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ADDISCOMBE. March 27—28. Anniversary Services. Pines, Tenderton Road, 11 a.m. Adult School, Woodside Green, 6.30 p.m. Monday, 7.30 p.m. Pastor P. N. Corry will conduct the services.

BARKING. March 10, 17. Elim Hall, Ripple Road. Series of Bible Studies on The Holy Spirit, by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton.

BARKING. March 13, at 6.30 p.m. Elim Tabernacle, Ripple Road. Visit of Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

BECONTREE. Now proceeding. Revival and Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor Gwilym I. Francis in the Christian Temple, Green Lane (near the Heath). Sundays, 6.30 p.m. Week-nights, 7.30 (excepting Fridays).

BRADFORD. Commencing March 20. Special Evangelistic Campaign conducted by Pastor W. E. Smith in the Southend Hall, Leeds Road. Sundays, 10.45 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Week-nights, 7.30 (except Fridays).

CHELMSFORD. Commencing March 6, Elim Tabernacle, Mildmay Road. Campaign by Pastor W. E. Smith.

CONGLETON. March 6—20. Revival Campaign conducted by Pastor E. H. Lucas in the Players' Hall on Sunday, March 6 at 7.30 p.m. and continued in the Town Mission, Cole Hill Bank. Week-nights, 7.30 p.m. (except Fridays).

ELIM WOODLANDS. Open on Saturday, March 12th, 8.30 to 9 p.m. The meeting will be taken by the Vanstone family. Do not miss this gathering. Tickets 1/- (including tea).

GLASGOW. April 2. South Scottish Rally in the City Temple, Bath Street, 7.30 p.m. Speakers include: Pastors F. A. Farrow, A. J. K. Magee and Evangelist E. C. Jones. Convener: Pastor Leslie Newsham.

GLOSSOP. Commencing March 14. Elim Tabernacle, Ellison Street. Campaign by Pastor D. Vanstone. (District Crusader Rally, March 19th, 3 and 7 p.m.).

GREENOCK. March 9—14. Spring Convention, Elim Tabernacle, Belleville Street. Speakers include: Pastors W. G. Hawkins, L. Newsham, and Mrs. Saxon Walshaw. Convener: Pastor A. J. K. Magee.

LIVERPOOL. Now proceeding. Bible campaign conducted by Pastor W. J. Hilliard, in the Elim Tabernacle, Windsor Street. Sundays, 6.30 p.m. Week-nights, 7.30 (Fridays excepted).

MIDDLESBROUGH. March 6—20. Revival and Healing Campaign, conducted by Evangelist C. A. C. Hadler (late of Pastor P. S. Brewster's Revival Party) in the Jerusalem Church, Brentnall Street, off Grange Road. Sundays, 7.30 p.m. Week-nights, 7.30 p.m. (except Fridays).

SHEFFIELD. Now proceeding. Bible Campaign conducted by Evangelist W. H. Farrow in The Friends' Meeting House, Hartshead. Sundays, 6.30 p.m. Week-nights, 7.30 (Wednesdays and Fridays excepted).

SOUTH CROYDON. March 9. Elim Hall, Selsdon Road. Visit of Thornton Heath Crusaders.

EASTER MONDAY

April 18th, 1938

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL FOURSQUARE GOSPEL

Demonstration

in the

ROYAL ALBERT HALL (London)

when

Principal GEORGE JEFFREYS

WILL CONDUCT THREE GREAT GATHERINGS

11 a.m. Divine Healing; 3 p.m. Baptismal Service;

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RESERVED SEATS. Tickets for seats in the Boxes and Stalls are obtainable at the following prices: Morning, 1/-; Afternoon 2/-; Evening 2/-. Those who purchase these tickets ensure a good seat, and at the same time help to reduce the rent we pay for the hall. These tickets are only obtainable from the Box Office, Royal Albert Hall, Kensington Gore, London, S.W.7. Enclose stamped addressed envelope.

COME, join the Testimony and share in the Festival!

Sixteenth Annual

LONDON EASTER CONVENTION

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The Elim Evangel

AND FOURSQUARE REVIVALIST

The Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance was founded by Principal George Jeffreys, its present leader, in Ireland, in the year 1915. The Principal's campaigns have filled to overflowing the largest halls in the British Isles, and have resulted in many thousands of converts to Christ, and notable miracles of healing. The Movement consists of Elim Revival and Healing Campaigns, Elim Foursquare Gospel Churches and Ministers, Elim Bible College, Elim



Publications and Supplies, Elim Bible College Correspondence School, Elim Crusaders and Cadets, Elim Foreign Missions, and Foursquare Gospel Testimony. It stands uncompromisingly for the whole Bible as the inspired Word of God, and contends for THE FAITH against all modern thought, Higher Criticism, and New Theology. It condemns extravagances and fanaticism in every shape and form. It promulgates the old-time Gospel in old-time power.

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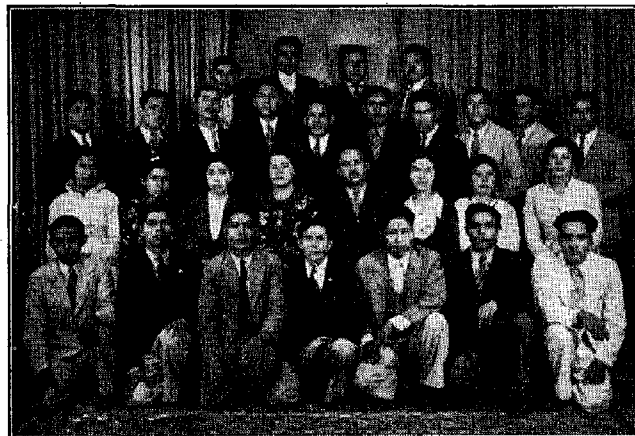
Lifting up the Standard

A Missionary Article by Miss A. HENDERSON (Missionary Secretary)

Let the people who are at home not care only to hear about successes; we must train them that they take an interest in the struggle.—Rev. H. Schreiber (Sumatra and India).

“WITH God nothing shall be impossible,” came fresh and clear to a soul kneeling in His presence with a great burden pressing so heavily on the heart that for the time at least neither sun, moon nor stars could be sighted, every way and everything seemed wrapped in darkness. “Set no borders to His strength,” from a warrior in the Orient came as a confirmation of what God had already spoken. There are no boundary lines marking off the workings of God’s providences where humble obedience confers not with flesh and blood but follows only where He leads.

A man and his wife set out in the early bloom of their married life to work for Jesus in Mexico. They founded a Pentecostal work in that darkened land in face of hostility and great difficulty, but the seed faithfully sown for the Master bore gracious increase to encourage the brave pioneers and the noble-hearted young man who took charge of the work after the pioneers—Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Thomas—had to leave the country. The interesting group seen in the picture is composed of teachers and students in the present class of the Bible School in Mexico, the result to-day of the work begun over ten years ago. The brother in charge of the school is seen seated in the centre of the second row. But on behalf of



Group of teachers and students in Bible School, Mexico, with the brother in charge seated in centre of second row.

women whose faces they can study in this group and who are called to suffer for the testimony of their Lord and Master in Mexico.

From Mrs. Taylor (Congo), in her usual cheery, invigorating style, for which we are deeply grateful, comes a description of the New Year’s celebrations on her station at Ngoi Mani: “Out here we celebrate New Year’s Day with our black friends. It is usually a feast in the Christian village, with long tables (really a number of various and sundry tables in various stages of decay) looking a bit like the backbone of a crocodile. This is decorated with various hues of tablecloths in all shapes and sizes and looks a bit like a stall in a bazaar. Around the tables are drawn up a medley of chairs and 25-gallon empty petrol drums, boxes, etc., in fact anything suitable to sit on! All these details matter but little to our friends who, dressed in their best greens, yellows, and reds, bush shirts or collars and ties, as the case may be, have eyes but

FOR THE FEAST.

This will be goat shima, chicken shima, fish shima, shima in fact, of all kinds and descriptions, with plenty

THE COURAGEOUS LEADER

who is now in charge of this growing work for God in troubled Mexico Pastor Thomas sends to the readers of the *Evangel* the following S.O.S. for prayer: “There is need for earnest prayer on behalf of the work in Mexico as there are many difficulties. We have just received word from one of the workers saying that recently some of the students were holding a religious service in a private house, when they were arrested by the police and imprisoned, but later were released and were to be tried afterwards. According to the law the property could be confiscated.” May God enable those who read this call to prayer to be diligent in their intercession for the young men and

of salt! A shima is a stiff porridge moulded into a football shape and may be the size of a small pudding bowl or as big as a hassock. All these jolly balls of porridge again present a "various" aspect, for they tone from a pure white to a dingy yellow (including all the greys) according as to whether the manioc was dried on a clean mat in the sun or on a rack over a smoky fire. It all depends on the weather. All this is very exciting, and we have our meeting beforehand in the church where, at least, we are all one in Christ Jesus, one song of praise to Him, one prayer for blessing on the New Year (may it not contain as much sickness and struggle as our little Church has had to endure in 1937). Looking back, in spite of it all, we can indeed say that God has been with us, and we know that He will be with us, for He hath said: "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end." The end! We know not the day nor the hour, but we do know that if He is for us nought can prosper against us. We all send our greetings for the New Year and thank you for your loving prayers and support."

Mr. and Mrs. Scott in Belgium write of forward strides in their newly-opened hall in La Louvière: "You will be glad to know the work is growing, new trophies of grace through salvation are being added and there are healings, too. This next fortnight it will be necessary to enlarge the hall. The baptistery is now finished and all are eagerly awaiting the

FIRST BAPTISMAL SERVICE,

on the 22nd. After that we will commence our breaking of bread service."

