showed pictures of his and his wife's work in India. Brother Smele was here for just one night, but he surely left a sweet fragrance of earnest devotion in the Lord's work in the field in which he has been working.

The Christians here will follow him with their prayers and an earnest looking for his return whenever the Lord permits.

ORTON GOODWIN, Cor.

#### **BUFFALO, N. Y.**

**Assembly Hall  
111 Elmwood Avenue**

We are very happy and deeply thankful to our gracious God and Heavenly Father for the precious tokens of His love and favor with us.

On Lord's Day, November 9th, there were five dear ones whom He had saved, followed Him through the water of baptism and now they meet with the other saints to remember His death.

We were richly blessed by two weeks' ministry meetings, by our brother Brooks. His subject was The New Testament Church. We all do praise God for bringing Him out of the awful trial of the Jap prison camp and sending him to us with such grand messages from Himself.

Also, our Thanksgiving conference was very good, a nice attendance from other assemblies made the company quite

large. Ministry of brethern Brooks and George Rainey was very good and helpful. The saints had a happy time of fellowship.

#### **BURLINGTON, N. C.**

As the result of a young boy getting saved this summer, his home which is in the country near Mebane has been opened for a Sunday school on Sunday afternoons. There have been as many as twenty to hear about the Lord Jesus in this way. Mr. Bill Spoon conducts the Sunday school.

#### **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

**Avondale Assembly**

Brother McClurkin spent ten days with the saints in the Avondale Assembly during November, giving us ministry that was most profitable and edifying. All meetings were well attended and the interest was great. Following the Gospel meeting on Lord's Day, November 16, four young men went through the waters of baptism, three of whom took their place at the Lord's table in Avondale on Lord's Day, November 23, and one identified himself with the Irving Park Assembly. "In all labor there is profit" and we trust the blessings derived from such able ministry will long be felt amongst us.

JOHN A. CLARK

#### **DURHAM, N. C.**

The Durham Christians are overwhelmed by the goodness of the Lord as He continues to display His mighty power. For the past several weeks interest has been on the increase with two or more professing faith in our Saviour most every Lord's Day night, as well as some through the week. More room is needed

as souls are getting hungrier for the Word.

#### **GREENSBORO, N. C.**

On Thursday night, November 6, after the regular prayer and ministry meeting, the Christians gathered for a Fellowship meeting as a farewell to Mr. Bousfield, who has been giving helpful ministry in the absence of Mr. Mackay and as a welcome to Mr. Mackay, who returned after teaching for six weeks at Emmaus Bible School. Most all of the Christians were out for this meeting and a happy time of fellowship was enjoyed by them.

#### **LOS ANGELES 44, CALIF.**

About two years ago the Lord opened a door for the Gospel in our huge fifteen-story County Jail. There are about 3000 criminals in this institution, with an average of thirty murderers. I have a private room, in the heart of the jail, with typewriter, telephone and Bibles. I call the men down from their cells in groups, show them their need and give them the Gospel, also tracts and Testaments. Many have professed faith in Christ. In addition to this I have recently been given the juveniles, a changing group of about fifty boys, ranging in age from eleven years and up. Pray for this work and for me that I may be given physical strength and spiritual power to present Christ faithfully.

CLIFTON U. UMSTEAD  
1511 W. 66th St.

#### **MISHAWAKA, IND.**

On October 15, Henry Stadt came to minister to the Christians. Three meetings were held each week (for three weeks) in the chapel and practically all the Christians were visited in their

homes, receiving much help and encouragement. August Van Ryn came November 9 for four profitable days of ministry. Geo. M. Landis is expected November 14 to 25, for a series of studies in the Epistle to the Romans.

#### **SHERBROOKE, CANADA**

The summer months were busy ones.

The Frontier Lodge Camp site on Lake Wallis was enlarged and three new, small buildings were erected.

Boys' Camp was directed by Mr. Leslie Richard of Toronto, with able assistance from many "leaders," including Paul Boeda, Arnold Reynolds, Harold Fryday, Sheldon Bard and Alison Welch. There was a good camp of about 60 boys, and several lads professed salvation.

Girls' Camp, also for two weeks, was directed by Miss Frances Balmfirth of Montreal; among the assistants were Mrs. Bard, Janet Rose and Miss Margaret McKinnon. The Lord blessed Girls' Camp too, in saving souls and in missionary interest.

The camp site was used for a one-week's rest period by a number of workers among French Canadian Roman Catholics. The fellowship was warm and all felt refreshed.

The Young People's Conference over Labor Day was attended by almost a hundred visitors. It was a time of soul searching and waiting upon the Lord, the theme being "That I May Know Him." Messages from Sheldon Bard, Paul Boeda and Mr. Smele (India) were used of the Lord to deepen the spiritual lives of those gathered. It is planned, D.V., to have a 10-day Y. P. Conference in 1948.

Sunday school work is still difficult, but the members stay between 180 and

200, and it is here that we see the most blessing. Also visitation of young married couples is proving fruitful.

Recent visiting brethren: Norman Kion, S. Bard, W. H. Marshall, Arthur Dewhurst, Samuel Taylor and at present H. A. Welch.

ARTHUR C. HILL, M.D.

#### SILER CITY, N. C.

Mr. J. W. Bramhall is having a week of ministry the first week in December which we are looking forward to with much interest. We are also planning a week for Mr. Luther Wilson of Raleigh and Mr. Leslie Rainey.



# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

#### CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The conference held here over the Thanksgiving season was a time of spiritual uplift. The Lord ministered to His people in a very special way through the Word spoken. In addition to words of comfort and exhortation that were given to God's people, assembly truths were strongly emphasized to the encouragement of all present. Nine brethren, comprising pioneers and missionaries shared the Saturday afternoon meeting with accounts of their work in the various spheres of labor.

Those who assumed the burden of the ministry were brethren J. Gunn, N. Fraser, G. M. Landis, V. Hollingsworth, Jr., R. McClurkin, T. E. Wilson, while C. Tilsley and W. H. Marshall helped

in the Gospel meetings. Wm. Deans gave a graphic description on Saturday night of the work in the Belgian Congo. This meeting was shared by T. E. Wilson who told of the work in Angola, Central Africa. One young man professed salvation.

#### FLINT, MICHIGAN

It is a pleasure to be able to report to you that our Eleventh Annual Conference, held October 4th and 5th and addressed by our esteemed brethren Richard Hill and August Van Ryn, was a great success both in attendance and ministry.

We believe that the local testimony was benefited and that the representatives of the many assemblies who at-

tended took back with them a blessing which, in turn, would benefit their assemblies.

ROBERT IRVINE, Sec.

#### **FOREST, ONTARIO**

The beautiful fall weather and the congenial hospitality of the kind friends of the town of Forest helped much in making the recent conference of Christians gathered in the name of the Lord Jesus a real success. On Saturday the Gospel Hall on Main St. was filled beyond its capacity, so on Sunday the conference was moved into the Town Hall. The number of visitors was in excess of that reached in former years, and all these were entertained cordially by the local congregation. Many distant places as well as near-by towns were represented by the guests. Among these many places was India, the Philippines, Argentine. There were numbers from American cities such as Detroit, Cleveland, Buffalo, Winston-Salem and Hollywood, Florida. Many other guests came from points in Canada as Saulte Ste. Marie, Sarnia, Grand Bend, Watford, London, Galt, Brantford, Tillsonburgh, Hamilton, Grimsby, Toronto, Midland and elsewhere.

Those who ministered the Word of God to the large and representative audience were Robert McCrory, Hamilton; Cyril Brooks, Manilla; Peter Hynd, Toronto; Robert McClurkin, Galt; John Merridew, Argentina; Harold McKay, Winston-Salem; Crawford Tilsley, India; George Shivas, Grimsby; and John Dickson, Hollywood, Florida.

All of these speakers reaffirmed their confidence in the inspiration of the Holy Scriptures, the deity of Christ, the fullness of redemption through His blood,

the need of regeneration through the power of the Spirit of God, which of course presupposes the absolute ruin of mankind by the entrance of sin into the world.

The special evangelistic service which was conducted in the Town Hall was addressed by Mr. Shivas and Mr. Brooks. Mr. Shivas emphasized the helplessness of the sinner by using as an illustration the incident in the life of our Lord when four men carried a poor cripple up to the roof of a house and let him down into the presence of the Saviour. Christians everywhere ought to carry by prayer and testimony men and women to the Saviour.

Mr. Brooks gave force to the truth that all men by nature are the captives of sin in need of deliverance through the power of Christ by telling of his own personal experience as a prisoner of the Japs. He thrilled his audience by briefly telling them of the gallant American forces which rescued him, his family, and some two thousand others from the cruelty of the Japanese Internment Camp at Los Banos. This he said was but a feeble illustration of the power of Christ to save and keep from the domination of sin, vice and habit.

In viewing the convention as a whole it is considered to be the largest and one of the best ever held in the town.

ED. NOTE: *This report is given as it appeared in the Forest, Ontario newspaper.*

#### **HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA**

After much thought and prayerful consideration, the brethren of the South Florida area desire to announce a winter Bible Conference in South Florida this coming winter. This conference will be held from February 21 to 29, 1948 in-

clusive. The conference will be held at the Hollywood Gospel Chapel.

Hollywood is about 12 miles north of Miami, conveniently reached from all points and ideally located on the Atlantic Ocean, and a well-known winter resort. Many Christians desiring warmer climate will welcome this opportunity of participating in this conference, having Christian fellowship with many of the Lord's people.

Speakers will include Alfred Gibbs, August Van Ryn and others to be announced later.

R. L. CONLON

ROBERT HENRY

#### **KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

The Troost Avenue Gospel Hall, Kansas City, Mo., convened their conference Thursday evening, Nov. 19th, with a prayer meeting. This was the first three day conference for several years, and the response of the Lord's people seemed to justify returning to the extra day. The invited speakers were Robert McCrory of Hamilton, Ontario; James Gunn, Midland, Ontario; August Van Ryn, Miami, Fla.; T. Ernest Wilson, Angola, Central Africa; Wm. Deans, Belgium Congo, Africa; and Leonard Sheldrake, Kansas City, Mo.

At the workers' report meeting on Saturday morning, we had stirring reports from the following brethren: Leonard Lindsted, Gossel, Kansas; Clarence Ferwerda, Poplar Bluff, Mo.; Karl Pfaff, Louisville, Ky.; Robert Arthur, Des Moines, Iowa; Thos. McCullogh and John Elliott, Springfield, Mo.; Stanley Price, Oklahoma City, Okla.; Harold E. Kesler, Riverside, Calif.; Francis A. Grubb, Boulder, Colo., who served the Lord in China for some years, and Chas.

J. M. Whitaker, Larson, Minn., who served the Lord in Central Africa. The ministry was searching and humbling to the Lord's people, and was Christ exalting. There was such a oneness in the ministry that the leading of the Spirit could be seen and felt by all. Going on to the Chicago conference, where most of those who ministered the Word were new voices, and to hear the same truths further emphasized there, left the feeling that these important truths need a new affirmation in these last dark days that is seeing the close of a dispensation. Many of those who have grown up in the assemblies, as well as those who have newly come into fellowship with us in these precious truths, need to be solidly grounded in why they are where they are, and why they do what they do. Should not we who are older be deeply exercised to diligently practice and faithfully teach a true separation to our blessed Lord. Fruitful lives now and our Lord's "well done" at His judgment seat will be our rich reward.

#### **METHUEN, MASSACHUSETTS**

A good conference was reported here on Thanksgiving Day. Brethren R. Hill, H. Fletcher, F. W. Schwartz and Fitch shared in the ministry.

W. H. MARSHALL

#### **ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI**

##### **Kossuth Ave. Gospel Hall**

The yearly Thanksgiving Day meeting was a time of sweet fellowship and blessing. The morning session was an open meeting when several brethren ministered as led by the Spirit. Brother Dan Dunnnett shared in the afternoon ministry and Gospel meeting at night. Several unsaved were present and we

felt the Spirit's presence. We hope to hear of salvation to some.

#### **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**

The annual conference, God willing, will be held in Roy St. Gospel Hall, Fourth St., one block north of Civic Auditorium. Meetings will commence with prayer Friday evening at 7:45 p.m., January 2, and continue over Lord's Day, January 4, 1948.

GEORGE A. MORRISON

ED. NOTE: *This supercedes conference notice in December issue.*

#### **SHERIDAN, MICHIGAN**

Our annual conference was held Nov. 9. The ministry was searching, some confessing it was what they needed, when in these days many are doing that which is right in their own eyes instead of obeying the Word of the Lord. The Gospel was preached with power and one young man professed to have received Christ. The speakers were John Rea, London, Ontario; Wm. Pell, Grand Rapids; E. Christiansen, Peru, S. A.; J. Darling, Grand Haven, Mich., and Roy Pell, Cadillac, Mich.

CLAYTON BALDWIN



### **Letters of Interest Publishing Schedule for 1948**

To give our readers a clearer idea of the work required to publish one issue of **LETTERS OF INTEREST** we are listing below the procedure that is necessary:

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**Editing**—re-typing, compilation of copy—5th of month.

**Typesetting**—making halftones for pictures, running off proofs—proof-reading, correction, etc.—15th of month.

**Printing**—binding, addressing, mailing of 7500 copies—25th of month.

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# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by **JAMES G. HUMPHREY**

*This section of LETTERS OF INTEREST will include helpful ways and means to promote this important Gospel activity, as well as reports of work among young people. Information, suggestions, needs or similar material will be appreciated. Please mail before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office, or directly to James G. Humphrey, 9135 South Laflin Street, Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**CAMERON MacARTHUR**  
**Forsyth, Michigan**

Our current labors for the Lord are with the local people of this village. A Sunday school in the morning draws the majority of the children who are hauled in the station wagon, making two trips, to our home at the U. P. Bible Camp. We remember the Lord with any who pass this way, or by ourselves—when alone! Gospel meetings are not held in any certain place, but in homes and neighboring settlements, as openings come. At children's meetings on Friday nights, we use projected Bible stories to teach "the way."

The Bible Camp occupies much of our time in making needed improvements on the land and buildings. A brother from Port Huron is coming to help us for a week, this month, during his vacation.

During the past summer, 310 young lives were dealt with at the U. P. Bible Camp. Much labor of love was expended by many dear saints who volunteered their services as counselors, teachers, recreational helpers, kitchen helpers, etc. Mr. and Mrs. William D. Hynd, Jamaica, spent the entire nine weeks as assistant directors and brother Hynd ministered at two conferences with Aug-

ust Van Ryn. Adult believers testified that such camp life was a vital part of the assembly, in causing young people to see their place in the local assembly.

Several students of the Emmaus Bible School helped in *any way* in which they were needed, causing us to praise the Lord for sending them to us.

## **WESTERN CANADA**

In response to a call from Elliott McAllister, some two years ago, the Lord laid it upon our hearts to sell our home and go out to the isolated points on the B. C. Coast.

We felt definitely called to Half Moon Bay, a logging camp some 45 miles north of Vancouver.

Following the cloud in "Eagle Wings," Elliott took us there. Here the Lord graciously blessed our effort, for three ladies after many months claimed Christ as their Saviour, as well as many of the children who professed to believe.

The Lord sent brother and sister Watson to our aid, a Baptist couple who were very teachable. These dear people soon found themselves with a desire to leave the man-made system and worship according to His Word. In the course of time they took over the work, being very able, and since our time there have

started a girl's sewing class and a wood-work class for boys.

From Half Moon Bay we were called to Texada Island, where there was no testimony at all.

Here we again opened a Sunday school. "Happy Hour Bible Club" had a weekly women's meeting which was well attended; lantern slides, and Gospel meetings Sunday night.

In July we had a very successful D.V.B.S. with 56 on the roll. For about a year it seemed we could not reach the men, but the Lord has broken down their pride and we rejoice to report today there is a real interest among the young married people. Night after night they will sit up 'till 12 and sometimes 2 a.m. to listen to the Word.

We earnestly request the prayers of

those who are burdened for souls, and who realize the days are short.

Also, we would like to encourage other couples to come out to these needy places.

There is plenty of work to be had, so one can make a living, and as Paul said, "Be chargeable to no man," and it seems these dear people are more ready to listen to the man who lives a consistent Christian life, who toils and sweats beside them, than to the visiting preacher whom they do not know and whose life *looks* like one long picnic.

Any information about this type of work would be gladly furnished by your brother and sister in Christ,

TED AND MRS. SPENCE  
VanAnda, B. C.  
(Texada Island)



### ***With the Lord***

#### **GEORGE VIGOR**

On Sunday, October 5, 1947, George A. Vigor passed away; born May 5, 1875 in Kent, England and was "born again" early in life. He came to America around 1905 and spent many years in Toronto, Canada. He came to the United States in 1918 and was associated with Chris-

tians in Newark, N. J. and Plainfield, N.J. In later years he was engaged in the Lord's work in and around Tampa, Florida.

He leaves a wife, one daughter, three sons and several grandchildren to mourn his loss, "'till he come."

# **Workers Conference Report and Call to Prayer**

Austin Gospel Hall  
Chicago, Illinois  
November 6, 1947

To the assemblies of Christians gathered  
in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ  
in the United States and Canada.

Beloved Brethren and Sisters,

At the above Gospel Hall, on November 4, 5, and 6, 1947, a number of servants of the Lord who labor among us were gathered in conference, together with brethren representing the local assemblies. There was a refreshing time of prayer and praise, and mutual consideration of problems relating to the work of the Lord among us. Certain needs were brought before us, and these things considered in the light of God's Word. From Ephesians 1:15-23, the prayer of the apostle for the saints was given as the keynote of the conference. Our need of the knowledge of Christ, of the knowledge of His will, of His inheritance in the saints, and of His power to us, its exceeding greatness was reviewed. Daniel 9:3 was read, and note was taken of the fact that Daniel said "We have sinned"; there must be humility and reality in our prayers to God, if they are going to be effectual. From II Chron. 7:14 we noted: "*if My people* (1) humble themselves, (2) seek My face, (3) turn from their wicked ways, THEN will I hear from heaven, THEN will I forgive their sin, THEN will I heal their land." I Corinthians 12:4 was given as a probable reason for lack of blessing among us,

the sin of division among the assemblies.

It was declared by many how that blessing had accrued to those assemblies who met unitedly for prayer during the week set aside for this in the past two years. There are indications that the Spirit of God is exercising hearts among us regarding the lack of spiritual exercise in many of the Christians in assemblies, and the scarcity of conversions in the Gospel meetings. Mention was made of the letter that Hezekiah sent out to all Israel to call them together to keep the Passover (II Chronicles 30:1-12); many of the people in Israel scorned the letter, but some humbled themselves and obeyed the call, which was evidently of God. While we dare not in any way legislate, nor do we try to do this, we do feel that this is a call from God to humble ourselves before Him as the assemblies of His saints, and to confess failures among us, our evident lack of power in testimony and lack of love one for another. Brethren, let us heed that call, and unitedly seek the face of our God, calling unto Him to restore and to revive us, both as individuals and assemblies. It was suggested that *during the first week of February, 1948*, we as assemblies of God's people make this a special occasion for prayer and humiliation before God. This is not an unusual thing, for we have abundant Scripture precedent for such gatherings, but it can be the means in the Lord's hands of bringing unusual blessing upon His people. There are three ways at least we can

make that week effective in prayer and renewed consecration to God.

1. As individual Christians let us spend more time in private prayer, not simply taking time to pray, but making it a time of prayer. As much as lieth in us, let us seek the blessing of God upon His people, confessing our own sin and failure, remembering that all the assemblies are affected.

2. As friends or groups who may meet together during the day, say at a lunch period or an afternoon visit, speak less to one another about things of non-importance, and speak to the Lord in prayer. Noon-day prayer meetings have resulted in great blessing in the past; it does not need lengthy prayers, but we do need exercised prayer.

3. As assemblies of saints, let us meet each evening during that week, and unitedly seek the face of the Lord in believing prayer. On the Lord's Days, let us spend much time in prayer, as we are able. Let us do this, knowing that throughout the land, we are joining our fellow-believers in the same exercise before the throne of grace, in accordance with the mind of God concerning His people. Some suggestions for exercise in prayer are hereby given, being almost a re-echo of that felt at the Workers' Conference.

1. The divided state among the assemblies, which debar some from fellowship with the Lord's people when they visit or move to other places, just because they have been identified with an assembly not recognized by the one they go to. Let us get back to the unity of the body

of Christ, and pray that the Lord will enlighten our eyes and thus enable us to know and own that unity.

2. The carnal state of many in the assemblies, seen in worldly ways and practices in their lives. This sad condition is not limited to one "group" of assemblies, but it can be noted in many places and many saints. We must one and all bewail our lack of true spirituality, and confess this before our God in humiliation and shame.

3. The lack of power and blessing in the proclamation of the Gospel. It must be evident to all that only here and there in outstanding places God is giving His servants souls in their meetings. Gospel meetings are held every week, yet in some assemblies few if any are saved from the beginning of the year to the end.

4. The need of the field, for God-sent young men to take up the service of the Lord, both at home and abroad, and carry the message to those that are lost.

5. The need of spiritual ministry in the assemblies, building up the saints in their most holy faith, teaching the great doctrines of the faith in orderly and intelligent manner to the glory of God.

May the Lord's people heed this call, and *set aside the first week of February, 1948, as one of special prayer to God.*

Yours on the behalf of the Conference, Clarence Welsher, John Duff, H. J. Mauger, T. B. Gilbert, Chas. S. Howard, William Pell, H. K. Downie, S. K. Sorenson, William Murray, and W. G. McCartney.

# MISCELLANEOUS

Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## Overseas Tracts

Several of the saints have written, asking for foreign language tracts to include in their shipments of food and clothing to Europe. A sister in one of the assemblies in the east, to whom we sent some tracts in Dutch, wrote:

"A couple of months ago I received the Holland tracts and again my hearty thanks for them.

"I have four sisters and brothers in Holland, and one of my brothers died a month ago, but bless the Lord, he was saved through one of these tracts which he received an hour before the operation in the hospital.

"This morning I received your letter telling about so many who have learned to know the Lord through the tracts you have sent abroad."

Would it be possible to include a notice in LETTERS OF INTEREST to the effect that I will be happy to send a quantity of Gospel booklets and tracts, such as "God's Way of Salvation" by Marshall and "The Reason Why" and "Safety, Certainty and Enjoyment" in German, French and Dutch to any who are sending food packages to Europe, for including with their shipments, as the Lord enables?

We are also receiving many appeals from abroad for used Christian books of a devotional and expositional nature, and for used Bibles. If any of the saints have

such available we will be delighted to send address labels and mailing instructions for sending them abroad where they can again count mightily for God.

I thought you would be interested in the following letter which we have received from the wife of a United States Army General in Japan:

"I have had the great honor of distributing your wonderful Gospel tracts to the lost here in Japan. I have been here seven months and have given out thousands. You are doing a marvellous work here through your literature. God bless you. I gave out the last tracts I had last Sunday to my class of American children. They were to distribute them to the Japanese in their homes."

How blessed to know that God has His servants in high places!

Incidentally, I might say that we have supplied Mr. Halbach with a goodly supply of the tracts and booklets in German. I feel, definitely, that God is using these booklets in the foreign languages in a very special way at this time and so would like to make this offer of the tracts, as the Lord enables us, to the saints who are sending food and clothing shipments overseas.

Yours in His blessed service,  
JOHN FERGUSON  
11667 Wisconsin Ave.  
Detroit 4, Mich.

## **Gospel Opening**

Perhaps some Christian would be interested in coming to Midland, Michigan to work, who could be of help in the meetings here. There are a few Christians gathered in the name of the Lord. Housing is scarce, but I have an upstairs apartment, all furnished, which is two miles from the city. This apartment will be available soon, but I will be unable to hold this opening for a long period of time. Telephone number is 7192W1.

MRS. GEORGE POMRONKY  
2219 Pomronky Rd.  
R. 2, Midland, Mich.

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## **Sick**

Mr. Charles T. Major of Campbellton, New Brunswick is seriously ill. This is also a trial for his beloved wife.

He has been a succorer of many.

**NEAL DE YOUNG**  
General Delivery  
Birmingham, Alabama

Prayer has been abundantly answered in my recovery. I am now at home after an absence of eight weeks. If grace and strength are given, future days will be best.

Pray for the recovery of Mrs. De. Young; her arthritis is very painful.

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## **Women**

**M. SINCLAIR**  
c/o Mrs. Morrison  
2506 Wellington Ave.  
New Westminster, B. C., Canada

Our work on the prairies has drawn to a close for another year. The snow has made the roads icy in many parts, yet the kindness of the Christians has made it possible for me to get around to the various homes and halls for the children's and women's gatherings. Their gracious welcome makes the work easy. Two girls

confessed Christ in a country Sunday school last week. Pray for those who will still carry on the work faithfully through the winter, and also for the young converts, isolated in many districts.

I will value your prayers as I leave for British Columbia.

**EVELYN VARDER**  
Immanuel Mission  
Shiprock, N. M.

We have been endeavoring, with the Lord's help, to spend a little time visiting the camps of some of our people who seldom get down to the Mission. Last week Mr. Montgomery and I, with another friend, spent a whole day in traveling; however, we were able to reach only one family, and that for only a few brief minutes, while the man helped us to get the car out of the "wash" in which we had been stuck for nearly two hours. However, we are not discouraged, for we feel that even this brief visit was worthwhile. Today, Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery with the two older children were out about seven hours. They were able to contact three families that they had not seen for two years, as well as another they had not met before. In every home but one they were given a cordial welcome. One woman suggested they visit her brother who lived beyond the mesa; however, they were not able to at that time, for the little girls had already walked a mile from where the car was parked, and another mile added to the return trip would have been too much for wee Ruth who is only two years old.

A Christian Navajo family living about forty miles from here have invited us to occupy a house on their property. We are seeking the Lord's leading as to opening an outstation there. Will you pray for us as we consider this new venture?

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

## *Richard Irving*

Richard Irving of Hamilton, Ontario, went to be with Christ on April 25th, 1944, aged 87, having been sixty-eight years with the assemblies of God's dear people.

The following account was found in a writing pad on his desk, probably writ-

preached by John Vine and others. I was awakened to a real sense of my position as a sinner and also was enlightened about God's provision to meet my need, in the sacrifice of Christ. Not more than ten days elapsed after my first hearing the precious simple Gospel before I had my title clear to mansions in the sky.

"Before my conversion I was religiously devoted to the Church of England. There I was baptized in infancy and as a young man confirmed. The Catechism taught me that by baptism I was made 'a member of Christ, a child of God, and an inheritor of the Kingdom of heaven.' At no time, however, on reaching years of accountability, did I imagine myself being a child of God. On hearing the precious Gospel, preached in the power of the Holy Ghost, that Christ came into the world to save sinners, died for our sins, paid our debt in precious blood, yes, finished the work, the good news fell upon a good-ground hearer, and I believed in my heart and was saved.

"Yes, I was now by grace saved, but just a babe in Christ, and uninstructed as to walk and with what to be associated. I had no wish to leave the Church of England, and went a few times after my conversion, but never got anything to help and feed the young man, and always came away sorely disappointed. In the providence of God I made contact with some I had met at Mr. Vine's meetings, and went to their meetings—the Bible reading and prayer meeting—and

ten a day or two before he entered the hospital:

"I, Richard Irving, was born in Cumberland County, England, on the 14th day of January, 1857. In the month of April, 1876, I heard, as far as memory serves me, for the first time, the Gospel,



never went without getting some food for my soul. The leading brethren evidently saw marks of a convert and took me to the Lord's table, and for the first time in the breaking of bread and drinking of the cup I fondly remembered my Lord and Saviour.

"I remained in Workington in business for over two years, during which time I was associated very happily with the assembly meeting in His name alone. During this time I had a true appetite for the Word of God; and fellowship with His people in this assembly, in worship and service, was most precious and profitable. I began to take some part in the different meetings, in prayer and in open-air services, also sharing in the Sunday evening Gospel service.

"About a year after my conversion I began to be exercised about the 'regions beyond' and prayed much about it. Hearing that H. Grattan Guinness of London received young men into the Institute for training with a view to foreign-mission work, I made application." The account written by himself ended here.

In the fall of 1880, in company with Mr. James Wharton of Barrow-in-Furness, Mr. Irving left England for New Orleans, stopping at Coruna, Spain and Havana, Cuba en route. Upon reaching New Orleans they immediately began preaching among the colored folk. Early in 1881 brother Irving started north and spent a month in St. Louis and about the same time in Pittsburgh and Harrisburg. After this he joined David Hughes in Blackrock, near Buffalo, and together they crossed the border into Canada, halting at St. Catherines and then proceeding to Hamilton, where he first met the esteemed and much beloved brother,

Alex Marshall. He had been preaching for months in Orillia, part of the time assisted by W. P. Charles, and he spoke of real openings for the Gospel in that vicinity, strongly urging us to go there. When we arrived we found many young converts and before long there were sixty gathered together in the Lord's name alone. Many others were saved who did not identify themselves with this company. The whole district around was stirred by the Gospel preached with freshness, joy and power by our brethren. The movement was given publicity by the press in censure and commendation and this brought the people from far and near to hear what was regarded as "the new doctrine."

Later that year, the quartette of preachers (Marshall, Charles, Hughes and Irving) made excursions into different parts of the surrounding country, always seeing signs following the preached Word. Notably at Severn Bridge, a village fifteen miles north of Orillia, blessing followed in the form of genuine converts, who were not left to drift but were instructed in the things which follow salvation. Thus the believers were established and confirmed in the faith; and in due course an assembly was formed there on the same scriptural lines.

In the month of June a Gospel tent was pitched in the village of Warminster, seven miles from Orillia and meetings continued nightly until late in September. The interest was widespread and the tent was crowded with anxious souls. In many instances whole families in that community were saved and a conservative estimate of the number of what appeared to be genuine conversions would be one hundred. The work was followed

up with instruction as to the believer's security, the two natures, the coming of the Lord and the ordinances. As a result, an assembly was formed and in the fall a suitable hall was erected. During that year, Mr. Marshall baptized over two hundred professed believers and some more were baptized by his helpers. In the fall of the same year, Mr. Marshall found an opening in Hobart, fifteen miles from Orillia, and nightly meetings were held by Mr. Marshall and Mr. Irving. The people responded to the Gospel and a goodly number were saved. Helpful Bible readings were then conducted upon such subjects as "The Holy Spirit," "The One Body," "The Church of God," etc., the outcome being that another assembly was formed.

It is worthy of note that these assemblies were comprised almost entirely of young converts, and bore a striking resemblance to the New Testament pattern. It was pioneer work as at that time there was no assembly north of Toronto. The Gospel was preached in the open air and at various fairs in the fall, and tracts were distributed by the thousands, so that almost every home covering a wide district possessed Gospel literature.

In those days not many farmers owned buggies and Mr. Irving walked a good deal over the corduroy roads, sometimes from Orillia to Warminster for the morning worship meeting and then on to other places. It was not unusual to have the tent stoned or the ropes cut or to have it blown down. In the days of his early ministry Mr. Irving labored with brethren Charles, Munro, McQuiston, Ross, Carnie, Law, S. Benner, Bird, Smith, McClure, Matthews, Faulknor and others.

In 1883 a great work was done in

Belleville, Ontario. There were only about a dozen in fellowship, but the firms, Haines and Lockett, rented the Metropolitan Hall and three or four hundred would attend the services conducted by brethren Marshall and Irving. At this time Miss Annie Lake (authoress of "Little is Much" and "Sweet Sixteen") was saved and subsequently married to Mr. Cyril Bird. They became the first couple from Canada or the United States to go to the foreign field (Africa), and she has the distinction of being our first woman missionary.

Two years later a young convert of a needy section of country about one hundred miles north of Belleville wrote Mr. Irving that he had been having cottage meetings and found such a hearty response that he believed it would be a good time for some Gospel work among them. Mr. Irving went and found a very poor farming community, the settlers living in log houses on small clearances—everything bearing the marks of poverty. He also found among these simple settlers, converted people of the old-fashioned Methodist type. They listened hungrily to the Gospel, preached perhaps in a simpler way than they had previously heard it, with constant reference to the Scriptures. The Bible became a new book to them; many were saved and others established. Thus the first assembly was formed in this locality and after fifty years it is still standing. Later Dr. J. N. Case joined brother Irving and they preached together in the log school-houses in the district for some time. These two brethren had first met in Grattan Guinness' College in London, England. After a few years Dr. Case went to China where he served the Lord

for twenty years before he went to be with Christ.

Recalling these days, one aged saint spoke thus of Mr. Irving, "He loved the poor; he would come and stay at my little log house and I didn't mind him any more than a neighbor—no, not as much,—and he always did us so much good."

In 1887 Mr. Irving married Alice Maude Haines, a noble helpmeet, who for six years had labored in the Annie MacPherson Mission in East London, England. In 1889 he pitched a tent at Springbrook, Ontario and was joined by John Smith, Cyril Bird, W. J. McClure, Thomas Black and others. This was the beginning of the assembly there.

With the exception of two trips west as far as Edmonton, five months in the West Indies, a winter in Bermuda and several visits to the homeland, Mr. Irving's diaries give a record of plodding in Ontario, confirming the churches. The following is a quotation from a letter to his daughter, "My! as I read your father's diaries, I am amazed at the round and round of visits to the same districts—little meetings—the care manifested for the progress of each and all—*faithfulness* personified. Surely he was a good husbandman and purposed a crop as did Spurgeon."

Although his concern for the soul was of paramount importance, he was intensely interested in all the affairs of God's dear people—their children, farms and business—his great heart taking all in. Their sorrows and problems were his, and his counsel was sought in many matters. He walked miles visiting. The fol-

lowing excerpt could be duplicated many times, "We considered Mr. Irving a real friend. Often in our home we have talked over problems with him, both spiritual and temporal, and invariably a solution became evident."

Dr. Max Isaac Reich remarked, "The reason Mr. Irving ploughed a straight furrow was because he never looked back." His great love for all saints may be attributed to prayers such as the following in his diary, "Draw out my affection after Thee, Lord; help me to love brother Venn and all Thy children very much." His daughter recalls his pointing out to her that Abraham's seed was to be as the "sand which is upon the seashore" (Gen. 22:17) and the fact that God gave Solomon a heart the same size (I Kings 4:29)—to take in all God's people. His exercise concerning the Gospel in which he had great zeal and joy, is expressed in a notebook dated Nov. 27, 1879, as follows: "I have asked God this day to give me a clearer view of the atonement—how sin and sins have been put away. And also how to present the Gospel to sinners."

A few hours before he went to be with his Saviour, brother Irving sang in a weak voice:

*"My faith hath found a resting place  
Not in device nor creed,  
I trust the ever-living One  
His wounds alone can plead.*

*I need no other argument  
I need no other plea,  
It is enough that Jesus died  
And that He died for me."*

This material has been compiled by Mr. Irving's daughter, M. G. Naomi Irving.

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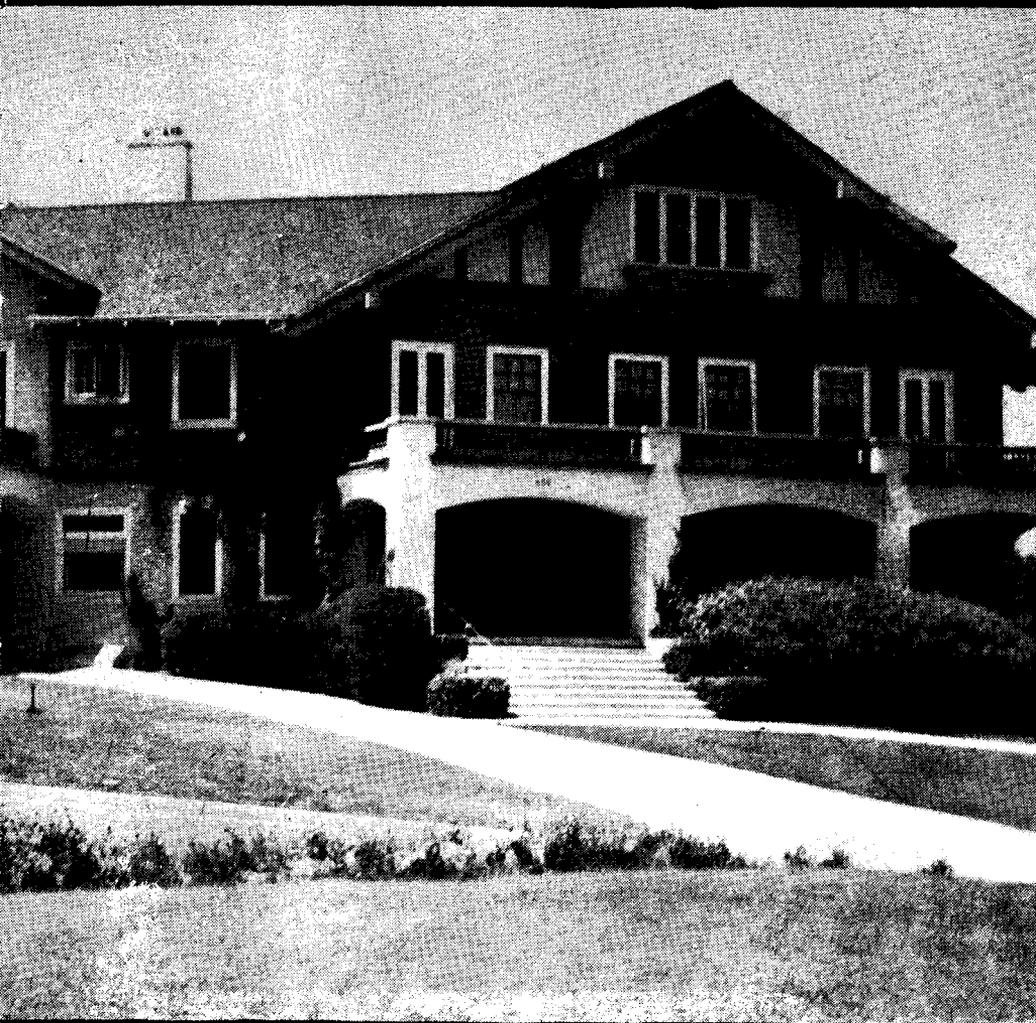
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## "The Question of Salary"

(Extracts from a letter to a fellow-missionary by Dan Crawford, of Luanza, Central Africa, taken from "Our Record," October 1905.)

"I was thinking of your salary today, and how *sure* it all is. You and I are on God's salary—drawing the wages of heaven. A society missionary friend expostulated with me as a married man not claiming a fixed salary—something *sure* was his idea.

"It was then that God spoke out of His Word to both of us. What settled the matter as to faith being the only definite thing was the following truth of God: 'The promise was by faith that it might be *sure*!'

"The only *sure* thing is faith! There is nothing else *sure* but faith. That in my purse or hand is not *sure*. This is a creature-humbling, Christ-exalting ministry.

"This, too, brings us on to what positively is *sure* as against what is not *sure*. The only thing *sure* is that purpose God has stored up in His own heart for me. His purpose, beloved, concerning my breakfast—my bank is God's heart—my bed is His bosom.

"We travesty this good word of God—'purpose' when we use it concerning high-sounding phrases as to everlasting salvation, and everlasting security, and yet refuse to remember that God purposes a dinner for me. Tremblingly we can write: 'The eternal purpose of God concerning my dinner.' God's purpose for you and me is like the third chapter

of Colossians. It begins in heaven and ends in the kitchen. It speaks of the heav- enlies and descends to the earthlies. It is of *faith*, beloved, that it might be *sure*! My crust of bread is in the heart of God—cupboarded in heaven, and what is a crust in heaven is a feast on earth.

"This brings us to another precise consideration regarding the path of faith—it was remarked by Dr. S.——, of L——, to one of our number that we should be relieved of the burden of the money question and left free for service.

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This is so common and specious a mode of referring to glorious faith that we should nail the lie down as we meet it. The only thing concerning faith that constitutes it faith is here attacked. Nobody can believe for me. I must, before all High Heaven, have faith myself for myself. It is the only thing another cannot do for me. If another can trust for me for my daily bread, then he can trust for me for my soul's salvation.

"Faith is the great integral unit of the spiritual world. A committee cannot bear this burden for me. Every man must bear his own burden in this matter, but then that, beloved, is the very burden concerning which the good word of promise is given: 'Cast thy burden on the Lord.' The Lord likes me to cast my burden on Him—not on a committee. Thus it is—He first of all fixes me with the burden, with this lone intent, not to desert me with it, but to shut me off from rolling it on a committee. Every man shall bear his own burden up to the Lord, He is jealous of a committee. It is the old apostasy of the Church instead of Christ.

"Now in its true sequence, as in Galatians 6, comes into full view, God's rule for practical, fraternal fellowship. He fixes me with my burden, and then lo: there in full view, comes the brethren bearing one another's. There he is, the brother who could not go to Africa—so I fulfilled his lack of service. I bore for him the burden and heat of the day, and he bears for me the temporalities of the thing. He bears me up in prayer too—no little burden that. I seek to serve on such upborn grace.

"For every man shall bear his own burden, "but" (marginal reading) let him that is taught in the Word communicate with him that teacheth in all

good things' (Gal. 6:5-6).

"We have called this 'but' as to its grammar a link, but do we not see more than a mere grammatical link here? Do we not see here the fellowship of stewardship in that linking 'but'? Yet the servant has often been left to bear his own burden by those who forgot to bear one another's burdens. There was no link—no conjunctive stewardship. We are laborers together with God—we, the laborers, and we, the helpers.

"It is, therefore, dear brother, needful that having struck this high, apostolic note, we should be found of our God truly out in the sunshine of this path of *faith*—nothing shady, and nothing halting in our gait."

### **The Cover**

The building pictured on this month's cover is the Western Assemblies Home. It is conveniently located in South Pasadena, Calif., residential section, a few miles from the Ave. 54 assembly. The Home consists of eight bedrooms and five baths on the second floor, a commodious reception hall, living and dining room on the first floor. The library on the first floor is used as a guest room and there is another sleeping room with bath on the first floor. The rooms in the Home are exceptionally large with ample space for twin beds in each.

At present there are ten women and three men in the Home as guests. The Home owns a seven passenger Cadillac car which is used as transportation to and from meetings.

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**BENJAMIN BRADFORD**  
3223, 33rd Street  
Long Island City, N. Y.

I enjoyed a few meetings at the conference in Bryn Mawr, Pa., and also some meetings in Longport in the Home for Aged Christians, which was appreciated and brought good cheer to all. At present I am in Spring Lake, N. J., to give help as the Lord may guide in the ministry of His Word.

**LAURENCE T. CHAMBERS**  
5925 Marnet Road  
Baltimore 8, Md.

I am prayerfully concerned about coming in contact with assemblies and groups of God's people throughout the United States who would like me to bring my beautiful model of the Tabernacle and give ministry on it. There are some places where these talks have been given before, but I would like to go to new places. Therefore, I would appreciate it if LETTERS OF INTEREST would print this invitation so that the saints interested might communicate with me at the above address.

ED. NOTE: The Augusta, Ga. Assembly reports blessing through ministry in the tabernacle by brother Chambers.

**F. M. DETWEILER**  
c/o Carl Gustafson  
Route 4, Box 98  
Miami 33, Fla.

We left Virginia in October for Florida, for our boy's health; on our way we purchased a trailer and felt led to stop over at Naval Base, S. C. for eight weeks. We felt the Lord working with us there

and trust more blessing will yet be the result. However, our boy suffered a setback and in Jacksonville and a Christian doctor again advised to go further south.

We had planned and hoped to stay in Lakeland, but feel we must go as far as Miami now for the cold months. We hope to see the Lord's hand further in it all. There is great need everywhere but I would prefer to labor in inland central Florida where there are no assemblies.

We value the prayers of all for our boy's health in God's will, and that God may be glorified in service for Him.

**H. WELCOME DETWEILER**  
415 N. Hyde Park  
Durham, N. C.

As the year 1947 ends, our hearts are caused to rise in thanksgiving for an unusually good year of His favor upon us. He has been pleased to give us many precious souls and many are still under conviction.

Our Sunday night Gospel meetings averaged over 400 during the month of November and God is giving help. We had the joy of seeing 71 follow the Lord in baptism, during four baptismal services held during the year.

We covet your prayers for the new year, that it may be one in which we bring glory to the worthy One, our Lord Jesus Christ.

**J. D. FERGUSON**  
Cumberland  
Ont., Can.

I am at Richford, Vt. for a week's

meetings. It is hard to get outsiders in but we have a little meeting each night at the home of our sister, Mrs. C. M. Douglas.

I visited in Sherbrooke, P.Q. and go tomorrow to Montreal where I am due to speak in the Hebron Gospel Hall, Verdun, P.Q.

I was in Lancaster, N. H. for Thanksgiving, visiting my son, Dr. J. A. Ferguson. I also called on Mrs. A. N. Campbell of St. Johnsbury, Vt., who is isolated at the present time.

I enjoyed the Christian Workers' Conference in Chicago, Ill. a month ago. May God bless all who gathered there, and the whole household of God.

I hope to get home to Cumberland, Ont. next week via Ottawa. Pray for us, as we also do for you.

**W. G. FOSTER**

**14701 Alder Ave.**

**E. Cleveland 12, Ohio**

I was privileged to be present at the opening of the new Gospel Hall in Mansfield, Ohio, last Lord's day, Jan. 4th. The brethren asked brother F. W. Schwartz of Detroit and myself for the opening exercises, as we have sought to help them in times past. I was there with the late Wm. Beveridge with a tent, when they first began to remember the Lord about 15 years ago. Have had tents there several times since, so we have a real interest in their welfare.

They have a real nice substantial hall, seating over 100, tile block with brick veneer.

The meetings on Lord's day were well attended in the afternoon, every seat filled; evening, rather small owing to

heavy snow and icy roads. The Lord gave real help in the ministry and many expressed appreciation of it. Quite a number were in from the denominations. We trust some got real help. We trust also the assembly may see real blessing in the new hall and that it will be the birthplace of many precious souls.

**LOUIS J. GERMAIN**

**442 Bank St.**

**Ottawa, Ont., Can.**

The young people of Ottawa are continuing to send out tracts to French people and interesting letters have come to us as a result; requests for the New Testament have also come. On the other hand, very insulting letters have been sent by a few R.C.'s. We have answered every one by a personal letter in which we sought to present the truth of the Word of God. No one has answered, as yet.

Not very long ago we received a card and a newspaper clipping from a R.C. priest, who is a professor and also president of the Press Service of Ottawa. In his article he warns the French people against us, and tells them to burn everything they receive—such as Bibles, New Testaments, Gospels, tracts, etc.

Notwithstanding the efforts of the enemy to keep the people from reading what we send them, nevertheless there are a few here and there who do so and God is enlightening them. It cheers us to receive words from such, and makes our hearts glad to know that at least there are some who have been helped. It is worth-while to labor in order that some might know Christ as their personal Saviour and rejoice in His love. Kindly pray for us and the work.

**E. B. GODFREY**  
c/o John McLeod  
Victoria Crescent  
Lacysmith, B. C., Canada

As I hope D.V. to be serving the Lord on Vancouver Island this winter, my address until further notice will be as above. My former address was Box 456, Red Deer, Alta., Canada.

Since the month of October I have been working my way here, had meetings in Nelson, Rossland, Castlegar, Coeur d'Alene, Everett and Vancouver. Last Lord's day I was in Nanaimo and hope to work in the villages and small assemblies here this winter.

We value the prayers of God's beloved people.

**JAMES GUNN**  
353 Midland Ave., Box 993  
Midland, Ont., Can.

Graham Swales and I came here for the holiday season. We enjoyed the watch-night gathering at the Pile family home. The theme of the message was "My times are in Thy hands."

Yesterday was the annual treat for the children. It was lovely to hear the little ones taking their parts, and splendid to learn that they, throughout the year, had acquired a knowledge of the Way of Life.

We expect to remain here at Addison Road over the week end (Jan. 3).

**SYDNEY HOFFMAN**  
118 Donlea Drive  
Toronto 12, Ontario

I have just returned from Northern Ontario visiting most of the assemblies, making many visits to homes. I am much impressed with the work of three young brethren, two of whom went North this fall and the other a year ago. All three are not as yet commended from their

home assemblies but share their hearty approval and if the Lord should lead them into full-time service, they will no doubt be commended to the work.

In thinking of their sacrificial work, I thought that it might be only right to send a report of their work. At least their work is a fair example for others who might wish to do the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cooper, General Delivery, Haileybury, Ontario have moved to Northern Ontario to help in the work of the Haileybury Assembly. They live in one room at the back of the Gospel Hall. Their work is chiefly among the young in Sunday school work and young people's meetings. Mr. Cooper has employment helping them to carry on.

Mr. Kenneth Grant, Box 37, New Liskeard, Ontario is now in his second year at New Liskeard helping in the work of the assembly. He too is quite encouraged with children's work. He has employment which helps him in current expenses.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Donaldson, General Delivery, Ansonville, Ontario went into the far North this fall and live in the apartment at the back of the Gospel Chapel in Mountrock. He has searched in vain for any employment and so is redeeming the time in tract distribution and visitation. They have covered the three places, Iroquois Falls, Mountrock and Ansonville with tracts. They too are quite encouraged with interest shown by the increasing numbers in their meetings.

As one observes the diligence with which these young people give themselves to the work in these needy fields, surely they are worthy of prayerful support. They meet with much that could

discourage them. They all have been students at the Emmaus Bible School of Toronto. May their step of faith be followed by many others who are exercised in like manner.

**FRANK PIZZULI**  
332 Chelsea Ave.  
Long Branch, New Jersey

I have been in New Haven, Conn. and in Springfield, Mass. where I did quite a lot of house-to-house visitation, with Italian and English Gospel text calendars, tracts and booklets. Do pray for the Word sown.

I shall be away from Mechanicsville until after New Year's Day. Do pray for this young assembly.

I would, at this time, like to ask for the individual and collective prayers of the Lord's people for my wife, who may undergo a serious operation on her lower spine.

**MR. AND MRS. L. P. SANFORD**  
P.O. Box 176  
Hot Springs, Montana

Since coming into this new field, here on the Indian Reservation, pioneering it so to speak, we find it is sadly neglected, especially the rural fields which are "White to harvest." The people as elsewhere are indifferent and careless regarding their soul's salvation, a world-loving people, but the Lord has been very precious. The Bible class is good, of some thirty, and there is a fine group of young people and we are praying some in the meeting will accept the Lord.

In the spring we are planning on opening two places some fifteen and twenty miles away, also an extensive program of personal house-to-house evangelistic activities. Some are interested and a few exercised.

**F. W. SCHWARTZ**  
5035 S. Martindale Ave.  
Detroit 4, Mich.

At Schoolcraft Avenue Hall, Detroit, there was a watch-night service to begin the year. Present to help in ministry were W. Ferguson, J. Smith, A. Stewart, T. McCullough, and F. W. Schwartz. The occasion proved to be a very happy one.

In Partington Avenue Hall, Windsor, Ont., there were three meetings January 1. Weather hindered the attendance somewhat, but the meetings were happy ones. Present to help: J. Smith, A. Stewart, W. Ferguson, and F. W. Schwartz.

**STANLEY WELLS**  
Box 77  
Summerside, P.E.I.

Denominationalism so long has held sway on this Island that its cords bind strongly almost all. Sad to say "modernism reigns supreme." I am opposed in every department of my work by the leaders. This, combined with the fact that one's own brethren show no fellowship because of having been in the wrong circle of fellowship, makes the path very difficult. Almost every convert has to face some form of persecution. One woman, who desires to be baptized, having been saved through the meetings here, has been threatened with expulsion from the home. She has a family, most of whom are married. Another girl received bodily harm because of her attendance at an open-air meeting. Another girl was also threatened with expulsion after her professed conversion, if she continued to come to the meetings. Those who do not receive such outward manifestations have to bear much reproach for the place they have taken.

Radio S. S., S. S. by mail, D.V.B.S.

work have been started by the sects, since I began this work on the Island. Their own people tell me that it was not done before. In one place a special student was sent into a field in which I have labored for three years, while in another district a D.V.B.S. was held the same week as I had mine. It was the fourth school I had had in the same place. Surely then, one feels the need of real earnest prayer, both in his own life and for him by others. May God give us a true grasp of the value of eternal things, together with the reality of them. How often we are governed by feelings instead of simply taking God at His Word. In the light of His Word, hell is real, heaven is real, the soon coming of our Lord, with its consequent time of unparalleled sorrow for the Christless, is real. May God, by His grace, make us real, so that our lives show that we do believe these Divine facts. I am glad to say that there are signs of the Lord's working here. Some are concerned. Last Sunday saw about thirty out for the evening meeting. This is good for Summerside, seeing all these have never had any assembly connections. It is all new material. Thanking you again for your fellowship, and earnestly soliciting a place in your prayers, and the prayers of the saints.

**RALPH A. WEST**  
115 Fulton Street  
New York 7, N. Y.

Work among service men at the Fulton St. Center goes on each night with every indication of the Lord's blessing. While we are in an "off" section of the big city, i.e. downtown New York, which for evening work is almost dead after 7 p.m., yet men continue to come

into our Center—some from ships, others brought in by motorcars, having been picked up here and there by brethren, and others who have been here previously, during the past five years.

One of the most encouraging sights of all is to witness men from so many different countries—Holland, Belgium, South America, Norway, Sweden, British Isles, West Indies, etc. Along with this is the interest many of these lads show in the Gospel and as some of our workers can converse with them in one or two of these languages, the personal work done after the brief Gospel meeting yields occasionally some fruit for God. We have cases on record of Cubans, Puerto Ricans, Cayman Islanders, Hollanders and Belgians being saved, besides Americans and others who make profession.

The Lord has raised up for us fine helpers in young people from Ozone Park, L. I., Flushing, L. I., Tenafly, N. J., Bloomfield, N. J., Yonkers, N. Y. and other parts. These continue faithfully on with us, each on their respective evenings, and both brother Holmgren and I thank God for their strong support of our work which started in April, 1943.

Our daily visitation of ships goes on also; the Lord being with us and giving us a wide open door so that we are able to reach ever so many men each day with Scripture portions and tracts in many languages. Many of these men are hard to reach, some bound by their own religious convictions, others bound, alas, by the cords of sin, and a good many very indifferent. However, with His help, we carry on both in personal work and the spreading of our leaflets we have for the men. We ask the prayers of our brethren for this blessed, and to us, beloved work;

a work among a greatly neglected class of men, all of whom are in great need of the message of life and salvation.

**THEODORE WILLIAMS, SR.**  
9213 Harvard Avenue  
Chicago 20, Ill.

We had the joy of leading another precious soul to the Saviour just yesterday in her home. She was a Roman Catholic and knew nothing about the new birth. The Holy Spirit seems to have had her there waiting for our visit; she inquired of us as to the meaning of "born again." She listened with deep interest while the 3rd chapter of John was read. We heard her say in clear words: "I believe," "I believe." There was a time of stillness in the room; tears of joy. "I have read the Bible," said she, "but never realized that Jesus died for me." So, dear brethren, the Gospel is still the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

Several are waiting to follow the Lord in baptism; thus the work goes on.

We find that house-to-house visitation is the best and most effective way to bring the Gospel to the people, and build

up the assembly. Our cottage Bible classes continue with results.

**W. WILSON**  
2466, 18th West  
Vancouver, B. C.

While at Penticton we saw the hand of the Lord in blessing upon the Word. This was interfered with sickness that demanded my being forced to bed for four days.

I feel it is necessary that I retire for a short time from service. I must rest; my right arm is giving considerable distress. After the Victoria Conference on New Year's day, I refused all calls for the month of January, and trust the season of rest will be such as will restore what is required for the efforts we hope in the will of the Lord to be able to put forward.

Many Prairie points call and I trust as soon as possible to respond to such, for the need is still great among the saints there, who are so rarely visited. Some of them to which I have not been able to go to for three years; I hope to go to such this coming season, D.V.



### **Second Edition of "A Brother Beloved"**

The second edition of "A Brother Beloved and Faithful Minister," W. J. McClure, with added pictures of well-known servants of Christ, is now available. The author has been cheered by many letters from different lands expressing appreciation and help received. This book also contains three very helpful addresses as given by Mr. McClure.

The author is especially anxious that young brethren and sisters should own and read this volume which has proven helpful to many, encouraging godly sincerity in the path of faith. It is interesting and well-bound. Orders should be sent to J. T. Dickson, 1449 Van Buren St., Hollywood, Florida, and will receive prompt attention. In U.S.A. and Canada, \$1.80.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**JOHN ADAMS**  
21 Phin Ave.  
Toronto 6, Ont.

**WALLACE CUDMORE**  
125 Missessago St., W.  
Orillia, Ont.

These brethren erected a portable hall in a farming district four miles from Waubauskene, Ont. and continued until heavy snows compelled them to close.

During the last week of the meetings, they could get only within half a mile of the hall with their car, and had to walk the rest of the way. Despite the snow, the people kept coming and eight professed to be saved, and this gave our brethren much joy.

Brother Cudmore left toward the end of the year to help with the work in Newfoundland. Since he left, brother Adams has been having Bible readings in homes for the benefit of those who professed during the Gospel meetings. They enjoy them and he has been requested to continue for another month or so. He is looking to the Lord for guidance.

**ERNEST GROSS**  
Box 412  
Greer, So. Carolina

Brother Gross recently finished a series of children's meetings at the Washington Heights Gospel Hall, Chicago.

Great interest was shown in the meetings, with good attendance. Many neighborhood boys and girls and their parents attended the meetings, and heard the story of Jesus and His love. Results for eternity were accomplished in that three boys and one girl professed salvation in the Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Sunday school and children's meetings have shown increased interest and attendance, which we believe is the result of the meetings. In all, the saints were all blessed as they heard brother Gross tell forth the Gospel of Christ, and see souls saved, as the Holy Spirit worked.

**JAMES McCULLOUGH**  
57 Creston Rd.  
Stratford, Conn.

**SAM RAE**  
225 Central Ave.  
Hatboro, Pa.

After laboring for some time and seeing blessing in Maine, these brethren visited Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. They returned home in December.

**EARL MILLER**  
408 Walnut  
Meadville, Pa.

Brother Miller together with Mrs. Miller sailed early in January for the

Bahama Islands. He was invited to help in the work of the Lord and purposes spending some time there, preaching the Gospel and ministering to the saints.

**JOHN RANKIN**

c/o E. C. Mais

P.O. Box 380

Kingston, Jamaica, B.W.I.

Brother Rankin is still laboring for the Lord in Jamaica. He has been encouraged recently by seeing a number saved. Quite a few were baptized and a new testimony to the name of the Lord Jesus has been started.

**LUIGI ROSANIA**

(Temporary address:

33 Martone St.

Vincenzo Cuoco No. 6

Waterbury 64. Conn. Firenze, Italy)

Brother Rosania, and brother Charles Calobrese, who is in Italy for three months visiting his parents, had Gospel meetings during December in Monte-S. Giacomo, Italy. Brother Rosania tells us God is working in a wonderful way and 25 have professed to be saved. They are having opposition from religious leaders, as they are seeking to stir up the people against them. However, there is liberty for the preaching of the Gospel and brother Rosania states that God is answering prayer for Italy. He asks the prayers of the Lord's people for still greater blessing.

**WM. WARKE**

**HERBERT G. DOBSON**

1259 W. 86th St. 9253 S. Marshfield Avenue  
Chicago 20, Ill. Chicago 20, Ill.

These brethren expect to start Gospel meetings in Bryn Mawr, Pa. on Sunday, January 10. This is their first visit here for a Gospel effort, and we trust it will be a fruitful time. Bryn Mawr has been the scene of much blessing in previous Gospel efforts.

**JAMES A. WAUGH**

40 Columbia Ave.

Arlington, N. J.

Although now well on in years, our brother keeps physically well, and is able to continue ministering to the Lord's people, but must use caution. Recently he has been helping in the assemblies near home. He ministered the Word at the Bryn Mawr and Pittsburgh conferences.

**THOS. G. WILKIE**

Box 183

Forest, Ont., Can.

**ERNEST B. SPRUNT**

78 Awde St.

Toronto 4, Ont., Can.

The Lord blessed the preaching of the Gospel, when these brethren were in St. Catharines, Ont. The meetings lasted from October 26 to December 14—seven weeks, and five souls professed to be saved. Some were restored, and it is hoped there will be yet further fruit.

Our brethren hope to start another series of meetings about the first of the year in Oshawa, Ont.

**G. B. WINEMILLER**

121 Evergreen St.

Harrisburg, Pa.

Brother Winemiller spent two weeks in December around the Philadelphia area, holding meetings in the various halls.

He expects to go to Washington, D. C. around the end of the month, and from there to Virginia.

**HARTFORD 5, CONN.**

Gospel Chapel

576 Prospect Avenue

Mr. and Mrs. T. Ernest Wilson with Tom and Ann left today, December 16, on their return journey to Angola. David, their oldest son, remains here to study.

As this is brother Wilson's home assembly, a farewell meeting was held for

them here on December 13. Approximately 240 were present, representing many of the New England assemblies.

Dinner was served at 5:30 p.m., followed by an hour of fellowship. The meeting was then called to order and the following gave addresses: W. Herbert Marshall, F. W. Schwartz, Henry Armerding, and Bob Wilson. This ministry was very excellent, provoking serious thought as to their labors and our responsibility.

They will be much missed, and not readily forgotten, as they again leave our shores. May the Lord of the harvest continue to use them in the spread of the Gospel.

WM. H. SURGENOR

**MIAMI 33, FLA.**  
**Coconut Grove Assembly**  
**3190 Grand Avenue**

George Walker of Cuba, F. M. Detweiler of Virginia and Alfred Lennox of Granada visited us during the month of December and their ministry was much appreciated by all the Lord's people and stirring Gospel messages were given.

A baptism service was conducted at Tahiti Beach by brethren Walker and Detweiler when two young women were baptized.

Brother Walker returns to Cuba and brother Detweiler will remain here for some time, hoping and praying that the change of climate will benefit his boy who is seriously ill.

EDWIN J. WARNER

**MILWAUKEE, WIS.**

We have been highly privileged in having visits from some of the Lord's servants. We enjoyed reports and ministry from Lyndon Hess, Wm. Deans,

Crawford Tilsley and Ed Christensen. The same note was sounded by all, "The fields are white unto harvest, pray ye!"

We were thrilled in hearing what God is doing in these lands and are praying that, even from our midst, God will raise up young men, willing to work in His great harvest field.

We also had a visit from Ian Rathie, while here on furlough.

Brother Bastow from Sheboygan gave us one meeting in November. His ministry was excellent and timely.

T. E. McCULLY

**ONTARIO, CANADA**

Special Gospel efforts in Ontario:

These brethren contemplated beginning Gospel meetings about the beginning of January, in the halls listed:

**Niagara Falls, Ont. (The South End Hall)**

Lorre McBain, 745 W. High St., Jackson, Mich.; Norman Crawford, Box 285, Jackson, Mich.

**Eglinton Hall, Toronto, Ont.**

Oswald McLeod, 175 Laverne Ave., Dayton 9, Ohio; Steve Mick, 1514 Wisconsin Ave., Boscobel, Wis.

**Brock Avenue, Toronto, Ont.**

Gordon Reager, Box 141, Decatur, Ga.; Paul Plubell, 7336 Tabor Ave., Philadelphia 11, Pa.

**Broadview Hall, Toronto, Ont.**

Robert McClurkin, General Delivery, Galt, Ont.; Robert Booth, 51 Eastmount Ave., Toronto 6, Ont.

ED. NOTE: We trust these meetings will result in much blessing.

**PAWTUCKET, R. I.**

We had brother H. Armerding here for one week from December 7 to 12. He spoke on assembly truths, which were

profitable and searching, and all that heard him agreed it was ministry much needed in these last and closing days.

JAMES W. WINNING

#### **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA**

Brother Albert Burnham of England has commenced a twelve-week series of meetings, with much prayer and considerable interest among five of the assemblies here. Each Sunday evening he preaches the Gospel at Bethany, Oakland. Lectures on the Acts are given each Tuesday evening at Gospel Auditorium, Oakland; each Wednesday at Hayward; each Thursday at Parkside, S. F., and each Friday at Richmond. Lord willing, this series will continue through February 27, 1948.

Brother Tom Westwood remained after the Thanksgiving conference for several special meetings at Hayward, with marked blessing. At the monthly conference brethren Westwood and Colgin spoke to a crowded hall.

E. J. Tharp and Mrs. Tharp have left the Northern Calif. area for the present, and will be sincerely missed among the several assemblies here. They are in the So. Calif. area for special meetings and, Lord willing, will head East thereafter. Bob and Eva Tharp are resuming the care of Ruth here once more, after a year of trying experiences in China. They are a most welcome help to the work here.

Tentative arrangements are now being made for the Vacation Bible Conference in Yosemite Valley July 18 to August 1. This is necessary due to the limited facilities and the large number who have indicated a desire to attend in 1948, D.V. No. California committee on ar-

rangements are Allen Jones, Leonard Perry, Howard Reinheimer, Wilbur Brown, W. Willey.

#### **TORONTO, ONTARIO**

Douglas Howard and Frank Pearcey have had nine weeks Gospel meetings in Highfield Gospel Hall. There were twenty-one who professed faith in Christ.

Sam Taylor, Peterborough, Ont., had two weeks, in Greenwood Hall, ministry to believers. Meetings well attended and greatly appreciated.

Robert McCracken, Jr. and A. T. Stewart had four weeks in Bracondale Hall. Meetings well attended. This was a Gospel effort. Considerable interest.

Harold Harper, who has been teaching at Emmaus Bible School for the month of December, gave much appreciated help in ministry to believers in Glebemount Hall, also Silverthorne Hall. He also visited Olivet, Markham and North Toronto Halls. He also had a number of cottage meetings in Richmond Hill. A successful work in Sunday school and Gospel has been carried on here for the past year by some of the Emmaus students, and Mr. Harper's help has been a great encouragement to the young men in charge of this work.

Ben Tuinings, who has been teaching at Emmaus since September opening, has been giving help in many of the Toronto assemblies.

Lynden Hess made a brief visit to this city, and had meetings in Central, Swanwick and Westmoreland Halls.

S. F. SOMMACAL

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## **Overseas Relief**

The ministry of feeding the hungry and clothing the naked and the labor of love in sending food and clothing to the Christians in Europe still goes on.

It must not stop! Hunger is not appeased by one meal. It is like the grave, never satisfied; and like the horseleach, every crying . . . give, give.

The destitution and want is appalling and the misery is beyond imagination. These words are written by one who has seen it with his own eyes.

Faith in some parts of Europe is like a little island in a sea of despair. Every bit of food and clothing sent over not only nourishes the body, but also sustains that wavering faith lest it sink in the ocean of despair.

A brother who has a very profound knowledge of conditions in Germany writes: "In the months of January and February 1948 many people will drop dead in the streets because of lack of strength. We count on a winter the like of which Germany has not seen in hundreds of years. Again and again our hearts are full of thankfulness and our eyes fill with tears when we see all the love which reaches us through the Christians in America. The Lord has used you in a special way to keep us from perdition. We bow before Him on account of the judgment which is passing over our nation. We know the chastening hand

of the Lord is lying upon us; that He also quickens and blesses us by your hand and on that account we are thankful both to Him and to you all."

Let us not be weary in well doing. We serve our Lord Jesus Christ. It should also give us joy in knowing our gifts have been used to save the lives of many of His own.

Please remember that the Overseas Relief Committee fiscal agent is The Fields, Inc., 75 Maiden Lane, New York (7), N. Y. and all funds should therefore be sent there c/o Mr. Chas. Bellingger and earmarked for Overseas Relief.

OVERSEAS RELIEF COMMITTEE

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## **Overseas Relief for Aged Saints in Britain**

At a recent conference held in the city of Montreal, Canada, emphasis was laid on the fact that many of God's aged saints in Britain are in great need on account of the acute food shortage and representative brethren among the assemblies in Montreal have organized what is known as "The Overseas Relief for Aged Saints in Britain."

A number of fifteen pound parcels filled with essential food commodities were sent to addresses that were supplied to us on request, but we quite easily see that Montreal alone will not be able to

look after all the addresses as there are so many of them.

It has, therefore, occurred to the Montreal brethren that there are Christians throughout the Dominion of Canada who would like to undertake to take some of these addresses and make themselves responsible for sending a parcel of vital necessities every now and then.

If any are thus minded either of the undersigned brethren will gladly supply the addresses, and at the same time supply information as to what food to send and other useful information regarding postage.

In this day and age in which we live when so much emphasis is laid on the youth question, is it not a fact that many of God's aged saints (many of them former missionaries) are overlooked, so we trust that the Christians in this most favored continent will respond heartily and as "unto the Lord."

Addresses to send to for addresses:

Mr. George H. Dixon, 5866 Fourth Ave., Rosemount, Montreal 36, Que., Canada; or to: Mr. Joseph I. Duguid, 2204 Girouard Ave., Notre Dame de Grace, Montreal 28, Que., Canada.

Yours in His service,

GEORGE H. DIXON

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### ***The Northern Gospel Tour***

It was our happy privilege last August to carry the Word of Life into Northern Minnesota. For seventeen days we strove to preach the Word and place Gospel tracts in as many places as possible. The Lord was working with us.

Our main effort began at Mora, Minn., and from there we worked northward through the Iron Range district and to the Canadian border. We returned home

by way of upper Michigan, and Wisconsin. During the tour we covered twenty-four hundred miles, distributed about fifty thousand tracts and preached in twenty-one different towns and cities.

Two outstanding experiences were ours. One took place at Mora, where we were directed to distribute tracts from the air. In the afternoon, Jack Barnes, a child of God in fellowship, took up a number of us and we covered six communities in a radius of fifteen miles with Gospel tracts. It was a joy to see hands outstretched to receive the Bread from Heaven, as it descended to the earth. We also dropped the Water of Life on a large gathering of people as they sat in the bleachers.

When seeking guidance from the Lord late one evening for the coming day we were directed to Joshua 3:5, and to Numbers 34. The blessing was promised. "For tomorrow the Lord will do wonders among you." In the morning the promise was fulfilled. The Lord directed us as He did Philip, to join ourselves to two young people and give them a ride. The young man was saved and carried a New Testament with him, however the girl knew that she was lost and expressed a desire to be saved. When the great transaction was over she exclaimed, "I always wanted to be a Christian." We left her knowing that she was a child of God. Knowing that the blessings of the Lord are new every morning and fresh in the evening we looked forward to the evening meeting in Virginia, with great anticipation. We prayed that God would indeed do wonders among us. From the very start of the meeting that evening we were assured that the Holy Spirit was working in the hearts of the sinners. The audience was large and very solemn as

Christ was preached. Gradually several came and expressed a desire to receive Christ as Saviour. Others responded to receive the Gospels of John. A Jewish friend of mine later told me that he was listening in the shadows.

The Word of God also gave guidance for the journey. We were directed to go to the north border. On coming to the Canadian border we were permitted to cross over but were not given permission to preach or to give out any Gospel literature. We were rebuked by the Lord for not obeying. On returning through Wisconsin we took the longest way home as we were instructed to follow the east border by the way of the sea. This brought us into happy fellowship with some of God's people in Iron Mt., Mich.

The Lord blessed our meetings at Appleton, Sheboygan, and Milwaukee, Wis. The Christians there showed great interest in the lost and extended to us, as all of God's people did, the right hand of fellowship.

We returned home praising God for all things.

The Northern Gospel Tour  
FRANK B. THOMPSON  
CHARLES R. CLOHSEY  
Chicago, Illinois

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### ***With the Lord***

**WILLIAM J. CHAWNER**  
732 Sixth Street  
New Westminster, B. C.

Brother Chawner, whose home call on September 13 was briefly mentioned in the December issue, was 78 years old at the time of his death. As a young man he was saved in Ireland. His early labors were in the Prairie Provinces of Canada where he saw fruit in the Gospel.

In later years he labored mostly among the smaller assemblies in British Columbia and Washington.

### **MRS. A. N. O'BRIEN**

Mrs. A. N. O'Brien, of 227 Arrowhead Road, Duluth, Minnesota, passed away November 22 at the age of 82.

Born in Logan County, Illinois, January 18, 1865, her family early removed to the vicinity of Fort Scott, Kansas. Her family were Methodists and loved to sing the old Gospel hymns. Endowed naturally with a voice of unusual sweetness and range, she decided, when she found the Lord as a girl of 16, that she would dedicate herself to the work of the Lord and would use her musical talents as aids to that end. After graduating from Kansas Normal College in Fort Scott in 1886, she was invited to head the Department of Music there, leaving in 1890 to become the first state secretary for Pennsylvania of the Young Women's Christian Association.

In 1893 she was married to A. N. O'Brien who, after many years of service which took him throughout the United States and Canada, preaching the Word wherever opportunity offered, entered into rest December 27, 1942. Like her husband, Mrs. O'Brien was especially interested in visiting the sick and those in trouble, particularly those whom the world had forgotten. Prevented in early life from going to the mission field herself, she retained an interest in missionary work to the end, keeping in close touch with many workers throughout the world. In later years, the meeting in Duluth met in her home.

Humanly speaking, she could have lived much longer if she had been willing to submit herself to doctors confin-

ing orders. She chose rather to lead a full life literally to the end, visiting the sick and shut-ins and teaching numerous women's Bible classes which met each week in her home and in homes throughout the city—all in addition to a large Sunday school class of women which she taught in a local mission. One of her unvarying rules of life was to try never to be late for any appointment in the Lord's work. Another was to be sincerely happy in any effort which she attempted in the hope that her hearers would sense the spiritual joy of service in His name.

She led many to Christ. Like Priscilla, she was a helper both of the Lord's servants and the Lord's people and will be greatly missed. A son, two daughters, and eight grandchildren survive.

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### ***Sisters in the Lord's Work***

**MRS. M. SINCLAIR**  
c/o Mrs. Morrison  
2506 Wellington Ave.  
New Westminster, B. C.

Our sister has spent some time in British Columbia, and God has graciously blessed His Word. We understand two young people 17 and 15 years of age professed to be saved. Their mother was saved two years ago and the profession of the children has caused rejoicing.

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### ***Sick***

**W. BAILLIE**  
147 Barrington Ave.  
Toronto, Ont., Can.

Brother Wm. Baillie is in the hospital for a month, for diabetic test. His present address is Toronto East General Hospital, Room 220, Coxwell Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

He is in a very weak condition.

### **LEONARD SHELDRAKE**

**3719 Pen St.**

**Kansas City 2, Mo.**

Brother Sheldrake suffered some more hemorrhages, but when last we heard, which was around the end of December, he was getting stronger.

This recent attack was not as severe as the previous one, but the doctor has told his family that he must take things easy for a while.

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### ***Change of Address***

A. R. Crocker, formerly of Florida, is now located at 4616 West 17th St., Los Angeles 6, California.

Arnold Gratton has moved from 539 Elizabeth St., London, Ontario to Grand Bend, Ontario.

Robert McClurkin's address is now R. R. 1, Galt, Ontario, instead of General Delivery.

P. J. Pelon's new address is 664 South Franklin Street, Denver 9, Colo.

Matt J. Kennedy has returned to this country after a 10-month's visit to Ireland. His present address is 301 E. 161st Street, Bronx, N. Y.

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### ***Special Attention***

**CHRISTIAN HOME FOR CHILDREN, INC.**  
West Cheyenne Rd.  
Colorado Springs, Colo.

Construction of the Mexican branch of this work in Pueblo has already begun. The need among this downtrodden minority is simply tremendous. The Sandbergs have been in Pueblo, conducting Gospel work in three or four lo-

cations for the past year and have seen several saved. They have a total of nine meetings per week. They are to supervise this new work, and we feel them to be quite capable.

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**GUEST HOME**  
**103 South Humphrey Avenue**  
**Oak Park, Ill.**

While we are gone on our winter visit South (till about middle of March) we are leaving the care of the above apartment in the hands of Mrs. Hamilton, 41 South Boulevard, Oak Park (in the same building), Phone Village 804. Should anyone need the accommodation just get in touch with Mrs. Hamilton.

We hope to visit the Walkers in Cuba again and go on to the Dominican Republic and possibly Puerto Rico, visiting our brethren and sisters at these Islands. We may have an opportunity to show some pictures of the work in these places.

Yours by His grace,

JOHN DUFF

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**EDMONTON, ALTA, CANADA**  
**Edmonton Gospel Hall**

Correspondent for Edmonton Gospel Hall, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada is now Mr. B. Finch, 11232, 96th Street, Edmonton, Alberta. Wm. Cummings (former correspondent) may be reached D.V. at 217 Crown Bld., 615 Pender St., Vancouver, B. C., on and after April 1, 1948.

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**ONTARIO, CANADA**  
**Long Point Gospel Hall**  
**Victoria Road**

The Long Point Gospel Hall, Victoria

Road, Ontario, Canada announces that their time of Remembrance Feast will change from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. beginning the first Lord's Day in December, 1947 till the first Lord's Day in May, when the time will revert to 10:30 a.m. for the summer months. Sunday school and Bible reading immediately follow meeting as usual.

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**SAVANNAH, GEORGIA**  
**Gospel Chapel**

The Gospel Chapel correspondent is Mr. Richard E. Miller, 411 W. 41st Street, Savannah, Georgia.

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**TUCSON, ARIZONA**  
**Bible Chapel**  
**1804 E. North St.**

We had a fellowship Thanksgiving dinner late Thursday afternoon, with about sixty-five present and then a service in the evening which was well attended. The auditorium has about 190 permanent seats, with a wing that opens which would accommodate another seventy-five, who could well see the platform. The Lord richly blessed us in the construction of the building and provided all the necessary critical items so that we were able to finish in quite a reasonable time. We are happy in this building as it culminates some eight or nine years of anticipation.

Special meetings began the first of January with Owen Hoffman and in February brother James Humphrey is expected.

Regular schedule of meetings: Breaking of Bread 9:15 a.m., S. S. and Public Preaching 10:45 a.m., Young People 6:30 p.m., Gospel Meeting 7:30 p.m., Prayer Meeting, Wednesday 7:45 p.m.

# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **COLLINGDALE, PA.**

Our Annual Thanksgiving Day Conference was held on November 30th with helpful ministry dealing with the personal walk of the believer in this present age, and the return of our Lord Jesus Christ. Speakers were Peter Pell, Inglis Fleming and Fred R. Peer. Good interest and attendance.

Yours truly,

ROMAN R. CHAPMAN

## **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

The Christians of Emmanuel Gospel Assembly held their annual conference on New Year's Day, and the inspiring and encouraging ministry of brethren Harold Harper and Robert McClurkin was enjoyed by all present.

JAMES NOALL  
Correspondent

## **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

### **West Chicago Gospel Hall**

Brother R. W. McCracken of Cleveland had two weeks of much appreciated ministry meetings with us before our annual conference. The conference held the week-end before Thanksgiving was a season of refreshment from the presence of the Lord. Eighteen of the Lord's servants were with us and twelve of

them took part. The ministry was varied and profitable. The Tuesday evening after the conference we held a farewell meeting for our brother T. E. Wilson, soon to leave for Central Africa. Some of the Lord's servants stayed over from the conference. Quite a number of the saints from other assemblies in the city were present. There was prayer, ministry, words of comfort and encouragement as we bid God-speed to our dear brother.

ALEXANDER STEWART

## **LONGPORT, NEW JERSEY**

### **Gospel Hall Home for Aged Christians 24th and Oberon Avenue**

In the goodness of our God we are again privileged to arrange for special conference meetings over the Washington's birthday holiday, February 21, 22 and 23.

The first meeting will be for prayer Saturday, February 21st, 7:30 p.m. and as follows: Lord's Day 10:30 a.m. Breaking of Bread, 2:30 p.m. Prayer and Ministry, 7:00 p.m. Gospel; Monday 10:30 a.m. Prayer and Ministry, 2:30 p.m. Prayer and Ministry, no Gospel meeting.

All meetings will be held and meals served at the home, 24th and Oberon Avenue, Longport, New Jersey. We will

try to accommodate as many as possible coming from a distance, or arrange for accommodation. Everyone is heartily invited.

#### **MONCTON, N. B., CANADA**

Our annual conference will be held, Lord willing, March 25th to 28th inclusive, commencing with a prayer meeting the evening of the 25th in the Orange Building, 124 Archibald St.

Communications to Norman L. MacNeil, 37 Bromley Ave., Moncton, N. B.

#### **OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

The conference at Thanksgiving proved to be a season of blessing to the Lord's people and to the unsaved, as one lady professed salvation the last night of the meetings. The following brethren ministered acceptably: T. Westwood, T. M. Olson, H. Colgin, A. Burnham and A. Sutherland.

#### **PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA** **Mascher Street Gospel Hall**

Our Annual Conference was held New Year's Day. We had a crowded hall and the ministry was practical and profitable by our brethren Robert Crawford, David Calderhead, Paul Plubell and Ernest Sprunt. These gatherings of the Lord's people are always a time of real joy and fellowship in the things of God.

JOHN LAUGHLIN

#### **PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

The annual conference at Thanksgiving was not as large as in former years. The Word was blessed to both saved and unsaved. At least three professed salvation during the conference. Those who shared in the ministry were brethren A. Douglas, E. Jamison, A. Klabunda, S. C. Keller and J. F. Pearson.

#### **PITTSBURGH, PA.**

The annual conference at Thanksgiving time was considered by many to be one of the best held here in recent years. Harmony and liberty in the ministry of the Word, touching ever phase of the believer's life and testimony, was very manifest. Sixteen of the Lord's servants were present, who all with one or two exceptions took part. Many assemblies from near and far were represented and the Christians went away exercised and happy in the knowledge that God had spoken. We feel truly grateful to the Lord for His presence in these meetings and for the rich ministry of His Word through His servants.

NORMAN GUNN

#### **STONY BROOK, L. I., NEW YORK**

The 11th Annual Believers' Bible Conference will be held (D.V.) July 24 through August 8, 1948 with Alfred P. Gibbs, Richard Hill, George H. Landis and Harold G. Mackay as the speakers.

The theme of the Bible readings for the first week will be "God's Prophetic Plan," and for the second week "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit."

Information as to rates and accommodations and requests for reservations should be sent to James E. Hill, Business Manager, Stony Brook Assembly, Stony Brook, Long Island, New York.

#### **TILSONBURG, ONTARIO**

The annual conference at New Year was very good. It proved a happy and helpful time for those who attended. Brethren T. Wilkie, R. McClurkin, R. McConken, A. Stewart, R. Booth, D. Fraser, R. McCrory and H. Wagler shared in the ministry.

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

## *Will Thomas, Welsh Singing Evangelist*

"I never knew before that the Bible was a living Book, for it knocked me down to my knees—and I cried 'God be merciful to me a sinner.' He saved me there and then."

Will Thomas, who uttered the above words, had left his home in South Wales in 1911 and had gone to the north of



England, seeking to get away from the godly influence of his mother, who continually prayed for him. His brother, Garnett Thomas, an evangelist, found his whereabouts in Newcastle-on-Tyne, and sent him a Bible through the mail,

marking with ink Matthew 6:33, "But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."

Will was out of employment at the time and had spent all his money. In spite of his efforts, he was unable to find work. But when that message from the Spirit of God reached him, revealing Christ to his soul, and saving him, he went out the next day and found employment immediately in the railroad yards of the London Northeastern Railroad. No time was delayed in writing his dear mother the news of his salvation, and in her happiness she clasped the letter to her bosom, thanking God for answered prayer.

Immediately Will became a soul-winner. His landlord, who was a nominal church member, was led to Christ. Will had a tremendous love for the Word of God, and feasted on it daily. He spent much time in the presence of God. After two years in Newcastle-on-Tyne, though having been promoted to the position of Railroad Engineer and was doing well financially, still he had a desire to go back to his home to witness for God there.

It was the privilege of the writer to become acquainted with Will Thomas and a companion of his, Sidney Watson, who had been brought up in Mueller's Orphanage in Bristol. We three young men were bound together in true Christian

fellowship, and served the Lord throughout the valleys of South Wales, preaching the Gospel in halls and on the streets in the open air. We often walked as far as thirty miles on Lord's days to preach in out-of-the-way places. God blessed His Word and souls were saved. The first World War separated our paths. Our brother Will was excused from military service because of an important position he had in the coal mines.

The year 1919 found us together again and this time with the Pilgrim Preachers, a band of men who toured the British Isles with the Gospel. This work is still continuing, with blessing. God brought together four Welshmen who formed a singing quartette, Will Thomas being the leader and a splendid Concertina player, as well as a very effective soloist. Those who heard him sing will never forget the pathos with which he sang. God used Will Thomas in the Pilgrim Preachers' Tours as the most forceful one to plead with souls, and hundreds in the British Isles will ever thank God that he accompanied this band of preachers throughout those seven years.

In 1926 Will accompanied his brother, Garnett Thomas, to Canada and the U.S.A. for evangelistic meetings in many parts. They drew large numbers to their meetings and blessing followed the Word preached and souls were saved. During his second visit to the States, he became acquainted with Margaret Bradford of Perry, Kansas. They were married and took a trip to the old country. During his stay there, Will's aged mother became ill and after a few weeks of suffering passed into the presence of the Lord Jesus whom she loved. To Will it was a great privilege to bestow on his

mother all the tenderness and care which she required at that time.

It was the pleasure of the writer to accompany Mr. and Mrs. Thomas to the States for a visit, and we had happy times in several states singing and preaching the Gospel together. It was thus that another Welshman found a wife and a field of service on this side of the Atlantic.

Our brother Will took up residence in Wichita, Kansas, seeking to establish a testimony to the name of the Lord there. He often visited the hospitals, giving out tracts and using his melodious voice to sing hymns to the patients there. It could truly be said that Will Thomas *sang* the Gospel, and his presenting of the story of God's love in song was just as effective as if he had spoken it. He never lived to see a testimony established in Wichita, for in the midst of his work he took very ill and after weeks of suffering, was called Home, a comparatively young man, to enjoy the immediate presence of the Lord.

Many in Britain and in America love the memory of dear Will Thomas as the one who brought to them the knowledge of a personal Saviour. Many Christians will never forget the uplift of his bright testimony. His prayerful exercise as to Wichita is now being answered in the establishing of an assembly there, and the building of a substantial Gospel Chapel in 1947. The writer never knew anyone with such a happy and cheerful disposition as Will Thomas.

DAVID LAWRENCE

One of the hymns Will Thomas loved to sing is given below. His voice would ring out triumphantly on the last line of each verse, and his face would shine with the very light of heaven.

"I HAVE A FRIEND, whose faithful  
love

Is more than all the world to me,  
'Tis higher than the heights above,  
And deeper than the boundless sea;  
So old, so new, so strong, so true;  
Before the earth received its frame  
HE LOVED ME. Blessed be His name!

"He held the highest place above  
Adored by all the sons of flame,  
Yet, such His self-denying love,  
He laid aside His crown and came  
To seek the lost, and, at the cost  
Of heavenly rank and earthly fame,  
HE SOUGHT ME. Blessed be His  
name!

"It was a lonely path He trod  
From every human soul apart,  
Known only to Himself and God  
Was all the grief that filled His heart;

Yet from the track, He turned not back  
Till, where I lay in want and shame,  
HE FOUND ME. Blessed be His name!

"Then dawned at last that day of dread  
When, desolate, yet undismayed,  
With wearied frame and thorn-crowned  
head

He, now forsaken and betrayed,  
Went up for me—to Calvary,  
And, dying there in grief and shame,  
HE SAVED ME. Blessed be His name.

"Long as I live, my song shall tell  
The wonders of His matchless love;  
And when at last, I rise to dwell  
In the bright home prepared above,  
My joy shall be His face to see,  
And bowing then with loud acclaim,  
I'LL PRAISE HIM. Blessed be His  
name!"



## ADDITIONAL CONFERENCE REPORTS

### LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

The conference in the Jefferson Street Gospel Hall at New Years was quite well attended. Brethren J. Pearson, A. Klaubunda, E. Jamieson and S. C. Keller ministered the Word.

### NEWPORT NEWS, VIRGINIA

A one day conference was held in the Gospel Hall at Newport News on January 1. There was a fine attendance from surrounding assemblies. The ministry was very good. Those taking part were Gordon Reaper, John T. Dickson, George Winemiller and Herman Lukur. Bro. Dickson stayed over Lord's Day January 4 and had a few meetings which were much enjoyed.

—JOHN MILLAR, SR.

# OUR STEWARDSHIP

J. W. KENNEDY, Treasurer

We list each month the amounts received for gospel fellowship and for expense, which items can easily be identified by the donor with the showing of the receipt number. In the Lord's name we gratefully acknowledge these gifts.

## Gifts Received During December, 1947

| Recpt. No. | Fellow-ship | Expense | Recpt. No. | Fellow-ship | Expense | Recpt. No.    | Fellow-ship       | Expense          |
|------------|-------------|---------|------------|-------------|---------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 673        |             | 2.00    | 705        | 40.00       | 10.00   | 737           | 255.00            | 20.00            |
| 674        |             | 4.00    | 706        |             | 5.00    | 738           |                   | 100.00           |
| 675        |             | 2.00    | 707        |             | 5.00    | 739           |                   | 5.00             |
| 676        |             | 3.00    | 708        |             | 4.00    | 740           |                   | 2.00             |
| 677        |             | 3.00    | 709        | 90.00       | 5.00    | 741           |                   | 5.00             |
| 678        |             | 1.00    | 710        |             | 5.00    | 742           |                   | 10.00            |
| 679        |             | 1.00    | 711        | 2.00        |         | 743           |                   | 3.00             |
| 680        |             | 3.00    | 712        |             | 1.00    | 744           |                   | 5.00             |
| 681        |             | 2.00    | 713        |             | 2.00    | 745           | 14.00             |                  |
| 682        |             | 5.00    | 714        |             | 2.00    | 746           | 10.00             |                  |
| 683        |             | 5.00    | 715        |             | 5.00    | 747           | 10.00             |                  |
| 684        | 5.00        | 5.00    | 716        |             | 10.00   | 748           | 290.00            | 10.00            |
| 685        |             | 5.00    | 717        |             | 1.00    | 749           |                   | 25.00            |
| 686        | 5.00        |         | 718        | 360.00      | 40.00   | 750           |                   | 5.00             |
| 687        |             | 5.00    | 719        |             | 1.00    | 751           | 45.00             | 5.00             |
| 688        |             | 1.00    | 720        | 15.00       |         | 752           |                   | 10.00            |
| 689        |             | 2.00    | 721        |             | 3.00    | 753           |                   | 5.00             |
| 690        |             | 2.00    | 722        | 30.00       | 5.00    | 754           |                   | 10.00            |
| 691        |             | 5.00    | 723        |             | 5.00    | 755           |                   | 5.00             |
| 692        |             | 25.00   | 724        |             | 5.00    | 756           | 10.00             |                  |
| 693        | 10.00       |         | 725        |             | 2.00    | 757           | 420.00            | 40.00            |
| 694        |             | 10.00   | 726        |             | 15.00   | 758           |                   | 5.35             |
| 695        |             | 5.00    | 727        | 50.00       |         | 759           |                   | 2.00             |
| 696        |             | 1.00    | 728        |             | 5.00    | 760           |                   | 10.00            |
| 697        |             | 10.00   | 729        |             | 2.00    | 761           |                   | 30.00            |
| 698        |             | 2.00    | 730        | 8000.00     | 1000.00 | 762           | 25.00             |                  |
| 699        | 50.00       | 50.00   | 731        |             | 11.31   | 763           |                   | 100.00           |
| 700        |             | 5.00    | 732        |             | 5.00    | 764           |                   | 500.00           |
| 701        |             | 2.00    | 733        | 290.00      | 10.00   | 765           |                   | 10.00            |
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# Call to Prayer

*Condensed from January Issue*

There are indications that the Spirit of God is exercising hearts regarding the lack of spiritual exercise in many of the Christians in assemblies, and the scarcity of conversions in the Gospel meetings.

We believe this exercise is a call from God to humble ourselves before Him as assemblies of His saints, and to confess failures among us, our evident lack of power in testimony and lack of love one for another. Brethren, let us heed that call, and unitedly seek the face of our God, calling unto Him to restore and to revive us, both as individuals and assemblies. It is suggested that during the first week of February, 1948, we as assemblies of God's people make this a special occasion for prayer and humiliation before God. We have abundant Scripture precedent for such gatherings, but it can be the means in the Lord's hands of bringing unusual blessing upon His people. There are three ways at least we can make this week effective in prayer and renewed consecration to God.

1. As individual Christians let us spend more time in private prayer, not simply taking time to pray, but making it a time of prayer.

2. As friends or groups who may meet together during the day, say at a lunch period or an afternoon visit, speak less to one another about things of non-importance, and speak to the Lord in prayer. It does not need lengthy prayers, but we do need exercised prayer.

3. As assemblies of saints, let us meet each evening during that week, and unitedly seek the face of the Lord in believing prayer. On the Lord's Days, let us spend much time in prayer, as we are

able. Some suggestions for exercise in prayer are hereby given.

1. The divided state among the assemblies, which debars some from fellowship with the Lord's people when they visit or move to other places, just because they have been identified with an assembly not recognized by the one they go to. Let us get back to the unity of the body of Christ, and pray that the Lord will enlighten our eyes and thus enable us to know and own that unity.

2. The carnal state of many in the assemblies, seen in worldly ways and practices in their lives. This sad condition is not limited to one "group" of assemblies, but it can be noted in many places and many saints.

3. The lack of power and blessing in the proclamation of the Gospel. Gospel meetings are held every week, yet in some assemblies few if any are saved from the beginning of the year to the end.

4. The need of the field, for God-sent young men to take up the service of the Lord, both at home and abroad, and carry the message to those that are lost.

5. The need of spiritual ministry in the assemblies, building up the saints in their most holy faith, teaching the great doctrines of the faith in orderly and intelligent manner to the glory of God.

May the Lord's people heed this call, and set aside the first week of February, 1948, as one of special prayer to God.

Yours on the behalf of the Conference,  
Clarence Welsher, John Duff, H. J. Mauger, T. B. Gilbert, Chas. S. Howard, William Pell, H. K. Downie, S. K. Sorenson, William Murray, and W. G. McCartney.

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# EDITORIAL

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J. W. KENNEDY

## *Christian Responsibility*

Wherein lies our responsibility; is it not in the matter of stewardship? The Scriptures divide this into three major parts: The stewardship of possessions, of talents and of time. All of these things are God-given, and must therefore be considered a trust and not a prize. In the world money is a medium of exchange and a measure of values. To the Christian it is that by which he may honor God by using his possessions in the furtherance of the Gospel. It should be remembered that God is never enriched or impoverished by our returning to Him, or our withholding from Him that which is His. These experiences come to us. When we invest our possessions in the cause of Christ our lives are enriched. When we withhold from Him that which belongs to Him our lives are impoverished. In the Old Testament men recognized the sovereignty of God by bringing their tithes and by observing the sabbaths. They knew the deep joy of stewardship and were the recipients of heaven's blessings. In the New Testament this recognition was continued by surrendering every possession to Him.

Even though the Christian may possess one or more talents, they are all divine gifts. As talents differ in number, so they differ in kind. Back of this two-fold difference is the wisdom of God. To serve

God effectually in the time and place of His choosing special talents are needed and for this reason there is this difference. Talents do not come to us all prepared and ready to use. They lie buried in our hearts and lives. First they must be discovered, then developed and put to work.

The variance found with possessions and with talents is not found with time. The Christian steward whether old or young, receives day by day, not more and

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no less than others. Time is also God-given. The faithful steward recognizes this. He starts and closes every day with God. Wherever he is, and whatever he is doing, he places first things first. He uses all moments well because he knows that time ill-spent injures eternity.

Christian stewardship is partnership with God at work in the world. The entire phase of Christian experience is touched by it. All that a child of God is and has is included. The new birth is the point of beginning. The final accounting before the judgment seat of Christ marks its close. This stewardship is not something new. Throughout the entire Christian era redeemed souls have entered into partnership with God. The possibilities of Christian stewardship are boundless. As a result of it times of refreshing have come. Christian lives and homes have been transformed, greater Gospel efforts have been achieved and more intelligent service for God rendered. The deep and urgent need at present is for exercised Christian men and

women who will recognize God's sovereign ownership and their own RESPONSIBILITY. Just now the Lord is seeking such stewards to be His representatives in this broken and needy world. Will you, beloved of God, be one of them. You can be if you will. Right now He is waiting to fill your life to overflowing and to send you forth a faithful and good steward. As we think of Calvary and all that the Lord Jesus accomplished there for us, the words of the chorus become very fitting.

*After all He's done for me  
After all He's done for me  
How can I do less  
Than give Him my best  
And live for Him completely  
After all He's done for me.*

At this time God is asking each reader of this brief message to be His faithful steward. Will you not in this important moment let Him have His way with you?



### **The Cover**

The Adelaide Christian Children's home located on a five acre tract at 3730 W. 27th St., Los Angeles, California, is a home for children who are orphaned or from broken homes, who cannot be cared for in other ways.

There are seventeen children whose ages range from six to thirteen, eleven of them boys and six girls.

The staff of workers has two objectives in mind, first and foremost the eternal welfare of the children and the second one for time—prevention of warped lives.

The Christian love and affection of the workers toward the children as shown by their kindly correction of faults and their patience in the daily attention is perhaps one of the great factors in teaching them real Christian living, not so much, "Do as I say" but "Do as I do."

The home is now filled to capacity with children and staff. It is to be hoped that the expansion program in the building of cottages for eighty children may be started this spring or summer, but will only be possible as the Lord provides the means to build and personnel to staff the cottages.

# LETTERS

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**HENRY ARMERDING**  
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Since my return from the mid-West at the end of October the Lord has opened doors for the ministry of His precious Word. Meetings were held in Boston and vicinity with fair interest. Also at Pawtucket and Providence, R. I. with excellent interest. From there to Harrisburg, Reading and Boyertown, Pa. In these places the interest increased nightly and strong evidence of the Lord's blessing. During the past month Bible study groups were ministered to at Yonkers, N. Y., Hackensack and Westfield, N. J. In spite of the severe cold a goodly number attended these times of blessing.

On the 7th of February, D.V., I shall again be leaving for the West Coast where a two-month series of meetings has been scheduled for San Diego, Los Angeles and Oakland, Calif. These meetings are really intended to supplement the work done during my last visit there when eight months was given to this work which according to reports is still bearing fruit for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The need for a soul-searching ministry still continues on every hand. It is gratifying indeed to see a longing interest for this type of ministry in practically all assemblies visited.

**E. K. BAILEY**  
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We have had good interest in our meetings through the winter months, but

long to see a deeper concern on the part of the unsaved. It is not our work to bring conviction, but we so long to preach the Word, that the Holy Spirit can bring this to pass in souls.