Pastor and Mrs. Francis (Pilgrims Rest) write us very encouragingly in the midst of their busy days: "For months now we have been engaged on extra building work—first on the renovating and altering of the church, which work we were able to do with the help of native servants, and members of the Church as their work duties permitted them. What a pleasure it was to beautify the Lord's house, and what a big object lesson it became to the believers, that we were building a dwelling-place for God! Every plank, every nail, every drop of paint has been paid for by the Church members, and how nobly are they rallying to the work of building unto the Lord! How blessed have been the gatherings in His house of late, His wonderful presence has been manifest in our midst, and it has thrilled one to see the hearts of so many hushed as they have been drinking in the Word of God. After one such meeting, recently, quite a young boy came to kneel before the Lord in repentance and soon he was sobbing, confessing his sins to God. Oh, that many more were seen to do that in these hard days of callous materialism!"

From Pastor and Mrs. Mullan there comes a lovely long account of their work at Tzaneen and the out-stations belonging to Tzaneen. Look out for this report in a future issue of the *Evangel*, so that intelligent prayer may be made for this part of His vineyard.

In India Miss Ewens and Miss Paint are enjoying blessed

TIMES OF ENCOURAGEMENT

in their work. It will rejoice the hearts of India's intercessors to learn that for the further development

of His kingdom there, our missionaries are co-operating in their work with the Pentecostal Holiness Mission of America, a missionary society whose work for God



Sunny-haired John with his father and a little chum.

in India has been both solid and splendid. God has undoubtedly guided in these arrangements and we are sure He is going to richly bless in the new arranging of the stations and in the re-organising of the work at Madhupur, Giridih and Telaiya.

Pastor and Mrs. H. C. Phillips and sunny-haired John are enjoying good health and finding the days all too short to get through the work that falls to their lot, of supervising the different stations, building, teaching, visiting around their own central station where they conduct a good-sized, well-equipped Evangelistic School from which earnest Christian men go forth with the burning message of the Cross to the different kraals and villages of the Northern and Eastern Transvaal. In a letter just received Mrs. Phillips writes: "We are having times of real blessing at our revival meetings which are being held here now. God has graciously sent into our midst a Spirit-filled evangelist and many are seeking and finding salvation. Many are seeking the Baptism. To-morrow we are expecting Mr. and Mrs. Mullan and the girlies on their way home from Durban."

THE ONLY WORK THAT COUNTS

Organisation and plan, though well devised, will utterly fail except the Eternal Spirit of the living God direct and lead and further and prosper. The best laid schemes of men utterly fail and crumble, but work wrought by the power of the Holy Ghost will abide for ever. Its foundations cannot be shaken.

Critical Comments on Current Concerns

By "PURITAN"

NOTE.—The object of this weekly article is to give readers a knowledge of things happening in religious and secular realms, particularly to show the errors of false religious systems. The writer keeps an eye on several papers, but, of course, is out of touch with purely local matters. If readers come across anything of interest in local papers, or addresses, the writer would appreciate their contribution. Please address all communications to "Puritan," c/o the "Elim Evangel."

Speaking his Mind. From Swindon I have received the following news: A few weeks ago the Rev. C. H. Hulbert of London was speaking at the Anniversary services of the local Methodist Central Hall. In the course of his message he declared that most of the religious bodies had lost the passion for the souls of men that had characterised them in their early days. They had become "respectable" and full of compromise. He named certain denominations. He then finished his statement by saying, "I am afraid that most of the work is left to the Foursquare Movement in this land." We have no doubt that this caused a stir, but we praise God for this outspoken word. It is good to know that there are prominent Gospel ministers to-day who are recognising God's work in our glorious Movement.

Another Example of Ministerial Courage appeared in the papers of February 21st. In the village of Galleywood, Essex, a new village hall was opened. Amongst other things it was to be used for whist drives and dances. When invited to attend the opening, the vicar, Rev. F. A. Roughton, refused, because on principle he was opposed to whist drives and dances. Those who know what village life is, and how most clergymen fall in with all the worldly pleasures that are carried on, will realise the courageous stand taken by this vicar. We would like to extend to him our appreciation of his boldness. Loyalty to right principles is better than worldly popularity.

Forgotten Masses! We read a lot nowadays about the forgotten masses in our depressed areas. But here is a new species. A priest in U.S.A., Rev. Philip Joseph Magrath, who died August 21st, 1936, left, amongst other things, "1,000 dollars to the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, to be used for masses I may have forgotten to read." So the people for whom these masses were intended were kept all those extra years suffering the excruciating agonies of purgatory all because of the forgetfulness of the priest! How good to be a Protestant, and have a High Priest who has assured us we shall never be forgotten.

Papal Censorship was further exposed in an address by Mr. Joseph McCabe under the auspices of C.I.V.I.C. (Council for the Investigation of Vatican Influence and Censorship) at the Picton Hall, Liverpool. Mr. McCabe knows Rome inside-out. He was a monk for twelve years before the absurdities of Rome drove him to infidelity. He said: "Eighteen months ago some of the London papers announced, quite prominently, that several hundreds of Franciscan monks had been arrested for sodomy in one German province, and a series of most sensational trials was about to begin. If this had been a revelation of wholesale corruption in the Buddhist monasteries of Asia, our papers would have devoted columns day after day, to the trials, but not another word was said of this, though the exposure that was made in the German courts, week after week, was the most revoltingly picturesque that I have ever read in any literature. There is nothing that approaches it in Rabelais or Boccaccio or any mediæval writer." Mr. McCabe then went on to show that in these trials there was none of that secrecy and injustice that has characterised so many "trials" in Germany. He showed how the Catholic papers of the country reported the cases and endorsed what verdicts were passed, and how the Catholics of the country were not surprised when the Pope, after the first month of the trials, suppressed the entire Province of the Franciscan Brothers in Westphalia on account of its corruption. Many of these monks pleaded heavy drunkenness on "holy days" as the cause of their crimes, and the revelations of Bacchanalian orgies with licentious monks reeling to the chapel for Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve (the most sacred ceremony in Rome's Calendar)

was most horrible to read. Mr. McCabe proceeded to say, "These religious houses from Munich to the Dutch frontier, proved in scores of cases to be such haunts of vice as you will find nowhere else in the world."

"Our journalists must have strained at the leash over what is beyond question the most sensational story of the century." Proceeding to show how certain Romanists had "bamboozled" our Press, Mr. McCabe then gave the following enlightening account.

The Hand of Rome. "In November," said Mr. McCabe, "the 'News Chronicle' published a long interview with a German-American parish priest who was in England on his way back from Germany. Father Berghs is just a common priest in America, yet somebody got him interviewed as if he were a prince-bishop. His purpose was to renew the assurance that the story of widespread corruption was a Nazi fabrication. He did this by mistranslating religious brothers into priests, and saying that very few priests and nuns (to whom the charge does not apply) were in jail. I at once sent a short and temperate letter pointing out that the charge referred to religious brothers who were not priests, and that, as I have shown, it was proved even to the satisfaction of German Catholics. My letter was refused insertion, and I received a notification that the editor thanked me for it and had 'taken notice of my views.' But I got that letter printed elsewhere, and a Liberal, whose attention was called to it wrote to the editor of the 'News Chronicle.' He showed me the reply. It was signed by one of the leading members of the staff with the interesting name of Reilly, and said that there was no trace of any letter having been received from me, but that if one had been received and not published it was solely from lack of space. As a matter of fact, the correspondence space was being used at the time for as fatuous a series of letters—as the greatest man and woman of the year—as I have ever read."

Who was it suppressed the report of these proceedings in the English Press? Remembering Rome's aim to control this service, one could give a pretty shrewd guess.

The Romanist Paper, "The Universe," announces that Mr. George Rendel has been appointed as His Majesty's Envoy and Minister plenipotentiary at Sofia. Readers note this, in view of recent remarks in this column.

The Same Paper, February 25th, announces that the "Holy See" foretells the end of the Spanish War this year, with complete "Restoration of the Catholic Church." For this, the "Holy Year" has been extended till the close of 1938, so that "All Spaniards will be able to take part." Well, certainly, if Franco does triumph, the Pope will have had no small share in his victory. Rome has hailed him as "the great Christian General," leading the "Christian Forces" to "recapture Spain for Christ." The Pope "evangelises" people with Franco's bombs and Mussolini's poison gas.

Atheistic and Immoral. That is how I heard a Wickliffe preacher once describe the Roman system. An item in the above-mentioned issue of the "Universe" recalls it to my mind. This paper states, "A world-wide petition is being organised in Italy to request the proclamation of the dogma of the Assumption and of the Mediation of Our Lady. . . . The Assumption of Our Lady into heaven is a probable opinion which it is impious to deny, though not an article of Faith, said Pope Benedict XIV. according to the New Catholic Dictionary."

What blasphemous nonsense! Rome is supposed to be an Infallible Church, and yet for all these centuries she has not really known whether Mary ascended into heaven or not. When

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The Gifts of the Spirit

III.—THE WORD OF WISDOM.

By Pastor C. J. E. KINGSTON

AFTER our two introductory articles we come now to the study of the first of the nine supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit. "For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom" (I. Cor. xii. 8). This gift stands at the head of the list of the nine and is undoubtedly one of those "best gifts" which we are exhorted to covet earnestly (I. Cor. xii. 31).

It is worthy of notice, first of all, that this gift is a supernatural one. There are some expositors who would make it to be only the natural gift of wisdom, possessed by even unregenerate men, sanctified possibly by the Holy Spirit, and consecrated to God's service by the individual possessing it, upon his conversion to Christ. This easy explanation will not, however, fit in with all the facts of the case. This Gift, together with the other eight, forms a part of that divine endowment with "power from on high" (Luke xxiv. 49), which is given to believers after they have received the Holy Spirit. Since unsaved men cannot receive the Holy Spirit (John xiv. 17), while they may have great natural gifts of human wisdom, it follows that this Gift cannot be

NATURAL WISDOM

whether sanctified or unsanctified. This Gift is supernaturally "given by the Spirit" (I. Cor. xii. 8) and in all these gifts "worketh that one and the self-same Spirit, dividing to every man severally as He will" (v. 11).

Secondly, we should remember that this Gift differs from that ordinary spiritual wisdom which may be the portion of all believers in Christ. In Proverbs ix. 10) we are told that the "fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom," while it is the blessing of all Christians that "Christ Jesus . . . is made unto us wisdom" (I. Cor. i. 30). Besides this, "if any . . . lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him" (James i. 5).