On the 10th of February I am due in Couer d'Alene, Idaho for a short series of meetings and later to Boise, Idaho for one month during March, D.V.

**C. E. BULANDER**  
112 S. Chase St.  
Wheaton, Ill.

Since we came back from the East last August, we have been laboring mostly in Indiana, around Logansport and Winamac. We held two weeks meetings at Ora in the fall. Four precious souls confessed faith in Christ; also one in Logansport.

When we have been at our home in Wheaton, we have spent some time at the Christian servicemen's center in Chicago. A good work is still going on there. New Year's day and the day after 150 boys registered. We also had the joy of leading a few to Christ. These lads still listen to the Gospel story even as in the days of the war.

**D. R. CHARLES**  
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San Francisco, Calif.

Since returning from the East where we visited many places with the Gospel Messengers and in evangelistic work, I have been helping around our home assembly and visiting nearby towns with the Gospel. Have been cheered at Richmond, Hayward and Sacramento, and

hope soon to visit Castro Valley and further work in Sacramento.

Am looking forward to being with the Gospel Messengers on Tour again this year.

**FRANK CARBONI**  
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**Long Branch, N.J.**

The Gospel work in Italy is still going on for the glory of God. News from a little town called "Monte S. Giacomo, Mt. St. James" is indeed very good. It was my privilege to visit that town, when not one believer was known to be there. Brother Rosania writes that about 50 believers now form the group of that new assembly. The fourth of January there was the first Christian marriage and about one thousand people witnessed the ceremony. Six professed faith in Christ that day. The priests are furious and doing their utmost to stop the work of the Lord, but we are confident He will not permit them to have the victory. Our God has some more souls to save in that country, before the power of darkness will have its way.

I receive many other letters from the 19 workers laboring in Italy and all seem to have the same tone in regard of the visitation of our God in that place. Halls are too small and in the City of PIACENZA, this brother writes that the believers have to go out to make room for the unsaved for the hearing of the Gospel. He has asked for Testaments and Bibles for the free distribution of the Word of God. There is a hunger for the Word of God these days and it will accomplish, through the Spirit of God, a definite furtherance of the Gospel in the days to come.

One brother from New Zealand has answered the call for the work in Italy. This brother served in the British Army in the occupation of that country and now is serving the King of kings. Just now he is in Florence to learn the language a little better, then I understand he is going south. They of Italy salute you.

**JOHN T. DICKSON**  
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In August my wife and I were about to sail for Ireland when the sad news reached us in Atlantic City, N. J. that our son-in-law, R. P. Mulligan, had been killed in an auto accident in California. His wife and son were injured and were in the hospital.

By using air travel we got to her side in about twenty-four hours. Her mother remained with her while I spent some time around Fresno. I sought to give help in the assembly.

I was ill while there and was under the care of Dr. Drake by whom I was being entertained. In the will of God, my health has been wonderfully restored.

We decided to bring our daughter and her family to Florida, but they were hindered and I felt led to make some visits on the way. I left California alone October 2, and I spent a weekend with the 86th St. assembly in Chicago.

I attended conferences in Canada. The first one was in Hamilton, beginning October 11. About 1000 attended some of these meetings. The next was in Peterboro Oct. 18, 19, then Forest Conference began Nov. 1, and on the Lord's day the town hall was crowded with believers from many parts. These were all places of note during the stirring days when the work was just beginning in Canada. Old

and young were reached and many were the expressions of help received.

I paid a short visit to Brock Avenue assembly in Toronto and also visited Merlin, Ontario. I spent one week in Midland.

The third annual conference was held by the Chicago Boulevard assembly in Detroit, November 22 and 23. There was harmony and profitable ministry.

I visited Addison Road assembly and the West Side in Cleveland, and also Friendship Avenue in Pittsburgh. Then on to Philadelphia.

My next visit was to Pawtucket and Providence, Rhode Island. Our brethren Dobson and Lipke had just concluded a series of Gospel meetings in Pawtucket and it was refreshing to meet a few new-born souls.

Going south I spent a short time at Matoaca and Petersburg, Virginia. I was at the all-day meetings in Newport News, Virginia on New Year's Day. Brethren Winemiller and G. Reager were also present. There was a large gathering from Matoaca, Petersburg and Richmond, Virginia, and also Raleigh, North Carolina, and other places.

Two days in Raleigh were also memorable. These assemblies mentioned in Virginia and North Carolina owe much to the untiring labors of our departed brother Sam McEwen who lived among them. Many said, "We miss dear Mr. McEwen."

In nearly all these places I have happy remembrances of former days and blessing in the Gospel. I was cheered by the interest manifested in the plain old-time truths, and found a hearty response. While there is much to humble us before our God yet helpful and wholesome min-

istry given in the Spirit's power is still welcomed.

January 9 I arrived safely in Hollywood, Florida. Mrs. Dickson, three daughters, and four grandchildren are all here, so we are reunited again. We praise our God and take courage.

**WM. FAIRHOLM**  
**Pibroch, Alta, Canada**

My sister-in-law, Miss Taylor, conducts classes which are held in the rural schools. She has six classes a week and reaches over 250 children each week. I took the lessons for two weeks and found the children well taught in Gospel truths.

I am having four nights a week for cottage meetings in the surrounding districts. We trust that this will be fruitful in leading on some who have professed salvation in the past.

For two Sunday afternoons I have taken a carload of Christians down to Fawn Lake School where our brother E. Johnson has opened up a new Sunday school. The interest and numbers have been most encouraging. I might say ours was the only car there, the rest came with sleighs or walked, as the roads are mostly drifted with snow.

**CLARENCE FERWERDA**  
**Poplar Bluff, Mo.**

We have been granted one of the greatest opportunities for Gospel preaching when the County Superintendent of Schools of Butler County gave me a letter of introduction to every school in the County advising the teachers to give me the opportunity in the class room to present a Bible lesson and teach Bible choruses to the children at my own appointed time. So far we have nine regular schools to be visited every two weeks,

three in Clay County, Arkansas, and six in Missouri. We expect to have another nine schools added to the list before very long, giving us the opportunity of reaching some one thousand children every other week. Five colored schools included.

Our Sunday school and Bible class at the Good Hope school house is showing a splendid interest. The Sunday night and Monday night meetings in Sparta, Ill. continue with a very good interest, strangers coming out practically each night. We hear good reports periodically from our radio broadcast, not by mail but in person. We have much to be thankful for as our hands are full and we are favored with a definite sense of God's presence, especially among the children. We are giving Gospels of John to all the children, and a New Testament to those who read the Gospel.

We covet the prayers of the Christians everywhere for this work.

**ROBERT McCORRY**  
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I just returned home from Tillsonburg, Ont., having been with the assembly there for their Annual Conference, January 2, 3, 4. We have had plenty of snow lately, and this hindered some from being present. The attendance on Lord's day was very good, as the highways were more suited for travelling. In my judgment, we had a happy, helpful conference. Brethren Thos. Wilkie, R. McClurkin, Ross McConkey, Archie Stewart, R. Booth, Duncan Fraser, and "another disciple" shared in the ministry of the Word.

**J. McCULLOUGH**  
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Unusual snowstorms all over the East with subzero temperatures makes Gospel work practically impossible.

Brother Rae and I were in Maine all summer and carried on into November. We had unusual interest at a place called Madison, about 45 miles from the nearest assembly, with seven in fellowship. A few have professed to be saved and several have been added to the little assembly; others are likely to be received later. We purpose, in the will of the Lord, returning to those parts for further meetings as others are still interested.

**LESLIE S. RAINEY**  
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At present, January 13th, I am in the Queen city of Canada, Toronto, at the Emmaus Bible School. Here is a refreshing sight when there is so much to dishearten over the land in the way of wandering young people, and decrepit leadership in the local churches. There are about 165 students here from all over the Dominion, U.S.A., and some from B.W.I. Brethren Harlow, Smart, Tatham and the efficient teaching staff are to be commended. We trust that under God Emmaus will be used as an instrument of God to build and battle for the honor and glory of the Lord Jesus.

In the will of God, upon completion of my assignments here at Emmaus, I follow on to meetings scheduled in Toronto, London and Brantford, thence to the Eastern States.

Praying God's best as the coming year advances. Soon, soon our little day will be forever gone, thus to be real and ready for service small or great till He come.

**J. J. ROUSE**

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I have been home for almost three months preaching the Word and busy in relief work. Many shipments of clothes have been received and distributed among the needy, and now the local need has been supplied. The balance I am having sent to other countries. So *no more is needed* for here.

In order to set an example and practice what I preach, I went out to a small country town last Lord's day afternoon. I took my lunch with me which I ate in the hall as I waited for the meeting hour. I went to 125 homes in the afternoon giving them a Gospel paper and personally inviting them to the meeting. We had 25 present.

**JOHN H. SPREEMAN**

**Rt. 1, Albanel, P. Q.**

My health has improved and since coming back to Girardville nearly three months ago, I've been able to help some at the regular meetings, though this has at times proven to be rather a strain on me so I realize that I must still be careful.

We rejoice, however, that while we are thus unable to undertake much ourselves, others of the workers in this field are carrying on and the Lord has granted them to see some definite fruit. We are especially interested in the progress of the work at Thetford Mines where brother Noah Gratton has visited. The other week another man was evidently saved. His testimony should have a real effect there, as it seems he was formerly a drunkard as well as a card shark.

Brother and sister Darling, commended from Grand Haven, have just got back here. Thus, with several new workers now on this field, we trust the Lord means to yet gather in an abundant harvest of French Canadians before His return, though this may now be very near.

**AUGUST VanRYN**

**834 S. W. 13th Ave**

**Miami 35, Florida**

We have recently enjoyed the presence and ministry of brethren Lennox from Grenada, and Smele from India. We enjoyed specially meeting brother Smele after having met him earlier at Guelph last summer. His genial personality, sincerity and earnestness made a happy impression on all the saints.

We expect brother Deans from Belgian Congo, brother Mac Jannet from Angola and brother McLean from Detroit within the next few weeks, and also look forward to the planned week conference at Hollywood the end of February. I myself have kept busy here at home; and hope to leave for Toronto the latter part of February to teach at Emmaus during the month of March. I will appreciate the prayers of the saints for my wife, who is far from well.

**E. F. WASHINGTON**

**11116 N. Fourteenth St.**

**Kansas City, Kansas**

I have just finished, December 21st, a series of meetings in New York City at Grace Gospel Chapel. One week in Brooklyn, teaching on a chart of the Tabernacle. At present I have begun special meetings in St. Louis.

**JAMES S. WAUGH**  
40 Columbia Avenue  
Arlington, N. J.

I keep well occupied for my years ministering to the saints in the assemblies in this section. Some of them are small, others larger numerically, but in all there is a manifest need for the ministry of the Word, and also a real need for coaching young men in Gospel ministry.

For the last few weeks we have been snowbound and some of our monthly ministry meetings had to be cancelled.

**ALEX WILSON**  
85 West 48th Ave.  
Vancouver, B.C., Canada

I have been having believers' meetings in several places in the northwest during the early part of this winter. One can rejoice in finding an ear for the truths concerning the "old paths," and we trust that the saints will be encouraged to walk therein, and find rest to their souls.

We are waiting on the Lord as to our future paths, seeking to gather what His mind is for us. I close now, with love in Christ, your brother in Him.



## **THE PROGRAM OF SATAN**

By PROF. C. THEO. SCHWARZE

I would like to take this opportunity to recommend to the readers of **LETTERS OF INTEREST** the book, **THE PROGRAM OF SATAN** just recently off the press. I know of no other book written on this subject which gives to its readers such a volume of information which is vital in the life of every child of God if he is to be able to withstand the onslaughts of the wicked one. No child of God should be ignorant of Satan's devices and this book arms the Christian with knowledge which will enable him to take his place in the church and wage a victorious warfare against the spiritual wickednesses in the heavenly places. One cannot read this book without feeling a greater reliance upon God so that neither in thought, word or deed would we ever give Satan an opportunity to use us in his vicious program against Christ and His Church. Copies may be purchased at \$2.25 from most Christian book stores or from the **LETTERS OF INTEREST** office.

W. G. McCARTNEY

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**HECTOR ALVES**  
338 West King Edward Ave.  
Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Brother Alves started a pioneer effort in January in a little town called Winthrop in the Cascade mountain of Washington. Winthrop is about 200 miles east of Arlington, Wash. and this is a new place for the Gospel, as far as the Lord's servants laboring among the assemblies is concerned. Brother Alves has the use of the Community Hall four nights weekly and has covered the town with handbills. The attendance is encouraging. This is real pioneer work.

**LOUIS BRANDT**  
Garnavillo, Iowa

Brother Brandt commenced Gospel meetings in a school house, 35 miles from Garnavillo, on Sunday January 25. Efforts in new places, apart from assemblies, are particularly difficult and need much courage and grace.

**ALBERT BURNHAM**  
England

Brother Burnham, who is visiting this country, had five weeks meetings in the Bay Area, California. Starting on Dec. 7

and continuing to Jan. 27, he spent one night each week for the five weeks in five locations: Sunday, Bethany Gospel Hall, Oakland; Tuesday, Gospel Auditorium, Oakland; Wednesday, Hayward Gospel Chapel, Hayward; Thursday, Parkside Gospel Chapel, San Francisco; Friday, Richmond Gospel Hall, Richmond.

His subject was "The practice and doctrine of the Church of God, established by the Spirit, as seen in the Acts of the Apostles."

**D. CALDERHEAD**  
325 Reed St.  
Mansfield, Ohio

Brother Calderhead has been in the East since the beginning of the year. He was at the conference in Mascher St., Philadelphia, then visited Camden, N. J. He went from there to Barrington, R. I., where he is mostly ministering to the saints. However, two professed to be saved through the preaching of the Gospel. Brother Calderhead is exercised about the smaller assemblies of the Lord's people and seeks to spend his time helping them.

**R. CAPPIELLO**  
336 St. John St.  
New Haven 11, Conn.

Brother Capiello spent January visiting assemblies in New Jersey and New York, and ministering to the saints, as well as preaching the Gospel. In Red Bank he visited from house to house with Gospel tracts.

**JOHN P. CONAWAY**  
7205 Sommers Road  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Brother Conaway, though still troubled with high blood pressure, is able to keep active in the Lord's work. During 1947 he was able to conduct six series of meetings, as well as hold other meetings in between.

Most of the meetings were for the Lord's people and he spoke a good deal from the books of Daniel and Revelation, using charts on the Seven Churches and the Roman Empire. These subjects proved interesting and helpful to the Christians.

In a letter to a brother, he speaks of blessing in the Hatboro, Pa. and Camden, N. J. assemblies. Hatboro, he says, has almost doubled in the past year and have built a lovely hall. Camden has also gained a lot too. We rejoice to hear of assemblies growing and prospering in the Lord.

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| <b>ROBERT CRAWFORD</b> | <b>AUBREY DELLANDREA</b> |
| 11 So. Essex           | Port Loring, Ont.        |
| Margate, N. J.         | Canada                   |

Brother Crawford's address for the next few months will be as above. He is looking to the Lord for guidance as to a permanent place to locate.

On January 25 brother Aubrey Del-

landrea and he began a series of Gospel meetings in McNab St. Gospel Hall, Hamilton, Ont.

**DAN DUNNETT**  
722 Dodge St.  
Lake Geneva, Wis.

Brother Dunnett had some meetings for the Lord's people in Avondale Gospel Hall, Chicago, during the latter part of January. In spite of extreme cold weather, the attendance was good and there was a nice interest.

He expected to spend February in Upper Wisconsin, and then, the Lord willing, he hoped to be with Karl Pfaff in Kentucky during the latter part of March.

**WM. FERGUSON**  
5760 Lawton Ave.  
Detroit 8, Mich.

Brother Ferguson conducts a Bible reading and cottage meeting once a week in Ososso, a town about 60 miles from Detroit. In this way he seeks to reach the lost with the Gospel, and the Christians in the district are encouraged and helped through the Bible reading. He has rented a room in the YMCA for the purpose.

About the middle of January he commenced ministry meetings in Jackson, Michigan, on the other nights of the week, seeking to help the saints there.

**GEORGE GOULD**  
P.O. Box 251, Rt. 2  
St. Catherines, Ont., Canada

Brother Gould started meetings on Jan. 18 in Newport News, Va. When last we heard, about the end of this month, the meetings were encouraging.

**JOHN GOVAN**  
9591 Sorrento Ave.  
Detroit 27, Mich.

Brother Govan had meetings in 86th

St. Gospel Hall, Chicago over the week-end of January 11. He was on his way home from the West Coast, where he spent five months preaching the Gospel and ministering the Word in Vancouver and New Westminster, B.C., Seattle, Tacoma, Arlington, Lynden and Everson, Wash. The Lord was pleased to honor His Word to the salvation of some souls in various halls in Vancouver, besides giving blessing in other places.

**ROBERT T. HALLIDAY**  
530 Gordon Terrace  
Camden, N. J.

Brother Halliday, who together with Mrs. Halliday spent some years in Cuba, is in the United States to stay for some time. They hope to locate in San Antonio, Texas, for the time being at least. Brother Halliday is exercised about the tens of thousands of Mexicans in that city and expects to labor among them, as well as those along the Mexican border.

**SAM HAMILTON**  
Rt. 2, Box 201  
LaCrosse, Wis.

Toward the end of January, brother Hamilton started Gospel meetings in the town hall, Sparta, Wis. This town is about 30 miles from LaCrosse, and he saw some saved there last year. This has encouraged him to try the district again.

**THOS. A. HAY**  
3285 W. 24th Ave.  
Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Brother Hay sailed from San Francisco for Japan on January 3. He was looking forward to seeing the Japanese Christians after an absence of over six years. Mrs. Hay and their four boys will remain at the above address in the meantime.

**M. J. KENNEDY**  
301 E. 161st St.  
Bronx, N. Y.

Brother Kennedy had two weeks meetings in January for both saved and unsaved, which were very appreciated by the Lord's people. This little assembly would value the prayers of God's people as they are very weak.

A. PLUL  
105 Ulster Ave.  
Saugerties, N. Y.

**L. E. LINDSTED**  
Goessel, Kansas

Brother Lindsted who has been encouraged by the growth of the work in Wichita, Kansas, intends moving there, D.V., very shortly. He spent considerable time in Wichita and it meant a lot of driving as Goessel is 40 miles from Wichita. His new address will be furnished when he is settled.

**JAMES LIPKE**  
2018 W. Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

Our young brother, who has been devoting his full time to the Lord's work for about a year, started Gospel meetings in Youngstown, Ohio, in January. When last we heard, the Christians were faithful in their attendance, but the interest among the unsaved was not so encouraging. Prayer is requested for the effort.

**O. E. MAGEE**  
2615 Buchanan St., N. E.  
Minneapolis 13, Minn.

Brother Magee began meetings in Avaca, Minn. in January. Brother Tuininga and he had tent meetings in this new place last summer. The interest was good and brother Magee was exercised about going back. We trust God will bless this pioneer effort.

**LORNE E. McBAIN**  
745 W. High St.  
Jackson, Mich.

**NORMAN CRAWFORD**  
Box 285  
Jackson, Mich.

These brethren continue, Feb. 1, the meetings started January 11 in the South End Hall, Niagara Falls, Ont. The Niagara Falls assembly has carried on an aggressive Sunday school and Gospel effort in the South End for years, and they now have a nice hall there for the work. We hear the meetings thus far are encouraging.

**ROBERT McCLURKIN**  
Rt. 1  
Galt, Ont., Canada

**ROBERT L. BOOTH**  
51 Eastmount Ave.  
Toronto, Ont., Canada

At the end of January, these brethren were in their third week of meetings in Broadview Hall, Toronto. The district has been covered with Gospel tracts and invitations, and they intended sending personal invitations through the mail also to each family. We hope the next issue will tell of blessing in the conversion of souls.

**ROSS McCONKEY**  
Deleware, Ont., Canada

Brother McConkey commenced Gospel meetings in January in Forest, Ont. The attendance is encouraging and as many as 20 of the town's people have been in to hear the Gospel on Sunday night, and some attend through the week. This is brother Wilkie's home assembly and on the last night he preached the Gospel at home, a girl of 18 professed to be saved.

**OSWALD McLEOD**  
175 Laverne Ave.  
Dayton 9, Ohio

**STEVE MICK**  
1514 Wisconsin Ave.  
Boscobel, Wis.

God has already encouraged these brethren in the meetings they are having in Eglington Hall, Toronto. When last we heard, about the first of February,

two had professed to be saved and others were troubled.

**ISAAC McMULLEN**  
Sunny Brae, N.B., Canada

Brother McMullen was at River Denys in Nova Scotia in January for meetings. The Lord saved some souls in this place last spring and some others were saved later. When last we heard regarding the present effort, some were troubled and a man 76 years old had professed to be saved and was rejoicing in the finished work of Christ for him.

This is a country place and the roads are not so good. The Christians in the district are exercised about building a Gospel hall.

**FRED W. NUGENT**  
424 McKenzie Ave.  
London, Ont., Canada

Brother Nugent, together with brother Harold Wager, recently commended to the work by the Shakespeare and Stratford assemblies, began Gospel meetings in Stratfordville, Ont. in January. When last we heard, about the end of the month, six or seven had professed to be saved. Several of those who professed did so either during the meetings or at home while alone. Some nights there are 30 or 40 unsaved present so the work is encouraging, and we hope to hear of others being saved.

**GORDON REAGER**  
Box 141  
Decatur, Ga.

**GEORGE PLUBELL**  
7336 Tabor Ave.  
Philadelphia 11, Pa.

We understand these brethren are being encouraged in the meetings at Brock Ave. Hall, Toronto. The meetings commenced Jan. 17, and as far as we know, at this date, Feb. 1, they are still going on.

**ARTHUR RODGERS**  
4111 Wirt St.  
Omaha 3, Neb.

**DAVID LAWRENCE**  
205 S. 12th St.  
Centerville, Iowa

**DAVID R. SCOTT**  
3874 12th Ave.  
West Vancouver, B.C., Canada

These brethren expected to have meetings in February on the Tabernacle with the assembly at Berea, Ohio.

**CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**  
**Lakeview Bible Truth Assembly**

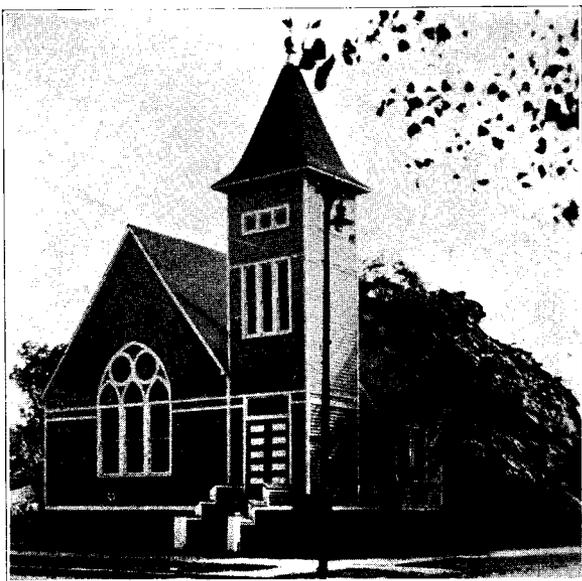
The Larrabee Street assembly in Chicago has been planning for some time to build but due to high building costs this seemed impossible for us as a small assembly. Now the Lord in His goodness has enabled us to purchase an old building at a reasonable price, which, with some repairs and alterations, will make a suitable and attractive meeting place. The building is located at the corner of Damen and Eddy Street. The name has been changed to Lakeview Bible Truth Assembly. This is a residential neighborhood and we pray that the Lord will use us to bring the Gospel to some that are in darkness.

In behalf of the Lakeview Bible Truth Assembly,  
**GEO. A. WEGENER, Comm.**

**LEONARD SHELDRAKE**  
3719 Pennsylvania Ave.  
Kansas City 2, Mo.

Brother Sheldrake, who has not been well lately, has gone to Houston, Texas. He is hoping the change will do him good. As he seeks physical rest and a change, he intends ministering to the saints and thus build them up spiritually. He left for Texas about the middle of January.

Brother Scott who has labored for the Lord for over 60 years, is feeling the burden of his years. He has failed in health this past winter, but is still able to take part in Conferences, at funerals, and to help the Lord's people in other ways. His ministry is soft and fresh. Mrs. Scott is poorly and seldom leaves the house.



Although it is 50 years ago, the writer still remembers God working mightily through the preaching of brother Scott around Cookstown Co., Tyrone, Ireland. His preaching was characterized by solemnity and power.

A. J. COTTON

**OLIVER SMITH**  
1312 Williston St.  
Waterloo, Iowa

**PAUL C. ELLIOTT**  
Aplington, Iowa

These brethren began a series of Gospel meetings in Ardale, Iowa, early in

January. When we last heard, about the end of the month, the meetings were continuing.

**WM. WARKE**  
1259 W. 86th St.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

**HERBERT G. DOBSON**  
9253 S. Marshfield  
Chicago 20, Ill.

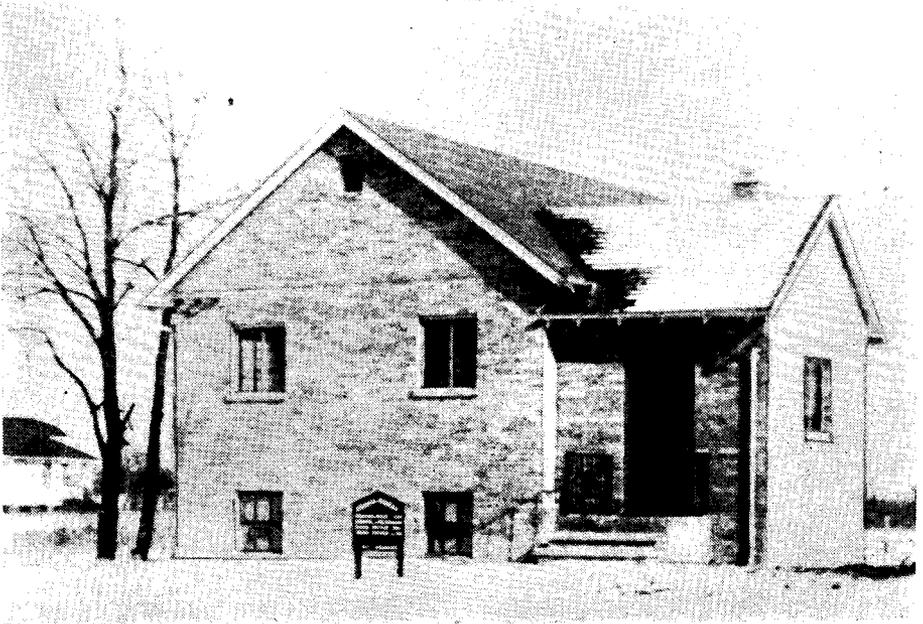
These brethren are starting on their fourth week of meetings—Feb. 1—in Bryn Mawr, Pa. Four have professed to be saved and others are troubled. This has encouraged the two brethren and the assembly.

#### **MANSFIELD, OHIO**

I am writing on behalf of the little assembly here in Mansfield to say that after much prayer and hard work we have now

brick building raised as a testimony to His name.

Before we started building we had been renting a store room in which to gather. It seemed after we had spent weeks cleaning and painting to get the place presentable the owner decided to sell the building, so we had to look for some other place to have our meetings. The assembly at last decided to start a building fund and much prayer was offered up on behalf of this new venture. The Lord graciously opened up the way to secure two large lots and with the help of brother William Forbes from the Ashland Assembly, who is a contractor,



completed our new building. It has been no easy task for material and labor was hard to get. The brethren had much of the work to do themselves but we took courage feeling the Lord was with us and we rejoice to see this beautiful little

we started to build. In order to keep the cost down the brethren worked every night and all day on Saturday. After much labor and earnest prayer God has graciously blessed us, in supplying the material and needed help to complete

this comfortable little building in which we can gather.

We had a very nice Watchnight service, and on January 4 we had the opening service at 2:30 p.m. In the afternoon, brother W. G. Foster from Cleveland and F. W. Schwartz from Detroit were with us, the building was filled to capacity, and the ministry was greatly appreciated by all present.

The name of our new building will be: Lincoln Heights Gospel Chapel, Kentucky Ave. and Ashland Road, Mansfield, Ohio.

The order of our meetings will be as follows: Breaking of Bread 9:30 a.m., Sunday School and Ministry Meeting 11:00 a.m., Gospel Meeting 7:00 p.m., Prayer Meeting and Bible Study Wednesday 7:30 p.m.

We have started our Sunday school and intend to use the basement for class rooms, while upstairs the parents who come with their children can gather with the Christians to listen to the ministry of the Word, with a clear message in the Gospel to interest them in order that they may be won for Christ.

D.V., we are expecting David Lawrence from Centerville, Iowa March 21, for two weeks meetings.

All the Lord's dear people are welcome and any of the Lord's servants wishing to come for meetings will they kindly write to the correspondent.

JAMES HUNTER  
Rt. 4, 359 Ashland Rd.  
Mansfield, Ohio

**TOM WILKIE**                      **ERNEST B. SPRUNT**  
**Box 183**                              **78 Awde St.**  
**Forest, Ont., Can.**              **Toronto 4, Ont., Canada**

These brethren are being encouraged in their meetings, started in Oshawa,

Ont., January 11. There are about five in fellowship here, and on Sunday nights there are as high as 70 in and on week nights an average of 40 to 45. Some strangers are attending nightly, which is encouraging. One old man has not missed a night since the meetings started.

**LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**  
**Avenue 54 Gospel Hall**

Wm. Ingram visited Ave. 54 Sunday and Tuesday and it was good to hear of the work on the Prairies of Canada, hard work and not much heard of but surely taken note of by our Lord. Mrs. Sinclair, his sister, is also visiting the Southland at this time and having meetings with the sisters.

Harvey Colgin had a short series of meetings on Songs of Solomon and also spoke in the Gospel on the Sunday following.

Tom Westwood expects to resume his Friday night Bible classes at the Ave. 54 Hall on Jan. 23, they have proved in the past profitable to the Lord's people and often those who listen to him on the radio come out to meet and talk with him, and some have been added to the assembly in this way.

Three of our Sunday school scholars were baptized recently, the three children of our brother and sister Gordon Webberly, recently came among us from Mexico City. The Webberlys are helping in the work among the Spanish speaking people here along with the Wightmans and Irene Gallagher.

THOMAS G. MILLHAM

**BRIEF ONTARIO REPORTS**

We understand the following meetings were going on about the end of January, though we do not have any detailed information as to results:

**PHILADELPHIA 26, PENNSYLVANIA**

**Erlen Gospel Chapel**

**1808 W. Cheltenham Avenue**

We are deeply grateful to the Lord for the splendid new chapel (see photo) that He has given us. It is a brick structure



30' x 60', and has Sunday school room and kitchen facilities in the basement.

Our new order of meetings is as follows: 9:30 a.m. Lord's Supper, 11:00 a.m. Sunday School, 7:45 p.m. Gospel Service, Tuesday 8:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting.

We trust this new arrangement will be convenient to folks of the neighborhood and already a few are starting to come in to the meetings.

On Feb. 1 we plan to have an all-day meeting for ministry to the Lord's people and during the following week we want to meet each night to wait upon God in prayer. During the week of Feb. 15 we expect to have brother T. James Lyttle for a Gospel series. In March we expect to have brother James Spink for a few weeks and by April we expect our brother Alfred Gibbs to give us several weeks of illustrated Gospel messages.

Please unite with us in prayer that our Lord may use this testimony for His great name's sake.

On behalf of the assembly, I am

Yours by His grace,  
GRANVIL GODSHALK  
110 E. Rockland St.  
Philadelphia 20, Pa.

**JAMES BLACKWOOD**    **ARNOLD GRATTON**  
**160 Morrow St.**    **539 Elizabeth St.**  
**Peterborough, Ont.**    **London, Ont., Canada**

Gospel meetings: Grand Bend, Ont., Canada.

**DAVID L. ROY**  
**7600 Euclid Ave.**  
**Cleveland, Ohio**

Meetings in Sarnia, Ont., Canada.

**JAMES GUNN**  
**353 Midland Ave.**  
**Box 993**  
**Midland, Ont., Canada**

Two weeks, starting Feb. 1—Pall Mall, Ont., Canada.

George Landis visited Central Gospel Hall and Swanwick Hall in January.

Brother Sidney Porteous from the old land is visiting in Toronto and had meetings in Beacondale Hall.

The assembly at Yorkshire St., Guelph, Ont., has been encouraged by week-end visits from brethren McCrory, McClurkin, and Roberts in past months.

**SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA**

Thomas Robinson from Toronto, Canada has his chart "Egypt to Canaan" up in the Front St. Gospel Hall, hoping to be a help here. His address for the time being will be c/o Mr. J. S. Davidson, 604 C Ave., National City, Calif.

# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **CALGARY, ALBERTA**

The annual conference will be held this year on March 26, 27 and 28 in the Gospel Hall, 106 Sixth Ave., and will be preceded by a prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. We are looking to the Lord for a time of much spiritual refreshing. Further information may be had by writing Mr. Joseph Blair, 2036 33rd St., Calgary, Alberta.

## **GREENSBORO, N. C.**

The Piedmont Easter Conference will be held as usual, Lord willing, over the Easter week-end at the Forest Ave. Tabernacle, Greensboro, N. C. Services commence Sat. March 27 at 3:00 p.m. and continue through Monday the 29th. The Lord's day morning service will be held in the Curry Auditorium at 10:00 a.m. Speakers expected to minister the Word include James F. Spink, Walter Munro and Tom Westwood.

A hearty welcome is extended to all the Lord's people to attend this conference. Conference Correspondent W. P. Andrews, Sr., 622 Forest Ave., Greensboro, N. C.

H. G. MACKAY

## **LONGPORT, N. J.**

In the goodness of our God we are again privileged to arrange for special conference meetings over the Washington's birthday holiday, February 21, 22 and 23.

The first meeting will be for prayer Saturday, February 21, 7:30 p.m. and as follows: Lord's Day 10:30 a.m. Breaking of Bread, 2:30 p.m. Prayer and Ministry, 7:00 p.m. Gospel; Monday 10:30 a.m. Prayer and Ministry, 2:30 p.m. Prayer and Ministry, No Gospel Meeting.

All meetings will be held and meals served at the home, 24th and Oberon Avenue, Longport, New Jersey.

We will try to accommodate as many as possible coming from a distance or arrange for accommodation. Everyone is heartily invited.

## **LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

The annual Southern California Christian Conference will be held March 26, 27, 28; prayer and ministry meeting at 7:45 Friday night the 26th, at the Villa Chapel, 495 E. Villa, Pasadena, and the Goodyear Gospel Hall, 1149 E. 68th Street, Los Angeles. Saturday and Sun-

day meetings held in the Masonic Temple, 706 W. Pice, corner of Figueroa, Los Angeles. Special prayer meetings in the various halls on the regular prayer meeting night preceding the conference. The Lord's servants who are exercised about coming will be welcome, this year no special invitations have been sent out.

Address all correspondence to Ernest Little, 5026 S. Onaknell, Los Angeles 43, house phone AX 33979, business phone PR0331.

Advanced word from those who are coming will be appreciated. The Lord's people will be freely entertained as in the past.

THOMAS G. MILLHAM

#### **MANCHESTER, CONN.**

The conference here in Manchester will be held (D.V.) as follows, Thursday, March 25, Prayer meeting in Gospel Hall, 415 Center St. Friday, Saturday and Sunday March 26, 27 and 28 at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. In Masonic Temple at the Center next door to the Post Office. Communications to Mr. William McBride, 98 Church St.

#### **MONCTON, NEW BRUNSWICK**

Our annual conference will be held (D.V.) at Easter week-end, commencing with prayer meeting Thursday evening March 25 and continuing to Sunday March 28, in the Orange Building, 124 Archibald St. Address Mr. Norman L. MacNeil, 37 Bromley Ave., Moncton, N. B. if further information is desired.

#### **NORTH VANCOUVER, B.C.**

The annual conference will be held (D.V.) at Easter time March 26, 27 and 28 in connection with the assembly at

North Vancouver. Further information may be had by addressing Mr. J. W. Dennis, 153 E. 12th St., Vancouver, B.C.

#### **POMONA, CALIFORNIA**

The Pomona, Redlands and Riverside assemblies came together for a one-day conference on New Years day. This is the first time these three meetings have had a conference together. It proved to be a time of real blessing. The Lord's presence was manifested from the start. The meeting was held in the Pomona Gospel Hall, which was filled to capacity. Next year, if the Lord will, it will be held in Riverside or Redlands. Those taking part were Henry Peterson, William Hynd, H. Coulgin and Harold Kesler.

Yours by His grace,  
HAROLD E. KESLER

#### **ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI** **Maplewood Gospel Hall**

The New Years conference was well attended in spite of the wintry weather. It proved a time of blessing. Brethren O. Magee, C. Ferwerda, E. Christiansen and J. Nieboer ministered the Word to profit.

#### **TORONTO, ONTARIO** **Central Gospel Hall** **Swanwick Gospel Hall**

Toronto, Canada—Central and Swanwick assemblies purpose (D.V.) holding their Annual Conference in Central Gospel Hall, 25 Charles St. E., on Friday, Saturday and Lord's Day, March 26, 27 and 28, with prayer meeting Thursday 7:45 p.m. Meetings Friday 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 2:30 and 7:30 p.m.; Lord's Day 10:00 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Visitors cordially welcome. Correspondents—Geo. W. Cunnington,

683 Eglinton Ave. E. and R. Woodward,  
25 Enderby Rd.

Yours in His service,  
Central Gospel Hall  
GEO. W. CUNNINGTON  
Correspondent

#### **TORONTO, ONTARIO**

##### **West End-East End Assemblies**

The Lord willing, the following assemblies in Toronto will hold their Annual Convention during the Easter season, March 26, 27 and 28.

Brock Avenue, West Toronto, Bracondale, Lansing and Ascot assemblies will meet in the Central High School of Commerce, 570 Shaw Street. Order of meetings as follows: Friday March 26, Ministry of the Word 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Saturday March 27, Ministry of the Word, 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.; Preaching of the Gospel 7:30 p.m.; Lord's Day March 28, Breaking of Bread 10:00 a.m., Ministry of the Word 2:30 p.m., Preaching of the Gospel 7:00 p.m.

The Prayer meeting for the West End assemblies will be held in the Brock Ave. Gospel Hall, 311 Brock Ave. on Thursday, March 25 at 7:30 p.m.

The Pape Avenue, Highfield Road, Broadview Ave. and Eglinton Ave. assemblies will meet in the Eastern High School of Commerce, 16 Phin Ave., corner of Chatham and Phin Ave. Order of meetings as follows: Friday March 26, Ministry of the Word 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Saturday March 27, Ministry of the Word 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; Lord's Day March 28, Breaking of Bread 10:00 a.m., Ministry of the

Word 2:30 p.m., Preaching of the Gospel 7:00 p.m.

The Prayer Meeting for the East End assemblies will be held in Pape Avenue Gospel Hall, corner of Pape Ave. and Aldwych Avenue, Thursday at 7:30 p.m.

Address communications:

For West End, Mr. Joseph Coleman,  
112 Spencer Avenue, Toronto 3, Ont.

For East End, Mr. John Robertson,  
43 Howard Street, Toronto 5, Ont.

#### **VANCOUVER, B.C.**

A united Conference of eight assemblies of the Greater Vancouver Area is planned (God willing) for the Easter season March 25 to March 28, 1948 (with special meetings for the following month).

This is the 36th Annual Conference which has grown from one small assembly and now includes seven others. These eight assemblies jointly extend a hearty invitation to all who love our Lord Jesus Christ to meet with them for a season of prayer, praise and ministry of the Word of God. Speakers expected are Mr. Geo. M. Landis, Fayetteville, Pa., Mr. August VanRyn, Miami, Fla., and Mr. Henry Petersen, Los Angeles, Calif., and join with us in prayer that this may be a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord.

Kitsilano Gospel Hall, East Burnaby Hall, Central Park Hall, Parkway Gospel Hall, Knight Road Hall, 24th Ave. Hall, Hollyburn Hall and Mount Pleasant Hall.

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by JAMES G. HUMPHREY

**EDWARD RICHMOND**  
P.O. Box 62  
Dover, Delaware

**ERNEST GROSS**  
Box 412  
Greer, S. C.

Wm. Brown and I are in our second week of special meetings for children and God has given us great encourage-

The work in Greenville, S. C., goes along quite nicely. There were about 50 at the Lord's table last Sunday night,



**A children's service at Dover, Delaware, where 7 were saved in first two weeks.**

ment from the first night. The chairs in the hall have been filled with boys and girls along with some parents and thus far seven have been saved. Others are anxious and some of the parents have attended meetings for the first time in many years. One little girl about nine years old brings eight or nine people each night. She is aiming to win the prize of a camera for the highest number of points.

We have had the joy of seeing several adults saved in the past month also. One woman has since gone Home to be with Christ. We appreciate the help of brother Brown and his wife in our labors here.

Enclosed is a picture of some of the children.

Yours in Him.  
EDWARD RICHMOND

some from Greenville and Greer, the major portion students at Bob Jones University. Our problem is space, for our present meeting place in a home is proving inadequate. We are hoping to get a public school building for the Sunday night ministry meeting and Remembrance Feast. The saints at Columbia, S. C., very kindly loaned us some folding chairs.

Our school work is expanding. Last week I gained permission to visit two more grammar and one more high school every two weeks. This brings to 26 the total number of schools visited every two weeks. What a glorious privilege it is!

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## **Women**

### **DOLLIE JONES**

**Box 266**

**Alpena Pass, Arkansas**

Since last May, I have been located at Alpena Pass, Arkansas. I was enabled through the warm hospitality of Christian friends to carry on Bible schools in this vicinity until my sister Thelma, just going out in the work of the Lord, could join me in July. We are working together with evangelist Lee Grisham and his wife who being well acquainted here were able to make the needed contacts for us to get into the schools. During the school term we have been privileged to present the Gospel to the children each week in two large consolidated schools and six country schools. The schools are far apart and the roads are difficult but there is real joy in the greeting we receive from the children eager to hear the stories, and the kind response of the teachers allowing the Word of God to be spoken in simplicity and truth before their children.

Mr. Grisham holds Gospel meetings on Sunday nights often times in the same school houses which we go to during the week; this gives us a personal contact with the parents of these children. He holds Bible readings then on Thursday nights in different homes out in the mountains reaching those who otherwise would not know. Though the drives are

long and rough, our hearts are rejoiced that some souls recently trusted Christ in these meetings. We earnestly covet the prayers of God's saints for the work in these parts.

### **MRS. J. P. ANDERSON**

**Valentine, Arizona**

I am trying to slow down some, because it seems necessary, and will confine my efforts to personal work more than having so many meetings. This past week, however, I had three women's meetings for Indian women in different places. In one there were three Navajo women, two Apaches, one Mohave, one Supai and the rest Walapais. Their husbands are all working in that vicinity and hence the reason for their attending this meeting. Some have confessed the Lord as their Saviour, but need a lot of help and encouragement. And I believe that is my special work from now on. My home is open to them also, and they do visit here a good deal.

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## **Sick**

### **JOHN BERNARD**

**44 Petee St.**

**Newton Highlands, Mass.**

Brother Bernard was in a Boston hospital for three weeks and underwent another operation on January 20th. We heard from brother Herbert Marshall on

Jan. 31, that he was home at above address, but very weak and losing ground. Brother Herbert Marshall visited him in the hospital the night before the operation and several times after, and says that his confidence in God was really inspiring. He desires the prayers of the Lord's people.

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### ***New Correspondent***

William Trotter, Jr., 2252 W. 111th Street, Chicago 43, Illinois—Phone Beverly 1548, has been appointed the new correspondent for the Washington Heights Gospel Hall, 10310 South Charles Street, Chicago. All future communications should accordingly be directed to him.

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### ***Golden Wedding***

On Friday, January 16, I was present at a special fellowship meeting held in the Central Gospel Chapel, 73rd Street, New York. The occasion was the Golden Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bradford of Astoria, N. Y.

The tables were fittingly decorated and a supper was provided and served by sisters of the assembly. Tributes were paid to this honored servant of Christ and his worthy helpmeet by local and visiting brethren. Mr. Bradford replied in a touching manner, recounting the tender mercies of God over these many years. He said since he went out in the Lord's work in sole dependence upon Himself that "the barrel of meal wasted not, neither did the cruse of oil fail according to the Word of the Lord." Often times sorely put to the test, but never

once did the Lord fail him. His experiences brought tears to many an eye, as well as calling for praise from all our hearts. It was an event long to be cherished with fragrant memories, and the assembly at 73rd Street is to be commended for this loving token of affection paid to Mr. and Mrs. Bradford, who occupy such a choice place in the hearts of the Lord's people everywhere.

W. HERBERT MARSHALL

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### ***Camp Berea Reunion***

The Trustees of Camp Berea have decided, in the will of the Lord, to hold a Camp Berea reunion on Saturday, April 10, in the Baptist Church, Coolidge Corner, Brookline, Mass. (Incidentally, this is the same building where the Cliff Street Conference meetings were held.)

There will be afternoon and evening sessions during which the Word of God will be ministered by some of His servants who have been with us at the camp during the past years.

Between the afternoon and evening sessions supper will be served at a nominal cost of 50c each. Friends coming from a distance and desirous of staying over the week-end will be freely entertained.

The Trustees extend to all, young and old, past or prospective visitors to Camp Berea, a most cordial welcome to this reunion. We are anticipating a season of rich Christian fellowship. For further particulars write to Robert A. Watters, 5 William Street, Andover, Mass.

On behalf of the Trustees,  
Signed, "THE WORKING COMMITTEE"

## **Overseas Relief**

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## **New Correspondents**

Mr. David H. Sheppard, 1549 West  
58th Ave., Vancouver, B. C. has taken  
over the duties of Corresponding Secre-  
tary for the Mount Pleasant Hall assem-  
bly. Any future communications for the  
assembly should therefore be addressed  
to him.

The correspondent for the Phoenix  
assembly is now Wm. Ismay, 3530 East  
Polk St., Phoenix, Arizona.

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## **With the Lord**

**T. C. BUSH**

On Saturday, February 7, at 9:55 p.m.  
at his home in Waxahachie, Texas, our  
beloved and highly esteemed brother, T.  
C. Bush, departed to be with Christ  
whom he loved and served for over fifty  
years. Extreme weakness of body for  
more than a year kept brother Bush com-  
paratively inactive and at home. His go-  
ing is a distinct loss to the church and  
he will be greatly missed by a large circle  
of friends. The funeral was held in Wax-  
ahachie at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, February  
10, brother Leonard Sheldrake of Kansas  
City and brother Curry of Houston tak-  
ing the service. A large number of Chris-  
tians were present from Fort Worth, Dal-  
las, Houston, Pineview, Manvel and  
other places, in addition to a host of local  
friends. He is survived by his widow and  
son, William M. Bush.

## **Gospel Messengers—1948 Tours (D.V.)**

There was so much interest and blessing in the 1947 Tour through six Middle-West States that all felt it must be just the beginning, and that the work should be extended into further fields.

In that first Tour of the Gospel Messengers, between Chicago and the Rockies, over 200 towns and cities were reached with the Gospel, several professed to be saved, nearly 50,000 envelopes of assorted Gospel tracts were distributed, inquiries for tracts are still being received, and assemblies and Christians along the route were revived and encouraged. The twenty-five brethren, mostly young men, who shared in the effort for shorter or longer periods, received some valuable experience, as well as the fellowship in prayer and the study of the Word together.

Some of these young brethren want to go on Tour again; others have applied for a similar privilege. Honored brethren of various parts of the country encourage us to go forward. After consultation with these, and a prayerful study of the situation, we can now announce the following tentative plans and arrangements for the summer of 1948 (D.V.).

Four separate Tours, each continuing for six weeks with a party of six men who undertake to remain on the Tour that length of time; each Tour equipped with a house-trailer in which the six men may sleep and have their meals. Two Tours going on simultaneously, in different parts of the country, one under the leadership of Mr. Lawrence and the other with Mr. Rodgers.

### **Tentative Schedule of**

Tour No. 1 Cincinnati to

May 15-July 1 Lawrence

Tour No. 2 Memphis to

May 15-July 1 Rodgers

Interval for rest and change

Tour No. 3 Detroit to

July 15-Sept. 1 Rodgers

Tour No. 4 Duluth to

July 15-Sept. 1 Lawrence

Instead of publishing a route location planned for each, we are planning the week-ends on which we will be on the Lord's Day. This Tour much more flexible so that we can take advantage of any special opportunities found in new places. Each Tour will follow a zigzag course. For example, Tour No. 3 will include points in Michigan, Detroit and will pass through Indiana; Tour No. 4 will run through Chicago, Indianapolis and thence into West Virginia. We invite correspondence from brethren in all these States, to furnish further particulars, as to conditions, etc.

Employed brethren are invited to come to join the Tours on their own, assuming the responsibility for their own accommodations, as in cabins,

Prayer, and suggestions; we are not. It is not the work of two or three dozen men, but a united effort "striving together for the Gospel," "holding forth the

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Since the last list was published about a year ago, two widowed sisters have gone to be with the Lord. They are Mrs. A. N. O'Brien of Duluth, Minnesota and Mrs. A. F. McFadyen of Vancouver, B. C.

If any names have been inadvertently omitted, please furnish us with address and they will be published in a supplementary list.

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

## ***John O. Brown, Farmer Evangelist***

John O. Brown was born in Davis County, Missouri, August 11, 1869. His people were Baptists and John joined the church at the age of sixteen. He became an active worker and Sunday School Superintendent.

Some years later he was married and moved to a farm at Panama, Nebraska, near Lincoln. When brethren Erskine and Burge came into this neighborhood with the Gospel, John became a faithful attendant at their meetings. He was considered by all to be an exemplary Christian. He was very much interested in the truth presented by these men as to meeting in the Lord's name alone. To use his own words, he "joined the Brethren," four years before he was saved.

The story of his conversion has been written by T. B. Gilbert as a Gospel tract under the title, "John Brown, the Tramp." He was listening to James Erskine preach the Gospel when an illustration used in the message aroused his interest and deepened into conviction. It was the story of a man of the same name, John Brown. This man lived a life of idleness, moving about from place to place. One day a stranger asked him, "Are you John Brown, the Tramp?" His pride touched, he replied, "No, not altogether, I do odd jobs occasionally." "Then you are not the man I am looking for." So he lost a legacy of one thousand dollars left to "John Brown, the Tramp,"

because he would not take such a humble title. Another statement of the preacher struck John Brown, the listener. Mr. Erskine asserted that since he was saved he was as sure of going to heaven as though he were already there; and in his closing prayer he thanked God for the blood of Jesus.

Next day while John Brown the Farmer was husking corn, he thought to him-



self, "Did I ever thank God for the blood?" "Can I say that I am just as sure of heaven as though I were already there?" He tied his horses and knelt down to pray, telling God of all the religious works he had done. But he remem-

bered that the John Brown who lost the legacy had lost it because he did "odd jobs" occasionally, and wouldn't admit he was just a tramp. The Spirit of God brought to his memory the verse, Isaiah 53 and 6, "All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way." (He thought of a neighbor who had gone astray drinking, but now saw that he himself had taken his own religious way); "and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of us all." These words revealed to him the value of the death of Christ for John Brown, the Sinner—and how he loved to tell it.

Wherever J. O. Brown lived as a farmer, whether in Nebraska, Iowa or Colorado, it could always be said of him that he lived to preach the Gospel and he farmed to pay expenses. He also would get other servants of the Lord to come to his neighborhood and conduct Gospel meetings in a tent or country school house or an unused church building or even in his home. He spent the last twenty years of his life in pioneer work, devoting all of his time to it.

Mr. Brown built a Gospel car and he and his wife made it their home for several years. In this way he was able to remain in western Nebraska, in the foothills of the Colorado Rockies, and in other neighborhoods where otherwise he

might have been able to hold only a few meetings. Later he and Mrs. Brown lived in rented houses in the Arkansas Ozarks, at Springtown and a hundred miles east, at Alpena Pass. It was not an easy life for people of their age, and eventually they retired to Massena, Iowa, where he died September 27, 1941, at the age of seventy-two.

John O. Brown was a prepared vessel for his place in the service of the Lord. As a farmer, he knew how to reach farm people. He knew their life, their speech and their problems. He could converse intelligently about their work. This made him an excellent personal worker among them. He could visit with the whole family in the home; he could go with the farmer to the field, and squat down with him at the end of the row for a chat while the horses rested. Conversation concerning livestock, plowing and harvesting would lead to more important matters of the soul. While preaching in country places and small towns he would often make his points clear to rural audiences by illustrations from their own life. Many of these people were reached and saved and revere the memory of the man who brought them to the Gospel.

(Compiled by Arthur B. Rodgers)



#### WITH THE LORD—MR. CHARLES BELLINGER

As this issue goes to press, word has just been received of the home call of Charles Bellinger. Brother Bellinger passed away shortly after noon on Sunday, February 8. Additional information will appear, D.V., in a future issue.

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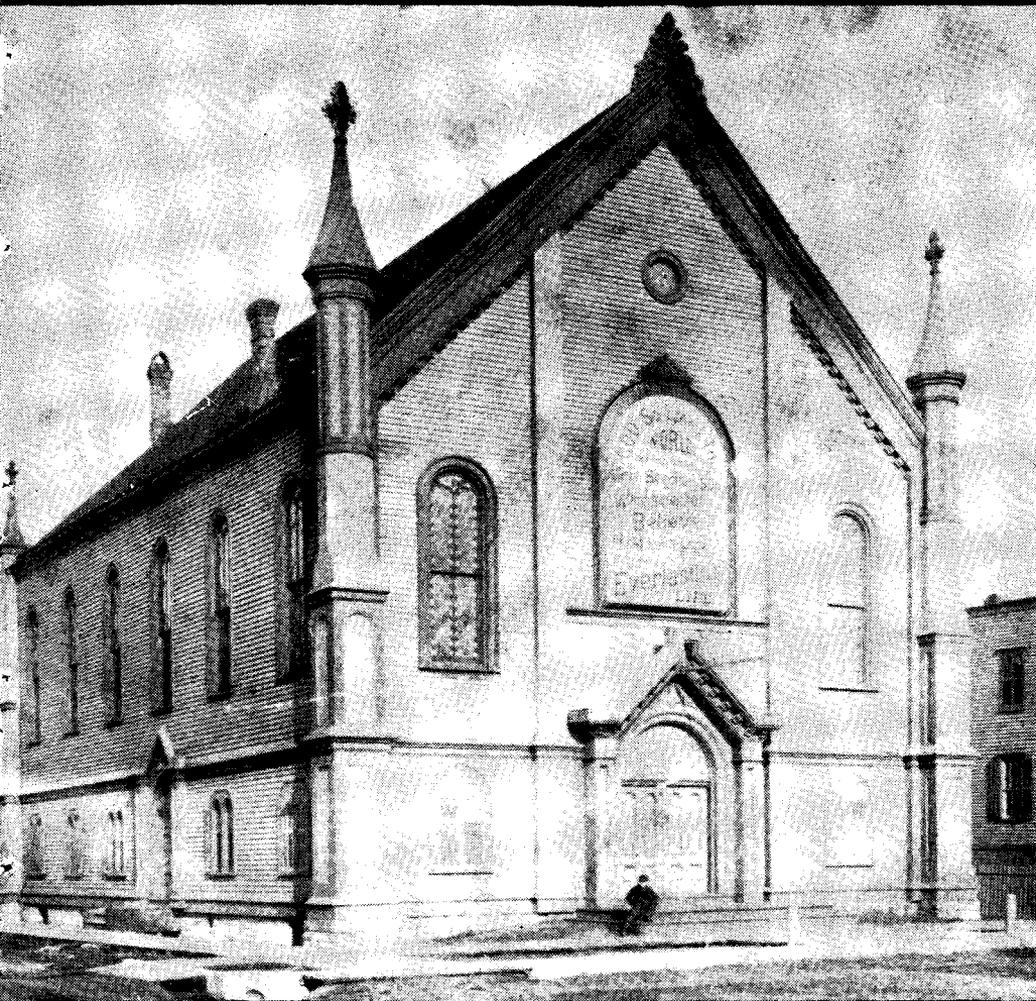
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# EDITORIAL

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## *Consecrated Money*

BY THE LATE ARTHUR T. PIERSON

The Bible teaches throughout that God asks, and in the highest sense accepts, for the purposes of His Kingdom, *only consecrated money*. It may be a small minority, who boldly hold and advocate this view, but it is the only scriptural and spiritual view; and the church will never have the highest blessing in her work for God till she dares to stand on this elevated platform with Him.

As far back as Leviticus 2:13 we read these significant words:

“And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy meat offering: with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.

Here is an unmistakable parallelism.

A divine principle is laid down not only for meat or food offerings where salt is naturally added for the sake of savor, but to be applied to all offerings. Salt represents *covenant relation with God*, and hence is used symbolically to express the truth that offerings to God have the savor of acceptableness only when salted with a covenant relationship.

Hence, in order to an offering being acceptable to God, the offerer must salt it with a *covenant spirit and relation*. God has no need of unconsecrated and unsanctified offerings, and will not accept them. He demands first self-surrender, then as a logical sequence—nay, part

of that self-surrender and involved in it—the surrender of what we have, or, as we say, “possess.” Of this law or principle the Fiftieth Psalm is the fullest exhibition in the Word of God. Here two things are plain: God for some reason takes the judgment seat, as if for an important decision, and calls before Him His own saints, who have made a covenant with Him by sacrifice—literally, “those who Ratify My covenant with sacrifice.”

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He was not now reproving His people for the lack of offerings, but for the *wrong spirit* that lay behind their formal obedience. All godless or unsanctified giving proceeds on the principle that *God has need of money*, which is here especially disclaimed. God is neither hungry nor in want. If He were, He would not need to appeal to man, for His resources are infinite. Offerings, therefore, made to supply a need in God or His work, are a mistake! Hence the conclusion:

“Offer unto God thanksgiving,”

Outer offerings are worthless that do not express first of all genuine devotion and obedience to the will of God.

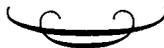
God now turns to the wicked, and in the plainest words spurns his offering. The salt of the covenant being lacking, their formal sacrifices God indignantly rejects, and warns them that instead of accepting their offerings, He may tear them in pieces and none can deliver.

Hence, two conclusions follow:

*First, no unconverted man can offer an acceptable gift to the Lord.* While he hates instruction and casts His words behind him, the conditions are lacking which make a gift acceptable. Instead of being salted, it is leavened; the corruption of unforgiven sin and an unreconciled heart spreads itself through the offering and challenges God not only to reject the gift but to destroy the giver!

*Secondly, for believers to depend upon unconsecrated money to carry on God's work is contrary to the expressed will of God.* Appeals to unconverted men for pecuniary aid in such work are both inconsistent and harmful.

Great as is the need of money, it is not so great as to justify an unscriptural plan for raising it. God calls us to rise to the plane of faith; to remember that He owns all, that the hearts of men are in His hand; that He can unlock the treasuries of the rich and make the abundance of poverty to abound unto the riches of liberality.



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## ***The Cover***

# **May and Fulton Street Assembly Hall**

**Chicago, Illinois**

During the late 70's the work of the Lord among the Christians gathered in the Lord's name at Chicago had prospered to such an extent that a larger hall in a more central location was sought for and found in an empty church building at the corner of May and Fulton Streets, Chicago, Illinois.

From this hall sounded out the "Word of Life" in this fast growing metropolis, and many precious souls were reached and saved within its walls. Not only was the Gospel preached but the Lord's people were gathered together according to the Scriptures, in assembly testimony.

The great need in the home field became the exercise of two young men in this assembly, W. J. McClure and Robert Telfer. They were commended with the hearty fellowship of the Chicago assembly to the work of the Lord in North America. After many years of service in this continent they are now at home with the Lord.

This commodious hall was also used for the first annual conference meetings held in Chicago.

The following report of the third annual conference held in November, 1882 in this hall is indicative of the fellowship and blessing that has followed these annual gatherings through the years.

"The third Chicago conference took place on Thanksgiving (Nov. 30, 1882) and three following days in the Gospel rooms, corner N. May and Fulton Streets. The lower part of the building was devoted to a kitchen, dining room, etc., and the large hall upstairs to the meetings.

At the meetings Christians were present from Toronto and other parts of Canada, from Harrisburg and Pittsburgh, Pa.; Flintlake, Valparaiso, Crown Point and Lowell, Indiana; Sparta, Galesburg, Braidwood, Coal City, Oak Park, Rockford, Belvidere, Elgin and Chicago, Ill.; from Iowa and Kansas, and a number from Detroit and other parts of Michigan.

On the Saturday and Lord's day before the evening meetings, a number of Christians were baptized.

The meetings were the best of their kind in the Northwest as to attendance, power, order, etc.

Signed: DONALD ROSS

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**GEORGE BAXTER**  
Kingman, Arizona

We had a happy time the first week in February, meeting with the saints in a different home each night for prayer. This gave us renewed strength and courage to press forward for Him, and also bound us closer together in love for Him and for one another. We are enjoying the study of the book of James in our Friday night Bible study, and finding much practical help there for just such a day as this.

The ladies' Bible class on Tuesday afternoon is gleaning from the book of Ephesians where they find much encouragement and help.

The Sunday school keeps up real well in spite of much sickness. Pray for the children who would like to come but the parents will not get them ready to go. Pray for the salvation of precious souls who are contacted here.

**PAUL R. BITLER**  
328 East 109th St.  
New York 29, N. Y.

Besides the meetings of the two assemblies of the Spanish speaking here in this large city, we are happy to write of an interest in a testimony that we have once each week in the Bronx where also live thousands of these people that speak the Spanish tongue. Attending this meeting are a group of boys from unsaved homes and around the age of fourteen. They are coming regularly and are led by one boy particularly who seems to be able to

bring them in. This boy's name is Pedro Avilez.

About two years ago he received one of our tracts and after reading it he asked for more through the mail. On visiting the address given by him we fully expected to meet an adult person, but to our surprise it was this young boy of thirteen years. Since that time he has been most faithfully attending our meetings and now he is fishing out others of his own age and bringing them to the meetings. He is from an unsaved family and none of the family seem to have interest or come with him to the meetings. Here in this large city there is plenty of sin being practiced, and so we do rejoice in seeing these young hearts under the sound of the precious Word. We seek to sow the seed and leave the result with God, and pray that they will be saved before the evil days come upon them.

**PAUL BOEDA**  
Casier Postale 343  
Three Rivers, Quebec

We are happy to write that God has answered many prayers for a place to have meetings. We were able to buy an old building and with repair we now have a nice clean large room for all meetings. "He is faithful that promised." Some new ones have been coming to the Gospel meetings and these with other faithful "religious" ones, we hold before the throne of grace for the Spirit's power to reach their hearts.

Personal visitation is the bulk of the work here and we ask prayer for divine wisdom and understanding in dealing with these souls who have to be visited faithfully time and time again. Some homes have had continued visits regularly for over a year and still have not grasped the simple truth of the new birth. Rome has certainly succeeded in keeping all here in total darkness with her pagan doctrines.

**JIM BOOKER**  
Grand Cascapedia  
Bona County, Quebec

We felt led to continue on the coast for another winter with the hope of helping and strengthening some of the small assemblies in this area. At the present time we are carrying on ministry meetings each week in Cascapedia, New Richmond and New Carlisle with the hope that it will help and stir up the Christians in these places. The numbers attending have not been very large; however, the interest seems to be growing and we trust, in the will of the Lord, is proving a blessing and a source of help to the children of God gathering out.

Each Saturday night we have a little meeting with six young girls who professed salvation since our arrival here. They are coming along very nicely and on the whole growing in grace and knowledge of our Lord. Two of the girls are now helping out in the little Sunday school we seek to carry on each week in Cascapedia, and we give thanks to the Lord to see them taking such an interest.

**CHAS. O. BOWEN**  
4121 Windsor St.  
Vancouver, B.C., Canada

I am just about to return to the remote

North, and for the rest of the winter will be happily sounding out the same, sweet old story in a number of school houses in the northern Beech settlements.

In spite of everything we must "occupy till He come" each where He has placed us, and allowed us to serve Him and our fellows in the Gospel. Soon we shall hear the "call" from the sky and see "The King in His beauty."

**BENJAMIN BRADFORD**  
32-23-33 Street  
Long Island City 2, N. Y.

I am at present, February 19th, in Miami, Florida. I came here three weeks ago, as I had not been so well for a few months and was ordered to get out of the extreme cold. The change has been a blessing to me and I am able to take the regular meetings in Cocanut Grove assembly. This is appreciated by the Lord's people. It is over 30 years since brother S. McEwen and I pitched our tent in this city. No assembly here or in the State then. In this locality there are now four assemblies. We labored each winter until we saw a number saved and gathered unto His name. The Lord has blessed His Word and the branches have gone over the wall. To Him be all the glory.

**LEONARD E. BROUGH**  
2906 Power House Road  
Yakima, Washington

The way definitely opened to come into parts of Texas and Louisiana. We saw present fruit in salvation at Maurel, near Houston. Then in New Orleans the way opened to labor with brother George Hoekstra of Chicago. These efforts at Good News Center were not in vain. We had many contacts with un-

saved men concerning the way of salvation. Eternity holds the record of the abiding results. Brother Hoekstra will tarry awhile, as the way has opened for me to give help at Lafayette, La. Where He leads let us follow.

**T. M. BUSBY**  
75 Glen Street  
Timmins, Ont., Canada

We have had quite some sub-zero weather and it is surprising how the attendance at the meeting keeps up. Numbers in the children's meetings are increasing each week. The brethren responsible for that meeting are much encouraged. The splendid co-operation of the brethren enables me to make two trips a month into the Cochrane district some 70 miles north of Timmins.

We have had the tent in there several times but the work has been very discouraging until now, when a real interest has arisen. A few more have been added to the company of Christians there and meetings at present are being held in the homes of the brethren. A Sunday school has been commenced a few miles out of Cochrane. Shall value prayer.

**GODFREY W. COOMBS**  
Route 5., Box 385  
Charlotte, N. C.

We are now making Charlotte our center of activities and residence. I am helping the Stanley, N. C. meeting and have plans, D.V., for radio broadcasting and tent work during the summer.

**JOE DARLING**  
Route 1  
Albanel, Co. Lac St. Jean  
Quebec

Our attention was first directed to the need of the Gospel among the French

people of Canada, while we served in the American forces in Belgium. We have spent the past two seasons of summer and fall in these parts, where through the labors of our brethren John Spreeman and Noah Gratton, the Lord has established a testimony to the name of the Lord Jesus some fourteen years ago. After waiting upon the Lord, we have returned to Albenel for continued study and practice of the language and to help in the meetings.

According to very recent reports there have been conversions at Thetford Mines and St. John. A R.C. lady from St. John requested the offer of a New Testament. (Tracts are mailed throughout the province with the offer of a N. T. from tract bands in Toronto and Montreal.) Like Lydia, God opened her heart and she trusted Christ. She has opened her home. Recently eleven neighbors and friends came one evening for a Bible reading.

Each month a list of names of persons who request a New Testament is made and personal contact is made by one of the Lord's servants. This has proved to be a fruitful method.

**VINCENT DAVEY**  
Rollet, P.Q., Canada

There is a group of French-Canadians at Rollet, Quebec, saved, baptized and gathered to His name, mostly as a result of pioneer work on the part of John R. Spreeman. We have also the responsibility and privilege of keeping a sort of boarding home for French-Canadian children who attend the school that was opened here following the conversion of the former Roman Catholics. At present we have 14 children, of whom five have

recently professed to be saved. Sharing the work with us are Miss Eileen Grainger, Miss Eunice Carr, the school teacher, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCready, recently commended and now learning the language. Most French-Canadians are devout Roman Catholics, others are indifferent to the Word of God. It is necessary to go into the "highways and hedges" and compel them to come in. However, God will have a number of them in glory to sing the new song with all those redeemed by His blood out of every kindred and tongue and people and nation. There are Christians of the French language scattered throughout the mining and farming regions here, and a part of the work is to visit them and have cottage meetings for their instruction in the Word, and to preach to unsaved ones who may be present. The people of Québec stand in need of our prayers and supplications.

**WILL DAWES**

**Box 224**

**Alberni, B.C., Canada**

We continue to sow the good seed, the Word of God, through the many doors that the Lord has opened for us in this needy district. During the winter months our time is occupied in visitation and meetings for the young people throughout the week.

The Gospel meeting started a short time ago in a district known as the "Army Camp" has a good attendance, with several unsaved coming out each week, and a real interest. The Lord has been pleased to bless His Word to the salvation of some of the young people. Feb. 1 saw the first anniversary of our radio ministry over CJAV-1240 Kc. We continually hear of many that listen.

**H. K. DOWNIE**

**Box 41**

**Grand Rapids, Mich.**

I am at Emmaus Bible School in Toronto lecturing on the "Kings of Israel and Judah" and "The Acts." I am also taking regular meetings in a few of the halls in the city. I finish here on March 2 and commence in Chicago on March 8. Will be there for a month.

**E. B. GODFREY**

**Box 456**

**Red Deer, Alta., Canada**

I am writing to tell you a little about the great work that is being carried on here by brother Jim Robertson, his family and three other Christians. This is one of the great logging centers of British Columbia and there are three lumber mills in the district that turn out about 135,000 feet of lumber every day. Our brother carries on a great work here among the boys and girls in Cowichan. They have a Sunday school of between 60 and 70 on the Lord's day morning, and in the afternoon at Honeymoon Bay another school of between 25 and 30. The Christians meet to remember the Lord at 12:00 a.m. Lord's day. On Tuesday night there is a meeting at Honeymoon Bay and on Wednesday at Cowichan.

Wm. Robertson has the privilege of taking a class at noon in the High School each Thursday. This work is attended to as well as our brother's regular responsibilities as agent for the Canadian Pacific Railway. We met brother Robertson last October and he invited us to come and help him this winter. We will have been here two months on February 15. During that time we have visited many homes with tracts and have enjoyed

happy fellowship with the little company of saints who are gathered here in the name of the Lord.

**ERNEST GROSS**

**Box 412**

**Greer, S. C.**

Last Lord's day, February 15, we commenced services in the Leisure Lodge of the Parker High School in Greenville, S. C. Previously we had met in a home but found the number attending warranted larger quarters. We are meeting at 7:00 to remember the Lord and then invite the general public in at 8:00 for the ministry of the Word. Sunday night there were over 60 present. Of this number 10 were girls from Bob Jones College, able to get out for the first time. A ruling of the school forbids any girls going to a private home for church meetings.

**FRED HILLIS**

**1951 So. Myrtle Ave.**

**Monrovia, Calif.**

I have been gone about five months laboring in Texas and Oklahoma, I had meetings in Melrose district outside of Houston, where a new hall was opened. Were at Manuel, Pineview and in Houston for the conference there in October. I had two weeks meetings in Dallas, then Ft. Worth and finally spent nine weeks in Oklahoma City. The Lord was pleased to give His blessing. If the Lord will, I purpose returning to Fort Worth for the conference at Easter. Quite a few of the Lord's servants are at this season in southern California, and others have written of their purpose to come here, so we think our place is in parts not so well supplied as is California, especially in the south around Los Angeles. There is

a new hall opened in Watts, a suburb of Los Angeles, where a number of colored folks meet to remember the Lord.

**J. DOUGLAS IBBOTSON**

**Route 7, Box 531**

**Naval Base, S. C.**

We have purchased an army barracks from the W.A.A. It is a 20 x 100 ft. building and will enable us to dismantle it and rebuild it into Sunday school rooms, which we need badly. We expect to do this as soon as the moving of the Chapel is accomplished. It will mean a lot of labor in dismantling, hauling and then rebuilding, but I will be more free to spend time at this during the month of February as brother Oglesby will be here with me for the month and will take most of the responsibility of the meetings.

**GEORGE M. LANDIS**

**Fayetteville, Pa.**

For the month of January I was teaching in Emmaus Bible School in Toronto, and speaking at the following Gospel halls in that city: Central, Swanwick, Westmoreland, Markham, Olivet, and Gilead.

It is a real pleasure to see the spiritual progress of the young people we taught one and two years ago at Emmaus. To think of what it will mean to the testimony to have a generation of these bright, keen and consecrated young people laboring at home and abroad. I believe God has raised up Emmaus School for these last days when the fields are so vast and the laborers are so few.

I will be laboring around home for five weeks and then leave (D.V.) for the Pacific Northwest.

**JAMES D. LIPKE**  
2018 W. Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

I just finished two weeks meetings in Youngstown, Ohio, last Sunday night. There were a few unsaved present during the meetings but for the most part we ministered the Word to the Lord's dear people. They were discouraged and downcast but God gave real liberty and they seemed to be helped and encouraged through His Word. Would like to go back there with a tent sometime in the near future, if the Lord so leads, and try some sections on the outskirts of Youngstown where a church building can't be seen for miles in any direction.

**LOUIS MONTALVO**  
127 Noll St.  
Brooklyn 6, N. Y.

Two weeks ago, January 28, we gathered to have a little celebration in praise and thanksgiving to our Lord for having blessed us the past fourteen years. There was much cause for thankfulness, as the assembly in Flushing Ave. has also been able to purchase the hall at 1005 Flushing. We did not know where to turn but the Lord opened the way and now our desire is to enlarge it. The Sunday school has increased to a hundred and the Gospel meetings are well attended. We always have sinners to listen to the wondrous story on Sunday evenings.

Now, beloved brethren, I would value your prayers for brother Bitler and myself. Neither of us are too well physically. At times one has to do things with an effort due to our bodily affliction but in our weakness He is glorified.

Both assemblies are going on well; also the assembly in Lancaster, Pa. I

used to travel there often when I was less afflicted with my back, but now it is impossible. The Americans there have outnumbered the Mexicans but both get along well. Any of the Lord's servants passing through will be welcome although they have only meetings on the Lord's day. Our brethren there are earnest although very few; they are digging a basement to the chapel. I believe a great work among the Americans could be accomplished in the city.

**HOWARD MONTGOMERY**  
Immanuel Mission  
Shiprock, N. M.

Some of the Lord's people are working on translation and recently there have come from the presses some additional portions of the Bible in Navajo. Those of us who are right out where the people are to be reached, are able to put these portions into use immediately, and our constant reading of these to those who visit us here, as well as those we reach in the camps, mistakes if any, can be quickly found and corrected. Not nearly all the Bible has been put into the Navajo tongue as yet and only a limited number of hymns.

Part of our work these days is in distributing the food and used clothing that has been sent here for the needy ones. There has been much publicity concerning the poverty of the Navajos and it is pretty much true. Truck loads of relief supplies have poured in the Reservation and the Navajos are very glad to get whatever is given to them. This has given us many more opportunities to give out the Gospel since Indians have come from far to get these relief supplies.

**WILLIAM J. OGLESBY**  
223 Ellery St.  
Reading, Pa.

From January 11 through January 23 I had meetings at Melrose Chapel in Roanoke, Va. A nice interest was shown by the Lord's people with a few from the outside coming in. On Lord's day, January 25, had a very happy week-end with the saints in Winston-Salem. We had one meeting in a home in Charlotte, N. C., on January 27. From January 28 through February 1 we were in Florence, S. C. where I had meetings each night in the beautiful chapel just completed by the saints there. The meetings were poorly attended and one fears that a spirit of disunity is the cause for the weakened condition there. The little company in Florence needs the prayers of all the Lord's people.

We came to Naval Base, S. C., on February 2 and are planning to stay in this area for a few weeks seeking to give help in the work, especially among the children and young people. There are many openings for the Gospel here and we thank God for the privilege of helping our brother and sister Ibbotson, especially at this time when our brother is planning on moving the chapel to a better location and at present is engaged in tearing down a barracks building which will later be used for Sunday school rooms.

While in the South, we would like, in the will of the Lord, to visit other assemblies and shall value the prayers of the Lord's people that we might be instruments of blessing to all.

**STANLEY PRICE**  
Box 4014  
Oklahoma City 9, Okla.

Of late I have been going each week

to Ponca City—100 miles due north of Oklahoma City—for meetings. There is some interest in the place for Bible teaching and a concern among a few for an assembly. There are also obstacles, and as always it will take the hand of the living God to perform a real work. On Him we depend and seek the prayers of the Lord's people.

**EDWARD RICHMOND**  
P.O. Box 62  
Dover, Delaware

God has been blessing and souls have been saved. We are made to rejoice again and again in the faithfulness of God in the face of alarming indifference on the part of His people. I had the joy of seeing a dear woman saved in the hospital a few weeks ago while I was visiting one of our Christians there. After prayer this soul was in real distress and longed to know that it was well with her soul should she be called into eternity. It was grand to see her accept Christ after I related the wondrous story of the Cross to her and those in the ward. She told me later that three of her little girls had gone to heaven and now she would see them again. We have seen a number of souls saved in these hospital visits and have had many heart-thrilling experiences while talking and praying with those in sorrow and distress.

Brother Bill Brown is with me now, so he and I will be plowing together throughout the State. He is very fine with the young and will be a help to us in many ways.

We are anxious to see other testimonies raised up to the glory of God in Delaware.

**VERNON SCHLIEF**  
**Good News Center**  
**1360 Magazine St.**  
**New Orleans 13, La.**

Two weeks of well attended meetings with Geo. Hoekstra and Leonard Brough have been enjoyed recently.

Praise the Lord for blessing here. We are crowded out every night and are forced to turn many away, so we are try-

ing to rush expansion of our sleeping facilities. appreciation for the interest that you have shown in me. I have traveled around the United States twice since 1943 trying many times to get someone I thought was saved to help me. But they always appeared to be too busy and never had the time to discuss my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ with me. I was a lost sinner, but was hungry to hear His Word kind-



ing to rush expansion of our sleeping facilities.

Inside the reception room (see picture) men are treated to coffee and rolls for breakfast at the canteen in the rear. Foreground, not seen, contains literature table and table games.

Following is a portion of letter received recently:

"Dear Mr. Schlief:

"I am one of the happiest men I think in this wicked world. First, because I know that my Jesus died on the cross to save me. I would like to express my ap-

ly spoken. I have on so many occasions stopped at outdoor meetings and have attended regular church services but I never did get the real medicine explained to me as I did at your place on Magazine Street. I thank my Saviour He directed me to your Center.

"I solicit your most earnest prayers and also the prayers of the other personnel who have been so nice and kind to me especially when the door of hell was staring me in the face during my recent illness. I praise His holy name.

"Sincerely yours,  
"R. J. C."

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

### ***Blessing in the Gospel***

Reports from various places tell of much blessing in the salvation of precious souls, since the first of the year.

Special series of meetings and other efforts in the Gospel have been fruitful, being further evidence of the fact that the Gospel is the power of God unto salvation.

Assemblies who go in for a prolonged series of Gospel meetings once or twice a year most always see souls saved.

The following reports of past meetings are a cause for much thanksgiving, and reports of meetings now in progress are a cause for exercise and prayer.

**LOUIS BRANDT**  
Garnavillo, Iowa

**STEVE MICK**  
1514 Wisconsin Ave.  
Boscobel, Wis.

These brethren started Gospel meetings on Feb. 29 in Blue River, Wis.

**DAVID CALDERHEAD**  
325 Reed St.  
Mansfield, Ohio

**JAS. LIPKE**  
2018 West Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

After having two weeks meetings in Youngstown, Ohio, brother Lipke joined brother Calderhead in February for Gospel meetings in Camden, N. J. A few had professed when we last heard, one of them being the brother of the brother in Christ with whom the two servants of the Lord were staying.

**WALLACE CUDMORE**  
126 Mississago St. W.  
Orillia, Ontario

Brother Cudmore has been in Newfoundland since the first of December, helping the brethren who labor there.

There are now three halls on the Island, and only four workers. This is a needy field, the harvest is great and the laborers few.

**HERBERT G. DOBSON**  
9253 Marshfield Ave.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

**JAS. LIPKE**  
2018 West Blvd.  
Cleveland, Ohio

These brethren who have labored much together in the past 18 months started Gospel meetings on Feb. 29 in Saugerties, N. Y. Brother Dobson was instrumental in establishing the testimony in this place some years ago.

**DAN DUNNETT**  
722 Dodge St.  
Lake Geneva, Wis.

Brother Dunnett spent part of January and February in out-of-the-way places in Wisconsin, holding cottage meetings.

At Casco there were up to 50 came nightly, and about 10 of them came 50 miles to attend the meetings.

He also visited Green Bay, Iron Mountain, and Appleton.

**GEORGE GOULD**  
P.O. Box 251, Route 2  
St. Catharines, Ont.

Brother Gould has finished four weeks meetings in the Gospel Hall, Newport News, Virginia. From the beginning the interest was good, and the preaching searching and forceful. In spite of very severe weather conditions and heavy snowfalls, only one meeting had to be cancelled.

During the last week two young girls, children of believers, professed to be saved, and since the meetings closed two more, both children of believers, have professed.

We believe there will be more fruit yet from these meetings.

JOHN MILLER, SR.

**ERNEST GROSS**  
Box 412  
Greer, S. C.

Brother Gross reports open doors in connection with work among children. He conducts meetings in 26 schools every other week. This means about 2700 pupils and 100 teachers getting the pure Gospel. Many more schools could be entered if there were workers to help.

Just recently he received permission to have a Friday night meeting in a High School Auditorium which seats 800.

The Bob Jones University is only 7 miles from brother Gross's home. There are 50 or so young people from assemblies in various parts of the country attending the university. Our brother is exercised about a larger place where these young people may remember the Lord and listen to ministry. They had been

meeting in a brother's home but on Feb. 15 met in a room of a high school. There were 60 present.

**DOUGLAS HOWARD**      **FRED PEARCEY**  
43 Hilton Ave.              205 Margueretta St.  
Toronto, Ont.                Toronto 4, Ont.

These young brethren who recently saw considerable blessing in their nine weeks meetings in Highfield Rd., Toronto are now in Vancouver, B. C. They are laboring in a new section of the city where a Sunday school has been carried on for some years by the Cedar Cottage Assembly.

When last we heard about the middle of February, two young women had professed to be saved. Others, mostly children of the Christians, are troubled and they expect to see some of these getting saved. The people of the district are not responding as well as the brethren would like to see, but we trust the Lord will save many of those attending, connected with the Christians in the assemblies, as well as others.

Other series of meetings are being held in other assemblies in the city.

**ALEX McGAUGHEY**  
Box 151  
Abbotsford, B.C., Canada

Brother McGaughey is much improved in health since returning from the hospital at Rochester, Minn.

He is trying to get used to his artificial leg and hopes he will soon be able to get around, and thus once more launch out in the Lord's work.

**OSWALD L. McLEOD**  
175 Laverne Ave.  
Dayton 9, Ohio

Brother McLeod began a series of Gospel meetings Sunday, Feb. 22, in the

Chicago Blvd, Gospel Hall, Detroit, Mich.

**WM. PELL**                      **PETER PELL**  
**817 North Ave., N.E. 248 Hastings St., N.E.**  
**Grand Rapids, Mich. Grand Rapids 3, Mich.**

These two brethren in Christ and in the flesh had two weeks of profitable meetings in February, with the saints in Wheaton, Ill. They used their model of The Tabernacle.

**GEO. PINCHES**  
**609 Washington St.**  
**Pella, Iowa**

Brother Pinches is engaged at present in Pella in door-to-door evangelistic work. He speaks of some encouragement in larger numbers attending their Gospel meetings. He says the assembly is crying to God for revival and blessing. They are also looking to the Lord that He will send His man to them for a real Gospel effort in the near future.

**JOHN RANKIN**  
**c/o R. J. MacLachlan**  
**80 William St.**  
**New York City, N. Y.**

Brother Rankin, who has labored for some little time in Jamaica, returned to the United States a few months ago.

Since returning he has had meetings in Miami, Washington, Philadelphia and other places.

#### **RECENT EFFORTS IN THE GOSPEL**

Brethren Warke and Dobson had fruitful meetings in Bryn Mawr, Pa. Seven professed to be saved

Brethren Reager and Plubell saw a number profess to be saved in special meetings in Brock Ave., Toronto.

Brethren McLeod and Mick saw God's

hand in blessing in their Gospel effort in Eglinton Hall, Toronto.

We understand McBain and N. Crawford saw some results from their effort in the south end of Niagara Falls, Ont.

**J. A. RONALD**  
**126 Royal Rd., No.**  
**Portage La Prairie**  
**Man.**

**J. A. GRAY**  
**130 3rd St., N.W.**  
**Portage La. Prairie**  
**Man.**

These brethren continue to labor in the prairies, with some evidence of blessing to saved and unsaved.

The Christians at Minitonas, Taylor-side and Arborfield enjoyed visits from them, and their ministry at these places was helpful.

**SAMUEL STEWART**  
**628 Concord Circle**  
**Trenton, N. J.**

We have had six weeks of continuous meetings here at Kingston, Ont., with brother Stewart ministering the Word.

Interest at these meetings has been exceptionally good. Often the temperature was below zero, but nevertheless good numbers attended. The brethren cooperated to the fullest extent by prayer, faith and good works. The Lord was pleased to give the increase and some precious souls have professed faith in Christ as Saviour.

Some have been baptized and one has been added to the assembly. We trust others likewise will be led to gather to our Lord's precious name.

The brethren have asked brother Stewart to continue on for another two weeks, and he has agreed to do this.

**ARCHIE McDONALD**

**WM. WARKE**  
1259 W. 86th St.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

**ARCHIE T. STEWART**  
13590 Longacre  
Detroit, Mich.

These two brethren began a series of Gospel meetings in the Pape Ave. hall, Toronto, Ont. on Feb. 29.

**FRED WATSON**  
92 Regal Rd.  
Toronto, Ont.

**ALBERT JOYCE**  
417 Rockhamton Ave.  
Toronto, Ont.

These two servants of the Lord who often labor together, started Gospel meetings in Addison Rd. Gospel Hall, Cleveland, Ohio on February 22.

Brother Joyce was in Owen Sound in February with his Egypt to Canaan chart. The attendance was good and the Lord's hand was seen in salvation.

**LESTER WILSON**  
205 Wilson St.  
Greensboro, N. C.

Brother Wilson had five weeks of meetings in the Kenilworth, N. J. Gospel Hall, finishing on Sunday, Feb. 9. Quite a number professed to be saved.

On Sunday, Feb. 22, he started another series in the Bethany Gospel Hall, Augusta, Ga. Reports of the first week in Augusta are encouraging. The hall is well filled each night and it is planned to rent a large building to accommodate the people on Sunday evenings.

A Christian nurse, saved in Greensboro two years ago and now in training in Augusta, took six nurses to the Gospel meeting. Three of them have already professed to be saved.

**ANDERSON, S. C.**

Brother W. J. Armstrong writing from Anderson, S. C. tells of having Gospel meetings there, and also meetings for young believers. He asks our prayers for

the work in this place and also for the salvation of souls.

**ASHEVILLE, N. C.**

The assembly at above place had a week of prayer in February. They met in a different home each night and brother Innes reports they were the best attended meetings he has seen since moving to Asheville some years ago. The last meeting was held in a returned army officer's home. Neither he or his wife are saved but want to be. They report that there was a real sense of feeling, that they were meeting fellow saints from coast to coast at the throne of grace.

No servant of the Lord resides in Asheville now, and the assembly would be happy to have servants of the Lord communicate with them in regards to visits or special meetings.

They have enjoyed brief visits recently from brethren McLeod and Jas. Smith.

Communicate with:

JAS. INNES  
Star Route  
Asheville, N. C.

**BROOKHAVEN, GA.**

This assembly which was established some years ago through the efforts of brother Gordon Reager and the brethren who formerly met in Atlanta, goes on nicely, with encouragement.

They have enjoyed recently the visits of some missionaries, and they were interested in hearing of what the Lord is doing in other lands.

**CADILLAC, MICH.**  
Pleasant Lake

The work goes on here with some encouragement and we are seeing several

new faces in the Sunday school.

Several have been saved who attended a prayer meeting held in various homes each Thursday night.

We have a meeting each Tuesday evening in Hoxeyville, a place about 20 miles from here. We are looking to the Lord for the salvation of a young man there whose mother is in fellowship, and who is much concerned for his salvation.

Brethren Chas. Van Ryn and Claude Pell visited us recently on Lord's days and their ministry was helpful and their visits appreciated.

We are exercised about moving the testimony into Cadillac where most of the Christians live. At present we are several miles out. We are praying for guidance as to a lot where we could build a hall, perhaps in the spring.

Brother Roy Pell is in the hospital because of an injury sustained at his work. The prayers of the Lord's people for our brother and his family will be appreciated. He may be in the hospital for some weeks.

CHARLES MARVIN  
Meauwataka Stage  
Cadillac, Mich.

#### **CENTRAL GOSPEL HALL**

**Des Moines, Iowa**

During the month of January we had a visit from brother Fred Elliott of London, England, accompanied by Mrs. Elliott.

Our brother had two weeks of meetings at which four professed to be saved. We also observed a week of prayer and had meetings each night during the week commencing Monday, February 2.

After the meeting on Sunday morn-

ing, Feb. 15, we had a baptismal service, when seven followed the Lord in baptism.

Our Gospel meetings have been encouraging and profitable of recent weeks and months.

JAS. S. GREEN

#### **DURHAM, N. C.**

The saints at Durham are filled with wonder and praise at the blessings they are seeing in connection with the testimony.

Brother Detweiler is preaching to capacity audiences each Sunday evening, and interest is at the keenest pitch since the assembly was established.

In one week about a dozen professed to be saved as a result of one Sunday night Gospel meeting.

Our hearts are encouraged as we see some saved who have attended regularly for a year or more.

From ASSEMBLY MESSENGER

#### **EVANSTON, ILL.**

**Evanston Gospel Chapel  
639 Asbury Ave.**

Mr. Fred G. Elliott, London, England visited our fair city and spent a week with special Gospel and ministry meetings. Attendance was good, helpful and inspiring ministry given.

Mr. Peter Pell of Grand Rapids, Michigan, along with the Bethany Quartette, Wheaton, Illinois, visited on a past Sunday, ministering the Gospel in song and story.

Our brother Sobral from Portugal gave an interesting account of his work in that needy field. This brother has a real heart for the Lord's work and has been instrumental in leading many of

his own people to Christ. May we remember him in prayer as he seeks to return to his native country.

GEORGE LAW

**HAXTUN, Colorado**

We maintain a testimony to the name of the Lord Jesus in our farm house, three miles west of Haxtun on highway No. 6, and two miles south on the gravel road. We have kept up the Breaking of Bread and Sunday school since moving here from Imperial, Nebraska, five years ago.

Brethren William Morgan and Geo. Leest were here last fall for four Lord's days. They held Gospel meetings in a school house 15 miles southeast of Holoke, Col.

We would appreciate it if servants of the Lord who are passing through would stop over for a Lord's day.

ROY E. HARRAH

**NUTLEY, N. J.**

**Franklin Ave. Gospel Chapel**

God has blessed the testimony at above place. Twelve years ago the meeting began in the home of brother J. W. Young. Later they moved to a little cement block building. This soon became too small for them and the brethren became exercised about building a larger place.

On Jan. 19 they officially opened their new chapel, a handsome brick building, with an afternoon meeting. Brethren Jas. Waugh, J. Meriden, and Richard Hill spoke.

The local paper, the Passaic Herald News, devoted a part of two columns with a picture of the chapel, to the event. They said in part:

"The week-end snowstorm did not

prevent a capacity crowd from attending the dedicatory services of the Franklin Ave. Gospel Chapel. The handsome brick chapel, construction of which began last summer and was just completed, was filled with members and well wishers. Part of the assembly was obliged to stand at the rear throughout the service."

The brethren borrowed \$6500.00 from a local bank to complete the building, on a 15-year plan, but within three weeks they were able to pay it back in full.

The Lord is blessing the testimony. A young man professed to be saved recently. Two Christians came out from the denominations and two are being baptized Feb. 8.

Extracts from letter by J. W. Young.

**ONTARIO, CANADA**

**Sault Ste. Marie**

The new Gospel Hall centrally and beautifully situated at the corner of Spring and Wellington Streets, has been completed and formally opened to the public on January 18th with a series of stirring Gospel addresses by Mr. Andrew Douglas of Hamilton, Ont. with his new chart "Egypt to Canaan."

The attendance was good and the Word was with power. Eternal verities were presented with startling reality and the unsaved faithfully warned and some professed faith in Christ. The closing week was given to the ministry of the Word to the Lord's people and quite a number from the denominations heard Church Truths so powerfully and scripturally presented that we trust it may be the good seed sown in honest hearts and they be "led forth unto Him outside the camp."

R. H. DAVIS

## ROANOKE, VA.

We had brother L. T. Chambers here for three weeks in December, using his model of the Tabernacle. His ministry was principally for Christians and attendance was good. A number of Christians from the denominations attended the meetings regularly, expressing themselves as never having seen such a model before.

We also had brother W. J. Oglesby with us for two weeks in January and he used his flannelgraph board. This was much enjoyed and it was helpful to all who were privileged to attend.

W. L. OVERSTREET

## SOMERVILLE, MASS.

The assembly here is being much encouraged by seeing a good work going on in the Sunday school. Young men and young women well into their teens still attending faithfully and regularly.

The weekly Gospel meetings are also seeing a number of unsaved present. We are looking to the Lord for His blessing on the seed sown. The annual conference will be held, D.V., the week end of April 17.

W. HERBERT MARSHALL



## ***With the Lord***

### **T. C. BUSH**

#### **Waxahachie, Texas**

You will appreciate hearing, I am sure, of the details of the homegoing of our dear brother, Thomas Bush of Waxahachie, Texas. He was the pioneer of the work in connection with the assemblies in this state. He died about 10:00 p.m. on Saturday, February 9. The funeral was in Waxahachie on the following Tuesday at 2:00 p.m. The family requested Mr. Curry and myself to take the service. A number came from Houston, Dallas and Fort Worth. The tears showed the genuine grief of loving hearts. He was greatly beloved.

In spite of Mrs. Bush's broken wrist from a recent fall and her confinement to a wheel chair, and in spite of her great loss of her devoted husband to whom she had been married over fifty years, and in spite of the prospect of having to leave the place of happy memories in Waxahachie, Mrs. Bush was able after the funeral to speak in a most uplifting way

about the Lord alone. It was an inspiration to me. "He shall see of the travail of His soul and shall be satisfied." This was the thought that filled her soul with joy. She said to me, "In an hour I may be weeping my heart out, but right now I can only think of the Man of Sychar's well, the Man of John 8, the Man of Calvary being satisfied with His own work for me and in me."

The valley of the shadow of death was bright with the presence of the Lord Jesus Himself. That funeral service and the departing of our beloved brother seems to have written the last page of the history of the work of God in the assemblies in Waxahachie. But that page was a page of triumph and of joy to God I am sure. Like a corn of wheat that falls into the ground and dies, no godly life will ever be in vain. There will surely be a resurrection. Like the "Burnt Offering" the "fire shall never go out."

LEONARD SHELDRAKE

LETTERS OF INTEREST

# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## CALIFORNIA BIBLE CONFERENCE

### Yosemite National Park

The Second Annual California Bible Conference for adults and young people will be held, D.V., at Yosemite National Park, July 18 to August 1, 1948. The first such conference held last year brought much enthusiastic comment, and we believe there was a real blessing. A cordial invitation is extended to the Lord's people to plan on enjoying this vacation Bible conference in beautiful Yosemite Valley. For information and rates, please write to Bruce E. Merritt, 221 W. Hermosa Dr., San Gabriel, Calif., or Allen Jones, 2745 Best St., Oakland 1, Calif.

GEO H. WHITE

## CAMP BERA

### Newfound Lake, New Hampshire

As the fourth season for the operation of Camp Bera comes into view, the trustees are humbly seeking the good guiding hand of the Lord in all matters pertaining to the necessary arrangements that must be made.

Looking back over the past years, wherein the Lord was pleased to set His approval by bringing salvation to the lost, restoration to the backslider and re-

freshing to the weary, we are confidentially anticipating a time of joyous Christian fellowship and blessing. May nothing intervene to mar this expectation from being fully realized. For the sake of those who desire to plan their vacations well ahead of time, we are submitting our program for this year, in the will of the Lord, as follows:

July 3 to 11—General Conference Week, Speakers Fred Peer, Richard Hill.

July 12 to 24—Boys Camp, Camp Director William Oglesby.

July 26 to Aug. 7—Girls Camp, Speakers Robert Crawford, Clark McClelland.

Aug. 7 to Aug. 14—Open Week, Speakers Lester Wilson, Henry Armerding.

Aug. 14 to 21—Bible Study Week, Speakers James Gunn, Lester Wilson.

Aug. 21 to 28—Young People's Conference, Speakers Harold Harper, James Gunn.

Aug. 28 to Sept. 6—General Conference, Speakers Peter Pell, Harold Harper.

Those desiring further information may write to Camp Bera, Box 725, Lawrence, Mass.

## **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

The twenty-seventh annual conference of the Chicago Missionary Class will be held (D.V.) on Memorial Day, May 31 in the Laffin St. Gospel Hall, 6617 S. Laffin St. Meetings will be at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. As in former years, visiting missionaries are expected to share in the ministry and reports of their work for the Lord in the various spheres of service. Further information may be had by addressing Mr. Roy E. Rapsch, 5965 W. Huron St., Chicago 44, Illinois.

## **GREENWOOD HILLS, PA.**

The following schedule gives summer camps and conferences for 1948 season:

July 3-18, General Bible Conference. Speakers expected: Henry Armerding, John W. Bramhall, William A. Deans, Alfred P. Gibbs.

July 19-29, Girls Camp. Miss Ruth A. Buirkle, Director, Alfred P. Gibbs, Speaker.

July 31-Aug. 8, Mid-season Bible Conference. Speakers expected: R. J. Reid, Tom Westwood.

Aug. 9-19, Boys Camp. William J. Oglesby, Director.

Aug. 21-Sept. 6, Vacation Bible Conference. Speakers expected: Cecil Greenhow, Geo. M. Landis, Harold G. Mackay, George Rainey, James F. Spink and James Annan.

For information or reservation write: Mrs. John Aird, Sr., Greenwood Hills Inn, R. D., Fayetteville, Pa.

## **LAKE GENEVA, WISCONSIN**

The Chicagoland assemblies wish to announce their 1948 summer conference to be held (D.V.) at Conference Point

Camp on Lake Geneva from the afternoon of August 28 till noon of September 5. Those expected to minister will be brethren R. Arthur, E. Gross and A. Van Ryn. Brother Martin Steinberg will be in charge of children's work.