Seeing then that this spiritual wisdom is promised to all believers who ask for it, while on the other hand the Gift of the "word of wisdom" is given only to some "as the Spirit wills" (I. Cor. xii. 11), there must obviously be a distinction between them.

We should notice, thirdly, that this gift is called the "word of wisdom." That is to say, it is not wisdom in the abstract but rather an especial revelation at the needed moment of a fragment of

DIVINE WISDOM.

For example, a man gets into legal difficulties and rings up his lawyer on the telephone. After hearing the case in point, the lawyer will give a word out of the store of his legal wisdom which will guide this man through his difficulties. The lawyer does not tell him all his accumulated knowledge of the law but gives him rather a "word of wisdom" to help him in his present need. Just so does the Holy Spirit, through the operation of this Gift, impart the "word of wisdom" to meet the need of the believer in his

hour of difficulty: Thus Christ said to His disciples, when speaking of the persecutions they should endure for His sake, "Settle it, therefore, in your hearts, not to meditate before what ye shall answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to gainsay nor resist" (Luke xxi. 14, 15). "For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say" (Luke xii. 12). Thus we have an illustration given us by Christ Himself of the operation of this supernatural Gift.

Fourthly, we would draw attention to the definite link there is between the first two Gifts, the word of wisdom and the word of knowledge. Their

COLOURS ARE INTERMIXED

as are the colours of the rainbow. Natural wisdom is the ability to apply possessed knowledge and experience. From this analogy we may say that spiritual wisdom is shown in applying spiritual knowledge. But this Gift of the word of wisdom is entirely supernatural and is a step higher even than spiritual wisdom; it is rather a revealed fragment of the Divine Wisdom which in its outflow is the result of God applying His divine knowledge to the case in point and then imparting a portion of His wisdom to the possessor of this Gift.

God ever keeps before Him in the storehouse of His infinite mind all the facts of heaven and earth. That is to say He is omniscient; He can never come to any new knowledge for He knows all that is, or ever will be, possible to know. When God imparts a little of this fund of infinite knowledge to a believer it is the Gift of the "word of knowledge." But we must remember that God also purposes future events, such purposes depending upon His application of that omniscience, or perfect knowledge, of which He stands forever possessed. Such wise

PURPOSES OF GOD

constitute His infinite wisdom. Now when He imparts a little of this fund of infinite wisdom to a believer it is the gift of the "word of wisdom."

While there is then this definite link between these first two Gifts we must remember that there is also a distinction between them. The Greek words in the original bring this out clearly, for the word for wisdom is *sophia*, which is knowledge in its practical application, whereas the word for knowledge is *gnosis*, that is theoretical knowledge.

To illustrate the difference between these two gifts and yet their co-ordination let us refer to the interpretation, by Daniel, of Nebuchadnezzar's dream. The king had entirely forgotten his dream upon waking and yet it had left such an impression upon him that he endeavoured by bribes, and then by threats, to persuade his wise men to remember it for him. After much prayer the secret was revealed unto Daniel in a night vision. "Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven . . . for wisdom and might are His . . . He giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them

that know understanding : He revealeth the deep and **SECRET THINGS . . .** " (Dan. ii. 19-22).

Ushered into audience with the despot, Daniel made no claim to wisdom of his own in the matter, saying, " This secret is not revealed to me for any wisdom that I have . . ." (Dan. ii. 30). Then he proceeded to tell the king what it was that he dreamed. " Thou, O king, sawest, and behold, a great image." This Daniel was enabled to do because by the gift of the " word of knowledge " God had revealed it unto him. After telling the dream, however, Daniel gave also the interpretation of it and this he was able to do through the impartation of the " word of wisdom."

Another illustration of the close connection and yet distinction between these two Gifts is shown in those seven epistles, by John in Patmos, to the seven churches in Asia. By the " word of knowledge " he knew the spiritual condition of each of these churches; by the " word of wisdom " he was able to give them the will and commands of the risen Christ resulting from his knowledge of that condition.

This Gift of the word of wisdom

COMES BY REVELATION.

This is clearly stated by the Apostle Paul in his first Corinthian Epistle. After stating that his speech and preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power he says, " we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory." This wisdom, he says, " God hath revealed unto us by His Spirit " (I. Cor. ii. 7, 10).

It is evident that the wisdom of which Paul speaks is not wisdom in the abstract but rather this Gift of the " word of wisdom," for he says repeatedly, " we *speak* wisdom . . . we *speak* the wisdom of God . . . which things also we *speak*, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which the Holy Ghost teacheth " (vv. 6, 7, 13).

An Old Testament instance of the same truth is seen in the case of young Samuel. When the Lord first spoke to him he did not recognise the Voice, for " Samuel did not yet know the Lord, neither was the word of the Lord yet revealed unto him " (I. Sam. iii. 7). Later, instructed by Eli, Samuel answered the call of God and received " by the word of the Lord " (v. 21) the message concerning Eli and Eli's house.

It will be interesting, finally, to give a few

SCRIPTURAL INSTANCES

besides those already given, of the exercise of this Gift.

Noah, " warned of God of things not seen as yet," was commanded by Him, without any intermediary, to prepare an ark. The size and fashion of it was all communicated to him through the medium of this miraculous Gift (Gen. vi. 14; Heb. xi. 7).

Moses, on account of his lack of eloquence and slowness of speech, fearing to approach Pharaoh to demand the release of Israel from bondage was answered by God, " who hath made man's mouth? . . . have not I the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and teach thee what thou shalt say" (Exod. iv. 11, 12). And so he was promised that words of wisdom

should be given him supernaturally in his conflict with the world-power of that day.

Bezaleel, the craftsman of the Tabernacle, was enabled to do his work perfectly so that in smallest detail that sanctuary should be according to the divine pattern, because the Lord said, " I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge " (Exodus xxxi. 2, 3).

Solomon, asked by God to choose

A CORONATION GIFT,

chose " an understanding heart." The Lord, pleased with such a request, " gave Solomon wisdom and understanding exceeding much," so that there was none like him before or after for wisdom (I. Kings iii. 9, 12; iv. 29).

Joseph, called before Pharaoh to interpret his dream, was enabled to do so by this supernatural Gift, whereupon " Pharaoh said unto his servants, Can we find such a one as this is, a man in whom the Spirit of God is? " and turning to Joseph he added, " Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this, there is none so discreet and wise as thou art " (Gen. xli. 38, 39). In this case it is worthy of note that the word of wisdom is recognised by Pharaoh as a supernatural gift from God and it is not suggested that it was natural ability or wisdom which enabled Joseph to interpret the dream. He not only had the interpretation revealed but was also given wisdom to advise Pharaoh what to do. Stephen's commentary is that God was with Joseph and " gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of Pharaoh " (Acts vii. 10).

Stephen, the first Christian martyr, received this Gift too. Chosen to the deaconate because he was " of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom," he later

CAME INTO CONFLICT

with the Jews who disputed with him but " they were not able to resist the wisdom and the spirit by which he spake " (Acts vi. 3, 10).

Our summary would not be complete without mention of Him who received the Spirit without measure (John iii. 34). Of Him we read that He " grew, and waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom." Later, after He commenced His ministry, " they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this Man this wisdom, and these mighty works? " (Luke ii. 40; Matt. xiii. 54). As an instance of this wisdom we might remember Christ's answer regarding the paying of tribute to Cæsar, a reply so wise that it has been the admiration of all ages ever since (Matt. xxii. 20-22).

How needful is this Gift in these days! Often through lack of wisdom a work of God can be ruined; a soul can be lost through an unwise word spoken without guidance. When speaking to a soul about Christ let us lift up our heart to God for wisdom, realising that the wrong word may turn that soul from Him, and above all let us covet earnestly this Gift of the word of wisdom.

**YOUR SALVATION IS HIS BUSINESS ;
MAKE HIS SERVICE YOUR BUSINESS.**

It's Real

H.L.C.

H. L. Cox.

1. O how well do I re-mem-ber how I doubt-ed day by day, For I
2. When the truth came close and searching, all my joy would dis-ap-pear, For I
3. When the Lord sent faithful servants who would dare to preach the truth, How my
4. But at last I tired of liv-ing such a life of fear and doubt, For I
5. So I prayed to God in earn-est, and not car-ing what folk said, I was

did not know for cer-tain that my sins were wash'd a-way; When the Spi-rit
did not have the wit-ness of the Spi-rit bright and clear; If at times the
heart did so con-demn me as the Spi-rit gave re-proof; Sa-tan says at
want-ed God to give me something I would know a-bout; So the truth would
hun-gry for the blessing; my poor soul it must be fed; When at last by

tried to tell me, I would not the truth re-ceive, I en-deavour'd to be
com-ing judgment would ap-pear be-fore my mind, O it made me so un-
once, "I will ru-in you to now con-fess your state, Keep on work-ing and pro-
make me hap-py, and the light would clearly shine, And the Spi-rit gave as
faith I touch'd Him, and, like sparks from smitten steel, Just so quick sal-va-tion

CHORUS.

hap-py, and to make my-self be-lieve.
eas-y, for God's smile I could not find.
fess-ing, and you'll en-ter heaven's gate.
sur-ance that I'm His and He is mine.
reach'd me: O bless God, I know it's real!

But it's real, it's real, O I
it's real,

know it's real; Praise God, the doubts are settled, For I know, I know it's real.
I know

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Bible Study Helps

A NEW PRINCIPLE IN THE BELIEVER'S LIFE.

(II. Cor. v. 1-15).

Introduction: Paul's ministry as an example to believers.

1. A New Hope (vv. 1-4). "An house not made with hands."
2. A New Guide (v. 5). The Holy Spirit ("earnest" or pledge).
3. A New Rule (vv. 6, 7). Walking by faith—not by sight.
4. A New Ambition (v. 9). Labouring to please Him (Christ).
5. A New Desire (v. 11). Persuading men to accept Christ.
6. A New Motive (v. 14). Constrained by the love of Christ.
7. A New Power (v. 15). Living for Christ—not for self.