Reservations may be made after April 15 by writing to Mr. J. Milton Schrader, 117 South Blvd., Oak Park, Illinois.

## **LONGPORT, NEW JERSEY**

The conference meetings held at the Home for Aged Christians over the Washington birthday week end were a season of great blessing to all present.

The worship meeting on Lord's day morning was one that shall long live in all our memories as the melting scenes of the Cross touched all our hearts in a very precious way.

It was also most refreshing to meet and converse with the aged guests of the Home and to learn from them the comforts, the joy and the great happiness they are now experiencing in the even tide of their lives.

The ministering brethren present were Conaway, Gould, Fesche, Kennedy, Lyttle, Williamson, Tilsley, Trimble, Marshall.

All the visitors of some 200 and more were most beautifully provided for and entertained by the saints of Longport and vicinity. Keep this Home on your prayer list. W. H. MARSHALL

## **MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**

The annual summer Bible Camp at Little Camp-Among-The-Hills, Medicine Lake, Minneapolis, Minnesota, will be convened again this year during the week of July 19-26, D.V. We will be privileged to have with us in the ministry such able speakers as August Van

Ryn, Peter Pell, Ernest Gross and O. E. Magee. Everyone is heartily invited to this week of real joy in the things of God and fellowship with the Lord's people. Because of limited accommodations, it is advisable for those desiring to attend to register early with O. O. Anderson, 715 W. 37th St., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

**POTTSTOWN, PA.**

The Christians of Bible Truth Hall held their conference on New Year's Day and it proved a season of blessing. Among those who shared in the ministry were brethren Landis, Hill, Reid, Fleming, Fesch, Stewart and Oglesby.

GEO. M. MAUGER

**SOMERVILLE, MASS.**

The annual conference will be held D.V. at Union Chapel, corner of Alfred St. and Broadway from April 16 to 18, commencing with prayer meeting on Friday evening. Meetings will continue Saturday afternoon and evening and all day Lord's day.

The speakers expected are brethren Henry Armerding, C. Ernest Tatham,

A. E. Williamson (missionary from India).

We are looking to the Lord for a season of rich blessing to His beloved people, wherein we may again hear the voice of the Good Shepherd so that our lives may be regulated according to His Word, our hearts refreshed, and our confidence strengthened in the living God.

JOHN SMITH  
7 Foskett Street  
Somerville, Mass.

**STONY BROOK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.**

The 11th Annual Believers' Bible Conference will be held (D.V.) July 24 through August 8, 1948 with James F. Spink, Richard Hill, George M. Landis and Harold G. Mackay as the speakers.

The theme of the Bible readings for the first week will be "God's Prophetic Plan," and for the second week "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit."

Information as to rates and accommodations and requests for reservations should be sent to James E. Hill, Business Manager, Stony Brook Assembly, Stony Brook, Long Island, New York.



# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## Women

**GLADYS E. BAINES**

Bulan, Ky.

The work continues as usual, though through 1947 it was under difficult circumstances. I was very ill with a throat infection for four months, and during that time I held Sunday schools when my strength permitted, and finally under doctor's orders I had to close them for a while. Though my end of the work was curtailed through my illness, I am glad to say that brother Ernest Hunter came over twice a week and preached the Gospel to the folks here in our humble little meeting house, and I was so grateful for his help, which he continues to give us.

Of all the men who accepted the Lord Jesus two years ago, from the human standpoint, Ben Allen was the least likely to mean business with God. However, Ben has been the outstanding Christian and truly "old things have passed away" and instead of his hands handling whiskey, cards and gambled money, the Word has taken their place. Every one for miles around knows that something has happened in his life. God is able to save to the uttermost since the Lord Jesus ever liveth to make intercession for men like Ben the world over, and He is abundantly able to save.

**GRACE ROACH**

**ELSIE DAVEY**

390 King Edward St.

St. James, Man.

After travelling for the last eight summers on bicycles this summer the Lord wondrously provided us with a One Ton Panel Truck. We are able to live in the truck and often carry twenty children in it. We were able to reach fifteen districts with Bible schools. We do praise the Lord for His goodness to us.

In the winter Grace Roach has meetings in and around St. James, Manitoba. Elsie Davey has lantern slides in rural schools in Manitoba. At present, Feb. 4, around Nut Mountain, Sask., for two weeks.

We do praise the Lord for all the Christians who are faithfully praying for us and we know that you will receive a reward from Him for "Every man's work shall be made manifest."

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## Overseas Relief

*"Give us this day our daily bread"*

*"Give ye them to eat"*

Many of the Lord's people are wondering if the crisis as to conditions in Europe is past and if the emergency as to the need of food and clothing is over.

We are sorry to have to report the need continues as acute as ever.

The Overseas Relief Committee sends food and clothing, as it is enabled, to all countries where it is possible to do so and where the need exists.

In some countries the horrors have been comparatively local and there are some prospects of their coming to an end.

What makes the German situation so terrifying is its scale; its comprehensiveness, and so far, its unendingness. It is like a nightmare from which there seems to be no awakening.

Under God, the hope of the Lord's people in Europe lies in us. In their misery and want they thank God for the hearts and hands across the sea that gives them food and raiment.

Lest we forget what some of His own are passing through we quote the following, translated from a letter written by a preacher in Saxony, dated August 9, 1947:

"A few days ago the sad message reached me that a brother had hanged himself and at the last moment his loved ones discovered him and saved him. He had not had a bite of bread or anything else to eat for several days. He had therefore gone out to the fields at night, trying to get a few partly ripe potatoes for himself; but he was caught while doing so. He was ashamed, so much and in such a wrong way, that the devil made him believe he had brought disgrace to the assembly and should rather hang himself. As though the disgrace had not been increased by such a deed! But this is how the devil approaches people, for he knows that hungry people cannot think well."

"A young mother of two children, one and two years old, came to me and wept

bitterly, saying that she did not know what she should give the children to eat, since she did not get the rationed cereals for weeks and now she would not even get bread, as they had eaten up their bread ration long ahead of time. She asked me in despair, whether God might forgive her the sin, if she would end such misery by turning on the gas. This lady is known to us otherwise as a fine and honest woman and mother who visits our meetings, but the will to live is so much weakened in many hungry people, and the ability to think is so low that we should not be surprized about the increasing number of suicides."

We do not tire of saying "Give us this day our daily bread." Let us also not be weary of hearing the Master say: "Give ye them to eat."

Funds should be sent to the Fields, Inc., 75 Maiden Lane, New York 7, N. Y. Correspondence, clothing and other goods should be sent to the Committee Chairman, Ernest W. Halbach, 159 Lowell Street, Andover, Massachusetts.

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### ***New Schedule of Meetings***

**PASADENA, CALIF.  
Villa Chapel**

After much prayer and consideration, it has been decided to change the order of meetings at the Villa Chapel in Pasadena, California as follows: Breaking of Bread 9:30 a.m., Sunday School and Adult Bible Class or Preaching Service at 11 a.m., Gospel Meeting at 7:30 p.m., Prayer Meeting and Ministry Meeting Wednesday evening at 7:45 p.m. This change was decided upon by the brethren after repeated inquiries by strangers coming into the hall inquiring about a

preaching service. These changes will go into effect March 14.

H. C. ERTL  
Correspondent

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### ***Change of Address***

GODFREY W. COOMBS  
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JOHN ELLIOTT  
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Springfield, Mo.

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Greensboro, N. C.

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### ***New Correspondent***

J. Hilliard Orton has been appointed secretary of the Markham Street Tabernacle, Toronto, Ont., and correspondence should be addressed to him.

J. HILLIARD ORTON  
2 Mayfair Avenue  
Toronto, Ont., Canada

### ***With the Lord***

John Gill Charles, better known as Jack Charles, was born November 3, 1874, near Boston, Mass., and died February 17, 1948, aged 73 years. He was the oldest son of Wm. P. and Hughina Ross Charles, and grandson of Donald Ross, the highly esteemed pioneer evangelist.

Mr. Charles was saved in 1904 when thirty years of age and for many years served the Lord as a pioneer evangelist in the middle West. He loved the Gospel and many souls will be in glory whom he had the privilege of leading to Christ. He never sought a high place, being content to humbly serve the Lord in an unpretentious way. His wife died very suddenly in Kansas City at Christmastime in 1939, leaving no children. This was a shock to him and left him in a weak physical condition from which he never fully recovered. Several Christians opened their homes to him and made him most welcome. However, he was always more or less restless and very much afraid he would be a burden. God was good to him in his last days of service as he found some service which he was able to perform at the Children's Christian Home at Colorado Springs. There the superintendent, Mr. John Walden, and all the staff were very kind to him and made him a splendid home. There also he worked with the children whom he loved and who truly loved him, for they loved to have "Uncle Jack" tell

them about Jesus and sing and play with them.

After an emergency operation in Colorado Springs, he lingered for four days and was called into the presence of the Lord Thursday, February 17, 1948.

At his funeral in Colorado Springs where John Walden paid him a fitting tribute, the dear children sang "Some Golden Daybreak." Jack Charles was buried surrounded by many loved ones, some of whom he had led to Christ.

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### **Camp Berea**

In order to clarify some misapprehension regarding the boys and girls camps, the trustees of Camp Berea wish to make it plain that any boy or girl is eligible to come to the camp from any part of the United States and Canada provided they are within the age limits and provided they conform to the standards as set forth in the Camp Folder.

The dates for the Boys Camp are July 12 to July 24 and the Girls Camp from July 26 to Aug. 7.

Furthermore, anyone desiring to send a boy or girl to the Camp can do so. They can feel perfectly safe that the boys and girls will be under good careful supervision at all times.

For further information and folder send your communications to Camp Berea, Box 725, Laurence, Mass.

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### **Sick**

**JOHN BERNARD**  
44 Petee St.  
Newton Highlands, Mass.

Brother Bernard continues to grow weaker and it looks like his home call is only a matter of weeks at the most. He knows his earthly service is almost at an end and he is perfectly reconciled to the will of God.

**MERVYN PAUL**  
130 Beverley St.  
Galt, Ont., Canada

A little over a year ago we reported the serious condition of our brother. He is improved to the point where he is usually able to attend the Lord's table on Sunday mornings.

However, he still suffers from nervous tension, and any over exertion is liable to bring on another attack. He is advised by his doctor to live very quietly. We commend him to the prayers of the Lord's people.

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

## *James Goodfellow*

In the year 1885, on the 3rd day of October, a young man sat in a little school house in the village of Clyde, Ontario, listening to the Gospel being preached by Donald Munro and John



Smith. He was twenty-three years of age, and had discovered that he was a lost sinner. Before the meeting, the third he had attended, was closed, James Goodfellow had passed from death unto life. In later years he used to say that he never doubted his salvation, because he was the "whosoever" of John three and sixteen.

Prior to his conversion he had been the dance fiddler of the community, but

the violin was broken across his knee, and its pieces thrown into the fire, for salvation also meant separation from the world to this young believer.

Shortly afterwards he, along with about fifty others, was baptized, and these Christians were gathered into a local church at Clyde.

Two years later, this young and progressive assembly commended our brother Goodfellow to the Lord's work, and he, in company with brother Donald Ross moved westward toward the Pacific Coast. Enroute they stopped at Chicago. A small edition of Smith's Bible Dictionary, purchased by our brother then, bears the date, Chicago, Nov. 29, 1887.

Brother Ross and brother Goodfellow were absolutely unknown to all but God in that great city; nevertheless, that was enough. The Word was preached and some were blessed.

On returning to Ontario about a year later, brother Goodfellow joined brother Kernohan of Forest, and until the home call of the latter, through the intervening years, these two men were real yokefellows in the Gospel.

In the course of his travels our brother became acquainted with Miss Annie F. Bowman, from the assembly at Painswick, Simcoe County, and in the year 1891 they were married. Both of them

were spared to a long and useful life of joint partnership in the Lord's service. The young couple made their first home at Newbury, where there was a small assembly that had been planted by our brother, with the assistance of other servants of the Lord.

Those were busy days, for God had raised up men of grit and grace to pioneer with the Gospel in this favored Province of Ontario. The efforts at Toronto and Hamilton which were being made by brethren Munro, Smith and others were being crowned with success. Brother T. D. W. Muir was laboring, not far from our brother Goodfellow, at the village of Straffordville, where his efforts resulted in the planting of the assembly. A group of young energetic gossellers had penetrated as far north as Orillia, where a mighty work for God was accomplished by Alexander Marshall and others.

From time to time, brother Goodfellow would break away from his own district, and visit other servants of Christ, giving them help and cheer in their labors. We find him present with Mr. Muir at the first conference in Straffordville, and we likewise find him up in the more northerly parts also preaching the Word.

It was about this time that our brother secured a Bible carriage, and with it visited many little assemblies where he gave words of counsel and comfort as well as preached the Gospel. All intermediate points between the assemblies were worked from door to door with tracts, and open-air services were held. Fall fairs were visited, where tracts were given out and Bibles and books were sold. In this way New Market, Holland

Landing, Queensville, Sutton, Cannington, and Orillia were visited. The work in these places was further augmented by the presence in the Bible carriage of such men as Arch. McKellar, John Carnie, John Grimason.

The work of evangelization and scriptural teaching was gathering momentum. It looked as if much territory would be claimed for Christ. The potential success of the Word was making impressions everywhere, when the great Antagonist of God and the Adversary of the brethren exercised his Satanic influence to annul the power of testimony and to neutralize the benign influences of the Spirit of God. What might have been the final outcome of the united efforts of those revered and honored servants of God, who pioneered in those days, Eternity may unfold, but the Devil, who had marred God's work in creation, and who had harassed and hurt the early Church, put forth His hand, and wounded this progressive work, greatly hindering further development, and in many localities leaving behind only a devitalized witness to what otherwise might have been.

On the return from the trip to Orillia, brother Goodfellow was joined by brother J. J. Rouse, who had just recently gone forth for His name sake taking nothing of the Gentiles. These brethren with the Bible carriage moved south and visited that year the Toronto Annual Exhibition, where they gave out tracts, displayed text banners, and preached the Gospel. In later years brother Rouse used to say of brother Goodfellow that he was the prince of open-air preachers. He was blessed with a very strong voice, a round full voice, which was easy to listen to. Some claim that he could be

heard from a mile and a half to two miles distance, depending upon weather conditions.

A letter which was written about that time, the original of which now lies before the writer, probably reveals the character of this eminent pioneer as no other words could.

"Dear brother in Christ,

"I now write you a few lines this morning in the precious name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our reading this morning was in Matthew 26, the soul agony and betrayal of Jesus, a story that the world cares nothing about but I wish it had more weight on our hearts. It would keep us humble and make us truly thankful for such love manifested toward us. We remember when the first sight of the love of God and the love of Christ broke down our stubborn wills and softened our hard hearts, and brought tears to our eyes. O!, I sometimes long to be as soft and broken as at the first. O!, God, give us fresh sights of Calvary.

"At a prayer meeting the other night brother McPherson read to us from Rom. 12 about giving our bodies a living sacrifice unto the Lord, and be not conformed to the world. He also read I John 3:13, 'Marvel not my brethren if the world hate you.' And we were asked the question: 'How much does the world hate us?' If the world does not hate us, it is because we are conforming in some measure to the world. The world hated Jesus and crucified Him. The world hated Paul and put him to death also, because of godliness and faithfulness. If we sometimes wonder that we have so little joy and consolation in Christ, is this not one great reason, the lack of god-

liness and faithfulness on our part. We are far behind the stamp of Christians in the early days. They were out and out for God. They were all for Jesus. In the prayer meeting last night we read Matthew 21 and verses 12, 13, and 14. Jesus came to Jerusalem, and entered into the temple, and overthrew tables of the money changers, and the seats of them that sold doves, and said, 'It is written, My house shall be called a house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves.' Often this has spoken to me. What is this temple now? 'Ye are the temple of God.' 'Know ye not that your bodies are the temple of the Holy Ghost?' and prayer should characterize us. Does the world know us as praying men and women? Ah, there are thieves of one kind or another taking the place of prayer and God is being robbed. We need to awake, watch, and pray."

After a few years at Newbury our brother and his wife found it necessary, because of the illness of Mrs. Goodfellow's father, to move west to Chilliwack Valley, and from that point our brother extended his efforts down the Pacific Coast.

About 1900 they moved back again into Ontario, and their place of residence for a time was at Jarvis. Our brother felt led to locate there; first, because in those days there was an assembly in the village, and in second place, because of blessing which he and brother Kernohan had experienced some years previously at a near-by settlement which had been nick-named "The Dog's Nest."

After two years of labors in this district the Goodfellows moved to a farm outside of Forest, and they attended meetings at the Lake Shore assembly.

About this time our brother felt, that since the Bible carriage had proved such a success, a wooden tent might prove even a greater success; therefore, the first such structure to be used in Ontario was made for him by brother Alex. McKenzie in his lumber yard at Oil Springs, Ontario. While still living near Forest our brother operated his wooden tent from Sarnia south throughout the villages along the St. Clair river, such as, Coruna, Courtbright, Sombra, Port Lambton, Wilksport, Brigden, and Petrolia. In most of these places souls were saved, and there is fruit that remains until this present day.

In the course of time brother Goodfellow felt the urge to return once again to Newbury. It was his practice to move his family frequently, so whole districts might be worked around his own home, which he could use as his headquarters; consequently, once more we find him working out from Newbury. In company with brother Kernohan, the wooden tent was used in the villages of Alvinston, Glencoe, and at Ekford township, where an assembly was founded through these efforts. Our brother at this time also labored at Thamesford, Catham, Wallaceburgh, and Merlin.

His second stay at Newbury came to an end in 1907, when he moved nearer his old home. He took up residence at Galt, but within the year moved to Guelph, where a small assembly gathered in the home of James Parker. He worked northward from this point.

Brother Goodfellow was not only a man who entered new places with the Gospel, but he was a man willing to help

others, and many a younger man was blessed through association with him, for with those exercised about the Lord's work he was always ready to share his knowledge and experience. The names of many younger men are found linked with him in his labors, some of whom are: John Silvester, Gordon Johnston, William Bailie, Arch. Stewart, Thomas Dobbin, Thomas Touzeau, and Robert Barr.

In the year 1915 he took his leave of the saints at Guelph, and moved to Park Hill where he remained until the time of his home call.

In the year 1930 he suffered a stroke which greatly impaired his health, and brought an end to most of his more aggressive evangelism.

In his eighty-second year, on April 26, 1933, he was promoted to a higher sphere, and a more perfect service, but he being dead still speaks.

The funeral service was too large to be accommodated in the Gospel Hall at Park Hill, so it was held in the town hall. Brethren Robert Telfer and Donald McGeachy preached the Word, and the six younger servants of Christ who acted as pall bearers, had, at one time or another, been associated with him in his labors. Thus devout men carried this worthy veteran to his burial, and one of the strongest links with early pioneer work in Ontario was broken.

In many places the work of pioneering has become a work of maintenance and consolidation, but may the same enthusiasm and zeal, along with the compassionate love for the souls of men, burn within the heart of every reader.

*Compiled by Mr. James Gunn*

# OUR STEWARDSHIP

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# THE TREASURER'S REPORT

For the information of the Lord's people in the assemblies, we take pleasure in submitting herewith the annual certified audit report covering receipts and disbursements of LETTERS OF INTEREST for 1947.

## LETTERS OF INTEREST CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

### Cash Statement January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

|                                   | General<br>Fellowship<br>Fund | Earmarked<br>Fellowship<br>Fund | Expense<br>Fund  | Total            |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Balance, January 1, 1947</b>   | 3.00                          | 190.00                          | 138.05           | 331.05           |
| Add: Receipts                     |                               |                                 |                  |                  |
| Cash                              | 1,178.50                      | 31,183.01                       | 8,905.14         |                  |
| Other                             |                               |                                 | (A) 1,500.00     |                  |
| Total                             | <u>1,178.50</u>               | <u>31,183.01</u>                | <u>10,405.14</u> | <u>42,766.65</u> |
|                                   | 1,181.50                      | 31,373.01                       | 10,543.19        | 43,097.70        |
| Deduct: Disbursements             |                               |                                 |                  |                  |
| Cash                              | 1,179.50                      | 23,373.01                       | 8,038.32         |                  |
| Other                             |                               |                                 | (A) 1,500.00     |                  |
| Total                             | <u>1,179.50</u>               | <u>23,373.01</u>                | <u>9,538.32</u>  | <u>34,090.83</u> |
| <b>Balance, December 31, 1947</b> | 2.00                          | 8,000.00                        | 1,004.87         | 9,006.87         |

The Outstanding Liabilities as of December 31, 1947, are the following:

|                              |                   |
|------------------------------|-------------------|
| Good News Press, Inc.        | \$ 133.34         |
| Note Payable (A)             | 1,500.00          |
| Central Bible and Book Store | 24.11             |
|                              | <u>\$1,657.45</u> |

Cash receipts were traced to their deposit in the Bank, Confirmation of the bank balance at December 31, 1947, was received directly from the Depository and the amount was reconciled with the balance shown above.

Certified as Correct.  
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Dated at Chicago,  
February 28, 1948

## With the Lord



**CHARLES BELLINGER**

Dear Brethren:

It is with the greatest regret that we announce the sudden home call of our beloved brother, Charles Bellinger, on Lord's Day, February 8th.

The Fields, of which he was editor and one of the treasurers, has sustained an irreparable loss which only those who have been most closely associated with him can rightly estimate.

We feel that the greatest tribute that we can pay to our brother's memory is to continue, as the Lord may enable, the service to the Lord and His servants which has been in the past so signally honored.

Charles Bellinger of Maplewood, N.J., passed into the Lord's presence on February 8, at the age of 74. He had been warned to "slow up" from his many strenuous activities, but being a man of

dynamic strength and having a desire to serve the Lord, was active until the minute the Lord took him. He had given a precious Word to the Christians gathered at Maplewood Chapel, went directly home, shoveled the snow from a path leading to a bird-feeding place in his backyard, came into the house, sat on a sofa, leaned his head back and without warning his spirit took its flight.

Born in Cohoes, N.Y., Brother Bellinger was saved when a young man. He was graduated from City College in New York as a civil engineer. In 1901, he entered the insurance business, joining the firm of E. E. Klapp & Co., general agents for the Fidelity & Casualty Company of New York. He served as metropolitan branch manager until 1921, when he resigned to become a partner in the W. L. Perrin & Son agency, of which he was president and manager at his death.

Long active in Christian circles, he was at his death editor of *The Fields*, a publication and clearing house for many missionary activities. As elder and correspondent for the Maplewood Chapel, he was aggressive in pointing an unsaved person to Christ as Saviour, whether in the Chapel, at his office, or elsewhere. He was a director of the Chester Crest Home in Katonah, N. Y., and treasurer of the James Slip Gospel Mission.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Beatrice Y. Bellinger, and three children by a previous marriage, Mrs. Florence E. Myers, of Maplewood, Mrs. Lois B. Robinson of Hollywood, Fla., and R. Paul Bellinger of Chatham, N. Y.

Yours in His service.

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# RADIO PROGRAMS

Compiled by C. W. POLLARD

The following are broadcasts carried on by or in fellowship with assemblies. We invite all those engaged in such work to send in all details (kc., time, station, city, etc.) regarding their activity. Stations listed alphabetically according to State.

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## Georgia

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# EDITORIAL

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## The Brethren, or the Plymouth Brethren

By T. B. GILBERT

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The name "Plymouth Brethren" we understand was given to an assembly of Christians which met in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ perhaps a century ago at Plymouth, England. This assembly was very active in reaching the towns and places around Plymouth with the Gospel. When people asked them who they were, they said, "Brethren from Plymouth." Soon they were nicknamed "Plymouth Brethren." They did not want to be Plymouth Brethren any more than the Baptist at first wanted to be Baptists. If the Baptists were not a denomination before, they became one when they took the name as a group; put it outside of their buildings and began to organize under it.

We must ever remember that the names, brethren, believers, Christians, disciples, etc. belong to all the members of Christ's body and not to groups or sections of the body. To take the name "Brethren" or "The Brethren" as an official title would be just as wrong as any other. To say, I belong to "The Brethren" and mean anything but belonging to the family of God, or the body of Christ, is a step toward a sectarian position. In these days when organization means everything, can we be sure that future

generations will not accept some name, other than the name of Christ, and finally organize under it?

There is such a thing as gathering in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is only natural that those who bear His name should want to gather in it. There is salvation in no other (Acts 4:12). The Word exhorts: "Whatsoever you do in word or deed do all in the name of the Lord Jesus" (Col. 3:17). Christ has

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promised, "Where two or three are gathered together in My name there am I in the midst of them" (Matt. 18:20). Let us not accuse others that they are not gathering in that name, but rather be sure we ourselves are establishing new testament churches around no other.

When one reads the United States census of religious bodies he finds a number of groups called "Plymouth Brethren" all of whom claim to be on scriptural grounds. All of these divisions are among the "Exclusives." Why did they divide so often? For the same reason "Needed Truth" principles have divided those known as "Open" in certain cities. Sectarianism has worked among people who have professed to be non-sectarian. "Needed Truth" fails to recognize the fellowship of the one body and substitutes a local church fellowship or the fellowship of a group of churches which agree with their principles.

#### *What is the Cure and the Safeguard?*

The only safeguard we have against sectarianism is to preach the Word and practice it. The Word of God recognizes only one membership, that is the body of Christ, "for we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones," (Eph. 5:30). For this reason we are "members one of another" (Eph. 4:25); and are exhorted to "receive one another as Christ also received us to the glory of God" (Rom. 15:7).

There is only "one fellowship" in the New Testament although it may be spoken of in different ways. Paul spoke of all Christians being called into the

"fellowship of His Son," when he wrote to the church at Corinth, and to "all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their's and our's" (I Cor. 1:2, 9). This fellowship is also spoken of as the "Communion" or fellowship of the Holy Spirit (II Cor. 13:14), "For by one spirit are we all baptized into one body: and have all been made to drink into one spirit" (I Cor. 12:13). The church is an organism, divinely formed and not an organization. The local church is also an organism which too acknowledges Christ as it's head. It welcomes and receives those whom it believes are saved; are sound in doctrine; and are godly in life. It has the right to question and refuse the unsaved, the sinful, and those unsound in faith whenever they present themselves.

Let us thank God for His Word and for those in all generations who have sought to follow its teachings. We value the writings of the men who sought the scriptural path 100 years ago and others since, because they unfold to us the teachings of the Book, but we should also profit from any failures on the part of others. Since our pattern is the Word of God, let us cling to it and refuse to call ourselves "The Brethren" or allow others to laughingly call us "P.B.'s" or anything else, which permits them to feel more comfortable in a sectarian position themselves. Above all, may we count as our brethren "them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart" (II Tim. 2:22; Acts 15:9), and flee from sectarianism, or the party spirit which is one of the sins of the flesh (Gal. 5:20, R.V.).

# LETTERS

Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**JOSEPH BALSAN**  
Copper City, Michigan

The past month I have been seeking to mail tracts to about 5000 homes in the rural and out of the way places. Am also hoping to send tracts with advertisement of the meetings to homes with names in the telephone directory in the neighborhood of the Gospel hall in Laurium. Have tried to get them in with personal invitations but have not been so successful, so perhaps this may remind them of the meetings. Besides it will be a means of getting the Gospel to them too.

The winters are rather confining in these parts so our opportunities are rather limited. But the mails afford a good medium of reaching many. In the next month, Lord willing, we hope to get tracts and Gospels of Luke and John to the students of the Michigan College of Mines and Technology located at Houghton. Have done some of this in past years but not for the past two years, so hope to reach all the students this time. They have between one and two thousand there I guess, so it affords a good opportunity to reach the oft times unreachable.

Several of the brethren have been encouraged with a cottage meeting which they have been conducting every other week. Now they are carrying on in the schoolhouse and have encouraging numbers out. We are glad to see this reaching out with the Word.

As to health, we are all well and trust this finds you all well too and encouraged in the work of the Lord entrusted

to your hands. Thank you again most sincerely for your ministry of care (Hebrews 6:10).

**SHELDON L. BARD**  
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Ottawa, Ont., Canada

Since the new year I have taught at

## *The Cover*

EMMAUS BIBLE SCHOOL

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Thornton Hall on the corner of 69th and Normal in Chicago has had a long history in connection with the assemblies. One of its rooms on the third floor was used for many years as an assembly hall for Christians who gathered to the Name of the Lord Jesus. This room was the birthplace of many souls who are still going on actively for the Lord.

Now the entire third floor of this excellent building is occupied by the Emmaus Bible School. The largest room is used as the main classroom. Another large hall has been converted into the library which boasts approximately two thousand books at the present time. Still another room is used as a dining hall and classroom, while the remainder of the space is devoted to offices and prayer rooms.

These accommodations are now being utilized by fifty-two earnest young people. The space, however, is ample for about two hundred students. Applications are now being received for the fall term, and present indications are that the enrollment will be greatly expanded. Students completing the first year in Chicago go on to the Toronto School for the second and third year.

the Montreal Bible School and at the Ottawa Bible School, and have helped in all the meetings of the Ottawa assembly.

During the period of my wife's convalescence in the States I have taken room and board in a French Canadian home in Hull, Quebec, with a view to perfecting my French and seeking to more effectively witness among these lovable people who are so religious. I have children's class in an English speaking home. There is no evangelical testimony in Hull, a city of 35,000 of which 97% is French Roman Catholic.

**R. F. BAYLES**  
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During the months of February and March we have been visiting some of the assemblies of the south, among them San Diego, California, Tucson, Arizona, El Paso and San Antonio, Texas, New Orleans, La., and Tampa, Zephyrhills and St. Petersburg, Fla. The ministry is being recognized as a real need among the saints.

We had an especially happy time in San Antonio, where we ministered the Word and the Gospel for two weeks. There is little encouragement in Gospel work, though faithful efforts are being kept up. The city is a Catholic stronghold, there being about 125,000 Mexicans.

In New Orleans the principal interest is a splendid work for young men away from home—a continuation of a "Service Center" work conducted during the war years by brother Vernon Schlieff. With a group of faithful helpers brother Schlieff reaches hundreds of such young men with the Gospel, and there have

been many bright conversions. Rooms for the night and breakfast in the morning are furnished for as many as 80 each night.

The Lord willing, we expect to go on to Hollywood, Florida, and Savannah, Georgia, after which we expect, D.V., to return to our home in California, via some of the gatherings in the Midwest and West. We hope to reach home about June 1 and resume our ministry in various places in central California.

**DAVID R. BRINKMAN**  
M. R. 38  
Augusta, Ga.

Recently we have seen some more saved, one a young man in the hospital who had read some of my tracts and sent for me. He seemed truly concerned and the day after my visit he confessed to being saved.

These days we are getting many letters from the rural people in the eight states to whom we are mailing tracts. The weather has greatly hindered the outdoor work, but we look forward to better days.

**WM. M. BROWN**  
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Dover, Del.

We moved here from Asheville, N. C., on December 20, 1947. The only place available in the way of living quarters was this four room apartment with very high rent. It just seems impossible to locate a more suitable house. But the Lord is able to do the impossible if we are to remain in Dover.

We have had a series of meetings for the children and in spite of the bad weather, the attendance was good and nine professed to be saved. One, a boy of 17, seems to be a very bright case. We

want to do some follow-up work with these and try to reach the families through the children.

If the Lord provides a tent this summer we want to try Wilmington, Delaware as our first of a project to open up the State. Wilmington has a population of 21,000 and no assembly. Then there are other towns where we want to try some cottage meetings. Thus, while there is a small assembly here in Dover, our work is of a pioneer nature and requires much plowing and sowing. The Christians here are generally poor and through the kindness of Christians elsewhere, we have been able to help some with clothing. Mr. and Mrs. Richmond have done a big work along this line and won quite a number thereby.

Transportation is a big problem here. There is no bus service and we have to haul our audience to the hall in our cars. The Christians help. We humbly ask the prayers of the Lord's dear people.

**LEONARD E. BROUGH**  
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Leaving Oklahoma City, my journey took me to Albuquerque, New Mexico. It has been a joy to bring some help to this small assembly. Of many of them the Lord will have cause to say, "Thou hast little strength, thou hast kept my Word, thou hast not denied my Name." Am now enroute home, stopping at a few places on the way.

**ERNEST B. CRABB**  
Fairbanks, Alaska

There are approximately 8,000 people in Fairbanks, not counting the army personnel at the two large airfields, besides many construction workers.

Each Lord's day a group of believers,

including a group of children, mostly Indian and Eskimo, come out in the bus as far as the University, from where I take them in our truck to our place, where we have the joy of breaking bread and also conducting Sunday school. It has so far been a precious time indeed. After the latter service, my wife along with two other helpers prepares supper. A week or so ago there were over twenty, so you can imagine what our small kitchen looked like. Since then we have rented a small house close by and now have plenty of room.

We have had some wonderful contacts with needy souls. Some are under conviction of sin and we are praying for their salvation.

Actually, we have had little to do with the progress made so far. Harry Handy, who is from an assembly in Des Moines, Iowa, and now an employee at Ladd Field, has laid the foundation. He is very competent and has practical wisdom in dealing with souls. Two small Bible classes are held each week in town. I have attended a good number of these and have sought to be of some help in the instruction of the Word. The devil has seen to it that this town is filled with unsound doctrine.

**ROBERT CURRY**  
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Houston 4, Texas

The work in South Houston, the town where Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson have lived for the last ten or twelve years, is encouraging. Lots on which to build have been sought. Plans are being drawn up and it is expected building will begin about the first of April. There is a very fine work going on among the children with two or three meetings a week for

adults. Best of all there are 20 to 25 ready to remember the Lord and establish a testimony to our absent but soon coming Lord Jesus.

Pray for all this that God will give wisdom to begin and go on as a testimony in the Gospel and in the path and purposes of God for His people so clearly revealed in His Word.

**FRANK DETTRICK**  
**Harvey, N. D.**

On February 8 we closed six weeks of meetings in the chapel here. After two weeks of prayer meetings for our own revival and His blessing on our effort to reach those about us, during which time we had Bible studies on the letters to the seven churches of Asia, we had four weeks for outsiders on "God's Program: Past, Present and Future," using a dispensational chart. After canvassing the town again over 100 outsiders came in. The Christians seemed to enjoy the Word, but we had hoped for better things. Much of the time it was well below zero. Since that time we have been pretty well snowed in and unable to have a series at Hurshfield so far. We are looking forward to spring and canvassing the towns of the nearby counties with tracts and using our P A system. At present we are mailing nearly 20,000 tracts to the rural boxholders in these counties.

**WELCOME DETWEILER**  
**415 N. Hyde Park**  
**Durham, N. C.**

We have received a few letters from our radio audience, indicating that they have found the Saviour through this form of ministry.

A little revival has begun here since the beginning of the year. In these first

ten weeks some 69 souls have professed here in the regular services; some in their homes, some by their work bench and various other places, indicating the mighty convicting power of the Holy Spirit.

Our building which seats a little over 400 is packed each Sunday night so there are indications of many more coming to the Saviour soon. We desire your prayers. Revivals are dangerous because of the tendencies of the flesh.

Our brother Lawrence T. Chambers is here for three weeks of ministry in connection with the Tabernacle in the Wilderness. This precious ministry is a great help in establishing those newly saved, and the interest is very good each night.

**ERVIN D. DRESCH**  
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**San Antonio 7, Texas**

Our Gospel effort is not confined to this city. Besides our Gospel trips into the southwestern States each year, visiting the Mexican colonies, we also reach most of the Spanish countries with our Gospel articles, and with our Young Peoples' Spanish hymn book, and also with our hand work material for Summer Vacation Bible classes, which is also in demand by missionaries who know of it. So our work is never done, we can always work overtime and still there is more to do. We thank God for health and strength to do it. It is our greatest joy in life to be busy in the interests of our God and Saviour.

**FRANK M. DETWEILER**  
**General Delivery**  
**Riviera Beach, Fla.**

The Lord has definitely blessed us during the winter here in Florida. We

have not had colds; though our boy is far from well, he is slowly improving. We rejoice over the hearty fellowship of the saints we have enjoyed all through Florida. We hope another winter season we shall be privileged to work in cities where there is no assembly testimony, to open up new fields. We purpose to spend a short time around Lakeland before we return to Virginia, after we leave here. A baptism is planned for the coming Sunday.

**GEORGE DUNCAN**  
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After a month's meeting in Deland, Florida, where we saw a little blessing, I went to Jacksonville, Fla. About eight or ten meet in a home. I then went to Goldsboro, N. C., where a brother and his wife, formerly of Cleveland, live. Their nearest assembly is Raleigh, 52 miles each way. I held a Gospel meeting Sunday night in the Community building of a War Housing Project located about three miles from Goldsboro. There are about 650 units. I knocked at between 200 and 300 doors and gave a personal invitation but not many responded. During the week nights I had meetings in this brother's house, getting a few of his workers and neighbors in.

I came to Washington March 20 and am having a few meetings of ministry to the Lord's people.

**ROBERT FENTY**  
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The attendance at the Sunday school is up, although the number is not steady. The children are not encouraged by parents to come to the chapel. In spite of this lack of interest on the part of the

parents some of the children are regular in their attendance. There is a renewed interest in the Woman's Sewing Class. The young Christians go on for the Lord in spite of opposition in the home. One youth in particular is being strengthened in the Lord. Prayer is needed.

Our winter has been very mild; first wind and rain, then wind and snow, and now about ten days of clear and cold. The lowest temperature was zero.

The Lord continues to bless us with health and strength.

**LOUIS J. GERMAIN**  
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On November 20 I was quite surprised to receive a short letter from Rev. Paul Gay, a R.C. priest, professor at a R.C. college, and president of the press service of Ottawa. Enclosed I found a newspaper clipping of an article he had written in the French paper "Le Droit," telling the R.C. people to burn the New Testaments, tracts and every thing they would receive that would not have the permit of a R.C. bishop. In his note he said: "May this article written in "Le Droit" of Saturday, November 15, lead you to serious thoughts. May you be also sincere and true." As soon as I received his note and clipping, I wrote to thank him for sending them to me and said that, D.V., I would answer his article and what he called "heresies" as "saved by faith" and the "Scriptures" being the only source of light, etc.

Due to other things I had to attend to, it is only last week that I could send him my answer, showing that what he called "heresies," were the teaching of the Word of God, and that the Church of Rome was not "the true Church," but

only a vast religious and political system seeking power and wealth, etc. Kindly pray that this priest may see his error and be led to see the light of the Gospel.

In contrast I have received the following letter from a French Christian woman who formerly was R.C.: Dear Brother in Christ: It is with pleasure that I received your letter. If I do not write often, nevertheless I do not forget you because you are the one the Lord sent to open my eyes to the truth, and to find the Saviour who is so good; who gives strength, courage and takes such care of His own; He does not forget me, but, alas! I do very little for Him, etc.

What a joy to give the Word of Life to all, and how gracious God is to save all those who come to Him through Christ!

**DOUGLAS IBBOTSON**  
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A lot on the Dula Lane Highway has been purchased and the house movers are busy on the preparatory work of moving the chapel to this new location. This move was necessary because of the numerous buildings which were being put up around us. After it is moved we will add Sunday school rooms and when all the work is finished we will have a much more advantageous situation. The change is involving much labor and expense but we believe it to be the will of the Lord and as it is for His glory, we are confident all necessities will be provided for the undertaking.

Brother A. P. Gibbs just finished two weeks of splendid children's meetings and we also had brother Sydney Buckland of Africa for a week end. The help of these brethren enabled me to spend

more time with the necessary detail of the building change.

**EARL MILLER**  
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We had a very profitable stay in the Bahamas. Have had meetings in the Lower Hall in Nassau, at Currant on the Island of Eleuthera, at Harbour Island, and now at Spanish Wells. Expect to continue here until next week, and then to Nassau again for two weeks meetings at Central Hall, before returning to the States. Much interest has been manifested and the saints strengthened. There is deep spirituality manifested among the saints, and the hospitality of the Lord's people is certainly unsurpassed.

We will look forward to labor for the Lord in the States, as He may direct. My wife has been definitely benefited by spending the two winters in the South. She was well on the way to a wheel chair three years ago, but now she is much improved and we trust she need never come to that.

**WILLIAM MORGAN**  
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After a very profitable season with the Gospel messengers on tour last summer, brother George Leest and I returned to the Colorado-Nebraska border on highway Route 6 for schoolhouse meetings, and saw the Lord's hand in real blessing. Now again I am back in this area from holding Bible readings in farm homes holdin gBible readings in farm homes of some of the saints. In the will of the Lord, we hope by this fall to form an assembly, possibly in the town of Haxtun. Please pray for the work here .

**JOHN E. OLLIVIERRE**  
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"The Lord hath done great things for us; whereof we are glad" (Psa. 126:3). "O, give thanks unto the Lord; call upon His Name: make known His deeds among the people" (Psa. 105:1).

Believing it to be the leading of the Lord, on Sept. 18, we moved back here to work among the colored people. The Lord has truly blessed our efforts. We have seen weekly meetings, two in our home. The attendance has increased from the family of five, who were carrying on here, to twenty-seven in number in our meeting. Sunday, Jan. 25, we had the largest group out, the hall was full, and there were over twelve visitors. All glory to God!

Since our arrival, a number have confessed to take the Lord as their own; among them a woman in her 70's, four men in jail, a lady twenty-one, and a man eighty-three. This man, by his own admission, was a "great sinner" and while we were speaking to him, said, "I've come nearer tonight to being saved than ever before." After reading the next Scripture passage, he fell down on his knees and thanked God for His Un-speakable Gift. The glory is the Lord's!

We are, and have been, using every opportunity to do personal, house to house work daily, in addition to giving out the Gospel from the pulpit, and in tract and book form, by mail, both in this country and abroad.

Pray for us, that we might have power and liberty, knowledge and guidance in witnessing for Him to others.

**WM. M. RAE**  
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March 11 is the red letter day of my life, for 58 years ago I first learned and rejoiced in the fact that Christ took my place at Calvary and "Suffered for sins, the just for the unjust that He might bring us to God." Through this Scripture (I Peter 3:18) I found peace with God and rest to my weary soul, after years of conviction. Now I await the "shout," so until then I would seek grace to do His will and to be found well pleasing to Him while down here.

I have just returned home after the best part of a month at several places. I much enjoyed a visit to Boise, Idaho, taking in two Lord's days and the week between, then on to Sunnyside, Toppenish and Yakima, Washington. Some of these places were intensely needy. Such places commend my sincere interest. The spring season is opening up along this Pacific Coast and many are the openings for the work of the Lord, and great is the need.

**JOHN REA**  
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At Bicknell, Indiana, where I am at present, March 8, brother James Creeley and his wife seek to maintain a testimony in their home, meeting each Lord's day to remember the Lord in the breaking of bread. I have been with them for six days. Yesterday, March 7, we had two believers from Linton, Ind. and five of us remembered the Lord. In the afternoon we had a meeting for the ministry of the Word.

Before coming here I visited Kalamazoo, Michigan, where there is a small company. During the week we had the

meetings in the homes of the believers.

I also visited Logansport, Ind., where I was kept busy with meetings. A short visit was made at Indianapolis which was appreciated by the few believers in the small assembly. I expect, (D.V.,) to visit Brookston, Ind. It has been encouraging to see our service in the various places accepted of the saints (Rom. 15:31).

**JOHN REID**  
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Since February 8 we have visited Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Kensington and Assembly Halls in Buffalo. We enjoyed ministering to the saints. Meetings well attended in all three places, in spite of bad weather.

From there we went to Rochester and had five ministry meetings which were well attended and Hall full for Gospel meeting Sunday evening. The Lord's dear people enjoyed the ministry and were helped. One fine young man professed and seemed real bright. The Christians had been praying for him for sometime. We need a little more prayer.

On our way back to Detroit, we stopped for the week-end at Erie, Pa., and had nice meetings. They seemed hungering for the Word.

We intend (D.V.) being in Grand Rapids for two weeks beginning March 14. Then Muskegon, Holland, Valparaiso and on to Wheaton for April 18. We expect to be at the Des Moines conference for end of May.

We value prayer. Seventy long years since the Lord met and saved my soul. It's better now than ever before.

**V. M. RIVERA**  
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During the winter months, we have seen the good hand of the Lord in the distribution of thousands of tracts and Gospel papers. Our visitation work and personal dealing with souls have brought some visible results and we are praying that souls may come to a genuine decision for Christ and be saved.

As we have been unable to find the needed parts for repairing our old car, all of the activities are being confined to the locality. Since New Years day we have been holding cottage meetings in homes of people who have not visited our hall. Thus the Lord has opened many homes.

Regular meetings at our hall continue well attended. A few weeks ago we were much pleased to have in our midst Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Christensen, missionaries from Peru, with very interesting report and account of their labors there, and recently brother R. T. Halliday arrived in the city and since then has visited us a number of times. As the springtime has arrived we are preparing to take advantage of the many opportunities. Please pray that we may honor our Saviour till He comes.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**HECTOR ALVES**  
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Brother Alves, after spending some time in new places in British Columbia, left for Ontario about the beginning of March, going through the United States. He visited assemblies in Iowa, Chicago, Detroit and other cities. He hopes to spend a little time in Ontario, preaching the Gospel and ministering to the saints.

**DAVID CALDERHEAD**  
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Mansfield, Ohio

We expect brother Calderhead to begin Gospel meetings here in McKeesport Gospel Hall, Pa., on March 28. Will value the prayers of the Lord's people on behalf of this effort, that souls might be saved. Our brother had two weeks of meetings here for believers in December.

**ROBERT A. CRAWFORD**  
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**AUBREY C. DELLANDREA**  
Port Loring, Ont., Canada

Brethren Crawford and Dellandrea have just completed, March 7, six weeks Gospel meetings at McNab Street Gos-

pel Hall, Hamilton, Ont., with a wonderful interest among the Lord's people and the unconverted maintained throughout. A nice number of sinners have been saved—some that have been long prayed for—and backsliders have been restored. A one-day conference was held on Sat., March 6, when our brethren Wilkie, Sprunt, Reager and Plubell helped in the ministry.

"To God be the glory, great things He had done."

**JOHN T. DICKSON**      12 Belle Vue Ave.  
1449 Van Buren St.      Carnalea, Co. Down  
Hollywood, Fla.      No. Ireland

Mr. and Mrs. Dickson sailed for Ireland from New York on March 20. Our brother was anxious to visit former scenes of labor, and once again serve the Lord in the land where he began preaching many years ago, as well as meeting Christian friends and relatives.

**DAN M. DUNNETT**  
722 Dodge St.  
Lake Geneva, Wis.

Brother Dunnett was in Louisville, Ky., when last we heard, about the end of March, seeking to help the saints and encourage brother Karl Pfaff.

Brother Dunnett is giving ministry from the Tabernacle in the Wilderness and there is quite an interest among the Lord's people. Some unsaved are attending the Gospel meetings on Sunday evenings.

Brother Karl Pfaff is to be commended for his efforts in seeking to establish a testimony to the Lord's Name in Louisville, and it is encouraging to know they now have a hall in which to meet.

**JOHN GOVAN**  
9591 Sorrento Ave.  
Detroit 27, Michigan

Brother Govan is having meetings at present in connection with the assembly at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. The assembly has been exercised about this Gospel effort for some time, and in addition to special prayer meetings, they advertised the meetings in the local newspaper, mailed form letters and printed postcards to neighbors, friends and relatives.

Brother Govan is seeking to follow up these invitations by personal contacts. He is using the chart, "Two roads, and Two Destinies," in the meetings. Prayer is asked for this effort. March 8.

**ROBERT HALLIDAY**  
Station A  
San Antonio, Texas

Brother Halliday is laboring in this city where there are at least 125,000 Mexicans and perhaps more. The need is so great he hardly knows where to begin. He purposes erecting a tent and holding meetings in Spanish and English.

Mrs. Halliday is also doing what she can to bring the Gospel to the children. We understand the Mexicans receive

the Gospel literature, which is given to them, very readily.

**HAROLD M. HARPER**  
President and College Aves.  
Wheaton, Illinois

Brother Harper had two weeks of good Gospel meetings in Omaha, Nebr., in March, speaking from the "Two Roads and Two Destinies" chart. Two professed to be saved.

**THOMAS HAY**  
3285 West 24th Avenue  
Vancouver, B. C., Canada

Brother Hay has been in Japan since January 17. We learn from Mrs. Hay, above address, that there is great joy in the work there, and already about fourteen have professed to be saved. There is an open ear for the Gospel, and at a recent open air meeting about 150 listened. They have three open air meetings weekly.

There are two small assemblies in Tokyo, and both halls were burned during the war.

Brother Hay has been encouraged by the arrival in Japan of brother Robert Wright, who labored there prior to the war.

**DOUGLAS HOWARD**      **FRED PEARCEY**  
43 Hilton Avenue      205 Margueretta St.  
Toronto, Ont., Can.      Toronto 4, Ont., Can.

These young brethren were encouraged by seeing the hand of God in blessing in their meetings in Nanainio Road Hall, Vancouver, B.C., Canada. Many unsaved attended the meetings, and 8 professed to be saved. After closing these meetings Easter week end, they hoped to start another series, shortly, in the South Main Street Gospel Hall, Vancouver.

**M. J. KENNEDY**  
301 E. 161st St.  
Bronx, N. Y.

Since returning from the old land, brother Kennedy, because of high blood pressure, has had to confine his activities to preaching around home, and even in this limited sphere he has had to be careful. He had the joy of seeing some blessing to saint and sinner. At present he is feeling somewhat better and hopes soon, in the will of God, to go further afield.

**ROBERT McCLURKIN ROBERT BOOTH**  
Route 1 51 Eastmount Ave.  
Galt, Ont., Canada Toronto 6, Ont., Canada

These brethren commenced meetings in Galt, Ont., on Sunday, February 29. These meetings mark the opening of a new hall on the West Side of town. The Galt brethren are very much exercised about this work, and are looking to the Lord for souls. There were a nice number of strangers in the first Sunday evening.

Three professed to be saved in the meetings conducted in Broadview Gospel Hall, Toronto, by these two brethren prior to the effort in Galt.

**O. E. MAGEE**  
2615 Buchanan St., N.E.  
Minneapolis 13, Minn.

Brother Magee had interesting and profitable ministry meetings in Ottumwa, Iowa from March 14 to 26. He then commenced a series of ministry and Gospel meetings in the Maplewood Hall, St. Louis, on March 28.

**FRED W. MEHL**  
4225 Commonwealth Ave.  
Detroit 8, Michigan

Brother Mehl commenced meetings in the new Gospel chapel in Wichita Kansas, on March 7. The assembly here,

which is quite young, has erected an attractive building in a good location. They go on happily together, exercised about the things of God. Brother Mehl is speaking from a model of the Tabernacle in the Wilderness, and when last we heard, one had professed to be saved.

Brother Leonard Linsted, who has labored with the assembly here since its beginning, has moved to Wichita.

**CESARE PATRIZIO**  
908 Pasadena Avenue  
Philadelphia, Pa.

Brother Patrizio keeps occupied, visiting the Italian assemblies, and seeking to spread the Gospel among the Italian people. Recently he was invited to have a meeting in a private home in Jersey City, where some gathered who seemed interested in the Gospel, one of these being a doctor.

Mrs. Patrizio who suffered much after her operation last year, and who had frequent heart attacks, is somewhat improved.

**THOMAS ROBINSON,**  
806 West Olive Avenue  
Monrovia, California

Brother Robinson formerly of Toronto, Ont., is now making his home at the above address. He is exercised about helping the smaller assemblies within reach of Monrovia, as well as giving out Gospel tracts. He has selected the many trailer camps as a field for tract distribution. This is a large field as we understand there are about 45,000 trailers in the state of California.

Recently he spent a month with the saints in the Front St. Gospel Hall, San Diego, speaking from his chart, "Egypt to Canaan."

**ARTHUR B. RODGERS**  
4111 Wirt St.  
Omaha 3, Neb.

**DAVID LAWRENCE**  
205 S. 12th St.  
Centerville, Iowa

These brethren had two weeks meetings at Berea, Iowa, during February, using brother Lawrence's model of the tabernacle. A number professed to be saved, one just before the meeting began; two during the series, and three in their homes after the meetings closed, others were concerned.

**JAMES SMITH**  
16811 Murray Hill  
Detroit 27, Mich.

Brother Smith has been in DeLand, Fla., since the first of the year, and is being encouraged in the preaching of the Gospel. There is a good attendance at the meetings, and two have professed to be saved. We understand the assembly at DeLand is going on in happy fellowship. Brother Smith intends spending much of his time in the south, seeking to help small assemblies.

**TOM WILKE**                      **ERNEST B. SPRUNT**  
Box 183                              78 Awde Street  
Forest, Ont., Canada              Toronto, Ont., Canada

These brethren concluded six weeks Gospel meetings in Oshawa about the end of February. They were cheered by the two or three professing to be saved.

A week later they commenced a Gospel effort in Midland, and when we last heard at the end of March, one had professed and others were interested.

The March issue stated there were about five in fellowship in Oshawa. This should have read about fifty.

#### **ARNPRIOR, ONTARIO, CANADA**

We have had two weeks very profitable meetings, Mr. Samuel Taylor of Peterboro, Ontario, ministering the Gospel which was much enjoyed by the

saints and with God's blessing manifested in our midst, three professing salvation. We hope to have our brother Taylor with us later in the season, March 3.

FRED FISS

#### **CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY**

We understand from brother Conoway that at a baptism on a Sunday about a month ago, the hall was packed with people, many of them unsaved. Some were anxious to be saved. He tells us there is quite a stir here. Quite a few have also been saved and some gathered to the name of the Lord Jesus in the Philadelphia district of late.

Brother Conoway started meetings in Bridgeport, Conn., on March 14.

#### **CLEVELAND, OHIO** **Addison Road Gospel Hall**

We understand the meetings held by brethren Watson and Joyce in March, in above hall, were considered the best in many years. The Gospel was faithfully proclaimed night after night, and the Christians appreciated the ministry on Lord's day. One of two professed to be saved and several others were interested.

#### **DURHAM, NORTH CAROLINA**

Blessing continues in connection with the assembly effort in Durham. A brother who has labored in N. Carolina for years, says it exceeds anything they have seen.

Over 400 attend the Gospel meeting on Sunday evenings, filling the building to capacity, and there are over 200 at the Bible Class on Sundays. Five professed to be saved on a recent Sunday evening. Two years ago there were only 25 at the

Lord's table and about 50 at the Gospel meetings. Now there are about 75 at the Lord's table.

#### **GATCHELL, ONTARIO, CANADA**

The assembly gathered to His name at Gatchell, Ontario, in fellowship with a great many others in America, set aside the first week of February for special prayer. That one week ended with no apparent results, except that the hearts of the saints were warmed up. It was decided to continue the special prayer meetings until God saw fit to answer. Three weeks later, God who never fails, gave us the joy of seeing three backsliders restored and two souls profess faith in Christ.

Brother Wm. Hund, of Hamilton, Ontario, is with us ministering the Word and doing some pastoral work.

JOHN STEVENSON  
Correspondent

#### **MIAMI, FLORIDA** Gospel Hall 56 N.W. 29th St.

During the winter season we have had visits from brethren Murdo Mackenzie, Smele, Becker, Lennox, Frank Detweiler, Fred Marshall, Rankin, MacJanet, Buckland and Bayles. The last few years have been a time of real blessing, the assembly having more than doubled in numbers; some have been saved and others gathered with us from other places. The Sunday School and Young People's Meeting also very encouraging, in spite of nearby modern attractions.

STEPHEN D. WALL

#### **ORA, INDIANA**

Through the mercies of God, the Ora Gospel Assembly Sunday School ob-

served their 17th anniversary March 21, with an all day meeting. Mr. Arthur Miller and Mr. Claude Farmer of Chicago, Ill., and Mr. Walter Nelson of Mishawaka, Ind. were the speakers.

Every meeting was crowded, the ministry was excellent, and went forth with wonderful power. Three young people professed Christ during the afternoon and evening meetings.

At each anniversary during the past years we have sung, "There shall be showers of blessings," and thanks to God, He has greatly blessed in the saving of many precious souls and in spreading of the Gospel of the Grace of God.

We were much encouraged to have visitors from the Ripley, Aldine, Bass, Knox, Mishawaka and Chicago assemblies.

CHARLES T. MALOTT

#### **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA**

D. R. Charles is preaching the Gospel and ministering to the saints in this, his home district, at present, and spoke at the monthly conference at Howard assembly.

J. J. Raust preached the Gospel with clearness and power at Bethany (Oakland), March 14 and paid a brief visit to several of the bay assemblies.

Albert Burnham concluded twelve weeks special meetings hereabouts and has gone on to Los Angeles, leaving his family here for the present. Henry Armerding was to have meetings but is low in health and advised by doctors to return home. Prayer is requested for his recovery. Brother Ingram kindly filled in for brother Armerding.

Young people of the nine Bay assemblies plan, (D.V.,) for the quarterly conference, to be held at Parkside, San Fran-

cisco, April 10-11. Also, many are scheduling their vacations to join with Christians from So. California at Yosemite Valley, July 18 to August 1.

#### **STRAFFORDVILLE, ONTARIO**

Just a few lines in the precious Name of our Lord Jesus Christ to let you know that we have just concluded, Feb. 22, seven weeks meetings in our Hall, conducted by brethren Fred W. Nugent and Harold Wagler, during which twenty-five professed to be saved.

Just previous to the meetings a terrible tragedy stirred the whole district, for a farmer taking his children to school was killed with three of his sons, and when the tragic news reached his wife she died the next day of a broken heart, so this undoubtedly stirred many to a realization of eternal verities, and helped create an interest in the meetings, for from the second week of the meetings souls began getting saved, a number of them either during the preaching or alone at home.

Several elderly people are amongst the converts, one of whom is very bright, and her conversion aroused two of her married daughters, who also professed to be saved during the meetings.

Some nights there were as many as fifty or sixty strangers present, so this cheered our hearts, for the Hall is right out in the country a mile from the village, and we scarcely expected to see such an interest. We had around 150 at the closing meeting, so the interest was sustained to the close.

GEORGE ADLINGTON

#### **HOUSTON, TEXAS**

In a new work in which we became interested nearly two years ago, there is

an increase in interest and attendance, both in the Sunday school and Gospel meetings. This work was started by a young Baptist minister, who by coming in contact with some of our brethren, learned the truth of gathering alone in the name of the Lord Jesus. We believe before long there will be the breaking of bread there.

In South Houston, where Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson live, plans are being drawn for a building, and as soon as this is completed an assembly will be formed there. There are about 25 believers ready to take their place in the assembly.

There is a good work going on in Denton, Texas among the students in the college there. Quite a few have been saved, and they come to the Fort Worth meeting. Paul Johnson, a young brother, who on seeing the scriptural way of gathering, left a theological seminary and severed his connection with his church, is being used of God in these parts.

Extracts from a letter by:

ROBERT CURRY  
3225 Charleston St.  
Houston 4, Texas

#### **TRURO, N. S., CANADA**

The assembly of Christians gathered unto the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ in Truro, Nova Scotia, are now occupying their new building. This assembly was started in 1924, partly as a result of a tent campaign conducted by brethren N. W. Brennan and Robert Milnes, and also as a result of brethren and sisters coming to town for employment.

There was a small meeting in Truro about fifty years ago, but as those who carried it on went away, the meetings were stopped. The meeting went on in

a small room for a time, later moving to a larger room in a store building, after a time moving to a larger room in the same building, and some of the time using two rooms in that building.

About ten years ago a large house was purchased and partly remodeled for apartments and meeting purposes. For various reasons this was found unsatisfactory and last year the house was sold. A suitable lot was obtained and a building erected. This lot on the corner of Young and Victoria Streets, is at the junction of business, educational and residential districts, five minutes walk from Railroad station, Post Office and long distance Bus Terminal.

Truro, with the suburbs is a town of fourteen thousand people with plenty of religion but not much of the Lord, so there is plenty of scope for work. A large Sunday school is being built up since coming to this part of the town, as well as retaining all of those who were coming to the old location.

At the present time, March 3, brother Isaac McMullen of Sunny Brae, N. B., is conducting a special Gospel campaign here.

There are over thirty cities and towns in the Province of Nova Scotia, including the Island of Cape Breton, and of the dozen assemblies carrying on at the present time, six are in country places. This means that there are twenty-five towns with no assembly testimony, and many of these places have no Gospel testimony of any kind.

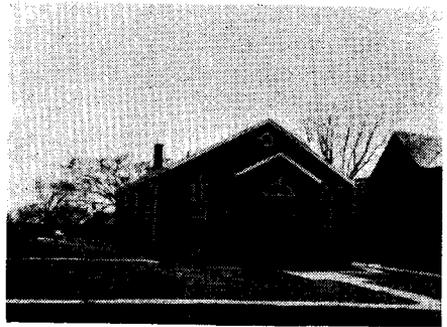
We are all glad to see the evangelists who come for the summer months, but if Nova Scotia is to hear the Gospel as a Province before the Lord's return, much more must be done. What is needed here

is working evangelists, Christian business and professional men who want to lay up something for eternity as well as carry on a business here on earth. An entirely new opening was made last year in Cambridge, Hants County. Brother Isaac McMullen went there for meetings and a nice number were saved. The tent was taken there later by he and brother Glasgow, when more professed. There are scores of such communities where there is an opening but no one to go to them with the Word. The exhortation is, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of Harvest" but it seems as if many forget that which followed it, "Go ye therefore."

C. F. ARCHIBALD

**WICHITA, KANS.**  
**East Kellogg Gospel Chapel**  
**1933 E. Kellogg**

The Lord in His mercy has seen fit to bless the testimony to His name in Wichita with a suitable building (see photo) in which to meet and into which we can invite the public to hear God's way of



salvation for the lost and to learn of His path for His own.

A number of Christians from surrounding assemblies were with us on our opening day, Sunday, March 7, and brethren F. W. Mehl from Detroit and

Ralph Littlefield from Kansas City ministered the Word profitably to us in the afternoon session. Sunday evening, March 7, brother Mehl commenced a two-week's series of meetings, erecting a model of the Tabernacle in the Gospel Chapel, proclaiming God's way of salvation to the lost and ministering Christ to His own. Several professed faith in our Lord Jesus Christ during this series of meetings, and the Christians were greatly helped and encouraged in the things of God.

The order of the meetings is as follows: Breaking of Bread, 9:30 a.m.; Sunday School, 11:00 a.m.; Gospel Service, 7:30 p.m.; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study, 8:00 p.m. Wednesday.

Our brother L. E. Lindsted has now moved into Wichita and is thus in a better position to give help and encouragement to the assembly and to work among the people in the neighborhood of the chapel and elsewhere in the city.

It is our desire that the Lord's people everywhere join us in prayer to the intent that our new building may be the birth-place of many souls, as well as a place where Christians will be led onward in the things of God.

On behalf of the assembly,

DEAN JENSEN  
P.O. Box 999  
Wichita, Kansas  
(Correspondent)

**WORCESTER, MASS.**  
**Bethany Gospel Chapel**  
**23 Stanton Street**

We have been encouraged recently by seeing the Lord working in the salvation

of a family of four Roman Catholics through personal work by one of our number. A friend of this family has also been saved and others are interested. We pray that the work may continue.

Our young people have commenced a monthly Gospel meeting in a Home for Old Ladies. The messages seem to be enjoyed and we ask prayer that some of them may be led to the Savior through this work.

WILLIAM D. MILLIGAN

#### **EXTRACTS FROM A RECENT LETTER**

**By W. Herbert Marshall, Associate Editor**

There is a good ear for the Gospel, and in Key West, Florida, a number have been saved recently.

Just now a good work in the Gospel is going on in West Palm Beach.

Enjoyed visiting the Christians in Brookhaven, Georgia, where brother Gordon Reager has labored so faithfully for years. They have a fine group of young people here, and they have a ready ear for the Word.

Witnessed an interesting baptism recently in Westbrook, Maine, when a mother, her son, and daughter, all followed the Lord in this ordinance.

The Lord is indeed blessing the needy state of Maine through the persevering efforts of His servants. Brother Clark McClelland is now spending all his time in Maine. Brethren James McCullagh, Samuel Rea, Robert McCracken, Jr., have been helping in this needy state, and the Lord has been giving real blessing. This is really pioneer work.

# Late News Section

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## **Important Notice**

Because of the current nature of LETTERS OF INTEREST, no part of it can be printed ahead. In order to classify material under various headings, and print it alphabetically, it is necessary that letters and reports be on hand by the first of the month preceding date of issue.

However, in order to keep the Lord's people more closely informed of Gospel efforts in progress and of other current events, this Late News Section has been added. Letters and reports received up to the fifteenth of each month will be printed here unclassified as space permits. Those submitting material for publication however, should still make every effort to have that material reach us by the first of each month.

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### **LOUIS HOY**

c/o Mr. J. Jensen  
Torkel, Badensvej 1  
Hellerup, Denmark

Our aged brother Hoy, who has labored among the colored people in Chicago as well as laboring for the Lord in other places, purposes sailing for Denmark on April 24. His object is, to take the Gospel to his unsaved relatives, and he seeks the prayers of the Lord's people for their salvation. The above will be his address for the next few months.

### **EDWIN J. THARP**

2838 Adams St.  
Alameda, Cal.

Brother Tharp spent the month of April in Chicago, and visited most of the assemblies, preaching the Gospel and ministering to the saints. The Christians enjoyed his visits.

### **H. K. DOWNIE**

817 North Ave., N.E.  
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Our brother spent March and part of April in Chicago. Besides helping in the Emmaus Bible School, he visited many of the assemblies. He was at 86th St. for meetings on four occasions during this time. His ministry was appreciated.

### **SAM HAMILTON**

Route 42  
La Crosse, Wis.

On April 6, brother Hamilton was in his 12th week of meetings in Sparta, Wis. Six young married people have professed to be saved, so he is encouraged to go on.

### **JOHN W. BRAMHALL**

2309 Commonwealth Ave.  
Charlotte 4, N. C.

Starting April 11 and continuing for two weeks, brother Bramhall will hold a series of meetings, D.V., in the South Side Gospel Hall, St. Louis. The first week will be especially for Christians, and the second for the unsaved.

### **HERBERT G. DOBSON      JAMES LIPKE**

9253 So. Marshfield      2018 W. Blvd.  
Chicago 20, Ill.      Cleveland, O.

After having three weeks of profitable meetings in Saugerties, N. Y., these brethren started a series of Gospel meetings in West Philadelphia Gospel Hall, Sunday, March 28. They are now (April 15) in their 3rd week and the interest is good, with some unsaved out at all the meetings.

**JOHN BERNARD**  
46 Park St.  
Newton 58, Mass.

Our beloved brother is slowly growing weaker and awaiting the final home call. Brother Herbert Marshall says "He is still keenly interested in the Lord's work and workers. He never loses his smile in spite of great suffering. His patience is wonderful and his joy unbounded at the prospect of soon seeing his Lord. He desires prayer for a victorious end."

**CESÁRE PATRIZIO**  
908 Pasadena Ave.  
Philadelphia 11, Pa.

In response to an inquiry, brother Patrizio writes, "The Hartford Conference was really good with 300 being present at some of the meetings. Brethren Carboni, Capiello, Pizzulli, Alves and a few local brethren took part.

Sunday, April 4, we were at Mechanicville for the monthly meeting, and the Lord gave us a good time. From Mechanicville, brother Carboni went to Ohio; brother Capiello stayed for a week's meetings. Brother Pizzulli had to return home, as his wife is not well and I went to Worcester for some meetings.

The Lord is working in Italy, but laborers are few. There are towns and villages with many newly saved and they are asking for help to be led on in the ways of Christ. There is only one laboring brother in the Southern part.

Brother Rosania will stay for awhile. He says people come to hear the Gospel by crowds. Pray that God may speak to some young men to go. The language is not hard to learn.

**JAMES GUNN**  
Box 993  
Midland, Ont.

**WM. PELL, JR.**  
817 North Ave., N.E.  
Grand Rapids, Mich.

On Sunday, April 4, these brethren started a series of Gospel meetings in

Friendship Ave. Gospel Hall, Pittsburgh. They are using the model of the Tabernacle and the interest is exceptionally good. There is considerable exercise on the part of the Lord's people, and the meetings will continue as the Lord leads.

A young lady in her early twenties, a Roman Catholic, was brought to the meetings by a girl with whom she works, and professed to be saved the second night she heard the Gospel. This has caused great joy.

**J. P. TAYLOR**  
Deseronto, Ont.

Brother Taylor had four weeks meetings at Orillia, Ont. and saw fruit in conversions.

**SYDNEY PORTEOUS**

Sydney Porteous, who is visiting this country from England, commenced meetings in Junction Hall, Toronto, after the Easter Conferences.

**STURGIS, MICHIGAN**  
The Gospel Hall

Our annual conference will be held in The Gospel Hall, 705 East West Street on May 29 and 30. Brethren Ernest Gross and George Landis will share the ministry. Further information may be had by writing Mr. Richard Kribs, 207 East Hatch Street, Sturgis, Michigan.

**MONCTON, N. B., CANADA**

We expect brethren A. T. Stewart and Hector Alves to commence a Gospel effort on April 11, Lord willing.

Brother I. McMullin is making a tour of the western part of the Province visiting scattered Christians and looking for openings for the Gospel for later meetings.

Brethren Wilson and John McCracken have started meetings in Clements-  
vale, N. S.

**NORMAN L. MAC NEIL**

**PHILADELPHIA, PA.**  
**Overbrook Gospel Hall**

Brethren Herbert Dobson and James Lipke are now in the second week of special Gospel meetings in the above hall. The attendance has been fair with a few unsaved coming every night.

**JOHN CHAMBERS**  
Correspondent

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA**  
**3530 East Polk St.**

The overseeing brethren of the Phoenix assembly have requested me to inform you that the brethren and sisters in Christ who are resident in Sunnyslope, a suburban community about eight miles north of Phoenix, are now breaking bread as a separate assembly.

This testimony was formed after months of prayer and considerable Gospel effort in the district. We wish to make it clearly understood that the new assembly is in complete and happy fellowship with Phoenix, and that it is our mutual desire that God's truth be upheld to the honor and glory of Christ and His testimony.

The correspondent of the new assembly is Mr. E. D. Myers, 1244 East Wash, Sunnyslope, Phoenix, Arizona.

On behalf of the assembly in Phoenix, I am your brother in Christ,

**WM. ISMAY**

**CLARENCE FERWERDA**  
**Poplar Bluff, Mo.**

We are glad to report that God has definitely blessed the work among the schools in more than one way. Although the school season is fast closing we will

continue in some of the communities in regular Gospel activity. We are assured by most schools that we have an open door when they take up again in the fall of the year. While we see the work of the Spirit in convicting power among many children it is not for us to know just what the results have been as no follow up work is possible as in other regular Gospel meetings. However, it was a real joy to experience definite conversions of three 8th graders last week when, at the close of a combined message in Scene-O-Felt on the Resurrection and Rapture, the three remained behind, encouraged by their school teacher, to trust Christ as their Savior. They were convicted of the fact that they were not prepared for the meeting in the air.

We had four community rallies, one in Arkansas, the other three in Neelyville and Poplar Bluff, Mo., that proved to be quite successful from the point of view of attendance. The children of the schools in each community invited their older sisters and brothers and parents to be their guests. A record attendance told the interest in our school work by the parents. We have invitations to repeat these meetings and in one community we are to return for Gospel meetings each Sunday night. The Jail work in Butler County has been placed in our hands entirely so we conduct a service each Sunday afternoon. The radio work also continues and we look to the Lord to bless.

Remember this needy field of South East Missouri in prayer. April 10, 1948

**Penticton, B. C.**  
**Canada**

The Annual Easter Conference of Penticton, B.C. Assembly, March 27-29, drew a number of visiting saints from widely separated localities. A. J. Morn-

ing, of West Vancouver, and A. Edwin Gill, of Portland, were assisted in the ministry of the Word by E. B. Godfrey, of Red Deer, Alta. A. H. Olton, of Vancouver, concluded a long and fruitful Gospel and pastoral effort.

Under evident leading of the Holy Spirit, the theme of the ministry was the person and perfection of the Lord Jesus, enfolded in the Old Testament, and unfolded in the New. This theme was developed along three main lines: Bible teaching, devotional, and practical. A happy, harmonious, helpful spirit prevailed, and some considered it the best conference Penticton ever had. Brother Gill remained for a week of post-conference addresses on prophetic lines.

#### **GREENSBORO, N.C.**

The Piedmont Easter Bible Conference was again a time of blessing to saved and unsaved. Held, as in past years, at the Forest Ave. Tabernacle, it proved to be three days of spiritual fellowship and feasting. The attendance was larger than ever before; a very hearty spirit prevailed throughout; and the ministry was of the very finest order. Brethren Walter Munro, Jas. F. Spink, Tom Westwood, Lawrence Chambers and Lidden Sheridan ministered the Word and preached the Gospel. Three professed to be saved. Brother Spink is remaining in the district for a month ministering in a number of the assemblies. April 6, 1948

H. G. MACKAY

**ANDREW DOUGLAS**  
222 Houghton Ave., So.  
Hamilton, Ont.

We have been on the Pacific Coast for almost nine months, visiting the assemblies and seeking to make the Lord Jesus more precious to the saints. God gave us to see His hand in blessing and

we rejoice at His faithfulness in sustaining us, sometimes amidst adverse conditions. We had a few weeks in the tent in Los Angeles, seeking to help our younger brethren from Jefferson Street Assembly in the Gospel, passing on to Fresno where we sought to encourage the saints, and after three weeks meetings in the Gospel at Phoenix, Ariz., we were at the Conference which we enjoyed, and sought to speak of the things as touching the King. (Isa. 45:1). Returning up the coast we had a very happy time in Seattle, and coming along to Vancouver, B.C., we crossed the prairies to Port Arthur for a few days, and so home.

The brethren at Saulte St. Marie (the Soo) were opening their new hall, and amidst great joy and loyalty on the part of the saints there we had (despite the severity of the weather) good companies out to all the meetings. I believe God spoke to some, and two dear souls that we know of professed faith in the Lord. Although that does not seem much to some in this day of spectacular sensationalism, we humbly thank God and take courage. We have just returned from the conferences at Toronto, Ont. where ministry suitable and seasonable was enjoyed. We trust that the effect will be more devotedness in our private lives and public service.

I would value prayer as we seek to go further afield in service for the best of masters, the Lord Jesus.

Yours through grace,

ANDREW DOUGLAS

**MR. F. C. JENNINGS**  
Grove Street Chapel  
Plainfield, New Jersey

Word has just been received of the passing away of brother Jennings. Further information will be carried in a later issue.

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## *Life at Emmaus*

How does the average student spend his time at Emmaus? What is a typical day's program?

As there are no dormitories in connection with the School, he may live a mile away. An invigorating morning walk brings him to the School building in time for the daily prayer meeting at 8:30. When the bell sounds at nine o'clock, all students come together for the opening devotional exercises. These consist of a hymn, reading of a portion of Scripture and prayer. Then the three-hour program of intensive Bible study or discussion of practical Christian work begins. There is a ten-minute intermission between lectures for conversing with friends, or contacting a member of a committee about some activity. At noon all sit down to a hot meal prepared by the students themselves and served at cost.

After lunch, many of the students hurry off to work because of their need to reinforce their finances by secular employment. Others study in the commodious library, or meet in small groups for Greek or Hebrew or French.

Student committees are continually busy, organizing Gospel activities and other phases of life at Emmaus. Permission to hold street meetings must be obtained from police headquarters. Hos-

pital superintendents must be contacted also. Children's meetings are held in the school building. Tract distribution and door-to-door visitation are all organized and carried on by students. The Missionary Committee arranges for special prayer bands, meeting at set times each week, and interceding for some particular missionary field. Saturday is Tract Band day, and on Sunday students meet at assemblies in the vicinity to attend the worship meeting, to teach Sunday School classes, and to conduct Gospel services.

Perhaps the key-note of life at Emmaus is fellowship . . . fellowship with men of God gifted to expound the deep truths of Scripture . . . fellowship with young people of like precious faith in seeking to make Christ known . . . and happy seasons of social fellowship from time to time as well. But the paramount interest is the Word itself. . . . "Those who love the Bible, love Emmaus."

EMMAUS BIBLE SCHOOL  
81 Harcourt Avenue, Toronto 6, Canada  
6902 S. Normal Blvd., Chicago 21, Ill.

### ***Hospital Visitation***

Students of Emmaus Bible School of Chicago have had the privilege of doing personal work in one of the larger hospitals.

Our group, which averages from five to fifteen students, is one of the many groups who spend Saturday evenings for an hour and a half singing Gospel songs, distributing tracts, New Testaments, reading Scriptures, and talking to patients about their salvation.

Pray for us that we may have wisdom and guidance as we speak to patients and that this work may go on unhindered.

Submitted by

DOROTHY GOODE, Emmaus

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### **A Need**

The Adelaide Christian Home for Children, in Los Angeles, Calif., are in need of a couple between the ages 30 and 45 to assist in the work with the children. The work will consist of care for girls from the ages of six to fourteen and assistance in the recreational and maintaining of grounds program.

Those who are interested please give references for Christian character and fitness for this type of work as well as experiences. A couple without children or whose children are grown is preferred.

Address all communications to A. Mary Ross, Superintendent, 3730 West 27th Street, Los Angeles 16, California.

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### **Gospel Messengers' Plans for Approaching Summer**

The accompanying map indicates the four itineraries to be made (D.V.) in order to reach as many as possible with the Gospel, in open-air preaching, tract distribution, and as the Lord may open doors to us.

Two parties, each consisting of six men, will be on the road at the same time, but following two different routes. Both parties will be in the South in the

early part of the summer, and in the north during the hot weather. Each party will be equipped with a house-trailer (D.V.). Employed brethren on vacation may accompany either party at their own convenience, but cannot be promised lodgings.

### **Two "Pilgrim Preachers" Coming from British Isles**

We are happy to announce that John W. Newton and Harvie Stewart are expected from Britain in time to join the first Tours and continue through the entire summer, one in each party. Both of these brethren have had many years experience in this kind of work, John Newton having led the Pilgrim Preachers in all the recent years.



In the picture, John Newton is seated and wears glasses; Harvie Stewart stands nearest the front of the car. Newton is English; Stewart is Scotch.

ARTHUR B. RODGERS  
DAVID LAWRENCE

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### **Overseas Relief**

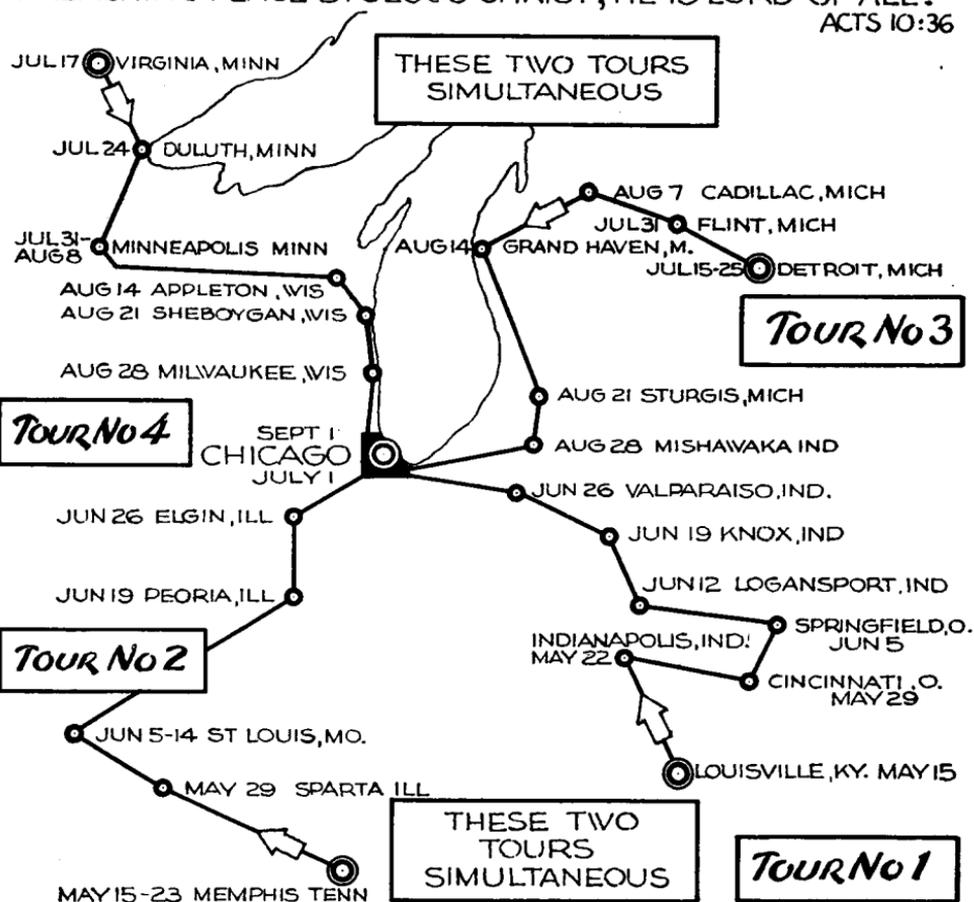
Word was received last week from our brethren in Poland that the Lord used some penicillin forwarded to them to save the life of a sister in Christ. Several hundred dollars worth of medicine has been

# GOSPEL MESSENGERS on TOUR

19 A PARTY OF MEN FROM VARIOUS ASSEMBLIES

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"PREACHING PEACE BY JESUS CHRIST; HE IS LORD OF ALL."  
ACTS 10:36



MAP SHOWS WEEKEND CENTERS FROM WHICH OUT-  
LYING PLACES WILL BE REACHED.

## FOUR TOURS CENTERING AT CHICAGO

MAY 15 TO JULY 1 AND JULY 15 TO SEPT 1

TOUR No. 1 LOUISVILLE TO CHICAGO

TOUR No. 2 MEMPHIS TO CHICAGO

TOUR No. 3 DETROIT TO CHICAGO

TOUR No. 4 DULUTH TO CHICAGO

DAVID LAWRENCE  
205 S. 12TH ST.  
CENTERVILLE, IA.

A. B. RODGERS  
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OMAHA, NEB.

MAY, 1948

sent to the Lord's people abroad, which in some cases proved more valuable than food.

The past month our brethren in Spain have been remembered with a gift in funds for the purchase of food, and clothing shipments have gone to our brethren in Greece, Holland, Italy and Japan. Clothing donations have continued steadily for which we are most thankful as it is felt that the need for clothing will continue serious in many countries for several years, if the Lord be not come.

Lest we forget the serious need for food among the Lord's people abroad, we quote the following from a typical letter:

"I have been ill for some years and my condition grew worse every day from lack of food. I called a few brethren together and we discussed who should take over my duties at the assembly hall. Then, one morning after our family worship, during which we had asked the Lord to open His hands and to send us food, a parcel was brought to us. We opened it. Could this be ours? There was butter—two big pieces! That was just impossible?—and bacon—how long had we not seen, much less eaten any!"

And so in many thousands of cases the sacrifices of the Lord's people here in making possible food shipments abroad, are not only well pleasing unto God (Heb. 13:16), but cause praise and thanksgiving among His own who are being sustained in some measure spiritually and physically in the famine stricken lands.

#### OVERSEAS RELIEF COMMITTEE

Funds are to be sent to the Fields, Inc., 75 Maiden Lane, New York 7, N. Y. Forward correspondence, clothing and other goods to the Committee Chairman,

Ernest W. Halbach, 159 Lowell Street, Andover, Massachusetts. Clothing from Mid-Western states forward to Mr. Ernst Gast, c/o Ickes-Braun Greenhouse Mfg. Co., 2340 West Wabansia Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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### **Food Parcels for Aged Saints in Britain**

In connection with the above notice which appeared in the columns of LETTERS OF INTEREST recently, the brethren in Montreal who are responsible for this work desire to convey their thanks for the response from many of the Lord's people who have written in and requested names and addresses, so that they might have an opportunity of ministering to the needs of God's aged saints.

In view of the fact that a number of Christians from the United States have written in and have asked if it is possible to send funds to us for this purpose, the brethren responsible have decided to accept this fellowship and are now sending off food parcels on behalf of Christians who desire us to do so.

We still have quite a number of names and addresses of aged saints who we know would be glad to receive a parcel of food, and those desiring still to engage in this work and "Labour of Love" can obtain the names and addresses by writing to one of the undersigned brethren.

GEORGE H. DIXON  
5866 Fourth Ave., Rosemount  
Montreal 36, Prov. Quebec  
Canada

JOSEPH I. DUGUID  
2204 Birouard Ave.  
N.D.G., Montreal 28  
Montreal 36, Prov. Quebec  
Canada

## Wanted

The Kalamazoo assembly will be glad to contact any one who has a cheap moderate sized bus suitable for the transportation of Sunday school children.

Write Roy M. Allen, Box 66, Kalamazoo, Michigan.

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## In the Will of the Lord

WM. M. RAE  
236 S.E. 32nd Ave.  
Portland 15, Oregon

It would seem as though God was preparing a group to follow along the line of the "Gospel Messengers" who worked the midwest of the United States last year. So on this Pacific Coast we may venture on a similar trek along the entire Oregon Coast. We wait upon God, being fearful lest we fail to be in His mind about such a venture; apart from being of Himself all would result in failure and utter disappointment. More in the following issue, (D.V.).

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## Women in the Lord's Work

MRS. M. SINCLAIR  
c/o Mrs. Jas. Morrison  
2506 Wellington Ave.  
New Westminster, B. C., Canada

During my visit to the south, the Lord graciously opened doors for which we praise Him. I had the precious privilege of speaking to the children in Pasadena Christian School of Education, also in Kolter Academy to elementary grades and 150 High School students. My heart was stirred as I spoke to these teen agers; I was saved when attending High School and have a great love and desire to win these precious young lives for Christ.

It has been a real joy to meet and have

fellowship with the dear sisters in the various halls, especially with the Southern California sisters Missionary group. Our hearts rejoiced as a little girl confessed Christ before the class, telling us she was saved at the previous lesson. What a glorious privilege is ours to be laborers together with God (I Cor. 3:9).

I am returning to Canada in March. Please continue to pray for me.

EVELYN VARDER  
Immanuel Mission  
Shiprock, New Mexico

The Navajo tribal council opened their session this morning, March 18. Their decision regarding our proposed outstation is being awaited here at the Mission with anticipation and much prayer. We are anxious to begin work in this new section, but must be subject to the authorities.



You may be interested to learn of the newest addition to our Mission family. Little Mary Wilson was born Christmas eve in a nearby hogan, and a few days later her mother passed away. Her father is working, and an older sister who had assumed her care, finds it too much. This sister has had TB—a disease so prevalent among our Navajos—and is far from strong. Often too, there was no

money for milk. So they have brought her to us, and she is making herself quite at home. Her father says that he would like her to "learn to live like the Sunday people, and learn to pray too." She is my particular care, and I have learned to love her very much in the month she has been with us. If it is the Lord's will, I hope to keep her and seek to raise her for Him. We trust too that in showing a little kindness to this family we might be used to lead them to the Lord. A married brother of little Mary's, and a brother-in-law, are professing Christians.

This has been a bad winter. Snow, and resulting poor roads, have kept us rather confined. However, last week Mr. Montgomery was able to get out again for one day of camp visitation. He and old "Yellowhair," the Navajo man who makes his home with us, started out for a trading post near our proposed outstation, but they found the road impassable. Nevertheless they were able to reach four homes, and bring the Gospel message to each. In one hogan they found an English Bible, the property of one of the daughters who had been away to school at one time. We hope to have the opportunity of seeing her soon—she was out herding the sheep at the time of their visit.

Satan still keeps busy, and we are disappointed at the apparent disinterest of some who at one time showed real concern about eternal matters. But we are praising the Lord for one young man who not many years ago ordered the missionaries away from his hogan, who now tells us that he believes what we tell him is right, and the only way to God. We do not as yet have the assurance that he is saved, but we feel that it will not be

long before he will come out for the Lord. We have been told that he no longer takes part in the heathen ceremonies, even when one is held in the camp of which his hogan is a part.

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### ***New Correspondents***

#### **TILDEN, ILLINOIS**

HERBERT WHITE

Box 97

Tilden, Illinois

#### **WALFORD, ONTARIO, CANADA**

JAMES E. McINTOSH

Route 1

Petrolia, Ontario, Canada

#### **JACKSON, MICHIGAN**

Owing to the home call, August 12, 1947, of our brother, Charles E. Atkinson, who was correspondent for the Jackson, Michigan assembly, Robert J. Atkinson, 306 E. Euclid Ave., Jackson, Michigan, is now the correspondent.

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#### **TRURO, NOVA SCOTIA**

##### **Gospel Hall, 51 Young St.**

Lord's Day: Breaking of Bread 11:00 a.m.,  
Sunday School 2:30 p.m., Bible Class 2:30  
p.m., Gospel Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting 8:00 p.m.

Friday: Young People's Class, 8:00 p.m.

C. F. ARCHIBALD

Box 364, Truro, N. S.

Correspondent

### ***Change of Address***

MR. V. M. RIVERA

1114 W. Mayfield Blvd.

South San Antonio, Texas

### ***With the Lord***

Mrs. Janet Anderson Waugh, wife of brother James S. Waugh, Evangelist and Teacher, passed into the presence of the Lord March 24 after a brief illness. She had passed her 81st birthday.

Saved in her late teens and was associated with assemblies gathered to His Name for over 60 years in Scotland, Virginia, Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

She suffered two serious accidents that made her a cripple for eleven years and for the past two years sat helplessly in her wheel chair but used her needle in sewing for the missionaries.

Services were conducted by Mr. Herbert Marshall of Boston and Mr. David Lyon of Arlington. Seasonable and suitable ministry was given. The esteem in which she was held was expressed in a large gathering of saints and friends and the many floral tributes. Beloved by the

saints now she rests from all her afflictions and infirmities.

Our brother feels his loss keenly after 56 years of companionship and desires prayer for self and family.

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### ***Widows of the Lord's Servants***

#### *Additions and Corrections*

MRS. ROBERT HICKS  
Box 144  
Glen Shaw, Pa.

MRS. EAMES address is  
629 South West 7th Street  
Miami 36, Florida

MRS. E. A. BUCHENAN should be  
BUCHENAU



### ***Tracts in Braille Free***

The tract *No Detours To Heaven* by T. B. Gilbert has been made available to the blind printed in Braille. For full information write:

DR. DAN ROBERTSON  
3504 Victor St.  
St. Louis, Missouri

### ***Books Wanted***

Second-hand evangelical theological books, and also books by G. A. Henty, R. M. Ballantyne, W. H. G. Kingston, T. B. Reed: also "Mildred" books, "Elsie" books, and others for children. Please write enclosing list to Arthur C. Hill, M.D., 39 Dufferin Avenue, Sherbrooke, Quebec.

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by JAMES G. HUMPHREY

## BETHANY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Elma, Washington  
Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Strout

We wish to advise you that Bethany Christian Home at Elma is no longer active and was closed as of February 15 this year. There has not been sufficient interest to adequately support this work at Elma. No gifts have been accepted for the Home since the end of 1947. Disposition of the Home itself is still uncertain.

During the 3 year period of the Lord's work at Bethany nearly fifty children lived at the Home for varying lengths of time. Many of these have received the Lord Jesus as their own personal Saviour. Many other children were reached through Sunday School and special meetings. The summer camp effort for the last two years has proved a real blessing, also, in reaching yet other boys and girls for the Lord Jesus Christ. Lord willing, the summer camp will be continued this year under the leadership of Larry Anderson. He has been connected with this effort for the past two summers.

We wish to thank all the Lord's people who have so kindly contributed to this work over the past years. He will not forget the gift given in His Name.

## FRONTIER LODGE

Summer camps under Christian leadership—on beautiful Lake Wallis lying on the Quebec-Vermont border—the Green Mountains country. Well-equipped, carefully supervised.

Boys' Camp—July 17-31 incl.

Girls' Camp—July 31-Aug. 14, incl.

Rates—\$12.00 a week.

Young People's Conference—with a missionary accent! Aug. 21-Sept. 6.

Rates \$13.50 a week.

Write for further information to: Arthur C. Hill, M.D., 39 Dufferin Avenue, Sherbrooke, Quebec.

## CAMP MINI-YO-WE

117 Indian Road  
Toronto 3, Ont.

1948 Summer Camp for Boys and Girls

It is the intention of the Committee of Camp Mini-Yo-We, if the Lord wills, to conduct camps for boys and girls, from 10 to 16 years of age inclusive, during the two summer months.

The boys' camp will be from July 3 to July 31 and the girls' camp from July 31 to August 28. Both of these camps will be divided into two 2 weeks' periods.

The camp grounds are located on Mary Lake near Port Sydney, Ontario, about 135 miles north of Toronto. We can accommodate about 100 campers at each 2 weeks period.

Write for folders to Camp Mini-Yo-We Inc., 117 Indian Road, Toronto 3, Ontario.

J. S. STEWART, Secy.

## UPPER PENINSULA BIBLE CAMP, INC.

Forsyth, Michigan

Greetings to all 1948 Bible Campers:

We announce the coming Summer's Schedule as follows:

JUNIORS (9 thru 12 years)—1 week,  
June 26 to July 2.

GIRLS (13 thru 15 years)—2 weeks,  
July 3 to 16.

BOYS (13 thru 15 years)—July 17  
to 30.

"Uncle Bill" Hynd of Jamaica, B.W.I., has endeared himself to former campers for three summers as an excellent teacher. He has been requested by the Camp committee to serve as the Camp director for 1948, releasing "Uncle Cam" MacArthur to manage other Camp affairs.

Mr. Harold Harper has consented to be the main speaker at the Youth Conference. For other teachers, counselors and help, we expect students from the Emmaus Bible Schools, as well as the many old friends who have given such valuable assistance in the past twelve summers. Volunteer workers are urged to advise the Camp manager early as to when you expect to be able to come and just what you feel best able to do.

**OWEN HOFFMAN**  
Washington, Ga.

I would like to share with you the joy we had in a recent series of children's meetings at Fernwood Gospel Hall, Chicago. The Lord graciously worked for us and during two of the worst weeks of Chicago's weather we filled the Chapel to overflowing every night. It is odd to

say it, but there wasn't even standing room. I passed the chapel one evening an hour before opening time and there was a group of children waiting to get in. One of the joys was to see the large numbers of parents present each night, many who had never been in the Chapel before. The Lord graciously blessed and a number accepted Christ as Saviour. One lad of 14, a real bright boy, was saved and the next day went around to the neighbors' houses telling it, and was instrumental in getting four families out who had never come before.

The success of these meetings was due to the splendid ground work of the saints at Fernwood. They all worked together with one heart and mind to glorify God. One cannot stress too much the importance of children's work these dark days.

**STURGIS, MICHIGAN**  
The Gospel Hall

We shall not soon forget the unusually fine series of meetings for boys and girls just concluded under the able direction of Ernest Gross of Greer, S. C. His ability to get us to work and his gift to minister were used of God to reach fifteen who were personally dealt with, and professed faith in Christ.

We have a nice hall but it is too small for the large numbers that attended, as many as 260 at a meeting.

S. C. GRIFFETH

### **Special Notice**

A brother in the Austin Assembly in Chicago has purchased about 14 Government Surplus Tents and 10 of these are being offered to anyone who may be in need of a tent for Gospel work. The government's description of these tents is given below and may be purchased for \$35.00 each F.O.B. Oak Park, Illinois. Write Christian Workers' Apt., 103 So. Humphrey Ave., Oak Park, Illinois.

Description of Tent: Tent, F. R. Hosp-Ward, OD, 4'9" Door. Ea. 14 12.29 oz cotton duck. Fire, water and weather resistant. Side walls 4'9" high 50' in length, 16' wide and 11' high. W/O poles or pins.—*Condition used.*

# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **ATCHISON, KANSAS**

The Christian Conference held March 27 and 28 was well attended. The Christians coming from a wide territory. The fellowship in the Word was enjoyed by all. The theme "Himself" was dwelt upon continually; also the soon coming of the Lord.

Those who ministered the Word were David Horn, John Horn, Dan Anderson, John Elliott, Kenneth Baird and Richard Burson.

R. L. TOWNSEND

## **BLUE RIDGE, N. C.**

Blue Ridge Bible Conference—July 3 through 17. Two glorious conference weeks in "The Land of the Sky." Blue Ridge is one of the world's beauty spots. The recreational and conference facilities are excellent.

Among the speakers will be Peter Pell, Harold Mackay, William Deans (of Africa), Elliott Van Ryn, Lester Wilson, Owen Hoffman and others.

Write for reservations to: Mr. James A. Innes, P.O. Box 1624, Asheville, N. C.

## **CALIFORNIA BIBLE CONFERENCE Yosemite National Park**

The Second Annual California Bible Conference for adults and young people

will be held, (D.V.), at Yosemite National Park, July 18 to August 1, 1948. The first such conference held last year brought much enthusiastic comment, and we believe there was a real blessing. A cordial invitation is extended to the Lord's people to plan on enjoying this vacation Bible conference in beautiful Yosemite Valley. For information and rates, please write to Bruce E. Merritt, 221 W. Hermosa Dr., San Gabriel, Calif., or Allen Jones, 2745 Best St., Oakland 1, Calif.

GEO. H. WHITE

## **CAMP BEREA Newfound Lake, New Hampshire**

As the fourth season for the operation of Camp Berea comes into view, the trustees are humbly seeking the good guiding hand of the Lord in all matters pertaining to the necessary arrangements that must be made.

Looking back over the past years, wherein the Lord was pleased to set His approval by bringing salvation to the lost, restoration to the backslider and refreshing to the weary, we are confidentially anticipating a time of joyous Christian fellowship and blessing. May nothing intervene to mar this expectation from being fully realized. For the

sake of those who desire to plan their vacations well ahead of time, we are submitting our program for this year, in the will of the Lord, as follows:

July 3 to 11—General Conference Week, Speakers Fred Peer, Richard Hill.

July 12 to 24—Boys Camp, Camp Director William Oglesby.

July 26 to Aug. 7—Girls Camp, Speakers Robert Crawford, Clark McClelland.

Aug. 7 to Aug. 14—Open Week, Speakers Lester Wilson, Henry Armerding.

Aug. 14 to 21—Bible Study Week, Speakers James Gunn, Lester Wilson.

Aug. 21 to 28—Young People's Conference, Speakers Harold Harper, James Gunn.

Aug. 28 to Sept. 6—General Conference, Speakers Peter Pell, Harold Harper.

Those desiring further information may write to Camp Berea, Box 725, Lawrence, Mass.