SEVEN MANIFESTATIONS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT EXPERIENCED BY THE SPIRIT-FILLED BELIEVER

(Acts ii. 4).

1. The Spirit produces Christian character (Gal. v. 22-25).
2. The Spirit produces Christian service (John vii. 38, 39, R.V.).
3. The Spirit teaches (John xvi. 12-15).
4. The Spirit promotes praise and thanksgiving (Eph. v. 18-20).
5. The Spirit leads (Rom. viii. 14).
6. The Spirit witnesseth with our spirit (Rom. viii. 16).
7. The Spirit maketh intercession for us (Rom. viii. 26).

GOD'S GREAT SALVATION.

1. Great because a Great Person Provided It (Heb. v. 9).
2. Great because a Great Price Purchased It (I. Pet. i. 18, 19).
3. Great because a Great Power Procures It (Heb. vii. 25).

SPIRITUAL LAW IN PHYSICAL LIFE.

The Five Senses:

1. Seeing—"Look unto Me, and be ye saved" (Isaiah xlv. 22).
2. Hearing—"Hear, and your soul shall live" (Isaiah lv. 3).
3. Feeling—"As many as touched Him were made whole" (Mark vi. 56).
4. Tasting—"O taste and see that the Lord is good" (Psa. xxxiv. 8).
5. Smelling—"A sweet savour of Christ" (II. Cor. ii. 15).

Mary's ointment was wasted when she broke the vase and poured it upon her Lord. Yes; but suppose she had left the ointment in the unbroken vase? What remembrance would it then have had? Would there have been any mention of it on the gospel pages? Would her deed of careful keeping have been told over all the world? She broke the vase and poured it out, lost it, sacrificed it, and now the perfume fills all the earth. We may keep our life if we will, carefully preserving it from waste; but we shall have no reward, no honour from it, at the last. But if we empty it out in loving service, we shall make it a lasting blessing to the world, and we shall be remembered for ever.



The Scripture Union Daily Portion: Meditations by Pastor E. C. W. BOULTON

Sunday, March 13th. Matt. xiv. 22-36.

"But when he saw the wind boisterous, he was afraid" (verse 30).

It is often thus with the saints of God—they are influenced by the threat of the storm. The raging storm, the howling elements and the roaring thunder drowns the divine assurance that all will be well. They are overwhelmed by a sense of coming disaster. And yet if we are in company with Christ we are in fellowship with the One who is Master of the storm. We are every bit as safe in the fiercest gale as in the greatest calm, in fact there is possibly more danger in the calm than in the storm. At such times it is for the soul to remember that His presence is the guarantee of safety. "No harm shall come nigh thy dwelling" is one of the gracious pledges of the Divine Word. "As the mountains are round about Jerusalem, so the Lord is round about His people." Hallelujah!

PRAYER TOPIC:

That much blessing may be experienced in the campaigns now in progress in our churches.

Monday, March 14th. Matt. xv. 1-14.

"Every plant which My heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up" (verse 13).

There is to come a day of revelation when things shall appear in their true light. Then it will be a question of character which will determine the eternal status of the soul. To-day men judge according to the outward appearance of things. Human standards are altogether different from the divine. We appraise men by their face value, and in so doing often make fundamental mistakes. But in that day of manifestation all that has not been planted of God will be uprooted. What a need to pay serious attention to the foundations of life, making quite sure that we are built upon the rock of divine truth, and not upon anything less substantial and enduring.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For spiritual outpouring on all our foreign mission fields.

Tuesday, March 15th. Matt. xv. 21-39.

"He answered her not a word" (verse 23).

How unlike the Master to give such a response to the cry of need. Yet we must not misunderstand this silence on His part. Ofttimes His silence is the prelude to abundant blessing. He waits to be gracious to those who seek His grace. Though his lips utter no word of encouragement yet His heart is full of tender solicitude for the oppressed and distraught souls of men. There are times when there seems to be no response from

heaven to the cry which rises from our hearts. Let us not conclude that this silence denotes indifference or unwillingness on the part of the Lord. He has heard our heart's petition and will move on behalf of the believing soul. Sometimes God's most eloquent answer to prayer is silence—silence deep and pregnant.

PRAYER TOPIC:

The Divine touch to rest upon God's tested ones everywhere.

Wednesday, March 16th. Matt. xvi. 1-12.

"The signs of the times" (verse 3).

For those whose eyes are anointed, world events have much to reveal. Things are happening that possess important spiritual significance. The programme of God is moving on towards completion. World forces are preparing for that final clash which shall make way for the Kingdom of God on earth. In many hearts a terrible dread of the future is growing; an awful sense of approaching catastrophe; of overwhelming and world-wide disaster. To the devoted child of God all these mutterings of the storm are reminders of the Divine covenant which to them is a pledge of preservation. God is ready for the final onslaught of evil, and will fortify His people against that day. Ere long the hour of fulfilment shall dawn, and the saints shall enter into their purchased inheritance. "Perhaps to-day!" Who can tell?

PRAYER TOPIC:

That God may definitely guide those who are planning for the Elim Holiday Homes this year.

Thursday, March 17th. Matt. xvi. 13-28.

"The gates of hell shall not prevail against it" (verse 18).

There have been many times in the history of the Christian Church throughout the centuries when circumstances seemed to contradict this word of the Master. Times when the saints of the Lord were being slain in their thousands, and the cause of truth seemed to be tottering to total collapse. But the revelation of God has weathered every storm of fierce persecution, and still lives on enthroned in millions of loyal hearts the world over. Like the waves of the mighty deep dash themselves to silver spray on the immovable rocks, so against all the waves of bitter attack launched against it the Church has stood unshaken and unmoved through the ages, a wonderful testimony to the truth of this divine word of Jesus.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For the anointing of the Holy Spirit to be experienced by all our Elim ministers continually.

Friday, March 18th. Matt. xvii. 1-13.

"It is good for us to be here." (v. 4).

Peter was quite right in the words he uttered on this occasion, the trouble was that he wished to remain on the mount. This is one of the temptations that assail those who know something of the joy of deep fellowship with the Lord. A subtle form of selfishness obtrudes to rob the fellowship of its richest spiritual bloom. A desire to hug and hoard the blessing into which the soul has entered. An unwillingness to leave the place of manifestation for the battlefield of stern reality. And yet we must ever bear in mind that the mountain is but preparatory to the plain below. The spiritual ecstasies of these upper reaches of Christian communion are intended to fit the participants for sacrificial service in the vineyard of the Lord. The value of the mountain lies in its power to supply vision and vitality for the vocation to which life is dedicated.

PRAYER TOPIC:

Special blessing to attend all Elim publications.

Saturday, March 19th. Matt. xvii. 14-27.

"For Me and thee" (verse 27).

How beautifully in this sentence the Master links Himself with His servant. "For Me and thee." This represents a community of need—my need is His, and His need is mine. How close the union that thus makes our needs one. What a joy to the disciple to realise that his need is shared by the Lord. Sorrow and joy, tears and triumph are all part of the cup which the believer is called to quaff, but to know that He drinks of that cup too takes from the bitterness—in fact turns the bitterness into sweetness. It is often in the shared sorrow that we learn the deepest, richest lessons of the faithfulness of Christ. It is in the hours that are pregnant with pain that we come to appreciate more intelligently that "love so amazing, so divine." The Master also adds the joy of sharing His triumphs. How true is this when applied to Calvary!

PRAYER TOPIC:

That to-morrow in our services the windows of heaven may be opened upon all our Elim services.

Keep a clear eye on
God's goal for your life;
it is not money, nor
success, nor position.
The terminus is like-
ness to Jesus and win-
ning others to Him.

—S. D. Gordon.

IT goes without saying that if any of us fail to get the thing that God has promised "there is a reason."

Indeed, there are many and various reasons why some of God's dear children fail to get their healing. I want to point out a few of these reasons, as the Lord Himself shall direct.

First. Some will persist in "breaking the laws of health." Personally I regard the laws of health as God's laws. While it is blessedly true that we can be so filled with and led by the Spirit that we will spontaneously keep ourselves from presumptuous acts of disobedience relative to our bodies, yet the sad fact must be faced that comparatively few of those who have been born of the Spirit are among that class who are momentarily filled with and led by the Spirit in all the minute details of their daily lives. It is to this class that I am specially directing this message.

God has given us a measure of wisdom as to how we should conduct ourselves in life and actions, and if we fail to make proper use of this sense of rightness and propriety relative to the common and ordinary details of our lives and existence, we shall be the sufferers: and for this

SELF-IMPOSED SUFFERING

we cannot blame either the Lord on the one hand or Satan on the other.

For example, I knew a dear sister who was greatly used of God in the healing of the sick, but who absolutely refused to carry an umbrella during a heavy rainstorm. To all our persuasions she replied, "The Lord will take care of me." She preferred to get soaked to the skin, with the result that the day following she scarcely was able to speak owing to a severe cold she had contracted because of the folly and presumption of the previous day.

Then I have known others who were in the habit of overloading their stomachs with rich and indigestible food, and by so doing brought upon themselves serious physical results from which they found it hard to get delivered.

Others again persist in sleeping in ill-ventilated rooms and thus poison their systems with impure air, and then expect God to heal them, without even a thought of confessing the wrong they have committed, and still continue to commit.

Some permit themselves to overwork, and continue to do so in the face of the tender pleadings of God and the advice of Christian friends, thus planting in their bodies the seeds of disease and finally bringing themselves to

A PREMATURE GRAVE.

Then there are those who refuse to take exercise. They keep themselves cooped up and away from God's pure air, until their bodies become enervated, and the system out of gear.

Other ways of breaking God's laws of health might easily be mentioned, but I simply make these few statements to show that many are failing to get the

healing which God has promised them because of their folly and presumption in thinking they can live and act recklessly, and still "get away with it," and get their healing from God.

If we really believe that our bodies are the temples of the Holy Ghost, let us treat them as such, with wisdom and discretion.

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By Pastor W

Paul—mighty and Spirit-filled though he was—did not hesitate to say, "I keep under my body, and bring it into subjection" (I. Cor. ix. 27).