#### **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

The twenty-seventh annual conference of the Chicago Missionary Class will be held (D.V.) on Memorial Day, May 31 in the Laffin St. Gospel Hall, 6617 S. Laffin St. Meetings will be at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. As in former years, visiting missionaries are expected to share in the ministry and reports of their work for the Lord in the various spheres of service. Further information may be had by addressing Mr. Roy E. Rapsch, 5965 W. Huron St., Chicago 44, Illinois.

#### **DES MOINES, IOWA**

The annual Bible Conference of Christians meeting at Central Gospel Chapel, 800 Des Moines Street, Des

Moines, Iowa, will be held, (D.V.), on May 29, 30 and 31, preceeded by prayer meeting on Friday, May 28.

We have again secured the women and children's building at the Iowa State Fair Grounds and extend a hearty invitation to all of our friends. Acceptable and capable speakers have been invited and we pray it will be a time of refreshing.

JAS. S. GREEN  
2319 Capitol Avenue  
Des Moines, Iowa

#### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

The 19th annual Sunday School Teachers Conference will, (D.V.), be held at Central Gospel Hall, Grand River and Harrison Avenues, Detroit, Michigan, on Saturday, May 8th at 2:30 and 7:00 p.m.

A number of the Lord's servants experienced in Sunday School work will minister. Refreshments will be served after the afternoon session. Arrangements will be made for visitors desiring to stay over Lord's day.

CLAUDE H. SIMMS

#### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

##### **Salem Gospel Hall**

We purpose holding our annual conference (D.V.) on May 15 and 16. The first session will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday. The speakers expected will be brethren N. Fraser, H. M. Harper, J. E. Spink and E. J. Tharp. A hearty invitation is extended to all the Lord's people. Accommodation will be provided for any coming from a distance. The hall is located at 2804 Brooklyn Ave.

WILLIAM LOUDON

**DOVER, DEL.**

The Lord willing we purpose having our fourth annual conference on May 8 and 9. Meetings as follows:

Saturday, May 8—Prayer and Ministry at 7:30 p.m.

Lord's day, May 9—Breaking of Bread 10:30 a.m., Children's Meeting 1:30 p.m., Ministry 2:30 p.m.; No meeting at night.

We will appreciate knowing who will be with us on Saturday so that we may arrange to care for them overnight.

EDWARD RICHMOND

**FROSTBURG, MARYLAND**

The conference will be held on the 15th and 16th of May. It will begin on Saturday evening, May 15 at 7:30 p.m., with prayer meeting. Sunday School will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Lord's day morning and the breaking of bread will follow at 10:30 a.m. Regular meetings in the afternoon and evening. Meals will be served on Lord's day as usual.

GEORGE SAVAGE

**GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

A two day conference is planned for Grand Rapids on May 30 and 31 with meetings morning, afternoon and evening. Lord's day meetings will be held in Evangel Hall, 1007 Leonard St., N. W. and Monday meetings in an auditorium in the neighborhood of the hall. Accommodations freely provided. For further information address Wm. J. Pell, Box 41, Grand Rapids, Mich.

**GREENWOOD HILLS, PA.**

The following schedule gives summer camps and conferences for 1948 season:

July 3-18, General Bible Conference. Speakers expected: Henry Armerding,

John W. Bramhall, William A. Deans, Alfred P. Gibbs.

July 19-29, Girls Camp. Miss Ruth A. Buirkle, Director. Alfred P. Gibbs, Speaker.

July 31-Aug. 8, Mid-season Bible Conference. Speakers expected: R. J. Reid, Tom Westwood.

Aug. 9-19, Boys Camp. William J. Oglesby, Director.

Aug. 21-Sept. 6, Vacation Bible Conference. Speakers expected: Cecil Greenhow, Geo. M. Landis, Harold G. Mackay, George Rainey, James F. Spink and James Annan.

For information or reservation write: Mrs. John Aird, Sr., Greenwood Hills Inn, R. D., Fayetteville, Pa.

**GUELPH, ONTARIO**

Bible Conference dates:

May 23 and 24—Opening Conference, Crawford Tilsley, India; Neil M. Fraser, Portland, Ore.

July 1-5—Dominion Day and Independence Day Conference, H. M. Harper, Wheaton, Ill.; Geo. Rainey, Florida.

Three Weeks General Conference: July 1-10—R. Winslow, London, mornings; H. Harper, Wheaton, Ill., evenings. July 11-17—C. Greenhow, Windsor, mornings; Geo. Landis, Fayetteville, Pa., evenings.

Sunday, July 18—Annual Missionary Day: July 18-25—W. B. Mackie, Flint, mornings; H. Armerding, Westfield, N. J., evenings.

Four Weeks Summer Bible School July 31-August 29.

Sept. 4—S.S. Teachers' Conference.

Sept. 5 and 6—Labor Day Conference. Owen Hoffman, Washington, Ga.; Geo. Mortland, Palisades Park, N. J.

Guelph Bible Conference provides a

vacation of healthful relaxation, in attractive surroundings, with ministry planned to refresh one's soul. The foregoing list of speakers should provide ample variety of spiritual food of the highest quality.

Guelph is conveniently located less than 100 miles from Buffalo and about 200 miles from Detroit on main highways. Rates are reasonable. For full information write for descriptive folder and rate card to: Guelph Conference Committee, 418 Church Street, Toronto, Ontario.

#### **HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA**

The South Florida Bible Conference held in Hollywood last month is now history, but we feel that the new venture has been a most profitable one in many ways. Many Christians in this area were enabled to have fellowship with many of their friends from other parts of the country, and the ministry during the week's conference was most inspirational to all.

The attendance was excellent, and the three brethren who ministered, Van Ryn, Gibbs and Rainey, gave Spirit-filled messages during the conference.

We trust this may be the beginning of bigger and better meetings of a similar nature in the years to come.

Signed on behalf of the assemblies:

ROBERT HENRY  
R. L. CONLON

#### **LAKE GENEVA, WISCONSIN**

The Chicagoland assemblies wish to announce their 1948 summer conference to be held (D.V.) at Conference Point Camp on Lake Geneva from the afternoon of August 28 till noon of September 5. Those expected to minister will be brethren R. Arthur, E. Gross and A.

Van Ryn. Brother Martin Steinberg will be in charge of children's work.

Reservations may be made after April 15 by writing to Mr. J. Milton Schrader, 117 South Blvd., Oak Park, Illinois.

#### **MAZAMA, WASHINGTON** (Okanogan County)

It is planned, the Lord willing, to hold a ten day Summer Bible Camp from July 16 to 26, inclusive. This will strengthen a number of converts in the Methow Valley who were brought to the Lord through the efforts of brother O. W. Elder. Mr. L. E. Peterson will be camp manager and brother Walter E. Purcell will seek to minister the Word. If any spiritual young men or women would feel led to help in this work please write to Mr. L. E. Peterson, 903 N. 9th Ave., Yakima, Wash., or Mr. E. C. Williams, Box 33, Omak, Washington.

#### **MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**

The annual summer Bible Camp at Little Camp-Among-The-Hills, Medicine Lake, Minneapolis, Minnesota, will be convened again this year during the week of July 19-26, (D.V.). We will be privileged to have with us in the ministry such able speakers as August Van Ryn, Peter Pell, Ernest Gross and O. E. Magee. Everyone is heartily invited to this week of real joy in the things of God and fellowship with the Lord's people. Because of limited accommodations, it is advisable for those desiring to attend to register early with O. O. Anderson, 715 W. 37th St., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

#### **NEERLANDIA, ALBERTA** Bethel Bible Camp, Westlock

The fourth annual camp for Christians will be held, (D.V.), July 6 to 12.

Following this a children's camp will be held July 13 to 19. God has blessed His Word in past years and we are expecting a time of blessing again this year. Those desiring further information may write to Mr. Ben Lievers, Neerlandia, Alberta.

BEN LIEVERS

#### NEW BEDFORD, MASS.

The New England Sunday School Convention purposes, (D.V.), having its semi-annual session at Gospel Hall, 105 Purchase St., New Bedford, Massachusetts, on May 2.

Speakers expected are Messrs. William Pell of Grand Rapids, and George Mortland of Palisades, New York.

DAVID R. SIMPSON

#### PAWTUCKET, RHODE ISLAND

We purpose (D.V.) holding our annual conference May 22 beginning with a prayer meeting Saturday evening at 7:45 p.m.

JAMES W. WINNING  
162 Oakdale Ave.  
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#### PHILADELPHIA, PA.

The Olney Assembly, 314 Chew Street, purposes (D.V.), holding their annual conference on May 30 and 31 in the Review Club Hall of Oak Lane, 70th and Lakeside Avenues. Meetings will be as follows: Lord's day, May 30, 10:30 a.m. (Breaking of Bread); 2:30 p.m. (Ministry); 7:30 p.m. (Gospel); Monday, May 31, 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. There will be a prayer meeting in the Olney Gospel Hall, Saturday, May 29, at 8:00 p.m. Visitors will be freely entertained. Correspondent: John McQuillan, 7336 Tabor Street, Burholme, Philadelphia.

#### PINE BUSH BIBLE CAMP Thompson Ridge, N. Y. Orange County

The Pine Bush Bible Camp, Thompson Ridge, N. Y., Orange County (near Middletown) will open, (D.V.), from July 3 to September 6, for boys and girls, young people, and adults. Speakers expected: Clark McClelland, Ralph West, Edwin Fesche, Horace Klenk, F. Spangler, and others. Reasonable rates \$14.00 and up. Director for July, Ralph West, 115 Fulton St., New York. Director for August, Howard H. Klenk, 419 N. 8th St., Fairview, N. J. Folder sent on request. "Brethren pray for us."

Yours in Christ,

HOWARD H. KLENK

#### RICHMOND HEIGHTS, MO.

The Lord enabled us to remodel the hall about three years ago, and He has continued to bless, sending Christian



workers, missionaries from Africa, B. W. I., brother Miller from Chicago, Ill., E. F. Washington of Kansas City, Kansas, and others.

Our Third Annual Conference was indeed a great blessing. Our Lord undertook in every way. A good attendance and His Word was brought forth in power; deep, rich, stirring and comforting. The Holy Spirit truly used the vessels of clay. I am sure we will long re-

member the good Word and sweet fellowship. The speakers were E. F. Washington, O. E. Magee, Theodore Williams, Robert Pike, Wilbur Cooper and H. Stevenson.

DAVE R. WOODS, JR.  
Correspondent

**STONY BROOK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.**

The 11th Annual Believers' Bible Conference will be held (D.V.) July 24 through August 8, 1948 with James F.

Spink, Richard Hill, George M. Landis and Harold G. Mackay as the speakers.

The theme of the Bible readings for the first week will be "God's Prophetic Plan," and for the second week "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit."

Information as to rates and accommodations and requests for reservations should be sent to James E. Hill, Business Manager, Stony Brook Assembly, Stony Brook, Long Island, New York.

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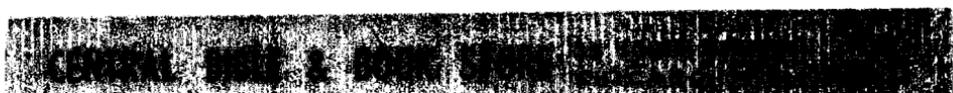
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# EDITORIAL

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## The Necessity of Interesting Letters For LETTERS OF INTEREST

JAMES G. HUMPHREY

The laborious task and expense of printing LETTERS OF INTEREST is carried on month after month simply because we believe God's work requires intelligent prayer and fellowship.

Paul wrote to the Church at Colosse—"Epaphras declared unto us your love in the spirit and since we heard of it we do not cease to pray for you." Col. 1:7-9.

It is our heart's desire that the readers of LETTERS OF INTEREST may be truthfully informed of conditions in Canada and the United States, so that they may pray definitely for specific needs that exist. Praying is not only requests but praise for blessing. May we suggest that as you read each article you pray about the worker and the work. That special needs prompted by the spirit be marked with a "P" on the margin to be placed on your prayer list or read before the assembly prayer meeting.

We feel there are godly, sincere laborers who refuse to report of their work or conditions as they find them in their field of labor and they feel that (Proverbs 27:2) "Let another man praise thee and not thine own mouth," is to guide their activities. We agree that there is nothing more disgusting than those in the Lord's

work bragging about what they have done, but we also believe that this is no excuse for not allowing God's people to share in the work He is carrying on in and through them. A sane truthful report of the work and conditions can be a great blessing to the Lord's people. We

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believe the work is being hindered in two ways; on the one hand, reports that almost border on exaggeration and untruth and the other by brethren refusing to inform the Lord's people so that they can intelligently pray.

A brother confided that for some time he had refused to send any reports of his activities until he was traveling with an older brother who knew his attitude toward mentioning his work. One day the older brother said to him, "You are not doing right by your brethren. I have noticed the first thing you read in the monthly magazine for the Lord's people is the activities and reports from the workers; yet you will not allow them the same pleasure." He said it opened his eyes to see the other side.

It is impossible for the editors of **LETTERS OF INTEREST** to know personally of conditions throughout the field, and letters and reports are printed as received. Therefore, it is of utmost importance that these letters and reports are not exaggerated. "The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart and a good report maketh the bones fat." Prov. 15:30.

## **The Cover**

**ELIM HOMES**

**Box 33**

**Midland, Ontario**

Elim Homes was opened July 1, 1945 to meet the need of the aged, lonely, and infirm. The present residence at Waubashene is occupied by sisters only.

Here a detailed care is provided for the residents. A simple plan of physiotherapy helps to alleviate the aches and pains of some. The beneficial influence of musical therapy is being tried to a limited extent, while occupational work has not only helped the aged sisters, but has made Elim Homes a channel of blessing to others. Children's dresses, rag toys, etc. have been made. Sweaters, mitts, stockings, socks, afghans, and similar articles have been knitted.

The Elim Christian Cheer Circle, which was organized among the sisters, has a threefold objective before it. First, the relief of the distressed and needy; then, the sending out of cards and letters of comfort and cheer and sympathy; last, to eventually operate a Christian lending library for shut-in saints in the Province of Ontario.

The photograph shows a number of sisters at work preparing the latest box they sent to the Overseas Relief Committee.



## **New Worship Hymn Book Announcement**

About two years ago the first announcement was made that a new worship hymn book would be published as soon as possible. Those who had the exercise of this new hymn book agreed that the Gospel Perpetuating Fund, a non-profit corporation, which publishes "Choice Hymns of the Faith," would be given the job to publish this book also. Many individuals and assemblies have expressed a desire to share with the Fund in this initial cost for plates, etc., which will amount to \$4500.00. Kindly mail such gifts to the Gospel Perpetuating Fund, Fort Dodge, Iowa.

The book will be called "HYMNS OF WORSHIP AND REMEMBRANCE." It will contain approximately 350 hymns, which makes it a little larger than at first thought necessary, but prayer meeting and some other hymns have been included. It is hoped the new book will be ready for delivery either the end of 1948 or the beginning of 1949.

# LETTERS

Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

## **HENRY ARMERDING**

**Princeton Ave.  
Westfield, N. J.**

The present, April 14th, finds me convalescing from a major operation necessitated by hemorrhages of the stomach. About four weeks ago I arrived here at Berkeley, California, and collapsed in the home of my brother George. I was taken to Peralta Hospital in Oakland, Calif. and given immediate transfusions and an emergency operation was performed. The loss of blood made ten transfusions necessary, but was used of the Lord to spare my life for further service in His vineyard. And now my health and strength is returning quickly, and I look forward to leaving California for the East about April 27th, where after a few weeks of rest, I am in hopes of again carrying on with greater strength than I have known for years. So in all of this deep trial we can see the hand of our precious Saviour and the promise of Romans 8:28 again made good.

## **LEONARD E. BROUGH**

**2905 Power House Rd.  
Yakima, Wash.**

It's back home again after an absence of seven months in "journeys often" for. The survey will long prove encouraging as memories point to signal tokens of divine favor, open doors to give the Gospel and teach the Word, blessing in salvation and open confessions in baptism; plus the never-failing open hands of the Risen Lord are among the spiritual values that cheer the servant of the Lord.

Arrived home ill with bronchitis, but keep looking up to the One who never fails. Pray on, look up, go as He leads.

## **R. CAPIELLO**

**336 St. John St.  
New Haven, Conn.**

The Lord's work in Bronx, N. Y. continues. An elderly man professed faith in Christ last March. Also one man was saved in New Haven, Conn., and on April 18, 1948 I had the joy of baptizing him.

I ask the saints to continue to pray for that assembly.

## **J. W. GIBB**

**22 Ridge Rd.  
Belmont 78, Mass.**

Since the first of March visiting of the ships was resumed, averaging two and three evenings a week, with many fine individual opportunities given for talking with men and practically a wide open door for distribution of His Word.

The most helpful asset to the work is God's leading a young Christian brother to my home, a Mr. David Nyquist, who says my name listed in one of the magazines of the Merchant Service Officers' Christian Association, an international and undenominational organization, under the leadership of a retired sea captain, Capt. E. G. Carre, of London, England, who at the age of over 80 still manifests his interest through his writings and speaking at missions throughout the British Isles. Mr. Nyquist was for approximately two years a Jr. Engineer on 2-3 American Victory boats and is able to

approach especially the engineers with experience and never fails to bring into his conversation the Gospel.

On one occasion we visited a British ship "La Fontaine Park," loading grain for overseas and thus to be in dock for a few days. The Lord had many men on this ship for us and while brother Nyquist worked among the engineers, I worked among the rest of the crew.

Just the other evening after visiting two other ships, all American, with much indifference shown, I came to a third ship, the "Resolute" (Amer.) just in from Australia with a load of wool. Of course, after the long trip the men were about all ashore by the time I arrived. However, I found 3-4 officers in a room drinking and I found very little opportunity there, in fact, they just wouldn't listen to anything "religious," but upon approaching another fellow, Electrician, near his room, found him of the indifferent and careless attitude toward the Gospel. He was alone and I sort of stuck with him and followed him into his room while speaking with him all the time and even sat down as he sat down for I really felt that this was the man the Lord would have me work on. It proved very much that was the case for with the many questions he kept throwing at me, and with the Lord's help being able to answer them from the Word, he rather warmed up a bit toward the Gospel and he told me (God forbid that I should say this boastfully), "Your sincerity in spending so much time with me who at first was so indifferent to your approach, has sort of changed my way of thinking and now I believe there is something to look into and think about." He gladly took all the literature I gave him with a copy

of a New Testament and promised faithfully to read it carefully.

**T. JAMES LYTTLE**

**Huguenot**

**Orange County, N. Y.**

The severity of the winter is about ended in these parts and that will enable us to reach the out-of-the-way places which cannot be contacted in the heavy snows of the mountain sections.

We continue to give the message over WGNV, Newburgh each Saturday morning from 11:15 to 11:30. We get letters from time to time from various sections where this program is heard. We get stiff competition from every cult known to true believers. Radio programs which send forth varied teachings to undermine the historic Christian faith are beamed all over this territory. In the smallest village, Jehovah's Witnesses and Seventh Day Adventists can be found. The darkened minds of the adherents to these systems are fed weekly by radio messages from their leaders in the larger centers. Then again, they have halls in the average sized towns, while in the cities they usually have several buildings. While preaching this past winter in parts of New Jersey, Penna. and Virginia, one noticed that these cults had special lecturers in all the larger cities and towns. The services they held were in the finest and largest lecture halls. They combined these activities with radio messages and judging by the evident influence resulting—the minds of those poisoned were many. It may be added, that when those with the truth find it possible to use like methods God's light and truth will reach masses of the American people with a solid presenta-

tion of the Gospel of the Bible and its great doctrines.

A good part of our ministry has been given to help believers in the past months. An excellent attendance has been observed and an ear for prophetic truths which dealt with the nations—the Gentiles and the nation of Israel. This subject matter was illustrated by means of a chart. We also gave some addresses on the general theme "The Inspiration of the Bible." While that may sound like the defence of a lion, yet it is a blessed experience to set forth the majesty and glory of the Scriptures of truth. Paul said he was set for the defence of the Gospel, Phil. 1:17. Jude states we should earnestly contend for the faith (verse 3). The interest of the saints in those subjects was very encouraging. It created a fresh interest in the good Word of God. Thus we find that in all labor there is profit.

We hope to visit some assemblies in Canada in the month of May.

**HENRY PETERSEN**  
**2739 Cloverdale Ave.**  
**Los Angeles, Calif.**

Since May, 1947 we have lived in Los Angeles. Have been kept busy with meetings in the assemblies of that area and nearby communities. Also Bible Camps and Conferences during the summer and fall. Brother Ernest Tatham joined us to help with the Camp and following that, our first Bible Conference of the Los Angeles and Bay Areas, held in beautiful Yosemite Park. Then followed Conferences in Mount Hermon (sponsored by Bay Area Young People), Labor Day Conference at San Diego and

the Annual Thanksgiving Conference at Oakland, Calif.

During the winter months we kept busy in and around Los Angeles and have just completed four weeks of ministry meetings here in Vancouver following the Easter Conference. Brethren Landis and Van Ryn also stayed after the Conference for meetings.

The assemblies of the Vancouver area have sponsored a very fine Gospel effort here for the past seven years. It is held in a downtown theatre each Sunday evening from 8:45 till 9:45 p.m. The attendance ranges from 500 to 800 people. As the theatres are closed on Lord's days, many with no place to go are attracted to the meetings. It was our pleasure to speak at these services on four Sunday evenings. A number professed to be saved. These brethren are to be commended for this fine work and their good example could be emulated elsewhere.

After this week of ministry at Mount Pleasant Hall I expect to have a few meetings at Nanaimo and Victoria, B. C., then Portland and back to Los Angeles, D. V.

There we begin two weeks of special meetings for the young at the new Avalon Gospel Hall. Also we begin a door to door survey in the area around the new La Brea Chapel which we hope will be opened about July 1. Then Camp, followed by Bible Conference for two weeks at Yosemite Park (July 18 to Aug. 1, D.V.). For these efforts, then prayers of God's people are earnestly solicited.

**EDWARD RICHMOND**  
**Box 62**  
**Dover, Del.**

Another door has been opened for the Gospel in Delaware in a little town

called Hazelville about ten miles from Dover. Bill Brown and I started meetings in a little school house and from the first night there was an unusual interest. We began two weeks ago with some children and a few adults and now the school house is filled every night with others coming to crowd in. Up until last night fifteen have professed to be saved and many others are anxious. Men, women and children are weeping and coming asking how to be saved. Some have professed on the way home and others cannot sleep at night until they get saved. During our daily visits we have been able to lead others to Christ. One young woman said she was saved as we spoke to her in the field. The wife of the worst man in town professed to be saved the other night, and she told us he was coming to the meetings. The whole town of Hazelville is stirred and one farmer is visiting another talking about what is happening. We are purposing continuing here for some time and the probability is we will continue after the meetings close with cottage prayer meetings in the hope of seeing another testimony raised up to the glory of God.

The work in Dover is also encouraging. We are expecting a fine crowd from the Phila. and New Jersey areas to attend.

We earnestly seek your prayers and those of your assembly for this work and for us that strength will be given to carry on. We have the possibility of another work nearby also. One can tell that those coming to hear the Gospel never heard it in this manner before. Pray for us.

**C. T. SCHWARZE**  
**110 Gilliland Drive**  
**Athens, Georgia**

Athens, Georgia is a difficult field but the Lord has been giving us a few open doors, mostly in Bible readings and teaching. We have a Bible Class in our own home once each week and one in another section of the city as well. Then we have other meetings wherever we can visit people who are not able to get to preaching services. This city is more denomination ridden than any other I have seen. Several Christians will teach a Sunday School class in a church but go home immediately afterward because of the lack of spirituality in the preaching. Efforts to get these together for Sunday morning ministry has failed. They say "Let us ordain you and then we'll build a church for you."

In these home meetings, however, the interest is bright and one man, formerly addicted to drink, has shown special interest and claims to have been saved.

Mrs. Schwarze has been able to reach children in several sections of Athens for Bible story and chorus work, with flannelgraph and other aids. The Lord is also opening doors for the preaching of the Word to individual groups in the environs of Athens—one group of young people is especially eager for the Word, and is located some twelve miles outside the city.

I also have a weekly radio program of a half hour over which Bible study is conducted. Last winter and part of this one we covered the two epistles of Thesalonians and are now about half way through Colossians. The interest is apparently good for many seem to be listening in.

# CONFERENCES

Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **BLUE RIDGE, N. C.**

Blue Ridge Bible Conference—July 3 through 17. Two glorious conference weeks in "The Land of the Sky." Blue Ridge is one of the world's beauty spots. The recreational and conference facilities are excellent.

Among the speakers will be Peter Pell, Harold Mackay, William Deans (of Africa), Elliott Van Ryn, Lester Wilson, Owen Hoffman and others.

Write for reservations to: Mr. James A. Innes, P.O. Box 1624, Asheville, N. C.

## **CALGARY, ALBERTA**

The annual Conference held at the Gospel Hall, 106 6th Avenue East, on March 26, 27, and 28, preceded by a prayer meeting on Thursday the 25th, was a time to be remembered with thankfulness.

Ministry by brethren W. Pell of Grand Rapids, Mich., Fred Elliott of Portland, Ore., John Smart of Toronto, Ont., and others. Christians came from a distance of several hundred miles, and about 20 different assemblies were represented, from Alberta, British Columbia, Manitoba, Sask., Ontario, Portland, Ore., Grand Rapids, Mich. Many of

them expressed their joy of the wonderful ministry received.

Mr. Fred Elliott remained for a few days after the Conference, and gave some very helpful ministry on the different aspects of the Holy Spirit. We trust such ministry will have its effect on all who heard it, as we think of the dark and troublesome times we are passing through, and what seems to be the nearness of the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Yours sincerely,

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218 13th Ave. E.  
Calgary, Alberta, Can.

## **CALIFORNIA BIBLE CONFERENCE Yosemite National Park**

The Second Annual California Bible Conference for adults and young people will be held, (D.V.), at Yosemite National Park, July 18 to August 1, 1948. The first such conference held last year brought much enthusiastic comment, and we believe there was a real blessing. A cordial invitation is extended to the Lord's people to plan on enjoying this vacation Bible conference in beautiful Yosemite Valley. For information and rates, please write to Bruce E. Merritt, 221 W. Hermosa Dr., San Gabriel,

Calif., or Allen Jones, 2745 Best St., Oakland 1, Calif.

GEO. H. WHITE

**CAMP BEREA**

**Newfound Lake, New Hampshire**

As the fourth season for the operation of Camp Berea comes into view, the trustees are humbly seeking the good guiding hand of the Lord in all matters pertaining to the necessary arrangements that must be made.

Looking back over the past years, wherein the Lord was pleased to set His approval by bringing salvation to the lost, restoration to the backslider and refreshing to the weary, we are confidentially anticipating a time of joyous Christian fellowship and blessing. May nothing intervene to mar this expectation from being fully realized. For the sake of those who desire to plan their vacations well ahead of time, we are submitting our program for this year, in the will of the Lord, as follows:

July 3 to 11—General Conference Week, Speakers Fred Peer, Richard Hill.

July 12 to 24—Boys Camp, Camp Director William Oglesby.

July 26 to Aug. 7—Girls Camp, Speakers Robert Crawford, Clark McClelland.

Aug. 7 to Aug. 14—Open Week, Speakers Lester Wilson, Henry Armerding.

Aug. 14 to 21—Bible Study Week, Speakers James Gunn, Lester Wilson.

Aug. 21 to 28—Young People's Conference, Speakers Harold Harper, James Gunn.

Aug. 28 to Sept. 6—General Conference, Speakers Peter Pell, Harold Harper.

Those desiring further information may write to Camp Berea, Box 725, Lawrence, Mass.

**CANNON BEACH BIBLE CAMP, OREGON**

A Bible Camp will be held (D.V.) June 25 to July 2. The purpose of the camp is to provide a vacation in a happy Christian atmosphere. For further information please write to Mr. Thomas Dryden, 3530 N.E. Multnomah, Portland 15, Oregon or to Mr. Walter Purcell, 3035 S.E. Ankeny, Portland 15, Oregon.

**EVANSTON, ILLINOIS**

A sisters' missionary conference was held in the Evanston Gospel Chapel on April 13. It proved a very helpful and edifying time for all present. It was a real joy to hear reports from Mrs. Deans, Belgian Congo, Mrs. Tate, Bolivia, and Mrs. Tilsley, India. An opportunity was also given three younger sisters, Patricia Magee, Hilda Graham, and Gertrude Koppel, to tell of their exercise to serve the Lord in the foreign field as He may direct.

**GREENWOOD HILLS, PA.**

The following schedule gives summer camps and conferences for 1948 season:

July 3-18, General Bible Conference. Speakers expected: Henry Armerding, John W. Bramhall, William A. Deans, Alfred P. Gibbs.

July 19-29, Girls Camp. Miss Ruth A. Buirkle, Director. Alfred P. Gibbs, Speaker.

July 31-Aug. 8, Mid-season Bible Conference. Speakers expected: R. J. Reid, Tom Westwood.

Aug. 9-19, Boys Camp. William J. Oglesby, Director.

Aug. 21-Sept. 6, Vacation Bible Conference. Speakers expected: Cecil Greenhow, Geo. M. Landis, Harold G. Mackay, George Rainey, James F. Spink and James Annan.

For information or reservation write:  
Mrs. John Aird, Sr., Greenwood Hills  
Inn, R. D., Fayetteville, Pa.

#### **GUELPH, ONTARIO**

Bible Conference dates:

May 23 and 24—Opening Conference,  
Crawford Tilsley, India; Neil M. Fraser,  
Portland, Ore.

July 1-5—Dominion Day and Independence  
Day Conference, H. M. Harper,  
Wheaton, Ill.; Geo. Rainey, Florida.

Three Weeks General Conference:

July 1-10—R. Winslow, London, morn-  
ings; H. Harper, Wheaton, Ill., evenings.

July 11-17—C. Greenhow, Windsor,  
mornings; Geo. Landis, Fayetteville, Pa.,  
evenings.

Sunday, July 18—Annual Missionary  
Day: July 18-25—W. B. Mackie, Flint,  
mornings; H. Armerding, Westfield, N.  
J., evenings.

Four Weeks Summer Bible School  
July 31-August 29.

Sept. 4—S.S. Teachers' Conference.

Sept. 5 and 6—Labor Day Conference.  
Owen Hoffman, Washington, Ga.; Geo.  
Mortland, Palisades Park, N. J.

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rate card to: Guelph Conference Com-  
mittee, 418 Church Street, Toronto, Ont-  
ario.

#### **LAKE GENEVA, WISCONSIN**

The Chicagoland assemblies wish to  
announce their 1948 summer conference  
to be held (D.V.) at Conference Point  
Camp on Lake Geneva from the after-  
noon of August 28 till noon of Septem-  
ber 5. Those expected to minister will  
be brethren R. Arthur, E. Gross and A.  
Van Ryn. Brother Martin Steinberg will  
be in charge of children's work.

Reservations may be made after April  
15 by writing to Mr. J. Milton Schrader,  
117 South Blvd., Oak Park, Illinois.

#### **LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

The annual conference at Easter was  
well attended. The ministry was varied  
and helpful to the Lord's people and was  
shared by the following servants of the  
Lord, D. R. Charles, A. E. Burnham, A.  
R. Crocker, A. E. Hunt, Wm. Morgan,  
T. M. Olson, J. J. Rouse, A. B. Rodgers  
and Geo. Wightman.

#### **MANCHESTER, CONNECTICUT**

The conference in Manchester had  
about the same attendance as last year,  
about 350 at its peak. The ministry was  
varied and good, having ten of the serv-  
ants of Christ with us. Sorry to say the  
meetings closed without any definite  
conversions to Christ, so far as we know.

WILLIAM MCBRIDE

#### **MAZAMA, WASHINGTON** (Okanogan County)

It is planned, the Lord willing, to hold  
a ten day Summer Bible Camp from  
July 16 to 26, inclusive. This will  
strengthen a number of converts in the  
Methow Valley who were brought to the  
Lord through the efforts of brother O.  
W. Elder. Mr. L. E. Peterson will be  
camp manager and brother Walter E.

Purcell will seek to minister the Word. If any spiritual young men or women would feel led to help in this work please write to Mr. L. E. Peterson, 903 N. 9th Ave., Yakima, Wash., or Mr. E. C. Williams, Box 33, Omak, Washington.

#### **MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**

The annual summer Bible Camp at Little Camp-Among-The-Hills, Medicine Lake, Minneapolis, Minnesota, will be convened again this year during the week of July 19-26, (D.V.). We will be privileged to have with us in the ministry such able speakers as August Van Ryn, Peter Pell, Ernest Gross and O. E. Magee. Everyone is heartily invited to this week of real joy in the things of God and fellowship with the Lord's people. Because of limited accommodations, it is advisable for those desiring to attend to register early with O. O. Anderson, 715 W. 37th St., Minneapolis, Minnesota.

#### **NEERLANDIA, ALBERTA**

**Bethel Bible Camp, Westlock**

The fourth annual camp for Christians will be held, (D.V.), July 6 to 12. Following this a children's camp will be held July 13 to 19. God has blessed His Word in past years and we are expecting a time of blessing again this year. Those desiring further information may write to Mr. Ben Lievers, Neerlandia, Alberta.

BEN LIEVERS

#### **OTTAWA, ONTARIO**

**Grace and Truth Gospel Hall**

A three-day conference was held at Grace and Truth Gospel Hall, Ottawa, Ontario, at the Easter season. Meetings were held Good Friday morning, afternoon and evening, Saturday afternoon

and evening, and Lord's Day morning, afternoon and evening. Mr. Ernest Tatham of Toronto and Mr. H. W. O. Atkins of England were speakers for Friday, Mr. Tatham and Mr. L. C. Thomas, of Ottawa on Saturday and on Sunday Mr. Tatham, Mr. Atkins and Mr. J. I. Duguid of Montreal shared the platform. In the afternoon an open session was held in the Sunday School, when "Uncle Ernie" gave the message. Assemblies in the surrounding district were invited and some visitors were amongst us, and some local people. The ministry of the Lord's servants was very rich and very much enjoyed by His people. At the close of the evening service, at which there were large crowds, a young boy in the Sunday School professed to accept Christ, while others in the audience signified that they desired to walk closer to the Lord in the days that lie ahead.

Yours in Him,

ARCHIE HOWITT

#### **PINE BUSH BIBLE CAMP**

**Thompson Ridge, N. Y.**

**Orange County**

The Pine Bush Bible Camp, Thompson Ridge, N. Y., Orange County (near Middletown) will open, (D.V.), from July 3 to September 6, for boys and girls, young people, and adults. Speakers expected: Clark McClelland, Ralph West, Edwin Fesche, Horace Klenk, F. Spangler, and others. Reasonable rates \$14.00 and up. Director for July, Ralph West, 115 Fulton St., New York. Director for August, Howard H. Klenk, 419 N. 8th St., Fairview, N. J. Folder sent on request. "Brethren pray for us."

Yours in Christ,

HOWARD H. KLENK

**ROSEISLE, MANITOBA**

The annual conference will be held (D.V.) in the Gospel Hall, Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13, preceded by a prayer meeting Friday, June 11 at 8:00 p.m. We were greatly encouraged last fall to see the salvation of several precious souls and we are looking for further blessing. Our prayer is that the present season may be one of helpful soul searching ministry that all the saints may be instructed in His paths that glory may be brought to God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C. E. WALSH

**SEATTLE, WASHINGTON****Hope Gospel Hall**

A conference in connection with our assembly will be held (D.V.) at Labor Day, in the auditorium of the Seattle Pacific College. It will open with prayer and ministry on Saturday, September 4, at 7:00 p.m. and will continue September 5 and 6. As this will be our first conference in ten years we are expecting a good attendance. Further information, if desired, may be had by writing Mr. Kenneth Fleming, 915 West Galer St., Seattle 99, Washington.

KENNETH FLEMMING

**SOMERVILLE, MASS.**

A goodly company of the Lord's people from the surrounding district gathered at our annual conference held April 16 to 18. Brethren H. M. Harper, C. E. Tatham and E. C. Williamson ministered the Word to profit.

**STONY BROOK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.**

The 11th Annual Believers' Bible Conference will be held (D.V.) July 24 through August 8, 1948 with James F.

Spink, Richard Hill, George M. Landis and Harold G. Mackay as the speakers.

The theme of the Bible readings for the first week will be "God's Prophetic Plan," and for the second week "The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit."

Information as to rates and accommodations and requests for reservations should be sent to James E. Hill, Business Manager, Stony Brook Assembly, Stony Brook, Long Island, New York.

**TORONTO, ONTARIO****Central-Swanwick Gospel Halls**

A large number of the Lord's people gathered at Easter time for the annual conference. The ministry was very good and proved a blessing to all present. Those sharing the ministry were brethren Wm. Deans, N. M. Fraser, J. G. Humphrey, P. Pell, L. Sheldrake and C. J. Tilsley.

**TORONTO, ONTARIO****West Side-East Side Assemblies**

Brock Avenue, West Toronto, Bracondale, Lansing and Ascot Assemblies held their Annual Convention March 26, 27 and 28 in the Central High School of Commerce Auditorium.

Pape Avenue, Highfield Road, Broadview Ave., and Eglinton Avenue Assemblies met in the Eastern High School of Commerce same dates.

It was the largest Convention ever held in the West End and East End Schools, and there was a full capacity meeting for the breaking of bread on Lord's day in both localities. The consensus of opinion is that it was a very good Conference. The ministry of the Word was varied and practical. The Gospel was very faithfully preached on

Lord's day evening in the West End hall by brethren Paul Plubell, Gordon Reager and George Gould and in the East End by brethren Joseph Pearson, Archie Stewart and William Warke.

JOSEPH COLEMAN  
Correspondent

**VANCOUVER, B. C.**

**Mount Pleasant Hall**

**Cor. Eighth Ave. and Ontario St.**

The Easter Conference 1948, which by the way is the 37th consecutive conference for Christians to be held here, will long be remembered with much pleasure and thanksgiving for two things: 1. The spell of glorious weather reminding us of the goodness of our God in temporal things and permitting friends old and new to enjoy that fellowship and communion between conference sessions which only Christians are able to appreciate, especially those

who may be isolated for the greater part of the year.

2. And more important the seasons listening to the exposition of the Word by the Lord's servants. Numbers in attendance this year were larger than ever and a very marked feature was the large attendance at the opening session on Good Friday morning.

Brethren ministering were G. M. Landis, August Van Ryn, Henry Petersen and Donald McIntosh who brought out of His treasure things new and old, refreshing, edifying and encouraging. Again a noted fact which calls for great thankfulness was the large percentage of young men and women in attendance.

We must not overlook the Missionary sessions on Saturday afternoon, one for sisters and one for brethren, both well attended and considered by some the outstanding meetings of the conference.



***"No Detours" in Braille***

*No Detours to Heaven*, by T. B. Gilbert, is now available in braille.

Any Christian who may know of a blind person who can read braille may have one or more of these tracts, free, by writing: Dr. Dan Robertson, 3504 Victor Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Or if the blind person's name and address is sent, the tract will be mailed direct to them.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

### **Tents**

If the Lord be not come, tent work will soon be in full swing once more. May it be a season of rich blessing in the salvation of precious souls.

The Apostle Paul realized the value of the prayers of the saints in his day, when he wrote "Brethren, pray for us." The Lord's people in our day can likewise help by prayer, and we would like to inform them through these pages of all tent efforts.

To this end, we would appreciate it if correspondents and laboring brethren would let us know of contemplated tent meetings.

### **Reporting Blessings**

It gladdens the hearts of the Lord's people to hear of souls being saved. When God, at times, works in a special way and goodly numbers are led to Christ it is indeed an occasion of great joy.

However, we know that often, especially in a big movement, there are some who profess to be saved, who do not turn out to be genuine. Time, and only time, will make it manifest how many of those who professed are really born of God, and how many are only mere professors.

We feel brethren reporting blessing would do well to state that a certain number "professed" to be saved, rather than state definitely that a given number "were" saved.

"The Lord knoweth them that are His."

**HERBERT G. DOBSON**  
9253 So. Marshfield  
Chicago 20, Ill.

c/o **MR. FRED GLASGOW**  
Newtownards, County Down  
North Ireland

Mr. and Mrs. Dobson hope to sail on May 8 for a visit to Ireland, returning, D.V., in October. Brother Dobson is exercised about the members of his family, none of whom are saved with the possible exception of one brother, as well as relatives and friends. As far as he knows the Gospel has never been preached by any one connected with the assemblies in his home town, Mohill, County Letchim. Brother Dobson wants to have Gospel meetings in the town and hopes to be able to get the town hall for this purpose. He will also visit other parts, preaching the Gospel and ministering to the saints. His address while in Ireland will be as above shown.

**A. PAUL DUCHESNEAU**  
295 Phoenix Ave.  
Cranston 9, R. I.

Since January we have had an open door for broadcasting the Gospel in French—something we have been praying for for about two years. The station is

not powerful but we have a potential audience of French-speaking R. Catholics of approximately 75,000 within a 25-mile radius. We have three 15-minute periods once a month and a half-hour period one Sunday in every eight. This is not as much as we would like but we are thankful for this opportunity. We offer a French New Testament free to those who write in asking for one. We have had some requests come in and have heard of considerable favorable comments. We praise the Lord for this but are praying for definite results among this large population without the knowledge of the saving power of the Gospel. Please remember these broadcasts in prayer.

LETTERS OF INTEREST are always read "with interest" as to the Lord's workings through His servants everywhere. May He bless your own ministry among Christians. With sincere greetings in the Lord, I remain

**PAUL ELLIOTT**  
Aplington, Wis.

**CHAUNCEY YOST**  
Black Earth, Wis.

These two brethren had Gospel meetings in Brodhead, Wis., with good interest during the month of April.

**HENRY FLETCHER**  
252 St. Clarens Ave.  
Toronto 4, Ont.

After the Manchester, Conn., Conference which he attended, brother Fletcher began a series of Gospel meetings in Waterville, Conn. God gloriously blessed the Word spoken and the hearts of the Lord's people, as well as our brother, were gladdened by seeing some saved.

**GEORGE GOULD**  
P.O. Box 251  
Route 2  
St. Catharines, Ont., Canada

Brother Gould expects to have meet-

ings in Bridgeport, Conn. during the month of May. Later he hopes to go to Simcoe, Ont., and open up the new hall with meetings in June. He is exercised about working in Nova Scotia during the balance of the summer.

**J. A. GRAY**  
130 3rd St. N.W.  
Portage la Prairie, Man.

Brother Gray has spent the last three months in Ontario, visiting Port Arthur, Guelph, Hamilton, Grimsby, Orillia and several assemblies in Toronto. God blessed the ministry to the encouragement and edification of His people.

Our brother was expecting to return to Manitoba about the end of April to prepare for spring and summer work on the prairies. This is a large and needy field and the laborers are few. Brother Gray and other laborers on the prairies were encouraged by the blessing they experienced last year and they look for even more fruit this season. Pray for them.

**JAMES GUNN**  
Box 993  
Midland, Ont., Canada

**WM. PELL, JR.**  
817 North Ave., N.E.  
Grand Rapids, Michigan

We are glad to report that the four weeks Gospel meetings by these brethren in Friendship Ave., Pittsburgh were fraught with blessing. We hear the model of the Tabernacle proved a great attraction, and the attendance was about the best the assembly has experienced at special series of meetings. We understand that ten or more professed to be saved. The meetings closed Sunday, May 2.

**HAROLD HARPER**  
President and College Aves.  
Wheaton, Ill.

Brother Harper was in Kenilworth, N. J. in April, seeking to help the young believers in the assembly. Quite a number professed here when brother L. Wilson had meetings in January.

We understand the assembly in Kenilworth have their Sunday morning meeting at 9:15 a.m.—at 11:00 a.m. They have a meeting especially for the neighborhood people, called the Family Bible Hour. The Gospel is preached and the Word ministered. On Sunday, April 21, there were 300 at this meeting by count. Some assemblies are finding that neighborhood people come out in the mornings more readily than in the evenings. Brother Harper, writing to a friend, says regarding the assembly at Kenilworth, "The Lord hath done great things here, for His name's sake."

**MUN HOPE**  
P.O. Box 41  
Aldergrove, B.C., Canada

Brother Mun Hope began a seven week series of meetings in April that will continue through May at Aldergrove, B. C., Canada. Meetings are being held in the big Agricultural Hall on Trans-Canada Highway, 8 miles west of Abbotsford.

**DAVID HORN**  
1537 So. Milwaukee  
Denver 10, Colo.

**JOHN A. HORN**  
418 Smith St.  
Atchison, Kansas

These two brethren in the flesh and co-workers in the Gospel, had a very interesting and profitable experience in February and March.

Leaving Detroit by car they drove as far south as Key West, Florida, distributing thousands of Gospel tracts by the way. They were impressed with the

many opportunities for the preaching of the Gospel, as they found many open doors. They visited assemblies in Tampa and Key West to the mutual benefit of the saints and themselves.

Brother John Horn has been laboring in and around Atchison since his return from Florida.

**DOUGLAS HOWARD**    **FRED PEARCEY**  
43 Hilton Ave.            205 Margueretta St.  
Toronto, Ont., Canada    Toronto 4, Ont., Can.

God was pleased to bless the efforts of these brethren in Vancouver and save a nice number of souls. They spent some weeks in Nanainio Rd. Hall where the Cedar Cottage assembly carries on a Gospel work. Quite a number professed to be saved at these meetings.

After Easter they began a Gospel effort in the So. Main Hall and the meetings were in the fourth week, when last we heard, and a number had professed to be saved. One of these was a woman in a hospital who was contacted by some sisters who were distributing tracts.

**DR. A. E. HUNT**            **HAROLD KESLER**  
1575 Ocean Front St.    5718 Riverview Dr.  
San Diego 7, Calif.    West Riverside, Calif.

These brethren had meetings in the early spring in Sacramento, Calif., Eugene, Salem and Portland, Oregon; Bellingham, Wash., and Vancouver, B. C. In April they started Gospel meetings in Ross Bay Gospel Hall, Victoria. When we last heard several had professed to be saved and others were interested. The Ross Bay assembly is less than a year old and we hear the brethren have a real desire to go on in the ways of the Lord and are exercised about souls being saved.

**L. E. McBAIN**  
745 N. High St.  
Jackson, Mich.

**NORMAN CRAWFORD**  
Box 285  
Jackson, Mich.

These brethren had five weeks meetings in Akron, Ohio with good attendance and interest. A woman who professed to be saved during the meetings, gives joy to the Christians.

The work in Jackson is growing steadily, and the brethren have been encouraged lately by the conversion of a young man.

Brother McBain hopes to work a tent this summer in the vicinity of Jackson.

**ROBERT McCracken**  
3273 E. 103rd St.  
Cleveland 4, Ohio

We are glad to say our brother is somewhat improved in health. During the last week of April he visited Chicago and had two meetings in Avondale Gospel Hall and two in the 86th St. Hall.

**TOM McCullagh**  
1116 E. National Blvd.  
Springfield, Mo.

Brother McCullagh was in Toronto for the Easter Conference and had one or two meetings afterwards in Lansing, West Toronto and Bracondale Halls. He went from there to New York and is having a few meetings with the assembly at 73rd St. who first commended him to the work. They had the joy of seeing a girl in her teens profess faith in Christ shortly after he arrived. Our brother was planning on returning to Missouri the 1st of May to prepare for summer work.

**OLIVER SMITH**  
1312 Williston St.  
Waterloo, Iowa

**WALTER ELTJES**  
Kesley, Iowa

These brethren had Gospel meetings in Clarkville, Iowa, during April. When we last heard, the attendance was en-

couraging and three had professed to be saved.

**WM. WARKE**  
1259 W. 86th St.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

**OLIVER SMITH**  
1312 Williston St.  
Waterloo, Iowa

On May 2 these brethren began a series of Gospel meetings in Hitesville, Wis. This effort marks the opening of the new Gospel Hall, which is just about reaching completion. The Gospel has been blessed to the salvation of many souls in Hitesville in the past, and we trust this effort may be fruitful.

**C. H. WILLOUGHBY**  
10625 127th St.  
Edmonton, Alta., Canada

Brother Willoughby has returned to Edmonton after a trip to Ontario. He was at the East End conference in Toronto, and writing to a friend, he says, "I think the ministry was on a higher plane than for some years." He also ministered to the saints at Barrie, Sudberry, Orillia and Grimsby.

Brother Willoughby says many people from Europe are settling in north west Canada and the population is thus increasing. This increases the need for Gospel workers and according to our brother, there are only 8 full time workers in connection with the assemblies in the vast prairie provinces. On the other hand, Jehovah Witnesses are penetrating the towns and villages in these parts and distributing their literature from farm to farm.

**BALTIMORE, (South) MARYLAND**  
Masonville Gospel Hall

We have just had three weeks of meetings by brother Leslie Rainey. Attendance varied from fifty to ninety for the evening meetings, most of whom were

# Late News Section

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## **Important Notice**

Because of the current nature of **LETTERS OF INTEREST**, no part of it can be printed ahead. In order to classify material under various headings, and print it alphabetically, it is necessary that letters and reports be on hand by the first of the month preceding date of issue.

However, in order to keep the Lord's people more closely informed of Gospel efforts in progress and of other current events, this Late News Section has been added. Letters and reports received up to the fifteenth of each month will be printed here unclassified as space permits. Those submitting material for publication however, should still make every effort to have that material reach us by the first of each month.

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### **MRS. CHARLES BRINKMAN**

Word has just been received of the passing of Mrs. Charles Brinkman, mother of David Brinkman, who departed to be with Christ on her 78th birthday, April 2.

### **J. M. BERNARD**

46 Park Street  
Newton 58, Massachusetts

Brother Bernard died May 19. The funeral was held on May 22. Further particulars will be given in a later issue.

### **MRS. D. R. SCOTT**

The wife of our aged brother David Scott of Vancouver, esteemed and well known servant of the Lord, departed to be with Christ on April 11. She was 75 years old, and had been ill for two years.

She was saved at the early age of eleven, and gathered to the name of the Lord Jesus at Foxmead, Ont., in 1892.

She was one who always had the interests of the Lord's people at heart. She was a lover of the Truth, and influenced many to walk in the "old paths laid down in the Scriptures."

Our sister was connected with the As-

semblies in Vancouver since 1910, at which time Bro. Scott and his family moved there from Nova Scotia.

She lived to see all her five children, and her grown up grandchildren saved.

### **SICK**

Prayer is requested for the following servants of the Lord who are sick:

### **L. R. McILWAINE**

Clementsvale, Nova Scotia

When we last heard about the middle of April, Bro. McIlwaine was seriously ill. He was in the hospital about that time undergoing an operation.

### **BENJAMIN BRADFORD**

32-23 3rd St.  
Long Island City 2, N. Y.

We heard on May 11th that Bro. Bradford because of some throat ailment had lost his voice. Tests were being made to determine the cause.

### **GEORGE B. WINEMILLER**

121 Evergreen St.  
Harrisburg, Pa.

Bro. Winemiller spent four and one-half weeks in the University of Pa. hospital in Philadelphia. He returned home

the first week in May but has to return in two weeks for further tests, and perhaps further treatment. He has a blood condition known as Myelogenous Leukemia, which is very weakening.

#### **BOSTON, MASS.**

The Camp Berea Reunion held on April 10, was a time of happy fellowship. 500 and 600 were present, coming from Canada, Detroit, Mich., and from most of all the New England States. It gave expression to the deep interest in Camp Berea.

W. H. MARSHALL

#### **GARNAVILLO, IOWA**

The annual conference of the assembly here is expected to be held on June 5 and 6. The Christians are looking forward to a happy time of fellowship and ministry of the Word.

#### **NEW BEDFORD, MASS.**

The semi-annual session of the New England Sunday School Convention was held in New Bedford, Massachusetts on May 2.

There was a large attendance and it was considered the best convention held in connection with Sunday School work. The ministry given was very helpful and inspiring.

The speakers were: W. H. Marshall, Boston; George Mortland, Palisades Park, New Jersey; William Pell, Grand Rapids, Michigan; and Richard Hill, New York.

DAVID R. SIMPSON

#### **WATERLOO, IOWA**

Western Ave. Gospel Hall

The Annual Conference of the Christians gathering unto the Name of the Lord Jesus, will be held July 3rd, 4th and 5th, at the Western Avenue Gospel

Hall, with a Prayer Meeting held on Friday evening July 2nd.

All are cordially invited. For further information write to Ray E. Nesbit, 830 Clough St., Waterloo, Iowa.

RAY E. NESBIT

**MR. JOHN REID**  
c/o W. W. Reid  
1049 Granville  
Vancouver, B. C.

Brother Reid has been ministering the Word in the Chicago area for the past few weeks. He has spoken in Laffin St., Irving Park, Lombard, Elgin, Wheaton and Evanston assemblies. He will be 85 years old the thirtieth day of May and has been saved over seventy years. His ministry has been most refreshing and instructive. He leaves here for Des Moines, Iowa, to be one of the speakers at the Decoration Day Conference there.

**GORDON REAGER**  
Box 141  
Decatur, Ga.

Brother Reager is at present at home, helping in the Brookhaven Assembly, and making preparation for tent work. He hopes to pitch in a lot near where the Hall is located, on May 30th. Bro. Ernest Sprunt expects to join him for the month of June. Bro. Reager has been conducting tent meetings in and around Atlanta, Ga., each summer for over 20 years.

**SAM HAMILTON**  
Mounted Route 42  
La Crosse, Wisc.

On May 9th Bro. Hamilton was starting his fourth week of meetings in a small place called Milston, Wisc., about sixty miles from La Crosse. The people are very poor in this locality, but some of them are interested in eternal things and the interest and attendance at the meetings are good.

Bro. Hamilton, because of the illness of his wife and sister-in-law which requires his attention, has to labor near home.

**LESTER WILSON**  
205 Wilson St.  
Greensboro, N. C.

Bro. Wilson had large and fruitful meetings in Burlington during April. We were told that on two Sunday evenings 600 were present.

We understand a large number professed to be saved.

**ROBERT McCORRY**  
137 Queen St., South  
Hamilton, Ont.

c/o **MRS. D. C. CAMPBELL**  
"Annaghmore"  
11 Thornhill Crescent  
Knock Belfast, No. Ireland

Mr. and Mrs. McCrory sailed for Ireland on Tuesday, May 18th, and the above will be their address, to the end of September.

Bro. McCrory was commander to the Lord's work by the Roman Rd. Hall, Motherwell, Scotland, fifty years ago, and he has a strong desire to see them again.

He is also anxious to visit old fields of labor, as well as visit relatives, who are still in the body.

The writer well remembers going to hear Mr. McCrory in Belfast, forty-three years ago, a few nights after being saved. The impressions made that night, still remain.

A. J. COTTON

**EDWIN FESCHE**  
721 East 34th Street  
Baltimore 18, Maryland

Edwin Fesche continues to localize his labors mostly in the Baltimore area. He has been on the radio here and at Hagerstown, Md., recently. Also he has had good meetings in Waynesboro, Green-

wood Hills, Pa., Washington, D. C. and Baltimore.

**ANDREW CRAIG**  
1415 Fifth St.  
Fairlawn, N. J.

Presently I am having gospel meetings at Everett, Pa. This is my second week. Thus far three have professed to be saved, this is a great encouragement to the small assembly, and we look to the Lord that others will be reached and saved.

The Lord has so ordered it, for us to have a house trailer, which enables me to have Mrs. Craig with me, as she can not get along now without my help, being an invalid with arthritis, and unable to be on her feet. In this way for the warmer months, the Lord willing, I will be able to give a little help to the Assemblies in the Cumberland Valley of Maryland.

**HECTOR ALVES**  
338 W. King Edward Ave.  
Vancouver, B. C.

**ARCHIE T. STEWART**  
13590 Longacre  
Detroit, Michigan

These two brethren commenced gospel meetings in Monitron, N. B., on April 11th, and they were still going on when last we heard, early in May.

The interest was good from the very start, and the hall is filled nearly every night. A truck-load of people have come a distance of 15 miles to the meetings.

Some have professed to be saved, others are deeply stirred, and they look to see others saved, before the meetings close.

**R. L. SAVAGE**  
744 King St.  
Regina, Sask.

As spring opens up on the prairies, I am hoping to be able to call at some of the northern parts of Saskatchewan. The subject that the Lord is laying on my heart "Is The Second Coming of Christ,

imminent." It surely is the message of the hour as never before.

Our Strasbourg Conference is coming up for the tenth year, so are praying for a blessed time with the adults and also the children's Camp.

The past fairly stiff winter curtailed activities in rural parts, but allowed local work in near-by meetings, hospitals, etc., to go on.

We pray for a great blessing this season, for it may well be our last opportunity for service.

**JOE NIEBOER**  
1158 W. 29th St.  
Erie, Pa.

Bro. Nieboer spent some time in April, visiting the saints in Stirling, Trenton and Bellville, Canada. He also had a meeting in Shelby where Bro. Belch has opened up a work.

From there he went to Lorain, O., and was expecting to visit Columbus, O., and perhaps Springfield, O., before returning home about the end of May.

The Assembly at Erie hopes to get started soon on their new building.

**M. J. KENNEDY**  
c/o 301 East 161 St.  
New York, N. Y.

I helped Bro. S. Rea for a week in a small meeting in Brooklyn, and then I had two weeks in Saugerties, N. Y., where God blessed His word to His beloved people. I notice in most of the assemblies gathered to His precious name.

What is needed is practical ministry of the Word of God. One can notice there is great departure from the plain Word of God in these last and closing days of this dispensation of grace. May God give us grace then to walk in His ways and continue in them: for in doing this we shall both save ourselves and

them that hear us, I Tim. 4:16. We can not expect any blessing through an individual or an assembly that is not right with God and walking in His truth, I Sam. 15:22, last clause.

**W. G. SMITH**  
Box 542  
Burlington, N. C.

We have observed definite manifestations of the workings of the Spirit of God, in the great desire to pray for unsaved relatives and others. Prayer meetings have been well attended, love for one another, and unity in service have paved the way for power in testimony, and the salvation of souls. Almost every week throughout the year we have witnessed conviction among the unsaved, attending gospel services. Now at the close of the special gospel campaign conducted by Lester Wilson, with Ray Felton singing, great joy abounds as many petitions have been answered. Over a score of souls on the prayer list have been saved already. More than fifty adults plus a few young people are rejoicing in the knowledge of salvation; the result of the month's meetings. Eleven married couples whose bright testimony gives promise for the continued prosperity of the assembly, seem truly happy in the Lord. During the recent meetings the crowds came in such numbers that the Chapel was too small for Sunday nights. But the High School auditorium was obtained and hundreds heard the word who otherwise could not have been accommodated. Forty-seven were baptized yesterday, May 9th.

We are rejoicing in this increase, yet realize our responsibilities are greater than ever. We are cast upon the Great Shepherd of the sheep that His Lambs may be fed from His hand through the instrumentality of His own choosing.

teen-agers. Brother Rainey gave a real challenge for young Christians to live clean for Christ and to study for His service. Two young people were saved, three backsliders restored and three young Christians took their places in the assembly.

Our Sunday School attendance is around 200, which we handle in two sessions. We are seeking a central lot where we can build a large chapel.

STANLEY G. LOIZEAUX

April 28, 1948

### ***Signs of Abundance of Rain*** **KENILWORTH, NEW JERSEY**

A servant of the Lord recently stated that he had witnessed the Lord's work in 45 countries but that he had never seen it done easily. The price of souls

School work in a rented store. As the attendance grew and crowded them out of this space, they built a small Chapel, the part in the picture which is in front of the Tower.

By consistent door to door visitation, series of meetings once or twice a year and the use of able speakers at the Gospel meetings, the work grew to such proportions that it was necessary to put an addition on their building which was 50% larger than the original plant.

At the beginning of 1948 they moved into the expanded quarters, undertook a five weeks' Gospel Campaign with Mr. Lester Wilson of Greensboro, North Carolina and changed the order of their services on Sunday morning so that they now have Breaking of Bread at 9:15 a.m. and a Family Bible Hour at 11:00.

As a result of the prayerful exercise



came high—but if the price was paid there was success.

About 15 years ago the brethren in Kenilworth, N. J. started a small Sunday

and much hard work the assembly which numbers approximately 70, averaged over 250 in attendance for the first five months of this year, with a high of 325

at the latter service. At least 25 have been saved, 30 baptized and a number restored—the majority of whom have already taken their places at the Lord's Table.

Kenilworth only has a population of 3,500, but numbers come from surrounding towns. The Sunday Night Gospel Service is growing weekly so that it has not suffered, but instead has profited as a result of the morning service. The saints are in their places on time for the worship meeting and new voices are being heard regularly.

#### **MANSFIELD, OHIO**

The special meetings conducted by brother David Lawrence of Centerville, Iowa, in our new Gospel Chapel, were fairly well attended. The community was circulated with tracts and invitations, the meetings were also advertised in the local newspaper. No definite results were evident, but the brethren feel the seed was sown. The saints were much refreshed by brother Lawrence's ministry.

Our Sunday School and Gospel Service at 11:00 a.m. is proving very helpful. The Sunday School is growing nicely; some of the parents are bringing their children to Sunday School and also staying for the Gospel service themselves. This gives us the opportunity to present the Gospel to them. Some strangers are attending our Gospel meeting at 7:30 p.m. and with these two meetings we are able to contact different families. We realize this is a pioneer work and it will take time to win the confidence of the people and we trust they will see we are interested in their soul's welfare.

Our sisters are getting prepared for our Bible School. The children have

been notified at the Public School that the Lincoln Heights Gospel Chapel will conduct a Bible School for two weeks. The parents of the children are invited at the close of the school to come and see and hear what has been taught to their children. Prizes will be awarded for attendance and memory work. We ask the prayers of God's beloved people for our work here in this needy field.

J. HUNTER

#### **ONTARIO—BRIEF REPORTS**

Brother Robert McClarkin was in Oshawa in the early part of May, giving ministry to the Lord's people.

Brother Booth and he purpose, D. V., returning soon to Manitoulin Island to resume the work begun there last fall.

Brethren Albert Joyce and Arnold Gratton opened the new hall in Kenora, with special meetings on Sunday, May 16th. We understand they purpose going west for the Western prairie conference.

Four young believers were baptized in Lake Shore early in May. Jas. McMullen who was there for some meetings, ministered at the baptism. Brethren G. P. Taylor and Jas. Smith also visited the saints here recently.

Brother Sheldrake had a week's meetings in Forest, speaking on the Coming of the Lord. His ministry stirred the Lord's people from the surrounding assemblies. The Forest young people and some from Lake Shore meet on Friday evenings to mail tracts. A number of requests for Testaments have been received.

Since finishing the meetings in Mid-

land, brother Wilkie has been visiting assemblies in his home district. Brother Sprunt who was with him in Midland, has since then visited Staynor, Victoria Road, and Owen Sound.

#### **QUEBEC, CANADA** **Gospel Work in Towns and Villages**

At a recent meeting of the workers who are in fellowship in Park Extension Gospel Hall, Montreal, it was decided to send a short account of our work.

This work began in 1926 when a brother whose occupation was installing gasoline pumps saw the need for Gospel testimony in territory surrounding Montreal. We started out in May, 1926, and with the exception of 1928, for five months each year, every Saturday afternoon, May to September inclusive, town and village and farm to farm visitation has been carried on through the years. When a town or village is visited, tracts are distributed from house to house and where possible a Gospel meeting is held on the street in the evening.

At first, we also visited French-speaking communities and distributed French literature, but that privilege was short-lived, for as soon as the church knew what was going on the police put an end to our activities. Laws have been passed in Quebec Province which definitely exclude everything but Rome. So by experience we now have to leave the French Canadian alone, but we are happy to say the French-Canadian can be reached through the mails. God has signally blessed in mailing efforts and many have been definitely led to Christ. Our many co-workers in Ontario and elsewhere will have a big share in the

rewards in a coming day, when the re-deemed from French R.C. Quebec surround the throne of Glory.

In the more than twenty years we have experienced many things. We have been "howled" out of many places and often has mob rule taken the place of law and order. Definitely, religious people do not like the Christ of the Gospel whom we preach, but as we are still privileged to visit more than a dozen places. Some have professed faith in Christ through our feeble efforts, but we are persuaded that many more have been reached that we know not of, who have listened to our earnest testimony or received of the thousands of Gospel tracts and booklets that we distribute freely. The places that we visit are within a radius of 50 to 70 miles of Montreal, and the average yearly mileage is 2500 miles.

W. R. ATKINSON

#### **TRURO, NOVA SCOTIA**

We had brother Isaac McMullen with us for the first series of meetings in our new hall on the corner of Young and Victoria Streets. The ministry of the Word was both fresh and refreshing. A nice number of the unsaved attended and a real interest is being awakened among some Christians who are as yet attached to some of the systems in the town.

#### **WATERLOO, IOWA**

Brother George Rainey has just closed a series of two weeks special ministry meetings for Christians. Meetings began April 4 and closed April 16. The Word was ministered in the power of the spirit and was very helpful to all the Christians.

Western Avenue Gospel Hall  
RAY E. NESBITT, Correspondent

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by JAMES G. HUMPHREY

## Daily Vacation Bible School

"Daily Vacation Bible School" simply means preaching the Gospel and teaching the Bible *daily* to boys and girls. Are we "going in for it"? What are the advantages of D.V.B.S. work? Is the expense and effort worthwhile?

The need of reaching boys and girls has been placed before God's people in recent years. Delinquency is great! Worldly attractions are numerous! Sunday School attendance is low! What shall we do? Shall we not "do this thing willingly," namely, to be made all things to all men, that we might by all means save some? (I Cor. 9:17, 22).

Following are some of the advantages of D.V.B.S.:

1. It affords the teachers (who should be spiritually-minded) to associate with the pupil from two to three hours daily.

2. A consecutive Gospel or teaching line, without the long weekly intervals and interruptions of Sunday School, is apt to reach the conscience sooner.

3. Parents may be invited and contacted for a closing program.

4. Boys and girls will be reached who ordinarily do not go to "church," to S.S., or to camp.

5. Handwork and play intervals afford real testimony for the teacher to the pupil and helps to stimulate interest.

6. Boys and girls are thus learning God's Word and His salvation rather than running around idly during holiday time.

7. The teacher who sacrifices time and money and who does the work, will be challenged and sharpened spiritually

for increased and better work for the Lord.

This is a worthwhile effort. Sunday School attendance will increase. Parents will be impressed with the influence and the effect of God's Word upon their children and may thus find an interest in the Gospel and the assembly.

What are the requisites? First of all, faithful and godly teachers who have a burden for the souls of boys and girls. Further, preparations should be prayerfully made. A series of well-planned lessons, songs and choruses, handwork, games, and other interesting features should be properly scheduled in advance. One teacher should be in charge of the work with others cheerfully cooperating.

Advance advertisement should be well done! The results of such a D.V.B.S. may be committed to God who is faithful! May God grant us vision!

One closing remark. We read of young children who were brought to our Lord Jesus Christ in Mark 10:13-16 in order that He might touch them and pray. (See also Matt. 19:13). The disciples *rebuked* those that brought them. But our Lord was *much displeased* with the intervention of the disciples. May we not criticize this good Daily Vacation Bible School work, nor rebuke those who are thus engaged, but far rather, let us hear Him say, "Suffer the children to come unto me," and let us enter into the efforts of the "laborers" who are so few!

BEN TUININGA

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## **Women**

**M. SINCLAIR**  
c/o Mrs. Morrison  
2506 Wellington Ave.  
New Westminster, B. C., Canada

It was a real privilege and joy to speak in Victoria, Vancouver and Edmonton, especially to the young girls, and my heart was glad to hear of another woman passing from death to life. If the Lord will, I leave for Scotland to visit my aged father on May 1. Till October my address will be:

c/o Mrs. E. Hardie  
58 Clifford St.  
Ibrox, Glasgow, Scotland

Will value your prayers that God will especially use me in personal work as I travel.

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## **New Correspondents**

New correspondent for the assembly in Richmond, Virginia is

**G. WALLACE KUCKER**  
2207 Stuart Ave.  
Richmond 20, Va.

**FRED SMITH**  
1783 2nd Ave.  
Trail, B. C., Canada

is now correspondent of assembly meeting in Trail, B. C., Canada.

**ALBERT PLUE**  
105 Ulster Ave.  
Saugerties, N. Y.

is new correspondent in Saugerties, New York.

## **A New Testimony**

**HOLLIS 7, NEW YORK**  
Hollis Gospel Hall  
8907 201st St.

A new testimony to our Lord's precious name has recently begun to function in Hollis, Long Island, New York. They meet in a home, 8907 201st St. Their services are as follows:

Sunday Services: Sunday School 9:30 a.m., The Lord's Supper 10:45 a.m., Gospel Service 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Prayer and Bible Study, 8:00 p.m.

**EUGENE C. GRUHLER**  
Correspondent  
8907 201st St.  
Hollis 7, L. I., N. Y.

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## **Change of Address**

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All mail for WORDS IN SEASON, Associate Editor's Office, should come to this address.

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## **Fellowship**

It is our happy privilege to announce that the assembly meeting at Dearborn Chapel, Hamilton and Nona Sts. and the assembly meeting at Central Gospel Hall, Harrison and Grand River Ave-

nues, Detroit, Michigan, are in full and happy accord and fellowship.

At a meeting of the brethren from both assemblies held April 12, after prayer, reading of the Scriptures and a godly discussion of Assembly Principles and Fundamental Truths, the above action was taken and we trust that it will be to the glory of God, the strengthening of the testimony and the salvation of lost ones.

Yours by His Grace,

On behalf of the Assembly at Dearborn Chapel: W. A. Mosher, W. J. Florence, Ernest A. Hahn, R. G. Orr, G. J. Ekkel.

On behalf of the Assembly at Central Gospel Hall: Dr. D. B. Thomson, Thomas Robertson, R. Hopwood, William Geddes, George Flutur, Claude H. Simms, Fred P. Honeyball, D. W. Ross.

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### **Overseas Relief**

“And they did all eat and were filled; and they took up of the fragments that remained twelve baskets full.”

Truly, these words spoken by the Saviour long ago fit our case. Not only are we filled daily, as to eating, but there is always much left over.

Not only should this cause thanksgiving to God for His goodness to us, but also exercise us, as to our brethren and sisters in Christ who suffer want and hunger.

Just recently a letter was received from a brother in Russian occupied Germany which had the following in it:

“God humbles us and builds us up again, He lets us feel His goodness and mercy which has no end. We felt the whole world had forgotten us, the need

was so great.” Hunger is painful. Work or no work, there is no help in sight. You are as free as a bird, find food or die. We burned our 1945 egg card, we have not seen an egg since then. We are promised 4 teaspoons of meat, 2 teaspoons of fat and wearing apparel, but we do not get it.

A physician was telling a brother it was no use for him to give anyone a prescription as there is nothing with which to fill it.

Therefore my dearly beloved in the Lord, we accept your love gifts with praise, blessing and thanksgiving to God. Every spoonful of flour is a special gift from Him.

My dear brother and sister, the suffering on this earth will soon come to an end, meantime we must humble ourselves and plead for mercy. We praise God that we are about to meet in the name of our Lord Jesus in the Russian zone and also to preach the glorious Gospel; we do not get a large crowd out. The people are in despair and in fear of death, they must come to the realization of their lost condition and to receive the peace of our Lord Jesus through accepting Him.”

The Lord taught His disciples to pray thus: “Give us this day our daily bread.” Notice the plural pronoun “us.” No doubt He wants us to think of others who may lack food. This would awaken interest and cause exercise to obey His Word: “Give ye them to eat.”

“Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.”

Additional extracts of letters received from central Europe:

“If God had not made our brethren

in America willing to help us in our great need, we would all die of hunger.”— Franz Kuhl, Hersfeld

“Since we get help through the brethren we not only can give our children enough to eat, but we have also two guests at our dinner table: A 13 year old boy who was so undernourished that several times he fainted; and a little refugee boy, who empties his plate ‘in the twinkling of an eye’ with a beaming face! God reward you for your love.” Children’s Home, Plettenberg

“It is a great joy and strengthening of faith for us to know that our dear brethren and sisters in these difficult times feel with us and help to carry our burden.”—Mrs. Meta Koch, near Cologne.

Funds should be sent to: “The Fields, Inc.,” 75 Maiden Lane, New York 7, N. Y. Correspondence, clothing and other goods to the Committee Chairman, Ernest Halbach, 159 Lowell Street, Andover, Massachusetts. Clothing in the Middle Western States can be sent to Mr. Ernest Gast, c/o Ickes-Braun Greenhouse Mfg. Co., 2340 W. Wabansia Ave., Chicago, Ill.

FRED J. LANGE

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### **Food Parcels For Aged Saints in Britain**

The brethren in Montreal desire to thank all who have written for names and addresses of aged saints in Britain to whom food parcels may be sent and desire it to be known that there are still quite a few more available for those who may be interested in carrying out I John 3:17. All names and addresses in our possession have been described as being cases of real need. Please write to:

GEORGE H. DIXON  
5866 Fourth Ave.  
Rosemount, Montreal 36  
or to  
MR. J. I. DUGUID  
2204 Girouard Ave.  
N.D.G., Montreal 28

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### **Widows of the Lord’s Servants**

Additions

MRS. R. J. BROOKS  
38 Ridley Ave.  
Belleville, Ont., Canada  
MRS. E. B. CRAIG  
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Richmond, Calif.

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### **Change of Address**

MUN HOPE  
P.O. Box 41  
Aldergrove, B. C., Canada

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### **Summer School at Emmaus in July**

Announcement has just been received of the inauguration of a Summer School in Toronto this coming July. The Emmaus Bible School is sponsoring this course for university students, school teachers, Bible-school students and any others who are interested in making this summer count for eternity.

Classes will be held at the Toronto School from July 5 to 31, each week day from 9 a.m. to 12 noon.

The following courses are to be offered: Bible Doctrine, Mr. D. A. Sherwood; Modern Heresies, Mr. Wm. MacDonald; Prophecy, Mr. Wm. MacDonald; Introduction to New Testament Greek, Mr. R. E. Harlow.

Credits given for these courses may be applied to the regular Day School program. There is no charge for tuition, but a registration fee of \$15.00 is required. Any interested should apply directly to Emmaus Bible School, 81 Harcourt Avenue, Toronto.

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### **Sick**

**PETER J. PELON**  
664 S. Franklin  
Denver 9, Colo.

Brother Pelon lost his balance in his home on April 12 and fell, fracturing his hip. It took a two-hour operation to set it with a pin. He was expected home from the hospital in a few days, as it was felt he could rest easily in a wheel chair. Brother Pelon's ministry has been largely visiting hospitals, particularly army institutions. He had a special interest in sick and disabled service men.

**JOHN M. BERNARD**  
46 Park St.  
Newton 58, Mass.

When we last heard, on April 15, brother Bernard was suffering great pain and very low. His mind, however, was quite clear and his loved ones who wait on him say he is a wonderful patient and to be with him is like a little foretaste of heaven.

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### **Mr. F. C. Jennings'** **100th Birthday**

Grove Street Chapel, Plainfield, N. J.

December 3rd, 1947

MR. F. C. JENNINGS—"As to myself, my sincere sense of failure after failure is very strongly emphasized. As far as that goes, I am not sure that I should have the fellowship largely of a great

### **100 Years**

The following are stenographic remarks of brother F. C. Jennings on the occasion of a meeting commemorating the 100th anniversary of our dear brother's birthday last Dec. 3, 1947.

These remarks were his last public utterance. (See page 26)

JOHN W. BAEHR

number of you in the same way. For a great many of these one hundred years I think I may humbly say that I have sought to please Him and to make Him known to others. He has borne with me as He has also with most of you all through the years, I hope.

"I shall never forget that night that He revealed Himself to me in all the wonder of His love and then telling me, 'I will never leave you or never forsake you.' Isn't that good? (Here the aged brother leaned forward with radiant face and clapped his hands, saying, "Thank You, Thank You.") This unique token of praise to God deeply stirred the hearts of all present.)

"At my age I do not have one hundred years more to live, That, I suppose is beyond all argument.

"I sometimes wonder how shall we meet the Lord? Shall we be like John who fell at His feet as dead? I don't think we shall do that when we meet Him. Think of it. There isn't one of the people here who will not go out of this life. This is only a brief life. Will you meet the Lord? Will you meet Him and fall at His feet and adore Him?

As to the books I have written, six of them, and written, I think I may hum-

bly say, not by me, but by the ability given me by the most gracious Lord. Life eternal Jesus is, and when we are all Home, what a song we'll sing unto Him who loves us, who doesn't throw us salvation as we throw a penny to a beggar. Is there one here who doesn't know Him? If so, you are missing the very purpose of your life, but I trust there isn't one here to whom the Lord is not known.

"I must bring my few words to an end in praise to the God of all comfort, merciful Comforter. What words He uses! What beautiful words! Satan could use none of them. He couldn't speak about mercy for he has none. Satan can't speak about comfort. His great purpose is to discomfort all the Lord's people, but we shall see Him who has been with us through all the vicissitudes of this life, and then I think we shall have but one thought left, but it will be a very sincere

one. That will be how much we owe Him, and I shall put in my claim that I owe Him much more than any of you. Let us have a word of praise to God.

"Most blessed, most *blessed*, most *blessed* Lord, Thou knowest among all these that are gathered those that love Thee, and we are thankful to Thee that there are few, indeed, who are here that do not. We hope to see Thee, Lord Jesus, soon, but until that time comes, oh, we unite in saying praise to Thee.

"Our blessed, blessed, blessed God, we thank Thee for all the mercies that Thou hast let us see, and all Thy power and grace, and we now thank Thee for this assembly and for this evening, climaxing as it were the day, and unite in praise forever to Thee, in the name of the dear, precious Saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen."



### ***The Story of "We've a Story to Tell"***

In the hymn *We've a Story to Tell to the Nations*, the Church has had a marching song blessed with the happy combination of words and music written by the same author. Henry Ernest Nichol, who wrote this hymn in 1896, was a distinguished English author and composer who frequently signed his own name to the music and the enigmatical name of Colin Sterne to the words. This name was merely the syllables of "Ernest Nichol" given backward.

The music written for this hymn has almost a folklore quality, and matches the words beautifully. It is easy to learn and to remember, and it instantly became popular. But best of all, its message is true to the Lord's great command: "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." This thought is developed progressively in the four stanzas, reminding us that we have "a story to tell," "a song to be sung," a *message* to give," and "a *Saviour* to show" to those who have never heard.

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# ***With the Lord***

**FREDERICK C. JENNINGS**

**Servant of the Lord for Eighty Years**

*Submitted by F. M. Biffen*

On April 17, 1948 our beloved brother Frederick C. Jennings passed into the presence of the Lord from his home in Plainfield, N. J. Born over one hundred years ago in Calcutta, India, of British



parents, our brother sailed around Cape Horn to England, where he was educated. Coming to this country as a young man in 1871, he prospered in the tea importing business and was enabled to retire in the late 1890's. For many years he ministered to the Lord's people in his own assembly and in different parts of this country.

Shortly after his arrival in the United States brother Jennings married Miss Annie Beatrice Pond of New York who, in 1876, went to be with the Lord. It is

interesting to note that his wife's mother did not think he was very robust and as our brother was very fond of repeating, she told him that he would "never make old bones."

Several years later Mr. Jennings married Miss Louise Loizeaux of Vinton, Iowa, a union which was to last for fifty-four years. In 1882 they moved to Plainfield, N. J., of which he was a resident for 66 years.

With several other brethren, our brother was instrumental in commencing the assembly now meeting in Grove Street Chapel, North Plainfield, which assembly he consistently and faithfully served until he was forced to remain away due to infirmities of age.

The last eight years of his life were brightened by his third wife, the former Mrs. Mary Stuart Carter Tyler of Virginia, who was a tender and happy attendant upon him during the very last years of his long life.

Mr. Jennings was known to many who were not privileged to meet him personally, as a precise and deeply spiritual writer upon many scriptural themes. An educated gentleman, and always of a critical mind, his writings are keen analyses of Scripture and always stir, not only the emotion, but also the heart. His best known books, both classics of their kind, are his expositions of Isaiah and of Revelation. Several smaller but most helpful books and numerous articles came from his pen even to within a year or two of his departure.

The language in which he clothed his thoughts, whether on paper or from the platform, or in the assembly family, was always choice. A poet of no mean order, he published a little volume for private circulation entitled, "A Little Bunch of Forget-me-nots."

Up to a year or two ago our brother was remarkably active in the local assembly and would not willingly be absent from the Lord's Supper nor from the mid-week Bible reading and Prayer Meeting. How he clung to these meetings and sought to instruct the younger ones amongst us of the great importance of meeting, worshipping and serving the Lord along Scriptural lines alone. His meditative ministry at the Lord's table will long be remembered. Truly it may be said of him—"Whose faith follow."

A centennial service of thanksgiving and praise to the Lord was held on his hundredth birthday, December 3, 1947, at Grove Street Chapel, Plainfield, N. J. Mr. Jennings was most eager to attend

and was able to do so seated on the platform in a wheel chair. He spoke in his characteristic heart warming manner and in a clear and strong voice for twenty minutes, returning thanks to the Lord for His love and forbearance towards him during the past eighty years.

After this eventful occasion his wonderful determination and recuperative power seemed to quickly diminish and, after a day of being unable to recognize anyone, he slipped into the Lord's presence—he was not, for the Lord took him.

The funeral service was held on April 20 at Grove Street Chapel, when brethren Richard Hill and Walter Munro brought to our remembrance some of the good things imparted by the Lord through His servant to the church. At the grave in Hillside Cemetery, Plainfield, Joseph Mc Kellin committed the body to the grave and to the Lord.

Surviving him are his widow, a daughter by his second marriage Mrs. Howard two grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.



### ***God Chooses My Destination***

There is something perennially edifying in the spectacle of a man who believes that God has a place and use for him in the world and who puts himself at God's disposal; who enters upon life, refusing to be bound by the circumstances of his upbringing; by the expectation of his friends; and the prospect of gain and advancement among men; and resolved to listen to the highest voice of all, to discover what God has for him to do upon earth and where he is likely to find the most of God; who virtually and with deepest sincerity says: "Let God choose my destination: I have a good land here, but if God wishes me elsewhere, elsewhere I will go."

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# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

## *Thomas Baird*

Thomas Baird, Missionary, Evangelist, Teacher and Writer, was unique—his originality was stamped on every department of his service for the Lord, and he was unforgettable to everyone that knew him. He was born on Nov. 30, 1861, in Dunfermline, Fifeshire, Scotland; he



died Sept. 20, 1932, in Kearny, New Jersey, U.S.A.

While a young man he was converted to God at evangelistic services held in the town where he was staying. His own record of the event states "a friend (now

my wife) being herself converted, induced me to attend these services, and there, between the public preaching and private dealing, I embraced the Son of God as my Saviour." In his early Christian life he was baptized as a believer, and associated himself with Christians who sought to carry out the New Testament principles of worship and ministry.

He soon began to testify, and ere long, as God gave him ability, he preached the Gospel, first among his fellows, and then farther afield. His zeal and devotion to the work of the Gospel commended him to his brethren with whom he met, and when later he informed them of his desire to labor for the Lord in the Straits Settlements, they gladly encouraged him. He and his dear wife set sail for the East in the year 1893. He spent several years doing pioneer work in Kuala Lumpur and in Singapore, evangelizing the Chinese settlers in that part of the Malay Peninsula. He spoke "hakka" fluently, besides knowing two other of the Chinese dialects. Prisons, hospitals and leper settlements were diligently visited, and from among their inmates many souls were won from idolatry and sin. From the condemned cell and from the death-bed of the leper came testimonies of what the Gospel had accomplished. He also paid a visit to Borneo and to Burma preaching the Gospel.

While on his first visit home to England, the South African war broke out,

and Mr. Baird volunteered to go as a Chaplain with the troops. He was assigned to one of the columns bound for Bloemfontain and Pretoria, and on one occasion barely escaped capture by the Boers. He served with Lord Roberts' army, and was awarded the Queen Victoria medal. He was ever faithful in his dealings with the souls of the men, and many were won for the King of kings during that time.

After the war he returned again to Singapore for another term of service, but due to ill-health he was obliged to return home in 1910, after which he devoted himself to the preaching of the Word of God in the home-lands. Receiving a number of requests to visit the United States, he went there in 1912, and, with the exception of a visit to Great Britain in 1927, his work from that time on was among the assemblies in the United States and Canada.

He lived a very busy life, and his energies took him into several fields of service for the Lord. He combined in a rare degree the gifts of evangelist, pastor and teacher, for he was equally at home in a Gospel Tent, a Conference platform, or in visiting the sick. In addition to being a dynamic speaker, he had a wonderful personality and manner all his own. He also possessed a facile pen, and many were the articles, gems, outlines and poems which came from his pen and appeared from time to time in the "Witness" and other magazines, and in tract form. He was the author of "Back to the Beginning" and "Conscience." He was a frequent speaker at the Fulton Street Daily Noon Prayer Meeting in New York City, and was a familiar and greatly loved figure in the assemblies

throughout the United States and Canada.

During World War I he did good service for the Lord in evangelizing many of the army camps, preaching to and reaching the soldiers as they left for overseas service,—this in connection with other activities. During this period, in 1914, he and brother Alfred Ainslie conducted tent meetings in Union City, N. J., which resulted in the formation of the assembly there, and in which he maintained his interest and help the rest of his life. This is but a sample of many such fruitful services for the Lord.

He was a deep student of the Word; he had a lively and trained mind, and kept himself informed of world affairs with their relation to prophecy, and kept abreast of current scriptural literature both of the present and earlier generations. All this made his ministry particularly helpful in establishing young Christians in their most holy faith, and in stimulating them to practical Christian living.

The week before he passed away was characteristic of his activities. The previous Lord's day he had visited the assembly in Irvington-on-Hudson, N. Y., where he ministered the Word happily at both the morning and evening meetings. In the afternoon he went with others to the great Sing Sing prison and helped in the Gospel. On returning home, accompanied by his dear wife, he expressed himself as having spent such a happy day in the service of the Lord. Early next morning he suffered a stroke; the doctor was called, but he lapsed into unconsciousness, and passed into the presence of the Lord the next day, Sept. 20, 1932.

To accommodate the crowd at the

funeral service, the Knox Presbyterian Church in Kearny was kindly loaned, and brethren Charles Young, John Thomson, Wm. Jelley and John Hill took part in the service.

The widow, Mrs. Baird, continued to live with friends at Kearny, until Dec. 8, 1940, when she passed away, and was laid beside her husband in Kearny cemetery, awaiting the resurrection call of Him whose they were (and are) and whom they served, to join in the great general gathering whence the saints shall go no more out.

Two children survive, Eugene, whose home is in Orange, N. J., and Diana,

who married Rowland H. C. Hill: Mr. and Mrs. Hill are now in Bangalore, South India, where they have been laboring for the Lord for about thirty years. While present-day conditions in India are uncertain and ominous, they feel the Lord will keep the Gospel door open in that dark land: they are conducting a training school for native believers who may preach the Gospel to their own people: they are also using a printing press for scriptural literature in both the native language and in English, and suitable for both saint and sinner.

*Compiled by Mr. John Hill  
with the help of Mrs. Rowland Hill*



### **The Prayer Habit**

General Stonewall Jackson, when he was teaching in Virginia Military Institute, gave his testimony: "I have so fixed the habit of prayer in my mind that I never raise a glass of water to my lips without asking God's blessing; never seal a letter without putting a prayer under the seal; never take a letter from the post without lifting my thoughts heavenward; never change my classes in the lecture-room without a petition for the cadets who go out and for those who come in."

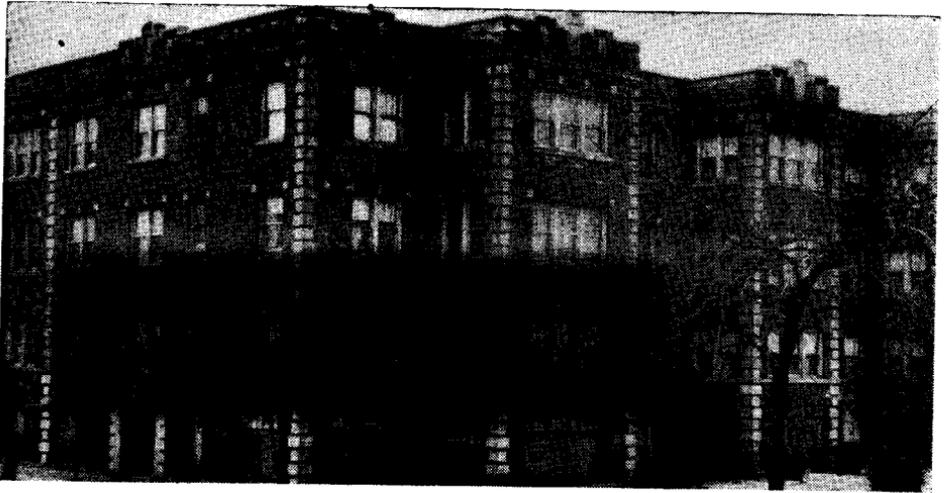
### **Reflections**

Man is a mirror, and it is an all-important matter which way the mirror is turned. If downward it can reflect only earthly things, the mire, the dirt, the filth of the earth; if turned upward it may reflect the heavens with all their glory of sun, moon, and stars. The mirror turned downward is the carnal mind; the mirror turned upward is the spiritual mind. Sometimes in an instant of time the inversion is accomplished, and he who before was of the earth, earthy, comes to discern and reflect the things of God and heaven.

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## Guarding The Treasure

By W. R. SIMPSON

"And the people served the Lord all the days of Joshua, and all the days of the elders that outlived Joshua, who had seen all the great works of the Lord, that He did for Israel. . . . And also all that generation were gathered unto their fathers: and there arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel" (Judges 2:7, 10).

Over a century ago God graciously recovered to the church much of His blessed Word that had been hid for centuries in the darkness and superstition of the great religious bodies in Christendom.

We are reminded of a parallel condition in the Book of Ezra, where we find an account of the return of a remnant of Israel from Babylon to Jerusalem. Ezra did not return with the first company—not until we get to the seventh chapter do we read of his own activities, where we are introduced into a new phase of the work of God when with a number of others, he leaves Babylon to join those who had already begun the worship and service of God according to what was written.

But this man when he went up with his companions did not go empty handed; he took with him valuable ves-

sels for the house of God, adding to the wealth of the remnant by those precious treasures for their use in worship and service. True, he found much treasure already there, but he did not come merely to enjoy what had been brought by others, he brought something that they might be enriched by his coming.

So it was with many of the Lord's dear people in the last century who witnessed

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the first wave of divine blessing in the recovery of the many precious truths which had been lost to the church for centuries. At that time God raised up men, able in the Word, whose written ministry has been the means of opening up the Scriptures to many of the Lord's people from that day to this. We thank God for them. We honor them for their work's sake. They have left a priceless heritage to the church in their written ministry.

### **The Cover**

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The children may be orphans, half orphans, from broken homes, children whose parents are chronically ill or in prison, but all are needy. None are taken for pay. No adoptions are arranged by the Home. Ages range from one to eighteen.

Negotiations are in progress for acquisition of a sanitorium in Pueblo, Colorado to be used for Mexican children. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Sandberg are seeing much blessing there among the Mexican people. They plan to operate this branch Home, D.V.

And the following generation that outlived these earlier saints valued these precious truths and, like Ezra, brought with them that which enriched the people of God in the form of spiritual experiences and practical knowledge of God, priceless treasures for their help and blessing.

Dare we say, "And there arose another generation after them, which knew not the Lord, nor yet the works which he had done for Israel"?

It is ever the trend of things in a spiritual movement to decay, and while God alone can maintain it in freshness and power, is there not a solemn responsibility placed upon each of us, like those in Ezra's day, in keeping the recovered treasures that have been committed to us?

The Lord used faithful men and women to carry on His work. The Apostle Paul in writing to Timothy says, "O Timothy, keep that which is committed unto thee. . . . And the things that thou hast heard of me among many witnesses, the same commit thou to faithful men, who shall be able to teach others also. . . . Preach the word. . . . For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears" (II Timothy 2:2; 4:2, 3).

What are some of the precious treasures that were recovered to the church in the last century at such a great cost which are in danger of being lost again?

1. The reality of the new birth and the indwelling of the Spirit of God in every believer.
2. The oneness of the Body of Christ.
3. The priesthood of all believers.
4. The Lordship of Christ in the midst of His people.

5. The imminent return of our Lord Jesus Christ to the air for His saints.

6. The return to the Scriptures as the sole authority for church rule and practice. "They found it written."

Like the people of God, who returned from Babylon, we have no room to boast of our position or condition. Are we not, like them, just a remnant seeking to carry out the principles laid down in the Word?

What was the attitude of the Lord's people in Ezra's day? "But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the elders, who were ancient men, that had been the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy" (Ezra 3:12).

How becoming of us to bow our hearts in confession and prayer. First: confession for the low spiritual condition of the

church today and the loss of much of the spiritual power that characterized our forefathers in the faith. Second: for a proper estimate of the value of the treasures in the Word committed to our trust, and for a revival of these truths in the hearts of His people in the closing hours of this dispensation.

"And to make all men see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the principalities and powers in the heavenly places" (Ephesians 3:9, 10).

"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen." (Ephesians 3:20, 21).



### ***Assembly Homes Hold Conference***

Under date of June 1, 1948 a conference for members of the boards and staffs of the several homes for the care of the aged and infirm was held in Evangel Hall, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

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Rest Haven Homes, Inc., Spring Lake, Michigan

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Gospel Halls Home, Longport, New Jersey

Western Assemblies Home, South Pasadena, California

Much help was gained in the exchange of problems and their solution. "Where no counsel is, the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors there is safety" (Proverbs 11:14).

# LETTERS

Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**GEORGE BAXTER**  
Kingman, Ariz.

Hearts have been encouraged lately with the Gospel meeting for the children on Friday nights. We have been able to fill the chapel to capacity most every Friday night and would ask prayer for the Word as it is told forth to them, that some of their souls may be saved and that the parents of them, mostly unsaved, might be awakened to their need of Christ. Would also like to have the Vacation Bible School which will be starting the last of this month. We are also encouraged with the Sunday School which has good attendance and for faithful teachers, willing to give out the Word. The saints here find joy in gathering around the Word each week.

**PAUL BOEDA**  
35 Celina  
Cap de la Madeleine, P.Q.

We can indeed praise God for His visible fruits of blessing here in Three Rivers. He has done abundantly above all we could ask or think.

Two influential business men have trusted Christ as their Saviour and are boldly witnessing for our Lord, willing to suffer the loss of all things for Christ. They are suffering persecution from their families and need the intercession of the Lord's people, as do others who have come all out for Christ.

Our Tuesday night prayer and Bible study is a joy as we kneel in His presence and join in praise and thanksgiving with these new converts who very falter-

ingly speak to our Master out of faith. Thursday and Sunday evening the Gospel is preached and last week we were amazed to see a Franciscan Father (Roman Catholic order) in his flowing robes enter our little hall and sit under very searching and almost wholly Scripture preaching. We had time for discussion after the meeting and while we do not know his purpose in coming we ask you to pray with us for his conversion from religion to our blessed Lord Jesus alone.

Our hearts are full of joy and adoration to our God for the great things He hath done.

**DAVID BRINKMAN**  
M.R. 38  
Augusta, Georgia

In addition to the regular meetings at the three assemblies, we usually reach two towns each night and five on Saturdays and the same on Lord's days with Gospel messages over the Public Address system. We prefer to back off from town a bit and put it on full and cover the whole town. It is wonderful to cover a town up to 2,000 in this way and to see so many listening to the Word of God. We feel ourselves unworthy of such opportunities and realizing they may not be always ours, we press on "as much in me is." While the preaching is going on, one or two cover the town with tract from door to door. We need a real "laborer" to help—a person, whether 18 or 80, who is willing to do anything to further the Gospel of Christ and willing to work night and day at it. The opportu-

ties are wonderful and the experience most valuable to the right person. The other phases of the work continue, but much slower than we desire.

**WM. M. BROWN**  
Box 662  
Dover, Dela.

Mr. Ed. Richmond and I concluded, May 14, three weeks of Gospel meetings in a country schoolhouse about six miles out from Dover. The interest was wonderful right from the first. At the end of the first week we heard of two of the young folks who were saved on their way home from a meeting and a woman got assurance. She had been in doubt for a number of years. Before the meetings ended all but one of her children professed to be saved. Another lady and her two children seem to be very bright cases. In all there were twenty who professed. This has been an encouragement to us for it has been hard going since we moved here last December. We are now seeking to teach these people the foundation Truths using a chart. Hazletville, where the school is, reminds one of a so-called "Ghost town," and one wonders where the people come from as they pour into the meeting. There is no electric service near the school so we had to obtain a couple of gas lamps.

I had a series of children's meetings in the Arunah Chapel in Baltimore, Md., ending May 23. The meetings were well attended and the Lord gave much help. Most of the children were from Roman Catholic homes and we had the joy of seeing 35 of the parents present on the last night. What a pleasure it was to present the way of salvation to 125 children and a nice number of adults and to see

three of the boys professing faith in Christ.

**GEORGE GRAY**  
2714 E. 36th St.  
Kansas City 3, Mo.

After two years in charge of Service Men's Center at Belleville, Ill., and one year caring for the Rest Haven Home at Spring Lake, Michigan, my wife and I both felt the need of a rest. We have been in Belleville for the past four months just helping locally and finding a needed opportunity for study of the Word.

Feeling refreshed I am starting out again, hoping, as the Lord may open doors, to be of some help and cheer to the saints of scattered assemblies in Kansas and other midwestern States. "The day" is surely approaching and the need of exhorting one another is great.

Will appreciate help in prayer that I may ever be kept meet for the Master's use.

**LOUIS J. GERMAIN**  
442 Bank St.  
Ottawa, Ont., Canada

Last Lord's Day at the S.S. three miles from the city we had quite an increase; we had a young woman and her two boys 10 and 12; a young couple with their two little girls, and two other young women—all R.C.'s. We had also a good Gospel meeting at night; Mr. L. C. Thomas, a Christian lawyer, gave the message. On the other hand, we are grieved in connection with a French family of 7 who lately moved nearby where some of their neighbors are not very respectable. At the beginning they came to the Sunday School and meetings, but now they have allowed these neighbors to influence them and to lead them in

evil things, and though the man and his wife, with the oldest boy, have professed faith in Christ, nevertheless they have ceased to come. It is a victory for the enemy but we are not giving them up, but rather plan to have meetings in their home in order to reach the neighbors with the Gospel and at the same time help that family.

Yesterday we were cheered to receive a letter from an R.C. woman saying she knows she is saved. Speaking of their poverty and trying circumstances, she said: "As you can understand we have reason to be discouraged sometimes. But since I read the Bible you sent me and your booklets, I am sure and I know that I am saved by Jesus Christ who died for me. I pray three and four times a day and meditate about Christ and I feel less nervous since I do so."

**OWEN HOFFMAN**  
Washington, Ga.

The Lord has given many unusual opportunities lately in presenting the Gospel in the most unlikely places. The Lord has enabled me to develop some object lessons that are scientifically accurate and scripturally sound, and are so unusual that the opportunities for using them are more than I can possibly handle.

Grammar Schools, High Schools, Science Clubs all ask for these demonstrations and I have perfect liberty in presenting the Gospel. I also have many invitations to speak at Lions Clubs, Kiwanis and other civic clubs, and have liberty to preach the Word in all these places.

Two openings in the past weeks gave me to see the importance of further developing this line of things. I spoke for

over an hour to the Georgia Geological Society in one of the best equipped lecture rooms in Atlanta. The State Geologist and others were present and heard the Gospel. Many other invitations resulted from this meeting.

On May 22 I gave one of these demonstrations at a high school banquet in Indiana. This took the place of the dance and prom. I praise the Lord for these openings and ask the prayers of the Lord's people for continued blessing. Everywhere I use these lessons I speak to filled chapels.

**A. E. HUNT**  
1575 Ocean Front St.,  
San Diego 7, Calif.

I returned recently with brother Harold Kesler from labors in the Pacific Northwest, North California, Oregon, Washington and British Columbia. The Lord honored the service for Him by causing us to see five profess faith in Christ, three restorations and eleven baptized. Saints were encouraged and assemblies strengthened.

I had the joy of pointing a sailor to Christ in the San Diego assembly May 15. The young men here go down town and bring the sailors in to the hall Saturdays and Sundays. As many as forty are brought in and God has blessed the Word to many.

**HORACE KLENK**  
2 Carman Pl.  
Glen Head, N. Y.

"The Lord hath done great things for us whereof we are glad" (Ps. 126:3).

How much we have to praise the LORD for! No wonder the Psalmist exclaimed, "Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless His holy name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and

forget not all HIS benefits" (Ps. 103:2).

The Lord has been blessing here in Glen Head Assembly and we praise Him for any blessing at all that we have seen of His working among us. Opportunities are many as homes open and as I am permitted to visit hospitals.

Would especially appreciate the prayers of the Lord's people for the activities of the summer, the Lord willing!

June 28-July 11. Daily Vacation Bible School here in Glen Head.

July 12-Aug. 6. My wife and our five children and I are taking a trip to visit the Montgomerys to see what the Lord is doing there among the Navajo Indians. I would like to be of help to any Christians I can en route and would be glad to visit any on our way there. We will be passing through Columbus, St. Louis, Tulsa, Oklahoma City and Albuquerque. I will be glad to hear from any believers, especially from small assemblies, anywhere between these cities.

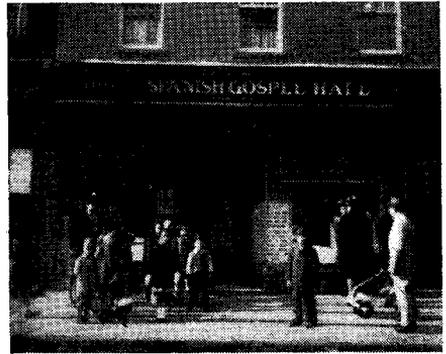
Aug. 9-21 will find us at Camp Hanaanee, Stony Brook, where I will be director in the absence of brother and sister Holmgren who have left for a visit to Sweden.

Aug. 23-Sept. 3 I am hoping to spend helping with the work in Pine Bush Bible Camp. Praise the Lord we can face opportunities like these with Jer. 33:3, "Call unto Me and I will answer thee, and shew thee great and mighty things."

**LOUIS MONTALVO**  
127 Noll St.,  
Brooklyn 6, N.Y.

The two pictures are of our two Gospel halls in New York and Brooklyn. The picture with some of the Sunday School children in front is the Spanish Gospel Hall in Brooklyn (1005 Flush-

ing Ave.). At times we get as many as 100 for the Sunday School in this place. D.V., if the Lord provides, we intend to



do away with those windows and have a brick wall. It will then look like a regular chapel and will accommodate many more people.

The other picture (next page) is a converted saloon in New York City. This testimony has been going on for four years with about 32 in fellowship and a hundred in Sunday School. Brother Paul Bittler devotes most of his time here. Being in the heart of the Spanish colony in New York it is a wonderful location and great possibilities are expected in the salvation of many precious souls. Would value your continual prayers for the work among the Puerto Ricans.

**WILLIAM J. OGLESBY**  
223 Ellery St.,  
Reading, Pa.

From April 4 through May 4 it was my privilege to minister the Word at Greenwood Hills, Chambersburg, Waynesboro, Pa. and in three assemblies in Baltimore. The meetings in Waynesboro from April 11 through 16, were especially for boys and girls and we had an average during the week of nearly



**Converted saloon in New York City where Paul Bittler and Louis Montalvo carry on Spanish meetings.**

100 each night. Meetings of a similar nature have been held this past week at the Masonville Gospel Hall in Baltimore, and although the numbers have been disappointing yet we thank God for the very nice interest shown by both young and old who have come out faithfully.

During the remainder of May I expect to have a Lord's Day each at Boyertown and Pottstown; a week-end in Harrisburg when I shall be speaking on the Lord's Day at the Christian assembly. The last Lord's Day of the month will be at the Central Gospel Hall Mission in Philadelphia.

In June I am scheduled to speak in the Assembly Hall in Buffalo, and to give help in the tent work being conducted in that city by some students from Emmaus Bible School in fellowship with Assembly Hall and the Kensington Assemblies.

It will be my privilege in July to again direct the boy's camp at Camp, and in August at Greenwood Hills. It is with much dependence upon the Lord that

we face the work of this summer among the young, and I shall greatly value the prayers of all God's people that His blessing may rest upon His Word to the end that precious souls may be saved and yielded to Himself.

**FRANK PIZZULLI**  
**332 Chelsea Ave.,**  
**Long Beach, N.J.**

We would appreciate the prayers of the Lord's people for the new hall which is being built by the saints at Mechanicville, N. Y. They have already begun on the foundation and expect, D.V., to be finished before the winter. Pray that they may be helped from above and provided as they will need for this. It has been a necessary step as no place was available to rent or buy in the city for a testimony. Also we are afraid of being put out of the Masonic Temple where we gather on Lord's Day. The home is small where we gather for Bible reading and prayer during the week. It was a step taken after much prayer and considera-

tion, and we believe we were led of the Lord in this.

I've had to spend much time at my home lately because of my wife's condition. Thank God she's better, though very weak and nervous, and I'd appreciate the Lord's people to pray for her.

I've sought to give help to the assemblies nearby and have gone frequently to Red Bank where there are some active and godly believers who are being used of the Lord. They are praying earnestly for a testimony in this city for the Lord.

D.V., I'll be in Mechanicville for a week or more and then go back home as my wife is not strong enough to be left alone as yet.

**GEO. RAINEY**  
Centerville, Iowa

Splendid meetings were held at Waterloo, Pella and now at Centerville. The meetings have grown each evening and there is a great interest among the young people for the Word here. We are dealing with Church Truth suitable to this group. Some strangers are also coming in too. We look to our Lord for blessing. "Without Him we can do nothing."

Ottumwa and Des Moines are still before me on this trip, (D.V.). I will be busy in Iowa till June and then go into Canada for special meetings and conference work in the will of God.

**ERNEST S. SPRUNT**  
78 Awde Street  
Toronto, Ont., Canada

Since brother T. G. Wilkie and I concluded our series in Midland, Ontario, I have been visiting some of the smaller assemblies in Ontario, seeking to be of some help to them in the things of God.

If the Lord will, I purpose joining brother Gordon Reager shortly for a Gospel effort in a tent in the region of At-

lanta, Georgia, and trust there will be some evidence of the presence and power of God, giving fruit for His glory.

**BEN TUINGA**  
322 DeWitt  
Fort Dodge, Iowa

I hope to be in Chicago with Emmaus Bible School until about May 28. Then to Iowa for D.V.B.S. work with a few students. Then in July in the tent with O. E. Magee. We plan to pitch June 21 at Anoka, Minn. There we saw fruit last year. In August or early September back to Chicago for Emmaus. Pray for us.

**CHAS. VAN RYN**  
745 Apple, St.,  
Muskegon, Michigan

Lately I have been privileged to minister the Word at Brantford Conference in March; also for a week at Tillsonburg, Ontario, Canada.

During April I had the privilege to be at Emmaus Bible School, Chicago. Lord's Days were used to minister the Word to assemblies in Chicago and Champaign, Illinois. We thank our Lord for liberty and blessing. God's people everywhere are showing excellent interest in the Word. The fellowship has been sweet and uplifting. We thank God and take courage to continue in His name and by His grace.

### **Work Among the Colored**

**THEODORE WILLIAMS, SR.**  
9213 Harvard Ave.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

Brother Gall and I, together with a few of our young brethren, are taking to the open air: tract distribution and house-to-house visits with the Gospel during the month of June. The Lord

willing, we will pitch our Gospel tent this season at 92nd and State Sts. (site of our proposed hall) on or about July 1.

We have our plans for the new hall and a few bids in; hope soon to get started with the building. The battle is the Lord's, and "without faith it is impossible to please Him." There would be no trouble to gather in several hundred children here in our own neighborhood if only we had a place to gather them. The need is Oh, so great! Oh for prayer helpers! In these days of so much doubt it is still true that "When the enemy shall come in like a flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him."

Our assembly is growing both spiritually and numerically, even under the circumstances which we are forced to labor for our blessed Lord. Some of our young brethren give us deep joy with their clear and intelligent messages in the Gospel. The truth of assembly gathering to the alone worthy and precious name of the Lord Jesus, seems to grip these young men. This is another cause for joy in these days of apostasy.

While there have been several confessions recently, only one young man was received in fellowship of the assembly this month. A jewel indeed, rescued from "Pentecostalism," he followed on with us since our recent broadcast. "I now see my place," said he to the elder brethren. "I want to take my place at the Lord's table." The interview revealed a truly born again young brother whose heart longed for the truth of the Word. We believe there are others who truly desire to follow the Lord and serve Him in His own appointed way. Remember us at the throne of grace.

## LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

### Grace Gospel Chapel

An all day meeting was held in the new Chapel on May 2 and four believers obeyed the Lord in baptism. This brings the number of those in fellowship to 19. Mr. G. L. Barham of South Africa gave encouraging and edifying ministry throughout the day. A goodly number of Christians from other assemblies spent the day with us and was made glad to see what great things the Lord had done among the people. A few unsaved ones came and heard the Gospel. The unsaved husband of one of the sisters baptized was present and expressed concern about his soul's salvation.

We have much to be thankful for to see that just two years ago nearly no sign of a meeting was to be seen. The work among the young is quite encouraging. Sometimes the hall is nearly filled on Friday nights. A few of the older children have confessed faith in Christ. A few of them seem to be real cases.

This is a very needy part of the vineyard out here and religions of many descriptions abound, so that the prayers of the Lord's people are much desired. Pray for a young couple who was brought to the morning meeting by their little boy who comes to Sunday School. The mother was saved that day and the father restored to the Lord. Many of the children are receiving Bibles as gifts for bringing parents to the Gospel meetings.

Yours in His service,

EDWIN CAREY

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Los Angeles, Calif.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

### **ASSEMBLY TESTIMONY IN CANADA AND SOUTHERN UNITED STATES**

The following is copied from N.E.W.S.—North, East, West, South—a missionary paper published in Northern Ireland.

Canada consists of 11 Provinces which vary much in size and population. In none of the provinces is the population dense, especially in the larger ones in the West. The vast areas known as the North-West Territories, containing over one million square miles, have a mere 7,000 inhabitants. In all, 275 assemblies are found in 11 provinces with about 13 million people. The maritime provinces are Nova Scotia, half million with 11 assemblies; New Brunswick, 400,000 and three assemblies, and Prince Edward Island, 88,000 and two assemblies. These have been places of interest for Northern Ireland for long, and many have gone to preach there with abiding fruit in established assemblies. Traveling west we next reach Quebec, the largest province with three million, with large majorities of French-speaking Catholics. Here are 17 assemblies. Ontario has the largest population, three and a half million, with 148 assemblies; Manitoba,

700,000, has 13; Saskatchewan, one million, with 27. Then comes Alberta, three-quarters of a million, 20 Lampstands; divided by the Rocky Mountains from British Columbia 700,000 and 36 churches. Finally Yukon and North-West Territories have no witness but only 11,000 people between them. Thus Canada has special needs. Vast areas with sparse population make large-scale evangelism inappropriate. Pray for Canada.

Southern United States shows a very different picture. Here there are much larger populations, but served by very much smaller assembly representation. Sixty-seven assemblies are found in 13 States with 40 million persons. It looks as though this area should be listed as a high priority field for intensive evangelism.

North Carolina has eight assemblies; in South Carolina the count falls to three; Georgia again rises to eight; Florida has by far the highest figures with 15 assemblies; Tennessee has three—nearly a parish of one million souls for each hall. Mississippi has not even one hall; Alabama beats this by one. These two together show a population slightly

less than the whole of Ireland and have one assembly to evangelize the whole of two States. Arkansas has three assemblies, as Louisiana and Oklahoma also has three; Texas has 11 candlesticks to shed the light. New Mexico has four and Arizona has five. There can be no doubt that the United States needs the Gospel perhaps more than any other civilized country. Five hundred and fifty assemblies in 48 States serve a population of 130 million people. Pray for America.

**ANDREW CRAIG**  
14-15 Fifth St.  
Fairlawn, N. J.

Our brother finished a series of four weeks Gospel meetings in Everett, Pa., on May 23. The attendance was not so large but the interest was good. The Lord added his blessing and a number professed to be saved.

On Sunday, May 30, he commenced another series in Cumberland, Md., and they are looking to the Lord for blessing to saint and sinner.

**JOHN T. DICKSON**  
12 Belle-vue Ave.  
Carnales, Co. Down  
North Ireland (temporarily)

Our brother arrived in Belfast in time for a conference meeting Tuesday evening, March 30. He states some thousands were present and he received a hearty welcome from brethren and preachers. He has been kept busy since and is preaching to crowded halls, even on Saturday nights.

It has cheered brother Dickson beyond measure to meet many going on well for God, and some of them now leading brethren in assemblies who were saved years ago through his instrumentality. There are 26 Gospel halls in Belfast and these are all going on in unity.

**DAN DUNNETT**  
722 Dodge St.  
Lake Geneva, Wis.

During May brother Dunnett had three weeks meetings for believers in the Roseland and Fernwood Halls, Chicago, Ill. There was good interest on the part of the Christians.

**LOUIS HOY**  
c/o Capt. J. Petersen  
Marievej 22  
Hellerup, Denmark (temporary)

After 58 years our brother Hoy has returned to Denmark for a visit and is seeking to lead unsaved relatives and others to Christ. He found some whom he knew, who already had found Christ and this gave him much joy. He states the assembly in Copenhagen meets at Thorsgade 40, Copenhagen N. Brother Lawrence Paisley, Jernbanegade 4, Copenhagen V., is ready and willing to translate into Danish for any brethren from America who wish to visit Denmark with the Gospel.

Brother Hoy purposes, D.V., returning to the United States in August or September.

**W. FISHER HUNTER**  
6 Church St.  
Waynesboro, Pa.

Brother Hunter has spent several months in the Pacific Northwest. He had meetings for the Lord's people in West Bank, Vancouver, New Westminster, B.C., and in Everson, Arlington, Tacoma and Seattle, Washington.

**THOS. A. HAY**  
**ROBERT WRIGHT**  
c/o Cheyokichi, Mizuno  
1409 Magomemachi  
Higashi, 1 Chome  
Ota, Japan

**MRS. THOS. A. HAY**  
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Vancouver, B.C.,  
Canada

Brother Robert Wright of Northern Ireland, after an absence of some years,

due to the war, returned to Japan on March 15 and was met by brother Hay and some Japanese brethren. Some of these had spent part or all of the war years in prison for Christ's sake.

Brother Wright says he found things encouraging. The national attitude has changed and the people are inquiring about the gospel. They hold two open airs and six house meetings weekly and hope to increase these soon. About every week some profess to be saved but the number is small compared to the population.

Tokyo is 17 miles long by 17 miles wide and half of the city was wiped out. The population, which was six and a half millions, is now four million. On March 7, seven were baptized and some who had compromised, repented and confessed. There are 20 in fellowship in Tokyo and 10 in Osaka.

**DOUGLAS IBBOTSON**  
RFD 7, Box 531  
Naval Base, S. C.

The Lord continues to bless the testimony in this place. The work is growing slowly but steadily and one now and one again accepts Christ. Some recent conversions are a source of joy to our brother.

After much exercise and with faith in God for further development of the work, our brother, aided by local brethren, moved the building to the main highway. They are also enlarging it to take care of the large Sunday School. The expense entailed in the purchase of the new lot, the moving and enlarging of the building, required faith as well as much manual work, but God gave grace.

It is encouraging to know that what began as a war work, and which almost ceased to exist when those in connection

with war work left Charleston, has now become another testimony to the name of the Lord Jesus. Brother Ibbotson is very much confined to Charleston and he would appreciate help from other servants of the Lord so he would have more time to visit other assemblies in that part of the country.

**LORNE E. McBAIN**  
745 High St. W.  
Jackson, Mich.

**NORMAN CRAWFORD**  
Box 285  
Jackson, Mich.

These two brethren hope to have some Gospel meetings in a rented building in Mason City, Iowa, during June. After the 4th of July they purpose, D.V., pitching a tent on a farm near Jackson, Mich., at a place called Rives Junction.

These brethren had some meetings in a school house at this same place over two years ago and they saw some profess at that time. They hope to see some more saved during this effort and will value prayer for the meetings.

**DAVID SCOTT**  
3874 12th Ave.  
West Vancouver, B.C., Canada

Our aged brother, who recently was bereaved of his beloved wife and faithful helpmeet in the Lord, left Vancouver early in May for a visit to the Maritime provinces. Brother Scott was used of God over fifty years ago in Nova Scotia and surrounding provinces, and many were saved at that time. He has a desire to again visit these early scenes of labor. He may be accompanied, at least part of the time, by brother Hector Alves, his son-in-law, who at present is in these parts.

**OLIVER SMITH**  
1312 Williston St.  
Waterloo, Iowa

**WM. WARKE**  
1259 W. 86th St.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

Before these brethren closed their

meetings in the new hall at Hitesville, at the end of May, they had the joy of seeing a number profess to be saved. It was a busy time for the farmers but some nights the hall was filled.

**EDWIN THARP**  
c/o Mr. David French  
73 River St.  
Boston 8, Mass.

The above will be brother Tharp's address until he finds a permanent location. After leaving Chicago at the end of April he had some meetings in Grand Rapids, Detroit, Michigan, Cleveland, Ohio and other places.

**ALEX WILSON**                      **JOHN McCracken**  
85 W. 48th Ave.                      174 Carleton St.  
Vancouver, B.C., Canada          New Glasgow, N. S.

Brother Wilson has joined brother McCracken for Gospel work in Nova Scotia.

#### **FONDIS, COLORADO**

The assembly at Fondis will greatly appreciate prayer in behalf of the testimony and Gospel effort as held forth in the breaking of bread and Sunday School work, out here in the wilderness.

All last summer our brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. Sandberg, of Pueblo, were faithful in coming to Fondis to sound out the Gospel and to minister the Word.

Brethren John Walden and Kenneth Baird from Colorado Springs, and some brethren from the Denver assembly also gave assistance, which we appreciated. There is a good opportunity for any who are interested in spreading the Gospel, as this is one of the finest communities.

WILL R. PLANT  
Correspondent

#### **LETHBRIDGE, ALBERTA, CANADA**

Christians in Lethbridge no longer meet at 205 13th St. North, but are now meeting in the home of Mr. S. Best, Sr. at 709 9th Ave. South for the breaking of bread at 11:00 a.m. Sundays.

S. BEST

#### **SHEBOYGAN, WISCONSIN**

The Lord's servants, Abe H. Hartsema and Dan M. Dunnett, were here in March and gave us very helpful ministry. Attendance at these meetings was very good. Shockley Few stopped here for one night, April 5, and gave a stirring message on the new birth. Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Tharp visited here the 27th of April. Brother Tharp spoke of his experiences in Manchuria, China, while a missionary there.

We enjoyed these meetings very much and praise God for the good attendance and we are sure the Lord will and has used them for our mutual blessing.

I wrote to you some time ago that we might be able to buy a very nice church building, as the congregation is getting too large for it and they intend to build a new one. At first they asked \$20,000 but in March came down to \$12,000 and we have decided to buy it. We kindly request the prayers of all that are interested for this undertaking in this city of Sheboygan, where there is much religion and churches, but little real faith in our blessed Lord. We are thankful to God for the unity and faithfulness of our young people. We began in June 1942, in our present location with 22 breaking bread; the Lord has more than doubled this, for now there are 50 in fellowship. We praise our blessed Lord for all this.

EMIL FELTEN

# Late News Section

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## **Important Notice**

Because of the current nature of LETTERS OF INTEREST, no part of it can be printed ahead. The editors, however, through this Late News Section, are able to include letters and reports received up to the 15th of each month, unclassified as space permits.

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## **Gospel Messengers on Tour**

Tours No. 1 and 2

Louisville, Kentucky to Chicago

Memphis, Tennessee to Chicago

### **Report of Activities, May 11 to June 6**

The tours started out with the following brethren:

*Tour No. 1—Louisville to Chicago.*

Director—David Lawrence, Centerville, Iowa. Members—Donald R. Charles, San Francisco, Calif.; George Hoekstra, Chicago, Illinois; John Newton, Cambridge, England; Joe Giordana, Jersey City, New Jersey; George Leest, Redlands, California; Karl Pfaff, Louisville, Kentucky

*Tour No. 2—Memphis to Chicago.*

Director—Arthur Rodgers, Omaha, Nebraska. Members—Harvie Stewart, Liverpool, England; Bill Morgan, Los Angeles, California; Bill Knuckles, Omaha, Nebraska; Gordon Williamson, Missionary to North India; John Harper, Wheaton, Illinois.

The two parties left Centerville, each with a house trailer with accommodations for six men. These trailers were pulled by the directors' automobiles. These brethren plan to cook their meals, study, sleep and live in general in these trailers. A goodly number of tracts were taken along to distribute in each town as they went.

Much blessing has already been seen among the Lord's people in various assemblies and much good seed has been sown. We trust that great things will be done as a result of the Word that has gone forth, and that honor and glory might be brought to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Heb. 4:12

### **ATCHISON, KANSAS**

The Atchison Daily Vacation Bible School was held for five days and closed June 4th. An average of 55 children, ranging in age from 5 to 14, attended. The school was held for two hours each afternoon with Mr. John Horn directing. An object lesson was presented every day and each child memorized from 5 to 10 verses of scripture and Gospel choruses during the week. All made some kind of scripture motto and articles to take home. At the closing exercises Friday evening prizes were given for points earned during the week. Many parents and friends were present for the program at which time Mr. Horn gave a find object lesson on "Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven."

R. L. Townsend, cor.

Mr. F. W. Swartz was with us for four meetings, closing June 13th. His ministry was timely and appreciated by the Christians here.

R. L. Townsend, cor.

**JAMES LIPKE**  
2018 West Blvd.,  
Cleveland, Ohio

**DAVID CALDERHEAD**  
325 Reed St.,  
Mansfield, Ohio

These brethren on May 30th started their fourth week of meetings in the West Side Gospel Hall, Cleveland, Ohio. They were encouraged by a Russian, a man of 70, whose wife is in the meeting, professing to be saved. Brother Lipke's cousin, a young man in his last year of High School, also professed to be saved. This has caused much joy as he has been the subject of prayer for years.

These two brethren purpose having tent meetings, D.V., near Girard, Ohio. No gospel effort has ever been made in this place by anyone in our assemblies.

**ROBERT McCLURKIN**  
R.R. No. 1  
Galt, Ont., Canada

**ROBERT BOOTH**  
83 Park Drive  
R.R. No. 2, West Hill  
Scroboro, Ont., Can.

These fellow laborers are back again on Manitoulin Island. They started with two weeks Bible readings, seeking to instruct the Christians in the right ways of the Lord. It rejoiced their hearts to see those who professed last fall going on for the Lord.

At present they are gathering materials for the erection of a hall, and they hope to have it finished some time this summer.

Before going to Manitoulin Island they were in Galt, Ont., for nine weeks. God blessed His Word to the salvation of some souls.

Note brother Booth's new address. Their address while in Manitoulin is: Box 127, Gar Boy, Manitoulin Island, Ont.

**JAMES McCULLOUGH**  
57 Creston Rd.  
Stratford, Conn.

Brother McCullough hopes to engage in tent work in the needy state of Maine

this summer. A nice work of grace was seen in Maine last year, and there is exercise about following up that work with further meetings. Some of those who were saved last year travel 45 miles to remember the Lord each Lord's day. Some others are awaiting baptism and there still is a good interest among the unsaved. There is a good prospect of a testimony being raised up in this needy state and the prayers of the Lord's people are asked for the work.

**FRIENDSHIP AVE. GOSPEL HALL**  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

The report of the meetings in June issue by brethren Pell and Gunn stated that 10 had professed to be saved. Seven of these were saved during the meetings and the others were saved in the district, about the same time, apart from the meetings.

**WM. BOUSFIELD**  
Rte. 7 No. Cherry St. Ext.,  
Winston-Salem, N.C.

Our brother, who has served the Lord for some years in North Carolina, has left for a visit to England. He labored for the Lord in England before coming to the United States, and now while visiting the homeland will have the opportunity of preaching the gospel there again.

**NO. CAROLINA**

In Raleigh the assembly has purchased the lot adjoining the present chapel, and it is purposed, in the will of the Lord, to erect an addition to the assembly building. Meanwhile splendid Sunday School rooms are being rushed to completion in the basement of the chapel to accommodate the growing Sunday School.

In Burlington, the brethren have also secured an adjoining lot, and by all in-

dications increased accommodation for the assembly meetings, and the Sunday School will be necessary very soon. The recent Gospel campaign by Brother Wilson in connection with the Burlington Assembly was a time of real blessing. It was a very manifest movement of the Spirit of God, over 50 professed to be saved, 44 have already been baptized, 14 came into fellowship on one Lord's Day, with many more to follow, and the Sunday School attendance climbed over the 300 mark.

In Durham, the remarkable movement of the Spirit of God continues. Sunday School attendance is almost double what it was a year ago, and the Sunday night interest and attendance show no sign of abating. The assembly hall holds over 400 in the auditorium and balcony and this is filled to capacity from week to week at the Gospel service, standing room is often at a premium and many have been turned away. The brethren expect very soon to commence the erection of a large addition which will increase the seating capacity by at least 200.

For all these manifestations of God's gracious approval and blessing we all give hearty thanks to Him, and humbly pray for its continuance.

H. G. MACKAY

*in Piedmont Assembly Messenger*

**J. W. BRAMHALL**

**Charlotte, N.C.**

A week of tent meetings at Stanley, N. C., recently was held in fellowship with Bro. G. W. Coombs and the saints in the assembly there. A happy time, with two professions of faith, was the Lord's blessing for us.

Would value prayer for one month of

tent effort commencing August 1st in Middlesex, N. C., and a later effort at Gastonia, N. C., in the tent, Lord willing.

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## ***Sick Notices***

**W. J. GLASGOW**

**25 Hughes Place**

**Summit, N.J.**

Brother Glasgow who has been confined to his home for months through illness, is somewhat improved. However, he has to take it slow for awhile.

**ROBERT A. CRAWFORD**

**942 S. Roosevelt Ave.**

**Bexley, Ohio.**

Brother Crawford was stricken with a severe ulcer of the stomach while having meetings in Ventnor, N. J., about 10 weeks ago. He was in bed for a month, and while he now is up, he has been ordered by the doctor not to attempt any preaching for another six weeks. The suffering and inactivity are a trial for our brother, but he has proven that God is faithful and doubtless he will be drawn closer to Himself through this experience.

The above will be his address for the next few months.

**BEN BRADFORD**

**32-23 - 33rd St.**

**Long Island City 2, N.Y.**

Brother Bradford's operation for his throat has been successful, but we hear that he will probably never be able to preach again.

**TRURO, N. S.,  
Canada**

The Conference held here May 23rd and 24th was a time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord. The word was ministered by brethren David Scott, A. T. Stewart, Isaac McMullen, David Leatham, Frank Elliot and John and Robert McCracken.

We especially enjoyed having our aged brother David Scott with us once more. He spoke of being now sixty-six years on the road to Heaven, and of it being forty-five years since he had first been here in Truro.

Bro. Scott is now having meetings in a country place near Moncton, N. B. where he had meetings fifty-three years ago, and spoke especially of one woman who had been saved at that time, some of whose grandchildren were at the conference here at Truro.

Bro. Isaac McMullen is with Bro. Scott. Some have professed to be saved.

**C. F. ARCHIBALD**

**PAWTUCKET, R. I.**

Our annual Conference was well attended this year. God gave help, the ministry was searching, helpful and enjoyed by all.

Ministering brethren present were Wm. Pell, R. McCracken, J. McCulloch, J. Rankin, and M. J. Kennedy.

**JAMES W. WINNING**

**ALBERT W. GRAINGER**

**3390 Blvd. Perras,  
Montreal North, P. Q., Canada**

Through the goodness of our God, we

have been able to find a suitable house at the above address where we expect to carry on for the Lord among the French. After spending some months at Girardville to obtain a working knowledge of the language and people, I have been doing some visitation work, following up contacts made by the Tract Bands. This takes a good deal of time and patience, especially when one lacks experience. Some have shown a real interest and we trust will be freed from the bonds of Rome and of sin. But there are many who are turned back by the priests as soon as they know we are visiting these poor deluded souls. These blind leaders of the blind will go to any length to stop the spread of the Gospel and hinder the efforts of the Lord's servants. This was recently seen in the way our brother John Spreeman was abused in Thetford Mines last year. Our brother has returned to Ontario to try and recover his health; he will be much missed and prayer is requested for his soon recovery and return to his labours among the French.

Most of our recent contacts in Drummondville and in Montreal have been spoiled by the efforts of the priests but we trust that the Lord will reach some who are still reading the Word of God. At Girardville the Lord saved a few as the result of the assembly testimony and the workers who have visited and helped out there.

We trust you will join us in prayer for definite guidance.

## **CHRISTIAN WORKER'S CONFERENCE**

**Proposed Dates, October 28, 29, 30**

The Workers Conference in the will of the Lord will be held this year in the Parkside Gospel Chapel, 910 Santiago, San Francisco, California. The brethren from Parkside and surrounding assemblies have very graciously extended us this kind invitation to convene there and for which we indeed are very grateful. Assemblies or workers desiring further details concerning the conference may communicate with Howard E. Jones, 75 Santa Rita Ave., Forest Hill, San Francisco, California.

### **KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN**

For some months now we have seen the good hand of the Lord working in our midst. It causes our hearts to rejoice and give forth praise to Him.

For over two years our brother Claude Pell has been coming here, and for a year has been coming the second Lord's Day in each month and this has brought forth blessing.

The last two weeks in April brother Stanley Ledyard of Bronson, Mich., was with us in house to house visitation around the I.O.O.F. hall where we meet, and also many other families were contacted over the city. These labors have brought some new faces in our midst. These brethren have been doing a very commendable work here.

Beginning June 13, through June 27, we expect, D.V., to carry on evangelistic services with brother E. G. Dillon of Coldwater. There are only six local brethren in the meeting but we are looking for great things from our God and solicit the prayers of the saints in this effort.

ROY M. ALLEN

### **SAUGERTIES, NEW YORK**

Brother M. J. Kennedy had cottage meetings last two weeks in April for both saved and unsaved, and were much appreciated by the Lord's people.

ALBERT PLUE

### **OAKLAND 9, CALIFORNIA** **Gospel Auditorium of Oakland** **479 Forty-Second Street**

The Lord willing, the 34th Annual Labor Day Conference will be held this year at Gospel Auditorium, 479 Forty-second Street, Oakland 9, California, which Conference will be divided into two parts: (1) a Sunday School Teach-

ers Conference to be held, evening meetings only, on Thursday and Friday, September 2 and 3, 1948; and (2) the Conference proper commencing Saturday, September 4, and continuing over Labor Day, September 6. Evening meal will be served on Saturday, and noon and evening meals on Lord's Day (Sunday) and Labor Day without cost. Those coming from a distance should notify Herbert N. Slater, 10901 Julius Street, Oakland 5, California.

### **SAN FRANCISCO-OAKLAND BAY AREA**

A. R. Crocker ministered encouragement from the Word to the several assemblies here, including the monthly conference at Hayward on May 2. Albert Burnham paid a short visit between trips to other Coast areas, his family being located here. August Van Ryn just concluded a heavy schedule with us, preaching on both sides of the Bay.

The first bi-monthly Missionary Conference of Bay Area Assemblies on April 26 was a great success, to His glory. Sponsored by the newly formed Christian Missionary Service, Inc., the day's activities included a clothing drive for Europe (netting 1000 lbs.), detailed study of Africa led by two local brethren, and a missionary address by Don McIntosh.

### **LONG ISLAND, KANSAS**

The assembly at Long Island, Kansas, marked the opening of their new Gospel Hall by an all-day meeting on Lord's Day, May 2, 1948. Christians came from distant and nearby places. Brethren John Horn, Arthur B. Rodgers, Dan Andersen, and Alva Williams shared the ministry. The new tile building, 30 x 60,

replaces a smaller frame structure purchased for the assembly by the late J. E. Brown nearly forty years ago. For some years the assembly was greatly reduced and the testimony very feeble, but the Lord has graciously revived both, unto His own glory.

#### **PEMBROKE, NORTH CAROLINA**

God has been pleased to permit us to sit under precious ministry of the Word during the past six months. Brethren

John Bramhall, L. T. Chambers and Henry Stadt have been with us on different occasions. The ministry of each was primarily for the people of God, each seeking to stir up the souls of the saints in view of that day. We covet the prayers of God's own everywhere that the faithful toiling of these brethren in our midst may bring forth abundant fruit for God and His "Well done" in that day.

VENUS BROOKS



## **CONFERENCES**

**Edited by J. W. KENNEDY**

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

#### **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

A decided missionary interest was manifested at the twenty-seventh annual conference of the Chicago Missionary Study Class held on Memorial Day in the Laffin St. Gospel Hall. The evening session was especially well attended. Stirring words were given by C. J. Whitaker, N. Rhodesia; Wm. Paterson, West Indies; Wm. Deans, Belgian Congo and Geo. Wightman, Philippines. It will be a season long remembered when God's voice was heard through His servants.

#### **DES MOINES, IOWA**

The recent conference was a time of

blessing and fellowship. About 500 remembered the Lord. Among those who shared in the ministry were brethren A. Van Ryn, J. Reid, Geo Rainey, Leslie Rainey, R. Arthur and others.

#### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

Salem Gospel Hall

The recent conference was large and considered good. The assemblies in the Detroit area were well represented. The ministry proved a blessing to the Lord's people and was shared by brethren N. M. Fraser, J. F. Spink, H. M. Harper and E. J. Tharp.

#### **FROSTBURG, MARYLAND**

The Lord's people were greatly encouraged at the recent conference, which was well attended, by the ministry given by the following brethren: J. P. Conoway, S. J. Rea, P. Plubell, E. Richmond and A. Craig.

#### **GUELPH, ONTARIO**

Four weeks Summer Bible School July 31-August 29. A profitable vacation for young people 15 years and over. Rates \$13.00 per week. Teaching staff—H. G. Lockett, M.A., A. P. Gibbs, H. G. Mackay, Cyril Brooks, Wm. Deans, Philip Tate, John Smart, R. E. Harlow, Wm. Hynd, Miss Marie Devries, M.A. For folder write H. G. Lockett, 188 Hillcrest Ave., Hamilton.

Yours in His service,

GUELPH BIBLE CONFERENCE  
COMMITTEE

#### **KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN**

The Kalamazoo assembly will hold their 2nd Annual Conference in I.O.O.F. hall at 118 W. Cedar Street, Sunday, August 8, D.V. Peter J. Pell, Jr. will minister the Word. Bring your basket lunch; tea, coffee and milk will be furnished.

ROY M. ALLEN

616 Park St.

Kalamazoo 41, Michigan

#### **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**

##### **Hope Gospel Hall**

A conference in connection with our assembly will be held (D.V.) at Labor Day, in the auditorium of the Seattle Pacific College. It will open with prayer and ministry on Saturday, September 4, at 7:00 p.m. and will continue September 5 and 6. As this will be our first conference in ten years we are expecting a

good attendance. Further information, if desired, may be had by writing Mr. Kenneth Fleming, 915 West Galer St., Seattle 99, Washington.

KENNETH FLEMING

#### **SUMMER CONFERENCES**

##### **(Condensed schedule)**

Blue Ridge, N. C.—July 3 to July 17

California Bible Conference, Yosemite National Park—July 18 to August 1

Camp Berea, New Hampshire—July 3 to September 6

Cannon Beach Bible Camp, Oregon—June 25 to July 2

Greenwood Hills, Pa.—July 3 to September 6

Guelph, Ontario—July 1 to September 6

Lake Geneva, Wisconsin—August 28 to September 5

Mazama, Washington—July 16 to July 26

Minneapolis, Minnesota—July 19 to July 26

Neerlandia, Alberta—July 6 to July 19

Pine Bush Bible Camp, New York—July 3 to September 6

Stony Brook, Long Island, N. Y.—July 24 to August 8

ED. NOTE: *Those desiring detailed information concerning these conferences may consult June issue of LETTERS OF INTEREST.*

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## **Gospel Messengers on Tour Oregon Coast**

We do not wish to confine ourselves to any place at any definite date. Seeing there is so much to consider in the way of openings, and distances between given points, we feel it best to move along from place to place as the Lord directs. Then there are practically no assemblies en-route to plan on attending at week-ends, though this would be deeply valued, but this Pacific Coast is largely a neglected field, that is along the coast-line. We are happy to report that things are opening up wonderfully for the campaign, for which we thank God, and truly feel our deep need of God in such a venture. By the middle of June we should have more settled weather. Prayer will be valued greatly.

WM. M. RAE  
236 32nd Ave., S.E.  
Portland 15, Oregon

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## **Women**

**MISS IRENE GALLAGHER**  
117 S. Kern Ave.,  
Los Angeles 22, Calif.

Last Sunday a Mexican man confessed faith in Christ as Saviour. For some time he has been attending meetings held by brother Thropay and brother Webberly in the Mexican Gospel Hall. We feel that the faithful testimony of his daugh-

ter saved several months ago had something to do with making him see his need. Pray that he will follow the Lord and that others in the family may be saved. Mormon teachers have been going edge of sins forgiven. Please pray that place, and then again there are things to their home and bothering them.

Inex Barreras, one of my girls who has been manifesting interest in the way of salvation by questions she asks each week in the class, is now rejoicing in the knowledge of sins forgiven. Pleaes pray that she will grow in the ways of Christ.

Some days my classes go on in the regular way and nothing unusual takes place, an dthen again there are things that I feel should be mentioned for prayer. For instance, a boy told me last Friday that his heart was going to be all clean next Sunday because he would make his first Communion. I had been speaking of the sinfulness of our hearts and how only the blood of Christ can cleanse from sin. He is only one of thousands of Mexican children who are being deceived in the same way. While I was teaching the lesson to another nice group of children gathered on another street, a drunken man came along and gruffly accused me of deceiving the children. When I spoke to him of salvation through Christ, he pulled out a medal that hung around his neck and said,

"This is what saves me." It was evident that his belief in a lifeless piece of metal and what it signified hasn't saved him from being a good-for-nothing drunkard, nor from being discourteous, nor from being a tool in Satan's hands to seek to hinder the spread of the Gospel, nor can it save him from Hell. As I was gathering the last group on another street, two nuns drove up and one went into the house in front of which I hold the class. However, a small group gathered and we had the class while she remained visiting the parents. I hope the nun in the car was listening to the Gospel. I also hope that their visit will not have any effect on the number of children which will come to the class this week. I mention these small incidents so you will pray and plead with God for the salvation of these souls so deluded by the doctrines of Catholicism.

**M. SINCLAIR**  
c/o E. Hardie  
58 Clifford St.

**Ibrosx, Glasgow, Scotland (temporary)**

Before leaving Canada, at my last meeting, a dear young woman who has been under conviction for some time, confessed Christ as her Saviour.

The Lord gave me a safe journey to Scotland and I had a glad reunion with my family after 16 years. At my first meeting in Glasgow a Roman Catholic woman wept much and left as we sang the closing hymn. We pray she will be saved. Please continue to pray for me, that I will be a blessing in my native land. Scotland needs your prayers.

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### **Overseas Relief**

"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the op-

pressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?" (Isaiah 58:6, 7).

God always took note of the poor and needy; He always listened to the cry of the hungry and oppressed.

How beautifully the Lord Jesus exemplified the above in His life, in going in and out amongst men. His compassion caused Him to liberate the oppressed; to heal the sick; to feed the hungry and clothe the naked. Even John, His forerunner, when asked by the people, on one occasion, what to do, said: "He that hath two coats, let him impart to him that hath none; and he that hath meat, let him do likewise" (Luke 3:11).

Reward or no reward, our first aim should be to please God in obeying His Word. His commandments are never grievous. But there is a blessed reaction upon our own souls when we manifest a little of the compassion of the Saviour, and in our measure seek to feed the hungry and clothe the naked. Furthermore, we have the blest assurance from the Word of God that this shall be so, and more too, for He will hear our cry in the day of our distress.

"Then shall thy light break forth as the morning and thy health shall spring forth speedily; and thy righteousness shall go before thee: the glory of the Lord shall be thy reward. Then shalt thou call, and the Lord shall answer; thou shalt cry, and He shall say, Here I am" (Isaiah 58:8, 9).

Conditions in some parts of Europe remain unchanged. The destitution and

misery is appalling. Many letters of the deepest appreciation are received. Some are really gems of spirituality. The following is a paragraph of a letter received from a Christian doctor:

"Much was taken away from us that had been near and dear to our hearts; but we know the essential and most important thing was left: God's love for us. This is our joy, and perhaps we had to become so wholly destitute in order to experience the blessedness of receiving the riches of God. And if the conditions of today are a sign of the coming of our Lord, we may say that for us, who have gone through so much misery, it is perhaps easier to be 'servants waiting for their Lord.' May you, who have a compassionate heart for our need, also take part in this blessing!"

May God exercise our hearts so that we may be used by Him in this our day of opportunity and privilege to ease the heavy burden under which our brethren and sisters are staggering.

Funds should be forwarded to the Fields, Inc., 31 East 28th Street, New York 16, N. Y. Forward correspondence, clothing and other goods to the Overseas Relief Committee, 159 Lowell Street, Andover, Mass. Clothing coming from middle-western states can be sent to Mr. Ernst Gast, c/o Ickes-Braun Greenhouse Mfg. Co., 2340 W. Wabansia Ave., Chicago, Ill.

FRED J. LANGE

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### **Sick**

In addition to the brethren mentioned in recent issues, who are laid aside through illness, please remember these who are also sick:

### **Sick**

**R. F. BAYLES**  
5310 Lawton Ave.  
Oakland 9, Calif.

About one month ago it became known to us that my beloved wife had been stricken by that dread scourge—cancer. Since that time she has been undergoing radium treatments until an operation could be performed. The date for this was set for Tuesday, June 15, at 10:00 a.m. Our hope—our only hope—for the success of this operation is in the abundant mercy and loving kindness of our blessed God and Father. We have one of the best doctors in our city and she will be cared for in one of the best hospitals. This seems to be the limit of natural means. But "*our God is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we ask or think.*" Therefore we are counting much on the loving and faithful prayers of our dear brethren.

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**JOHN SPREEMAN**  
c/o N. Gratton  
7734 Birnam Ave.  
Montreal, Que., Canada

Brother Spreeman who has been ill for some time has shown a little improvement recently. However, we understand a long rest may be necessary before he will be able to serve the Lord again in an active way.

**WM. BAILEY**  
147 Barrington Ave.  
Toronto, Ont., Canada

We understand our brother, who has been ill for some time, is still laid aside.

**ESTHER ROSS**  
Western Grove, Ark.

Miss Esther Ross is in the hospital. She has had a nervous breakdown and is

in the Little Rock Hospital taking treatments. She is responding well to the treatments and we hope will soon be out. Since I'm sure the doctor will advise a rest and change while she is convalescing, she may not be able to resume her much loved work with the children for a little while.

She has done a wonderful work for the Lord here among the children and has endeared herself to hundreds. It was giving herself so unreservedly that brought on the breakdown. The Lord will reward in His time and way such faithful service.

MRS. O. F. MARTEN  
Gula Snook

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### ***With the Lord***

Mrs. Chawner, widow of W. J. Chawner, well known servant of the Lord, whose home call was reported in the December issue of *LETTERS OF INTEREST*, went to be with Christ on March 24.

Brethren W. F. Hunter and P. Bell took part in the funeral service.

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### ***Moved***

John T. McCormick, formerly of 14 London St., Lowell, Massachusetts, is no longer the correspondent there, having moved to Baltimore, Maryland.

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### ***Change of Address***

PAUL BOEDA  
35 Celina  
Cap de la Madeleine  
Quebec, Canada

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### ***New Correspondent***

The new correspondent for Merlin,

Ontario Assembly is Mr. E. W. Jones,  
R.R. 4, Merlin, Ontario, Canada.

WM. R. G. BROWN  
WM. BLAKE  
W. D. RIGIS

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### ***A New Canadian Magazine "Truth and Tidings"***

For some time many Canadian brethren have felt the need of an assembly magazine, edited and published in Canada. This exercise has now been realized and commencing July 1948 "Truth and Tidings" will, D.V., be published monthly.

The editor is A. W. Joyce, 417 Rochampton Rd., Toronto, Ont. Associate editors are also well known servants of the Lord—F. G. Watson, G. G. Johnston, and Hector Alves. Subscription price is one dollar per year and this should be sent to F. G. Watson, 92 Regal Road, Toronto, Ont. All news items should be sent to A. W. Joyce at the above address.

We wish the new magazine the blessing of the Lord and trust it may be a real help to the Lord's people.

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### ***Parcels for Aged Saints in Britain***

The brethren responsible for the sending of overseas food parcels for aged saints in Britain are very grateful for the interest that has been maintained thus far. Many of the Lord's people in Canada and the U.S. have written in and asked for names and addresses of these aged saints, so that they too might share in this work and labour of love in the Lord. In practically every letter received from Britain great appreciation has been expressed at receiving such welcome par-

cels containing such food items that have not been seen there for many years.

We would like it to be known that there are still quite a few names and addresses of aged Christians to whom food parcels could be sent, and if any of the Lord's people connected with the assemblies are interested, we would be glad to send them on request.

Please write to either of the undersigned brethren:

GEORGE H. DIXON  
5866 Fourth Ave.  
Rosemount, Montreal 36  
Quebec, Canada

or to

JOSEPH I. DUGUID  
2204 Girouard Ave.  
N.D.G., Montreal 28  
Quebec, Canada



## YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by JAMES G. HUMPHREY

### CAMP OPENING DELAYED

We are greatly disappointed that we cannot open our children's Camp in Georgia this year. We had planned greatly on having at least a few weeks of camp this season but due to the excessive rains all through the South the ground is still too wet to allow the heavy machines in to build the dam for our lake. They were ready to start last September and we had the land cleared and ready but the rains started and continued all winter and spring, and made work impossible. We hope to start the construction of the dam in a few weeks. We will have an abundance of water for there are four clear spring-fed streams flowing through the area.

The prayers and co-operation of the Lord's people are needed for this tremendous undertaking.

Sincerely in Christ,

OWEN HOFFMAN

### ELEVENTH ANNUAL TEXAS YOUTH CAMPS

These Bible Camps are conducted each summer not only to give boys and girls a vacation of real outdoor recreation and fellowship, but also a clear presentation of the Gospel and Christian teaching.

Each Camp is limited to 40 campers. All registrations will be accepted in the order in which they are received. When one Camp is filled registrations will be received only for the other.

*Boys' Camp*—June 13 to June 20

*Girls' Camp*—June 20 to June 27

*Young People's Conference*—June 27 to July 5

*Boys' Camp*—July 8 to July 17

*Girls' Camp*—July 8 to July 25

Send registration or questions to:

ED. DAVIS  
1111 Clermont Street  
Dallas 10, Texas

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

## *Samuel Greer*

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

The sudden death of Samuel Greer in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on August 6, 1941, cast a gloom over the Lord's people, especially on the Pacific Coast, and it brought to a close the very active life of this servant of the Lord.

Mr. Greer was a well-known evangelist. He pioneered in the Gospel for over thirty years from San Diego, California, to Vancouver, British Columbia. In tents, halls, schoolrooms, cottages, and in the open air his clear ringing voice was heard warning the unsaved of judgment to come and proclaiming with warmth and power the glorious Gospel of Christ. His messages reached the heart of old and young. Summer and winter this busy worker kept on publicly and from house to house, and that day alone will declare the fruit that was gathered through his labors in the Gospel.

Samuel Greer was born near Belfast, Ireland, February 28, 1886, and was raised in a Christian home, together with eight brothers and sisters, all of them now saved. He attended the Gospel Hall from childhood and was taught his need of salvation; however, at an early age he left home and became an apprentice in a large shoe shop owned by a Christian.

At the age of seventeen Samuel was seeking with some companions to drink at the world's cisterns, and the pleasures of sin for a season were sweet. Suddenly he was aroused from this lethargy by the unexpected death of his friend in the next room. The thought came to him, "If that had been I, my soul would now be in hell." The arrows of conviction had sunk deep into his heart, and he resurrected from the bottom of his trunk the

Bible which was given him when leaving home. He began to read it and attended Gospel tent meetings held by David Rae in Belfast, where many souls were won for Christ. Having gone home for the weekend, as the clock in his father's kitchen struck seven on Saturday night, he decided that he must be saved then, or perhaps be in hell before eight o'clock. In his distress he ran down



the street to the home of Tommy Jordan and found this godly man reading the Bible. He told him he wanted to be saved and know it. He turned over the pages of God's Word and read John 3:14 and 15, "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up: That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have eternal life." He there and then saw that Christ was lifted up on the tree, and he was saved. Like Rahab of old, Josh, 2:21, according to the Word he had the full assurance of salvation. As he often expressed it, "I was saved in my home town, Edenderry, on a Saturday night, in Tommy Jordan's kitchen."

The new life became very evident as he witnessed for Christ. He made a clean cut from the world. He was baptized as a believer and received into the Ormeau Road Assembly in Belfast. Mr. George Gould, Sr., who lived near, took a deep interest in the young convert, and his godly life and testimony had a great influence on him in molding his life for God.

There was a number of active young men in Belfast, and Samuel went in heartily with them conducting cottage and street meetings in the surrounding villages. Through these efforts souls were saved and added to the assemblies.

In 1904 Mr. Thomas Lough of Belfast, a well-known servant of the Lord, was called home. Devout men carried him to his burial, and there was great lamentation as in the olden time at the funeral of Stephen. A heart-burning message was given at the open grave, and the question was asked, "Who will fill his place?" The answer came from the heart of Samuel Greer as he watched the

casket lowered into the grave—"I will go"—and at the age of twenty he began to serve the Lord as an evangelist.

On Christmas Day, 1905, I attended a meeting for ministry in Keady. Two young men came together from Belfast, Wm. Gould (now of Chicago) and Samuel Greer. There were not many preachers present, and Samuel arose and read from Exodus 14:13 and 15, "Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord. . . . Speak unto the children of Israel that they go forward." The youthful preacher spoke with great earnestness, and all present felt the power of the Word.

Two years later at a similar gathering in Cookstown we heard him give out the hymn,

"Have you counted the cost, have you  
counted the cost,  
Ye warriors of the cross?  
Are you fixed in heart for your Master's  
sake

To suffer all earthly loss?"

It was sung with much feeling and gave tone to the meeting, and in a great measure these words marked our brother during the thirty-four years that followed.

In 1906 brother Greer joined with Mr. R. Hawthorne, and together they opened up a new field in Co. Cavan. Having a strong body and of a cheery disposition, he was well suited to carry the gospel to the rural districts of Ireland. They encountered bitter opposition, and many slanderous reports were in circulation. One Saturday afternoon the young preacher called on a widow, and handing her a Gospel paper, quoted the words of Heb. 9:27, ". . . it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." He repeated the

words again and left. The strange incident spoke to her, and soon with some of her family she was rejoicing in Christ. The work went forward and later an assembly was formed. Similar work was done in other parts of Ireland where he labored with William and Robert McCracken and other servants of Christ.

In September 1910 Mr. Greer and Mr. Fred Hillis arrived in New York to labor for the Lord in this large country. They were welcomed in California by Mr. McClure who was interested in their coming. They found acceptance and labored with much zeal, one of the first-fruits being the assembly in Fresno.

In 1914 Mr. Greer was united in marriage with Miss Rachel Porter of Belfast. Mr. McClure gave an address on "The Bride" that was long remembered. They took up residence in Los Angeles, and through all their life "Given to hospitality" was true of them, and there was always an open door for the Lord's people. Day or night when strangers arrived in the city and called up, brother Greer, in his cheery manner, was always at their disposal with his car. Many saints were ministered to both physically and spiritually in their home.

Mr. McClure and Mr. Greer were preaching together in a tent in Gardena, California, when World War I broke out in 1914. Mr. McClure was always quick to take advantage of current events, so he put up a prophetic chart, drawing large crowds, and a number were saved. They were called by many the Bishop and the Curate, Mr. Greer being always ready to help and serve his older brother. In later years when Mr. McClure was old and feeble, brother Greer took him at times long distances in his car, led him

to the platform and read for him, acting as a son with a father.

Throughout Oregon, Washington, British Columbia, California, Arizona, and Texas, Mr. Greer labored in the Gospel and many souls were saved. Much of his time was spent in Los Angeles and outlying districts where year after year tents were pitched and neighborhoods canvassed personally from door to door. San Diego was one of the first assemblies formed through his efforts in California. Many interesting events as well as remarkable cases of conversion could be related that would stir the heart of the reader and encourage young brethren to go in for winning souls for Christ. In later years El Paso, Houston, San Antonio, and Manvel, Texas, were also fruitful fields in the Gospel.

In 1938 brother Greer went to Jerome, Arizona, a small mining town. He found a few Christians there desirous of following the Lord, among whom was Mr. Harold Kesler, who was gathered out at that time and is now in the Lord's work. His brother-in-law, Mr. Carlton Jones from Oklahoma City, was visiting in Jerome and through the Word ministered was led to see the truth of separation. Back home in Oklahoma City, he brought before a few believers there the wonderful truth he had learned. Soon an assembly was planted that has grown in number and in the knowledge of assembly order.

In May 1941, on Mr. Greer's last trip across the country by bus from Calgary, Alberta, to Oklahoma, he was much stirred and saddened as they passed through different states to see the vast expanses of country where little or no Gospel had been preached in its simplicity and power. He expressed the de-

sire that the remainder of his life would be spent bringing the Gospel to these backward places. May this great need touch the hearts of young men that they may go forth.

The tent was pitched in Oklahoma City where our brother preached the Gospel faithfully helped by some local brethren. During a storm it was blown down, and a schoolhouse was secured for meetings while repairs were being made. On Tuesday night, August 5, he preached his last message from John 12: 23-26, emphasizing "Where I am there shall my servant be." The following day while Mr. and Mrs. Greer were downtown looking for a suitable hall for the assembly, Mr. Greer complained of a pain at his heart and they drove home. An hour later, while lying on the couch in brother Jones' home, this beloved servant of Christ passed into the presence of the One he loved and served. His desire was to be "in harness" till the end, and so it was—he finished his course still busy in the work he loved.

On Saturday, August 9, at 3:00 o'clock, over four hundred friends from near and far gathered at the funeral service in Los Angeles, and there were many expressions of sorrow. Mr. J. T. Dickson read Acts 11, dealing especially with the words, "He was a good man, full of the Holy Ghost, and much people was added unto the Lord." His old fellow-laborer, Mr. F. Hillis, read Matthew 20:8, "Call the laborers." He referred to

his long association with Mr. Greer, and spoke of him as a real pioneer, untiring in his labors up and down the Pacific Coast, breaking up the fallow ground, and going out into the highways and hedges after the souls of men. Mr. Kesler spoke on the Lord's call to other servants. "Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest." It was at this funeral service that Mr. Kesler received the call from the Lord that resulted in his going into full-time service, just as Mr. Greer had said "I will go" many years before at the grave of another servant of Christ.

At the cemetery Mr. E. B. Wallace, who had known brother Greer since his coming to California, gave goodly words, and Mr. S. McEwen read from Psalm 30, "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." The service was closed with his favorite hymn, "In the Land of Fadeless Day." The body was laid to rest in Rosedale Cemetery near the graves of John Blair and Andrew Fraser.

At the same hour in Chicago, another large company of believers had gathered to pay loving respect to beloved brother George Gould, Sr. These two Gospel laborers, one who had lived to a good old age, full of days, while his younger brother was still in the zenith of his usefulness, went in to see the King in His beauty and to await the coming of the Lord, when the shadows shall have fled away.

*—John Trew Dickson*

## The Home Call of John M. Bernard

In the early morning hours of Wednesday, May 19th, John M. Bernard fell asleep in Jesus. His was a peaceful end. Before he lapsed into his final sleep he looked up and gave me his parting message. It was this, "Speak well of Him." And thus came to a close the final chapter in the life of one of God's honored and highly esteemed servants.

John McDermott Bernard was born at



sea—off the coast of Newfoundland in the year 1875. He had reached the age of 21 before God in His rich mercy led him to a saving knowledge of His Son. And with his new-found joy came a corresponding passion for souls. He was anxious to spread abroad his Saviour's

fame. For 9 years he faithfully labored in the north of Ireland and the Lord richly blessed his labors. A great deal of this time was spent with his fellow laborer, Robert McCracken, (now of Cleveland). Then brother Bernard decided to go over to Wales and for 23 years he labored there. Souls were saved and assemblies planted.

In the year 1928 he decided to visit America, and for 20 years he has been carrying this message of peace to the lost, unfolding the glories of Christ to His people.

He made his home in Newton, Mass. a suburb of Boston. The funeral was held on Saturday, May 22, from the Gospel Hall, Roxbury, Mass. Representatives from most of the New England assemblies, and from Hamilton, Ontario and Pittsburg, Pa., as well as several ministering brethren were present. Mr. Robert McCracken of Cleveland took for his text Psalm 107:30, "So he bringeth them into their desired haven." He referred in a most touching way to beloved Bernard as a man of unique personality and experience. I followed with a brief word on I Sam. 3:38 "Know ye not that there is a prince and great man fallen this day in Israel." Mr. James McCullough of Bridgeport, Conn., spoke at the grave to a large company on Rev. 14:13, "Blessed are the dead which died in the Lord," and Rev. 20:6, "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection."

He leaves a widow, three sons and a daughter to mourn his loss. We bespeak for them a place in our prayers that the God of all comfort will sustain in this hour of their great trial and loss.

W. HERBERT MARSHALL

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## Distribution of Christian Literature

**VIRGIL HOLLINGSWORTH Jr.**

This editorial is to urge upon all the diligent distribution of the printed Word. Most all of us are familiar with the mighty influence the distribution of tracts and booklets has had in bygone years and we see today the rapid growth of the "cults" and "isms" of all varieties that largely depended upon tract and booklet distribution for the spread of their spurious doctrines. All of this but confirms the fact that one of the most effective weapons that the Christian has is the printed Word.

It may not be an exaggeration to think that a great awakening might be the result of a concentrated effort to earnestly distribute Christian literature. In some ways it has advantages over even the spoken word, although it can never be a substitute for it. The printed Word does afford the reader the opportunity of carefully meditating over each point and of studying carefully each reference given. We would suggest that every assembly and every Christian have an adequate supply of proven booklets, suitable for three important classes of people:

1. For the unsaved—here the number of booklets is legion. We have in mind tracts such as "God's Way of Salvation," "The Reason Why," "Safety, Certainty and Enjoyment," etc. Be sure you are using attractive scriptural tracts that have been proven to be effective.

2. This class of tracts has to do with

Christian life and growth. These are not as numerous as the evangelistic tracts, but there are many excellent tracts on prayer, Bible study, love, the Holy Spirit, etc.

3. Tracts concerning the church, its fellowship, worship, government, work, etc. Tracts of this class are those that the Christian world has a right to expect from those of us who have seen the scriptural New Testament Church. If we who practice these principles fail in our zeal, who then will minister this very important phase of truth "teaching them

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to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you"? In this field too, tracts are not so numerous as tracts on evangelism but I am submitting some we have used effectively and no doubt there are many others equally as useable: C. H. M.'s "The Assembly of God," Hugh Kane's "A Return to First Principles," A. P. Gibbs, "A Remembrance of Me" and "Scriptural Principles of Gathering," Geo. Landis' "My Reasons" and a very complete little booklet published by Loizeaux Bros. called "Straight Paths." All of these and many others are excellent.

Tracts as well as the spoken Word must be used with discretion and prayer. Too often we "cast pearls before swine." Particularly, we should pray for wisdom

### **The Cover**

The work of Rest Haven Home was commenced by brother Henry Stadt and some of his associates on October 1, 1941, after a period of deep exercise of soul as to the need of the aged and infirm saints among us.

On January 16, 1943 the Lord exercised Miss Grace Pell to take over this service and in July of that same year the Grand Rapids unit of the work that cares for sisters only was moved to the Home at 1554 Fourth St., N.W. Later in the year the work was incorporated under the laws of the state of Michigan as a non profit corporation.

The house is situated on the edge of the city in a restricted residential district and has over an acre of ground connected with it. There are sixteen beds in this Home and they are always filled. Miss Nell Lemmer who is in charge is a graduate nurse which makes it possible to care for some of the more needy cases.

in giving booklets to the unsaved and in distributing leaflets on "Church Truths." Much offense can be avoided by taking prayerful thought as to how the booklets are presented and in selecting the booklet most suitable to the person's need. We believe it is much more effective to carefully distribute well printed more expensive tracts than to broadcast large quantities of run-of-the-press tracts, although we would not in any way discourage the giving of any good tracts.

Again, let us remind you of the effectiveness of Christian literature. In tracts, we have some of the best writings of the world's most gifted Christian writers. These booklets, if read, cannot help but influence the reader. The least gifted among us can be the agents for distributing this helpful ministry.

In closing, may we address a word to those ministers of the Lord Jesus Christ whose preaching has been honored of God. We urge the prolific distribution of good Christian literature as the cap-stone of spoken ministry which would so greatly increase the effectiveness of this ministry. Let all of us take full advantage of this exceedingly effective weapon so honored of God, so used by the Holy Spirit—the distribution of Christian literature. In the giving of tracts we evangelize the lost, comfort the sorrowing, strengthen the weak, teach the babe in Christ as well as the more mature Christians, encourage Bible study and gather Christians into scriptural church fellowship. In short, we bring the ministry of God's most outstanding teachers to all who will receive a booklet from us. It is indeed difficult to overemphasize the importance of being an alert prayerful distributor of Christian literature.

# LETTERS

Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

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Brother Bramhall's week of ministry on assembly truths and responsibilities was enjoyed by the saints in Roanoke, Va. in May. Unusual interest was manifested by believers in the city from outside the local assembly in Melrose Chapel, for which we praised the Lord.

Another two weeks in May was spent in the city of Winston-Salem, with one week of ministry for the Lord's people and a second in presenting precious truths concerning the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, a blessing for believers and unbelievers. While visiting the local hospital there seemed to be evidence of one soul receiving the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior.

**LAWRENCE CHAMBERS**  
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Of recent date, Mrs. Chambers and I have been serving in Greensboro Siler City, Winston-Salem and Pembroke, North Carolina. Then we went to Lansdowne and Reading, Pa., Nutley, N. J. and have just finished at Cortland, N. Y.

As to our future plans, if the Lord will, we expect to spend some time this summer in Michigan. It has been a precious experience to realize the presence of God blessing and refreshing His beloved people with the ministry of our Lord Jesus.

**LOUIS J. GERMAIN**  
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Last Saturday, June 19th, we had the

Sunday School picnic for the Clarey Gospel Hall and Cyrville Sunday Schools. God granted us nice weather and we had a good company of children, parents and friends; everything went well and the outing was enjoyed by all. D.V. we hope to continue the Sunday School at Cyrville during the Summer months; we have five new scholars. The Bible reading on Wednesday continues to be well attended and interesting.

The requests for the New Testament are coming in; we are thankful to God for the interest that some of the French R.Cs have to read the Word. Here is a short sample letter: I would be grateful if you could send me the New Testament or the 4 Gospels. I like much to read the Holy Scriptures and I keep them for my children when they will be able to read.

**E. B. GODFREY**  
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I arrived back in Red Deer after eight months spent in British Columbia, also in parts of Washington and Idaho. My wife was ordered to the coast and we were able to visit the Lord's dear people in many places new to us. We again proved the truth of I Cor. 1:9—God is faithful. We also had the joy of meeting and enjoying happy fellowship with many of the beloved of the Lord, that we had never met before. We trust our ministry and service of love to the Lord, may receive His commendation in that day when the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

I hope to spend the summer months on the prairie.

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Pres. & College Aves.,  
Wheaton, Ill.

I have been spending some time in Kenilworth, N. J., seeking to feed the lambs lately added to the flock of God in this place, under our brother Lester Wilson's ministry. It has been very happy work. These Christians have found it to be advisable to remember the Lord at 9:15 A.M. each Lord's Day, then to have what they term a "Family Bible Hour" at 11:00 A.M. At this service between 275 and 300 persons are present. Many adults bring their children to Sunday School and remain for the preaching service. It means that around 125 are thus present for the Adult Bible Class and the children are scattered about in classes of their own age. I believe if we are going to reach people when they are minded to come to a preaching service, we will need to pattern our morning services after this fashion. I have taken up during weeks such subjects as the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit, Prayer and the Christian Life, etc.

The Lord has been giving much blessing to His people, especially these young believers, and we know of two precious souls who have trusted Christ. I close here next Friday night. I have also given help in the assemblies of Elizabeth, N. J. and Plainfield, N. J. while in these parts.

**DAVID HORN**  
1537 S. Milwaukee  
Denver 10, Colorado

I was able to give a little help in Denver and Boulder, Colorado, Kanorado and Wichita, Elm Springs, Kansas. Also

a visit to Palisade, Nebraska. I'd like very much to be able to help in the tent this summer, but the doctor's orders are I must go slow. When one looks at the field ready to harvest, it makes one feel the time is short, and pray the Lord of the harvest that He would thrust forth laborers. What is needed today is young men to carry the Gospel to the needy fields. I expect to join my brother John, doing what I can for the Lord. Brethren pray for us.

**JOHN A. HORN**  
419 Smith St.,  
Atchison, Kansas

We have had real cause for rejoicing of late. For several weeks we have been carrying on a special Gospel effort one night a week at Elwood, Kansas. Last week we saw a very bright case of conversion. There are several others who seem much exercised and among them two men whose wives are already saved. God is still working and again and again He gives us to see that the "*Gospel is the power of God unto Salvation.*" Just what would He not do for us if we but unreservedly threw ourselves into that which is so dear to His heart.

This week we are holding Bible school and we are getting an excellent response. In fact, we have each day all that we can possibly handle. Indeed we would be happy if we could get some of these strange children regularly to Sunday School. I'm seeking guidance of God for the summer's work.

**J. D. IBBOTSON**  
Rte. 7, Box 531  
Naval Base, S. C.

We are still busy working on the front entrance which we have added to the building. It has been rather a slow

process because of the fact that so many of our men have to work overtime, and then none are expert carpenters, but we get along very well. There have been so many compliments given us about the change we made and everyone thinks we did the very best thing. As soon as possible I will take some pictures, as brother Cotton has asked me to do so for publication in Letters of Interest. It is taking quite a lot of my time during the day, as we had to get, what seemed to be a mountain of dirt to fill in the lot in front of the Chapel. So far we have had 400 yards put in and I think another 40 or 50 will finish it off. Sometimes I wonder how we have done it all but the Lord has given a measure of purpose of heart, although I am beginning to feel the strain and wonder how I am going to go through with the building of the Sunday School rooms.

We are still being encouraged in the spiritual side of things here. Lately there have been several who have given good confessions of faith in Christ. The Sunday School holds up well around 180 to 200 and the other meetings are well attended; generally 25 to 30 at the Bible class on Sunday morning and from 50 to 75 at the Gospel meeting.

But we are not without discouragement and signs of the devil's footprints in our midst. He is ever busy when the Lord's work is prospering and we are at times much cast upon God for wisdom. We need the help of another couple here to take over some of the work and are praying to this end. It is an excellent field for a young couple to get some valuable experience.

**FRED H. NUGENT**  
424 McKenzie Ave.,  
London, Ontario, Can.

We have just concluded five weeks meetings in Trenton, Ontario, one of the stiffest places I have been in for several years, for it was hard to get the people in even though we visited all the homes in the immediate vicinity of the Hall, and personally invited all who came to the door to attend the meetings.

Tracts were refused on several occasions, and once the tract was torn up and thrown into the Bay, but we felt that we were following in the steps of the Lord Jesus who was despised and rejected of men, so in a special way realized His Presence with us in our rejection by so many. The police also stopped us in the middle of an open-air meeting one Saturday night, saying that there had been objections to the loud speaker, but strange to say there were no objections when the Rotarians and the Kiwanis broadcasted all over the town. The world truly loves its own.

However in spite of the intense opposition the Lord saved six precious souls, one of them an elderly woman whose conversion alone was well worth the series of meetings.

We closed last Friday as we had promised to baptize those who had professed when brother Wagler and I had meetings in Watford a few months ago, so had a very precious time last Lord's Day at Ipper-wash Beach, some fifteen obeying the Lord in this precious ordinance.

Brother Wilkie kindly loaned us his loud speaker and assisted us in the service, and as the Beach was crowded with bathers and picnickers, hundreds heard the Gospel in this way. Several hundred lined the banks of the Lake as the bap-

tism proceeded, and I am sure it must have impressed them to see so many young people being immersed, for the oldest was not much over thirty, so we trust they realized that Salvation is not for old people as some think.

**HENRY PETERSEN**  
2739 Cloverdale Ave.,  
Los Angeles 16, Calif.

I was away in Vancouver, B.C. for the Easter Conference and for a month of meetings following. We had a most blessed time at the conference which was shared by brothers Landis and Van Ryn. In the weeks that followed I had ministry and Gospel meetings in the various halls. One of the fine things the brethren there are doing is the conducting of a Sunday Evening Gospel service in a big downtown theatre from 8:45 to 9:45. From 500 to 800 people are brought in from the streets by means of music from a loud speaker and a group of real workers who pass out tracts and invite the passers-by. I had the joy of addressing this large meeting on four Sunday evenings and we saw a number saved. It is sponsored entirely by the assemblies. They claim that more unsaved are reached in one night there than in all the Vancouver assemblies in one year.

During the meetings I also spoke on the "Gospel Messengers" radio time each Sunday afternoon. Also cut four transcriptions for the following month. It is sponsored by the theatre committee and the excellent singing is done by the young men and women of the various assemblies. Like the theater work it has been going on for seven years with much interest and blessing.

Here in Los Angeles we are at present conducting a series of meetings in a new

hall recently opened on the far south side. It is a branch of the Goodyear assembly.

Soon we plan a door to door survey of the entire area around our own new chapel which will be opened in July or August. It will seat nearly 300. July 10th to 17th we have a Bible Camp, and the 18th to August 1st the Bible Conference at beautiful Yosemite Park. Some 300 are expected, D. V.

**JOHN RANKIN**  
c/o R. J. MacLachlan  
80 William St.  
New York, N. Y.

Letters from Quickstep, St. Elizabeth, Jamaica, B. W. I., tell of the testimony being maintained with enthusiasm, which is cheering. The assembly was commenced there in March, 1947, after a long series of meetings I had in a school house. Some have been added. The most of the Christians work deep in the forests, the most of the time, but on their home days, Fridays and Saturdays, they have been building a hall, which is near completion. It is quite a substantial building, about 50 feet by 24 feet, with stucco finish. It says much for them as it has been built mostly by free labor.

A Mr. Johnstone, a forest inspector has supervised the building, and also has given much spiritual help since I left there. When a room is built at the back of the hall, they will be likely to get an occasional helper over the week ends from Kingston. We sought to lay a good foundation on the truth so that these believers might be able to carry on by themselves when not favored by ministry from missionaries.

The work at Golden Grove, St. Ann, also gives much satisfaction. There are

no missionaries stationed here. The believers themselves have taken hold very well. They have a good testimony in the locality, as is evidenced by the large numbers who attend their gospel meetings.

During the past two years I have had series of meetings on three occasions attended by blessing. This testimony was commenced after Bro. W. Hynd and I saw a number saved in 1936. They welcome the ministry of others, but at present have to stand on their own feet. A brother called Clacken who is a custom official, gave much help while he was working in St. Ann, but he has been moved to Kingston.

From other centers where I labored reports come to encourage and make one feel that our pioneering work has been worth while.

Have had meetings since returning, to the U. S. A. in many assemblies, and have sought also to give help in conferences. Pray for me. May 13

**F. W. SCHWARTZ**  
5035 S. Martindale Ave.,  
Detroit 4, Mich.

During the last number of weeks I have been circulating in the South, attempting, with the Lord's good help, to bring a little help and cheer to His people in little assemblies here and there. Am glad to say that in some of the places visited definite progress appears to have been made within the last few years. In Asheville, N. C., the hall has been added to, and there is a good and growing Sunday School work and Gospel effort. In New Orleans nice contacts are being made through the Center and the work extended. In Lafayette, La., there is a little company appreciative of the

Word of God and desirous of lengthening its cords. In the Houston vicinity three weeks were spent: in Houston itself, Manvel, Melrose and South Houston. Melrose has a comparatively new hall and a consistent effort is being made to reach the people of the community. In South Houston a new hall is planned in the near future, with the likelihood of an encouraging start in it, following upon Gospel activity already carried on. After touching Fort Worth I called at Oklahoma City, and Wichita. In each of these places new meeting-places have been erected within the last few years, in Wichita quite recently. There seems to be a desire to go on in the ways of the Lord, and an appreciation of ministry given. Here in Hutchison the Lord has helped in ministry and it is a joy to see His people going on happily for Him and with each other.

But if there is progress, it is still true that "there remaineth yet very much land to be possessed." Workers in some of these fields are not plentiful and much prayer should be going up to God on behalf of those who labor in them, that they may be sustained and encouraged.

**HENRY STADT**  
836 Baldwin St.,  
Grand Rapids 6, Mich.

Our labors have been—5 weeks at Pembroke, North Carolina, from late March to April. May 1st we reached our 75th birthday, 33 years under God's saving grace and power. During May 3rd, Lord's Day, I was in Laurium, Michigar and Copper City where our young brother Joseph Balsan labors. We had a happy time with saints three days at Forsythe, Michigan. I purpose June in our home assembly at Grand Rapids and these parts.

**ROBERT THOMPSON**  
**P.O. Box 27**  
**South Houston, Texas**

The work here in South Houston continues to encourage. The work on the new building has been started and although slow progress is being made we feel that when the Fall work commences we will have the building completed and ready to go ahead on a much larger scale than hitherto. The work outgrew our own garage building, and with a number of adults being reached and their coming to the meetings it was found necessary to expand. We have waited upon the Lord and with events transpiring are encouraged to know it is

His will to build up a local testimony.

At the present moment (June 1st to 11th) I'm busy with the annual Daily Vacation Bible school in the Pineview Chapel. Very good interest, with an excellent staff of teachers. Having quite a number of older boys and girls this material to work on keeps us before the Lord on their behalf.

Immediately on closing Bible school I'll be busy for the next 6 weeks in the Texas Camp season, and then after that expect to hold another two weeks of Bible school in another of the local halls. So the summer season is to be a busy one and we look for real blessing.



## **CHRISTIAN WORKER'S CONFERENCE**

***Proposed Dates, October 28, 29, 30***

The Workers Conference in the will of the Lord will be held this year in the Parkside Gospel Chapel, 910 Santiago, San Francisco, California. The brethren from Parkside and surrounding assemblies have very graciously extended us this kind invitation to convene there and for which we indeed are very grateful. Assemblies or workers desiring further details concerning the conference may communicate with Howard E. Jones, 75 Santa Rita Ave., Forest Hill, San Francisco, California.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**A. R. CROCKER**  
4616 W. 17th St.,  
Los Angeles 6, Calif.

During the last week our brother, Mr. A. R. Crocker, was with us in Everett, Wash., and we do not hesitate to say that his ministry was rich and profitable. It has been a long time since a servant of the Lord attracted such large attendance in our chapel. He is especially gifted for teaching and spiritual exhortation, but he also gives a powerful gospel message.

Brother Crocker has gone to Portland where his wife is ill in the home of F. C. Marshall, 50 N. E. 84th Ave. If she is able to stand the trip, he will take her to their home in Los Angeles 6, California. Mr. and Mrs. Crocker formerly lived in Hollywood, Florida.

LAWRENCE KANE

**JOHN GOVAN**  
9591 Sorrento Ave.,  
Detroit, Mich. (27)

In the early summer brother Govan had four weeks' meetings in Saginaw, Michigan. The meetings were faithfully attended by the saints, but the response from the neighborhood was somewhat disappointing.

The assembly was planted about 60 years ago, mainly through the efforts of Mr. Muir and others and through the intervening years, the testimony has been maintained.

An attractive, commodious hall was erected by the assembly about three years ago and it stands as an asset to the neighborhood in appearance and an admirable example of sacrifice on the part of the saints.

**JOHN A. GRAY**  
130—3rd St., N.W.  
Portage la Prairie, Man. Can.

Brother Gray in the late spring had meetings in Port Arthur, Ont., and Glen Evan, Sask. In Port Arthur a few young people professed to be saved. In Glen Evan a deep interest in the Word was manifested by the saints. Some started work earlier in the morning so as to be able to attend the meetings in the evenings. Others crossed dangerous overflowing rivers at a great risk, and some travelled for miles on muddy roads. It is encouraging to hear of a hunger for the Word of God among the saints. Brother Gray is now preparing for the tent season.

**LEE GRISHAM****Alpena Pass, Ark.**

Brother Grisham keeps busy serving the Lord in the Ozark mountains. He conducts cottage meetings on Thursday evenings, helps in the regular meetings, takes part in the children's work, as well as carrying the gospel into new parts.

**GEO. HATHERLEY****414 Howard St.,  
Lawrence, Mass.**

Brother Hatherley spent the latter part of May and the early part of June in Canada. He visited assemblies and had meetings in Stratford, Shakespeare, Timmins, Haileybury, Ont., and in Montreal, Quebec. He expects to labor in out of the way places in Vermont or New Hampshire during the summer.

**FRED HILLIS****1951 So. Myrtle St.,  
Monrovia, Calif.**

After the Easter Conference at Fort Worth, Texas, brother Hillis continued with some ministry meetings. He then had three weeks in a brother's home near there where God has been blessing. After that he spent four weeks in Oklahoma City. The work there is encouraging, some have been saved lately, and the brethren are aggressive in the gospel. The neighborhood around the hall is visited monthly with localized gospel tracts.

Later brother Hillis hoped to join brother Kesler for meetings in Hutchinson, Kansas.

**ROBERT HOY****319 Brass St.,  
Longmont, Colorado**

Brother Hoy expects to return to France in the early fall, where he labored for the Lord before the war. Re-

cently he had the joy of placing one or more gospel tracts in practically every home in the city of Ottumwa, Iowa. A number of these were "God's Way of Salvation" and Safety, Certainty and Enjoyment". Eternity alone will reveal what has been accomplished in an effort of this kind.

**WM. HYND****26 Wexford Ave., N.  
Hamilton, Ont., Can.**

Brother Hynd expected to spend most of the summer working in and out from North Bay, Ontario. He hopes to carry the gospel to many who are living in darkness and superstition in these paths, travelling as far as Temeskeming, Quebec.

**ELGIE B. JAMISON****328—28th St., S.W.  
Mason City, Iowa**

Brother Jamison had some meetings in the early summer in Clear Lake, Iowa, but had to close because of Mrs. Jamison's illness. Brother Jamison accompanied her to Rochester, Minn., where she was to undergo a surgical operation. Our brother hoped to pitch a new tent later in the summer near Mason City, Iowa.

**DAVID LEATHEM****1219 Prince St.,  
Truro, N. S.**

Brother Leathem spent some time in June with the saints at Sydney, Cape Breton. The Lord's people enjoyed his ministry on "Coming Events." From there he returned to Truro where he had meetings on the same subject.

The assembly at Truro opened their new hall recently with a Conference. Good ministry was given by David Scott,

Archie Stewart Robert and John McCracken and D. Leathem.

**THOS. R. McCULLAGH**      **LEONARD LINDSTED**  
1116 E. National Blvd.,      Goessel, Kansas  
Springfield, Mo.

These brethren started tent meetings about the middle of June at Plainview, a government housing project in Wichita, Kansas. They have a Bible school in the morning which is well attended, and usually a nice turnout at night. Some have professed and others are concerned.

The assembly at Wichita gives joy to our brethren and the saints have been encouraged, recently by two young couples being received into fellowship.

**STEVE MICK**  
1514 Wisconsin Ave.,  
Boscobel, Wis.

Brother Mick expected to start meetings in the Burton School Boscobel, on June 14th. He covered the neighborhood with tracts before starting. Later in the summer he expects to engage in tent work.

**JOHN REA**  
Glen Lake, P.O.  
Vancouver Island, B.C. Can.

Our brother has moved from London, Ontario to above address. He tells us that before leaving London, Ont., the open air work had started in Victoria Park on Sunday evenings. A public address system is used and hundreds hear the gospel. Many tracts are distributed and people personally spoken to about their souls.

**JAMES F. SPINK**  
17 Cherry St.,  
Collingsdale, Pa.

Brother Spink was with the assembly

in Palisades, N. J. during June, speaking on the seven churches of Asia.

**EDWIN J. THARP**  
c/o Mr. D. French  
Boston 8, Mass.

During June brother Tharp ministered to the saints in Washington, D. C. and in the five assemblies in Baltimore, Md. Later he expected to spend some time on the northern coast of Maine.

#### **DOVER, DELAWARE**

Brother Wm. Brown is still with brother Richmond in Delaware. Recently there has been blessing. A number have professed to be saved. They hope to baptize about 15 soon.

Brother Richmond's father went home to be with the Lord on May 26th. He tells us that he will miss his godly counsel. His mother has not been well since the death of her husband.

#### **EVANSTON, ILLINOIS**

We were privileged to have with us for the month of May, our beloved brother, Walter J. Munro of Scarsdale, New York. The time was all too short and the ministry was enjoyed by all present. Present day happenings in Palestine was his subject with time left open for questions at the end of each meeting. Attendance was excellent and a real interest shown. We trust he may be able to return at a future date to continue with such profitable ministry.

GEORGE LAW, Correspondent

**WALTER ELTJES**  
Kesley, Iowa

Bro. Eltjes commenced a series of gospel meetings in Ash Creek, Wisconsin on June 7. This is a new place and our brother would appreciate the prayers of the Lord's people for this effort.

**AVENUE 54 GOSPEL HALL**  
**1100 North Avenue 54**  
**Los Angeles, Calif.**

It is some time since we sent in a report for the Avenue 54 Assembly, and we are happy to say it is a good one, with increased numbers added to the assembly so that now it is hard to find seats for everyone on Sunday morning and the attendance at the Gospel meeting is very good, also at the midweek prayer meeting, and the Sunday school has grown, due in no small measure to some active young folks who have come here from the Chicago area, and we now find we will have to enlarge the hall in order to take care of the increased numbers in the S. S. and in the adult Bible class, and for that purpose we had an assembly dinner a couple of weeks ago, and it was a real time of getting together and getting to know each other better, as sometimes when the meeting grows larger we are not able to speak to everyone at the meeting.

At a baptism lately there were 4 of our girls who have been brought up in the S. S. as well as 3 young people recently come here from Detroit, and another young lady who has been saved for some time and we are glad to see her take her place with us.

Our Brother Westwood continues his radio ministry and last night he spoke at our hall on "the Westward sweep of civilization," a very interesting subject in view of present day events, and a very solemn one too, and the hall was packed out, and many strangers to us were there who listened in on the radio. We trust some will truly be saved as a result of this meeting, and other fine gospel meetings we have had in past weeks. No excuse for those attending

to go away unsaved as the gospel was preached with no uncertain sound.

THOMAS G. MILLHAM

**LOS ANGELES**  
**WORK AMONG MEXICANS**

The following is a report handed to me at my request from our brother Gordon Webberly, who has recently moved here from Mexico City. He is a fine brother and a great help to our assembly at Avenue 54, as well as to the work among the Spanish speaking people of this area:

"Although we have changed our residence from Mexico City to Los Angeles, we consider we are still very much in the mission field, for here in this district of Los Angeles there are over 250,000 Mexicans. Most young Mexicans understand English fairly well but the majority of the adults only speak Spanish.

Miss Irene Gallagher has many classes among the English speaking Mexican children whom she teaches verses of Scripture, hymns and choruses, and Bible stories, explaining the Gospel to them. She also speaks Spanish, so is also able to converse with the older ones too. Also Mr. and Mrs. Tropy have a meeting for Mexican young people and children in English, among whom they have labored patiently and steadily for many years.

Since coming to Los Angeles, it has been our joy and privilege to visit many Mexican families in their homes and explain the Gospel to them in Spanish. Frequently we accompany Miss I. Gallagher and come in contact with many of the parents and relatives of the children in her classes who listen attentively

to the Gospel preached in their own language; also we are able to go with tracts and gospels from door to door in the Mexican districts, and often have been invited into homes in order to tell them more fully the simple Gospel Truths."

GORDON WEBBERLY,  
Submitted by  
THOMAS G. MILLHAM

#### **MATOACA, VIRGINIA**

A new tent 40 by 60 ft. with a seating capacity of 300 or more complete with the best equipment has been purchased by the 4 Tidewater assemblies: namely, Newport News, Richmond, Petersburg and Matoaca.

We plan, D. V. to operate this tent the entire summer through September. We will be glad to hear from any of the Lord's Servants or interested brethren who would be free to do personal work and help operate this tent, as there is no servant of the Lord living in this area of Virginia of over 100 mile radius.

We would value the prayers of the Lord's people as we seek to go further afield in the service of the Lord Jesus.

#### **COCONUT GROVE ASSEMBLY**

**Miami, Florida**

Brother Benjamin Bradford who was visiting here at the home of his son during March and April, gave very helpful ministry and gospel messages in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Since returning home to New York Mr. Bradford has had a serious operation on his vocal chords. The prayers of the Lord's people were going up for him continuously and we are thankful for his daily improvement.

The assembly has purchased three lots

in a growing section of Miami and efforts are being made to erect a building in the near future at N. W. 53d Street near 15th Avenue to be known as "Central Gospel Chapel."

This is the writers last communication as correspondent. I am going away for the summer months and have resigned in favor of a younger man who I believe is capable of filling the position to the glory of God. The new correspondent is Benjamin M. Bradford, 202 N. W. 92nd Street, Miami 38, Florida.

EDWIN J. WARNER

#### **PITTSBURGH—BETHANY HOUSE North Side Gospel Hall**

It has been our delightful privilege to have with us for the month of May our brother Wm. B. Mackie, recently commended to the work from Flint, Mich.

The first three weeks were devoted to children's meetings which were well attended, and as a result six or seven were added to our Sunday school. The fourth week was for the preaching of the Gospel to adults; while we saw no conversions, yet the hearts of the saints were cheered by the clear and pungent presentation of the Gospel. During the winter months brother Mackie has been conducting Saturday night Gospel meetings, alternating with East Pittsburgh Gospel Hall; these meetings have been successful, one young man being saved and others exercised. Due to the large attendance the North Side Assembly was obliged to hire the Downtown Y. M. C. A. It was a delight to look into the faces of so many happy Christians, and to see in the countenance of a number of the unsaved deep concern and soul exercise.

We have now concluded the Saturday

night meetings inside, and are holding them in the open air and have secured a permit for the large Amphitheatre in one of the North Side parks, and are looking forward to a real aggressive work taking advantage of the number of people that assemble at this particular spot just for a rest. We will be using the public address system making it easier for the speakers and reaching a larger number of people. Brother Mackie will be mainly responsible for the conduct of these meetings. He is an excellent singer and has a unique way of presenting the Gospel.

#### TUSCON, ARIZONA

We are indeed happy to supply for your publication a photograph of our new Bible Chapel here in Tucson. After

Help us with your prayers for this part of the Lord's vineyard, the harvest truly is great and the laborers few.

We trust that our next report D. V. will be even more encouraging and the Lord's hand more manifest in blessing, and this we believe can be realized as the Lord's people pray for us.

On behalf of the above assembly.

JOHN MALLOY,

Glarius and Penna,

Bellevue, Pittsburgh 2, Pa.

struct this building. Plans were prepared by Brother Davies from Oakland, Cal., and construction was started. Within five months we are holding meetings in



some ten years praying and saving for a building fund, permission was given us last June by the government to con-

struct the new building and have had much joy and happiness thus far in carrying on our efforts here for the Lord.

# Late News Section

## Important Notice

Because of the current nature of LETTERS OF INTEREST, no part of it can be printed ahead. The editors, however, through this Late News Section, are able to include letters and reports received up to the 15th of each month, unclassified as space permits.

### Tent Work

These are the tents, known to us, which have been in operation, are now in operation, or expect to be in operation this season. We would like to be informed of others:

Gordon Reager }  
E. B. Sprunt } Brookhaven, Ga.

Some blessing; now closed

Gordon Reager } Fairlawn  
Paul Plubell } New Jersey

David Calderhead }  
James Lipke } Poland, Ohio

O. E. Magee } Avoca, Minn.  
Ben Tuininga } Mora, Minn.

Four weeks; one professed at Avoca.

Jas. McCullough }  
S. J. Rea } Madison, Me.

L. E. McBain } Rives Junction  
Norman Crawford } near Jackson, Mich.

Theo. Williams, Sr. }  
O. F. Gall } Chicago, Ill.

This tent is pitched in a colored district, seeking to win some of them for the Lord.

L. Linsted }  
T. R. McCullagh } Plainview, Kansas

Some blessing reported; now closed

John Elliott }  
T. R. McCullagh } Guthrie, Okla.

Starts July 18th, D.V.

Oswald L. McLeod }  
James Smith } Lenoir, N. C.

Walter Eitjes } Kamrar, Iowa

E. K. Bailey }  
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Richard Burson }  
F. W. Mehl } Hutchinson, Kansas

E. B. Jamison } Mason City, Iowa

James Gunn } Ontario  
E. B. Sprunt } (exercised about  
Lindsay, Ont.)

Stephen Mick } Los Angeles, Calif.

F. W. Nugent } Detroit, Mich.

Hector Alves } Twisp, Wash.

R. T. Halliday } Petersburg, Va.

G. W. Coombs } North Carolina

Louis Brandt }  
Leonard DeBuhr } Dumont, Iowa

### Sick Notices

(Pray for these brethren and sisters)

**BEN BRADFORD**  
32-23 33rd St.  
Long Island City, N. Y.

Our brother is still suffering from bodily shock, as an aftermath of his recent operation. He can make himself understood in a whisper, so has regained his voice to this extent.

**GEO. B. WINEMILLER**  
121 Evergreen St.  
Harrisburg, Pa.

There is not much change in brother Winemiller's condition. The weakness due to the Leukemia continues, and his white blood cells count has dropped to below normal. He is able to help the saints as God gives him strength, in some nearby assemblies.

**MRS. CESARE PATRIZIO**  
908 Pasadene Ave.  
Philadelphia 11, Pa.

Mrs. Patrizio was to have been operated on recently, but after being in the hospital five days, it was decided to postpone the operation because of sugar in the blood. She was taken home again and is under a doctor's care as she awaits the operation.

**MRS. ANNA FAULKNOR**  
6958 Chappel Ave.  
Chicago 49, Ill.

The widow of brother W. L. Faulknor, who went to West Africa as a missionary 61 years ago, and who later served the Lord in Canada, is now almost 95 years old. Until the infirmities of old age made it impossible, she was a faithful servant of the church here in Chicago. Sister in the assembly, especially those who were sick, were encouraged and helped by her faithful visits.

Recently she had a fall fracturing her hip, and in addition her memory is gone and she does not recognize anyone. She, together with her sister, live with her sister's son and wife, and they have been very kind to the two old ladies. However, it is feared her condition may call for the facilities of an institution.

When brother Faulknor landed in Benguella, West Africa in 1887 and

heard of the sickness and death of many workers, he said, "If the Gospel is going to be preached in Africa it will be at a great cost."

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## **Brief Reports**

**Brethren Wm. Warke and Douglas Howard** started a series of Gospel meetings in an old Baptist church at Cornwall Hollow, Conn., on Sunday, July 11th. There was a good crowd in the first night.

**Brother Cesare Patrizio** started meetings on June 23rd in a rented hall in Waldwick, N. J., in connection with the Midland Park assembly. This is an effort among the Italians in a new place. The district has been covered with circulars and Gospel tracts, and brother Patrizio has visited many homes of the people.

**Brother John Hunt** reports that he spent a short time with the saints in San Francisco on his way home from So. California. He also had some meetings in Aldergrove, B. C., with Mun Hope. He says the whole district for miles around has been stirred through brother Hope's meetings and that a large number have professed to be saved.

**Brother Dan Dunnett** saw four profess to be saved while he was having special meetings in northern Wisconsin.

**JOHN RANKIN**  
c/o J. R. Mowat  
9427 73rd Ave.  
Oak Lawn, Ill.

Brother Rankin has sailed for New Zealand to visit the assemblies, ministering the Word and preaching the Gospel. His New Zealand address will be furnished, D.V., in the next issue.

**CENTERVILLE, IOWA**  
Gospel Chapel  
423 N. Main

The 46th Annual Labor Day Conference will be held, D.V., Sept. 5th and 6th with prayer meeting Saturday night. Accommodations will be provided for those coming from distance.

Address: P. E. Norris, Box 325, Centerville, Iowa.

**HITESVILLE, IOWA**

Our conference this year is planned (D.V.) for September 11 and 12 preceded by a prayer meeting on September 10.

GEORGE L. FREY

**SAULT STE. MARIE**  
Michigan, Ontario

The annual joint Conference of the Assemblies of Sault Ste Marie, Michigan and Sault Ste Marie, Ontario will, D.V., be held on Sept. 4th, 5th and 6th of September, preceded by a prayer meeting on Friday evening at 7:30 p.m. in the New Gospel Hall, corner of Wellington E. and Spring Streets, Sault Ste Marie, Ontario, Canada.

R. H. DAVIS  
178 March Street  
Sault Ste Marie, Ont.

**M. J. KENNEDY**  
301 East 161st Street  
Bronx, New York

Prayer is desired for the work in the Bronx among the Italian people. A brother in Waterbury is much concerned about the work and God has used him in the past in the salvation of some. Please remember him in prayer. I am now going to the assembly in Saugerties, New York to have a few meetings.

**DAVID BRINKMAN**  
M.P. 38  
Augusta, Georgia

In Rev. 3:7, 8 our Lord remembers those who have a little strength and have kept His Word and have not denied His Name, and He sets before them an open door which no man can shut. We believe that this is what the Lord has done to us and others of His servants, in the Supreme Court of the U.S. decision as handed down June 7th of this year. The decision declared public address systems as "indispensable instruments of effective public speech and denied to towns the right to prohibit them, or to demand a police permit for the use of such. This has thrown open America to us to preach the gospel and we are doubling our efforts in reaching out with the gospel far and near.

We praise God for the numbers we are thus able to preach to each week, feeling unworthy of such privileges. The results in eternity are as sure as are the promises of God, and we seek to be "strong in faith giving glory to God," while sowing the good seed by the which people are born again.

**MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN**

Good News Chapel, 21st and Cherry Streets; S.S. 9:45 a.m., Gospel 7:45 p.m., B.B., 11:00 a.m., Bible Study and Prayer 7:45 p.m. Correspondent remains the same.

T. E. McCULLY  
3238 N. 45th St.  
Milwaukee 10, Wis.

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**Correction**

The address of brother Joyce, editor of "Truth and Tidings," should be 417 Roehampton Ave., Toronto 12, Ontario, and not Roehampton Road.

**A. ROSS McCONKEY**  
Bancroft, Ont., Canada

The Lord has been pleased to give encouragement in this district. On June 13th eleven followed the Lord in baptism and have been received into fellowship in the assembly here at Bancroft. A large number gathered to witness the baptism in the open air and we used our public address system to give them the gospel. Also at Deacon we have had the joy of receiving into fellowship a father and mother and their two sons and daughter. They were formerly connected with a denomination but became dissatisfied with their association and desired fellowship in the assembly. They have been saved for some time, and we have visited them many times in their home. They live in the district where we have our open-air meetings in the summer.

The assembly here at Bancroft has outgrown the present hall and have purchased a lot in a more suitable part of the village and hope to begin erection of a larger and more suitable building soon. So we thank the Lord for these tokens of His favor and blessing. The prayers of the Lord's people are valued.

**ROBERT M. ARTHUR**  
1704 62nd Street  
Des Moines, Iowa

The months past have provided opportunity for gospel preaching and ministry of God's Word in small assemblies, such as: Davenport, Sully, Ft. Dodge, Sioux City, Ames, Ottumwa, Conference ministry in Des Moines and Waterloo, and, at the moment, a period of children's meetings in Sioux City.

**BLUE RIDGE BIBLE CONFERENCE**

This year the Blue Ridge Bible Conference was outstanding in a number of ways. First, there were more than 15 who professed to be saved during the Conference—11 were baptized at the Conference. An evangelistic atmosphere prevailed. Another marked improvement was the food. Quite contrary to our experience in the past three years, the food this year was considered excellent. The rates were \$27.00 per person for room without bath, however, the conveners were quite satisfied with this rate considering the great improvement in the food and the unexcelled facilities and scenery.

The speakers were Harold Mackay, William Deens, Lester Wilson, Owen Hoffman and Peter Pell. There was a total attendance in excess of 350.

**Change of Address**

CLARK McCLELLAND  
67 Church St.  
Westbrook, Maine

SHELDON BARD  
560 11th St.  
Arvida, Quebec

E. B. GODFREY  
1012 1st Ave., N.W.  
Calgary, Alberta

GORDON N. REAGER  
1526 Deboran Lane  
Rosemont, Pa.