Having said these things, however, I would not be true to the teachings of God's Word if I failed to add that there is a place to get to in Christ where we may be so indwelt by Him, and so habitually filled with and led by the Spirit that we shall be able so to walk in wisdom and so to draw upon

THE RESURRECTION LIFE

of Christ for our bodies that we find ourselves kept in health and vigour sufficient for the joyful and easy accomplishment of all the work to which God has called us.

Second. Some have their eyes on "doctors and remedies." Doctors and remedies have their place for those who do not know God's way of healing, but for those who know their Bibles and have come into vital touch with the Christ of the Bible, there is assuredly "a more excellent way."

How shall we treat the familiar words of our "Jehovah-rapha" as found in Exodus xv. 26, "If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to His commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon thee, which I have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the Lord that health thee"? Surely when God says, "I am thy Physician" that ought to be enough.

We are told in Jeremiah xvii. 5, "Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord." We know that Asa, king of Judah, made the mistake of his life when he resorted to physicians, and forgot or ignored the fact that God was the Healer of His people. In II. Chronicles xvi. 12 we are told that "Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great; yet in his disease he sought not to the Lord, but to the physicians. And Asa slept with his fathers, and died in the one and fortieth year of his reign." The inference is that had Asa sought the Lord, and not have gone to physicians, he would undoubtedly have been healed of his disease. When we have our

eyes on doctors and remedies rather than on God, we need not be surprised if we fail to get the deliverance.

Third. Some have not yet gripped the truth that "Healing is in the Atonement." Many have ceased to believe that healing is in the atonement. What then are we going to do with Isaiah liii. 4, 5? Weigh carefully every word, for they are the words of God's

are Not Healed

W. E. MOODY

anointed prophet. "Surely He hath borne [borne away] our griefs [lit., sicknesses], and carried [carried away] our sorrows [lit., pains] . . . and

WITH HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED."

If these words teach anything at all, it is that Jesus on Calvary vicariously bore away our sickness just as fully and completely as He bore away our sins. Then in Matthew viii. 16, 17, it is stated that Jesus "cast out the [evil] spirits with His word, and healed all that were sick: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." With respect to these verses in Matthew, some teach that they simply mean that Jesus bore our sicknesses sympathetically and not vicariously, seeing that these healings were wrought before He went to the Cross.

But seeing that it is impossible to separate these words from the clear statement of Isaiah liii. 4, 5, we are compelled to believe that the meaning is the same in both cases. Both pointed forward to Calvary, while the words of I. Peter ii. 24, "By whose stripes ye were healed" point back to Calvary. And, furthermore, we must remember that there is no past, present, and future with God, but that it is an eternal present—"I Am that I Am." And we must not forget that Jesus is "the Lamb slain from the

FOUNDATION OF THE WORLD"

(Rev. xiii. 8) which Weymouth translates as "the Lamb who has been offered in sacrifice ever since the creation of the world."

A personal friend of mine was afflicted with a grievous running sore reaching from the wrist to the elbow. One day she was kneeling in prayer in her bedroom, when suddenly these words were spoken to her heart: "Surely He hath borne our sicknesses and carried our pains . . . and with His stripes we are healed." Looking up to heaven, she said, "Father, is that in the Bible?" The answer came, "Yes." "Where is it, Lord?" she asked. The answer came clear and comforting. She reached for her Bible and looked up the words and began to read.

The very first word gripped her heart—"Surely." She thought, "That means certainly, without doubt.

Jesus surely bore my sicknesses and carried my pains, and by His stripes I am healed." She walked into the kitchen and said to her sister, "Hannah, take off these bandages." Her sister laughed at her, and told her that would be a foolish thing to do. However, she still insisted that the bandages be taken off. Her sister said, "No, the doctor will be here soon to dress the sore." She answered in

TRIUMPHANT FAITH,

"I have no sore, and I need no doctor. Jesus is my Doctor and has healed me." Finally, to satisfy her, the sister took off the bandages, and lo, there was not even a scar to be seen. In the twinkling of an eye, God had healed her as completely as He healed Naaman the Syrian after he had dipped seven times in Jordan. God had in a moment removed the sore and put on clean flesh, and had done such a perfect work that not a single sign of the sore remained. He met her simple child-like faith, and gave her a marvellous and instant deliverance. And "He is just the same to-day."

Fourth. Some have failed to realise their "Identification with Christ" in His death, resurrection, and ascension. Whether we believe it or not, it is a fact that we died with Christ, were raised with Him, and have been seated with Him in the heavenlies. But there is a vast difference between a fact and a realised fact. We may, indeed, have a mental conception of the fact that these things are so. But this is not sufficient.

We need to take our place in Christ by faith, and definitely reckon that we died with Him (Rom. vi. 6, R.V.; Gal. ii. 20, R.V.; Col. iii. 3, R.V.), were raised with Him, and have been

SEATED WITH HIM

in the heavenlies (Eph. ii. 6), and that Christ is now our life for spirit, soul, and body.

In other words, the reason why many are not healed is because God is wanting to take them on to higher ground—from the plane of divine healing to the plane of divine health and life.

It is worthy of note that there is but little said in the Epistles about healing. Rather it is life—abundant life—that is emphasised.

Surely the stirring words of Romans viii. 11 should inspire us to reach out for the mighty quickening of our mortal bodies. "But if," says the apostle, "the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, He that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you." Some apply these words to the future resurrection of the body. But the context gives us no hint that the apostle has the future resurrection in mind. And the fact that the Spirit shall quicken our mortal bodies—bodies subject to death—by His present indwelling, proves that it is a present quickening of the body that Paul has in view. To
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Witnessing.

WITNESSING is safe, when conviction is sure. When we are settled concerning what we believe then we can safely mingle, for the purpose of declaring our message, with those who are not convinced, or even with those who are definitely opposed.

If our convictions are weak and vague then we are in danger of being made weaker and vaguer by the influence of those to whom we witness, but if our convictions are strong then opposition only tends to make them stronger.

Israel was chosen by God to be a witness amongst all nations. God therefore gave her definite revelations of His will and ways. In spite of the definiteness of the revelation Israel failed and gradually became like the other nations.

God has entrusted us with a witness. We are called, as the first page in the *Elim Evangel* always states, to preach the whole Bible as the inspired Word of God, and contend for the Faith against all modern thought, Higher Criticism and New Theology. We are against extravagance and fanaticism in every shape and form, and we are out to declare the old-time gospel in old-time power.

When we are fully occupied with such witness then we are not constantly asking the negative question, "What must I not do?" Negative things fade because we are so occupied with the one great positive—"This one thing I do." Pentecostal witness in word and life solves the problems that otherwise would bewilder a hesitating Christian. Get a genuine Pentecostal experience, then a movement or a man can safely witness amongst other movements and other men. We want our Movement, and every member of it, to be a witness amongst other movements and other men. Let us therefore pray for a greater experience that we may have a greater testimony.

The ELIM BIBLE COLLEGE Clapham Park, S.W.4

THE ELIM BIBLE COLLEGE SYNOD is open to consider applications from Students who desire to obtain a knowledge of the Scriptures.

The attention of any who are interested is called to the article on page 91 of February 11th issue. The cost of board and tuition is £1 per week for resident students.

Classes are open to all who wish to take advantage of the lectures. For non-residents the charges are £1 1s. per Term.

Next Term commences April 23. Write for Application Form and particulars, the Dean, Elim Bible College, Clarence Road, Clapham, London, S.W.4.

SECRETARIAL NOTES

By W. G. H.

Easter is in the offing, and already the staff at Headquarters are busy with preliminary details which must be put in hand early. We are looking forward to a time of refreshing revival.

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Pastor H. W. Fardell has recently taken over the pastorate of the Church at Springbourne.

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Pastor W. J. Martin has been appointed Irish Superintendent, to succeed Pastor W. L. Taylor, who shortly will take charge of a Church on this side of the Irish Sea.

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The Elim Publishing Company have a good supply of back numbers of the "Evangel"; these can be purchased at 3/6 per 100 for free distribution by tract bands and others.

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From time to time we receive reports of men who visit our Churches and obtain money from members on false pretences. Various stories of newly-found work and money required for fares, or tools, etc., are put forward by these gentlemen. Some of them have served terms of imprisonment for previous offences on the same lines. Elim friends would be well advised to consult their local pastor before parting with money to strangers in this way.

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The notice re the Royal Albert Hall on cover ii. will show that the Principal is looking forward to conducting the services as usual. Continue to pray much for these gatherings.

Royal Albert Hall—Baptisms.

BELIEVERS who desire to be immersed in water at the Baptismal Service at the Royal Albert Hall on Easter Monday should make application to the Secretary, 20, Clarence Road, Clapham Park, London, S.W.4. Full instructions to be posted direct to candidates.

Critical Comments (continued)

it is made an article of Faith, it will be necessary for the salvation of every papist to believe it. But what about the millions who have died, many of them definitely repudiating it, including their prince of theologians, St. Thomas Aquinas? Since, in 1870, the Pope was declared infallible on the questions of faith and morals when he speaks *ex cathedra*, he has never so spoken. Thus the statement of the preacher, that the Roman system is without faith and morals. This blasphemous system teaches that a short while after the Resurrection of Christ, Mary, too, was raised from the dead, and after appearing to all the apostles, ascended into heaven to be the Queen of Heaven, and to intercede for all sinners with her Divine Son. And yet there are people who talk of Romanism as "one of the branches of the Christian Church." There is nothing Christian about it. It is merely the old Babylonian paganism under a "Christianised cloak."

An Uncomfortable Truth. Speaking at a Second Advent meeting the other day, the Rev. Theo. Bamber, the splendid pastor of Rye Lane Baptist Church, Peckham, told how he was once approached by the B.B.C. to preach "on the air." But he was told he must not preach on the Second Coming of Christ! Truly, the thought of the Coming of the Lord is distasteful to those who know Him not as Saviour.

Christian Biographical Series.

George Muller of Bristol (No. 6)

MULLER STORIES (concluded)

By Principal P. G. PARKER

MANY books have been written containing the experiences of this man of God. They all reveal Muller's shining faith.

C. H. Spurgeon's regard for Mr. Muller was very great. When Spurgeon was first offered £20,000 to build an orphanage, he asked the donor—Mrs. Hilliard—to give it to Mr. Muller for his work. But she insisted upon Mr. Spurgeon receiving it. Time has proved that Muller and Spurgeon were both intended to carry on orphan work.

Early in the history of Spurgeon's orphanage he preached on "Believing to See," and said: "I hope the day may soon come when the noble example which has been set by our esteemed brother, Mr. Muller of Bristol, will be more constantly followed in all the Lord's work: for, rest assured that, if we will but 'believe to see,' we shall see great things."

Spurgeon wrote: "Yesterday, Mr. and Mrs. Muller went with me to Dr. Bennet's garden, and I had a most profitable conversation with him, one to be remembered for many a day with delight. Dr. Bennet came up, and I was amused to hear Muller teaching him the power of prayer, and recommending him to pray about one of the terraces which he wants to buy, but the owner asks a hundred times its value. Dr. Bennet thought it too trifling a matter to take to the Lord; he said that Mr. Muller might very properly

PRAY ABOUT THE ORPHANAGE,

but as to this terrace to complete his garden—he thought he could not make out a good case about it."

But Mr. Muller insisted that nothing was too trifling to pray about. Large or little, Muller prayed. Mending a pen or building an orphanage were both the subject of trustful prayer.

Mr. Charles Inglis, the evangelist, said:—

"When I first came to America, thirty-one years ago, I crossed the Atlantic with the captain of a steamer who was one of the most devoted men I ever knew, and when we were off the banks of Newfoundland he said to me: 'Mr. Inglis, the last time I crossed here, five weeks ago, one of the most extraordinary things happened, that has completely revolutionised the whole of my Christian life. Up to that time I was one of your ordinary Christians. We had a man on board, George Muller, of Bristol. I had been on that bridge for twenty-two hours, and never left it. I was startled by someone tapping me on the shoulder. It was George Muller. 'Captain,' he said, 'I have come to tell you that I must be in Quebec on Saturday afternoon.' This was Wednesday. 'It is impossible,' I said. 'Very well, if your ship can't take me, God will find other means to take me. I have never broken an engagement in fifty-seven years.' 'I would willingly help you. How can I? I am helpless.' 'Let us go down to the chart room and pray.'

" 'I looked at

THAT MAN OF GOD,

and I thought to myself, What lunatic asylum could the

man have come from? I never heard of such a thing. "Mr. Muller," I said, "do you know how dense the fog is?" "No," he replied, "my eye is not on the density of the fog, but on the living God, who controls every circumstance of my life. He got down on his knees and prayed one of the most simple prayers. I muttered to myself, "That would suit a children's class where the children were not more than eight or nine years old." The burden of his prayer was something like this: "O Lord, if it is consistent with Thy will, please remove this fog in five minutes. Thou knowest the engagement Thou didst make for me in Quebec Saturday. I believe it is Thy will." When he finished I was going to pray, but he put his hand on my shoulder and told me not to pray. "First, you do not believe He will; and second, I believe He has, and there is no need whatever for you to pray about it.

" 'I looked at him, and George Muller said this: "Captain, I have known my Lord for fifty-seven years, and there has never been a single day that I have failed to gain an audience with the King. Get up, captain, and open the door, and you will find the fog is gone." I got up, and the fog was gone!'"

And Mr. Muller was there in time!

In a book entitled *The Wonders of Prayer* we have the following satisfying summary: "An

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who for five years had been constantly hearing of this work of faith, and could hardly believe in its possibility, at last visited Mr. Muller's home for the purpose of thorough investigation, exposing it, if it were under false pretences or mistaken ways of securing public sympathy, or else with utmost critical search, desired to become convinced it was indeed supported only by true prayer.

"He had reserved for himself, as he says, a wide margin for deductions and disappointments, but after his search, he said 'As I left Bristol, I exclaimed with the Queen of Sheba, "The half had not been told me." Here I saw, indeed, seven hundred orphan children fed and provided for, by the hand of God, in answer to prayer, as literally and truly as Elijah was fed by ravens with meat which the Lord provided.'"

Let me conclude these brief talks with a testimony and a plea.

The testimony is that of Mr. Muller, who said, "Greater and more manifest nearness of the Lord's presence I have never had, than when after breakfast, there was no means for dinner, and then the Lord provided the dinner; and when after dinner, there was no means for tea, and yet the Lord provided the tea; and all this without one single human being having been informed about our need."

The plea is this: If you have never read a full life of George Muller, please send to the Elim Publishing Company, Ltd., Clapham Crescent, S.W.4, for *George Muller*, by F. C. Warne, price 2/-.

Why Some Are Not Healed

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“quicken” means “to fill with life,” and that is the great need of most Christians to-day.

Fifth. Sometimes sickness is permitted for

“PURPOSES OF DISCIPLINE

or to get our attention.”

Sickness was permitted in the case of Job. Read carefully chapters one and two of that wonderful book; and then note the remarkable outcome as brought out in chapter xlii. 10-17. It is well to note the fact that Satan could not have covered Job “with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown” (Job ii. 7) without God’s permission; and it was when Job reached the place of utter self-abnegation, and cried out, “I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes” (Job xlii. 6) that God healed him and “gave Job twice as much as he had before” (Job xlii. 10).

It is because we oftentimes fail to hearken diligently to the voice of the Lord (Exodus xv. 26) that He allows us to be laid aside so that He can talk to us, and get our attention. When sickness comes, make all haste to find out the reason why, for “there is a reason.”

Sixth. With some “faith is being tested.”

We must ever remember that “delays are not denials.” I. Peter i. 7 clearly states, “That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might

be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ.” And in the fourth chapter, at verse 12, he says, “Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you.”

We would not know we had any faith if it was not tried and tested. With most of us it has been the case that our first healings came instantly and were complete in their nature. But later we found that our faith was sometimes severely tested before the full deliverance came.

Seventh. It is well also to note that “the gifts of the Spirit are not in full operation.” Hence, many are left sick who otherwise could and would be healed.

The question comes searchingly to our hearts, “Why are not the gifts of the Spirit, including ‘gifts of healing,’ in full operation?” Largely because of sickness in the body of Christ. Because of the divisions and separations among Christians, the power that lies in Christ, our Head, cannot function through the members. In the early apostolic days, healing was universally accepted as part of the gospel. Sad to say, to-day this is not the case. Hence many are deprived of the healing which would otherwise be theirs. We need to pray for a full restoration of the gifts of healing and of miracles, also for a return to the simple faith of our fathers.



“Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the King’s enemies.”—Psalm xlv. 5

Conducted by Pastor J. J. MORGAN

For Local Preachers.

JESUS CHRIST AS PREACHER

Christ Jesus was an attractive preacher. He sought above all means to set the pearl in a frame of gold, that it might attract the attention of the people. He was not willing to place Himself in a parish church, and preach to a large congregation of thirteen and a half, like our good brethren in the City of London, but would preach in such a style that people felt they **must** go and hear Him. Some of them gnashed their teeth in rage and left His presence in wrath, but the multitude still thronged to Him, to hear Him and to be healed. It was no dull work to hear this king of preachers, He was too much in earnest to be dull, and too humane to be incomprehensible.

C. H. SPURGEON.

PAUL AS A PREACHER

Oh! if you could have heard Paul preach you would not have gone away as you do from some of us, with a suspicion that we do not mean what we say.

His eyes preached a sermon as eloquently as his lips, and his lips preached the gospel not in a cold and frigid manner, but every word fell with an inexpressible fervour, and with an overwhelming power upon the heart of his hearers. He preached with power, because he was in downright earnest. You had a conviction when you saw him, that he was a man who felt he had a work to do—so solemn, so divine, that his soul was bowed down with the burden, and he could not contain himself, until his message was delivered. He was the kind of preacher whom you would expect to see walk down the pulpit stairs straight into his coffin, and then stand before his God, ready for his last account.

Oh! for more of such preachers!

C. H. SPURGEON.

GETTING THE TEMPERATURE UP

Congregations are partly to blame for the cold meetings. What chance has a preacher for delivering the message when the air is chilled with doubt and fear and suspicion.

Peter’s success at Pentecost was due to the atmosphere. It was an atmosphere

filled with the Holy Ghost, brought by 120 Spirit-filled believers. It was easy to preach, there was a grand atmosphere, and 3,000 were converted.

Congregations wake up!—J. J. M.

PAUL’S FAILURE

Peter had success at Pentecost. Paul had seeming failure at Mars’ Hill. Why? Peter had 120 sympathetic, prayerful, enthusiastic Spirit-filled believers in his congregation. Paul stood alone. “Some mocked, and others said We will hear thee again . . . Howbeit certain men clave to him and believed.” Two are mentioned by name. Both were good sermons, but what contrasting results.

We preachers need the prayerful co-operation of the congregation—an atmosphere of prayer and praise to get decisions for Christ. Will you help us?

—J. J. M.

If your soul is not agonised for the poor benighted heathen, why are you such a hypocrite as to pretend to be a Christian? Why, your profession is an insult to Jesus Christ!—Finney.



RADIANT REVIVAL REPORTS

Pentecost in Practice—Glorious Results of Old-time Gospel

BLESSED TIMES AT ANNIVERSARY SERVICES Fruitful Ministry

Sparkbrook (Pastor J. R. Knight).

Oh, what a Saviour we have found!
Well may we make the world resound
With one continual joyous sound,
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!"

So rings the testimony of the assembly of saints at Sparkbrook as they drink deep at the fountain of living water day by day. Numbers sometimes disappoint yet the floodtide of blessing rises higher and higher, overwhelming the souls of the saints. Around the Lord's Table God's power is manifest. Here more than anywhere the presence of the Lord is revealed in the midst, exhorting, encouraging and blessing His pilgrim people. One outstanding occasion recently



**Pastor
J. R. Knight**

was when the Lord, through the ministry of Spiritual Gifts, reminded those assembled of His eternal, unchanging love. The Gospel is still the power of God unto salvation, for sinners find life and joy and cleansing, as many as eleven receiving eternal life in February, and a strong spirit of conviction is evidently resting on many more. The Church is praying for their speedy surrender.