ROBERT M. ARTHUR  
1704 62nd St.  
Des Moines, Iowa

The building is typical of the southwest, exterior walls of stabilized adobes which at the present are in the original state while the interior is unplastered but given a lime and cement wash which gives a finished appearance, yet not losing the lines of the blocks. Auditorium construction is of open beam ceilings with two large trusses supporting the roof and seats approximately 190 permanent seats.

There are four individual class rooms, large kitchen, ladies lounge, prayer room which may later be divided into three nice sized class rooms with curtains or modern fold doors, and an attractive entry room. The platform is raised about twenty inches above the auditorium floor with a most conveniently arranged baptistry under the wooden floor.

The building is very attractively and practically arranged for our needs and is located in a very desirable residential neighborhood. While it takes on definite lines of a worship building, it conforms to the architecture of the neighborhood and apparently is not a liability to the surrounding properties.

The construction was carried on by the local brethren and the cooperation was such which engendered mutual love and desire to accomplish something for the Lord in its erection. Without a single exception, the costs and arrangement seems to satisfy all concerned and we look for much blessing as we seek to carry on a local work for the Lord. We have successfully inaugurated a sched-

ule of meetings on the Lord's day which starts with a 9:15 breaking of bread, 10:45 Sunday school for the children in the various class rooms while a preaching service is conducted for the adults in the main auditorium. We find this to be working exceptionally well and can heartily endorse it for others interested.

#### **SPOKANE, WASHINGTON**

Leonard E. Brough of Yakima, Washington, has just concluded a week of meetings here and we are rejoicing together with three souls who confessed Christ as Saviour and another found full assurance. This makes eight souls who have professed Christ as Saviour within the last six months. How thankful we are to God who gives the increase. We expect to have a baptizing in the near future, June 11th.

LOUIS F. BORGHARDT

#### **VANCOUVER, B.C., CANADA** **Cedar Cottage Gospel Hall** **4162 Helwyn St.**

The new address of brother Geo. Basham, correspondent, is 904 E. 29th St., Vancouver, B. C.

Starting about the beginning of June the Cedar Cottage Assembly started having an open meeting in the center of the city, after the regular Sunday evening gospel meeting. At the first meeting about 100 young people were present and many short, clear testimonies to the saving power of the Lord Jesus were given.



# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **BAY CITY, MICHIGAN**

Our annual conference was a happy season. Practical ministry was given by the following brethren: W. Ferguson, H. Fletcher, A. Stewart, L. McBain, T. Wilkie, N. Crawford and A. Ainslie.

## **BYFIELD, MASS.**

At the recent conference a young lady professed to be saved. Brethren C. Fite, J. McCullough, S. Rea and D. Howard took part in the ministry of the Word.

## **CLEVELAND, OHIO**

The annual conference will be held here as usual over the Labor Day holiday, from September 4 to 6. Meetings will be in the Addison Road Gospel Hall, 1477 Addison Road. Further information may be had by writing to Mr. John H. Smith, 3141 Warrington Road, Shaker Heights 20, Ohio.

## **GARNAVILLO, IOWA**

It was good to observe the power of the gospel when so many of the Lord's people gathered at the recent conference. Approximately five hundred remembered the Lord and equal numbers sat under the ministry given by brethren W. Ferguson, W. Warke, W. Eltjes, S. Hamilton, L. McBain, N. Crawford,

O. G. Smith, S. Mick, P. Elliott, and C. Fite. At least two professed Christ as their Saviour and this brought joy to the hearts of the Christians present.

## **GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

The conference held here over Memorial Day was a happy season of fellowship for the Lord's people. Brethren Leonard Sheldrake, James Gunn and Ernest Gross ministered the Word to edification.

## **LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN**

The annual conference is expected to be held here on September 4 and 5. Further information may be had by writing Mr. L. W. Uglum, 920 S. 5th Ave.

## **LONDON, ONTARIO**

### **Pall Mall Gospel Hall**

Our new hall was opened with a conference held on June 18, 19 and 20. We were greatly encouraged by the word ministered and by the exaltation of Christ. It was well attended and exceeded our expectations. On Lord's day about 350 remembered the Lord, in the Central Collegiate School rented for the purpose. Those present to minister were brethren W. Ferguson, A. Adams, J. Govan, G. Smith, A. T. Stewart, G.

Gould, T. Touzeau, T. Wilkie, J. Gunn, J. Blackwood, H. Fletcher, G. Shivas, R. Booth and R. McClurkin. God willing it is planned to make this an annual event.

FRED BURNSIDE

#### **MISHAWAKA, INDIANA**

We plan (D. V.) to hold our fifth annual Bible conference over the Labor Day holiday, Sept. 5 and 6. All ministry meetings will be held and meals served in the I. O. O. F. Lodge Hall located at 204½ No. Main St. Those coming from a distance desiring overnight accommodations will please write Herman Morris, 115 E. Hildebrand St., South Bend, Ind.

D. SELBY

#### **PHILADELPHIA, PA.**

**Olney Gospel Hall**

The conference over Memorial Day was well attended, about five hundred remembered the Lord. The ministry was considered good and helpful to the Lord's people. Among those who shared in the word spoken were brethren J. Rankin, C. Patrizo, S. Porteous, E. Richmond, P. Plubell, J. Conaway, M. Kennedy and O. MacLeod.

#### **SARNIA, ONTARIO**

The conference on June 12 and 13 was considered very good with seasonable ministry given by brethren H. Fletcher, G. G. Johnston, D. Roy, W. Warke, P. Elliott, A. Stewart, J. Govan, A. Klabunda and others. The Christians were made glad when two souls professed to be saved.

#### **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON**

The assemblies at Hope Gospel Hall,

Seattle, Parkside Hall, Everett and Sunnysdale, Wash., will unite (D. V.), in holding a Labor Day Conference in McKinley Auditorium on the Seattle Pacific College Campus.

The Conference will open with prayer and ministry at 7:30 p. m. Saturday, September 4th and continue through Lord's Day and Monday September 5th and 6th. Visitors coming from a distance will be freely entertained and in view of the numbers expected, we will appreciate early advance word from those desiring accommodation.

We will be privileged to hear such able ministers as Richard Hill, Tom Olson and Henry Peterson.

Yours in His Service,

KENNETH FLEMING,

Conference Secretary,

915 West Galer Street

Seattle 99, Washington

#### **STIRLING, ONTARIO**

The annual conference of Springbrook and Stirling assemblies will be held (D. V.), in Grace Chapel, Stirling, Ont., over Labor day week end, September 5 and 6. Preceded by prayer meeting Saturday, September 4, at 8:00 p. m. Brethren C. E. Tatham, H. M. Harper, J. Duguid and S. Taylor are expected to share the ministry.

T. A. KERR

#### **STOUT, IOWA**

This year the conference here was largely attended by the Christians from the surrounding district. Among those who shared in the ministry were brethren C. Fite, D. Horn, J. Horn, W. Warke, P. Elliott, O. G. Smith, S. Hamilton, and S. Mick.

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## **Gospel Messengers on Tour**

**ARTHUR B. RODGERS**    **DAVID LAWRENCE**  
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Omaha 3, Nebraska    Centerville, Iowa

*The following is a brief account of the activities of the Gospel Messengers on Tour from June 1 to July 1:*

The Gospel Messengers continued North from Marble Hill, Mo. and Indianapolis, Ind. with street meetings for the benefit of the unsaved and ministry meetings held at the small assemblies of Christians along the way. We have had the joy of seeing some saved and others restored to the Lord. One Catholic boy who was saved while in the service of our country, has told us of his desire to take his stand for the Lord and to come out from among them for Him. Pray that the Lord will lead this young man to take a definite stand for Him.

Excellent interest and attendance was shown, especially at meetings held in Logansport, Ind. and Peoria, Ill., and we trust that the Lord will use His Word to continued blessing of saint and sinner as well.

The two parties met in Champaign, Ill. and conducted meetings in the open air for the unsaved and indoor services for the Christians in that assembly. We then moved on together to Peoria for plant and street meetings. Here, as in other smaller cities, we had the privilege of meeting with the Christians and en-

couraging them in the Lord as well as receiving blessing ourselves in seeing some who are faithful and seeking to go on for Him.

Pray for the continued blessing of the Lord as we seek to spread the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout these nine central states.

Yours by His grace,  
ARTHUR B. RODGERS

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## **With Gospel Messengers on Tour**

May I make a few observations as the result of my present visit to U.S.A. from England. I count it a great privilege to tour with the Gospel Messengers.

I have been greatly moved as I see that the need is greater for wholehearted and full time workers among the assemblies in U.S.A. than in the British Isles. It has been brought to my notice that there are only 515 assemblies in the whole of the 48 states, and in 7 of the states no assembly exists. Such facts call for much prayer by the assemblies that the "Lord of the Harvest" thrust forth laborers into His Harvest Field.

I am at present before the Lord about arranging to bring my wife and daughter to this country in order that I may permanently occupy for Him in this needy sphere. May I seek the prayer fellowship of God's people that guidance

may be given me in making necessary preparations to settle here, also to the sphere where He wants me to be.

Yours by Grace,  
HARVIE H. STEWART

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### ***Oregon Gospel Messengers on Tour***

We are on our way along the Oregon Coast, seeking by His help, to scatter the silent messenger at each door, and expect to preach the Gospel in each village, city and town, as well. We have been provided wonderfully with all the necessary equipment for this trek. In addition, we have a public address system and a house tent for general use. The Lord has graciously met our every need, and is supplying suitable help to carry on this work. Some will have a week or two, then others will follow. Flood conditions at the present moment might have caused us a little embarrassment, and might cause us to slightly change our route as we journey south, but otherwise we can go right along. Conditions here remind me vividly of the devastating floods in Iowa last season when I was with the messengers, yet we never lost any time, nor suffered in any way. We have the same God today out on this godless coast, as it's known. The entire trip will be about 1300 miles, D.V.

Warmest greetings, ever realizing our need of the prayers of His own.

WM. RAE

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### ***A Unique Event Including Four Generations***

Mr. Jno. Rae, the father of William M., arrived in Manitoba, Canada about 65 years ago and pioneered in the Gospel for some 40 years. William was early

converted to God and while yet 20 years of age heard the call of God to go forth in simple faith in the living God. Following in the footsteps of his father, he went forth pioneering the vast prairies of western Canada with the glorious Gospel of the grace of God, and has continued steadfastly in the work of the Lord to the present day. The Lord blessed his labors. On the 24th of May, 1898, he was joined in marriage to Miss Margery E. Mc Clean, of Wexford, Ireland, which was indeed a union in the Lord, for she has been a faithful and efficient helper for 50 years, her children having risen up and call her "blessed." And hundreds rise up and testify to blessing received through their united efforts. On May 24th, 1948, several hundred Christians in Portland, Oregon and distant parts gathered together in the Gospel Hall, Stark Street, to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of their wedded life. It was indeed a long to be remembered occasion. The love and esteem in which our dear brother and sister are held was manifested by the kind words and congratulations. At the close of the ceremonies, brother Wm. M. Rae recounted the way the Lord had led them, having supplied their every need in the 50 years of service for the Lord.

F. W. GOFF  
Vancouver, B.C., Can.

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### ***Change of Correspondents STRATFORD, ONT., CANADA***

Owing to the home call of our brother John Trout May 17, 1948, who was the correspondent for the Stratford, Ontario assembly, John W. Meeks, 28 Crook Street, Stratford, Ont., Canada, is now the correspondent.

**CEDAR COTTAGE GOSPEL HALL**  
4162 Helwyn St.,  
Vancouver, B. C., Canada

The new address of brother Geo. Basham, correspondent, is 904 E. 29th St., Vancouver, B.C.

Starting about the beginning of June the Cedar Cottage assembly started.

**KEARNY, NEW JERSEY**

The Hoyt Street Gospel Chapel of 194 Hoyt Street, Kearny, New Jersey, has discontinued the testimony there, and believers have received letters of commendation to other assemblies.

Yours on behalf of the assembly,  
WILLIAM LUSK

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**Sick Notice**

Our brother James Gibson of London, Ontario, Canada, came to Los Angeles, California, to minister the Word but had to enter the hospital and undergo a very serious major operation. He is improving but will require considerable care after leaving hospital.

DR. CHAS. E. WELLS  
Correspondent  
6609 Converse Ave.,  
Los Angeles, Calif.

**SAM KELLER**  
1906 W. 43rd St.,  
Los Angeles 37, Calif.

We heard about the middle of June that brother Keller had pneumonia, and had also developed a blood clot of the right leg. It will mean prolonged rest in bed for him.

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**Aged Servants of the Lord**

**JOHN GILCHRIST**  
273 Toronto Ave.,  
Toronto, Ont., Canada

Brother Gilchrist is now 82 years old and for many years has preached the

Gospel. Most summers were spent in tents, and after the Gospel was preached by him in new places in homes and school houses. He is hopeful that he can still be of further service to the Lord.

**J. W. HADSALL**  
12075 Memorial Ave.,  
Detroit 27, Mich.

If brother Hadsall is spared until August he will be 90 years old. His ministry has been tract distribution. He has covered all 48 states and has given away millions of tracts. He goes from house to house leaving 4 tracts suitable for various ages in each home. Each trip takes in 500 homes, 2000 tracts.

**J. J. ROUSE**  
234 Crescent Rd.,  
Calgary, Alta., Canada

Brother Rouse is now in his 80th year. He arrived home from a three months trip on May 13th feeling completely exhausted. During this trip he had been preaching nightly and several times on Sunday. The doctor told him he was worn out physically and mentally and said he must rest indefinitely.

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**Women in the Lord's Work**

**DOLLY JONES**  
Box 266  
Alpena Pass, Ark.

My sister and I have just completed our fifth daily vacation Bible school for this season. Several of the schools were held in districts where the children had never had the opportunity of such before. We enjoyed our work with the boys and girls, and trust that it may be used in time to come for their eternal good.

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by **JAMES G. HUMPHREY**

## **ETHEL GILLESPIE**

**6 West Cheyenne Road  
Colorado Springs, Colo.**

Being kept so busy in England with Women's and Children's meetings, it took me a while to get built up again. Since then have been helping here where I make my home and feel the Lord would have me do this when there is a need, as it will be six years in July since I came here, and the work with the children is dear to my heart. One of the oldest boys in the Home, who has been with us over six years, is leaving us when school is out to join his mother. He has been saved by the grace of God, is gathering with His own, and helps in the Y.P. Meeting; so it is worth while. We shall miss him. His mother was saved after he and four others of the family came here. His elder sister left at Christmas and she is also with her mother in California, happy with the Christians.

## **BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

A very successful week of children's meetings was held in the Arunah Chapel, Baltimore, Md., May 1st to 21st by brother Bill Brown of Dover, Del. 125 children and over 25 parents from the neighborhood were reached. There were also three professions of faith. Object lessons and colored pictures were effectively used by brother Brown in presenting the Gospel.

## **SYDNEY HOFFMAN**

**118 Donlea Drive  
Toronto 17, Ont., Canada**

"Young Canada" is off the air for the summer months and has a contract with CHUM, Toronto, for the programs to be resumed by October, 1948. During the summer months young people, some from the Emmaus Bible School, will be busy conducting Daily Vacation Bible Schools in the principal parts of the province, namely, in the Sudbury district and northern and eastern Ontario. We hope to personally contact a good many boys and girls who are enrolled in the correspondence lessons. We are glad to say that there has been definite fruit from previous schools and look forward to a good summer again, the Lord willing.

## **LESLIE S. RAINEY**

**7506 Satsuma St.,  
Houston 12, Texas**

At present I am in Daily Vacation Bible School work in the city of Houston. It's a great joy to see almost 100 children daily under the sound of the Word. In the will of God, I commence Camp Work here in the Texas Youth Camp in fellowship with all the assemblies of the Lone Star State, June 20th thru July 25th. Would value prayer in this effort. At present there is much to encourage here. A new Chapel is being established in South Houston and the Spirit of God is rekindling many hearts.



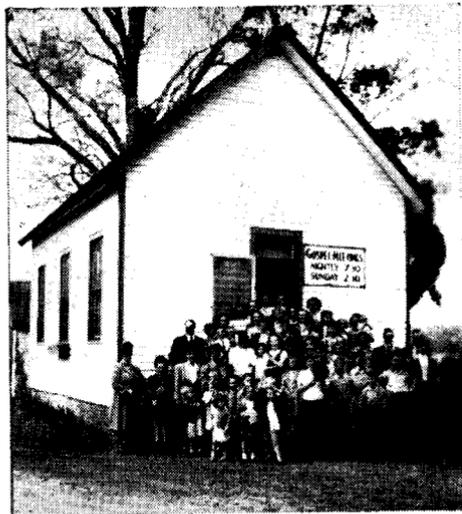
**Closeup of group at Hazelville, Delaware, where 20 recently have been saved**



**EDWARD RICHMOND**  
**Box 62**  
**Dover, Delaware**

A new door has been opened for the Gospel in Delaware. Through the efforts of a brother in the Dover Assembly an old school house was given over for Gospel meetings in a small town called Hazelville about ten miles from here. Our brother located in that town and contacted a few Christians there.

Brother Brown and I, after three weeks flowing in the Gospel and sowing the seed, saw about twenty saved. A permanent Sunday School has been established and we are following up the work teaching those who have been saved and seeking to continue in the Gospel a few nights a week. We trust another testimony will be raised up in this state.



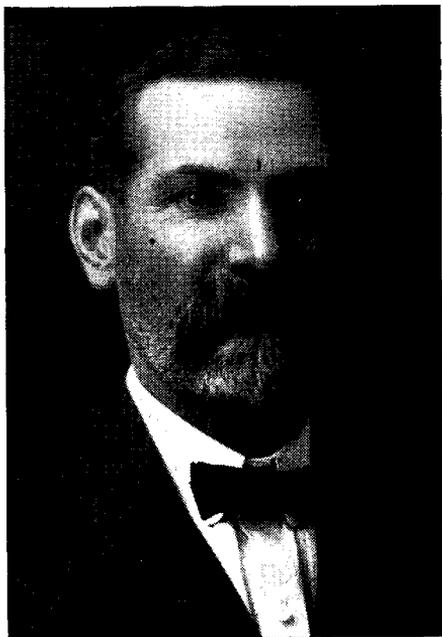
**School building in which meetings are held**

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

Edited by W. R. SIMPSON

## *Joseph Jamison*

Three titles can be most fittingly applied to Joseph Jamison, the subject of this biography,—those of Saint, Evangelist and Shepherd, for he was always whole-hearted for the Lord, was a most gifted Gospel preacher, and like David, he fed God's flock, "According to the integrity of his heart and guided them by the skillfulness of his hands." Psa. 78:72.



Undoubtedly, there are at least two crowns which will be his in that day,—the soul-winner's crown, I Thess. 2:19 and the shepherd's crown, I Peter 5:4. The following words written by the saintly Robert Murray McCheyne, at

the death of a dear saint of God in his day, seem very appropriate on the occasion of the death of our brother Jamison: "Return, Oh, mourner, from the cruel grave,

Praise God who to him all his grace  
He gave,

Follow his faith, and may his mantle be  
A cloak of holy zeal to cover thee."

Joseph Jamison was born in the north of Ireland in the year 1860, and born again on February 11, 1880, at meetings conducted by James Campbell and William Matthews. He was called into the presence of the Lord on December 30, 1924. Immediately after he was saved, he took a firm stand for the Lord and was baptized and received into fellowship in the local assembly near Cookstown, Ireland. After about two years he came to the United States, settling in Chicago, and entered the employ of Mr. C. J. Baker, who was in the tent and awning business in that city at the time. When Mr. Baker moved to Kansas City, Mr. Jamison went with him and remained there until 1893, when he and his wife, whom he had married in Kansas City, paid a visit to his cousin, Mrs. J. J. Sweeney at Houston, Texas. They decided to settle in Houston, brother Jamison taking a position in the jewelry firm of J. J. Sweeney and Co., and there he remained until his home-call. He bore a bright testimony to the saving grace of his Lord from the beginning, and both at Chicago and Kansas City was active

in seeking to make the Gospel known at every opportunity. When he moved to Houston there was no assembly nor did he know a single Christian, but began to preach the Gospel in the streets and he and his wife carried on a Sunday School and remembered the Lord in their home. Before long they met a brother and sister who had recently come from Germany and who had been in fellowship in the assemblies there, Mr. and Mrs. Meschkat, who were glad to find some likeminded with themselves, and they had happy fellowship together. Soon God began to save souls and the little meeting began to increase in numbers, necessitating the renting of a hall. This was followed by other larger halls, until in 1918 a hall was built at the present location, 2402 Louisiana St. The present assembly numbers over one hundred and from the parent assembly two other assemblies have been formed in the district, all in happy fellowship until this day. The population of Houston in 1893 was small, perhaps not over thirty thousand, but at this date is over five hundred thousand souls. Tent meetings were kept going in season for many years until every part of the city had at some time been visited with the Gospel. Many souls have been saved and most of them continued well to the end. Those who are still living are the mainstay of the assemblies. There have been many changes in the last forty years. Many have gone and others have moved from other parts to Houston so the testimony goes on.

The following account of Mr. Jamison's conversion was told by himself:

"I was brought up in a religious home in the north of Ireland, surrounded by

many Christian advantages, attended church, prayer meetings, Sunday school, etc., but with all these privileges I remained a stranger to the grace of God and ignorant of His salvation. It is true that I was quite familiar with many portions of Scripture and had a general knowledge of the doctrines of Justification, Sanctification, etc. I could even discuss points such as Baptism and Election and thought I was equally as well-informed as my compeers. But all this head knowledge brought no comfort to my heart, no assurance of salvation, and no peace regarding the future. I always thought Christians should be happy and not grovelling in wordliness, but possessors of a bright, genial spirit, imparting comfort and joy to their fellow-men. All this I knew I lacked and much more. I tried oft-times to be good and do good but my best attempts seemed only to be a miserable failure and I was again driven back to satisfy myself in the pleasures of the world, following the cravings of my own heart and the desires of my sinful nature, wishing often that there was no hereafter, no eternity and no judgment to come.

"My brother frequently spoke to me of my need of a Saviour and often prayed for me. But I put it off, thinking I had plenty of time. Adverse circumstances which threw me into debt made me realize in some measure that the world had little to offer in the way of happiness or certainty, and I often felt gloomy and sad at heart. I knew not God and could expect no comfort from that source. About that time notices were posted of two men who were going to hold a series of Gospel meetings in a house belonging to a neighboring farmer. I, with others, at-

tended the meetings. I admired the preachers from the beginning, although I was not saved. Their frank, open style of preaching, and the wholeheartedness they manifested for the good of others, asking nothing in return, not even a collection for their labors, led me to conclude that they were not servants of men, but of God. I went regularly, sometimes exceedingly careless, but at other times having a desire to be like they were, frequently discussing with my neighbors the merits and demerits of the strange preachers; sometimes there were storms of opposition from church members because they preached the certainty of salvation and the possession of eternal life. I frequently took sides with the preachers because I believed they were better men than those who condemned them, and then again when others would condemn them I would find fault.

“After three months of nightly meetings, I began to hear of several of my neighbors professing to be saved, and I was convinced of the reality of their conversions when I would see the manifest change in their whole manner of life. I then began to wish that I was a possessor of such joy and my anxiety increased when I learned that the preachers were about to move elsewhere. I thought seriously indeed of my opportunities, of the three month’s faithful preaching and the unquestionable testimony of some of my neighbors. I felt as if God had sent them for my benefit and how I did regret wasting those precious opportunities. I was familiar with such Scriptures as ‘To whom much is given of him also shall much be required,’ (Luke 12:48).

“I was burdened and longed for rest but did not know how or where to ob-

tain it. Thoughts of death and the coming of the Lord came frequently to my mind, and these brought only deeper anxiety and soul-trouble as I thought that I wasn’t ready. I could not enjoy the world’s pleasures nor could I share the Christian’s joy. Thoughts that maybe I wasn’t one of the elect bothered me and I was afraid that Hell must be the portion of my cup. Finally the two preachers called on me in response to an invitation given them and among other Scriptures they quoted John 3:16 and asked me to read it again after they had left. This I did but my mind seemed so confused and dark that I got no light. However, after reading it several times the thought crossed my mind, ‘Why not read the text, clause by clause, and try as I go along to understand it?’ So I began anew to read, ‘For God so loved the world.’ I halted and meditated and came to the conclusion that I understood this part. ‘I am one of the world and God says He loves me’; and it did seem wonderful. I never knew before that God loved me, although I had read this text often. Then I read the second clause, ‘That He gave His only begotten Son.’ I saw this told out the vastness and reality of that wondrous love, and continued to read, ‘That whosoever believeth in Him,’ and I stopped and said, ‘The first part seems clear, but this clause is an overwhelming difficulty; this believing puzzles me; it’s a mountain I cannot cross.’ I said to myself, ‘What is it to believe, or what have I to believe?’ And as I there in perplexity asked myself these questions, the answer came. ‘From where?’ you ask. There was no audible voice, but the answer came, ‘All I have to believe is that Jesus died for me.’ From

that hour I had settled peace as to my acceptance. I simply believed in Jesus, that He died for me, and I finished the verse, 'Should not perish but have everlasting life.' I closed the precious volume and at once knelt at my bedside and all my heart could utter was, 'Thank God I'm saved, thank God I'm saved.' I entered that room a guilty man, but I left it justified, pardoned, forgiven and could say from the depths of my heart:

'Tis done, the great transaction's done,  
I am my Lord's and He is mine,  
He drew me and I followed on,  
Charmed to confess the voice Divine.'

I could not refrain from singing:

'Oh, 'twas love, 'twas wondrous love,  
The love of God to me,  
It brought my Savior from above  
To die on Calvary.'

'Nineteen years have rolled along since that memorable February afternoon. There have been many changes in that home circle where I was brought up; another family occupies the thatched cottage where I was born twice; that home, humble as it was, has for me some pleasant recollections, pleasant, not only on account of it being my birthplace some thirty-nine years ago, but far more pleasant because God condescended to

stoop down in my deep need and in that home revealed to me His great salvation. And now, ere I close, I must tell you of His unchanging love for nineteen years. He lifted me up first and has been carrying me as on eagles' wings, soaring up with me occasionally into almost unspeakable joys, and at other times carrying the poor straying lamb in His arms, and gathering me in His bosom. But whether it has been mounting up to the heavens or going down to the depths, He is going to bring me safe to His desired haven, blessed be His ever gracious Name.

"Reader, would you not like to know Him? If you could only realize that you are lost, then you could claim Him, for 'He is come to seek and to save that which is lost.' The One who saved me on the 11th of February, 1880, is willing to save you and you need not be afraid that He will cast you off; He would bring you to His embrace and hide you under the shelter of His wings, and after a little service on earth, would call you home to the eternal mansions to praise Him more fully than you could ever do in the wilderness, and to understand the mighty love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

—Compiled by H. W. Dedman  
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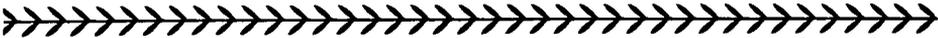
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In Buffalo, students held tent meetings during June, which they report were "very well attended" and intended to start Daily Vacation Bible School work in July.

From the Canadian West comes this—"I am working with a construction company. A friend of mine, who is an ordained minister, is so interested in assembly truths that he is working with me. I am starting a teen-agers' Bible class, since so many boys think they are too big for Sunday school."

From Connecticut a student writes—"I have been driving a truck for a lumber company since leaving school. I miss the fellowship of Emmaus, but the Lord has

given me the fellowship of two Christian families here, who seek to remember the Lord in assembly capacity each Lord's day morning in their home."

From Bermuda comes this word—"Here we are again in our fair isle. I am back at my old job of accounting and the work goes on at our home assembly. In a recent campaign of two weeks, three professed faith in Christ. I shall have the privilege of teaching a young people's group of about twenty or thirty."

Many are engaged in Christian camp work across the country. This is typical of several reports—"I am working, but will, D.V., be spending two weeks of July at camp as a counsellor. Then, for the balance of the summer, I will work with a former Emmaus student in D.V. B.S. work in Northern Ontario."

"Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it." Will you join in prayer fellowship with these young people, that much genuine blessing will be given, for the greater honor of God's dear Son?

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Compiled by C. W. POLLARD

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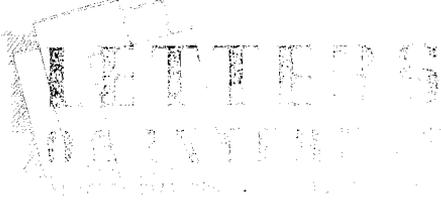
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# EDITORIAL

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## Harmony Among Workers

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BY HENRY GROVES

Our God has given us gracious help in His word to meet the difficulties of our service, which are neither few nor light. One class of difficulties arises from a want of concord among teachers and laborers, caused either by jealousies among themselves or amongst those in whose midst they labor. To meet this evil the apostle gives, in I Cor. 3, certain antidotes, which would check the setting up of one above another, as well as the exaltation of self. May we ponder the truths contained in this chapter.

1. Laborers are but servants. "Who then is Paul, and who is Apollos, but ministers (i.e., servants) by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to each one?" All laborers serve one Master, from whom each has received the gift of his special ministry, and, therefore, neither have they, as servants, any cause for jealousy, nor have those among whom they minister cause of jealousy on their behalf. The contrast between the many servants and the one Lord or Master has to be noticed. It is theirs to stand on the common level of implicit obedience, of which He alone is judge. It is His to give both the work to do and the ability to do it. Hence the question, "Who then are they?" And the answer is, "They are servants." Alas, when either servants want to make themselves masters, or when those amongst whom they labor want to make masters of them.

2. Another reason why there should

be harmony is, that they are nothing. "So then neither is he that planteth anything, neither he that watereth." Those who know they are nothing cannot quarrel, for they can have nothing of their own to contend for, and therefore are all the more at liberty to contend earnestly on their Master's account for the faith "once delivered to the saints." One who is nothing has no pride, no self-importance, and, having come to the lower depths of the cross, is ready to say with the emptied Son of God, 'I am a worm and a nobody,' to such a one the lowest place will always be the most congenial. In this verse the contrast is between the toiler, who is nobody and nothing, and the Giver of the increase, who is everything. And He who gives the increase now, will in the great day give the reward to all His lowly ones, according to the labor of each; for they who are nobodies in their estimation, are some-

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bodies in the eyes of their God, and He will not forget their work of faith and labor of love.

3. A third reason is, that they are God's fellow-laborers, as we read in verse 9; not "laborers together with God," as if they stood on a common platform with God, but fellow-laborers who belong to God, and are doing His work. The point is, fellowship is a common object. Were this entered into and remembered, it would prevent all thought of "my work" and "your work." All work would be looked on as the Lord's whose prerogative it is to assign each servant his work. We are too often deceived here—He discriminates, but let us labor on, content if the work is done, and doing our utmost to its accomplishment. But in our labors it is of the utmost importance to cherish true fellowship—we would destroy that lordly, hateful "mine" and "thine"—which mars so much of what we do.

4. At the close of the chapter we are told "All things are yours." We have a mutual possession in one another, even as the Lord has a possession in us all. An appreciation of this would prevent selfish individualizing. One member of the body boasts not itself over another; each does its own work, not for itself, but for the body, not for personal gratification, but for the profit of the whole. The ground of this mutual possession is that we are Christ's, even as Christ is God's. What sweetness there is in this thought. How it banishes forever the littleness of our selfish hearts, and leads us into the largeness of Christ's heart for all the body.

May the Spirit of God impress these points deeply upon the hearts of all, but especially of those who seek to be fellow-

workers unto the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, that so our work may not be hindered by jealous self-assertion or self-satisfaction. When these are manifested, it is evident that we have not entered into the mind of Christ Jesus as portrayed in Phil. 2:5-8, but are occupied with our own things, instead of looking upon the things of others. It is only as we acquire the Master's lowly mind that we can rightly "work out our own salvation," "shine as lights in the world," and "hold forth the word of life."

### **The Cover**

#### **EL-NATHAN HOME (GOD'S GIFT)**

El-Nathan Home for the aged saints of the Lord was founded by Mrs. Abigail Luffe (Sister Abigail) in October, 1921. Our faithful and beloved founder, after a fruitful and full life of service for the Lord, passed into His presence on May 30th, 1939.

In the meantime at the age of 80 years Mrs. Luffe, being exercised about a successor for the work, was led to ask Mr. and Mrs. David Ednie to come and take up the work at El-Nathan. After much exercise of heart, and prayer, they arrived at the home on April 2, 1938. Mrs. Ednie worked in the home as a co-worker for 11 years prior to her marriage, and since then brother and sister Ednie have carried on the work for over ten years.

The capacity of the home is 14, and like most homes today there is a constant demand for admittance. The Lord has shown His favor, by His faithfulness in supplying the needs of the home in times of prosperity, and depression, and war, and in the difficult days we are living in today. He hath not failed us in all the past, and we trust *Him* for the future, and look forward to the DAY when we shall be with Him who said, "In My Father's House are many Homes."

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**CHAS. BOWEN**  
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During the winter, meetings in homes and schoolhouses have been encouraging; some who were saved in 1947 were baptized in May; and the five who were saved last summer are going on nicely in the faith.

This last winter and spring in the North will long be remembered, snow every day almost till the end of April; cold sleety weather till the 15th of May, followed by floods such as never known before, and at present roads in the settlements are hardly passable, entailing many extra hours even to get a few miles.

However, the Gospel is being preached, a few precious souls are saved and the seed is being sown, as it were, beside all waters.

I shall be at the Children's camp on the Columbia, at the Lower Arrow Lakes, for the month of July, and then plan to go back into the North; so remembrance in prayer will indeed be a valuable help and contribution to the work.

**C. E. BULANDER**  
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We are back at the Christian Service-center in Chicago. We know of no other place where the harvest is so abundant. Praise His blessed name! One night last week a U.S. Marine in dress uniform came into the center. He told me he was a catholic. After showing him the way of salvation, he said, "What you

have told me has got me. I will have to see the priest first and ask him about it." I gave him "God's way of Salvation" and my tract, "The Way of Salvation Through the Blood." The next day he came in again. He said, "I got saved last night in my hotel room after a man by name of Bulander talked to me and gave me some pamphlets to read. Mrs. Bulander said, "That was my husband." He wrote the following story, entitled, "Two in a Hotel Room." "Before I entered the Servicemen's Center on South State Street, my purpose in life was to take care of my own life. I was fool enough to believe I was the only one who had anything to do with myself. I was greeted by a man to whom I will be undyingly grateful. Through him my whole outlook and goal in life was changed. My soul's eyes were opened to see the past and all of the deformities of my mind. Now I am saved. Let me tell you how it happened.

"On entering the Center I was immediately told that everything was at my disposal, and that there was food and to help myself. Believe me I was skeptical. This had never happened to me before, but I accepted it readily, because the faces were warm and friendship stood out of their characters. After a light lunch a worker of the Lord came and introduced himself. We conversed about everything of interest to us both. Then he asked me if I was saved. Now this puzzled me, because the religion I am in I had never heard this phrase. I started to question Mr. Bulander about

various things that could help me find out if I were saved. I learned how I could be saved, but I was not ready to accept our Lord as yet, so I bade Mr. Bulander goodbye and left for my hotel room. Having secured some pamphlets I started to study them. Suddenly I realized I should give myself to the Lord. I begged the Lord on my knees to forgive me my sins. I know now that I am saved. There was One more in that hotel room. I had been away from Him too long."

#### **SHOCKLEY FEW**

**Batesburg, So Carolina**

I spent three weeks in the Detroit area in May ministering the Word in various assemblies; a week-end in Boston where the Lord blessed the Word and two weeks in the New York area. In the Yonkers assembly four Roman Catholics professed to receive the Lord Jesus as their Saviour. In June some time was spent ministering the Word in the assemblies in North and South Carolina and a week-end in Newport News assembly. At present, July 22nd, I am in St. Louis for six days' ministry.

#### **LOUIS J. GERMAIN**

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Learning that a French R. C. in a town eighty miles from here was dissatisfied with the R. C. Church, we sent him a personal letter together with a French N. T. with notes and different booklets. We received a very nice letter from him saying, that, through the reading of the N. T. and notes, he begins to see the truth; he will be glad to see us whenever we go through his town.

We had also the privilege to contact, through a brother, an Irish R. C., who,

while working on a farm, went to a tent meeting and was converted some 12 years ago. He is living in the city now, and, having wife and 3 children, expressed the desire to have meetings in his home.

Yesterday we received an insulting letter from a R. C. woman, but today a young French girl wrote for the New Testament saying that for a long time she has wished to have it. May God be blessed for all the open doors and encouragement He gives us!

#### **J. D. IBBOTSON**

**Route 7, Box 531**

**Naval Base, S. C.**

Our building program is well under way now and this week we are putting up the frame and sheathing. Most of the work is being done in the evening though we have a carpenter hired who works part time during the day, and then we have one who is supervising the work among the brethren who give their time after a day in the Naval Base. I would like to see the work progress a bit faster but with the limited time we put into it we are not doing so bad. If we have the rooms ready for the fall session of our Sunday School we will be doing well. The change has made such a decided improvement in our whole physical set-up and we are much before the Lord that He will come in and give us to see real blessing in the salvation of souls and establishing of the believers who are now in fellowship in the assembly. The building up of assembly testimony in the south is very difficult yet, and, without exception, they must all depend on some servant of the Lord or some able Christian brother who is well experienced in assembly principles.

**N. L. KION**  
c/o Dr. Chas. Lowe  
Bay Street  
Bridgetown, Barbados, B.W.I.

During the past eight months I have been privileged to visit my old field of labor, Trinidad, and some neglected isolated assemblies in British Guiana. My ministry has been primarily to the saints in an effort to strengthen the things that remain. I have had the joy of seeing over 20 blacksliders restored in various places, and where my efforts have not been primarily evangelism. Yet the Lord has seen fit to give encouragement in salvation to the lost, and at least fifty-five have professed faith this year so far. We do praise Him.

I came south for six months and it is about nine since I left, so I am now getting anxious to get home. I am having well attended meetings here, awaiting the movement of the cloud. The going has been rough and rugged in many places but the Lord has given strength for each day, and grace to bear and go forward. How wonderful of Him. The sacrifice and effort has been well worth while.

**STANLEY M. LEDYARD**  
Bronson, Michigan

During June I ministered on Lord's days in assemblies in Logansport, Ind., Champaign, Ill., Kendallville, Ind. and Fort Wayne, Ind. My wife teaches a Sunday School class in the Sturgis Gospel Hall and teaches the Ladies' Prayer Band at Sturgis the Bible lesson each Tuesday afternoon. I go to the Sturgis Memorial Hospital to distribute Sunday School papers each week, and to the County Hospital at Centerville, Michigan, every other week for the same purpose. Every other month we mail out

400 Timely Topics which we have been doing for 5 or 6 years. Please pray for us in these various activities for His Name's sake.

**LAWRENCE LONDON**  
Schulter, Okla.

I'm happy to report that brother E. C. Tomlinson of Cedar Falls, Iowa, and I have had the joy of seeing quite a few precious souls profess faith in our Lord in Oklahoma. I was first led of the Lord to preach the gospel 25 years ago this summer, and it was here we had the joy of seeing several Baptists and one man in the so-called Christian Church, who were willing to take their places as lost, as well as some who had never made any profession. Two have professed faith in the Lord near Henryetta, Okla.

"The harvest is truly white" in these southern states. We covet the prayers of the Lord's people for these needy states.

**T. JAMES LYTTLE**  
Huguenot, Orange County, N. Y.

We are giving the Word of truth over the air each Saturday from Newburgh, N. Y. The time—11:15 to 11:30 A. M. 1220 kc. We help in the general area in the gospel and ministry of the Word. We shall be preaching the gospel in the open air in towns and villages where that message is not heard. We use the public address system for that work. Added to that we shall mail tracts to the villages and towns where literature such as we mail is seldom received by the inhabitants.

On the past Sunday we had a funeral service for the mother of some of the folks in the local country assembly. Such sad occasions bring together a lot of

people who for years on end would not be found in an audience where the Scriptures are opened. Thus it gives us the opportunity to present the gospel, the only hope of the soul in death.

As we commenced the message we made the remark, "We cannot speak to the dead, their destiny is already fixed, settled forever. Luke 16 speaks of a great gulf fixed. Those who are here today can settle the matter of their destiny. Whatever the decision is, at death they enter a sphere in the spirit world where all is fixed. The fixity, the unchangeable condition of the disembodied spirit of the departed." We then stated "there is one thing we can do. We can preach to the living." We got a rejoinder to this in the form of a report given us by a believer who rode home in a car with a man in whose mind this thought had found a place. Here are his words, "The man who did the preaching today did not waste any time preaching to the dead. He did speak to the living." The strange thing about this man is that he was recognized as the coldest, stoical and least interested person at the funeral. May it please God to use the message, so that this man may learn he is spiritually dead, although physically alive, so that he may yet make the happy choice for a happy eternity in the knowledge of God through Jesus our Lord and Redeemer.

**CLARK McCLELLAND**  
67 Church St.  
Westbrook, Maine

I am writing from Pine Bush Bible Camp in New York state. I expect to be here until July 21st, helping Ralph West with the boys and girls camps. Things are now in fairly good shape for the opening, and over the next two or

three days we expect 60 to 75 or maybe more campers to arrive. We do trust we will see the Lord's hand in blessing and salvation in this work, and would value the prayers of His people.

From here we go to Berea to work with brother Robert Crawford at the girls camp for two weeks. We feel that such camps provide a splendid opportunity and atmosphere for such work among boys and girls.

**F. W. MEHL**  
4225 Commonwealth Ave.  
Detroit 8, Michigan

From July 4th to July 13th we had very encouraging meetings in Hutchinson, Kansas. The tent was filled nightly. But on Wednesday, July 14th, the worst storm Hutchinson ever had blew the tent to pieces beyond repair. We at once made arrangements to rent a tent but were also hindered in this by flood waters that followed. At this writing, July 20th, much of the city is still under water and there is danger of the waters rising. I have sought to go on in the hall, but it looks like I must give up at this time. However, I believe we have gotten a good foothold with the people, who will come to the hall, D. V., when I return later.

This is brother Burson's home and he really gives himself to the work of the Lord in this place.

**HOWARD J. MONTGOMERY**  
Shiprock, N. Mexico

As usual, around this time of year, we are having a Sunday School for the Navajo boys and girls who live close enough to attend. It is just before they move to the mountains for the hottest weather. Their families are settled

around us here until after their sheep are dipped to rid them of parasites, then most will take their sheep to the top of the more than 9000 foot high mountains near us.

For the past two Sundays we have had eleven and fourteen in attendance. They range in age from seven to about twenty and are very attentive to the Word given to them. Besides the hymns and choruses we are teaching them to sing in Navajo, we are also teaching them some English choruses. All of them are eager to learn English. A few have been to the Government school at Rock Point but know very little English. We are greatly interested in these young folks and are seeking as best we can under the circumstances to lead them to a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. However, our desire has been for some time to have a school here for them so that we could have them under the sound of the Word of God continually. As so little apparently has been done among the adults, we thought by concentrating more on the young people, possibly something telling could be done for the Lord here.

Please pray with us about this as we want to be sure of the Lord's blessed and all-wise will. Before we could have a school here we would need a better water supply. During the more than eight years that I have been here, with the help of the Navajos, I have done a lot of work on our shallow well, but we have not increased the flow of water very much. We have been told that there is plenty of water here but that it takes deep drilling to get it. I have written and received a reply from the Department of Public Instruction of Arizona

and their word is that we can go ahead if we have a desire to have a school here. So we are earnestly seeking to know the Lord's will in the matter. The parents are very desirous of having their children in school and the children want to come. They are beginning to wake up to the possibilities of an education but the schools are too few to care for all the children of school age.

**FRANK PIZZULLI**  
332 Chelsea Ave.  
Long Branch, N. J.

I've had the opportunity of visiting New Haven, Conn., and East Boston, Me'huen, Worcester, and Springfield, Mass., for special meetings. We held these meetings both in English and Italian, with very good interest. Do pray that the Word may be blessed.

I have intentions soon of going to Philadelphia. We may pitch the tent there, if it be the Lord's will, otherwise we will have meetings in the Hall, D.V. We very much value the prayers of the Lord's people for us, that we may be used for the salvation of many precious souls this summer.

**SAMUEL J. REA**  
Route 1  
Hatboro, Pa.

There are but two small assemblies in the State of Maine. Brother J. McCullough of Bridgeport, Conn., and I tried a tent in the city of Augusta last year, but with little success. Then had cottage meetings in Madison, about 40 miles to the North, having met some Christians from there. We had splendid attendance from the start and several professed faith in Christ. One man who is a successful farmer and business man preaches to everyone he meets.

There is now a group of ten or twelve who have been carrying on a gospel testimony assisted by a brother from Augusta. A couple got saved last year, whose home is conveniently located on the main highway, and where most of the meetings have been held. They were delighted to let us pitch the tent this year quite near their home. We feel thankful for the way being thus opened for the furtherance of the Gospel. This is our second week in the tent and we are much encouraged by seeing quite a nice number of unsaved attend almost every night. Last night was the largest meeting we have had and God was speaking we could feel. The man I referred to is one of a large family who are scattered over this territory and has quite an influence among them. We hope to see a real work done.

**JAMES SMITH**  
**16811 Murray Hill**  
**Detroit 27, Mich.**

Brother Oswald MacLeod and I have our tent pitched in the suburbs of Lenoir,

N. C., and while the crowds have not been what we looked for, still we have much to thank God for in that we have always a number in each night to listen to God's good news, and our prayers are at this time we may see God's hand in salvation.

Like all new work it is uphill at first and at times difficult to get the confidence of the people. This we try to overcome by visiting the homes and leaving some gospel booklets and papers, trusting the reading of such will let them know what we believe and seek by the grace of God to preach.

Sorry to say at present there is an epidemic of polio in the state of North Carolina and a good many of the Sunday Schools have been stopped for the present; also gatherings of young people under 16 years old, and no doubt this has hindered the attendance at the tent meetings also.



### **Charts**

For those wishing to have charts made to order, write Dr. A. E. Hunt, 1575 Ocean Front St., San Diego 7, California. He will supply particulars.

### **Wanted:**

Newberry Bible. Write George A. Wegener, 4214 N. Ridgeway Avenue, Chicago 18, Illinois.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**HECTOR ALVES**  
338 W. King Edward Ave.  
Vancouver, B.C.

Our brother Hector Alves, has pitched a tent in Twisp, Wash., a little town of a few hundred people, in the Methow Valley. This is new territory, none connected with the assemblies live anywhere near. This district was one of the places hard hit by the recent floods, and some lost their all. Perhaps this will tend to creating more interest in eternal things, in the minds of the people. We hear the meetings began with good attendance.

**JAMES H. BLACKWOOD**  
160 Morrow St.  
Peterborough, Ont., Canada

Brother Blackwood has had two weeks of meetings in Owen Sound, Ont., Canada in July, ministering the Word to the Lord's people and also preaching the gospel. The attendance has been good, with the saints appreciating the Word. The Christians from Eden Grove and from Owen Sound have an open air meeting each Saturday night, and visit the towns around. They have been to Chelsey, and Hanover and Wiarnton, and have received a good hearing. Brother

Blackwood enjoyed helping in this good work by telling out the Gospel.

**FRANK CARBONI**  
139 Norwood Ave.  
Long Branch, N. J.

**FRANK PIZZULLI**  
332 Chelsea Ave.  
Long Branch, N. J.

These brethren are working a tent in Philadelphia, holding meetings in English and Italian. The interest is good, some unsaved are out each night, and a young lady has already professed to be saved.

One night the Police Radio Patrol car parked alongside the tent and remained there throughout the meeting. A young policeman in the car whose parents are saved, and who evidently was under conviction, professed to be saved before the meeting was over. This greatly rejoiced the hearts of the Lord's people.

**OSWALD L. MacLEOD**  
1715 Lavern Ave.  
Dayton 9, Ohio

**JAMES SMITH**  
16811 Murray Hill  
Detroit 27, Mich.

Tent meetings were continuing by these brethren in Lenoir, N. C., at the end of July. The attendance is fair, and it is difficult to get the people to come regularly.

The polio epidemic has reached serious proportions in No. Carolina and in

some parts all children's gatherings have been banned. This no doubt has affected the attendance to some extent. Brother MacLeod has had tent meetings each summer for the past twenty years.

**ISAAC McMULLEN**  
Sunny Brae, N.B., Canada

**GEO. GOULD**  
P.O. Box 251, Route 2  
St. Catharines, Ont.

These brethren started tent meetings in Cambridge, N. S., on July 18th. Prior to the tent meetings, brother McMullen had well attended meetings with brother David Scott at Dundas, N. S. Some professed to be saved and others were convicted.

**JOHN DICKSON**  
12 Bellevue Ave.  
Carnalea, Co. Down  
No. Ireland

Brother Dickson has been kept busy with meetings since he landed in Ireland at the end of March. He enjoyed meeting men who were saved around Cookstown, Tullynure and Killycurragh, when he was there in 1906. At that time they were young men and now many of them are leading brethren in the assemblies.

He had an interesting experience in Markethill, his home town. He had a meeting in the Gospel Hall on a Sunday evening prior to the meeting. He put an ad in the paper and went from house to house inviting the people to come. Many of them remembered him and the hall was filled. God gave help to preach the Word.

Brother Dickson says it is wonderful to see 26 large assemblies in Belfast, all in fellowship.

The change has been beneficial for

Mrs. Dickson and our brother. They are both well and enjoying their visit.

**HERBERT G. DOBSON**  
c/o F. C. Glasgow  
"The Mount" Newtownards  
Co. Down, No. Ireland

Brother Dobson is kept busy speaking in the various halls, helping in tents and speaking in the open air. In a letter he speaks of a conference in a tent at Ahoney, on July 12th. It held 700 and was filled, with some on the outside. In the afternoon three brethren from here, Messrs. McCrory, Dickson and Dobson together with Mr. Moneypenny shared the ministry. The next day the tent was moved to another district for another similar conference.

At the open air meeting on the Strand in Bangor, hundreds listened to the gospel and the meeting lasted for two hours. Brother David Kirk, visiting from the States, brother Dobson and many others took part.

Brother Dobson has looked up many relatives and old friends and is trying to get them under the sound of the Gospel. He hopes to have some cottage meetings in his part of the country, where the majority of the people are Roman Catholics.

**R. T. HALLIDAY**  
P.O. Box 4181  
Station A  
San Antonio, Texas

In the July issue a letter was published stating the four Virginia assemblies had purchased a tent and were looking to the Lord for someone to operate it. We are glad to know brother Halliday is now working this tent. It has been pitched in a new community where there are no churches. The Christians from the assemblies are showing a fine spirit of co-

operation. On the opening night, July 18th, about 150 were present.

**HAROLD KESLER**  
5718 Riverview Drive  
West Riverside, Calif.

Brother Kesler took part in the regular week night meetings in Riverside in Redlands in June and July. He also helped in the Gospel in a new settlement near Monrovia, where the brethren have started a Gospel effort.

He expected to start a Bible class in Nuevo, a small town about 20 miles from Riverside.

**F. W. NUGENT**  
424 McKenzie Ave.  
London, Ont., Canada

Brother Nugent started tent meetings on July 18th in a new section of Detroit. The suburb where the meetings are being held is filling up rapidly with new homes. There is no assembly within several miles and prayer is asked that God may save souls here and that in time a testimony may be planted in this part of Detroit.

**SAMUEL STEWART**  
Box 49  
New Carlisle, Que., Canada

Our brother, Samuel Stewart, and family have recently come here to live with a view to serving the Lord in this needy field. The Lord's people rejoice in this. While some of the Lord's servants have come to minister from time to time, this is the first time one has come to stay, and especially promote the Lord's work in this lower section of the coast. There is plenty of ground to work and may the Lord use our brother in a marked way.

Yours in the Lord,  
HUDSON SINCLAIR

**THEO. WILLIAMS, SR. OWORIDGE F. GALL**  
9213 S. Harvard Ave. 9213 S. Harvard Ave.  
Chicago 20, Ill. Chicago 20, Ill.

These brethren continue their tent meetings in a colored section of Chicago. The tent is pitched on the lot purchased for the erection of the Gospel hall. The interest is good and one or two seem under conviction.

Brother Gall, who has been helping in the work at Chicago for some time, hopes to bring his wife and daughter from New York next month, and settle here. The brethren in the colored assembly are showing a good spirit of cooperation in the tent effort.

#### **SAN DIEGO 4, CALIFORNIA**

We have been very much blessed of the Lord in sending us several of His servants the past few months, among us. Henry Armerding, Westover, N. J., who gave us two weeks meetings on Ephesians and other Epistles; then Wm. D. Hynd, Jamaica, B.W.I., home address 6176 Bray Rd., Flint 7, Michigan, about one week on missionary and Gospel work, with definite results shown; then Albert Burnham, London, several days touching assembly teaching, followed by Harvey D. Colgin, Burbank, Calif., with two weeks meetings, mostly around the table ministry, primarily on Numbers.

These meetings were well and happily received, with increasing attendance. Then came Herman Lum, Hinton, W. Va., for several days on missionary and Gospel work, with much blessing. Brother Lum is receiving the Lord's approval on labors in a considerable area around Hinton.

It is a great joy to have such searching and happy ministry in which souls

were restored to fellowship of our soon coming Lord Jesus Christ.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Marlborough Gospel Hall  
3852 Marlborough Ave.

HENRY GRANT

#### **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA NOTES**

Mr. Albert Burnham and family, of England, left us July 6 for Vancouver, Canada, after eight months of ministry in and around this area. The several assemblies joined in a genuine expression of appreciation for his effective labors amongst us.

The quarterly young people's conference July 10 and 11 filled Bethany Hall for three meetings at which Mr. Tom Westwood of Los Angeles spoke. The Lord was pleased to use him to our spiritual blessing even beyond expectation.

Several of the meetings are holding daily vacation Bible schools again this summer, with good interest.

Mr. Harvey Colgin helped in several services recently. Cornelius Vanderbreggen, Jr., missionary to Holland, is expected, Lord willing, to speak with color slides this Friday at Gospel Auditorium.

For the third successive year, Christians from the nine bay assemblies came together on July 5th for a joint picnic and Bible Camp rally. In addition to stirring up interest in the camps, this occasion gives a chance to renew acquaintance with those from other meetings of the area.

#### **SAUGERTIES, N. Y.**

Brother Edward A. Elsdon, Sr., was with us for a week of ministry meetings on the better things from the Epistle to the Hebrews, commencing July 4th. These meetings were much enjoyed by the Lord's people.

A. PLUE



#### ***"No Detours" in Braille***

*No Detours to Heaven*, by T. B. Gilbert, is now available in braille.

Any Christian who may know of a blind person who can read braille may have one or more of these tracts, free, by writing: Dr. Dan Robertson, 3504 Victor Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Or if the blind person's name and address is sent, the tract will be mailed direct to them.

# Late News Section

## Important Notice

Because of the current nature of LETTERS OF INTEREST, no part of it can be published ahead. The editors, however, through this Late News Section, are able to publish the mail reports received up to the 15th of each month, unclassified as space permits.

### Tent Work

These are the tents we have heard of, which have been pitched or which were expected to be pitched this summer. "P.H." indicates portable hall. This type of wooden tent has been used quite successfully in Canada.

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| Richard Alves    | } | Twisp, Washington               |
| E. R. Galley     |   | Coeur d'Alene, Idaho            |
| Leola Brandt     | } | Dumont, Iowa                    |
| Leonard De Boer  |   |                                 |
| G. W. Coombs     | } | North Carolina                  |
| David Calderhead |   |                                 |
| James Miko       | } | Poland, Ohio                    |
| W. Galtore       |   |                                 |
| F. Purvey        | } | P. H. Creemore,<br>Ont., Canada |
| Frank Carboni    |   |                                 |
| Frank Pizzuli    | } | Philadelphia, Pa.               |
| A. C. Sallandron |   |                                 |
| I. Sallandron    | } | P. H. Matachawan,<br>Ont.       |
| Walter Eljas     |   |                                 |
| James Gunn       | } | Kamrar, Iowa                    |
| E. B. Sprunt     |   |                                 |
| John Cowan       | } | P. H. Lindsay, Ont.             |
| A. F. Richardson |   |                                 |
| E. F. Halliday   | } | New District                    |
| E. B. Jamison    |   |                                 |
| E. S. Lytham     | } | Virginia                        |
| A. Roberts       |   |                                 |
| E. W. Mohl       | } | Mason City, Iowa                |
| Stephen Mick     |   |                                 |
| E. B. Hagen      | } | Halifax, Nova Scotia            |
| W. C. Hagen      |   |                                 |
|                  | } | Hutchinson, Kansas              |
|                  |   | Los Angeles, Calif.             |
|                  | } | Avoca, Minn.                    |
|                  |   | Mont. Minn.                     |

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| Joe McCullough      | } | Madison, Minn.          |
| Sam J. Ren          |   |                         |
| L. E. McLean        | } | Near Jackson, Minn.     |
| Norman Crawford     |   |                         |
| Oswald McLeod       | } | Lenoir, W. Va.          |
| James Smith         |   |                         |
| Isaac McMullen      | } | Cambridge, Minn.        |
| Geo. Gould          |   |                         |
| L. E. McIlwaine     | } | P. H. Erickson, Minn.   |
| J. McCracken        |   |                         |
| F. H. Elliott       | } | Liscomb, Minn.          |
| T. R. McCulloch     |   |                         |
| John Elliott        | } | Guthrie, Minn.          |
| T. R. McCulloch     |   |                         |
| L. Husted           | } | Plainview, Minn.        |
| F. Nugent           |   |                         |
| A. Runyon           | } | Detroit, Mich.          |
| Gordon Ronger       |   |                         |
| E. B. Sprunt        | } | Charlottetown, P. E. I. |
| Gordon Ronger       |   |                         |
| Paul Piubeli        | } | Brookhaven, Ont.        |
| Olovet Smith        |   |                         |
| Paul Elliott        | } | Earlton, N. J.          |
| G. P. Taylor        |   |                         |
| T. Kember           | } | Cedar Falls, Iowa       |
| Thos. Williams, Sr. |   |                         |
| O. F. Goll          | } | P. H. Bruce, Ont.       |
|                     |   | County, Ont.            |
|                     | } | Chicago, Ill.           |
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Young Toronto businessman, S. G. Gough, Ont. (This is brother Paul Gough, which he is unable to appear because of illness.)

### **CHRISTIAN WORKERS CONFERENCE**

The Christian Workers Conference each year has proven to be a time of real blessing not only to the workers themselves but also to those who have been privileged to attend the various sessions and especially the evening services. Elder brethren especially are urged to attend this coming conference as the brethren in full-time service are much helped hearing from brethren who are able to present the assembly side of the many subjects which come up for discussion.

Remember the dates of the conference Oct. 28, 29 and 30 at Parkside Gospel Chapel, 910 Santiago, San Francisco, California.

Assemblies or workers desiring further details may communicate with Howard E. Jones, 75 Santa Rita Avenue, Forest Hill, San Francisco, California.

### **STONY BROOK CONFERENCE**

The 11th Annual Believers Bible Conference at Stony Brook, N. Y., was held from July 24th through August 8th.

It was unique in a number of ways, some of which were: the comparatively large percentage of "babes" in Christ present; the number of missionaries and their families who thoroughly enjoyed the spiritual food and fellowship; the full attendance at the services, including the prayer meetings by those staying on the conference grounds; the harmony and unity that was so manifest, particularly in the Bible Readings on "Phophcy" and "The Holy Spirit" and the soul-searching ministry of Messrs. Hill, Landis, Mackay and Spink.

The Holy Spirit's power prevailed, resulting in a deeply spiritual conference, where at least two professed salvation and an equal number obeyed the Lord in

baptism. One expressed the effect on the Lord's people in these words: "I have never been anywhere in my life before where I felt that all I came in contact with had one aim and ambition before them—to please and to serve Him."

### **MONTREAL THANKSGIVING CONFERENCE**

The assemblies in the City of Montreal desire once again to make it known that we purpose Lord willing holding our Annual Three-Day Thanksgiving (Canadian) Conference commencing on Saturday afternoon, October 9th, and continuing until Monday, October 11th. Several speakers have already expressed their intention of being with us to minister the word and we are looking forward to a time of much blessing and fellowship.

Further details in the October issue of "Letters" Lord willing.

Any information may be obtained from George H. Dixon, 5866 4th Ave., Rosemount, Montreal 36, Que., Canada.

### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN** Central Gospel Hall

The 58th annual conference of Christians will D.V. be held on Oct. 2nd and 3rd, preceded by a prayer meeting, Oct. 1st at 7:30 at the Ionic Temple, Grand River Ave. and Choqe Place. Accommodations will be provided for those coming from a distance. Address communications to C. H. Simms, 12672 Griggs Ave., Correspondent, Central Gospel Hall.

### **ORILLIA, ONT., CANADA** West St. Gospel Hall

We plan, D.V., to hold our 67th Annual Conference during Canadian Thanksgiving holidays. We are thankful that structural alterations and additions to the Hall are now complete, offer-

ing greater facilities for larger gatherings, which we trust will redound to the glory of God. We purpose having a two-day Conference with overnight accommodations for those coming from a distance. Address communications to: A. E. Potter, 144 Colborne St. W., Orillia, Ont., Canada.

#### MIAMI, FLA.

"The first Labor Day conference to be held in Miami will commence on Saturday, September 4, and continue through Monday, September 6. Speakers will include T. Liddon Sheridan of Augusta, Georgia, and another speaker being arranged for.

For further information, address Conference Secretary, Elliot Van Ryn, 834 S. W. 13th Ave., Miami, 35, Florida."

#### HAMILTON, ONTARIO

McNab St. Gospel Hall

"Seventy-third Annual Convention of Christians meeting in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, will be held, D.V., at the Canadian Thanksgiving time, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, corner King and Queen Streets. Address communications to G. P. Cesar, 124 Wentworth Street., So. Hamilton."

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### Sick Notice

#### WM. BAILLIE

147 Barrington Ave.

Toronto 13, Ont., Canada

Our brother had to return to the East Toronto General Hospital. They tried to save an amputation of his toes, but this failed completely and they found it necessary to remove the whole foot and the leg just below the knee. He underwent the operation July 30th.

It was hoped this would stop the action of the gangrene.

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### Change of Address

L. E. McBain

1200 Highland Blvd.

Jackson, Mich.

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### Brief Reports

#### BEN WIDDIFIELD

Box 224

Huntsville, Ont.

#### DAVID MILLER

198 Bradford St.

Barrie, Ont., Canada

These brethren went to Western Canada after seeing some blessing in meetings in Sudbury and the Soo in the early summer. They were at the various conferences in Winnipeg, Roseisle, Portage LaPrairie, Pinecreek, Taylorside and Mervin, filling in between the Conferences with meetings in various places.

They expected to have a series of meetings in Turtleford, Sask.

#### JAMES GUNN

Box 993

Midland, Ont., Can.

#### TOM WILKIE

Box 183

Forest, Ont., Can.

These brethren expected to have a series of Gospel meetings in the Canadian Soo after the Conference Labor Day week end.

#### HENRY FLETCHER

252 St. Clarens Ave.

Toronto 4, Ont., Can.

Brother Fletcher visited the Straffordville and Tillsonburg, Ont., district and saw some blessing in the salvation of souls.

Over 60 years ago Mr. T. D. Muir left his work to preach in Straffordville in response to a letter from a woman who had just gotten saved. Later Mr. John Smith joined him. A definite work was done, resulting in the Straffordville assembly.

**JOHN WARKE**  
1227 W. Birch St.  
Chicago 20, Ill.

After going on for three weeks in the dis-used Baptist church in Cornwall Hollow, Conn., brother Warke tried some meetings in a rented building in Torrington, Conn. One young lady professed in Cornwall Hollow.

He also had open air meetings with a loud speaker on Saturday nights in various places and in Bristol got a good hearing.

**LOUIS HOY**  
c/o Chas. Steen, RFD. No. 1  
Arlington, Wash.

Our aged brother, who is in Denmark, writes us of a visit to the Faroe Islands off the coast of Denmark. He says there are about 20 assemblies, although the population is not much more than 30,000. He was heartily received by the Danish assemblies, and his ministry has been blessed to them.

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### ***Emmaus Offers One-Year Course for Prospective Servicemen***

The recent compulsory military service law confronts many Christian young men throughout the United States with the probability of a period of training in the armed forces. It is a matter of utmost importance in a young Christian's life whether this time will be merely a period of waiting until he can resume his

education or business, or whether it can be turned into a profitable time of service for the Lord Jesus Christ. It is obvious that the latter should be the case.

In order to help young men to bear an active witness for Christ while in military training, Emmaus Bible School has a unique one-year course of Bible study. This not only includes a book-by-book survey of the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, but it also covers such important topics as Personal Evangelism and Scripture Memorization. In addition, the student body at Emmaus is actively engaged in street-corner evangelism, tract distribution and hospital visitation. Experience in these forms of service will prove invaluable to all Christians who have any desire to witness to those about them in the service.

The Spring semester at Emmaus begins on January 4, 1949, and applicants who are accepted may begin their course of study at that time. Should a student be called to active duty before he completes the course, he may continue his Emmaus studies by correspondence. All the Emmaus Bible School correspondence courses are sent without charge to men on active duty with the armed forces.

Prospective servicemen desiring further information about the one-year Bible Course should write to Emmaus Bible School, 6902 S. Normal Blvd., Chicago 21, Illinois.

# CONFERENCES

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Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **EDEN GROVE, ONT., CANADA**

On June 27th there was a one day conference at Eden Grove. It was the anniversary of the opening of the hall there. Christians gathered from surrounding assemblies of Midland, Strongville, Owen Sound, Clinton, Grand Bend, Ont., etc.

Brethren Fred Watson, Henry Fletcher and myself ministered in the afternoon and preached the Gospel in the evening.

JAMES GUNN

## **ELIM HOME, ONTARIO**

Did you get any notice of the anniversary services held at Elim Homes, on July 1st? Paul Plubell and Henry Fletcher ministered the Word in the afternoon, while Paul Plubell and brother Fred Burnside spoke together in the evening. Besides ministry, the annual report of the home was presented by the secretary. Well over two hundred of the Lord's people gathered.

JAMES GUNN

## **FAIRHAVEN, MASS.**

The assembly here purposes (D.V.) having a day of special meetings on September 26, preceded by a prayer meeting Saturday night. The following Lord's

servants are expected: Andrew Craig, Robert Crawford, and Fred Peer.

Communications may be addressed to David R. Simpson, 17 Laurel Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts.

## **HUTCHINSON, KANSAS**

The believers at Hutchinson, Kansas, held their fifth annual all-day meetings. The Word of God was ministered and the saints were edified. Those ministering the Word were F. W. Mehl, Leonard Lindsted, Chas. J. M. Whitaker.

We have our tent pitched across the street from the hall and the attendance has been good so far. We certainly would appreciate the prayers of God's people that souls might be saved.

Sincerely in Christ,

R. BURSON

## **HITESVILLE, IOWA**

This year's conference is planned for September 11th and 12th, D.V., preceded by prayer meeting on the evening before.

On behalf of Hitesville assembly,  
GEO. L. FREY

**SAN DIEGO 5, CALIFORNIA**  
**Marlborough Gospel Hall**  
**3852 Marlborough Ave.**

A Labor Day Conference will be held, D.V., in the Gospel Hall, 3852 Marl-

borough Ave., San Diego 6, California, commencing Saturday, Sept. 4th at 3:00 p.m. and closing Monday, Sept. 6th at noon. Supper will be served on Saturday, dinner and supper on Lord's Day, and dinner on Monday at close of conference. Visitors coming from a distance please notify Henry Grant, 3227 Granada Ave., San Diego 4, Calif.

#### **LYMAN, IOWA**

Our conference will be held, D.V., and our Lord be not come, Sept. 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th, beginning with prayer meeting evening of the 9th. All are heartily invited to come and to pray with us that the meetings might be a blessing to saint and sinner.

WM. C. MEYER  
Correspondent

#### **OSHAWA, ONTARIO**

In the will of the Lord, our annual one day conference will be held on Sunday, September 12th, 1948 in the Centre St. School, preceded by a prayer meeting in the Gospel Hall, Nassau St., on Saturday, Sept. 11th at 7:30 p.m. Meetings on Lord's day will be 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Correspondent,  
A. C. MATTICE  
105 Hellcroft St.  
Oshawa, Ont.

#### **MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**

**Longfellow Ave. Gospel Hall  
3012 Longfellow Ave.**

The Annual Labor Day Conference will be held, D.V., commencing with prayer and ministry meeting on Saturday at 3:00 p.m., Sept. 4th and extending over Monday, Sept. 6th. A hearty invitation extended to all. Those coming from

a distance notify Wm. Denham, Jr., 4214 25th Ave. So., Minneapolis 6, Minn.

#### **WOMEN'S MISSIONARY CONFERENCE**

Third New England Semi-Annual Sisters' Missionary Conference was held May 8th, 1948, at 24 Cliff Street, Roxbury, Massachusetts. About 300 sisters were present, from 16 assemblies.

Reports from 10 assemblies were read, after which details were given in connection with the combined effort for Mr. and Mrs. Short of Ecuador, So. America, which has been the project of the New England sisters for the past few months.

Mrs. Crawford Tilsley from India spoke in the afternoon meeting. Miss Susan MacRae, who labored for many years in Africa, also was invited but on account of illness was unable to attend the conference.

Mrs. E. Gordon Williamson from India and Mrs. Malcolm B. Mac Jannet from Africa were the speakers in the evening meeting.

Prayer, persistent and continuous, was urgently requested by each missionary and their hands must be upheld. Also definite petitions to the Throne of Grace, that the Lord of the harvest would thrust forth young men into the foreign fields with the message of Life.

A woman once touched the hem of His garment, with an immediate response. Surely sisters at home and in groups could touch Him in prayer, that the answer might be received by missionaries to the ends of the earth.

The next New England Conference, D.V., is to be held in Somerville, Mass. in November, 1948.

# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## **Gospel Messengers on Tour Oregon**

**WM. M. RAE**  
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Portland 15, Oregon

We are on the way to the southern extremity of the Oregon line, on our Gospel tour. We are indeed happy to be thus

seemingly most indifferent to anything regarding the soul's need. The thought of eternity seems to rarely cross the mind. Yet we feel it a real privilege to scatter the silent messenger among them from door to door, and have personal contact with the people. Alas, what darkness and



engaged, even though few in number. This coast is possibly one of the most careless and godless parts of our country, pleasure being an obsession with the majority. Yet the same is true of all summer resorts. Then again, we find in the more secluded parts of the state a hard working class in the lumbering industry, who live largely by themselves, and are

indifference is evidenced by the majority. I verily believe there is about 1% only who, in any way are interested or claim conversion to God. Then again we are quite encouraged to find a number of return cards coming in for the booklet, "God's Way of Salvation." This is our main cheer.

As to open air preaching, few stand to hear the Word. However, we are happy to plod on and will do so till end of August, if spared. It is a repetition of Noah's day in reality. The Lord help us to be true to Himself.

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### ***Gospel Messengers on Tour***

The Gospel Messengers started their second six weeks tour, this time starting from Detroit, Michigan and Virginia, Minnesota. Almost two weeks have already passed and a few of the small assemblies have been reached and encouraged. Two tours will cover five states and will meet in Chicago the first of September.

The Michigan tour, under direction of Arthur Rodgers, spent nine days in the Detroit area and a number of street meetings were held in surrounding communities, the Lord's days being spent in the various assemblies there. This tour is now in Flint having meetings every night. Arrangements have been made to hold meetings in Saginaw and Bay City as well as some of the smaller towns around Flint. Almost 7,000 envelopes of tracts have been distributed by these men.

The Minnesota party, under David Lawrence, spent a few days in Virginia, Duluth, and reached out to many outlying villages, having open air meetings whenever possible. These men too, have given out thousands of our tract envelopes as they have traveled from town to town. Pray that the Lord will use them to the salvation of precious souls.

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### ***A New Work in Ohio***

A very profitable week end was spent in Ohio, which was crowned with a bap-

tismal service last Sunday afternoon. A new work is opening up in Geauga County, in the home of a brother and sister who are the fruits of our Gospel testimony about fourteen years ago. They are living in an Amish community, and many of them are being awakened to the fact that they are lost, and some are getting saved.

#### *A Marvelous Conversion*

One of those baptized, an Amish woman, had a marvelous experience of salvation last winter. She was driven almost to the point of distraction, in her conviction of sin, before she was saved. She became desperate, and it is difficult to surmise what might have happened, if she had not been brought to a saving knowledge of Christ when she was. She forsook her home and family and her whereabouts was unknown. Her love for her little daughter caused her to return to get her, and leave again. But her daughter was being cared for in her aunt's home in another town, so her purpose was temporarily thwarted. In her desperation, by believing that there was no hope for her, she came to the home of the brother, before mentioned, in whose home there is a testimony to the name of Christ, and his wife, taking the Word of God, showed her that Christ bore all her sins in His own body on the Cross. The Holy Spirit, at that moment, revealed Christ to her as her all-sufficient Saviour, and, believing, her joy over her new-found salvation far exceeded all the anguish of heart experienced before.

#### *Reviled for the Name of Christ*

After she was saved, this woman hastened to tell the good news to her Amish friends and relatives believing

they would also rejoice with her, but it was not so. They considered it a terrible sin for her to go outside the Amish church for help, and until she came back to the Amish church and confessed her sin, she would be considered a lost sinner. It is considered more important to obey the rules and regulations of the Amish church, than to obey Christ; this is the verdict of an Amish preacher himself. But she, refusing to do this, was excommunicated and the "mite" applied against her. The "mite" is an Amish custom invoked against excommunicated members, so that a communicant member, no matter what the relationship may be, can neither eat at the same table with them nor receive anything from their hands, lest they become defiled. Her husband was even advised and admonished, by the Amish preachers and his kinfolk, to leave his wife and live with them. But he, having been saved long before his wife, though having never seen his path of separation from them, now rejoiced with his wife. Consequently he was also excommunicated and the "mite" applied against him.

### *The Need of Baptism*

Sometime after she was saved, the words, "repent and be baptized," came very forcefully into her mind while she was doing up her work. She did not know that these words were in the Bible, but she was greatly disturbed by them. So she went directly to our brother's home with her problem, and again his wife opened to her the teaching of the Word of God on baptism, which when she saw the light of it, it was her joy to desire to walk in obedience to this command.

When the Amish heard that she had

intentions to be baptized again, they were furious in that she should so lightly esteem her Amish baptism. They told her that by being baptized again she would trample under foot the Son of God and count the blood of the covenant an unholy thing. The Devil was relentless in his persecution and temptation of this child of God, and for a while she was in great distress of mind. But God had so forcefully spoken to her by those words "repent and be baptized" that when she came through the trial, she was more determined than ever to obey her Lord in baptism. Her husband knowing too, that he should be baptized, was not so ready to go against the wishes of his Amish relatives. Even when we left for the service, he was still not ready to yield, but when he saw his wife go down under the waters of baptism, he could resist no longer. The Lord very vividly brought before him, while he was standing by, that this may be his last opportunity to walk before Him in obedience, so he removed his shoes and with the clothes he had on he went down into the water and was baptized. Now the both of them can walk together in the glorious liberty wherewith Christ has made them free.

To those who know the value of prayer, let us request that you often hold up these two to the throne of grace, for few of us can realize the hardship, both in a material and a social way, that the "mite" can put upon them. It is a pleasure to see how eager they are to feed upon the Word that they may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

EARL MILLER  
408 Walnut St.  
Meadville, Pa.

## **Sick Notices**

### **BEN BRADFORD**

**3223 33rd St.**

**Long Island City 6, N. Y.**

Brother Bradford is slowly recovering from the effects of the operation. As mentioned in last issue, he can now make himself understood by a whisper. The vocal cord in connection with the voice is gone, and this is why he cannot expect to speak audibly again. Our brother finds consolation in the fact that he will take part in the great eternal song when he sees the King in His beauty.

### **A. R. CROCKER**

**c/o Mrs. David Hopwood**

**11 Billon**

**San Rafael, Calif.**

Brother A. R. Crocker has been confined to a hospital in San Rafael, Calif., with several heart attacks, and under the doctor's orders to keep in bed for two months. He has been in an oxygen tent for the past week, but it is now removed.

Our brother had been ministering the Word on the Pacific Coast, and had gone as far as Seattle and was returning home to Los Angeles when he was stricken. The hospital in which he is confined is the General Hospital, San Rafael, California, and Mrs. Crocker is staying at the home of Mrs. David Hopwood at the above address.

We at San Francisco have greatly enjoyed our brother's ministry, also that of A. Van Ryn, and others that have passed

this way. We are especially praying that the Lord will raise our brother up for further service.

L. G. MASLEN

### **MRS. FRANK PIZZULLI**

**332 Chelsea Ave.**

**Long Branch, N. J.**

Mrs. Pizzulli, who has been ill for a long time, is much improved. However, she is still under the care of a nerve specialist. Prayer is requested that she may be restored to full health soon.

### **ESTHER ROSS**

**Western Grove, Ark.**

Our sister left the hospital on July 16th, much helped by the treatments received. She expects to resume work among the children, helping in Bible schools, meetings in the hall for children, visiting mothers and children in their homes, etc. She tells of a saved woman who had prayed for her husband for years. Recently the wife had a serious operation and the kindness of the Christians during her illness so impressed the husband that it led to his salvation.

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## **New Correspondent**

**RIVERSIDE, CALIFORNIA**

**W. MORTON MELLINGER**

**396 17th St.**

**San Bernardino, California**

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## **Business For Sale**

The Central Bible and Book Store, 35 So. Dearborn St., Chicago 3, Ill.

Write J. M. Wittkamper at this address for full particulars.

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by JAMES G. HUMPHREY

## **Daily Vacation Bible School East High Hill Saskatchewan**

This is the fifth year of Bible Camp at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Grant of East High Hill, and although we are a long way from town, which is Nut Mountain, we do have a happy time together. First we have our community picnic on the 8th of July, giving fun for one and all, with races of all kinds for young and old and a ball game for the young men and others who are interested, and then last but not least, is the message of the Lord, just as we gather for supper, and the invitation for the sinner to come in simple faith and have their sins forgiven, through trusting in the Lord Jesus Christ.

After a good supper prepared by the ladies of the district, the children gather together to begin our ten days of Bible Camp. The ministers, Mr. Graham and Godfrey, stay at the home of Mr. Barber; school is held in Mr. Barber's garage, which he has fixed up for that purpose, with screen door and windows to keep out the mosquitoes. Now, after a good night's sleep with ten boys in one bunkhouse and eleven girls in another and the balance sleeping in Mr. Grant's house, we have breakfast, and then teams are picked out so that four or five of the children wash the dishes after each meal, so that all take a turn in dishwashing. Next is our Bible School starting at 10 a.m. Friday, July 9th, with 16 present the first day and increasing to 24 by Saturday night. All our work is lined up for

us, a few rules given, and we begin our first session; memory work in the morning, with coloring and needle work, and close with the Word of the Lord brought to us by a beloved servant of the Lord. Then dinner is served by the Mesdames Grant and Gordon, and the dishes are again done up by the next team in line. In the afternoon we begin at 3 o'clock and copy our Bible lessons, and then continue our handicraft to 4:15, and then we have God's Word revealed to us in the simplest form; then after prayer we dismiss for a time of recreation. After supper the seats are arranged for the evening service, and God's Word is brought to all present; after that bed time, and so the first day is over and each day will bring forth more study of the Lord's Word with the same hours of work and play, but no lessons on Sunday. Remembering that day the Lord Jesus in His own appointed way (I Cor. 11:24-25) from 11 o'clock to 12, then Sunday school for the children at 2:30 in the afternoon, and God's Word for the older ones too, and service in the evening. Now the camp is drawing to a close, with review Saturday morning the 17th of July, a little picnic in the afternoon and swim in the lake if the Lord will, and weather permits. Sunday will bring prizes for our work through the camp, and all will be again waiting for next year's camp.

This camp is provided entirely free for all the boys and girls, the Christians here provide all the meals, and all expenses are supplied through the Lord's

people. Brother Graham has been laboring here for many years and invited me to come and help this year.

We have seen some exercise of heart with some of the boys and girls during this camp, and we are looking to the Lord, the Holy Spirit, to quicken into life.

—E. B. GODFREY

### ***Facts Concerning a Practical Economical Method of Visual Bible Teaching by Projection***

Some assemblies, having realized the value of the visual method of Bible teaching for children, are now using projectors that take standard size glass slides, or 2 x 2 slides or film strip; while the results from such projectors are very good, the cost of buying such slides or renting them for one night per week is rather expensive.

The two Gospel Halls of Flint and several others in this part of the country have been using the opaque method of projecting Bible pictures with very good results and found that the cost of the slides which are easily made up is only a fraction of the cost of other slides.

Here are some of the facts concerning this method of bringing the Gospel from Bible story pictures to children and young people, which will be of interest to any who are carrying on such work or contemplate doing so.

An opaque projector is one that projects pictures by the reflection method through lenses rather than by a light shining through transparent glass or film slides. The results are the same but

the cost very much less. Any picture, whether colored or black and white, up to 5" x 5" or 6" x 6" depending on the make of projector, can be reproduced up to 8' x 8' on a light colored wall, or on a screen.

There are now hundreds of good sets of colored Bible pictures on the market, which, when cut out and mounted on pieces of 7" x 7" black cardboard make up slides for an average cost of 2 to 3 cents each, which can be used over and over again same as any other kind of slides. Any kind of material such as sheets from song books, or type written choruses, pictures from magazines, or greeting cards, scripture verses from calendars, Paces cartoons, etc., can be used to very good advantage. Simply cut picture out and paste on a piece of black cardboard. The little time involved and money saved is well worth the time it takes for this simple but practical idea. We highly recommend this method of reaching boys and girls and young people in this day and age, when the visual method of teaching has become so popular in our public schools, churches, etc.

Any one desiring further information about this matter, the writer will be glad to be of any assistance as to where to get such materials, also cost of opaque projectors, screens, etc.

ROY NELSON  
2009 Raskob Street  
Flint 4, Michigan

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

EDITED BY W. R. SIMPSON

## Charles Alexander Leonard

The subject of this biography, Charles Leonard, was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, October 5th, 1860, and moved with his family to a farm in northeastern Nebraska where they settled and where he grew to young manhood. His family was completely irreligious but Mr. Leonard in later years related that often when he would be walking out under the starry heavens, he would look up at the sky feeling that he surely must be accountable to the One who made all those shining worlds. His exercise of soul increased and finally, when he had reached the age of eighteen, God put into the lips of his unconverted mother the life-giving message as she turned to him one day and said, "Charlie, did you know that Christ came into the world to die on the cross for sinners?" It was just the message for which he had been longing and he quickly made his way to a grove of trees above the house and there fell on his knees, thanking God for the gift of His Son. He fitted up a little study in the granary and there poured over the Word of God and prayed. He had been attending Clark Seminary, near Silver Ridge Community in Nebraska. Desiring further preparation for what he now wished to be his life-work, that of preaching Christ, he entered Park College, Parkville, Mo., September 22nd, 1881. After graduation he ministered at various places. Later he attended Theological Seminaries in South Carolina and finally

the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago.

In 1890, Mr. Leonard was married to Harriet M. Hill at Bloomington, Ill., and in the two following years he preached in Presbyterian Churches at Colfax, Ill., and Stanley, Kansas. In his diary he



writes as follows, "The Church is in a very low spiritual condition. Nearly all the people oppose the higher spiritual truths or are indifferent to spiritual things altogether." In 1894, an entry in his diary reads: "Went to Garnett, Kansas, and attended a Conference of believers. Broke bread with them. Withdrew from Presbyterian Church in April,

1894, and published reasons for withdrawing."

Mr. Leonard then established his home in Montrose, Missouri, where he lived for five years, laboring in tent meetings in different localities in Missouri and Kansas. Later he moved his family to Ponca, Nebraska and from this center he travelled over various sections of the country preaching the Gospel and ministering to the Lord's people as doors were opened. He covered the West Coast, Minnesota, South Dakota, Colorado, Nebraska, Idaho, Iowa, Illinois and Indiana. In the years 1918 and 1919 he was very definitely seeking the Lord's will regarding future service. The great need of other lands was brought to his attention and the opportunities for service in Bermuda and the West Indies were laid on his heart. With these fields in mind, he sold his home in Nebraska and sailed for Bermuda in the latter part of 1919. He saw much blessing there, but in June, 1920, he was seized with an attack of fever and obliged to return to the States for a few months. He returned to the field in the fall and held meetings in various places, including St. David's Island, a much-neglected place spiritually. In February, 1923, he went to Jamaica and was much used there for the blessing of those in spiritual darkness. In July, 1926, Mr. Leonard returned to the States. The enervating heat of the tropics was very hard on him in his advancing years. He often suffered from physical exhaustion. The work there was now passing into the hands of younger workers and he felt his part in it was over. Throughout the remaining years of his life he devoted his efforts to the work in United States and Canada.

He made his home in Ponca, Nebraska again and from there he travelled throughout the central and western states, ministering to the small scattered assemblies of the Lord's people and preaching the Gospel in tents and halls wherever there was an opportunity.

His diary records that in November 1935 he went down to San Antonio, Texas to get relief from the northern winters and the bronchial asthma which had afflicted him since 1933. One day in December while driving to town in the interest of others, he collapsed and was brought back home. He rallied somewhat and was hoping to be up soon so that he could engage in work among the Mexican children in their Sunday school. On January 2nd, he took a turn for the worse and after all medical science could do for him he failed to rally. His last words were "weary . . . so . . . weary . . . weary," and he was home with the One he loved and served so long.

Our dear brother Leonard had the heart of a true Gospel preacher, and sought out fields where there was little or no Gospel effort going forth. He possessed a deep yearning for souls and was never happier than when in meetings where God's power was in evidence. One entry in his diary written while in Jamaica, reads: "Yearning for souls. Happy in the work. Asking God to pour His love into my heart. Yearning to be wholly and only for God until I see His face." He longed to be constantly busy for his Lord. He often said that when he became too feeble to mount the platform, he hoped someone would carry him up so he could still proclaim the Gospel message. He wanted to "die in the harness"

and, to a large degree had this wish fulfilled for his diary states that on December 22nd, 1935, ten days before he died, he gave ministry on Psalm 32 at the Breaking of Bread and at night spoke on "Three Questions." In spite of weakness and suffering of his last two years, he ministered as much as was possible.

Mr. Leonard also had a real shepherd heart, and constantly sought out small gatherings in isolated places in order to give them help. He often went far out of his way to meet and help lonely ones, and very faithfully followed up souls he was seeking to help. He also had a heart of love and sympathy for all in sorrow or distress and many burdened ones went to him for advice and sympathy.

He was always keenly appreciative of all favors, however small. "All so kind to us," was a frequent expression in his diaries. Even in his sufferings and weakness his heart often overflowed to God. He wrote in his diary January 12th, 1935, "How good is the God I adore. Hallelujah! Many, many mercies."

Of him it could be truly said that he kept short accounts with God. His diary bears eloquent witness to the fact that he constantly kept his heart open to the searching light of God's Word, and immediately judged anything that might interfere with his fellowship with the Lord. One entry reads, "Longing to be of utmost use to my Lord."

He was a man of much prayer. He knew what it was to prevail in prayer

for souls. He was also constantly seeking God's face for leading at every turn of the way. The Bible was indeed to him THE BOOK. He constantly feasted on the treasures he found in it. The very last entry he made in his diary reads, "Precious messages from the book." Similar expressions are found repeatedly in his diary.

In a letter written after Mr. Leonard went home, Mr. C. W. Ross said of him, "He was a man of singular uprightness of character and unusual conscientiousness in all his ways. He was a devoted man, too, and served the Lord with earnestness and zeal. The last time I had any conversation with him he was as always thinking of the Lord and His work. One grace shone in him very brightly and that was his modesty. He never pushed himself forward among his fellow-laborers but took without murmuring whatever place was given him in the service of the Lord."

The ruling passion of his life was the Lord Jesus Christ. Much of his ministry to the saints was with the view of drawing out their hearts in devotion to the person of Christ, and to lead them into a life of fellowship with Him. A diary entry for 1917 reads: "Felt much impressed that heart fellowship with Christ in glory was the burning question for the times."

*(From information supplied by  
A. B. Rodgers)*





# RADIO PROGRAMS

Compiled by C. W. POLLARD

The following are broadcasts carried on by or in fellowship with assemblies. We invite all those engaged in such work to send in all details (kc., time, station, city, etc.) regarding their activity. Stations listed alphabetically according to State.

## Arizona

KCNA, Tucson—Monday through Friday, 8:15 a.m.—T. B. Gilbert.

## California

KGER, Long Beach (1390 kc.)—Sunday 9:05 a.m. and 5:05 p.m.; Monday through Friday 8:45 a.m.—Tom Westwood.

KWKW, Pasadena (1430 kc.)—Monday through Friday, 9:15 a.m.—Tom Westwood.

KWKW, Pasadena (1430 kc.)—Bible Treasury Hour for Boys and Girls, with Mabel Elliot and Bill Faulkner—Saturday, 9:15 a.m.

WMDO, Fajardo, Puerto Rico (1490 kc.)—Bible Treasury Hour—Monday, 1:45 p.m. Santa Ana, (1490 kc.)—Sunday, 9:45-10:00 p.m.—Ralph E. Welch.

## Canada

CFRA, Ottawa, Ont., (560 kc.)—Saturday, 10:30 a.m.—Young Canada Bible Hour, formerly known as the Radio Sunday School.

CHLT, (900 kc.)—(French)—Sunday, 5:30 p.m.

CHUM, Toronto, Ont., (1050 kc.)—Saturday, 9:30 a.m.—Young Canada Bible Hour.

CJCJ, Calgary, Alta.—Sunday, 8:45 a.m.

CJVI, Victoria, B.C.—Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

CKBI, Prince Albert, Sask.—Sun. 5:15 p.m. CKDO, Oshawa, Ont., (1240 kc.)—Thursday, 9:15 p.m.

CKNX, Wingham, Ont., (920 kc.)—Saturday, 9:00 a.m.—Young Canada Bible Hour.

CKMO, Vancouver, B.C.—Sun. 10:00 a.m.

CKTS (1240 kc.)—Sunday, 4:45 p.m.

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# EDITORIAL

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## Successful Evangelism

by A. C. PAYNE, Walton-on-Thames

The evangelist must be on fire. His words must come forth because he cannot refrain. He must preach, not because he has been invited to give an address at such and such a place, but because "he can't help it." He must have the compelling force of "woe is me if I preach not the gospel!"

The gospel of God must be preached freely (II Cor. 11:7). The grace of God must not be compromised by the making of a charge or the taking of a collection. We quote the words of another:

"Paul argued boldly in support of his right to temporal support from those to whom he preached (I Cor. 9:11). Yet having claimed the right, he nobly renounced it. Why? For fear, lest by exercising it he should hinder the gospel of Christ. It was the source of the keenest satisfaction to him to preach Christ freely. He claimed no glory for preaching the gospel, that he could not help. Necessity was laid upon him. But he did glory in preaching it without charge. He was no paid preacher. It could never be said he preached for a living. It is to the lasting detriment of the gospel that a class of men should ever have arisen whose profession (in a secular sense) is the preaching of the gospel. How many a preacher's message has been discounted by his worldly hearers on the ground that it is his paid job to preach it and that he is not a free agent, either as to his creed, to which he is pledged for a living, or the preaching of it, which he is under contract to do. True, it is often an unfair reflection upon many saintly servants of Christ, but the reflection remains often to the hindrance of the gospel" (M. Goodman).

### **Power in the Preaching**

In I Thess. 2:2 Paul tells us that he spoke the gospel of God with much con-

tentation. Opposition did not close his mouth. He felt and knew that God had called him to preach the gospel and, therefore, whatever the opposition and whatever the source, he must fulfil his work. There is, however, another aspect to the Greek word here rendered "contention," from which is obtained our English word "agony." May we suggest his preaching was successful because he agonized over it. He saw before him men and women who were perishing. He agonized in prayer and he travailed in preaching. Dr. Barnhouse, of Philadelphia, says that the man who first coined the word to "deliver" a sermon, realized what preaching should really mean to the preacher. "Deliver" is the word of child-birth. There is anguish and travail before the deliverance, so it ever must be with successful preaching.

We also read that Paul imparted the

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gospel of God (I Thess. 2:8). To impart means to share; it implies that the sharer is passing on something that he himself possesses. No evangelist can be used unless it is patent to his hearers that he has experienced and is enjoying the things of which he speaks. He must be in the happy enjoyment of the gospel, and then others will be attracted. It will be no cold, hard statement of facts, but a description of personal, living experiences. As another has put it,

"not preachers only, but all Christians, have to be on their guard, lest familiarity robs the great words of the gospel of their reality, and they themselves sink into that worst atheism which is for ever handling holy things without feeling them. How easy it is to speak of God, Christ, redemption, atonement, sanctification, heaven, hell, and to be less impressed and less impressive than if we were speaking of the merest trivialities of everyday life."

In I Thess. 1:5 we read that the gospel came in much assurance. The preacher must have a full and strong conviction of the truth of the gospel. Further, he must be fully assured that in its declaration lies the power to deliver men from the thralldom of sin. Dr. Jas. Denney says "the truths of the gospel are so great that it needs a certain greatness to answer to them, a certain boldness of faith to which even a true Christian may feel momentarily unequal; and while he is unequal he cannot do the work of an evangelist." A story is told of a well-known infidel who was seen on one occasion leaving a gospel hall at the close of a meeting. His friend, accosting him, said "Surely you don't believe the things they have been speaking about?" The answer was unusual and unexpected, "No, but they do!" The assurance of the preacher had an effect even upon an avowed infidel.

### **The Church**

To ensure successful evangelism the local church must play its part. All must not be left to the man on the platform. Soul-winning is not the prerogative of the whole-time worker, neither is gospel preaching confined to stated times and places. "They that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the Word." In one of the scriptures referred to above (I Thess. 2:2) it must be observed that Paul says he "spoke" the gospel. The word he uses is that for ordinary, every-

### **The Cover**

#### **BETHANY HOUSE**

**431 N. President St., Wheaton, Ill.**

For the last few years the Bethany House has been a real home for the students at Wheaton College. Students may come and go as they desire. Cooking facilities, game room, reading room, etc., are always at their disposal and many are the comments both from students and the college faculty for the work rendered by Bethany House.

The various meetings are most encouraging. About 100 or more will sit down to remember the Lord each Sunday. Recently the new addition was added on the south side of the building, now enabling us to seat over 150 persons.

Mr. Harold Harper has just started a Bible class for young people each Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and this promises to be very interesting.

Pray for the work carried on at Bethany House, that many of these young men and women will come to know our Lord's precious Name alone.

day speech. He did not always go into a preaching place. There were occasions when he used no rhetoric. He spoke the gospel in conversation. Evidence of this is seen in the case of Lydia at Philippi. Every member of the local assembly can be and should be a witness. All can speak the gospel.

There is one great essential to successful evangelism, without which the most earnest evangelist is powerless. His preaching must be accompanied by the KNOWN godliness of the church amongst whom he is working. If the local assembly is cold, half-hearted and touched with worldliness, the world will know it. Such a condition of soul will close the ears of the unsaved to the Word. This was not so with the Thesalonians. It is said of them, "from you sounded out the Word of the Lord . . . in every place your faith to Godward is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak anything. For they themselves

shew . . . how ye turned to God" (I Thess. 1:9). It must be noted that the sounding out of the Word was not by speech, but by life; by the change of life wrought through the gospel. To quote Dr. Denney again,

"their conversion called the attention of all men to the gospel, like a clear and far-sounding trumpet blast. The success of the evangelists there, being carried abroad in various ways, advertised their work, and so far prepared for their coming. A work of grace so characteristic, so thorough and so unmistakable, was a token of God's goodness, not only to those who were the immediate subjects of it, but to all who heard and, by hearing, had their interest awakened in the evangelists and their message."

It was said of one once that his hearers could not hear him preaching because his life spoke so loudly . . . Let us see to it that our life is so consistent, so holy, so godly, that it commends the message delivered by the evangelist.

*Reprinted from The Believer's Magazine*



### **The Evangelist**

*"He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him"—Psalm 126:16*

Going forth each morning,  
Bearing precious seed,  
Conscious of much weakness,  
In a world of need."

Weeping o'er the lost ones,  
For whom the Saviour died,  
Pointing them a refuge,  
In His wounded side.

Ofttimes overwhelmed,  
As the fields we view,  
See the ripening harvest,  
And the workers few.

Sometimes disappointed,  
When no fruit appears,  
Retire into our closets,  
Shedding bitter tears.

Remember then His promise,  
As our heads bend low,  
"Sheaves you'll soon be bringing,  
Rejoicing as you go."

Rising with new courage,  
Strengthened in the soul,  
Once more to our duty,  
Our eyes upon the goal.

R. T. HALLIDAY, Orlando, Fla.

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**E. K. BAILEY**  
156 S. 150th Street  
Seattle, Wash.

I thought I would write a few lines at this time relative to the tent meetings being held in this city. The numbers coming at times are quite encouraging, and at other times not so much so.

However we sow on, knowing the Lord will give the promised increase. It is our business to faithfully preach the word, but beyond that we cannot go. The issues of eternity are in His hands alone.

The few brethren here are to be commended as they have bought the old bus depot at Camp Farragut, and now getting it ready for a gospel hall, for this very needy city.

**JOSEPH BALSAN**  
Copper City, Mich.

With the warmer weather here I am doing open air work in the small towns, villages, and locations in the copper country. The majority of the people are as hard as the ore they mine but there are some who do hear and it is these we trust the grace of God will reach, touch, and quicken. Last Friday night there was a nice hearing in the city of Hancock and on Saturday night in the town of So. Range. The amplifier carries the message across the whole town. One young couple expressed interest and appreciation while many others sat in cars and on door steps or stood on the streets listening. We can only pray that God will use His Word to reach some.

Next week we are hoping to have our annual picnic for the 3 Bible schools. Interest has been good though there has been a decrease in attendance—but there has been some encouragement and for this we thank God and hope for His increased blessing.

The little assembly in Laurium goes on nicely and the meetings there have been at times very well attended. We are grateful that even in such a desert place there are a few who seek to honor and do His will. Pray that they may be multiplied manifold.