Blessed Thursday evening power-house experiences are the portion of those who assemble. Prevailing prayer opens the storehouse of God's grace and goodness.

The Pastor's studies on "Man," his "Making," "Unmaking," and "Re-making" (still in progress) are proving the depth of the riches of God's Word. Time would fail to tell of the Lord's doings in Bible Classes, Sunday school and all other departments of the work here.

This report cannot be closed without reference to the Fourth Church Anniversary services, when God marvellously blessed through the ministry of a former minister, Pastor R. G. Tweed. The message on the Tabernacle Bars on Sunday morning, typical of the Communion of the saints, Word of God, work of the ministry, Holy Spirit and the invisible bar, the Lord Jesus Christ, filled hearts to overflowing.

The gospel service brought still more wonders, when six souls were saved under the preaching of the Word from Isaiah liiii.: "He shall see of the travail of His soul and shall be satisfied."

On Monday evening the message on "God's Love" remarkably dovetailed into that spiritual word mentioned above, and two backsliders were restored.

PRAYER AND PROGRESS Hungry Hearts Fed

Armagh (Pastor T. H. Stevenson). The work in this church is going forward in the power of the Holy Ghost. The recent campaign, conducted by Pastor W. L. Taylor, proved a time of blessed fellowship and fruitfulness in the service of the Lord. God's servant was used to open up the Word of Life to hungry hearts. Mrs. Taylor's and Pastor Johnson's messages in song were also a means of rich blessing to the hearts of all. The saints face the future full of confidence for great things in God.

JOYOUS GOSPEL GATHERINGS Spiritual Fellowship

Markethill. In co-operation with the work at Armagh, this church is being carried on under the blessing of God. On Sunday evenings it is a joy to gather at the gospel service, thanks to those ministering brethren and sisters who come many miles to proclaim the Good News. The Lord draws most precious near to His people as they assemble from time to time. Pastor Stevenson has been given a hearty welcome into the midst.

THE IRRESISTIBLE GOSPEL Remarkable Results

Gloucester (Pastor H. Haith). "I am so happy now," and "I could not hold out any longer" are remarks which came from recent converts. Another fine young man who has come to Christ, testified "I am glad that I have got right with God."

Bless the Lord for seasons of spiritual uplift in the church here. Souls are getting saved, others baptised in the Holy Ghost, and some are proving the healing power of Christ. A brother and sister recently witnessed to the overwhelming power of God in the breaking of bread services, and they were instantly healed in body.

Recently the whole church was greatly encouraged by a visit from Pastor S. Gorman. At this gathering the church was crowded and the preacher gave a powerful and challenging address. The Mandoline Band supplied several items in this service.

Gloucester Mandoline Band



UNITED SCOTTISH CONVENTION Times of Spiritual Refreshing

Edinburgh (Pastor F. Farlow). The first united convention of the Scottish churches was held at Dean Street, Edinburgh, convened by Pastor F. A. Farlow.



Pastor F. Farlow

Both services were full of spiritual blessing as the message of the gospel was passed on by the visiting pastors.

In the afternoon Pastors Urch and Jones preached stirring addresses, and in the evening, to an enlarged audience, Pastors Magee and Newsham ministered the Word.

A fortnight's successful campaign has just been held, and "abundant blessing" fails to express adequately the experience of the past days. Pastor Urch has defined many wonderful truths in a manner simple yet profound, and as God's light has shone upon the sacred page, new lessons have been learned.

On one occasion an exposition on the Song of Solomon lent a sense of wonder as the typical teaching of that book was revealed.

In the exquisite silence of the morning worship the Church "broke bread" in memory of Him Who bade us so do *till He come*. In eloquent language Pastor Urch described the breaking of bread service as a "place of remembrance." To quote the preacher's own words: "It is not so much a command as a request."

A Bible reading on the "Atonement" revealed the incomprehensible love of Christ.

SPECIAL PRAYER EFFORTS Spiritual Longing

Finchley (Mr. J. Davies). God is indeed blessing the work here in Finchley. The work is progressing well in the little hall

which was taken over some four months ago. During this time most blessed times have been spent in the presence of the Master.

For some time special prayer meetings have preceded the services, and wonderful seasons of fellowship with God have been experienced. As a result of this prayer effort strangers are coming to the meetings.

There is a real desire for the fulness of the Spirit among the saints. The church is expecting God to meet that desire in showers of blessing.

OVER THIRTY BAPTISED IN THE SPIRIT

Digging Deep in the Word

York (Pastor R. Mercer). "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation" (Isa. xii. 3). During the past few months this church has

drunk deeply of the heavenly wells. The joy of the Lord has been the portion of the saints.

The meetings under the ministry of Pastor and Mrs. Mercer are richly blessed. Seldom a Sunday evening passes without sometimes as many as six, seven and eight souls accepting Christ. Large congregations gather for these gospel services, joining heartily in the singing, and the solos, quartettes, and anthems rendered by the church members and the Crusader Choir, help proclaim the joyful news of Salvation.

The needs of many have been met, as petitions have gone before the Throne of Grace at the weekly prayer and divine healing meetings, and victory claimed.

Each Thursday the Lord's people are fed upon the choicest spiritual food as the Word is expounded to them. Pastor Mercer has just concluded a series of

illuminating Bible studies on the Baptism in the Holy Ghost.

At the tarrying meetings recently held, over thirty have been baptised in the Holy Spirit, Hallelujah!

When the Annual Fellowship Meeting took place, a very helpful and encouraging address was given by the Pastor, on the duties and privileges of church membership. An excellent balance sheet was presented by the Treasurer. The Secretary's report showed progress in all sections of the work, and he mentioned that twenty-four had signed membership cards for that meeting.

A baptismal service was held one Sunday evening, when seventeen passed through the waters. Recently, a party came over from Malton branch church, and nine were immersed, and the following Sunday at a meeting taken by Mrs. Mercer in Malton, five were baptised in the Holy Spirit, according to Acts ii. 4.

Christ and His Authoritative Quotations from the Old Testament

CHRISt quoted much Old Testament history as illustrative and anticipatory of Himself and His work.

- (a) The murder of Abel and Zacharias.
- (b) The Flood—that much-disputed event, according to some modern critics.
- (c) He uses the example of men before the Flood and their awful condemnation and destruction, to warn those in similar danger in His own day.
- (d) Refers to the account of the destruction of the Cities of the Plain when He would warn those to whom He spoke of the certain consequences of persistent evil-doing.
- (e) Mentions the case of Lot's wife as an example of one whose *steps* were towards safety, but whose *heart* was in the world.

(f) Quotes the burning bush and speaks of "the Book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him" (Mark xii. 26).

(g) Uses the brazen serpent as a type of Himself. "As Moses lifted up . . . even so must the Son of man be lifted up."

(h) Quotes the miraculous sustenance of God's people by manna to illustrate Himself in His work and gift to them of the Bread of life.

(i) Quotes individuals, e.g., Abraham, David, Moses, Solomon, Daniel, Isaiah and Jonah—in fact, practically all the great leaders of Old Testament story—as familiar with all their history and with all for which they stand.

He came forth thoroughly furnished for His work by His knowledge of the Old Testament Scriptures.



Gleanings from Other Fields

Gipsy Smith.

Gipsy Smith's recent campaigns in Texas have proved most successful; many hundreds of decisions for Christ have been registered during these meetings. He declares that there is a great hunger for God manifest.

Christ Church, Westminster Bridge Road.

The present minister, Dr. H. Egerton Chesney, is, we understand, to conclude his ministry at Christ Church, Westminster Bridge Road, on the first Sunday in May.

"Read-it-Through" League.

The Second Annual Meetings of the "Read-it-Through" League are to be held in the Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street,

on Saturday, March 26th at 2.30 p.m. The chair is to be taken by Principal H. S. Curr, M.A., B.D., B.Litt. (All Nations Bible College). A splendid programme has been arranged, together with a unique exhibit of rare old English Bibles. We understand that the London Crusader Choir is also to take part on this occasion.

Miss Helen Murray.

Miss Helen Murray, the last of the children of the famous Andrew Murray, recently passed away. Another saintly soul and devoted worker for Christ has thus gone to her reward.

Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones.

Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones has been invited to succeed Rev. J. Golder Burns as minister of the Marylebone Presbyterian Church.

Missionaries in China.

There is little news of missionaries from this war-swept part of the world, but the communications received show that the workers are safe and endeavouring to continue their activities for the Master.

The Salvation Army in Italy.

The Salvation Army has recently lost its leader in Italy through the home-call of Major Mario Pesatori.



ELIM CRUSADER PAGE

CONDUCTED BY PASTOR DOUGLAS B. GRAY

Crusaderism in the Emerald Isle

By JACK SYMINGTON
(Crusader Secretary, Ulster Temple)

It has been our privilege to be born in what the poets have described as a "land of saints and scholars," but doomed to live in the atmosphere of religious strife and political unrest. For centuries Ireland has tried to find spiritual satisfaction in false religious creeds, and now like other European countries, tired of religion, she is gradually regarding it as something fit for the art gallery and turning quickly to political leaders and parties to solve the difficulty. Familiarity with religion seems to have bred contempt and thus makes it difficult to command attention.

Under such conditions the Ulster Crusaders continually endeavour to present to their fellow-countrymen a gospel that can meet their deepest need. The year 1937 was one of energetic service in the Lord's work. Open air meetings, the distribution of tracts, carrying the gospel in song to the hospitals, are a few of many efforts included in the year's work. National Crusader week marked a milestone in the

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Irish Crusader News

BALLYSILLAN (BELFAST)

Less than four years ago a Crusader Branch was started in Ballysillan. Although at that time few in number, today there is an enthusiastic band of consecrated youth, 45 of whom are on the Crusader Roll-book. Every week fresh faces are seen at the Crusader meetings, and some that have recently found Christ as Saviour are testifying boldly for Him. The 1937 Youth Crusade was a great success, souls finding Christ as a result of the humble efforts to glorify the Saviour so dearly loved and served. A permanent singing band has been formed, and now takes an active part in the Sunday evening services. Greater things are expected in the future.

BANGOR

We are delighted to be able to report of blessing and progress during the past year; numbers have been increasing steadily, and now numerically the branch is twice as strong as it was.

The interest of the young people has been maintained by the study of definite topics each week, such as "Great Fundamentals of the Faith," "Christian Character," interspersed with missionary meetings in which we became more acquainted with the work of our missionaries in other lands.

The various bands that have been organised are giving the Crusaders openings for practical service. Instru-

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Special Choir Practices

In order to assist in the practising and correct interpretation of the new choir music for the Royal Albert Hall choir singing, arrangements are being made for the following centres to be visited for special instruction and rehearsing of music:

PASTOR DOUGLAS B. GRAY

(Chief Crusader Secretary)

- March 7. Croydon.
- " 14. Bradford.
- " 15. Sheffield.
- " 16. Birmingham.
- " 24. Kensington Temple.
- " 28. Southampton.
- " 29. Bournemouth.
- " 30. Portsmouth.
- " 31. Eastbourne.
- April 4. Brighton.
- " 6. East Ham.
- " 11. Croydon.
- " 13. Clapham.

Mr. FRED HENSON

accompanied by

Miss Audrey Witts, L.L.C.M. (Piano)
(of the London Crusader Choir)

- March 7. Croydon.
- " 14. Hendon.
- " 16. East Ham.
- " 21. Ealing.
- " 23. Wimbledon.
- " 28. Barking.
- " 30. Woolwich.
- April 6. Islington.
- " 11. Croydon.

Crusaders in these areas kindly note the dates and be present at these special practices.

COMING EVENTS

DERBYSHIRE & DISTRICT RALLY

SATURDAY, MARCH 19th
Elim Tabernacle, Ellison Street,
GLOSSOP

at 3 and 7 p.m.

Speaker:

Pastor DAVID A. VANSTONE
(Crusader Commissioner)

and Special Programme

(Tea obtainable between services)

MONTHLY LONDON RALLY

APRIL 2nd

(Particulars later)

LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR APPOINTMENTS

- March 20. H.M. Borstal Institution, Feltham.
- " 26. Memorial Hall, Farringdon Street, London, E.C.
- " 27. Isle of Wight.
- April 10. H.M. Prison, Maidstone.
- " 15. } Scottish Tour (details later).
- " 16. }
- " 17. }
- " 18. Royal Albert Hall, London.
- " 24. H.M. Prison, Wormwood Scrubs.
- May 1. H.M. Prison, Wakefield.
- " 1. Bradford.



BALLYSILLAN (BELFAST) CRUSADERS
Evangelist J. J. Norris and Mr. F. Armstrong (Secretary)

IRISH CRUSADER NEWS

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mentalists are helping regularly in gospel work, as well as in Crusader meetings.

The youth campaign held last August aroused attention to the activities of Christian youth, the Misses Virr (Bradford) helping greatly with the singing and speaking.

At the time of writing the Crusader Meeting is in a very fine spiritual condition, visiting and helping other assemblies, and keenly anticipating village open air work in the summer.

LISBURN

The Crusaders at Lisburn have experienced rich times of blessing from the Lord. The Lord has brought them triumphantly through trying times and they have proved that "after the testing comes the blessing."

During the past weeks the Crusaders have had talks on the Baptism in the Holy Ghost with Scriptural Evidence,

also Scriptural Dialogues from the Books of Esther and Philemon. A tarrying meeting was also held, and the Lord truly met with us. Thank God for Acts ii. 4.

On Saturday evenings the Crusaders still hold the fort in the Market Square, telling out His wonderful message of redeeming love. The Lord truly does bless the young people as they witness for Him to the crowd of listeners.

CRUSADERISM IN THE EMERALD ISLE

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progress of the Movement. The first great meeting was conducted at the Ulster Temple, where hundreds witnessed the testimony of the young people in word and song. Throughout the week an enthusiastic interest was manifested at every service. Young people representing almost every profession in life testified to the fact that it was possible to live for Christ in modern business. They realised the truth of Paul's statement, "Know ye not your own selves how that Christ dwelleth in you?"

Saturday was the day of the great "finale," when Crusaders travelled from many parts of the Emerald Isle to join their comrades in a mass demonstration of the glorious Foursquare Gospel, and to consider the possibilities of the life that is surrendered to God. If only the north and south of Ireland could understand this message it could be said of them as it was of Israel, "Behold how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."

A detailed report of this work is not possible, but one thing is sure and that is that the Youth Movement in Ireland is making progress. Their activities are responsible for praise ascending to God. Our work includes holding open air meetings, visiting hospitals and prisons with the message of hope to suffering and fallen humanity.

The meetings are a source of spiritual refreshment and Christian fellowship. A sincere interest is taken in the study of God's Word, and we find it very encouraging to listen to words of exhortation over which much prayer and meditation has been spent.

The early hours of Christmas were spent in the open air, singing carols and messages of hope to Erin's sons and

daughters, while all the world seemed to be asleep. "Born is the King of Israel" rung clear and sweet through the cold night air, followed by "Crown Him King of dear old Ireland." Praise God, the day is near approaching when we shall not only see him as Bethlehem's Babe, but as the Prophet did: "The Counsellor, the mighty God, the everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace," and the One upon whose shoulders the governments of this world shall rest. Until that day let us crown Him King of our hearts.

MELBOURNE STREET, BELFAST

Speaking of salvation one has said that the experience is more easily "felt than telt." We Crusaders of the Melbourne Street Branch feel that the same remark may be aptly applied to our experience of the goodness of God. Recollection of our meetings together during the past year inspires gratefulness to God. Ministering one to another has been a blessed privilege, and it is encouraging to learn from time to time of help received. Crusaderism appeals strongly to us. We enjoy the happy fellowship, interesting programmes and endeavours to extend Christ's Kingdom, but what we treasure most is the satisfying sense of the Divine Presence. Our meetings would be barren without it, and we feel confident that while He is the attraction the meetings will be eagerly anticipated.

In common with many branches our activities fall into three groups: Indoor meetings, January to May; open air meetings, June to August; indoor meetings, September to December. Items of outstanding interest in the first part of our calendar were studies of the Life of William Tyndale, and how we got our Bible. Did not our hearts burn within

us? Yes, and memory imparts a glow. Social successes were the Annual Crusader Tea and Conference, held in January, and the Crusader Outing to Warrenpoint, Co. Down, on Coronation Day. Void of levity and full of spiritual joy, both these enjoyable events were much blessed, and strengthened Christian love.

Favoured with good weather during the summer months, we found much joy in proclaiming the gospel in the suburbs of Belfast. We were well received and enjoyed real freedom in witnessing. On several meetings there was a deep brooding of the Spirit, of which listeners must have been conscious. Supplies of tracts and old "Evangels" enabled us to leave behind a trail of the printed word. We trust the Lord to bless these humble efforts.

Since the beginning of September, when we resumed our indoor meetings, we have had an abiding consciousness of God's hand upon us. The programme has been varied. "My Night," arranged by one Crusader; "Readings from the Pilgrim's Progress," by several Crusaders, and studies, such as "Tabernacle Mathematics" have never failed to edify and interest. If, however, there is one meeting more thrilling than the rest it is when the programme is set aside by the gracious Spirit, and we are led out in praise and worship of Him who loved us and gave Himself for us. One such meeting we had quite recently.

We rejoice in being able to report a year of progress and blessing, but true blessing humiliates. We find it so. From a sense of indebtedness we have reported on what God hath wrought. That the glory be His and His richest blessing be upon every Crusader and every branch is our earnest prayer.

"THE STRENGTH OF THE CHAIN IS THE STRENGTH OF THE WEAKEST LINK"

This saying is just as true when applied to the moral practices of Christians as when applied to chains of iron or steel. One cannot be an "average Christian." He must be the best Christian he knows how to be or he is no Christian at all. There can be no little sins; for sin to be sin must involve wilful disobedience to the

known will of God, and such disobedience is supremely felonious whether it is revealed in the mere omission of a prayer or in the commission of a homicide.

We should so live that what comes to us as seed may go to the next generation as blossom; and what comes to us as blossom, may go to the next generation as fruit.

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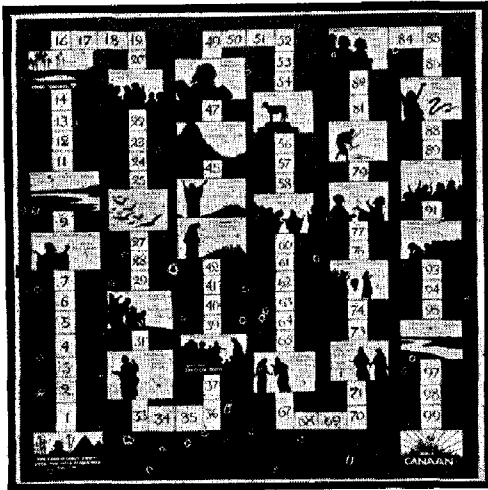
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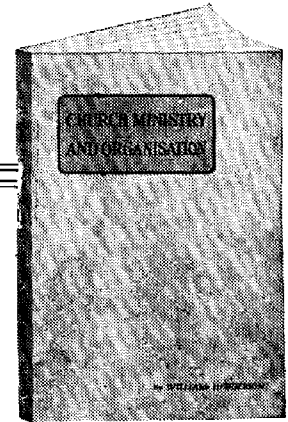
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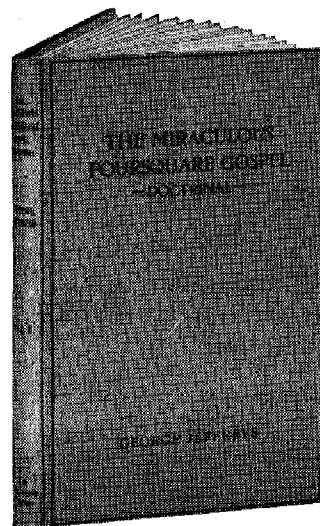
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