**GEORGE BAXTER**  
Box 986  
Kingman, Ariz.

In June we had a fine Bible school each day for two weeks for the children there. Were glad that Walter and Ruth Hall came to help and carry on in their fine way this work for the children. We had a fine school with an average of over sixty children each day and a large enrollment. There was a great interest manifested by all the children in the Bible lesson and the memory of the Bible verses. We know that His Word will not return unto Him void so ask prayer that these children will one day be brought to Christ as Saviour. Helen had a bad accident when taking some of the children home but only one sister was sent to the hospital and she has recovered now. The nervous shock was hard on all who were in the car but how wonderful the Father does watch over us in times of danger which we do not see.

We praise Him for this and thank Him that it made no difference in the attendance of the school.

The testimony here goes on and we covet much prayer as the Word is given out week after week to the children and those who will come to hear of Christ's great love for them. Surely His coming is at hand and we do want to gather in the sheaves while it is yet His day of Grace for poor sinful man.

**LEONARD E. BROUGH**  
2905 Power House Rd.  
Yakima, Wash.

It is surely news of interest to all the saints that a recent spiritual awakening has visited the assembly at Spokane, Washington. On a recent visit it was my joy to speak on "When John Baptized Jesus." Following the message eleven candidates recently saved, confessed Christ in baptism. In the several years in which it has been my privilege to visit Spokane, never have I seen such manifest evidence of the hand of God, who giveth the increase.

**WM. M. BROWN**  
Box 662  
Dover, Delaware

I have just finished two weeks of DVBS in Philadelphia with grand results. We started with 71 children and have had the joy of reaching over 160, with an average daily attendance of 103. The closing exercises were held on Friday night and the new hall was really packed for the first time. Several of the older children professed to be saved.

Next week we expect to begin a month of Gospel meetings outside of Dover in another school house. Since it is almost impossible to get people into the Hall we are going into the country where we

find a response. Our last meetings of this kind were well attended and a good number professed. The prayers of the Lord's people will be appreciated.

**ERNEST B. CRABB**  
Fairbanks, Alaska

Satan first began his attack on the little assembly gathered to His name here in a moral sense. After that was cleared up, he attacked in a doctrinal way. This was more serious, for the brother in whose house we gather and hold Sunday school was wavering in the teaching of the believer's eternal security in Christ. Much prayer was made and now he is settled on this point. We praise God for victory. Besides, a good number of the believers have gone to the states and one to Anchorage. So our forces have been depleted somewhat, however one can expect these things. In spite of all this, our Sunday school continues to grow. Since April over 60 children have been contacted, all from ungodly homes. We are in need of teachers and competent workers. Pray that the Lord will raise up others to come to Fairbanks to work in the Gospel. The Lord has not made it possible as yet, to buy a lot or get located in or near town. We are still 13 miles from the city. Continue in prayer that the Lord's will be done.

**GEORGE T. PINCHES**  
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Pella, Iowa

The Lord has led us to visit some of our former spheres of service. It has been a joy to renew fellowships, and an honor to teach the Word and proclaim the glorious Gospel during the past five weeks. We are impressed by the changes in assemblies. Many of those who took the

lead are now with the Lord. But God has raised up others to fill their places, that the testimony might continue for Him.

We have visited Davenport, Iowa; Joliet and Chicago, Ill; then Grand Rapids and Grand Haven, Mich. for meetings nightly. We rejoiced in the splendid work at Flint, Mich. then went across into Canada for two weeks in London, Ont. Now am at Stratford, going next week to Orillia, in the will of God. We have been greatly cheered in every place.

**DAVID LAWRENCE**  
**205 S. 12th Street**  
**Centerville, Iowa**

We have had a splendid time on this 2nd tour this year. The numbers gathered to our open air meetings have been good. We had one of the most remarkable openings on any of our tours in Oostburg, Wis. The Sunday schools of the town (4 of them) gathered for an annual picnic at the park. Our date for being there coincided with this. The town would be empty, for all would be at the picnic. We got there around 5:30 p.m. for we had a meeting at 4:00 p.m. three miles away at Cedar Grove. The committee delegated two of their men to come and see us, and asked if we would come and use the bandstand in the park and have our meeting there. They seemed delighted to have us and we had a splendid meeting, four of us taking part in preaching the Gospel for about eight minutes each, besides the singing of the Gospel. There were well over 1,000 in attendance.

Up in the Casco district, where brother Dan Dunnett labored earlier in

the year, we had a splendid interest. It so stirred things there that they are having special meetings just now. Souls are under deep exercise.

Milwaukee is the last place on the tour. We had a good open air meeting last night near the Union Station. We were agreeably surprised, because we had heard we could not have open air meetings here.

**DAVID LEATHEM**  
**1219 Prince Street**  
**Truro, Nova Scotia**

**RICHARD ROBERTS**  
**152 Indian Grove**  
**Toronto, Ont.**

Brother R. Roberts and I are now working a tent here in the city of Halifax, having begun over a week ago, and are finding a good deal of opposition from the ungodly.

The first day after we had pitched the tent two holes were burned in the roof and wall and had it not been for the prompt action of the fire department, the whole thing would have burned to the ground.

During our first week the Lord saved a young woman formerly a R.C. and we have also been encouraged in the attendance each night.

On Saturday morning last, we arrived at the tent and found the enemy had been at work again. One side of the tent was down and several holes had been made in the roof and wall. The platform and table were upside down, chairs were piled everywhere and the whole thing was in general disorder.

The situation looked hopeless but we got to work and after a few hours things weren't looking so bad and we managed to carry on and held a meeting Lord's day evening.

This particular meeting turned out to be our largest and we thanked the Lord

that again the enemy had been defeated.

We have been jeered at on the street during our visitation of the homes but realize that if God be for us, and He is, that He will work out His own purpose for His own glory.

Would value the prayers of the Lord's people everywhere for our effort here.

**JOHN M. MARTIN**  
Box 38  
Hawkesville, Ont.

We have been kept very busy during July and August, directing a number of vacation schools and the Gospel Messengers on Tour from Hawkesville.

Our help for D.V.B.S. work was limited this summer, and we are not able to cover as much territory as we did last year. However, we were able to have six such schools with the help of young people from various centers. In these six schools we had an average attendance of 27 and many of these do not attend any fundamental S.S. The response from the children is wonderful and we thank God for this work. We are sorry that there was not enough help available to reach further afield.

Our brethren, Fred Mannings and George Bishop, have been working with me in the Gospel trailer. We travel from town to town, covering each place systematically with Gospel tracts, making many personal contacts and having open air meetings with the aid of a P.A. system. This is a great seed sowing campaign, and we believe that God will give us to see a harvest in time to come, if our Lord tarry. We would much appreciate the prayers of the Lord's people in behalf of the seed sown, that it bring forth fruit in due season. We would also ask you to pray for the Gospel meetings

held every Sunday night in the Orange Hall in Brussels. This is a town of about 1200 population with no assembly testimony in it. The meetings have been encouraging. From ten to fifteen unsaved coming in every Sunday night. Brethren, pray for us.

**R. ELLIOT McALLISTER**  
617-6th Ave.  
New Westminster, B.C.

The Gospel boat, "Eagle Wings" is slowly making way through the maze of islands and inlets of this part of the British Columbia Coast. At present we are working among the scores of large and small logging camps. The coming week end we hope to reach Malcolm Island where about 600 Finnish people live. These people are reputed to be Red communists and very atheistic. Through the years we have found interest among them, however. The post master got on his knees in our boat at our last visit and confessed Christ as his Lord. There are now several Christians among them and we pray much and ask prayer for them.

**A. R. McCONKEY**  
Delaware, Ont.

The Lord has been pleased to give encouragement in this district. On June 13, eleven followed the Lord in baptism and have been received into fellowship in the assembly here at Bancroft. A large number gathered to witness the baptism in the open air and we used our P.A. system to give them the Gospel. Also at Deacon we have had the joy of receiving into fellowship a father and mother and their two sons and daughter. They were formerly connected with a denomination but became dissatisfied with their association and desired fellowship in the as-

sembly. They have been saved for some time, and we have visited them many times in their home. They live in the district where we have our open-air meetings in the summer.

The assembly here at Bancroft has outgrown the present hall and have purchased a lot in a more suitable part of the village and hope to begin erection of a larger and more suitable building soon. So we thank the Lord for these tokens of His favor and blessing. The prayers of the Lord's people are valued.

**EARL MILLER**  
408 Walnut Street  
Meadville, Pa.

I have been spending some time in a new field opening in northeastern Ohio. It is a joy to see the hunger for the Word manifested there, and to see the faithful and consistent testimony borne, in the face of most severe opposition and persecution, by a man and wife who were recently baptised and came out of the Amish church.

I also had a week of ministry meetings at Reading, Pa., the latter part of July, on the theme of "The Ministry of the Holy Spirit." We have seen the hand of the Lord in blessing upon His own while there.

This next week we expect, the Lord willing, to be in the Rochester, N. Y. area.

**LOUIS MONTALVO**  
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Brooklyn 6, New York

Not so long ago we had a nice Sunday school picnic. A few years ago we had only a handful of children but for this occasion four buses were hired by the two Spanish assemblies to take about 200 (children and adults) for a day's outing.

Mr. Hockings from Central America was with us and we had a very blessed time together.

The meetings in the open air continue with much interest on the part of the unsaved. At times we see some coming into our Gospel halls, especially children. It is a great joy to see the Sunday school steadily increasing, we are afraid we may need more room in our two halls.

I am getting requests for Spanish tracts from other places in the States where Puerto Ricans have come to work in the farms. This is another golden opportunity to give them the Gospel; usually when their contracts are over, they come to New York City thus adding up to the great number of Puerto Ricans in this city.

**JOHN REID**  
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Since our last report from Wheaton, Illinois, we were at Des Moines Conference. Had happy and profitable time and met lots of Lord's dear people for first time.

From there we went to Minneapolis. Was in both assemblies for two weeks which were very well attended.

Then we crossed the line into Winnipeg, Man. for three weeks in three halls. Meetings were well attended. We also spent a week at the Mill Creek Gospel Hall, Fortier, Man., which was attended mostly by farmers. We had a happy time.

Since then, we have been in Orillia, Ont., for four weeks having two meetings a week (Tuesday and Friday), sometimes preaching three times on Sunday, and, in spite of holidays and heat. The Lord's dear people showed great interest. Last Sunday, August 15, we had Mr.

George Pinches. Very well attended meeting Sunday night.

Now we go to Owen Sound, Ont. We intend being there for a few weeks if the Lord will, to help the small company.

Please pray for us.

**ROWLAND SAVAGE**  
**744 King Street**  
**Regina, Sask., Can.**

We are just about to move into our house-trailer which we expect will be our home for some time to come.

We sold our large house, but found it impossible to procure a bungalow in our

financial range. The Lord opened up the way to get a fine three-room trailer, so we expect to begin again in village evangelism, as we did at the first with our original trailer.

Having our baby son with us complicates matters, but we feel it is the Lord's will, and He will go before us.

Our address will be the same.

The prayers of the saints are requested, that this new venture will prove a blessing and that many souls will be saved and believers helped.



### ***Christian Workers Conference***

This will be the last notice before the Christian Workers Conference convenes on October 28, 29 and 30. A special invitation is extended to all the Lord's servants to attend. Elder brethren from assemblies are also urged to attend.

The place; Parkside Gospel Chapel, 910 Santiago, San Francisco California. Assemblies wishing to lighten the burden of the Parkside Gospel Chapel in this great undertaking may do so by sending their fellowship to Mr. Howard E. Jones, 75 Santa Rita Ave., Forest Hill, San Francisco, California. Pray brethren, pray that this conference may be to the glory of God and the furtherance of His glorious gospel.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

### *Tent Work*

Tent reports thus far are on the whole encouraging. While great numbers did not profess anywhere, there seems to have been an interest in most places, with some blessing in conversions.

**HECTOR ALVES**  
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Vancouver, B.C.

Brother Alves found the tent effort in Twisp., Wash. rather discouraging, so took the tent 40 miles over the mountain to the little town of Malott, 330 miles S.E. of Vancouver.

Brother Geo. Campbell of Vancouver, spent his vacation with brother Alves, opening the meeting each night with a word in the Gospel. The attendance and interest were much better here, some attending almost nightly.

**JOSEPH BALSAN**  
Copper City, Mich.

Our young brother Balsan keeps busy in his labors for the Lord in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan. At this time of year most of his work is in the open air,

and in tract distribution from door to door, in towns near Copper City.

In the early part of August, brethren Chas. Van Ryn, Abe Hartsema, and Fred Gladstone from Chicago spent 10 days with the little company at Copper City, and their help was appreciated.

**L. H. BRANDT**  
Garnavillo, Iowa

**LEONARD DeBUHR**  
Aplington, Iowa

Towards the end of August these brethren closed almost six weeks of tent meetings in Dumont, Iowa. They had the joy of seeing two profess faith in Christ.

**ANDREW CRAIG**  
14-15 Fifth Street  
Fair Lawn, N. J.

Brother Craig spent three months in the Cumberland valley of Maryland, visiting Everett, Pa., Cumberland, Lonaconing and Frostburg. God blessed the effort, some professed to be saved and others were exercised. For the remainder of the summer he expected to give help in assemblies near home.

**FRANK CARBONI**  
39 Norwood Ave.  
Long Branch, N.J.

**FRANK PIZZULLI**  
332 Chelsea Ave.  
Long Branch, N.J.

These brethren were continuing the tent meetings in the Tacony section of

Philadelphia, when last we heard towards the end of August.

More heard the Gospel through the loud speaker on the outside of the tent, than inside. Three had professed to be saved. We understand there is an interest among some Italian Christians in Camden, N. J., who are seeking the truth. Our brethren are exercised about helping them after the present tent meetings are over.

**FRANK DETRICK**  
**Harvey, N. D.**

Brother Detrick has now spent almost two years in North Dakota. He seeks to spread the Gospel within a radius of 50 miles of Harvey by tract distribution from door to door, and by using his loud speaker system in various towns in the evenings.

Many of the people in these parts do not speak English and brother Detrick carries tracts in four or five languages. He also helps in the two assemblies, Harvey and Hurdsfield.

**WALTER ELTJES**  
**Kesley, Iowa**

When last we heard, brother Eltjes was in his sixth week of tent meetings in Kamrai, Iowa.

A man almost 60 years old had professed to be saved. His family of four grown children, and a son-in-law, seem interested.

**JOHN GOVAN**  
**9591 Sorrento Ave.**  
**Detroit 27, Mich.**

**A. P. KLABUNDA**  
**624 South Ave.**  
**Indiana, Pa.**

These brethren were in their sixth week of tent meetings in Barberton, O., when last we heard about the end of August. Three had professed and some others were exercised.

The Christians from Akron, 14 miles from Barberton, have been helping in attendance and prayer.

**HAROLD HARPER**  
**President & College Aves.**  
**Wheaton, Ill.**

Brother Harper in a letter to a Christian brother writes:

"I had a very happy time in Canada. After the Guelph Conference was over, I had three open weeks. I had tent meetings planned but the assembly felt it unwise to go through with them at present. The Lord laid Newfoundland on my heart, and I went there to cheer a worker who had been undergoing severe persecution for the Gospel's sake. The folk in that island are very poor—many are illiterate. They are rough in their way, hence when tempers are aroused they go the limit. Our brother Beasley has had his auto tires ripped, fences burned to the ground, and bodily harm threatened if he stayed at his post. But he has seen 40 or more souls reached I helped him at the first baptismal service in that part of the island when 13 were baptized. Hundreds came to see and to hear. Our brother has built a fine hall—much of it being his own labor. To me it was a commendable work. At the baptism three sisters came not expecting to be done. When they saw their fellow saints going through the water, they went in in the clothes in which they were dressed and went home nearly two miles in wet garments. He hopes to baptize 30 more this month. I also stopped by in Prince Edward Island to cheer another labourer who is seeking souls there. It was like a foreign missionary tour. Folk are very poor in both places. The Lord in grace enabled me to

point five or six to Christ on the journey. This was a cheer.

"Am presently helping in a Bible Camp where spiritual things are given the first place. A lad got saved the other night after the meeting, and some Christian young folk are seeing the claims of Christ on their lives. Much prayer is going up, and God is speaking to hearts."

**GEO. HATHERLEY**  
414 Howard Street  
Lawrence, Mass.

Brother Hatherley is busy, going in his trailer from village to village in New Hampshire, distributing tracts and holding forth in the open air. He is being assisted by brother Arthur Dewhurst. They have secured permission to hold a weekly open air meeting in Bristol, which is seven miles from Camp Berea.

The Lord's people at the camp are heartily joining them in sounding forth the Good News to the people of this needy part of the State.

W. HERBERT MARSHALL

**M. J. KENNEDY**  
301 E. 161st Street  
Bronx, N. Y.

Brother Kennedy has been with us at Saugerties, N. Y. for two weeks ministry meetings. The ministry was practical, leading the people of God in scriptural paths, which is very much needed in these last and closing days of this dispensation. And thine ears shall hear a word behind thee saying, This is the way, walk ye in it. Isa. 30:21, first clause.

ALBERT PLUE  
Correspondent

**TOM McCULLAGH**  
1116 E. National Blvd.  
Springfield, Mo.

**JOHN ELLIOTT**  
1021 N. Clay St.  
Springfield, Mo.

When last we heard, about the middle

of August, these brethren were being encouraged in tent meetings in Guthrie, Okla. At that time they were in their fifth week.

Some had professed to be saved, one woman over 60. Others are exercised. Brother McCulloch went to Guthrie last September (1947) and two families were saved. One of them has opened their door to the Lord's servants now, receiving them into their home.

A family who had been saved in a Nazarene Church, saw the truth of gathering to the name of the Lord Jesus before the meetings began, but did not know of any others thus gathering. These people attend the meetings nightly. Our brethren are hopeful that God is going to plant a testimony in this place which is 34 miles from Oklahoma City.

**ISAAC McMULLEN**  
Sunny Brar,  
N. B. Canada

**GEO. GOULD**  
P.O. Box 251, Route 2  
St. Catherine, Ont.

These brethren spent the greater part of the summer in tent work, about three miles from Cambridge, Nova Scotia. They eat and sleep in the tent. The interest is good, a goodly number attending through the week, with a full tent on Lord's days. Some have professed to be saved so far. Brethren McMullen and Glasgow were at Cambridge last year and saw a good work done. Those who professed are going on well and are exercised about building a hall. This summer's effort will strengthen these young saints and help establish them in the faith.

**JAS. McMULLEN**  
1592 Bathurst Street  
Toronto 10, Ont.

Brother Jas. McMullen spent part of the summer in Nova Scotia. After the

Pugwash conference in July, he visited Port Howe, Sydney and Sydney Mines, ministering to the Lord's people. These assemblies are small but very appreciative of the ministry of God's Word.

**JAS. McCULLOUGH**  
57 Creston Rd.  
Stratford, Conn.

**SAMUEL J. REA**  
Route 1  
Hatboro, Pa.

When last we heard, towards the end of August, these brethren were in their seventh week of tent meetings in Madison, Maine. The weather has been cold and they found it necessary to use an oil stove to make the tent comfortable. In spite of this the attendance has been encouraging, although there has been prejudice and opposition because of those who were saved last year being baptized and received into fellowship in Augusta, 40 miles away.

Several are concerned and seem near the door of salvation. The brethren look for their salvation before the tent is taken down.

**ROBERT McCRORY**  
c/o Mrs. D. C. Campbell  
11 Thornhill Crescent  
Knock, Belfast

Our brother, together with Mrs. McCrory, is enjoying his visit to scenes of former labors in the Gospel. Meetings in various places in the north of Ireland have been encouraging. The attendance was large, the interest good, and the Christians were appreciative of the Word ministered. Everywhere, our brother was given a warm reception.

He expected to be with the saints in Roman Rd. Hall, Motherwell, Scotland, the week beginning Sept. 19. This assembly commended brother McCrory to the work of the Lord 50 years ago.

Our brother mentions a feeling of sad-

ness, because so many early Christian friends are gone, but this is mingled with joy because God has been working and the empty places are being filled with promising young Christians.

Soon we will all meet above, never more to part.

**STEVE MICK**  
1514 Wisconsin Ave.  
Boscobel, Wisc.

In the middle of August, brother Mick was in his sixth week of tent meetings in Inglewood,, near Los Angeles, Cal.

A good number of strangers were attending and some denominational Christians were coming and showing an interest in the Word of God.

There seemed to be a fresh interest in the sixth week, and brother Mick and the brethren were looking to the Lord to see some saved.

**WILL PELL**  
817 North Ave., NE  
Grand Rapids, Mich.

**PETER PELL**  
248 Hastings St., NE  
Grand Rapids, Mich.

Brother Peter Pell expects to spend the first part of October in Sturgis, Mich. and the last part of the month in London, Ont. Brother Will Pell expects to be in Houston during the latter part of the month, and hopes to be at the conference.

They both expect to be at 86th St., Chicago in the early part of November for meetings on the tabernacle.

**WM. M. RAE**  
236 S.E. 32nd Ave.  
Portland 15, Oregon

Brother Ræ has spent the summer with some other brethren, carrying the Gospel from town to town in and around Oregon.

On the whole, indifference marks the

attitude of the people as regards the Gospel, yet quite a few have sent for "God's Way of Salvation," which is offered free to those requesting it on a card.

Personal talks with the people seem the most promising part of the work and in the early part of August two women professed to be saved.

**HARVIE H. STEWART**  
147 Samo Lane  
West Bromewich,  
Staffordshire, England

Brother Stewart, a servant of the Lord for over 12 years, has been on a visit to this country since May. He spent six weeks in the early summer with the Gospel Messengers, going from town to town with the Gospel.

During the past two months he has visited assemblies on the West Coast, in Chicago, Buffalo, Rochester, etc. His ministry is most acceptable.

He will return to England in October, D.V., but is exercised before God about returning to the U.S.A. to live and to labor for the Lord in this land.

**ARCHIE STEWART**  
13590 Lengacre  
Detroit, Mich.

When the list of tents was published in the Sept. issue, we had not heard of brother Stewart's effort. He, and a young brother recently commended to the Lord's work, J. White, pitched a tent in Ovid, Mich. about the end of July. This is a new place.

**WM. WILSON**  
2466-18th West  
Vancouver, B.C.

Our brother, who has been ill, has recovered sufficiently to enable him to take up, in a limited way, his labors in the Northwest prairies. Several of the

Lord's servants who lived in Saskatchewan have moved to other parts and we understand the province may be without an assembly laborer for the first time since 1910.

Some small companies visited recently by brother Wilson were very appreciative of the help, and the attendance at Gospel meetings was encouraging.

The baptizing of four young believers at Strasbourg, while brother Wilson was there, caused considerable joy.

**DETROIT, MICHIGAN**  
East Side Assembly

Attendance at our meetings has been well maintained, especially at the Sunday evening Gospel service. During July the "Gospel Messengers on Tour" paid us a visit and gave valued help in our hall and also in the open air in a new location where property has been purchased in the hope of erecting an assembly building.

A comparatively new comer from England, Mr. Ernest Woodhouse, has also had some appreciated meetings in our hall with blessing following. Mr. and Mrs. Woodhouse expect to settle permanently in Detroit. Their temporary address is 3847 Cadillac Ave., Detroit 14, Mich.

In the meantime our brother is giving help among the Detroit assemblies as the Lord leads.

C. A. POPPLESTONE

**HARBOR SPRINGS, MICH.**

The assembly at above place now meets in their own building, located at Third and Nelson Sts. The new building is very attractive and comfortable and is a credit to the assembly, which is small.

The attendance of the town people is encouraging.

# Late News Section

## Important Notice

Because of the current nature of Letters of Interest, no part of it can be placed ahead. The editors, however, through this Late News Section, are able to include letters and reports received up to the 15th of each month, unclassified as space permits.

### MANSFIELD, OHIO

#### Lincoln Heights Gospel Chapel

We had the pleasure and privilege of a visit by our brother James F. Spink, who gave us one week in ministry, on the 12 Gates of Nehemiah, with their application to present day Christian living. The little assembly was greatly helped and encouraged to go on in the ways that please our Lord, whose we are and whom we serve. Many strangers from other churches came every night to hear these timely and inspiring messages, and our prayers are that one day we may have the joy of seeing some take their place with the little testimony in Lincoln Heights. We are planning, D.V., to have our brother F. W. Schwartz to come in October to help us in a Gospel effort. Would value the prayers of the saints for this needy field.

**JAMES HUNTER**  
Correspondent

### R. J. WILDING

Brother Wilding, visiting from England, is at present in Canada and hopes, in the will of the Lord, to visit assemblies in the United States in the early part of 1949. He spent 23 years in the Belgian Congo, and for the past several years has engaged in tent work each summer in Lanarkshire, Scotland.

**GORDON REAGER**  
1526 Deborah Lane  
Rosemont, Pa.

**PAUL JENSEN**  
7326 Tabor Ave.  
Phila. 11, Pa.

The six weeks of tent meetings by these brethren in Fairlawn, N. J. closed on August 29. Four professed to be saved which cheered the hearts of the Lord's people. One special encouragement was the Daily Vacation Bible School carried on for two weeks, chiefly by the sisters. The attendance averaged 60 and most of the children came from homes not connected with the assembly.

**J. A. RONALD**  
126 Royal Rd. No.  
Portage La Prairie  
Man.

**J. A. GRAY**  
130-2nd St. W.  
Portage La Prairie  
Man.

These brethren have finished their summer work and are now engaged about fall and winter work. The early part of the summer was spent at Pine Creek, Man. A good interest was manifested and a number professed to be saved.

In late July they pitched their tent in Maidstone, Sask. The response was very encouraging and a goodly number professed faith in Christ. Some who had been saved in this place were baptized and took their place with the local people, gathered to His precious name.

**GOSEP HALL**  
367 Howard Ave.  
Providence, R. I.

The believers meeting at Providence

are exercised about having some servant of the Lord come and spend some time in the district. There are believers in the vicinity who could be taught the truths of gathering to the Lord's name, and also an interest might be created among the unsaved.

Correspondence regarding this work should be addressed to Mr. Edward Cobain, 10 Crest Ave., Saylesville, R. I.

On behalf of the assembly,

FRANK M. STEBBINGS

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## **Conferences**

### **ALPENA PASS, ARKANSAS**

Our conference will be held, if the Lord will, on October 23 and 24, beginning with prayer meeting the evening of October 22 at the Alpena Pass Gospel Hall.

NEALY GRISHAM

### **CLEVELAND, OHIO**

A large number of the Lord's people gathered at the Labor Day holiday to enjoy the ministry of God's Word, which was shared by brethren D. Calderhead, A. W. Joyce, N. Gratton, R. McLurkin, O. MacLeod, J. A. Meridew, F. W. Nugent, H. Wagler, Wm. Warke, G. N. Reager and J. S. Waugh.

### **GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN**

A new company of the Lord's people from various places gathered at the conference over Labor Day week end. The Lord's servants present were V. Brooks, L. T. Chambers, Geo. Gray, J. Darling and Wm. Pell.

### **HITESVILLE, IOWA**

As usual, a large number attended the recent conference. The ministry was

practical and good. Separation from the world in all its forms was emphasized. The speakers were A. T. Stewart, L. E. McBain, W. F. Hunter, O. G. Smith, E. B. Jamison, W. Warke, P. Elliott, L. G. Brandt, and S. Hamilton. The conference finished up with an excellent Gospel meeting.

### **LA CROSSE, WISCONSIN**

Our recent conference was quite well attended. The ministry was considered good and was given by brethren E. B. Jamison, L. McBain, J. J. Rouse, P. Elliott, O. G. Smith and A. T. Stewart.

### **OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

The annual Thanksgiving Bible Conference of the Bay Area Assemblies will be held, D.V., in the Bethany Gospel Hall, 1940 23rd Avenue, Oakland 6, California, from November 24 to 28, inclusive. The conference will be opened by a prayer meeting Wednesday, November 24 at 7:30 p.m. and three services will be held daily on the succeeding days of this conference.

All the saints are asked to remember this conference in prayer that the Lord alone may be glorified.

W. S. CLAUS

Secretary

### **ORILLIA, ONTARIO**

The Sixty-seventh Conference will be held in the West St. Gospel Hall from October 9 to 11, inclusive, preceded by a prayer meeting Saturday evening at 7:45 p.m. Among those expected to minister will be C. H. Brooks, R. J. Wilding and N. L. Kion. Address communications to Mr. A. E. Potter, 144 Colborne St. W., Orillia, Ontario.

#### **PETERBOROUGH, ONTARIO**

Our conference will be held in the Brock St. Gospel Hall on Oct. 16 and 17. Sessions on Saturday at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. For further particulars write Mr. Cecil Parrington, Apt. A, 122 Park St. N, Peterborough, Ontario.

#### **PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

The Lord willing, the Christians gathered in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ at 1246 East Garfield St., Phoenix, Arizona, intend to convene their annual conference at the Thanksgiving week-end. The dates would be November 25, 26, 27 and 28, preceded by a prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, November 24, at eight o'clock.

We welcome servants of God walking in the old paths.

Will Christians who intend coming from a distance contact us at the above address, so that suitable arrangements may be made for their entertainment in the homes of the Christians here.

WM. ISMAY

#### **PORT HOWE, NOVA SCOTIA**

Our annual conference will be held (D.V.) the week end of the "Canadian Thanksgiving." For further information please write to Mr. MacGregor Hunter, Pugwash, Route 1, Nova Scotia.

#### **SAULT STE MARIE, MICH. and ONTARIO**

The Lord's people were strengthened and greatly helped at our recent conference. Those who took part in the ministry and in preaching the Gospel were brethren F. W. Mehl, T. Wilkie, J. Gunn, G. Shivas, L. Brandt, C. Yost, R. Booth and Wm. Gould.

#### **TAMPA, KANSAS**

The Elm Springs assembly will hold their annual conference October 22, 23 and 24, preceded by a prayer meeting the evening of October 21. The Lord's people are invited and accommodations will be provided freely. We look to the Lord for the ministry of His Word that the saints will be revived and sinners brought to a saving knowledge of Christ.

ALVIN A. UNRUH  
Canton, Kansas

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#### ***Change of Address***

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(Correspondent, Mansfield, O.)

#### **GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.**

Annual all day conference, Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25th at Gospel Hall, Eastern Ave., 1 block south of Fulton St., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Speakers expected: James Gunn and George M. Landis.

#### **ERNEST GROSS**

**Great, S.C.**

We are just getting settled in S.C. after a very busy summer. The Lord was pleased to save some for which we give Him all the glory. I start the school work tomorrow. As far as we know now there will be no curtailment due to the affair in Champaign, Illinois.

#### **SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA NOTES**

The eight assemblies of this district are brought together in fellowship and effort by several noteworthy projects during the summer and fall. Starting with

the vacation Bible conference in Yosemite Valley (two who professed faith at that time are showing fine progress); then the week of Bible camp each for Girls and Boys with John Walden as leader (and very encouraging results); then the Labor Day Weekend conference at Gospel Auditorium (a splendid conference, in every sense); then the Missionary Conference Sept. 18 with study period in the afternoon and missionary address by Bill Deans in the evening; then the Young People's Conference at Mount Hermon Oct. 1, 2, & 3; then the Worker's Conference at Parkside (S.F.) Oct. 28, 29, & 30 with the Lord's Servant's expected from many parts of the country; and finally the 4-day Thanksgiving Conference at Bethany Hall, Oakland. No doubt this list makes folks who live in quiet country places glad they are where they are!

Harbor Springs is a summer resort, and the assembly welcomes visiting Christians from other assemblies.

Order of meetings: Sunday morning meeting 9:30 a.m., S.S. and Bible Class 11:00 a.m., Gospel meeting 7:45 p.m.; Wednesday ministry 7:45 p.m.

A. R. PONTIUS

Correspondent

#### **PETERSBURG, VA.**

Robert Halliday began tent meetings here July 18 and has completed the second week of the series. The tent is new and has been pitched in a new community. The numbers from the first night have been most consistent, 150 on Sundays and about 100 through the week. Many strangers have attended and interest shown. Brother Halliday reports he has enjoyed great liberty and has felt the power of the Spirit in the meetings. The assemblies responsible for this effort are Petersburg and Matoaca, and they are much encouraged.

#### **SHEBOYGAN, WISC.**

Brother Dan Dunnett was with us in June and gave good ministry. Meetings were well attended. From there he went to Casco where he held three weeks cottage meetings. Understand four professed to be saved, and the Christians were refreshed.

In July brother Abe Hartsema gave us helpful ministry. From here he went to Casco where the brethren had secured a tent for meetings. They were well attended.

A young married couple, living about 30 miles from here, have recently come into fellowship, and a young girl who had been coming to the meetings professed to be saved a few weeks ago.

We started children's meetings on Friday evenings about a month ago. The first night there were 12 present, and last Friday night, when brother Ernie Gross was here, there were 60 present.

EML FELTEN



#### ***Conference at Ora, Indiana***

The time for another yearly conference has almost come. In the will of the Lord on October 10 we plan to meet again for another Bible conference and we extend a hearty invitation to as many as can come to attend. Pray for the blessing of God upon us.

C. T. MALOTT

# CONFERENCES

Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

We purpose to hold a conference on October 23 and 24, 1948, commencing with a prayer meeting on Friday evening, October 22, at 7:45 p.m. in the Gospel Hall, 24 Cliff Street, Roxbury. There will be no meeting Saturday morning. Meetings at 2:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. on both Saturday and Sunday will be held in the Brookline Baptist Church, 1371 Beacon Street, Brookline, near Coolidge Corner. The 10:30 meeting on Sunday morning to remember the Lord will be held in Whitney Hall, 1330 Beacon Street, across the street from the church. Address communications to William G. Farquhar, 51 Fairbanks Street, Brighton 35, Mass.

## **CAMP BEREA**

Girls camp was signally honored of the Lord this year. It was heart touching to see young girls weeping night after night over the great matter of their soul's salvation. Thank God a few of them found the Saviour. The brethren who preached the Word were Robert Crawford and Clark McClelland. Miss May Walsh of Cliftondale, Mass. was the Camp Director. One young girl of 14 years was asked what she liked best about Camp Berea, and she made the ready

reply, "It was here I met Jesus and that's why I will never forget it."

The Mid-Summer Conference which ran from Aug. 7 to Aug. 14 was a season of very happy Christian fellowship. Psa. 133. The camp was practically filled to capacity. Visitors from some thirty assemblies in the United States and Canada were present.

The Word ministered by Henry Armerding and Lester Wilson was such as to cause heart searchings in the presence of God in view of the near return of our beloved Lord Jesus Christ.

W. HERBERT MARSHALL

## **CANNON BEACH, OREGON**

We held our first Christian camp this year at the Cannon Beach Conference Grounds, Cannon Beach, Oregon, and it was a grand success. The attendance was far beyond our expectation, with an average of 123, and a much larger crowd over the week end. The Lord added His blessing, we are sure, as souls were saved and saints blessed. The camp was under the able direction of Walter Purcell. The invited speakers were A. R. Crocker, Neil Fraser and Walter Purcell, and others. The Oregon Gospel Messengers, on their tour, were in the vicinity and they were with us too. Arrangements

have been made for next year's camp at the same time, around the 4th of July, and if the Lord be not come we'll be looking forward to it. Plan to be with us.

THOMAS DRYDEN

#### **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

The Chicago assemblies announce their sixty-sixth annual Thanksgiving conference to be held (D.V.) November 25 to November 28, 1948 inclusive, in the Harrison Technical High School at South Marshall Blvd. and 24th St. Those desiring further information concerning the conference may write to Mr. Clarence R. Welsler, 5963 West Rice St., Chicago 51, Illinois. A cordial invitation to be present is extended to the Lord's people to enjoy the ministry of His Word and the fellowship of saints.

#### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN** **Central Gospel Hall**

The fifty-eighth annual conference of Christians will be held (D.V.) on October 2 and 3, preceded by a prayer meeting October 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Ionic Temple, Grand River and Choqe Place. Accommodations will be provided for those coming from a distance. Address communications to Mr. C. H. Simms, 12672 Griggs Ave., Detroit, Michigan.

#### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN** **West Chicago Gospel Hall**

Our Annual Conference will be held here (D.V.) on November 20 and 21; meetings at 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., preceded by a prayer meeting Friday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m.

All meetings will be in the Gospel Hall, 7345 West Chicago Blvd. (corner Prairie), Detroit, Michigan. Those com-

ing from a distance will be freely entertained. Correspondent, Alexander Stewart, 9320 Burnette, Detroit 4, Michigan.

ALEXANDER STEWART

#### **FLINT, MICHIGAN**

Our Twelfth Annual Bible Conference will be held October 2 and 3, 1948. The speakers expected are Mr. James F. Spink of Collingdale, Pennsylvania, and Mr. George M. Landis of Fayetteville, Pennsylvania.

On Saturday the ministry meetings are at 3 and 7 p.m. and on Sunday Breaking of Bread at 10 a.m., with a ministry meeting at 3 p.m. and a Gospel service at 7 p.m.

Meals will be served between meetings. Out of town guests will be freely entertained. Those expecting to stay overnight please notify Robert Irvine, 305 West Patterson Street, Flint 5, Michigan.

#### **HAMILTON, ONTARIO**

The 73rd Annual Convention of Christians meeting in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be held, D.V., at the Canadian Thanksgiving time, in the Scottish Rite Cathedral, corner of King and Queen Sts. Address communications to G. P. Cesar, 124 Wentworth St., So. Hamilton, Ontario.

#### **HOUSTON, TEXAS**

The 47th annual conference of Christians gathered in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ at Houston, Texas, will be held (D.V.) in the Gospel Hall, 2402 Louisiana St. on October 29, 30 and 31, with prayer meeting on the 28th preceding. Those coming will kindly give as much advance notice as possible, and

address your communications to the correspondent, H. W. Dedman, 414 Union National Bank Bldg.

#### **LONDON, ONTARIO**

The Annual Thanksgiving Conference arranged by the Hamilton Road, Egerton Street, and Bethel Chapel assemblies will be held (D.V.) on October 9, 10 and 11. *Saturday*—At Hamilton Road Hall, 7:30 p.m., prayer and ministry. *Sunday*—Breaking Bread, at the three halls, at regular hours. Afternoon, at Bethel Chapel, 3:30 p.m., ministry. Sunday evening, 7 p.m. at each hall, Gospel services. At Bethel Chapel 8:30 p.m. Fireside Service. *Monday*, at Hyatt Avenue Church (1 block east of Hamilton Road Hall), 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., and 7 p.m. Speakers expected are C. E. Tatham, Harold Harper, and Peter J. Pell, Jr.

#### **MONTREAL, QUEBEC** **Ebenezer Gospel Hall**

The annual Montreal Thanksgiving Conference will be held in Montreal on the dates of October 9, 10 and 11 with the meetings on the latter date being held in the large church building near to the Ebenezer Gospel Hall assembly. Speakers who have thus far arranged to be with us are Mr. Wm. Deans, Mr. Ernest Woodhouse, and there is a possibility that there will be others coming. Out of town visitors will be welcomed and billeting will be arranged by writing to the undersigned in advance of the conference if possible.

The workers conference is to be eliminated this year with the view of giving more opportunity for ministry of the Word. The conference will be preceded by a combined prayer meeting on the

Friday night before the conference, October 8.

As in past years, we anticipate a time of blessing and refreshing. Details from George H. Dixon, 5866 Fourth Ave., Rosemount, Montreal 36, Canada.

#### **TRENTON, N. J.**

Thanksgiving Day Conference, November 25, 1948, Woodside Chapel, Huff and Brinton Aves., Trenton, N. J. (Near Odd Fellows Home, Pennington Ave.) Afternoon session 2:15 p.m., evening session 7:30 p.m. Speakers expected are C. Ernest Tatham, Lawrence Chambers and William Bryson.

T. BAIN JACKSON

#### **YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK, CALIFORNIA**

The second annual California Bible Conference was held July 18 to August 1 once again in renowned Yosemite Valley. Daily two to three hundred of God's people stood in awe beholding the wonders of God's creative handiwork—and fed and drank together the rich ministry of the Living Word. The Lord met with us—and reached deep into the corners of our hearts to remove the dross of worldliness and fill us with keen desire for His coming and for greater usefulness while left here below. We thanked God for such ministry in such a place—and for such a Saviour!

Ernest Tatham of Toronto, John Walden of Colorado Springs, and Henry Petersen of Los Angeles worked together in a wonderful way as the speakers of the conference. The Lord's return was brought into its true and vital place in our lives by the ministry of the first week. In the second week precious and practical truths from the book of Ruth and the

person and work of the Holy Spirit were brought into the conference by the presence and fellowship of several missionary families. We met at 8:30 for prayer, then the ministry of the Word until 10:30.

Many thousands of vacationers enjoy Yosemite Valley throughout the summer, and not a few came or were brought to the conference services which were all held in the open air. One young college man came under positive conviction and after attending several of the services received the Lord as his Saviour. A 13-year old girl was saved after returning home and there were other evidences of the work of the Spirit.

Many Christians attended the conference from States other than California, some from New York and several from Toronto and Vancouver. Reservations of all types were available by the day or week and many spent the full two weeks with us. All were agreed that this vacation conference, with its lack of regimentation and accent on spiritual ministry and fellowship in relaxed conditions, is an ideal combination—one to be enjoyed every summer while the Lord so wills. Accordingly, we have placed reservation with Yosemite Park for July 17 to 31, inclusive, 1949 and extend a sincere invitation to the Lord's people far and wide.



## SPECIAL ITEMS

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*Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER*

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

### **Gospel Messengers on Tour**

This is the final installment in the reports of activities for the Gospel Messengers on Tour, 1948.

The Gospel Messengers have completed their combined total of 6,000 miles preaching and singing the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, and it has been wonderful to see His hand in blessing. There have been some saved, and we believe that, without exception, all the assemblies of God's people reached were encouraged and cheered.

A total of about 75 towns and cities

were reached, and in many cases meetings were held in more than one location in these places. It would be impossible to estimate how many were reached with the Word of God, and the results of the sowing will only be known at the Judgment Seat of Christ. Almost 50,000 envelopes of Gospel tracts were given out, and with comparatively few exceptions, they were accepted.

The parties traveling and going from place to place were encouraged by seeing some of the Christian young people showing new enthusiasm in the Lord's

service as they started open air meetings of their own after we had left. The young men were responsible for the Gospel and brief testimony messages, and the older brethren carried the burden of ministry to the saints. An atmosphere of harmony has been seen, and it is a joy to see younger and older men going out together sowing the precious seed, and seeing the hand of the Lord in blessing.

The final report meeting was held in the Austin Gospel Hall, August 31, where the Gospel Messengers will bring to the Christians a panoramic view of what has been done during the past six weeks. We trust that the Lord will continue to bless the word that has been sent forth, and that many souls may be saved as a result.

Yours in our Lord Jesus Christ,  
DAVID C. BALL

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### ***Overseas Relief***

“The disciples, every man according to his ability, determined to send relief unto the brethren” (Acts 11:29).

Recently our brother Leonard Netti left for Italy and expects to spend some time there for the encouragement of believers and coordination of relief shipments to the assemblies.

Our brother James Lees from Britain has visited the Polish assemblies recently and also attended the large conference at Wiedenest, Germany. He expects, D.V., to visit Canada and the States in the near future.

Our brother Eoll from Switzerland is traveling through Canada and the States. He is active in relief work in behalf of brethren from England and his own country.

Recently our brother E. W. Halbach returned from a visit to Germany. The believers everywhere expressed their extreme gratitude to the saints in the States and Canada for their most valuable help. The O.R.C. shipments have enabled extensive and systematic feeding programs by the assemblies, principally for the aged and refugees. At the Wiedenest conference lentil soup coming from the States was served the saints. Our German brethren carry on an excellent work of distributing relief supplies through the “Bruderhilfe.” Two brethren for every large district are responsible for the distribution of food and clothing in accordance with the need. A new gospel tent in Germany is now in use with 1500 to 1800 persons present for meetings, and a hunger for the Word of God is evident. Lack of Bibles and assembly halls are noticeable in every city, very few of which escaped bombing.

“Let brotherly love continue” (Hebrews 13:1).

14th July 1948

Dear Mr. Richard Hill:

From a copy of our booklet No. 4 sent under separate cover, you will note that I am devoting most of my time to bringing the Gospel to European Voluntary Workers in this country. Over 100,000 are already here, and larger numbers are on the way. We are in touch with a number of Russian believers who urgently request Bibles but the British and Foreign Bible Society have none in stock. I am told that there is an American edition of the Russian Bible and I wonder whether you would feel free to encourage American believers to send us copies for us to pass on to these people. We would buy them ourselves but you are

aware of the impossibility of our sending currency out of the country. Any such Bibles should be addressed to Mr. S. K. Bine, 110 Christ Church Rd., S.W.2.

Now as to German Bibles, there is an absolute famine of Bibles in Germany today. Last week I received calls (by post) from three different believers, each asking for 40 or 50 German Bibles. This week I received a letter from the leading brother of the oldest Berlin assembly which reads as follows: "what we need is Bibles, *whole* Bibles; we have in our assembly many believers who have been driven out of the east of Germany by the advancing Russians and have lost everything including their Bibles. We can procure New Testaments and Gospels but we need Bibles. Then too, in the assemblies around we need Bibles for those recently converted."

By the same post arrived a letter from Lt. Col. Thomson, well known to me, who has been in Berlin for three years on Government work; he stresses exactly the same need. If any of the believers known to you are exercised and willing to send Bibles to Germany, I will gladly send addresses of those who would put them to excellent use. One tent evangelist who has been greatly used of God, asked for 5,000 copies and we are trying to help him from this side.

With warm greetings,

Yours sincerely in Christ,

(signed) Ransome W. Cooper

OVERSEAS RELIEF COMMITTEE

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### ***In Grateful Appreciation***

Nearly four months ago the writer wrote to the saints of God in many places, asking earnest prayer in behalf of

his dear wife, seriously ill and facing a critical major operation. Her general physical condition was very low and it was feared she might not survive.

For six weeks after this appeal she was undergoing radium treatments, during which time very many earnest, loving prayers were ascending to the throne of grace that our God and Father, according to His abundant mercy might undertake for her.

On June 15 she underwent what the doctors called a "super major" operation, lasting three hours. She came through in good condition, and the chief surgeon said that "it could not have been better, and the outcome was *unusual* and *unexpected*." Not being a Christian, he had no thought of the hand of God being in it. But we knew that prayers had been answered, and that the "unusual and unexpected outcome" was from our God and Father.

Our dear brethren will be glad to know that healing has been going on very satisfactorily. But normal strength is very slow in returning and we would ask a continuance of prayer that recovery may be complete, and there may be no recurrence of the affliction.

For the faithful prayers of our dear brethren, and for the loving messages of sympathy received we cannot adequately express our gratitude; but we wish to say that our hearts have been deeply stirred, and are warmly thankful to one and all.

R. F. BAYLES

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### ***Sisters in the Lord's Work***

MRS. M. SINCLAIR

c/o Mrs. E. Hardie

58 Clifford St.

Ibroy, Glasgow, Scotland

(visiting in Scotland)

The Lord has graciously blessed His Word to the children. During three weeks lessons in the Children's Home, three girls have confessed Christ as their Saviour. The result of the faithful work of my sister, who is Matron. We rejoice and give all the glory to Him, who alone is worthy. I desire to thank all who have remembered me in prayer and ask this continually.

Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance for all saints, and for me. Ephesians 6:18.

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### ***New Correspondents***

Bethany Gospel Hall  
Oakland, California

WILLIAM M. REID  
976 Longridge  
Oakland, California

Beechwood Chapel  
Pittsburgh, Pa.

M. E. HAVENER  
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West Homestead, Pa.

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### ***New time of meetings***

Gospel Hall, Eastern Ave., S.E., one block south of Fulton St., Grand Rapids, Mich.

Sunday—Worship 9:30 a.m., Sunday School 11:15 a.m., Gospel 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday—Prayer and Bible Study. 7:30 p.m.

Bert J. Brunsink, 2437 Borglum Ave., N. E., Grand Rapids, Mich., Phone Glendale 42153.

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### ***With the Lord***

After a long and trying illness brother Peter J. Pelon, formerly of Holland,

Mich., went home to be with the Lord at Denver, Colo., on August 30, 1948. In Michigan brother Pelon was very energetic in the gospel and was widely used of the Lord in hospital visitation. In late years due to sickness his efforts were greatly restricted, but his testimony to the end was indeed bright.

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### ***Opening of New Hall***

#### **LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA**

The New La Brea Gospel Chapel, located at 3043 So. La Brea Ave., Los Angeles, California, was opened on Lord's Day, September 19th. The Lord's Supper will be observed at 9:30 A. M. Bible School and Message at 11 A. M. Special Service at 3:30 and Gospel Meeting at 7:30 P. M. Further notices will be made later, D.V.

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### ***Change of Address***

William J. Oglesby, 714 Lincoln St., Reading, Pa.

Henry Petersen, 2739 Cloverdale Ave., Los Angeles 16, California.

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#### **ST. PETERSBURG, FLORIDA**

The meeting place of the saints in St. Petersburg after Sept. 1, 1948, will be Grace Gospel Chapel, 666 1st Ave. and 7th St., South. We will be happy to welcome Christians coming in from other places.

We are looking to the Lord for an active young man who is not afraid of work to labor with us in the work here.

The above is change of address.

J. E. STRATTON  
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St. Petersburg 6, Fla.

LETTERS OF INTEREST

# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by **JAMES G. HUMPHREY**

**CLARK McCLELLAND**  
67 Church Street  
Westbrook, Maine

We are here at Camp Berea girls camp with our brother Robert Crawford, and have enjoyed a very happy time of fellowship. The Lord is working and some are showing signs of soul exercise, and last night two professed to be saved. We praise the Lord for this and look to Him to bless and save more of these precious souls.

I spent the first three weeks of last month with Ralph West at Pine Bush Camp, in New York State. The Lord gave us some nice souls for which we praise His Name. We do feel it is a wonderful opportunity having the dear boys and girls under the sound of the gospel for two weeks or so, in such an atmosphere. They hear the gospel at least twice a day, and it is wonderful to see the Spirit of God working and just breaking down the stubborn hearts, and then leading them to Christ.

From here back to Westbrook, and we hope D.V. to have the tent up, have children's meetings in the mornings, and then regular gospel meetings in the evenings. How we covet the earnest prayers of the saints for this work.

Shall close with hearty thanks again in His Name.

## **FORSYTH, MICHIGAN**

At present we are enjoying rich ministry in our Youth Conference from Harold Harper. God has been pleased to break hearts of young Christians, so we have seen many yielded to Christ

and look to the Lord to use them to the spreading of much-needed revival in their home assemblies.

Wh. Hynd of Jamaica is also with us directing camp activities as well as ministering the Word. We have seen some fruitful times during the past seven weeks of Camps and Conference—all praise to the Lord!

CAMERON MACARTHUR

**W. J. OGLESBY**  
714 Lincoln Street  
Reading, Pa.

I am writing these few lines from Greenwood Hills Boys' Camp, where tonight (Aug. 18th) we are closing our ten days together. We have had 53 boys and 6 counsellors, which is somewhat smaller than previous years, but the Lord has given us a very happy and profitable time together. The Word has been ministered faithfully twice daily, and we say to God's praise and glory, has borne fruit in the salvation of precious souls. As these lads leave camp tomorrow morning we commend them to God and the word of His grace, which is able to build them up and give them an inheritance among all them which are sanctified. We would follow them with our prayers, and ask that others of the Lord's people would remember these boys with us.

At Camp Berea from July 12th through 24th we had the largest enrollment yet, with 66 boys and 10 counselors. There, too, we also witnessed the Lord's hand in blessing. Our brother David Ward brought some fine messages each morning for Christian boys

and in the evening services we had gospel messages in which several counsellors shared. A number made a profession of faith in Christ, and we have reason to believe that the boys were honest and sincere in the step which they took. We feel that eternity alone will reveal how genuine has been this work with the young people.

#### **MAZAMA BIBLE CAMP, WASH.**

While Brethren had many set backs and discouragements in trying to get buildings erected and the camp opened for the 1948 season, mainly because of floods in the Methow Valley. The flood damage was so severe that nearly every highway bridge for a distance of 40 miles was washed out. Notwithstanding all this, it was decided to go ahead with the camp as planned. We were agreeably surprised to find we had enrolled some 43 students from 10 to 17. Everyone had a helpful time, with Walter Purcell and Larry Anderson in charge of activities. There were several outstanding conversions of young people who professed faith in our Lord Jesus Christ as their own personal Saviour. On Lord's day afternoon 11 were baptized, for which we thank Him who has wrought a great victory through his blood-bought people.

E. C. WILLIAMS

#### **TEXAS YOUTH CAMP Houston, Texas**

The 1948 camping season opened at Texas Youth Camp, near Dallas, Texas, on June 13th and closed July 25th. A total of six camps were held during this six weeks period, including two Boys Camps, two Girls Camps, a Young Peoples' Conference, and a General Christian Conference. There was a total attendance of 215 young people, which was a record.

Brother Robert I. Thompson of South Houston, Texas, was Director in charge of all camps, and deserves a great deal of credit for his untiring work. Other principal workers in these Camps were Brother Ernest Gross of Greer, South Carolina; Brother Les Rainey of Brantford, Ontario, Canada; and Mrs. R. J. Lammert of Houston, Texas, who was supervisor of the Girls Camp. The Lord wonderfully used all of these leaders, and we are thankful to report that there were thirty confessions of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

We are grateful to the Lord's people who were praying for this work, and know they will be happy to learn how the Lord has blessed in the salvation of this large number of young people.

E. E. GRIFFIN

**STANLEY WELLS**

**Summerside, P.E.I.**

We have just finished another season of D. V. B. S. work. Country schools open here this year on Aug. 10th. We are glad to report many young people reached with the Word of God, and signs of the Lord's blessing. The average at-

opposed are now showing manifest interest. A Bro. Warnholtz from Toronto has been here for the summer, and has rendered valuable assistance in Bible school and open air work. He is a student of the Emmaus Bible school. We were cheered by a visit from Bro. Harold Harper July 28-29th. It was a great blessing



tendance was 45. Parents' nights usually saw the hall well filled. At our last school the school house could not hold all that came. We are also cheered with the interest in town. Our open air meetings continue as large as ever, and we believe that this testimony in the Gospel is going to bring forth fruit. Some who were

to have him here even for so short a visit. We have reason to believe his stay was the means of a definite blessing to one very promising young man. We see evidences of God working in the hearts of both saints and sinners and we value the prayers of God's people, especially at this time.

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

EDITED BY W. R. SIMPSON

## ALEXANDER LIVINGSTONE

Mr. Alexander Livingstone was born in Govan a large suburb of the city of Glasgow, Scotland, on January 28, 1859. He was a boiler maker and rivetter by trade and wrought in the great shipyards of that city. In his young life he never went into gross wickedness but was fond



of dancing, music and swimming. When he was 19 years of age he was startled by a friend who touched him on the shoulder and said "Aleck God is love." The Spirit used this great truth to awaken him to a sense of his need as a sinner. He experienced great unhappiness and

could neither eat, sleep nor work because of the anguish of his soul in the conviction of sin. In his distress he went to the McGregor mission hall near his home and heard the gospel. At the close of the service Mrs. McGregor said to him "Young man do you want to be saved?" He answered "I do." Mr. McGregor pointed him to the Saviour. He read and explained to him the truths of John 3:16 and almost instantly he learned that though he was a poor hell deserving sinner yet God loved him and gave His Son to be his Saviour and that believing he would never perish. The light of the glorious gospel shone into his troubled soul. He went home that memorable evening quite exhausted but had a most refreshing sleep because as he confessed "I have such a peace." The next day he went to his work as usual in the shipyard. He decided that he would not tell anyone what had happened but he knew a Christian in the yard and he could not resist telling him that he was saved. "Aleck," he said, "I knew it for I seemed to see it in your face."

The young convert's heart was fired with the gospel and just four weeks after he was saved he sought to the best of his ability to preach the glad tidings in the open air at the town square near his home. A large crowd listened and some were nudging others and saying "that's the cymbol boy of the Govan band."

Some two years after his conversion

he went to the North of Ireland to spend his vacation in the gospel. He joined Mr. David Rea of gospel fame and instead of a two week's vacation he continued helping and preaching the gospel for months. One of his first series all alone in a barn continued for six months. The Lord blessed his earnest and continued labors. Quite a number were saved and a good sized assembly was planted. At the close of this series he said to Mr. Rae, "I must go home now to see my blind mother." His mother lost her eyesight in the first year of her married life and some time later his father a sea captain was drowned in a disaster to his ship. "Go home," Mr. Rae said, "I dare you to leave all those lambs. They need to be taught for they do not know their right hand from their left. Leave your baggage," Mr. Rea continued, "Go home and see your mother for a week and return." He took Mr. Rea's advice and returned to Ireland and remained with the young assembly for another six months.

He continued throughout the years in the gospel with other fellow-laborers in Ireland teaching and preaching at Belfast, Lurgan, Ballymena, Coleraine Bushmills and many other large and small towns with manifest blessing. He also spent long seasons in England, at Newcastle, Nottingham, Derby, Lancaster, and the hand of the Lord was with him.

In 1908 he came to America and his dear wife and daughters followed. His first home was in Philadelphia and here too the Lord blessed his labors. In the vicinity of that city and as a result of a tent season in which Mr. Lamb from Ireland joined the assembly at Camden was planted. In journeyings oft and labors abundant he peddled the gospel

from the Atlantic to the Pacific and as far afield as British Columbia.

He spent his last 20 years in Canada making Toronto his home. He ministered much in the small assemblies of Canada a work he was very fond of in his latter years.

My first recollections of Mr. Livingstone goes back to almost 60 years. I was then in my teens. Together and with others we were having an open air meeting. Mr. Livingstone was the chief speaker. I was the hat rack holding the speaker's hats and took charge of the singing. Mr. Livingstone had a good strong voice. He was an intelligent and forceful gospeller and never lost his gospel spirit. He was also a unique expositor of the Scriptures and enjoyed confirming the assemblies in definite Scriptural testimony for the Lord. He was a man of much prayer and kindly spirit and read his large Newberry Bible with avidity.

As Mr. Livingstone neared the four score years his voice began to weaken and his physical strength began to fail and yet he remained in harness for the Lord to the very end.

After a brief sickness Mr. Livingstone peacefully fell asleep in his home at Toronto on Feb. 11, 1940, in his 82nd year. Many of his brethren came to his room to wait and watch the home going of this well known and loved servant "*Twas a noble life, well lived for God.*" of the Lord. Fitting burial services largely attended were held in the Pape Avenue hall, his home assembly, and the earthly remains were laid to rest in the Pine Hills cemetery to await the resurrection of the Just and the re-union of all the saints.

JAMES S. WAUGH

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# RADIO PROGRAMS

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The following are broadcasts carried on by or in fellowship with assemblies. We invite all those engaged in such work to send in all details (kc., time, station, city, etc.) regarding their activity. Stations listed alphabetically according to State.

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KCNA, Tucson—Monday through Friday, 8:15 a.m.—T. B. Gilbert.

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KWKW, Pasadena (1430 kc.)—Bible Treasury Hour for Boys and Girls, with Mabel Elliot and Bill Faulkner—Saturday, 9:15 a.m.

WMDO, Fajardo, Puerto Rico (1490 kc.)—Bible Treasury Hour—Monday, 1:45 p.m.  
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CJ CJ, Calgary, Alta.—Sunday, 8:45 a.m.

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## Georgia

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## Idaho

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KFNF, Shenandoah (920 kc.)—Sunday, 1:45 p.m.—Tom Westwood.

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# EDITORIAL

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## Reverence

W. HERBERT MARSHALL

God is greatly to be feared in the assembly of the saints, and to be had in Reverence of all them that are about Him, Psa. 89.7.

One could wish that this solemn text occupied a conspicuous place in every Gospel Hall and Chapel in our land today. Its very presence, with its silent and subduing message, would help to correct some of the imperfections that too often characterize our Assembly gatherings, among which is the one of irreverence.

Some of us who were brought up from infancy in the religious systems of the world can well remember the feeling of awe and reverence that crept over our young hearts as we entered the so called "House of God." It was instilled into our minds at Mother's knee that it was here that our behaviour was to be at its best. This was "the House" where God spoke to us, and we were to listen with good attention and deep reverence. Those early lessons have never been forgotten, even though the sweet voices of those who taught them to us have long since been silent in death.

But we find today that somehow a lack of reverence has come into our assemblies—some of it from want of early training—some of it unwillingly—but all of it calling for sincere exercise in the presence of God.

God's voice in the past dispensation demanded instant and earnest attention as witnessed in the lives of Noah and

Moses and many other Old Testament saints. In Hebrews 11, verse 7 we read, "By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear," and this expression, "moved with fear" means to act with reverence produced by holy fear. And word to Moses out of the burning bush was, "Take off thy shoes from off thy feet, for the place whereon thou standest is Holy ground," causing Moses to hide his face in reverential awe and worship.

Then wherein do we manifest this lack of reverence in our Assemblies? When God's beloved Son was on His way to the Cross, he called aside a few of His redeemed ones to carry out His parting request. We read, "When the hour was come He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him," Luke 22:14.

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"When the hour was come." Does it not portray a lack of reverence to be found habitually coming in late to this meeting with the King of Kings and Lord of Lords? Did we have an appointment with some great dignitary of earth, how careful we would be to be present on time. Now of course there are exceptions to this—oftentimes home responsibilities or secular duties intrude upon our sincere efforts to be present at the appointed hour. But observation tells us that very often no such hindrances stand in the way of those who come in late. How it must delight His heart to see "His Own" gathered at the appointed hour—yes, even before the appointed hour to quietly meditate and muse upon the great theme of our worship meeting—"Jesus Himself—His Work and His Glory."

Then we think of our Gospel meetings and how often these are marred and rendered ineffective by our lack of reverence. No sooner is the meeting over than we rise to greet our friends—we congregate in the vestibule or on the sidewalk. The noise of laughter is often heard, and the poor unsaved, who may have been present, go away wondering if there is any reality in what we profess and what we preach. Call it what you may, but in its essence it is lack of reverence for the place where the Lord has been pleased to place His Name.

I recall many years ago attending a gospel meeting where an honored servant of Christ was holding forth. His subject that evening was the Great White Throne of Judgment. It was one of the most solemn meetings I had ever been in. When he reached the close, he said, "Friends, we are not going to sing tonight—we are going to close with a

word of prayer, and after so doing, I am going to ask everyone to kindly leave this meeting without the usual greetings, and to go home quietly and meditate upon what you have heard." The effect was most solemnizing, and those meetings were crowned with salvation to quite a few souls.

"*To be had in reverence.*" What a sacred injunction! How it reins us up, and humbles us as we see how far short we have come in this God-honouring characteristic. Shall we not seek by His Grace to rectify wherein we have failed, and to henceforth endeavor to show to principalities and powers and to an ungodly world the homage and veneration due to His Holy Name.

### ***This Month's Cover***

A typical scene in the Library at Emmaus Bible School in Chicago. The students are a group of keen young Christians from all over the country, who gathered in September to study God's Word.

Shown in the picture are some of the valuable books that have been donated by Christian people for the use in the school. These books have a very wide-spread ministry. Students refer to them constantly in the course of their studies.

This scene is also typical of the school in Toronto, where approximately 150 students are registered. A new semester begins on January 4 of next year, and many additional students are expected at that time.

Christians visiting in both Toronto and Chicago are finding these schools to be a real point of interest as they attend classes with the students and observe the various student activities.

The address of the school in Toronto is 81 Harcourt Avenue; in Chicago the school is located at 6902 South Normal Blvd.

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**WM. FAIRHOLM**  
Pillbrock, Alberta

Once again we can raise our Ebenezer concerning the work at Bethel Bible Camp (Westlock, Alberta), and say "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us." For once again God has given us three good weeks of camp in spite of adverse weather conditions for part of the second week.

During the three weeks of camp there were 21 confessions of faith in the Lord Jesus, among them a number of R.C. children. How thankful we are to God for setting the seal of His approval on this work once again, in this very manifest way, the salvation of souls.

Some who were saved last year were back with us this year, and gave evidence of a genuine work of grace in their souls. "I know that, whatsoever God doeth, it shall be forever" (Eccl. 3:14), and like all His works perfect and complete.

The laboring brethren who stayed throughout the camp were brother J. Sommecal, Wm. Murray, and myself, and were ably assisted by a number of willing workers from the surrounding assemblies and visiting brethren.

The first week was for Christians, the second for the children from the classes and Sunday schools of the surrounding districts. These are largely carried on by our sisters Miss Mary Taylor of Pibrock, and Miss Reika Lievers of Neerlandia, who labor faithfully and extensively among the children in the various schools. The third week was for the children in connection with the work of the Edmonton Assembly.

For our work in the north there is ab-

solutely no charge whatsoever to any camper, it is supported by interested Christians and assemblies whom God exercises. The work stands as a testimony that our God is "Jehovah Jireh," the Lord who sees and provides. To God be all the glory.

Last Lord's day, Aug. 8, we were at Neerlandia and witnessed the baptism of five believers. Brethren Sommecal and Murray took part in the day's services. The little assembly there is to be commended for their faithfulness and steadfastness.

I am leaving this week-end for McLeod Valley and Mahaska, the districts where I was led to Christ years ago through the faithful preaching of brother A. R. Stephenson.

**LOUIS GERMAIN**  
442 Bank St.  
Ottawa, Ont., Canada

I left Ottawa a month ago for a trip to Quebec province going to L. to visit a French R.C. with whom I had corresponded and who expressed the desire to see me. We had two good talks together.

Next I came to R.V. in the hills and bush 110 miles north of Montreal where I spent three weeks visiting, ministering the Word to believers and giving the Gospel to the unsaved. Now I am 20 miles further away. Last Saturday I went to the homes inviting the people to the meeting for next day afternoon. The meeting was in the home of a R.C. and the house was crowded; a few R.C. and families were there. At night we had another good meeting in another home

three miles away. D.V., I expect to be here a few more days, then move on to a new place. It would take months to cover well this part of the province as quite a number of people have received the N.T., used clothing and would welcome me.

Kindly remember us and the people in prayer.

**MUN HOPE**

**P. O. Box 41**

**Aldergrove, B. C., Can.**

In answer to prayer and following a lengthy series of Gospel meetings, the Lord planted a testimony here in Aldergrove, B. C. Almost four months ago about fourteen believers broke bread at 9:00 a.m. Lord's day morning. Twenty believers have now been baptized and now the assembly has more than doubled in the number breaking bread. Six more believers are asking for baptism, including a school teacher's wife saved last week. Two others included the wife and daughter of a Roman Catholic who were saved several months ago. The new Community Sunday school has over one hundred attending and meets at 10:30 a.m. Sundays.

Satanic opposition continues to be strong but our Lord is able.

Pray for Lorne Trowbridge, saved less than two years ago, who is working with me here ever since the start of the assembly.

The Aldergrove Assembly meets in the Community Hall at Aldergrove, B. C.

Encouraging ministry was given by John Vifian and L. F. Borghardt, Spokane, Washington; Jim Currit of Ireland, enroute to Japan to give help in brother

Hay's work; and H. Harris of Jamaica.

Also brother John Hunt paid us a visit last month.

**DAVID KIRK**

**c/o Missionary Service Committee**

**418 Church Street**

**Toronto, Canada**

The day of our departure from these shores draws near; if the Lord will, we return to Canada on October 6, sailing from Liverpool for Montreal. Our temporary address until we get located once more will be as noted above.

It is 13 months since we left, and they have been the busiest, I believe, I have ever spent in the service of the Lord. God has blessed His Word in a precious way to saints and sinners. Little assemblies of the Lord's people are dotted all over the six counties which comprise Ulster, and I believe there is an unrivalled thirst for the Word of God. It is quite common if a servant of the Lord is in one place seeing blessing to have a bus load of saints from another district drive over for the meeting. The City of Belfast boasts about 24 assemblies, the aggregate total of which might be in the region of seven thousand Christians. Saturday evening meetings in the different halls are often arranged, and it is with difficulty the people are crowded in. I assure you I leave these shores with fragrant memories of meetings in the many centers I have been privileged to visit.

Last week we spent in the County Derry while this week is being given to the saints in Lurgan. Lurgan has been a stronghold for many years, and the name of the late Dr. Darling has always been associated with this town. The mention of his name will conjure many pleasant memories in the minds of many of the

Irish readers of **LETTERS OF INTEREST**. The interest is splendid, the hall being filled every night, and a keen sense of the presence of the Lord.

At the weekend I go (D.V.) to Dublin for a few meetings in the historic Merrion Hall, and then return to Belfast. My last week will again be spent in my old assembly-Ebenezer; and this name—"Ebenezer"—truly epitomizes my heart's response for all the Lord's gracious dealings since stepping on the Emerald shore.

**JOSHUA NELSON**  
Grimshaw, Alta., Can.

This summer we spent one profitable week at Bethel Bible Camp at Westlock and the camp here in the North of the Peace River, and several boys and girls accepted Christ as their own personal Saviour at this camp.

Then with the help of our dear brethren Wilson and Cooper of Vermilion, Alta, and we were enabled to carry on three Daily Vacation Bible Schools and six publicly confessed the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour. We praise the Lord for the opportunity in winning the young for Him. Some of our activities have been curtailed recently because of the "polio" epidemic.

Thanking you again and praying the Lord's richest blessing to rest upon you.

**F. W. NUGENT**  
424 McKenzie Ave.  
London, Ontario

We secured a nice lot in the very center of a new district in the west end of Detroit, and pitched the tent on it with high hopes of seeing an interest on the part of the residents, but were sadly disappointed, for in spite of a house-to-house visitation very few of them attended the meetings. However, we were

able to have long conversations with a number at the doors, and in some instances were invited into the homes, and were thus enabled to read the Word of God to them, so trust that these conversations and the tracts given will yet be "found after many days."

The Christians attended the meetings well, and brought unsaved relatives and friends with them, several of these continuing to attend the meetings until they were saved, ten in all professing faith in our Lord Jesus Christ during the six weeks the tent meetings were in progress. One happy feature of the meetings was the fact that most of those who professed did so either during the preaching of the Gospel, or at home, one girl professing to be saved while on the way home in her mother's car. She had been deeply troubled for days previous to her conversion, her mother telling us that she often stayed awake until midnight crying, but on the night of her conversion she suddenly cried out in the car, "Oh Mother, with Jesus' stripes I am healed." Her happy face the next day made us feel that a real work of grace had been wrought in her heart, so we trust that she will be the means of her grandfather being won to Christ, for he is very fond of her.

When we saw that the residents of the district would not attend the meetings, we started using the Public Address System, and after playing some records would stop in the middle of the block and preach the Gospel. We covered the district this way, so feel that we left them without excuse.

**WM. J. OGLESBY**  
714 Lincoln St.  
Reading, Pa.

After more than two years without a

permanent home the Lord, through the kindness of a sister in the West Reading Assembly, opened an apartment to us at 714 Lincoln St., Reading, Penna., which we occupied the latter part of August. We believe that this provision is a definite answer to prayer, and an indication of the will of the Lord as to our future service. With Reading as our center we shall seek to work amongst the Lord's people in the various assemblies as He opens the way.

It was my happy privilege to share in the ministry at the first Labor Day Conference held by the saints of Melrose Chapel in Roanoke, Va. A number of saints from several other assemblies in Virginia were present, and together we had a most profitable and encouraging time in the Lord. We pray that the heart-searching ministry brought by various brethren will be productive of a closer walk with God in many lives.

We are still deeply interested in the work among the boys and girls, and shall be glad to minister to them as the Lord provides the strength and wisdom.

**V. M. RIVERA**  
**114 W. Mayfield**  
**San Antonio 11, Texas**

We are thankful to our Lord that we finally were enabled to begin tent Gospel meetings Sept. 5.

This effort in the tent is going on nightly except Saturdays. Many people that do not even go near a Gospel hall are coming into the tent and we are telling them the sweet story of salvation.

Many lukewarm Christians have been encouraged back into sweet fellowship and so-called "backsliders" restored to the faith.

The weather has been fine so we have

decided to continue the meetings for an indefinite length of time as the Lord leads.

We covet the prayers of the Lord's people that many precious souls be saved to His glory and honor.

**THEODORE WILLIAMS, SR.**

**O. F. GALL**  
**9213 Harvard Ave.**  
**Chicago 20, Ill.**

We folded our Gospel tent after nearly six weeks of Gospel preaching and Bible teaching here on Chicago's southside. With the willing help of our local brethren we visited over 1500 homes this season with written and verbal invitations: sound Gospel tracts, Christian literature for children and adults. The attendance was slow for the first two weeks; interest increased and we saw new faces in almost every meeting. We were greatly encouraged at the close as many came for the first time on the very last night. Although we did not hear of any one accepting Christ as Saviour in the tent, the Lord came in and blessed the efforts of our young brethren in the open air meetings at 43rd and So. Parkway Saturday nights. Eighty to one hundred and over listened with deep interest as four and sometimes five of our brethren preached the Gospel of redeeming grace. Two who listened on Saturday night, came to our meeting Sunday night and got saved. One a "Seventh Day Adventist," by his own admission, "I was empty until tonight" etc. He has requested baptism already and expressed his desire to remember the Lord with us after seeing the order for the first time last Sunday morning. Three believers now awaiting to follow the Lord in baptism. A believer from denominations has asked for an in-

interview, desiring to take their place among the Lord's people gathered to His precious name.

There is really no "rush" on down here; we have not found the so-called "hunger for the Gospel," men seem to love their sins; but we believe the Holy Spirit is working with us as we present Christ in the message of the Gospel. When He, the Holy Spirit, convicts the sinner of his need and awakens him to his danger, we know it is done. We would therefore seek simply just to be "workers together with Him." We want you to know we thoroughly enjoy our work for the Lord down here. While the task is not easy, the joy is ours in the Lord and we are not in the least discouraged. Looking forward with much joy, to see hundreds of our children gathered in Sunday school classes in that new Gospel Hall. That will be the day for us!

**WM. B. MACKIE**  
845 Ridge Ave.,  
Pittsburgh 12, Pa.

I had the happy privilege of sharing the ministry with our dear brother Henry Armerding at Guelph Bible Conference.

During August, I visited several assemblies in Michigan and Canada.

I had a week in Detroit, helping in the Gospel and ministry at East-Side Gospel Hall.

Then a few days at Flint, my home assembly. In Canada, I had the joy of visiting and ministering at Turner Rd., Windsor, Bethel Chapel, London and Brantford.

Spent "Labor Day week end at Greenwood Hills Bible Conference and took part in the ministry.

I am now back in Pittsburgh and preparing for a heavy program for fall and winter.



## ***A Word of Encouragement for Christian Workers***

"All that the Father giveth me *shall* come to me."

What a lesson this is for every under-shepherd. Here is the true haven of rest for the heart of every Christian worker. Your message may be slighted by the crowd, and as you see how many there are who "believe not" it may appear that your labor is in vain. Nevertheless "the foundation of God *standeth sure*, having this seal, the Lord knoweth *them that are His*" (II Tim. 2:19). The eternal purpose of the Almighty cannot fail: the sovereign will of the Lord Most High cannot be frustrated. *ALL*, every one, that the Father gave to the Son before the foundation of the world "shall come to him." The devil himself cannot keep one of them away. So take heart, fellow worker. You may seem to be sowing the Seed at random, But God will see to it that part of it falls onto ground which He has prepared. The realization of the invincibility of the eternal counsels of God will give you a calmness, a poise, a courage, a perseverance which nothing else can. "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as *ye know* that your labor is *not in vain* in the Lord" (I Cor. 15:58).

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# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**HECTOR ALVES**  
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**ALBERT JOYCE**  
417 Roehampton Ave.  
Toronto 12, Ont., Can.

We understand these brethren started a series of meetings in October, in Garnavillo, Iowa. Prior to the commencement of these meetings, Fisher Hunter was in Garnavillo ministering the Word to the Lord's people.

**ROBERT L. BOOTH**  
Box 127  
Gore Bay, Manitoulin Island, Ont.

Brethren Booth and McClurkin had the happy privilege on August 22 of seeing the saints gathered together to form an assembly in Gore Bay.

It was a happy sight indeed to see 18 sitting down for the first time to remember the Lord.

This is the fruit of six years of faithful labor, from time to time, by brother Booth, aided by brother McClurkin and others who helped.

A hall is in the process of being built and the brethren hope it will be completed before the winter. Prayer is asked for this new testimony.

**LOUIS BRANDT**  
Garnavillo,  
Iowa

These brethren pitched a tent in September near West Union, Iowa, using heat to keep it comfortable.

There has been considerable blessing here in times past, and our brethren look to see more saved during this effort.

**DAVID CALDERHEAD**  
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Mansfield, O.

**WM. WARKE**  
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Chicago 20, Ill.

**J. D. LIPKE**  
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Cleveland, O.

During October these brethren had a week of Gospel meetings in Cumberland, Md., then visited Lonaconing.

They purpose starting a series of Gospel meetings on October 17 in the Avondale Gospel Hall, Chicago.

**LEE GRISHAM**  
Alpena Pass, Ark.

Brother Grisham and the Christians in Alpena Pass were encouraged when four followed the Lord in baptism on Sept. 12.

They intended having a conference on the 23rd and 24th of October.

**ERNEST GROSS**  
Box 412  
Greer, So Carolina

Brother Gross began a series of Gos-

pel meetings, especially for children, on Sunday, Oct. 3, in the Washington Heights Gospel Hall, Chicago.

He took part in the Chicago Sunday School Teachers Conference on Saturday, Oct. 2, and his ministry to teachers was searching and inspiring.

**R. T. HALLIDAY**  
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**Station A.**  
**San Antonio, Texas**

The tent meetings held by brother Halliday in Petersburg, Va., were well attended from first to last, with seldom less than 150 on Sunday nights and 100 on week nights. The last Sunday night there were 200 out. Six or seven professed to be saved. After five weeks meetings the tent was moved to Newport News.

Brother Halliday was exercised about pitching a tent in Texas, when last we heard about the middle of September.

**SAM HAMILTON**  
**Mounted Route 42**  
**La Crosse, Wisc.**

Brother Hamilton is compelled to stay near home because of the illness of his wife and sister-in-law, but he has endeavored to spread the Gospel in the vicinity of his home.

During the summer nearby towns were visited with tracts, and the loud speaker was used to good advantage for open air meetings. Some seemed interested and anxious to be saved.

Our brother, aided by the local Christians, had meetings on his front lawn, using his loud speaker.

This is certainly the literal carrying out of the Lord's injunction, "Beginning at Jerusalem."

**ARTHUR W. DEWHURST**  
**Park Street, West**  
**North Reading, Mass.**

At present Arthur Dewhurst and George Hatherly are working among the farm folk in the Newfound Lake area of New Hampshire. They have been able to have open air meetings during the vacation season in the town of Bristol, N. H. Many of the Christians from Camp Berea Conference grounds helped in the singing and gave personal testimony to the saving and keeping power of Christ. Tract distribution has been one of their major activities in that area.

DAVID WALSH

**GEORGE LANDIS**  
**R.F.D. 2**  
**Fayetteville, Pa.**

Brother Landis was in Chicago during October helping in Emmaus Bible School. He spent a night each week in Laffin St., 86th St., and Fernwood Gospel Halls, speaking on the subject of "The Church." He also spent Sundays visiting in the various assemblies.

**LEONARD LINDSTED**  
**123 So. Glen**  
**Wichita, Kas.**

Brother Lindsted began a series of Gospel meetings in the new chapel in Burlington, Col., on Sept. 12. The attendance grew from the opening night, and some nights the hall was well filled. So far two have professed to be saved. Brother G. McCulloch expected to join him later in these meetings.

At the conclusion of this effort, brother Lindsted intended going to Valliant, Okla., with a young Christian, originally from this town, and who wants the Gospel taken to his relatives and friends.

**L. G. McBAIN**  
1200 Highland Blvd.  
Jackson, Mich.

**NORMAN CRAWFORD**  
Box 285  
Jackson, Mich.

These brethren were encouraged by three professing to be saved in their tent meetings near Jackson, Mich. They commenced Gospel meetings towards the end of September in Beetown, Wis.

**ROBERT McCLURKIN**  
R.R.I.  
Galt, Ont.

**TOM WILKE**  
Box 183  
Forest, Ont.

A Gospel effort was to begin by these brethren, about the middle of October, in the West Chicago Blvd. Gospel Hall, Detroit, Mich. Prior to these meetings, brother McClurkin had several weeks ministry meetings in Addison Rd. Gospel Hall, Cleveland. He spoke on assembly truths and the Exalted Lord in the Midst of His Own. The ministry was profitable and enjoyed by the Christians.

**JOHN NEWTON**  
England

Brother Newton, who has been on a visit to this country since May, hopes to get an extension of his six months permit, until December. He spent some months with the Messengers on Tour.

He intends, in the will of God, visiting various assemblies in the Chicago area around the end of October. From there he hopes to go with brother Ernest Woodhouse, also recently from England, to Denver and then to California.

His mailing address during the balance of his stay in this country is c/o David Lawrence, 205 So. 12th St., Centerville, Iowa.

**V. PHILLIPS**  
59 W. Lime St.  
Tarpon Springs, Fla.

Brother Phillips, who labored for some years in Tarpon Springs, is now in

Greece. He states that he has been preaching in a large assembly in Athens, and in other smaller assemblies. He says people are eager to hear the Gospel, and there are not enough chairs to accommodate the people, who gladly listen for two hours or more to the Word being preached.

Mrs. Phillips will remain in Tarpon Springs for the time being.

**THOS. ROBINSON**  
806 West Olive Ave.  
Monrovia, Calif.

Brother Robinson had meetings during the summer in a new district called Valleydale, in which brother Kesler helped.

He is exercised about the Monrovia assembly, where he is now in fellowship, and he purposes starting a series of meetings using his "Two Roads Chart." He intends to canvass the district around the hall, going from door to door, inviting the people to the meetings.

**J. J. ROUSE**  
234 Crescent Rd.  
Calgary, Alberta, Can.

Brother Rouse is somewhat improved and spent September in Iowa visiting the Christians in the various assemblies.

He expected to spend a week or so in Chicago, about the middle of October, and from there intended to go to Ontario.

**LEONARD SHELDRAKE**  
3719 Penn Ave.  
Kansas City 2, Mo.

After the Minneapolis Conference, brother Sheldrake stayed for two weeks meetings with the North East Assembly. He spoke on prophecy and the ministry was profitable.

After the Konorodo, Kas. Conference October 2 and 3, brother John Walden and he purposed having some meetings in Burlington, Col., in the new hall the Christians have built there. There is a hope that eventually there may be an assembly in this place as some of the Konarado assembly already live there.

**HARVIE STEWART**  
**147 Sams Lane**  
**West Bromwich**  
**Staffordshire, England**

Brother Stewart is spending his last few weeks in this country in the New York area. He spoke in Jersey City, Sea Cliffe, New York City and other places. As mentioned in a previous issue, he is exercised about settling permanently in this country. He is looking to the Lord to open the way for his return.

**HOUSTON, TEXAS**

On September 26 a new meeting began in South Houston, Texas, a new hall having been built at the corner of 11th St. and Spencer Highway; those who are

mainly responsible in this new meeting are several brethren who have been in fellowship in the Gospel Hall at 2402 Louisiana St. for many years and live in this section, also a number who have left the sects recently and who also live in that area, these have been in fellowship also for a short time at the Houston hall, and a few who have been saved at meetings held among them at different times.

This meeting has been formed in happy fellowship with the meeting from which they have gone out, and with other meetings in this section; this being the third that has thus been formed, others being Pineview and Manvel, also a new work is going on in a new hall in the Melrose section.

The correspondent of the meeting is Mr. B. S. Avenell, 600 Sixth Ave., South Houston, Texas, and the hall will be known as the South Houston Bible Chapel.

H. W. DEDMAN



# CONFERENCES

Edited by J. W. KENNEDY

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **BRYN MAWR, PA.**

We purpose as usual holding our annual conference, in the will of our God, on Thanksgiving day, Nov. 25, 1948.

Order of meetings: Thursday three meetings, 10:30 a.m., 2:30 p.m., 7:00 p.m.; Friday and Saturday evening at 7:30; Lord's Day 10:30 a.m. to remember the Lord, 2:30 ministry and 7:00 p.m. Gospel.

SAMUEL MARTIN

## **BUFFALO, N. Y.**

Thanksgiving Day Conference Thursday, Nov. 25, 1948, D.V., at Assembly Hall, 111 Elmwood Ave. Afternoon session for the ministry of God's Word at 3:15 p.m. Evening session at 7:00 p.m. Speakers Peter J. Pell, Jr. of Grand Rapids, Michigan and Cyril H. Brooks of the Philippine Islands. Refreshments will be served between the sessions. A most cordial invitation is extended to all.

ALVIN J. SAUER

## **CHICAGO, ILLINOIS**

Again, in matchless grace of our God, the Chicago assemblies are happy to announce their 66th Annual Thanksgiving Conference to be held, God willing, Thursday to Sunday, November 25, 26,

27 and 28, 1948, inclusive, in the auditorium of the Harrison Technical High School, at South Marshall Boulevard and 24th St., Chicago.

Among those who are expected to minister will be George Mortland, Harold Mackay, Richard Hill, Leonard Shel-drake, Adam Ferguson, J. M. Davies, John Walden and Donald Charles.

The location is the same as last year, and is easily accessible by means of the Douglas Park Elevated, Cermak Road street car and the California Avenue bus line.

Those desiring further information concerning the conference, may write to Mr. Clarence R. Welsler, 5963 Rice Street, Chicago 51, Illinois. Telephone COLUMBUS 1-8628.

A cordial invitation is extended to the Lord's people to be present to enjoy the ministry of His Word and the fellowship of saints.

## **DETROIT, MICHIGAN West Chicago Gospel Hall**

Our Annual Conference will be held here (D.V.) on November 20 and 21; meetings at 10 a.m., 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., preceded by a prayer meeting Friday, November 19 at 7:30 p.m.

All meetings will be in the Gospel

# Late News Section

## Important Notice

Because of the current nature of **LETTERS OF INTEREST**, no part of it can be printed ahead. The editors, however, through this Late News Section, are able to include letters and reports received up to the 15th of each month, unclassified as space permits.

**TOM OLSON**  
1691 New York Ave.  
Alhambra, Calif.

Brother Olson recently had a week's meetings in Portland, Ore.

He commenced a month's special gospel effort in Bethany Chapel, Yonkers, N.Y. on October 17th.

**ROBERT McCORRY**  
137 Queen St., S.  
Hamilton, Ont.

Brother and Mrs. McCrory arrived home in Hamilton from their visit to Ireland and Scotland on October 4th.

After 50 years in the service of the Lord, it was refreshing to visit the places where he began preaching.

**ROBERT M. ARTHUR**  
1764 - 62nd St.  
Des Moines, Iowa

Brother Arthur is having two weeks meetings in the Irving Park Gospel Hall, Chicago, starting October 10th.

**JOHN F. CONAWAY**  
7205 Sprainers Rd.  
Philadelphia 38, Penn.

Brother Conaway had two weeks meetings with us at Pawtucket, R.I. with ministry to saint and sinner.

All who attended received help from his visit.

JAMES W. WINNING (corr.)

**OLIVER SMITH**  
1312 Williston St.  
Waterloo, Iowa

**PAUL C. ELLIOTT**  
Aplington, Iowa

These brethren started a series of gos-

pel meetings in Blue River, Wis., about the middle of September.

**LUIGI ROSANIA**  
134 Mertens St.  
Waterbury 64, Conn.

*Written from Italy.*

I have been in this country 18 months and have visited many places with the gospel. The Lord has opened many doors, and has also opened the hearts of the people.

Many here in South Italy have professed to be saved.

I intend, D.V., returning to the states on November 30th, for the sake of my health.

However my desire is to come back to labor in Italy as I have been impressed with the great need for the gospel there.

Theory of Italy salute you.

**A. G. CHRISTIE**  
346 Union St.  
Frederickton, N. B. Can.

We have been exercised about this needy corner of the vineyard for some years. We left De Land Florida on April 27, arriving here in Frederickton on May 4. We purpose in the will of the Lord giving our time and service to the work of the gospel.

We have contacted 5 Christians located within a radius of 35 miles from here, the fruit of our brethren Christie and Isaac McMullen's labors. They followed deep and faithfully.

We are exercised about establishing a testimony in this place, and we have purchased a building which will make a suitable gospel hall.

ED. NOTE: *Brother Christie was commended to De Land from the Cocoanut Grove Assembly. Dr. Bow speaks highly of his help to the Assembly during the time he was in De Land.*

**DOUGLAS IBBOTSON**  
3924 Rivers Ave.,  
Naval Base, 60 S.C.

"Last night, September 26, we had a very happy service when 9 were baptised after the Gospel meeting. It was a good testimony to a well filled Chapel. Most of those who were baptised have been recently brought to a knowledge of the truth and it is a cause of real joy to see them with a desire to go on for the Lord.

Another matter for rejoicing is the answer to our prayers for a young couple to come and help in the work. It came as a surprise when my nephew from New Jersey, Neil Brohm, wrote us that he and his wife were coming here to seek employment and help in the work. They came around Labor Day and Neil found employment in a few days and they are both a great help in the work.

I might suggest this is an example of what is greatly needed here in the deep south, that is, for young couples to come south and take advantage of the excellent opportunities afforded here for employment. Industries in the north are moving southward in increasing numbers and young couples, with a heart for the Lord's work would do well to consider the many advantages offered for valuable experience to be gained by helping in new fields in weaker assemblies in the great southland. Living costs are considerably less than in the north;

the climate is more desirable and one gets away from the rush and hustle of large metropolitan areas with its toll of nervous disorders."

**FRED R. PEER**  
79 Pine Street,  
Belleville, Ont., Can.

I have just come home from visiting New England, and I felt there was quite a response, on the part of the Lord's people, to the ministry of the Word of God. I had a week's meetings at Somerville, after which I had a few meetings at Cliff Street, Boston. These meetings were well attended. Then I went to the New Bedford Conference and shared the ministry with Andrew Craig and Robert Crawford. I think the general opinion was, that the Lord gave us a very profitable time. I spent last Sunday at Albany. In the evening very few seats were vacant and a few unsaved were present. The saints seemed cheered at the splendid number that was out.

Last night I went to Trenton, Ontario, for their Bible Reading; tonight I expect to go to Springbrook for their week night meeting and from there to Lang. These three assemblies are very small, but they do appreciate help.

Friday, October 15th I leave for Montreal, and expect to be there until December 13th. I have been invited to take the first period of the Montreal Bible School, a school in full fellowship with the assemblies and which was commenced by our brother David Long. The school is held on Monday nights from 8:00 to 9:40 p.m. Each night I give two lectures. I hope to give a survey of Romans and go to take up the Seven Churches of Asia. Meetings have been arranged for me in the various assemblies.

I will greatly value the prayers of the Lord's people, that I might experience

His gracious help, and be an instrument of blessing in His hands to others.

**ERNEST WOODHOUSE**  
66 Graham Ave., South  
Hamilton, Ont., Can.

Since returning to Detroit it has been a privilege to join in testimony with some 8 or 9 of the assemblies in the city . . . and to take part in the Central Hall Conference held a few days ago in Ionic Temple. During these various meetings several young people have professed conversion—I was very happy to be able to take part in the baptismal service at West Chicago Blvd. where one of them obeyed the Lord in this way. A fine young man, student at Wayne University confessed the Lord during a midday meeting in the city.

A visit to Kenilworth, N.J. proved very happy, I was so glad of the opportunity of returning to this scene of former blessing. In Rochester, N.Y. I shared a few meetings with Mr. H. H. Stewart who is on his way back to England.

Prayer is asked for guidance in arrangements for a short visit to the West coast with Mr. John Newton, also for wisdom in planning for a special effort in London, Ontario.

ED. NOTE: *Brother Woodhouse has served the Lord, for some years, among the Assemblies in the British Isles.*

Our brother went to Mayo Bros., Rochester on October 19th for an examination there, and we have not had any news since.

**A. R. CROCKER**  
4616 W. 17th St.  
Los Angeles 6, Calif.

"Am doing as well as could be expected, though I still have an oxygen tent and mask at my bedside; don't think I will need it much longer though. Doctors strictly forbid me to preach for a while yet. We sincerely thank the Lord's people for their fellowship and prayers. It is so wonderful to be able to meet at the Throne of Grace, but soon we shall all meet Him in the air; what a SONrise that will be!"

**MRS. CESARE PATRIZIO**  
908 Pasadena Ave.  
Philadelphia 11, Pa.

Mrs. Patrizio has been operated on again. The doctors feared cancer, but the report showed no indication of it. She is suffering considerable pain, but the doctor thinks she will show considerable improvement in the next 6 weeks.

Her illness has kept our Brother Patrizio close to home this summer, but he has been helping in near by Italian Assemblies.

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## Conferences

### CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

The annual Sunday School Workers Conference of Assemblies in the Chicago area was held on October 2nd in the Emmaus Bible School. Speakers were Ernest Gross, James Humphrey and Wm. MacDonald. The ministry was timely, striking a nice balance in practical and inspirational messages. Sunday School teachers present felt that they had

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## Sick Notices

*Pray for the following*

**ROBERT CRAWFORD**  
5 W. Edgewater Ave.  
Pleasantville, N. J.

A recent X-ray examination shows the ulcer still active, and with no signs of healing. The doctors have advised him to refrain from preaching for a year.

received much that they could carry away and which could be helpful to them as they gathered with their classes on Sunday.

#### **DETROIT, MICHIGAN**

##### **Central Gospel Hall**

A nice spirit of fellowship prevailed at the conference held on October 2 and 3. Some twenty three ministering brethren were present and of these the following shared in the ministry. R. McClurkin, Geo. Shivas, P. Pell, Geo. Gould, H. K. Downie, H. M. Harper, F. W. Nugent, Jas. Blackwood, A. Eöll (Switzerland) and others. The word spoken was stimulating and helpful to all present.

#### **Kansas City, Missouri**

With reference to conference announcement in another section we have been advised that they expect the following brethren to share in the ministry: James Gunn, Lester Wilson, John Walden, Wm. MacDonald and Leonard Sheldrake.

#### **MANCHESTER, IOWA**

The recent conference was a refreshing time. The Lord used brethren J. J. Rouse, A. T. Stewart, L. E. McBain, Wm. Warke and S. Hamilton in the ministry of the word.

#### **NEW BEDFORD, MASS.**

The annual one day conference was held here September 26. A good number attended and very helpful and varied

ministry was given by Brethren Peer, Crawford, and Craig.

Brother Peer continued for a week following. We expect a visit from Brother J. Conaway who is now in this vicinity.

#### **SCHENECTADY, NEW YORK**

##### **Becker St. Gospel Chapel**

It is planned, the Lord willing to hold our annual conference Thanksgiving Day, November 25. Brethren T. J. Lytle and Edwin Fesche are expected to minister the word. The conference will be followed by a young people's meeting Saturday November 27 and a two-week series of illustrated talks by brother Lytle.

C. O. WERRBS

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### **Change of Address**

Mr. Louis Hoy  
1534 Front St.  
San Diego 1, California

Florence, South Carolina  
The correspondent of the Gregg Ave.  
Gospel Hall is Cecil L. Cocking, 700  
Gregg Ave., Florence So. Carolina.

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### **Wanted:**

A brother in the Lord who has been ill for the last four or five years is anxious to secure a Newberry Bible, large edition. If any one reading this has one he wishes to sell, please get in touch with Letters of Interest. State price desired.

Hall, 7345 West Chicago Blvd. (corner Prairie), Detroit, Michigan. Those coming from a distance will be freely entertained. Correspondent, Alexander Stewart, 9320 Burnette, Detroit 4, Michigan.

ALEXANDER STEWART

#### **FOREST, ONTARIO**

The annual conference of Christians will be held (D.V.) on October 30 and 31, preceded by a prayer meeting on October 29 at 7:30 p.m. Accommodations will be provided for those coming from a distance. Address communications to Mr. C. C. Johnson, R.R. 3, Forest, Ontario.

C. C. JOHNSON

#### **GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.**

Annual all day conference, Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25 at Gospel Hall, Eastern Ave., 1 block south of Fulton St., Grand Rapids, Michigan. Speakers expected: James Gunn and George M. Landis.

#### **GREENWOOD HILLS, PA.**

In the Lord's mercy the three conferences and two camps of this year passed off happily and we believe very profitably. At the first conference besides precious ministry by brethren Armerding, Bramhall, Gibbs and Deans we were much edified by readings on Genesis 1 to 11.

At the second conference the Galatians was our portion ably led by brother Reid supplemented to our profit by brother Tom Westwood, a new voice in the East. Ministry for believers and the precious Gospel made time go as if on wings.

The third conference was divided into two periods with ministry from brethren Mackay and Spink in the first week and

readings led by brother Greenhow on Church truth. During the second week the readings were on the ever fresh epistle I Thessalonians while the ministry was shared by brethren Rainey, Landis and Greenhow. At this conference the 9 a.m. meetings were conducted by brethren Foggin, Wistner, Landis and Ksara.

Both the girls and boys camps were well conducted by Miss Burkle and brother Oglesby and their able counselors. For all we give heartfelt thanks to our blessed God and our Lord Jesus by the Holy Spirit.

P. DANIEL LOIZEAUX

#### **KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI**

The dates for the Kansas City annual conference have been definitely decided; beginning with a prayer meeting on Thursday evening, November 18, and continuing through Friday, Saturday and Sunday, November 19, 20 and 21. Additional information and names of speakers will be announced later. Visitors will be cared for as in past years.

RALPH E. LITTLEFIELD

#### **LAKE GENEVA, WISCONSIN**

The summer conference of the Chicagoland assemblies held the last week of August was well attended by the Lord's people from various parts. The ministry which was shared by brethren Robert Arthur and August Van Ryn was extremely practical and helpful. It proved a season of real spiritual blessing to those present.

#### **MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.**

Longfellow Ave. Gospel Hall

Our recent conference, we believe, was

a time of blessing from the Lord. Messages in season were given by our brethren, L. Sheldrake, O. E. Magee, E. Ainslie, H. Bastow, Chas. Whitaker, Ben Tuininga and C. E. Bulander.

A happy and profitable time was spent together, the ministry was to edification, and the Gospel faithfully presented.

WM. DENHAM, JR.

#### **OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA**

The annual Thanksgiving Bible Conference of the Bay Area Assemblies will be held, D.V., in the Bethany Gospel Hall, 1940 23rd Avenue, Oakland 6, California, from November 24 to 28, inclusive. The conference will be opened by a prayer meeting Wednesday, November 24 at 7:30 p.m. and three services will be held daily on the succeeding days of this conference.

All the saints are asked to remember this conference in prayer that the Lord alone may be glorified.

W. S. CLAUS  
Secretary

#### **PHOENIX, ARIZONA**

The Lord willing, the Christians gathered in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ at 1246 East Garfield St., Phoenix, Arizona, intend to convene their annual conference at the Thanksgiving weekend. The dates would be November 25, 26, 27 and 28, preceded by a prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, November 24, at eight o'clock.

We welcome servants of God walking in Scriptural paths.

Will Christians who intend coming from a distance contact us at the above address, so that suitable arrangements may be made for their entertainment in the homes of the Christians here.

WM. ISMAY

#### **READING, PA.**

The Thanksgiving Day conference will be held (D.V.) November 25 in the Bible Truth Hall, 5th and Franklin Sts., West Reading, Pa. Meetings at 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:00 p.m. For further information address Mr. Paul U. Gehris, 927 Franklin St., Wyomissing, Pa.

#### **SAULT STE MARIE, MICHIGAN AND ONTARIO**

Our first conference in the New Hall was a time of real spiritual blessing to the Lord's people. Not as many ministering brethren as in previous years but the attendance was about the same. The ministry was varied, practical and Christ exalting.

Brethren James Gunn and Thos. Wilkie remain for a series of Gospel meetings for which we ask prayer.

R. H. DAVIS

#### **SEATTLE, WASHINGTON Labor Day Conference**

The Conference held over the Labor Day weekend in Seattle was a time of real blessing and real Christian fellowship.

The Conference was held in the beautiful McKinley Auditorium of the Seattle Pacific College, one of our fine Christian colleges in the city. The college staff served all the meals and during the interval between meetings the very fine campus grounds surrounding the college was very conducive to a mingling of the saints in happy fellowship. Over 700 were at the remembrance feast and the Auditorium was filled to capacity at all the other meetings.

Rich, searching, and uplifting ministry was given by Richard Hill of New York and Tom M. Olson and Henry Petersen from California. Brethren Ol-

son and Petersen spoke over the Christian Business Men's broadcast for three days and brother Hill had a week of meetings following the Conference in Hope Gospel Hall.

It was decided to hold the next year's Labor Day Conference in Portland, Oregon.

C. B. Joss

#### TRENTON, N. J.

Thanksgiving Day Conference, November 25, 1948, Woodside Chapel, Huff and Brinton Aves., Trenton, N. J. (Near Odd Fellows Home, Pennington Ave.) Afternoon session 2:15 p.m., evening session 7:30 p.m. Speakers expected are C. Ernest Tatham, Lawrence Chambers and William Bryson.

T. BAIN JACKSON



## SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

### **The Bible Treasury Hour for Your Assembly**

A number of individuals and assemblies in the United States and Canada are now sponsoring or materially helping to sponsor the *Bible Treasury Hour* in their own localities. Repeated inquiries are coming to us from others who are interested, and we believe the following information will be welcomed by our brethren everywhere.

The *Bible Treasury Hour* by transcription is now available in either fifteen minute or half-hour programs. These broadcasts are quite unique in that they not only present the way of salvation with crystal clearness but set forth also the basic truths for which our assemblies seek to stand amid the present religious

confusion around us. The fifteen minute programs are suitable for schedules of from one to five times per week and the half hour broadcasts suitable for release on Lord's Day. Ample time is allowed at the close of each program for a local announcement of assembly activities, made by the announcer over a closing organ theme. No fast music or entertainment is presented but both songs and message are delivered with dignity and reverence, with keen practical interest. We have just completed 120 programs on the Roman Epistle.

Correspondents of assemblies or others who are interested are invited to communicate with the undersigned. Sample transcriptions for your audition and approval will be forwarded to you without

obligation. Address Tom Westwood, 416 W. 8th Street, Los Angeles 14, California.

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### **Gospel Messengers— Oregon Group**

We have just returned this week after two months or more of scattering the silent messenger from door to door along the coast line of this Pacific northwest country. Having proved the faithfulness of our God all the way, we feel much enriched by the experience gained and realize more than ever before the utter darkness, as well as the indifference of the great majority, along this coast. Alas. With many the bold statement was expressed as we handed them our printed message, "We are not interested," whereas others showed some concern, with the result that many return cards have come in asking for the booklet, "God's Way of Salvation." For this we are much cheered. The entire distance covered is well over 2000 miles. One thing has been made plain to us all; that is, the personal contact at the door is very important and brings results in measure. Two professed Christ by personal contact, others showed concern and will get deliverance, no doubt. As to open air meetings, the results were nil as far as we could learn, and few would stand at any time to listen. However, the privilege was ours of carrying the Word to many in out-of-the-way places so we leave results with Him. But viewing matters in His presence we frankly own that we are unprofitable servants, yet He alone sees the heart.

WM. M. RAE

**JOHN W. NEWTON**  
Colwyn Kirby Cross  
Trinton-on-Sea, England

**DAVID LAWRENCE**  
205 South 12th St.  
Centerville, Iowa

I count it a privilege to have travelled with these brethren, sharing with them the joy of service for Christ in U.S.A. during the months of May, June, July and August. Traveling through nine states, preaching the Gospel of Christ, has been a great education. I've learned much of America and the Americans, and can understand why so many are attracted to this wonderful country and people. It has been a great experience getting to know the believers in their homes and assemblies. I shall remember with joy the warmth of their hospitality and friendship.

It has pleased God to save some precious souls. We fain would have seen greater things, but it is evident that God has hidden from our eyes much that He has been doing through His servants. The good seed has been widely and faithfully sown by means of the distribution of about 250,000 tracts; by singing good Gospel hymns and preaching the glorious Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; by going from street to street sending forth the Word through the P. A. system; and last but not least, by personal contact with many people, both young and old. The Word cannot return unto Him void.

Another feature of the work has been the blessing to the believers in their homes and assemblies. We have talked over with them their problems and difficulties. They have been cheered and strengthened, and in some cases filled with new hope and zeal. I'm reminded of what a brother in Scotland said to me some years ago when I visited him during his last illness: "Keep on with your Pil-

grim Preachers' Tours, John, even though you do not see so many souls saved as you used to see. I've watched the effect of your several visits to this town on the assemblies here. I can say that for the blessing God has given, your tours are well worth while for this reason alone."

"I feel that we now have a closer tie with you all in that these tours were inspired by the Pilgrim Preachers Tours which have been carried on for 29 years in Britain. Also that a former fellow-worker, David Lawrence, who travelled with us in Britain for nine years before coming to the U.S.A., is one of the sponsors of the work over here. Two others of our group are exercised about the need over here—one is now settling down in Detroit, Michigan, and the other is returning to Britain in order to get permission to bring over his wife and baby so that he can labor amongst the assemblies. Our loss is your gain. We praise God for His gracious dealings with us.

May these tours inspire others in the U.S. assemblies to go and do likewise, for the need is great and the time is short! Very soon the golden opportunity will have passed for ever. "Who then is willing to consecrate himself to the Lord" for such service? "We do not well if we hold our peace," at such a time as this.

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### ***Women in the Lord's Work***

**GLADYS E. BAINES**  
Bulan, Ky.

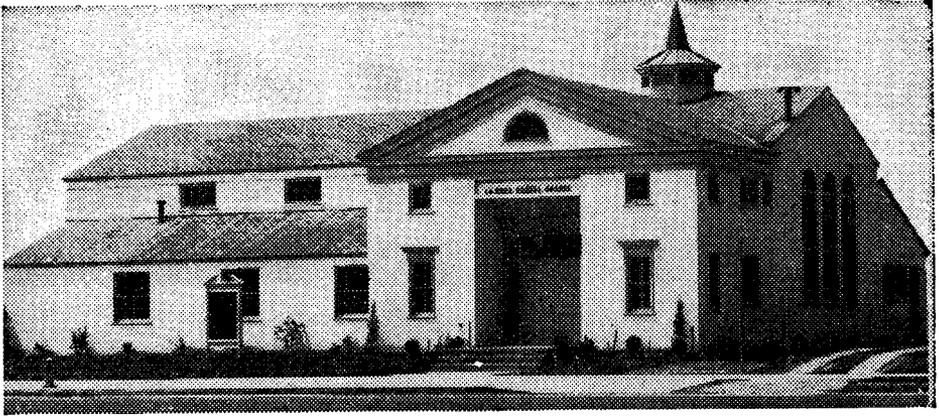
Our fall schedule has begun and along with my various duties I am ministering to a 69-year-old man, whose illness is complicated with the recent bursting of his eyeballs, leaving him totally blind. Up until last Sunday this man had a

darkened heart, but late in the afternoon he accepted the Lord Jesus and the following morning at 8 a.m. he was lowered into the water of baptism as he lay on a cot. There were hundreds who gathered at the river to witness this and I heard various high school agers say how pitiful it was to wait so late in life to take such a step.

The work here continues about the same—there are those who are hungering after righteousness and many more who never darken the doors of our meeting house to hear the blessed story. We are glad for one brother who asked for forgiveness and restoration. He had fallen into sin after having lived for the Lord two and one-half years, being saved previously from a very sinful life. He was completely broken in spirit and we felt he was heartily sorry for the dishonor he brought to His Saviour's name, and that of our little group too. He has been restored to fellowship and he seems to be a stronger Christian since returning among us.

**M SINCLAIR**  
c/o Mrs. M. Rutley  
9824-86th Ave.  
Edmonton, Alberta

The Lord has graciously blessed His Word among the children in Glasgow. Seven girls, in their teens, have confessed Christ as their Saviour. It has been a great joy to have this privilege in my native land. Do pray that a real work of grace will be done in every heart. Have meetings to take in Glasgow, Clydebank and London, before leaving, D.V., on October 24 for Canada. Will value your prayers.



*New LaBrea Hall—formerly the West Adams Hall.*

**LOS ANGELES, CALIF.**  
**3043 So. LaBrea Ave.**

The new La Brea Gospel Chapel at 3043 So. La Brea Avenue, Los Angeles, will be opened on September 19, D.V. The saints at West Adams Assembly who will occupy the new chapel are deeply grateful to God for this very fine and attractive building in which to meet.

It will seat 200 in the main auditorium and side rooms can be quickly opened to accommodate 120 more. It is fully equipped with a modern kitchen and steam table and sufficiently large to provide space for mothers with small children. In addition to Sunday school rooms on the main floor, there are three fine rooms above the main entrance for various classes. Comfortable seats and modern heating and ventilating units have also been installed. There is a baptistry with dressing rooms on either side of the platform. The grounds on the side and

rear of the chapel have been paved with asphalt and provide parking space for some 20 cars.

Mr. Walter Tyler, of the Avenue 54 Assembly, designed the building and drew the plans. Mr. J. H. Baum, of the La Brea assembly was construction contractor. The assembly feels deeply indebted to both of these brethren for the splendid work they did.

In view of reaching a greater number of people in the community with Gospel and ministry it was the unanimous decision of the assembly to change the hours of meeting on Lord's Day. Henceforth, the Lord's Supper will be observed at 9:30 a.m. and the Family Bible Hour at 11:00 a.m. This will include the Sunday school. While the classes are in session a message from the Word will be brought to the adults in the main auditorium.

Those contemplating visiting with us please note the change of hour and location. Other services include the Gospel Meeting at 7:30 p.m., Prayer and Bible Study on Tuesday at 7:45 p.m., Young People's Bible Class on Thursday at 7:45 p.m.

Special evangelistic meetings will be conducted immediately following the opening. Henry Petersen and Tom Westwood will be the speakers.

A house-to-house visitation survey is being carried on by the assembly and many are being reached personally.

We will sincerely value the prayer interest of the saints as we enter this new venture for God.

EBENEZER WALLACE  
1626 Wellington  
Los Angeles, Calif.

**PITTSBURGH, PA.**  
**Beechwood Chapel**

Correspondent is now M. E. Havener, 4805 Brierly Court, West Homstead, Pa.

Order of meetings: Sunday, school 9:45 a.m., Breaking of Bread 11:00 a.m., Gospel meetings 7:30 p.m. Tuesday: Prayer and Bible reading.

**PETERSBURG, VA.**  
**Gospel Hall**  
**1001 West High St.**

For the benefit of those visiting our vicinity, please note the change in our meeting hours. Sunday: Breaking of Bread 9:30 a.m., Sunday school 11:00 a.m., Gospel meeting 8:00 p.m.; and Prayer Meeting each Wednesday night 8:00 p.m.

HUGH CAMPBELL, JR.  
Correspondent  
927 W. High Street  
Petersburg, Va.



## YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

Edited by JAMES G. HUMPHREY

### **Starting of Orphanage for Navajo Indians**

Last Monday we opened our doors to seven little Navajo kiddies, five boys and two girls, ages four to ten. Next Monday we expect three more. These three will not live with us, however, but will stay in their hogan nearby, coming in each day for lessons and taking their noon meal with us.

We have just put our family to bed.

The girls sleep on an old bedspring and two feather mattresses, while the boys put pads down on the schoolroom floor. But they do not realize that this is a hardship, for they are much more comfortable than they would be on their old sheepskins at home.

Mr. Montgomery comes over each morning for a half hour of Bible study in the Navajo language, then I take over to teach English. We are quite gratified.

at the progress we have made these four days, and hope our kiddies will continue to learn as rapidly in the future. We look forward to the day when we will have the joy of leading them all to the Lord and seeing them grow to be real men and women of God.

I had the promise of a young Navajo woman to help me, but at the last moment she went elsewhere where she could earn more money. But the Lord who knows all things had exercised Miss Ruth Valentine of the Oak Park assembly to come to lend a hand. She arrived by air just thirty hours before we were scheduled to open. She is a nurse, and has been a great help in getting our little family cleaned up. The kiddies love her—she nurses their wounds and bruises, and puts them to bed with an affectionate pat on the shoulder. How grateful we are for her assistance!

Because of our limited facilities and number of workers we have had to turn away at least a dozen little folks. When we think of the potentialities wrapped up in these little lives our hearts are saddened at not being able to take them in, but it may be that the Lord will make possible our having them at some later date to raise for Him.

Our mission has been here for many years but little progress has been made with the adults because they are so steeped in sin and in the superstitions of the medicine man. We feel that if we are to have any strong Christians in this place we must win the children to the Lord before they become too deeply involved in the ways of the old Navajo life. Please pray for us that the Lord may accomplish His purposes through us, and that we

may be a blessing to these little lives entrusted to our care.

With kindest Christian regards,  
EVELYN VARDER  
Immanuel Mission  
Shiprock, New Mexico

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### ***Emmaus Begins Fourth Year with 191 Students***

One hundred and ninety-one students are now enrolled in the day school classes of the Emmaus Bible Schools in Chicago and Toronto. The Toronto school has a total enrollment of 147, of which 53 are first year students, 55 are second year, and 39 are seniors. In the Chicago school, where only the first year course is given, there are 44 students from 17 different states.

Perhaps two of the outstanding reasons for the rapid growth of Emmaus are the emphasis placed on Bible exposition, and also the faithful presentation of the truth concerning the New Testament Church.

Increasing enrollments as well as an expanding curriculum require additional teaching personnel. This year the Toronto school will welcome Mr. E. Woodhouse of Detroit to its staff, while in Chicago, Mr. Robert Arthur of Des Moines, Iowa will teach New Testament during November and December.

The spring semester begins on January 4, 1949, and new students may enroll at that time. Any desiring further information concerning the school, its entrance requirements, or its doctrinal position should write to: Emmaus Bible School, 6902 S. Normal Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, or 81 Harcourt Avenue, Toronto, Canada.

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During the months of July and August, brother Dawes held four Daily Vacation Bible Schools in the Alberni Valley.

Over 200 children and some of their parents heard the Gospel. The attendance and interest have been greater this year, and some professed to be saved.

**WALTER PURCELL**  
**3035 S. E. Ankeny**  
**Portland 15, Ore.**

Brother Purcell had a busy and happy summer, attending four Bible Camps and helping with the young.

He says his most impressive experience was at Mazama, in the northern part of Washington, where brother Elder and others have carried on a work among children and young people for many years. This summer it was decided to have a camp for young people. A dining room was erected, two army tents were used for dormitories, and a partly finished chapel used for meetings.

About 50 young people attended and the Gospel was preached to them.

Quite a few young men and women in their late teens and early twenties pro-

fessed to be saved. Ten young people, most of them converts of previous months, asked to be baptized. When the baptisms were proceeding, a young man who was saved but who had not intended being baptized at that time, was so moved he took off his shoes and walked out into the water to follow the Lord in this ordinance.

Brother Purcell says it was like a page from a missionary book, and added such experiences make you feel nothing else matters.

#### **SOMERVILLE, MASS.**

On Saturday, Sept. 18, we had our first young people's meeting of the 1948 fall season. Our hall was well filled and the ministry was very searching. The speaker was Mr. Fred Peer of Belleville, Ont. These young people's meetings will be held the third Saturday of each month, in the will of God.

H. G. STERLING

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#### **Sick Notice**

Sam Keller, 1906 W. 43rd St., Los Angeles, Calif.—Brother Keller has had a threatened recurrence of the thrombosis, which has retarded his recovery. Prayer is requested for him, also for Mrs. Keller in this time of trial.



# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

EDITED BY W. R. SIMPSON

## JAMES KAY

James Kay, a much-loved servant of Christ, had a short but fruitful life in the service of his Master. He received a sudden home-call at the age of forty-two, on August 13, 1908. "God buries His workmen, but carries on His work" is undoubtedly true, and the fruits of Mr. Kay's work are still seen today in parts of Michigan.



Born in Saltcoats, Scotland, May 25, 1866, coming with his parents to America when three and a half years old, he lived about fourteen years in Forest, Ontario, where he heard the Gospel

preached in simplicity from his earliest childhood. At the age of nineteen he was laid down with typhoid fever, and when convalescent, his friend and boyhood companion, John McFadyen (who was lost in a wreck off the coast of California in 1907), who had just been converted, visited him to seek his salvation. James often related his conversion saying: "I was saved on February 5, 1885, in Forest, while sitting in my parents' house in an old rocking chair, about five o'clock, while my mother was preparing supper in the kitchen." He was deeply convicted after his visit with Mr. McFadyen and when Donald Munro and John Smith called on him later, they were able to point him to Christ through the Scriptures, Isaiah 53:5, "But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed," and also Romans 5:6, "For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly."

He early manifested an earnest desire for the Word of God, which was precious to him, and over which he pondered and feasted his soul. He soon gathered children into his mother's kitchen to tell them of Jesus, thus commencing the Sunday school which has been carried on in Forest for many years. He also took part in street meetings in that place. On the fly-leaf of one of his first Bibles, he had

written in large letters, "SOULS FOR CHRIST," and that was ever his ambition.

About three years after his conversion he started out with an elderly servant of Christ to visit different places and never got back to working at his trade as a machinist, but went from place to place till, in about six months, he came to Saginaw, Michigan, almost exactly twenty years before he was called home. He gave help to Mr. T. D. W. Muir in a tent in that place and finally decided to make his home there. One of his co-workers was Mr. Robert Jamieson, who was an excellent man for ploughing up the soil and Mr. Kay would then pour the oil on the troubled waters. They were a good team and many souls were brought to the Lord. Most of the time they labored in the lumbering towns of central Michigan, and also in the Indian villages. Parts of Canada also were visited and results were seen.

In 1895 Mr. Kay was united in marriage to Miss Edith Williams of Bay City, Michigan. During the greater part of their happy married life their home was in Saginaw, though he was often away from home in his labors. He generally held meetings in a tent during summer months, spending nine seasons out of twenty in Saginaw, pitching in eight different locations and much fruit remains. He was very much interested in children's work and was greatly loved by them. He always held a children's meeting in connection with his tent campaigns and was ever able to interest them with his presentation of Bible stories and the Gospel in its simplicity. Mr. Kay was a fine singer and his wife also was possessed of a beautiful voice. Together they would sing in street meetings and

their fine voices would draw a crowd, who would remain for the preaching of the Gospel. Mrs. Kay was a great help to her husband in many ways.

James Kay was a humble man, always self-effacing, but always busily engaged in helping the people of God and unsaved sinners in any way he could. He was known to walk many miles taking baskets of food to families in adversity and giving them the Gospel before he left. He had just finished a three-week's series of meetings in Saginaw and gone to Midland, twenty miles distant, on August 7. Together with Mr. Thomas Dobbin (formerly of Ireland) who had been his fellow-laborer for about six months, they began tent meetings on August 9. They had four nightly meetings for adults, with a children's meeting on Thursday night. After the meeting Mr. Kay proposed that they go to the river to bathe. He had been only five minutes in the water when he got into a deep hole and called for help. He seized Mr. Dobbin with both hands but soon relaxed his hold and Mr. Dobbin, being exhausted struggled to a place of safety not two yards away. It was about half an hour before the body could be recovered and though a physician was at hand, nothing could produce respiration. No doubt his heart was overcome and his life ebbing when he relaxed his grip. He had undergone an operation about two months previous and had not regained his strength, which likely explains why he succumbed so rapidly. Though he left no farewell word as he departed, his experience in the hospital was a thorough test of his faith in Christ on the verge of eternity, and he witnessed a good confession before nurses

and doctors and everyone who came in contact with him there. One nurse said that the reason he took the anaesthetic so easily was that "he went to the table in perfect confidence in God."

The extremely sad news was a severe shock to his grief-stricken wife and four young children. The news spread rapidly giving a shock to many, and causing grief in many a heart and home in numerous cities of United States and Canada, where he had been wont to visit, ministering the Word to saved and unsaved. It could truly be said of him that he presented his body a living sacrifice, and also that he counted not his life dear unto himself. Just a few days before setting out for the last time he remarked that he felt loath to leave home, and would prefer staying with his family, though he never intimated that to them. But he seemed to have no rest in spirit till he should *try* Midland with the Gospel, often saying, "If God wants the tent left here, we don't want to go, and if He wants us to go we don't want to stay."

His entire life was a bright testimony that adorned the doctrine of Christ. On the last afternoon of his life he had held

a children's meeting and even on the way down to the river, he had handed a woman a tract, speaking to her about her soul. He had finished his course and he *ended well*. Mr. Robert Telfer wrote of him, "It all seems too strange to us, who only 'know in part' and 'see through a glass darkly,' how one who was in the vigor of manhood, with a gift both for saints and sinners, an excellent singer, and one who sought to please God and keep His ways, would be suddenly taken Home, while some of us more worthless are left down here a while longer."

One remarked that he was *no ordinary* man. He was unusually humble in his thoughts of his own abilities, and certainly esteemed others better than himself. He was truly an example to the flock. If one reminded him of possible dangers that he might encounter he would say:

"Not a ball or shaft can hit  
Till the God of love sees fit."

God saw fit to call Him home, a kind, considerate husband and father. His four children are all saved and in the assemblies and waiting for the home-call, when we shall all be with the Lord."



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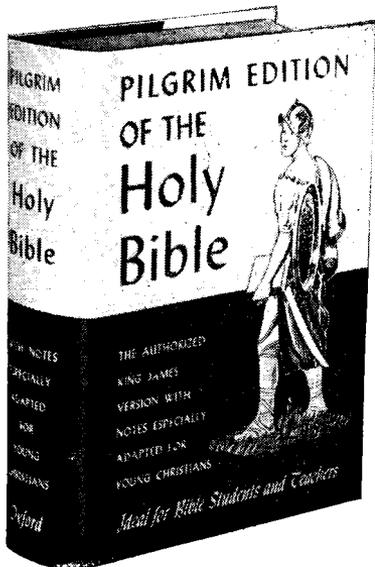
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bands, and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

30 And Jesus asked him, saying, What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many \*devils were entered into him.

41 ¶ And, behold, there came a man named Jā-i-rūs, and he was a \*ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and besought him that he would come into his house:

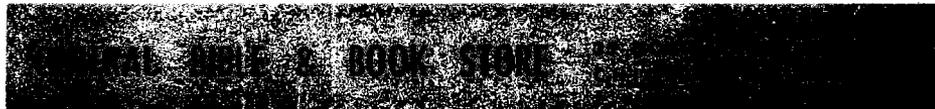
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# The Workers' Conference, 1948

The 1948 Workers' Conference was packed with interest and blessing from beginning to end. It was the first conference of its kind on the West Coast, and all who attended were thrilled with the help given, and the possibilities brought before their attention.

As usual, the first morning session was devoted entirely to prayer, and to any word on a brother's heart along these lines. Two Scriptures were read briefly and commented on, I Peter 1:1, 2, and II Corinthians 3:17, 18, bringing before us first what we are and have in Christ, then what possibilities there are when Christ is reflected in and through us by His Spirit.

The presence of our esteemed brother in Christ, P. D. Loizeaux, was a great inspiration to the conference. His gracious personality and sound counsel were of inestimable value throughout, and gave proper balance to every discussion period. Then, too, the work of chairmanship was kindly undertaken by brother George White of Los Angeles, who rendered excellent service and exercised kindly control during the discussions.

Another good feature was the presence of a number of brethren from some of the nearby assemblies, who spent the entire three days with us, and heartily entered into the various questions and problems which were before the conference. Then, too, the questions kept pouring in, so that there was no lack of material to draw from; indeed on the last day, so many questions were before us that discussions had to be limited, and in some cases halted, for lack of time.

The morning prayer sessions were a revelation to many of the brethren who attended, because of the specific character to each prayer offered. We were requested each to pray for one thing, and to limit the prayers briefly to making our requests known unto God. The result was that nearly twenty brethren could pray specifically for various needs in about as many minutes, and thus make room for others. This, too, was one of the burdens of the conference, that we might learn in the assembly prayer meetings to limit our prayers to but a few minutes each, but in that time pray specifically for certain needs. For instance, if one prays for the Sunday school and teachers, another could pray for the Gospel meetings, another for the elders of the assembly, and so on: but try to limit our prayer to one specific need, and come exercised before God. We are sure that our prayer meetings would be more

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blessed and better attended, if a plan after this fashion were adopted.

Reports were heard from various aspects of the work, such as the Oregon tour of the Gospel Messengers, while comment was also given regarding the original tours which commenced this line of Gospel effort. Brother Wm. M. Rae, of Portland, Oregon, spoke of the exercise which prompted the Oregon tour. He told of how the open air meetings were poorly attended, so far as the populace of the places they visited were concerned, but that individual contacts were made in the homes as they went from door to door with tracts; at least two professed to be saved, while many others requested copies of God's Way of Salvation, by mailing the card enclosed in the tract envelope. This effort of summer evangelism by "going forth by bands" is certainly an effectual way of reaching many who otherwise might sit in darkness.

Summer Bible camp work was brought before us by brother Huron Sheppard, of Vancouver Island. He gave a very thrilling account of the many children who come to the summer Camp Imadine, and how many hear the Gospel there who would never hear it in any other way. Their correspondence course offered to children in the schools of Vancouver Island was a distinct challenge, showing the possibilities that lie in that direction. The correspondence course is offered to the school children (who in many cases are not even in reach of the Gospel), including Bible lessons and Scripture memorizing, with rewards promised, incentive to all being a week at Camp Imadine free to those completing the course. Other similar camps are being run in Westlock,

Alberta, and Strasbourg, Sask., and at Anvil Island, Vancouver.

Several men doing what is termed "pioneer" work in the Gospel were present, and some experiences in this line were given. The State of California was mentioned as being a possible mission field in itself, since there now are 10,000,000 people there, and so far as we are concerned, few assemblies of God's people. During a discussion along these lines, it was stated that there are perhaps roughly 700 assemblies of Christians gathered in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ in United States, which, if averaged at 200 each (a very high estimate), would be about 140,000 Christians in fellowship among us, leaving just 139,860,000 not in fellowship. What a tragic contrast between the two figures, presenting a colossal challenge to our Gospel activity.

Summing up the thoughts expressed during the discussion relating to this, it was pointed out that there is one never-failing source of obtaining workers, and perhaps we have failed in this; "pray ye the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest." Surely this method of obtaining help is still open to us all.

Varied topics came under our notice such as the matter of preachers writing to places where they are unknown, asking for meetings. It was generally agreed that he ought to be able to present credentials showing that he has been commended by responsible brethren to the work of the ministry, and it would be a reasonable gesture on his part to forward this, if unknown, where he feels led to go. This led to the question of commendation of workers, and how that commen-

dation ought to be given. The appointing of elders and deacons came up for consideration and very interesting thoughts were expressed, showing how important the work and how careful we ought to be in the exercise of shepherding the flock of God.

One outstanding suggestion which was taken up was whether or not the time of the morning worship meeting ought to be changed, in order to reach the "church-minded" people in the community. Some who have altered the time of the remembrance feast to an earlier hour then made the 11 a.m. service a public gathering termed the Family Bible Hour, told of remarkable increase in the attendance to that gathering, and how that the assembly was also increased so that more are breaking bread than had formerly done so. Such a plan is well worth adopting, if it works in the community where we live. The whole crux of the matter was given as this: who are we trying to reach with the Gospel in our community? If we say, the unsaved, then let us have our Gospel activity so balanced that we will give them an opportunity to hear it when they are willing to attend services.

Such matters as "what are the old paths" spoken of in Jeremiah 6, in relation to the present day, were taken up. It was pointed out that the true "old paths" are those laid down in Scripture, and to these we ought to return; but some are bound by traditions that well-intentioned brethren of the past 50 or 60 years have given us, and these customs might be (and often are) a hindrance to testimony in the day we now face.

The receiving of Christians who are connected with denominations was also gone into, and the expressions of thought

centered around the fact that all who are Christ's should be received to the glory of God. Baptism was seen to be connected with conversion and confession of Christ as Saviour, and never in any instance with receiving into church fellowship, so far as the Scriptures are concerned. Man may make it a door into church fellowship, but the Scriptures do not. The age limit was taken up, and each individual case found to be different; one child may be young in mind at fifteen, another old at ten, therefore no hard and fast rules can be set forth as to what age is the limit; the important thing is, are they saved?

A resolution was presented to the gathering on the Saturday afternoon, reminding them of what had been brought before them during the three days, and asking them to endorse a call to the assemblies of God's people to meet together for special prayer during the week of January 10th to 17th, 1949. This was carried unanimously, after being read and seconded by some of the brethren. One commented that the only objection he might have is that we wait until the dates suggested. However, it was shown that time must elapse in order to get the letter out to all the assemblies in the United States and Canada, and so the dates, which otherwise have no special significance, were set for the second week of January, if the Lord will.

Then, too, the coming again of the Lord Jesus for His people characterized all the discussions and messages. That His coming is imminent we all agree, but are we fully exercised because of this? The thought of the soon return of our Lord was again and again referred to, and in view of this we felt the challenge

to renewed devotion to our Lord, and more urgent activities for the salvation of the lost.

Many more questions were subjects of discussion and comment, and we were more than once reminded that we don't gather to legislate, but to help one another by mutual thought and reverent study of the Word of God.

The 1948 conference will indeed be remembered by many as the turning point in their lives. One young man open-

ly stated that from now on the whole trend of his life would be altered. After a heart-searching message on the coming again of our Lord, some young men said, We let some things drop tonight. May we all do this, with anything that hinders our progress or true devotion to our soon-coming Lord, so that true bridal affection shall characterize us in these days which immediately precede His coming for us. Even so, come, Lord Jesus. Amen.



## Call to a Week of Prayer

***A suggestion to the assemblies of Christians gathering in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ in the United States and Canada***

Beloved brethren in Christ,

Greetings, in the precious Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, from those of the servants of the Lord gathered together in conference at San Francisco, California.

We have been gathered together for these three days (Oct. 28th to 30th), a number of brethren with responsibility in the assemblies of the Bay area and nearby centers, and others who are devoting their full time to the preaching of the Gospel and the ministry of the Word; and precious times have been experienced in the presence of the Lord.

The morning session of the first day was set apart entirely for the purpose of prayer, and such ministry relating to this as some were led to give. Among other Scriptures read, II Corinthians 3:17, 18 was brought before our hearts, with the thought that two things which characterized good conferences were the spirit of liberty among us, and the fact that the

Spirit of God was unhindered and un-grieved in our midst. The transforming power of the Lord, the Spirit, was set before us as being seen in three ways: first, in our conduct, then in our testimony, and again in suffering for His sake; it is thus the glory of the Lord is reflected in us.

A keynote which seems to have marked this conference is the thought that the coming again of our Lord Jesus is imminent. This blessed hope has been brought before us again and again, with searching suggestions to these hearts of ours, as to our bridal affection in view of His near return. The apostles (apart from Peter) looked for the return of the Lord in their life time, or at least suggested the possibility of it, and loved His appearing. This characterized the Thessalonian saints, and is set before us in the epistles as an incentive, first to a godly walk and then to devoted service for our absent, but re-

turning, Lord. We do firmly believe our Lord is coming soon for His redeemed people, and feel that we should catch afresh the vision that we ought to be looking for, yea expecting, the return of our Lord in our own life time—and that at any moment.

And this glorious truth we would in all sincerity and earnestness bring before you, not simply as something to hold as a belief, but that it be a living reality in our daily walk, a constant “looking for that blessed hope” in the true sense of the word.

We are reminded that for the past three years a call has gone out from this conference, suggesting to the assemblies of God’s people that they set aside a time for heart-searching and prayer, in view of present conditions, both in the world and in the church. Truly time for prayer among the people of God is never lost time, when fervent prayer is offered to Him from exercised hearts. May we see in these days immediately ahead of us a revival of prayer meeting activity, characterized by shorter and more definite prayers for specific needs and requests.

Beside this, we ask you to set aside *the week of January 10th to 17th, 1949* in the will of the Lord, as a time of special prayer to God, in view of the nearness of the coming again of our Lord. His promised coming is sure, the purpose of His coming to receive us unto Himself and to reward all who have served Him; may the prospect of His coming be very precious and real to us, and cause heart-searching among the people of God. Let us come together during that week for a special season of prayer, nightly if possible, that God will come in mightily

among His people and visit them with blessing both in their individual lives and in the testimony of the Gospel in our halls and elsewhere.

There is no special significance attached to these dates suggested, except that it would be a time mutually arranged, and that all the assemblies of His saints who heed this invitation to join us in a season of prayer would be at the same time uniting around the throne of grace for the blessing of the Lord upon His people and His work among us. Let us spend much time in the presence of the Lord at all times, both in private and in gatherings for that purpose, and do this *knowing that we are uniting in fellowship with our brethren in the same exercise throughout the land.*

Let us again remind you of the proposed dates, January 10th to 17th, 1949, not limiting ourselves to that period alone, if it is felt desirable to continue, or to spread out the period.

Yours on the behalf of the Workers’ Conference,

William Murray, H. Harris, Henry Armerding, T. B. Gilbert, Henry Peterson, Geo. White, L. G. Maslen, P. D. Loizeaux, Howard Jones, Ebenezer Wallace, Wm. M. Rae, R. F. Elliott.

#### ***Note to Assembly Correspondents***

Would assembly correspondents please inform the secretary of the conference as to whether they have accepted this invitation to meet for prayer, and what results, if any, were noted.

WILLIAM MURRAY  
10822 68th Avenue  
Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

# LETTERS

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Edited by W. G. McCARTNEY

**PAUL BITLER**  
328 East 109th St.  
New York 29, N. Y.

The Puerto Ricans are still coming into New York. They are seen in the busses, subway trains, restaurants and public places. This influx is, of course, helping our attendance in the meetings. The Sunday school is now over the hundred mark and also the Sunday school of the Brooklyn assembly has the same number.

Our open-air meetings have been a help to our regular Sunday evening Gospel meetings in the hall. Sinners are always present. Around 110th St. on the East side of Manhattan it seems like little Puerto Rico, and in this section we conducted our open-air meetings. We held four meetings a week. Eternity alone shall reveal the fruit therefrom.

Brother Mel Wistner is now helping brother Montalvo and myself in the work here. Brother Ralph West is also giving help in the Brooklyn Sunday school. Several children of the Sunday schools have made professions during their stay at the Bible Camps at Pine Bush and Camp Hannaniel in Stony Brook. We now seek to encourage them on.

Through the kindness of brethren Wilson and Bernard Kelly of the Fenimore St. Assembly we were able to visit a camp of Puerto Ricans in Long Island. These men are working on the farms and their contract expires Nov. 1st. They are brought to this country through an agency. On the two occasions that we visited them they gave us good attention. Gospel portions, Spanish tracts, texts and

pencils were left with the men. A number bought Bibles. On our first visit about a hundred by count sat on the grass in their working clothes and joined in the singing of the Gospel songs in Spanish such as: "Would you be free from the burden of sin," and "Why not now." Afterwards short, clear Gospel messages were brought in Spanish. In the will of God, we plan to visit another one of these Puerto Rican camps in Allentown, Penna. The Puerto Ricans are open to the Gospel. We are grateful for all your prayers in behalf of us and for the seed sown among those of the Spanish tongue in this large city.

**J. W. BRAMHALL**  
2309 Commonwealth Ave.  
Charlotte 4, N. C.

Two weeks of ministry among the Indian believers at Pembroke, N. C. was richly blessed. The saints were edified, two professed faith in the Lord Jesus and the interest in the meetings was greatly encouraging, with the hall being crowded toward the end of the second week.

Another series of meetings followed in Roanoke, Va. where a nice interest was shown in the Word being ministered on the Revelation. Unfortunately, after one week the meetings were closed, due to being unable to carry on physically and the serious illness of my mother.

Trust, in the will of the Lord, to be going on for November in the Metropolitan area around New York and Pennsylvania.

**W. M. BROWN**  
**Box 662**  
**Dover, Del.**

We earnestly covet the prayers of the Lord's people for pioneer efforts in these parts. We are in meetings at present in our second school house in the country. The interest is good and attendance is increasing. These people are slow to get started in coming as they are not acquainted with us but they are gradually coming in. We feel the room will be too small to hold them all on Lord's day night. We are using the "Two Roads" chart and the folk seem to be following the messages with interest.

While Mr. and Mrs. Richmond, my wife and I were cleaning out the building which has not been used for a few years, an old man came in from the field with a big corn knife. He wanted to know what was going on and I told him we were going to have some Gospel meetings here. We could see that the devil was already at work for the old man said, "I don't know if ye all will or not, I have papers to show that this building is to be used only for school purposes and that this land is my property." I assured him that we had written permission from the Board of Education and he went away swearing and cursing but not before we had the chance to tell him of his need of Christ. It would be wonderful if this man and his wife who, strange to say, is an ardent church worker, would come to the meetings and get saved. Rom. 1:16 is still true. This is the only Gospel effort representing the assemblies being put forth in the whole State of Delaware. Yet one wonders how long one can stay on without more suitable living quarters. The prayerful interest of the Lord's people is much appreciated.

**FRANK CARBONI**  
**139 Norwood Ave.**  
**Long Branch, N. J.**

News from Italy is good—our brother L. Rosaina will come home the end of November. Two assemblies have been established while he has been there.

In Sicily eight new assemblies have been opened and in Calabria the need is great. They are asking for workers and the brethren in the north and central of Italy have to refuse!

Although I am 63 years old, yet I am asking the Lord to show me if it is His will that I should go to establish a link between the brethren of America and of Italy. It would be of encouragement if anyone who would be prompted by the Lord to serve Him in needy Italy. I know the Lord is able to give the needed strength and also to open the way.

**L. T. CHAMBERS**  
**5925 Marnat Road**  
**Baltimore 8, Md.**

For the past three months we have been serving in the ministry of the Word in Michigan, including Windsor, Ont. Am at present in Pittsburgh and plan, if the Lord will, going over into New Jersey and Philadelphia before returning South.

Have found quite a hearty response by the saints in every place to the simple presentation of the truth, so that attendance to nightly meetings was good in spite of summer weather and the constant pressure of business conditions.

**GODFREY COOMBS**  
**R.F.D. 5, Box 385**  
**Charlotte, N. C.**

The Lord's work in these parts continues with the proclamation of the Word over the radio twice weekly, and by distribution of the printed page.

A few young people in the Charlotte meeting are sending out tracts through the mail, and receiving letters of encouragement.

We had three weeks of tent meetings in Charlotte during Sept. A central lot was rented for the whole month. Some strangers came to the meetings. We gave out much literature in the thickly settled district. Brother John Bramhall gave two weeks of splendid ministry especially for Christians. Some Christian business men enjoyed the Word spoken from night to night.

Due to extremely wet and cold weather we closed before the end of the month. Two other servants have spent a short season with us helping by their ministry, brother Fred Cowell the Gospel chalk artist, and brother Coleman. These both spoke on the radio and at Stanley assembly. The Lord has given encouragement in pastoral work at the Stanley meeting.

Two brethren have returned who were absent for a while and S.S. children are returning since the polio ban was lifted.

**J. D. FERGUSON**  
Cumberland, Ont., Can.

In Sept. I attended the Stirling conference, then later on I went to West Guilford, Ont., in the Highlands of Haliburton to preach the Gospel. I visited the children of seven school rooms and spoke to them of Jesus and His love, also did some house-to-house visitation during the daytime, walking two miles some days. As I was the only servant of the Lord to visit them, they were very pleased to see me. I have gone for seven years to preach there, so know many of the people and look forward with pleasure to this trip.

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I am glad to say my wife is better. I thank the Lord and those who joined in prayer to God for her recovery.

I was at the Rosemount Bible Conference during the Canadian Thanksgiving season at Montreal, Canada. It was a profitable time over God's Word. I met some brethren I had never had the privilege of meeting before.

**WILLIAM HYND**  
26 Wexford Ave., N.  
Hamilton, Ont., Can.

At present, September 29, I am at Hockley Valley where I had the Gospel tent two years ago. I am glad to find those that professed faith and followed the Lord in baptism going on well. I am working within a radius of 25 miles of the Hockley Valley helping the little assembly at Shelburne, Ont., and holding forth in the Valley Sundays at the Orange hall and in the homes during the week.

**CHARLES E. LACEY**  
1518 Thirty-third Street  
Lubbock, Texas

The work in Lubbock continues quietly but we believe that some are being established in the truths of the Word. An attendance of twenty-seven at Bible study last night was an encouragement.

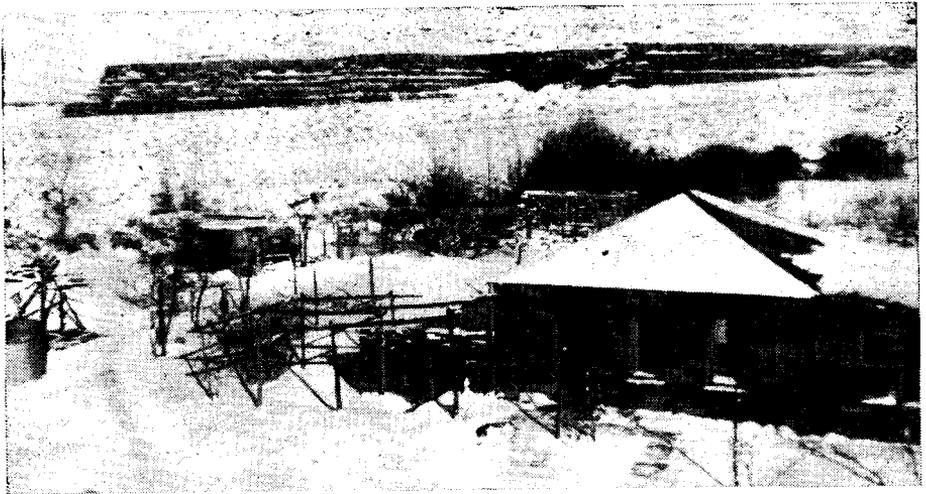
The college here has recently reopened and we are hoping to reach some of the students. Last week we distributed blotters, like the enclosed, in the dormitories where several thousand students live. The religious organizations make a big effort to attract the college folk each year but their literature seems to offer fun and frolic rather than the Word of God. Last year the Lord graciously gathered a splendid group of these young people at the chapel. Their

spiritual growth was very apparent and some have given their lives for full-time service. To Him be the glory.

**HOWARD MONTGOMERY**  
**Shiprock, N. M.**

These have been extremely busy days. Many have heard the Gospel and we have seen tears in the eyes and running down the faces of some, as they have listened to the love of God as it was demonstrated to the world in the putting to death of His own dear Son for sinners. We can only speak simply in this diffi-

thorough cleansing had to be done in them before they could be admitted. They seem to be happy and are learning English fast. Evelyn Varder has the main responsibility for the school and is doing a very good job with it. At present, she has the help of Ruth Valentine of Chicago, who is a great help to her. I give a Bible lesson and Gospel message in Navajo each morning except Saturday and we have Sunday school for them Lord's Day afternoon. We could have a much larger school if we had the room and equipment.



*The school and present dormitory at Immanuel Mission*

cult language of these heathen people, but we believe that our blessed Lord is pleased to use our testimony among them.

The school that we had prayed much about starting, we were able to begin last week owing to the Lord's great goodness. We have taken children from broken homes and there are seven staying here all the time, while two more come daily from their home nearby. A

Please continue in prayer for us, dear brethren. And may our blessed Lord be with you all in all things is our prayer.

**LOUIS MONTALVO**  
**127 Noll St.,**  
**Brooklyn, N. Y.**

We go on in the work of the Lord among the Spanish speaking people, having wonderful opportunities on every hand amidst such a vast population of

our own country men. Not so long ago, brother Paul Bitler and I visited a Puerto Rican camp about 100 miles from here where we had the joy of preaching to about one hundred men who are working on a farm. They all sat down right on the ground and we had a fine open-air meeting; most of them wanted hymn books but apparently they had never sung before as it was a job to lead the singing when only two of us knew the tune. We made a second trip and many of them bought Bibles. I am sure there will be fruit to His glory.

Our hall in Brooklyn soon will undergo a little enlargement. The brethren have been exercised as to this for a long time since the Sunday school is very large and requires more room for classes.

Good report comes to us from the testimony in Lancaster, Pa. with a good Sunday school. Brother Mel Wistner (formerly in Puerto Rico) is planning to have special meetings for the children there.

**A. A. McLAUGHLIN**  
145 West 130 St.  
New York City, N. Y.

During the months of June, July and August it was my privilege and joy to visit and labor among some of the assemblies of the West. We had two weeks at Richmond Heights, St. Louis, Missouri, when fourteen professed faith in Christ. I learned since then that some of them are seeking baptism and fellowship. Two weeks at West End Hall, St. Louis, Missouri, where we ministered the Word and preached the Gospel, six professed and the Christians were greatly helped and some restored to the Lord.

Then we moved on to Kansas City, Kansas, and served the Lord there for

two weeks with blessing to the believers and some professed. One week we ministered to God's dear children in Missouri, and the meetings were very well attended. We then moved to Des Moines, Iowa for one week with some strangers coming in each night, but no outward signs following, but the seed was sown faithfully and the few believers were encouraged to go on. We then moved on homeward, stopping off at Chicago for nearly a week. We visited Grace Gospel Hall, 4840 S. State, at which time two bright young men professed and are following on nicely. We were also at Avondale and 86th.

We had very happy fellowship with one another at all the places we visited. "Praise the Saviour ye who know Him, who can tell how much we owe Him, gladly let us render to Him all we have and are."

**FRED NUGENT**  
424 McKenzie Ave.,  
London, Ont., Can.

Brother Harold Wagler and I began a series of special meetings in the town of Simcoe, Ontario, where the little assembly which formerly met in Port Dover has erected a nice little hall. To celebrate the opening of the hall, they had a one day conference there Oct. 17, some twelve assemblies from the district being represented. It was a very happy occasion. It was a good start for the special meetings which are now in the third week, and although none have professed as yet, we are encouraged by the interest, and as some are coming every night we trust they will soon be broken to pieces and led to Christ.

One woman was in tears the other night, and said at the close of the meet-

ing "I wish I could say yes to Jesus tonight, but something keeps me back," but we are encouraged by that Scripture "Have I brought to the birth, and shall I not cause to bring forth, have I brought forth and shall I shut up the womb?" so we feel that He will complete His work in her soul.

This is the first series of meetings in connection with our assemblies in this town of 7,000, so trust that the little assembly which for five years met near Port Dover but has now moved to this much larger town, will see a goodly number saved and added to it.

We visit the homes of the people daily and have found some very interesting cases, so hope some of these will come to the meetings and get saved, for "faith cometh by hearing."

**HENRY PETERSEN**  
**2739 Cloverdale Ave.**  
**Los Angeles, Calif.**

Since returning from the Seattle Conference on Labor Day, I have been very busy here in Los Angeles. On Sept. 19 we opened the lovely new Chapel and have since had special meetings. One has professed and others show an interest. We had 184 at the Family Bible Hour last Lord's day. We are also taking a door to door survey.

October 28-30 we have the annual worker's conference held on the coast for the first time. Thanksgiving I hope to be at Oakland for the Bible conference, D.V.

**GEORGE T. PINCHES**  
**1013 Main St.**  
**Pella, Iowa**

And on attaining our 70th birthday recently, we have been impressed with His faithfulness throughout the long years of trust and service. Our confidence in our Lord continues unshaken. We repeat so often "Surely goodness and mercy has followed me all the days of my life."

During the past summer have been honored in the service of our Lord to visit numerous places in Canada, we rejoiced to see some advance in some places and pray that all will flourish in testimony for our Lord.

The most impressive thing was that most all of our former friends, who are leading in many assemblies are with Christ. The burden of responsibility for leadership and ministry is now in the hands of another generation. So things go forward, we are hastening toward the coming of our Lord.

Am writing this from Toronto where I first came 46 years ago. What great changes. Had good week at Markham Tabernacle, and rejoiced to see a real increase in fellowship and eagerness to please the Lord. Am to be at Olivet for three days next week.

Friday morning was privileged to give a message to the Emmaus School. What a sight to look upon 100 young men and women who have a heart for the Word of God. Our brethren have a great responsibility, and the possibilities in so many young lives are great, through the guidance and work of God.

Am to call at Niagara, then Hamilton, Brantford, Windsor and cross to Detroit, for a visit, hastening home in due time.

Can truly bless the Lord for all the way He has led me this trip.

# REPORTS

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## *and Assembly Activities*

Edited by **ANDREW J. COTTON**

*We believe that reports of the Lord's work and blessing in the Gospel stimulate interest, cause exercise and lead to prayer and thanksgiving. We urge the Lord's servants, correspondents and other responsible brethren to send us reports of special meetings in connection with the Lord's work. Mail information before the first of the month to LETTERS OF INTEREST office or directly to Andrew J. Cotton, 8226 South Marshfield Ave., Chicago 20, Illinois.*

**JOHN H. ADAMS**  
21 Phin Ave.  
Toronto, Ont., Can.

Brother Adams, who spent some time laboring in British Guiana, has returned to Canada. He will continue to serve the Lord in Canada and the United States, preaching the Gospel and ministering to the saints.

**86th STREET ASSEMBLY**  
Chicago, Ill.

Recently seven were baptized and received into fellowship which gladdened the hearts of the saints.

Will and Peter Pell commenced a series of addresses on the Tabernacle in the Wilderness on Oct. 31st. The first night the hall was filled and the Gospel preached clearly and faithfully.

**GRACE CHAPEL**  
Silverdale, Wis.

God encouraged us through the ministry of brethren Henry Stadt and Venus Brooks. The meetings lasted from Sept. 21st, through Oct. 4th. Both of these servants of God have the rare gift for shepherding, besides being able to preach well from the platform.

The Christians attended well and some unsaved came from time to time.

We have also enjoyed the ministry of brother Herbert Bastow who visits us as often as he is in town. The chapel has been remodeled this summer. We are making a special effort to reach the unsaved in the neighborhood, and we are asking God to bless His Word.

**JOHN A. GRAY**                      **SYDNEY MAXWELL**  
130—3rd St. N. W.    c/o 130—3rd St. N. W.  
Portage la Prairie    Portage la Prairie

Brother Maxwell, commended to the Lord's work from the assembly in Newtownards, Northern Ireland, and who has labored for the Lord in that land, arrived in Canada on Oct. 13th.

He joined brother Gray, his former fellow worker, in a Gospel effort in Montreal. When last we heard some had already professed to be saved.

**GEO. GOULD**  
P.O. Box 251  
St. Catharines, Ont.

**LEONARD BeBUKE**  
Aplington, Iowa

These brethren are very much encouraged by the attendance at the Gospel meetings started by them in Parkersburg, Iowa on Oct. 17th.

The meetings are held in the Community Hall, and by borrowing seats from the nearby assemblies of Hitesville and Stout, they can seat 250. Even with

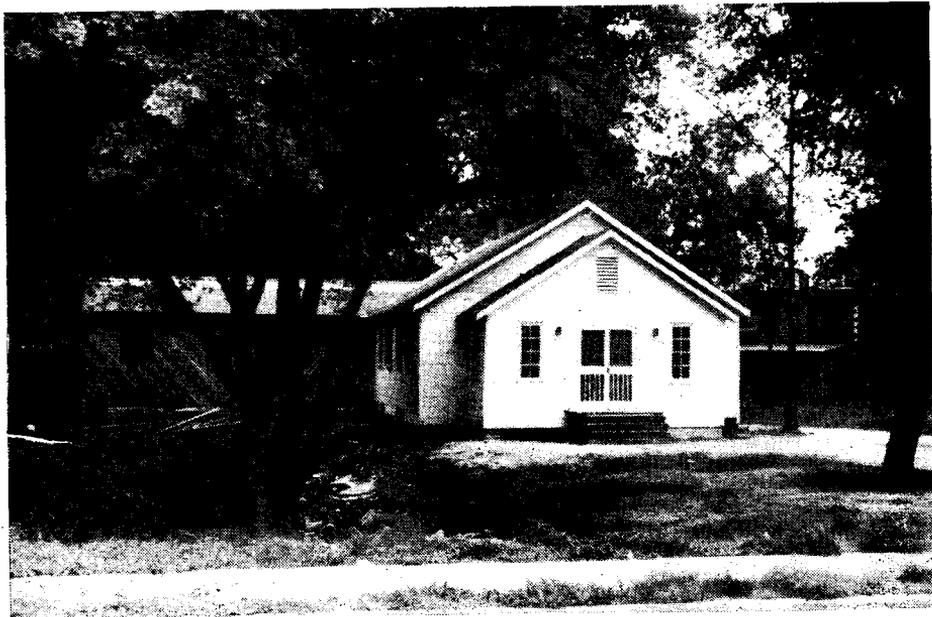
these extra chairs they can not seat all the people some nights. There is evidence of some being troubled and the brethren look for definite results soon. It has been a cheer to see nearly all the young converts of last year going on well and happily.

**DOUGLAS IBBOTSON**

**3924 Rivers Ave.**

**Naval Base, S. C.**

After years of labor and at times discouragement, God has blessed the efforts of brother Ibbotson at Charleston, S. C. With only a few sisters left in the as-



**R. G. HALLIDAY**  
**P.O. Box 4181, Sta. A**  
**San Antonio, Texas**

Brother Halliday has started work in a new district of San Antonio, in an effort to reach Mexican children with the Gospel.

The first night twelve bright Mexican children attended the meeting.

Mrs. Halliday carries on children's work in Mexican homes and has seen a few led to Christ.

Recently brother Halliday and some brethren from the assembly went to nearby towns and preached the Gospel in Spanish and English. They used a loud speaker and had a good hearing.

sembly at the close of the war, he was thrown upon God for help.

God began to bless the effort, quite a number were saved, and some were gathered out of the denominations.

There are now 30 in fellowship, the Sunday school attendance is from 180 to 200, the Gospel meetings are well attended, and there are usually 20 to 30 present at the prayer meeting.

Recently the local newspaper published this picture of the Gospel chapel, with two 9-inch columns describing how the meetings are carried on, and how similar groups of believers are found all over the world.

**SAM HAMILTON**  
Mounted Route 42  
LaCrosse, Wis.

Brother Hamilton started Gospel meetings about the middle of September in a place called Cataract, about 40 miles north of LaCrosse. When we last heard he was in his fifth week, good numbers of young people, some of them children of Christians, were attending. Some of them are interested in being saved.

**G. G. JOHNSTON**  
Box 786  
Huntsville, Ont., Can.

Brother Johnston has moved from Toronto to above address, realizing the need in northern Ontario. There are many places in this part of Ontario still untouched with the simple Gospel of Christ.

Just recently our brother had some meetings in a backward country part, where there was neither electric lights nor a telephone within ten miles and only two mails per week. These people have no opportunity of hearing the Gospel as the one so-called preacher in the vicinity does not believe in it and his preaching is opposed to it. Laboring in places like these is genuine pioneer work.

**ALBERT JOYCE**  
417 Rochampton Ave.  
Toronto Ont., Can.

**HECTOR ALVES**  
338 W. King Edward Ave.  
Vancouver, B. C.

The Gospel meetings started on Oct. 17th by these brethren in Garnavillo, Iowa, are being well attended and they are hoping to see some saved.

Before coming to Garnavillo, brother Alves spent three weeks in a new place in Southwest Colorado with two other brethren. They lived in a trailer and

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rented the Grange Hall for meetings. Aillison, Colo., where the meetings were held, is 2500 miles from any assembly. "God's Way of Salvation" and two other tracts were put in every home for ten miles in each direction around Allison. In all labor there is profit. Prov. 14:23.

**O. E. MAGEE**  
3318 McNair Drive  
Robbinsdale, Minn.

Brother Magee began tent meetings in Newport News Va., on Sept. 12th and continued for four weeks, with good attendances on Sunday evenings and fair attendance on week nights.

We trust the good seed sown will yet bring forth lasting fruit.

The tent is the property of the Virginia assemblies, and is now stored for the winter.

JOHN MILLER, SR.

**WILLIAM MORGAN**  
1320 W. 59th St.  
Los Angeles, Calif.

**JOHN ELLIOTT**  
1021 N. Clay St.  
Springfield, Missouri

Brother Harrah of Huxton, Colo., bought a school house and remodeled it into an attractive Gospel chapel, seating about 120.

Brethren C. B. Rodgers, Morgan and Elliott opened the hall on Oct. 10th, and the two last named remained for a series of Gospel meetings. They are using the "Two Roads Chart" and the attendance is fair, with some of the people from the neighborhood coming nightly.

On Oct. 17th twenty sat down around the Lord's table to remember Him in His own appointed way.

**FRANK PEARCEY**  
205 Marqueretta St.  
Toronto 4, Ont., Can.

Brother Pearcey is having Gospel

meetings in Arlington, Washington, at present—Oct. 31.

**KARL J. PFAFF**  
1323 Oakwood Ave.  
Louisville, Ky.

Brother Pfaff is back in Louisville after spending the summer with the Gospel messengers. He states it was a rich experience and some professed to be saved.

The small testimony in Louisville was maintained during his absence by the local brethren, who are making progress. They have now started a Sunday school and so far they are having a fair response from the neighborhood.

Brother Pfaff has labored faithfully for many years in this large southern city, and we are glad to know there is now an assembly there with a Gospel hall, where the unsaved may hear the Gospel.

**FRANK PIZZULLI**  
332 Chelsea Ave.  
Long Branch, N. J.

Brother Pizzulli spent three weeks in Mechanicville, N. Y., towards the end of September and into October. The young believers in this fairly new assembly go on nicely and they are growing in the things of God slowly but steadily.

They are busy building their new hall and they work on it at every opportunity. The outside of the building is almost completed.

Brother Pizzulli also recently visited the Italian assemblies in Haboken, Orange and Philadelphia.

Mrs. Pizzulli is being helped by aid of a steel brace which holds her very firm and straight. They are hoping this may give complete relief.

**PROSPECT AVE. CHAPEL**  
Champaign, Ill.

The assembly here announced the opening of a new attractive chapel on Oct. 17.

The speakers for the opening day were brethren Ernest Gross, T. B. Gilbert and Wm. MacDonald.

Brother Gross began two weeks of special meetings for boys and girls on the following evening.

**PAUL PLUBELL**      **GORDON REAGER**  
7336 Tabor Ave.      1526 Debaran Lane  
Philadelphia, Pa.      Rosemont, Pa.

Good interest is being shown in the Gospel meetings being held by these brethren in South Main St., Vancouver.

**R. ROBERTS**  
152 Indian Grove  
Toronto, Ont., Can.

Brother Roberts was in Sydney, Cape Breton Island during October. There are two small assemblies in this island of 65,000 people. None of the Lord's servants connected with the assemblies live here, and they appreciate visits from ministering brethren.

**SOUTH HOUSTON, TEXAS**

A new assembly has been established here and a new hall built at 11th St. and Spencer Highway. Some were saved in their locality from time to time and some are Christians who left the seats.

This meeting is formed in fellowship with the Houston assembly as well as other assemblies of the district.

The correspondent is B. S. Avenell, P.O. Box 401, Houth Houston, Texas.

**E. J. THARP**

Brother Tharp spent two weeks with the Niagara Falls, N. Y. assembly, min-

# Late News Section

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## Important Notice

Because of the current nature of **LETTERS OF INTEREST**, no part of it can be printed ahead. The editors, however, through this **Late News Section**, are able to include letters and reports received up to the 15th of each month, unclassified as space permits.

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### WITH THE LORD

#### SAM KELLAR

As we go to press we learn of the home-call of our brother Sam Kellar. Brother Kellar passed into the presence on Sunday, November 14th. He had been ill for quite some time. Brother Kellar lived at 1906 W. 43rd St., Los Angeles 37, California.

#### NORA STEFFY

Miss Steffy went home to be with the Lord on Friday, Nov. 5th, from the Rest Haven home, Spring Lake, Michigan, where she has been a guest for the past year.

She served the Lord for many years in Pembroke, N. C., working among Indian women and children. She saw a good number led to Christ. One who was saved through her efforts is now devoting his full time to the work of the Lord.

The funeral was held in the Gospel Hall, Grand Haven, and the services were conducted by Peter and Will Pell.

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### Conference Notices

#### CAMDEN, NEW JERSEY

Our annual New Year's conference will be held (D.V.) on January 1 and 2, 1949 in the high school at Haddon Heights, N. J., preceded by a prayer meeting Friday evening, December 31

at 8:00 p.m. in the Gospel Hall, 915 N. Front St., Camden. For further particulars please write Mr. Herbert W. Staats, 21 S. Davis Ave., Audubon, N. J.

#### TILLSONBURG, ONTARIO

Our Fifty-Fourth annual conference will be held (D.V.) on January 1 and 2, 1949, preceded by a prayer meeting on Friday, December 31, 1948. Correspondence may be addressed to Mr. J. C. McCormick, P.O. Box 322, Tillsonburg.

#### ZEPHYRHILLS, FLORIDA

An all day meeting on New Year's Day will be held (D.V.) in the Gospel Hall, corner Fourth Ave. and Eighth St.; also a missionary meeting on Lord's Day afternoon, January 2 at 3:00 p.m. The Lord's people are cordially invited.

CARROLL D. MAYS  
Route 1, Box 6  
Zephyrhills, Florida

#### DR. EDGAR AINSLIE 817 No. Chauncey Ave. West Lafayette, Ind.

Brother Ainslie is conducting well attended meetings in Bethany House, Wheaton, Ill., on "The Dawn of the Scarlet Age."

#### C. E. BULANDER 112 So. Chase St., Wheaton, Illinois

Two young men confessed faith in

Christ last night, one a sergeant in the U.S. Army and the other a United States Marine.

The sergeant just came from over seas. He had been discharged but reenlisted. After showing him several passages from the Scriptures he acknowledged his faith in Christ as Saviour. Afterwards he said, "I used to get such strange letters from my father that I wondered what had come over him. He had been in a serious accident and I wondered if it affected him. Now I understand, He had evidently been saved and wrote to me about it."

The Marine was a young man from Mitchell, S. D. I asked him if he were saved. He thought he was as he had joined the Methodist Church and was now trying to live a Christian life and accepted Christ. I did not feel that his testimony was clear. After I told him how Christ saved me and what a wicked life I lived, he said, "One thing that I cannot help, I sometimes swear terribly. I try to quit but can't." I showed him Eph. 2:8, 9. This awakened him to the fact that his works amounted to nothing. Then we turned to Rom. 3:24, "being justified by His grace." This is God's part. Then Rom. 5:9. This is Christ's part. Then he asked, "What is our part?" I turned to Rom. 5:1, "Therefore being justified by faith." Faith is our part. After this we turned to John 5:24. His answer was, "I see now that I never was saved, but see it now, and I have eternal life because I believe on Him." Following is his written testimony:

"For years I was a Christian in name only. But today I found out what it really is to be saved. It is like walking down a dark and foggy street and stumbling along, not knowing what will come next. Then suddenly I came out of the fog and

darkness into the clear bright light of Christ."

**DAN DUNNETT**  
722 Dodge St.  
Lake Geneva, Wisconsin

Brother Dunnett remained after the Alpena Pass, Ark. Conference for a few meetings. From there he was going for cottage meetings to Webb City, Missouri, and from there to Oklahoma City.

**JAMES GUNN**  
353 Midland Ave.  
Midland, Ont.

Ministry meetings were started by brother Gunn in the Evanston, Ill. assembly on Nov. 7th.

**DOUGLAS HOWARD**  
Halifax, N. S.

Our young brother who was recently married, expects to make his home for the present in Halifax and work in and around the city.

**JAMES McCULLOUGH**  
57 Creston Road  
Stratford, Conn.

Brother McCullough started Gospel meetings in Hartford, Conn. on Sunday, Nov. 17th.

**DAVID SCOTT**  
3874—12th Ave.  
West Vancouver, B. C.

Our aged brother returned to Vancouver the first week in November. After having been in the East since April, visiting some of the scenes of his labors of half a century ago. He is remarkably well for his age and can still preach well to saint and sinner.

He took part in the Everson, Washington Conference on Nov. 10th and 11th, and one who was present said of the Conference, "It was a most enjoyable season of fellowship."

**LEONARD SHELDRAKE**  
3719 Penn. Ave.  
Kansas City 2, Missouri

Because of ill health, brother Shel-  
drake must curtail his travels and preach-  
ing activities for the present, at least. He  
is seeking to help the Lord's people by  
written ministry. His "Monthly Ministry  
Letter" will be sent to all believers who  
would appreciate having it.

**WM. WARKE**  
1259 W. 86th St.  
Chicago, Ill.

These two brethren started a series of  
Gospel meetings in the West Side Gospel  
Hall, Cleveland, Ohio, about the first of  
November.

#### **ALBION, COLO.**

Brethren Ferguson and Thropay con-  
tinued with the meetings here after  
brother Alves left. The attendance was  
good on the whole, and one woman pro-  
fessed faith in Christ.

#### **MANSFIELD, OHIO**

Brother F. W. Schwartz recently fin-  
ished a series of Gospel meetings at the  
Lincoln Heights Gospel Chapel. The at-  
tendance was fair, with a few strangers  
coming in. The homes in the neighbor-  
hood were visited by brother Schwartz  
and the Sunday school teachers; tracts  
and invitations were distributed to every  
family in the community. No definite re-  
sults were evident, but we feel the seed  
has been sown, and we pray that those  
who heard the Word will yet be won to  
the Saviour. Our meeting at 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday is proving to be a help to our  
little assembly; some parents are bringing  
their children for Sunday school and re-  
maining to hear a Gospel message. Please  
pray for the work here in Mansfield.

J. HUNTER

#### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS**

**LESLIE RAINEY**

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Victoria, B. C.

**DAVID KIRK**

36 Gladstone Ave.  
Hamilton, Ont.

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**M. SINCLAIR**

c/o Mrs. James Morrison  
2906 Wellington Avenue  
New Westminster, B. C., Canada

The Lord gave us a safe journey back  
to Canada. At the last meeting in Glas-  
gow, Scotland, a young woman was  
saved, and also at the last meeting in  
London, England, an old lady, over 70  
years told us, as she shook hands, "I  
ways hoped I was saved. Today I know  
I am." "These things have I written unto  
you that believe on the name of the Son  
of God, that ye may know that ye have  
eternal life" (1 John 5:13).

In Winnipeg at the girls' class in  
Ebenezer, a girl of 13 confessed Christ  
as her Saviour. Thus the Lord has

blessed His Word, all the way. How good is the God we adore.

My heart is full of grateful thanks to God for the privilege of visiting my native land, and bringing me back again to my work here.

**J. P. CONAWAY**  
7205 Sommers Road  
Philadelphia, Pa.

I am having a few meetings at Midland Park, New Jersey. People came out well. Tonight a few of us are going to a small meeting of 12 where few preachers ever get to. It is 47 miles from here. If some of the preachers would realize how much these visits are appreciated they would go more.

**WALTER ELTJER**  
Kesley, Iowa

I'm laboring at present here in Northern Iowa near the Minnesota line. I'm in my fourth week of meetings. A nice number are coming out and we are looking to the Lord of the Harvest to save precious souls. This is at Miltonville, Iowa.

**REVELSTOKE, B. C.**

For four months commencing December first, Mr. W. Wood, Box 514, will receive all communications for the Revelstoke assembly.

F. Woodland

**OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA**  
Grace Gospel Hall

We have just finished two weeks of meetings with our brethren Fred Hill and Dan Dunnnett preaching. Ministry was mostly to Christians, and we believe it has strengthened and built up the Christians. Some outsiders were attracted and it is our desire to see them take their place in the assembly.

During the summer months we have had visits from the following brethren: Tom McCullagh, Leonard Lindsted, John Elliott, Richard Burson, T. B. Gilbert and Robert Hoy. We do value the ministry of our brethren and are glad to see them come.

Carlton Jones  
Correspondent



istering the Word. From there he expected to go to Rochester, N. Y. and then to Boston for the conference.

**TOM WILKIE**  
Box 183  
Forest, Ont., Can.

**E. McCLURKIN**  
R.R. 1  
Yalt, Ont., Can.

These brethren began a series of Gospel meetings in the West Chicago Blvd.,

Detroit Gospel Hall on the 17th of October.

When last we heard the attendance was very good, but none had been saved.

Prior to these meetings brethren Wilkie and Gunn had good meetings in the Canadian Soo, four professed to be saved.



# CONFERENCES

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**Edited by J. W. KENNEDY**

*It is a great privilege when Christians are able to gather under God for the ministry of the Word. We consider it a service to publish news items concerning all such gatherings. Therefore, we ask assembly correspondents to notify us when conferences are to take place and also favor us with a report when they are over for the benefit of the Lord's people who cannot attend. This information should be sent to J. W. Kennedy, 7751 South Peoria Street, Chicago 20, Illinois, or direct to LETTERS OF INTEREST office before the first of each month.*

## **ALPENA PASS, ARKANSAS**

The recent conference was a time of sweet fellowship. The weather was all that could be desired, so many were able to attend who would not otherwise be able to. The ministry was good and was shared by brethren Geo. Hoekstra, D. M. Dunnett, O. G. Smith and Geo. Thomson. The Christians returned homeward refreshed in spirit and strengthened in faith.

## **BLUE RIVER, WISCONSIN**

The conference held here recently was a refreshing time. Some, we understand, were saved and others restored to the Lord. Of the fourteen ministering brethren

present, the following took part: J. J. Rouse, O. G. Smith, W. F. Hunter, H. Alves, A. W. Joyce, W. Warke, E. Jamison, S. Hamilton, S. Mick, L. E. McBain and N. Crawford.

## **BOSTON, MASS.**

The Boston conference was a helpful season to those who attended. The brethren responsible for the ministry of the Word were R. W. McCracken, J. Gunn, E. J. Tharp, C. McClelland, S. Porteous, Wm. Ferguson, Geo. Wightman.

## **FLINT, MICHIGAN**

While not as well attended as in previous years, the conference held on Octo-

ber 2 and 3 was considered very good. The well rounded ministry of brethren G. M. Landis and J. F. Spink was greatly appreciated by the Lord's people who were present.

#### **GUELPH, ONTARIO**

The Guelph Bible Conference came to a close at Labor Day, and we look back on a summer which passed all too quickly, but one filled with blessing from our loving Lord. By common consent, it was the best yet. Ministry from the Lord's servants was most practical and helpful. Many went back to their homes and assemblies with fresh zeal to live for and serve their Lord.

During the conference season which commenced May 24, the following servants of the Lord ministered at various times: Neal N. Fraser, Crawford Tilsley, H. M. Harper, Geo. Rainey, Geo. M. Landis, W. B. Mackie, H. Armerding, Owen Hoffman. In addition several business men gave unstintingly of their time and talent—C. Greenhow, R. M. Winslow, Geo. Mortland.

The entire month of August was devoted, as usual, for the summer school under the capable guidance of brother H. G. Lockett, M.A., of Hamilton, ably assisted by a staff of teachers, A. P. Gibbs, H. G. Mackay, Cyril Brooks, Wm. Deans, Phillip Tate, John Smart, R. E. Harlow, Ernest Woodhouse, Miss Marie DeVries. Missionary interest at the school was especially good. Many young lives were touched.

Our hearts are grateful to our God as we look back, and looking forward, in His will and if our Lord has not come, it is hoped to extend the General Conference in July, 1949 from three weeks

to a four week period in order to accommodate the increased attendance.

#### **HAMILTON, ONTARIO**

As usual, a large number of Christians attended our annual conference at the Canadian Thanksgiving time. The Word spoken was very good and tended to strengthen the Lord's people in these dark days. The brethren present to share in the ministry were J. Gunn, T. Wilkie, W. Wilson, J. Blackwood, F. W. Nugent, W. J. Pell, Geo. Pinches, Geo. Shivas, F. W. Mehl, J. Gray, R. McClurkin and H. Fletcher.

#### **HOLLYWOOD, FLORIDA**

The Second Annual Hollywood Winter Conference will be held (D.V.) at Hollywood, Florida, March 19 through March 27, 1949. The first such conference held last year was well received, and we believe there was a real blessing. A very cordial invitation is extended to the Lord's people to plan on enjoying this vacation Bible conference with us.

As at last year's conference, accommodations and meals will be the responsibility of the individuals attending, except that suppers will be served for all Sunday evenings. Announcement will be made later of the speakers and the complete data. Lyndon C. Conlon, correspondent, Hollywood Gospel Chapel, Box 1035, Hollywood, Florida.

For the information of the Lord's people the assembly in the Hollywood Gospel Chapel, 2244 Hollywood Boulevard will hold their annual Watch Night service December 31, 1948. From 9:00 p.m. until midnight the time will be occupied with prayer, praise and ministry. Refreshments will be served to those present.

LYNDON C. CONLON

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**HOUSTON, TEXAS**

The conference here proved a happy time for the Lord's people attending. The ministry was very helpful and stimulating and was shared by brethren R. T. Halliday, Geo. Rainey, W. J. Pell, Dr. Hunt, Ken Baird and J. Hunt.

**PITTSBURGH, PA.**

After much consideration and exercise of heart before the Lord on the part of a number of brethren in this area, we desire to announce a conference to be held (D.V.) January 1 and 2, 1949 in the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall, Fifth Ave. and Bigelow Blvd. Ministry pertaining to the Lord's coming is expected to be given by brethren J. S. Waugh, G. M. Landis, J. F. Spink and W. B. Mackie. Prayer is requested for blessing on this conference.

JOHN MALLOY  
107 Glarius Ave.  
Pittsburgh 2, Pa.

**POMONA, CALIFORNIA**

The New Year's Conference of the Pomona, Riverside and Redlands Assemblies will be held D.V. in the Pomona Hall, 4th and White Streets, in Pomona, California, on January 2, 1948. Breaking of Bread at 10:30 a.m., Ministry at 2:30 P.M., and Gospel at 7:00 P.M.

W. MORTON MELLINGER

**POTTSTOWN, PA.**

We plan (D.V.) to hold our Bible conference Saturday, January 1, 1949.

All meetings will be held in the Trinity Reformed Church (same building as in previous years). Services as follows: 10:30 a.m., 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. For further information please write Mr. George Mauger, R.D. 2, Pottstown, Pa.

GEORGE M. MAUGER

**ROANOKE, VIRGINIA**

The Labor Day Week-end Conference was held in Roanoke, Va. with attendance by believers from various assemblies in the state of Virginia. Beginning on Saturday night, meetings were held for ministry and the preaching of the Gospel through Monday night, the Word being ministered by brethren E. G. Matthews, E. Gordon Williamson of India, Wm. J. Oglesby and J. W. Bramhall. This was the first Labor Day Conference attempted by the Roanoke assembly and, in the will of the Lord, is to be an annual occurrence, for all who attended expressed their appreciation of the Christian fellowship and ministry manifested.

W. L. OVERSTREET

**VANCOUVER, B.C.****Cedar Cottage Gospel Hall**

The conference at the Canadian Thanksgiving was very good. Christ exalting and practical ministry was given by brethren S. Mick, Geo. McKinley, F. Pearcey, G. N. Reager and P. Plubell.

G. BASHAN



# YOUNG PEOPLE'S WORK

EDITED BY JAMES G. HUMPHREY

## NEEDED

### Doctors, Nurses, Business Men, College and Bible School Students!

"A great door and effectual is opened unto me." So Paul wrote to the Corinthians (I Cor. 16:9) nearly 20 centuries ago. Today this is being repeated in many parts of the world. From the missionary field, foreign and local, comes the heart stirring cry, "Come over into . . . , and help us." Acts 16:9.

This S.O.S. for help is an emergency call that should be heeded by each reader. It might not be in the "regions beyond," it might be just that Sunday school class that needs a teacher; it might be the grocer or butcher that needs a tract and a word for the Master. True, all of us cannot go to the foreign field, but all of us *can* go to the field! We must begin at Jerusalem!

What can you do? If you love the *Lord* and really want to be used of *Him*, here is an opportunity that perhaps the *Lord* is opening to you right now! Why not volunteer your services *now* and spend your vacation in one of the Bible Camps to be held, in the will of the *Lord*, next summer? Too often these camps are understaffed, especially medically. Nurses are always in great demand. A doctor would be a rare blessing not only medically but for physical recreation and personal work. Young men and women who really love the *Lord* could do so much with the children as their counsellors. Business men would

find themselves a great blessing to boys and girls and also to the ones in charge. Often Bible Camps need good business executives! Men and women cooks are important to any camp. Are you a good cook? Why not offer your services?

To hire the above help increases the costs of running camps. As our camps are really being run with the *Lord's* money, everything saved because of volunteer help would mean just that much less needed. And every one of our camps would praise *God* for *spiritual* workers!

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### Upper Peninsula Bible Camp Inc.

At present our labors in the upper peninsula consist of a Sunday school here in Forsyth, now held in an old school building, which we are busy decorating.

Then two new Gospel meetings are held on Sunday nights in neighboring villages as a direct result of open air meetings conducted from the U. P. Bible Camp throughout the summer. One of these is held in Princeton, an Italian settlement of iron miners. We meet in a garage because there are no public buildings.

One mile further is Austin where we meet in a friendly home gathering them for what we term "The Family Bible Hour," hoping to reach adults along with the children.

The Gwinn school superintendent asked us to teach one of the released

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time week-day Bible classes, which we are happy to be doing, using visual material to make the way of salvation as clear as possible.

Each Lord's Day we have the assistance of a young couple, graduated from Emmaus Bible School. Mr. and Mrs. John Small helped us through the summer with the Bible Camp, and are now attending teacher's college in Marquette. It is grand to have their help, and the fellowship is something we have longed for and looked to the Lord to supply in His own time!

CAMERON MACARTHUR

**HORACE KLENK**  
2 Carmen Place  
Glen Head, N. Y.

"The summer is ended." (Jer. 8:20). Praise God that it was a time of harvest! The Lord blessed the Daily Vacation Bible School that we had in our assembly here in Glen Head. The Lord gave us just about as many children as we were able to handle. For two weeks these youngsters were given the Word daily during the morning sessions of the school. How we do praise God for the godly workers He supplied! At the closing night's exercises we had the Meeting House packed with parents and friends of the children. After the children said and sang their parts, the Gospel was faithfully proclaimed to all, as we realized we would not see many of these people again until another year had rolled by. When the service was over the parents reviewed the exhibitions the children had made of the handwork. How we all praised God for the opportunities of those two weeks!

Early the next morning, Mrs. Klenk and I with the children left for Shiprock, New Mexico, to enjoy some fellowship

with the Montgomerys there. Passing through Springfield, Missouri, we enjoyed happy fellowship with the families of our brothers John Elliott and Tom McCullough, who themselves were in Oklahoma holding tent meetings. We reached Albuquerque, New Mexico, Saturday night and spent the Lord's Day there visiting the Fourth Street and South Highland assemblies. Praise the Lord for the testimony to His name and for the work of the Lord being carried on in these places. Brother Traxler of the latter place spoke of the blessing the Lord was giving in spite of the bill they had to pay, which averaged \$11.00 a month for new window panes! How busy the enemy is and how easily he can find "religionists" to help him!

The Lord knew we might never have found the Immanuel Mission where the Montgomerys are, 60 miles from Shiprock right in the Arizona desert, and He so arranged it that we met a swollen run which neither of us could pass until it had subsided. Howard Montgomery was on the one side and we were on the other! How wonderfully our Lord leads and guides!

Thank God for the hard work Howard Montgomery and his wife Helen are doing among these poor Navajo Indians! Medical work, corresponding and cooking for them and helping them with their many problems are all side lines with the most important work of trying to win them to the Lord. At the breaking of bread there was only one Navajo, Yellowhair, a man saved a long time ago! What darkness and opposition of the enemy these loyal missionaries of the Lord Jesus Christ have to encounter! Recently Satan came in and ruined the work the Spirit was doing when those

who professed to be believers took to a "new religion" that spread among the Navajos. Part of their ceremony calls for the eating of a vegetable, a drug, which gives them hallucinations and they think they are "talking to the gods." Opposing this, the missionaries have lost even those who at one time were the most promising! Pray much for the Montgomerys and their helper, Miss Varder.

After nearly two weeks there we returned through Kansas and were able to enjoy real happy fellowship with the Lord's people in Topeka and Atchison.

We reached home, praising the Lord for His goodness, Thursday, August 5, and left a few days later for Camp Hanaeel, Stony Brook, N. Y., where along with Mrs. M. McGeeney we took over the work for brother and sister Holmgren, and conducted the camp for two weeks. How good the Lord was! How He blessed these poor children physically as well as spiritually. Truly our hearts were full of praise to Him!

Then I helped my brother Howard for two weeks at Pine Bush Bible Camp. Here again we saw the Lord working in hearts, and praise Him for His blessing which "maketh rich."

Now we are looking forward to a rich time of blessing during the winter months. We would appreciate your prayers that this might be so.

#### **MISHAWAKA, INDIANA**

Brother Owen Hoffman of Washington, Ga., held children's meetings in Gospel Chapel from Sept. 26 through Oct. 7. The Gospel was made very plain with the use of black light, object lessons and chemical demonstration. There was also some practical ministry given the Christians by use of the stones and black light. The chapel was well filled each night as the attendance was larger than for any previous series of meetings. A few professed to be saved.

D. SELBY



# SPECIAL ITEMS

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Edited by J. M. WITTKAMPER

*This department will contain items of interest that cannot be allocated to other sections of the magazine. The material is chosen from the vast amount of correspondence reaching our office and from other sources. Articles for this section will be welcomed.*

## OVERSEAS RELIEF

*"But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him? My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth." I John 3:17, 18.*

In order to meet urgent need among refugee believers from Palestine, a shipment of some 400 pounds of clothing is now on the way to our brethren in Lebanon. Relief shipments for believers in this area of need will be distributed by the joint action of senior missionaries and responsible brethren among the assemblies, and such committees are now beginning to function in Beyrouth, Lebanon, and Amman, Transjordan. At the present time the chief sufferers are the Arabic and Armenian sections of our believers, refugees who have left their earthly goods behind and are in great need, especially in view of the coming winter. Believers in New Zealand have already responded with monetary gifts for use in the Middle East trouble area and it is expected that a sufficient amount of clothing will be forthcoming from the American assemblies to fully meet the urgency of the situation.

In the meantime as a result of continued exercise on the part of assemblies and individual believers throughout the States and Canada, regular food and

clothing shipments have continued to our brethren in other special needy areas. Special medicines and other items have also been forwarded to meet specific need among the Lord's people.

A new pamphlet giving an account of Overseas Relief Committee activities has now been issued and those desiring a copy can obtain one by addressing their request to the O.R.C., 159 Lowell Street, Andover, Massachusetts. Forward correspondence, clothing and other goods to the O.R.C. in Andover, Massachusetts.

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## **Now Is The Time—** *to make preparations for your Watch Night Service*

Every assembly ought to have a Watch Night service. Make it a good one. Make it one that will leave lasting impressions. One that will make the New Year different because it was attended.

"On the first day of the first month shalt thou set up the tabernacle" (Ex. 40:2) was the Lord's command to Moses. The first day of a new year causes reflection as well as concern for the future. It is a good time to "take stock" of ourselves and of our spiritual lives as well as to ask ourselves just what has been accomplished for the Lord during the year that is just ending. If you possibly can, by all means try to arrange a Watch

Night service for the believers with whom you are associated. A cottage meeting can be an excellent place for one.

A good program is necessary if many are to attend. A short program for an evening could be: 9:00-10:00 Prayer, Praise and Ministry; 10:00-11:00 Refreshments and Fellowship; 11:00-12:00 Prayer, Praise and Ministry. About 11:55 there should be silence until after the whistles or bells, during which time there can be the quiet, personal praise for the past and prayer for the future, including personal consecration to the One we love.

If you have a Watch Night service, make it a good one, and make it count for His eternal praise and glory, that "in everything He might have the pre-eminence." Col. 1:18.

HORACE KLENK

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### **Republished**

After having been out of print for some time, the Gospel Folio Press has undertaken to republish the book, "Sister Abigail." Those who have followed with interest the account of El Nathan in the September issue of LETTERS OF INTEREST, and in previous issues the work of Western Assemblies Homes, Elim, Longport and Rest Haven Homes will be interested in this venture. There is a new foreword to this edition by Miss Grace Pell of Rest Haven Homes, Inc. The price is \$1.75 postpaid and is available at any of the book stores selling Christian literature and supplies.

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### **Is Instrumental Music Used in Piedmont Assemblies at The Lord's Supper?**

It has been the cause of much amaze-

ment and regret to the editors of the Assembly Messenger, as well as to other servants of the Lord laboring in the Piedmont area of North Carolina, and to the elders and responsible brethren in these assemblies meeting in the Lord's name, to discover that a rather widespread belief is held in various quarters that instrumental music has been introduced and is employed in connection with the assembly worship meeting at which the breaking of bread is held. We feel, under such circumstances, that we should place on record the following statement of facts.

There is not, nor ever has been, to the knowledge of the editors, the use of instrumental music in any of the Piedmont assemblies at the worship service. Having been connected with the work from practically its inception we can make this statement without hesitation. Nor have we ever heard or known of any southern assembly using instrumental music at the breaking of bread.

Coupling this report with another one equally erroneous, that the worship meeting is largely given over to ministry, with but a small portion of time given to worship and the breaking of bread, we conclude that it is a mistaken idea regarding our order of services that has led to this double error. In some, not all, of the Piedmont assemblies, the breaking of bread is held at an earlier hour, followed by the Sunday school at eleven o'clock. Our Sunday schools are large, running into several hundreds, and usually accompanied by a Bible class of a hundred or more, sometimes two hundred. This Bible class partakes largely of the character of a preaching service, and instrumental music is employed at this meeting. Inasmuch as this is the hour at which many assemblies meet to break bread, we

feel that this has led to the above-mentioned reports. Often all the time at our breaking of bread service is taken up in worship, with no time for ministry. Another false report is that we use orchestras in our campaigns. The only musical instruments ever used are a piano or an organ.

We trust there will be an increase of the love that "thinketh no evil."

LESTER WILSON

H. G. MACKAY

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### ***New Courses at Emmaus***

Emmaus Bible School has added several new courses which promise to be of real value among Christian workers.

The first is a course entitled "Camp Administration." Simply stated, this is a study on how to run summer Bible camps for boys and girls. This course has been added to the curriculum in Toronto as a recognition of the growing importance of summer camps as a means of reaching the boys and girls with the Gospel and with practical Christian ministry.

Another new course in the Toronto School is "Bible School Administration." This course is designed for those who have the vision of setting up Bible schools, particularly on the foreign field. "Bible School Administration," as its title suggests, covers the major problems related to the organization and supervision of a Bible school such as Emmaus.

For those interested in bringing the Gospel to the masses by way of radio, Emmaus now offers a course entitled "Gospel Broadcasting." In addition to discussing the theory and ethics of this form of Christian service, the student engages in actual studio work.

The major emphasis at Emmaus continues to be on Bible subjects. However, these additional courses are made available in order that our young people might be of maximum efficiency and usefulness in the service of our Lord.

Any who are interested in further information about the courses offered at the Emmaus Bible School should write to the school at 6902 South Normal Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, or 81 Harcourt Avenue, Toronto 6, Ontario.

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### ***Words in Season***

Because of brother Keller's continued illness it has been thought advisable to move the editorial office to Detroit, Michigan. Brother Wm. H. Ferguson will assume the duties of editor, and all subscriptions, manuscripts and reports should be sent to him.

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### **GOSPEL HALL HOME FOR AGED CHRISTIANS Longport, N. J.**

Mrs. Florence McKay, who with her late husband labored in the West Indies for many years, is now a resident of the Home at Longport.

She sends us a few interesting details of the Home, as follows: "This home would need to be seen to be appreciated. There are 39 guests and most of them are 80 years old, or near that age. There are continual improvements being made for the comfort of the guests. We now have a lovely sun porch, an oil burner for supplying hot water for domestic use, and an elevator is being installed. The elevator was a necessity as the building is

four stories high. Mr. Moon, when his day's work at the office was finished, was down in the shaft helping to dig in preparation for the elevator. This together with the efforts of a brother in the Home, aged 79, who with the help of others did most of the work, reduced the expense to a minimum.

A cordial invitation is given to the Lord's people to visit the Home, and a hearty welcome awaits them."

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### ***New Time Schedule***

**GOSPEL HALL**  
**838 E. New York Ave.**  
**De Land, Fla.**

Breaking of bread 9:30 a.m.; Bible school 11:00 a.m.

Since the change there has been an increase in attendance and more interest is apparent, and the Lord is blessing.

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### ***Change of Address***

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*Temporary—*

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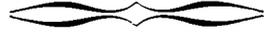
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### ***New Correspondent***

New correspondent of the Seventeenth Street Christian Assembly, Gospel Chapel, Seventeenth and Herr Sts., Harrisburg, Penna., is

**NORMAN GUTSHALL**  
**200 N. 30th St., Penbrook**  
**Harrisburg, Penna.**

Brother Leon F. Miller, former correspondent, has departed to be with the Lord.



**LEONARD E. BROUGH**  
**2905 Power House Road**  
**Yakima, Washington**

Our brother is suffering from high blood pressure and a valvular leakage of the heart. Doctors have advised against long trips and continuous preaching. This will mean limited activities nearer home.

**ROBERT CRAWFORD**  
**942 So. Roosevelt Ave.**  
**Bexley, Ohio**

Brother Crawford entered Mayo Bros. clinic, Rochester, Minn., on Oct. 19th for a diagnosis of his trouble. The first 10 days or more were devoted to tests, X-rays and consultations, and as yet we have not heard the final outcome.

Shortly before going to Mayo's Bros., Crawford broke his right wrist. They found on examination that it had not begun to heal and it has been placed in a solid cast. The cast may have to remain for from three to nine months.

LETTERS OF INTEREST

# PIONEERING, BIOGRAPHY

EDITED BY W. R. SIMPSON

## HUGH KANE

Hugh Kane, evangelist and Bible teacher, was born in Dromore, County Down, North Ireland, on June 17th, 1869. He was brought up in a Presbyterian home and attended church and Sunday school regularly; learned his catechism, committed to memory many portions of the Psalms, and believed he was just as good as many who said they were saved.

Shortly before he was seventeen years



old a series of evangelistic meetings were held in the Presbyterian Church in Dromore, conducted by a godly Presbyterian minister. He attended these meetings regularly and became concerned about his eternal welfare through a message given from the text, "Today if ye will hear His voice, harden not your hearts" (Hebrews 3:8). This brought conviction to his soul and led to his salvation six months later.

Immediately a great longing came into his heart to tell others of the Saviour he had found and he, with some other young men, began giving out tracts and holding cottage meetings.

In studying God's Word, he saw the truth of believers' baptism, and later on became pastor of the Baptist Church in Derryniel. After three years of service he felt the Lord wanted him to go to America. He left Ireland for New York in 1906 with his wife and four children and accepted a call to a Baptist Church in Herrman, N. Y., where he labored for four years, leaving there in 1910 for Elmira Heights, N. Y., where he was the Baptist pastor for eight years.

His heart was grieved as he saw the apostasy which was creeping into the churches. This led to a closer study of God's Word as to his position. He met brother Harold M. Harper who was visiting in Elmira. They had many discussions over the Word of God and his unscriptural position, but he fought against the truth. After some time he resigned and accepted a call to the Second Baptist Church in Erie, Pa. While there he studied the Word of God much, now willing to obey it implicitly, and after four years of service there he resigned and stepped out in faith, leaving his comfortable home with his dear wife and youngest son who was then in his second year of high school. They rented a little apartment in Erie, waiting on the Lord for guidance as to his future path.

At that time he knew only two brethren who were gathered out to the Lord's name alone,—brother H. M. Harper and brother E. D. Monroe, Buffalo, N. Y. He wrote Mr. Monroe telling him of the step he had taken and received a reply from Mr. Monroe inviting him to spend some time with him in his home in Buffalo, seeking the Lord's guidance. Mr. Monroe took him to meet the brethren in Assembly Hall and after some time he was commended by the assembly to the Lord's work.

From there he went to a Believers' Bible Conference being held at that time in one of the assembly halls in Toronto, Canada. The Lord seemed to lay the needy and out-of-the-way places on his heart where he labored for many years. He preached in school houses and wherever he could get an opening, far away from any assemblies of the Lord's people. He in company with another brother held meetings in Western Grove, Arkansas, in the Ozark Mountains where a number were saved. Some years ago he and brother A. B. Rodgers held meetings at Crownville, La. Mr. Rodgers writes the following in connection with this work:

"About twenty-five years ago and for a number of years thereafter, brother Kane and I labored together in a pioneer effort in Louisiana. The call to that field came through Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Lingle, who had been saved in St. Louis and had started a Sunday school out in the country among share-croppers and small farmers, having no meeting-place but an abandoned tenant-shanty, into which seventy-five children and adults crowded, some sitting on planks laid on log-blocks, others in the windows, on the floor, or

outside on the "gallery," as they called the tumble-down porch.

For a year or two we had our Gospel meetings in the homes of the people. If it was winter, the speaker would stand beside the log-fire in the fire-place, surrounded by his audience on beds and chairs and floor, the room lighted by a kerosene lamp, revealing the inner surface of the unpainted siding or sheathing, there being only one board between us and the weather. If it was summer, we usually met out on the "gallery" with some listeners out on the ground.

We did a lot of visiting in those days, and learned to love the people who lived such simple lives. Some customs and habits were quite a shock to the man who had lived in Ireland and the eastern states. One day he came to me with the exclamation, "Do you know, brother Rodgers, that if anything were to happen to either of us down here, they would have us buried before our wives would know of it?" He was reassured that, though it was a common practice for burial to take place on the day of death, there were exceptions, even in the country. He was outspoken in his disgust at the prevailing habit of "dipping snuff," especially by some of the women. The contrasting lives of the Christians gave him real joy, and he was a welcome visitor in their homes. Some of them were his children in the faith.

His letters to Christian friends in the North and East contained graphic descriptions of these conditions and the need of a building in which we might meet these people and give them the Gospel. It was a subject much on our hearts and in our prayers. An acre of land was purchased and we erected a plain but very suitable chapel, calling it

"Shady Grove Gospel Meeting House." Brother Kane and I enjoyed the days we spent doing carpenter work with the builders and helping with the painting. No one enjoyed the new building more than our brother. He returned to Louisiana again and again, sometimes accompanied by Mrs. Kane, for meetings in "Shady Grove" and for visitation work among the people.

The building is still being used by the small company remaining in the neighborhood. In recent years, the roof had fallen into dis-repair. When Mrs. Kane heard of it, she was enabled to provide funds to put it back into condition.

Here is an opportunity and a challenge for younger men to enter the field, with zeal and patience, to "strengthen the things that remain," and to reach out further afield with the Gospel."

Mr. Kane wrote a number of Gospel tracts and poems which have been used in the salvation of souls, and many weary and discouraged saints have been strengthened. His little book, "A Return to First Principles," has been owned of the Lord in leading Christians to see the truth of gathering to His precious name alone.

In 1942 while giving help in the little assembly in St. Petersburg, Florida, he became suddenly ill and was taken to a hospital there on April 2nd for an operation from which he never rallied. He went home to be with the Lord on

April 6th. His body was taken to Linesville, Pa. for burial, to await the resurrection morning. The service was taken by our beloved brother, Harold M. Harper. (*Information supplied by Mrs. Kane*)

### RESTING

*"There hath not failed one word of all His good promise."*—I Kings 8:56

*"He is faithful, that promised."*—Heb. 10:23

I'm resting on God's promises  
Not one shall broken be;  
I daily prove His love and grace  
His faithfulness to me.

I'm resting on God's promises,  
What comfort doth it bring  
To know He is my faithful Friend!  
It makes my heart to sing.

I'm resting on God's promises,  
What have I then to fear?  
Though storms may sweep my weary  
path  
I know my Lord is near.

I'm resting on God's promises,  
The word of man might fail  
Just when my helpless soul needs aid—  
When Satan's hosts assail.

I'm resting on God's promises,  
That's all—just sweetly rest,  
Until that day when I recline  
Upon His loving breast.

—HUGH KANE



# RADIO PROGRAMS

Compiled by C. W. POLLARD

The following are broadcasts carried on by or in fellowship with assemblies. We invite all those engaged in such work to send in all details (kc., time, station, city, etc.) regarding their activity. Stations listed alphabetically according to State.

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KFNF, Shenandoah (920 kc.)—Sunday, 1:45 p.m.—Tom Westwood.

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The meetings are as follows: Lord's Day - Remembering the Lord, 11:00 A.M.; Wednesday - Prayer and Bible Study, 8:00 P.M.

We would welcome the Lord's people who wish to live or vacation in this vicinity or who may be traveling through.

At present we have Brother Frank Detweiler of Marion, Virginia, laboring in the gospel in a tent in the city, and who now resides here.

Signed on behalf of the assembly meeting as above.

J. Reuben Binnie  
Harry A. Welsler

Prior to coming to Florida, Brother Harry Welsler was in fellowship with the Austin Gospel Hall, Chicago, Illinois. J. R. Binnie was in fellowship with the Evanston Gospel Chapel, Evanston, Illinois. Since coming to Lakeland, Florida, both families have been in happy fellowship with saints in Zepherhills, Florida.

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