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SOUTHEND. June 5, 6. Elim Tabernacle, Seaview Road. Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Monday, 3 and 7 p.m. Speakers: Pastors A. Longley, C. J. E. Kingston and W. J. Patterson. Ministry to the sick and those seeking the Baptism in the Holy Ghost between services.

STOCKPORT. June 11—15. Great Portwood Methodist Church and Elim Tabernacle. Speakers announced later. Convener: Pastor T. Burton Clarke.

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SOUTHEND. June 7—11. Elim Tabernacle, Seaview Road. Crusader Bible School and Conference conducted by Pastor D. Vanstone. Subject: "Personal Evangelism." Each evening at 7.30 (except Friday). Pastor Vanstone will speak at the Young Life Evangelistic Meeting on Sunday, June 12 at 6.30 p.m.

THORNTON HEATH. May 8—19. Elim Tabernacle, Moffatt Road. Campaign by Pastor David Vanstone.

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London Whitsuntide Convention

Whit-Sunday, June 5th to Thursday, June 9th

GLAPHAM. Elim Tabernacle, Clapham Crescent (3 minutes from Clapham Common underground). Full particulars later.

CRUYDON. Elim Tabernacle, Stanley Road. Full particulars later.

EAST HAM. Elim Tabernacle, Central Park Road. Saturday, 7.30 p.m. Sunday, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Monday, 3 and 7 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.30 p.m.

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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



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Tending the Seedlings

By Mrs. CYNTHIA SMITH

WHEN I was asked to write an article for this special number of the *Evangel*, I accepted with real joy, for my first work in Elim was among the children, and the Lord was pleased to bless my ministry to them in a very real way. I therefore welcomed an opportunity to write a few lines on a subject so near to my heart, namely, ministering to the little ones and the "not so little" ones.

"Go, work to-day in My vineyard," said the Lord (Matt. xxi. 28). To-day! A day not measured by hours but by years, a day equalling the span of our mortal life "for the night cometh when no man can work." And the work? That of a gardener! Here we have the picture which always fills my vision in connection with work among the children; a gardener toiling among the vines while it is yet light, a gardener pruning and cutting, watering and feeding the vines—and tending the seedlings. Sunday school teachers, superintendents, Cadet leaders: the last-mentioned is your work in the vineyard—*tending the seedlings*; our little plants.

Seedlings need gentle warmth, frequent light watering, constant loving care as they begin to grow into small plants, and as they grow they need more and more

INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION.

One has a tendency to bend too far this way—a wee stick placed alongside it will help to keep it straight; another leans too far in the other direction—it needs support on that side; another seems to need extra water, another not so much, one more sun, another more shade, and so the gardener toils on tending them untiringly, patiently, until they grow into strong young vines ready to bear rich, plentiful fruit. What a picture of our little ones!

Before we can do anything worth while with children we must win their love. There is warmth in love, and seedlings *must* have warmth. But it is the bendings this way and that, the individual differences in each child that I am most concerned with here, for to my mind success in training children for the Lord lies in the recognition by the teacher of these differences. No two children are alike, and the person with a real

ministry for the little ones will quickly realise this and be prepared for the doubled, trebled, quadrupled work that this fact entails, for it means that every child must have individual attention, and that attention must be constant and unsparing. Too many people take up Sunday school work without weighing the consequences either to themselves or to the children. It is such important work that I feel that there should be as

MUCH DELIBERATION

before embarking upon it as there would be before entering the ministry or leaving for the mission field. There should be a real call. When we have that call and obey, willing to spend and be spent, then we can go forward with the assurance of God's backing, the certainty of His wisdom being at our disposal.

Perhaps one or two illustrations culled from my own experience may be of help and encouragement to some teacher wrestling with a difficult child.

One small boy who used to attend my Cadet meetings is an outstanding example of the need for individual treatment. For some time his motive in attending the children's meeting appeared to be solely to upset and distract the other children. I tried various means of dealing with him: kindness, sternness, pleading, punishing, to no avail. Then one day a heaven-born thought came to me and I asked him to remain behind after the meeting and told him that I was distressed at his babyish behaviour because I needed his help. Would he stand by me and be ready to help me when called upon since he was one of the oldest boys there? He flushed with pleasure, or shame for his past, I'm not sure which, and said, "Yes, Miss, I will." I extended my hand and said, "Good! shake on it!" From that day he gave me

NO MORE TROUBLE

but on the contrary proved a real little friend and stand-by. In some curious way he got converted at the same time and a once sullen little face became radiant and sweet.

Another child who was terribly unruly I appealed to by using his virtues as a lever. I said to him, "There is one thing I like about you, my boy. I can

always rely upon you to tell the truth. It's a great pity you are not as obedient and well-mannered as you are truthful. Do you think you could *truthfully* make me a promise that you will behave well from now on? and I know if you say so that you will do it." The promise was given in the moment of pleasure in having at least one virtue commented upon—and the promise was kept. The child grew in self-respect and another little plant in the Lord's vineyard stood up straight.

I have found that with children the practical must always be mixed in equal quantity with the spiritual, and that the spiritual must be *deeply* spiritual, for they are as quick as can be to detect any lack of sincerity or depth in a teacher. That is why heart

preparation and prayer before teaching or speaking to children is so very important.

So teachers, to

BE GOOD GARDENERS

don't forget to study your plants separately, watch where they are inclined to grow out of the straight and put a good, strong stake in—*just there!*

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it" (Prov. xxii. 6).

Praise God, His Word is true, so let us train His seedlings as He would have them—tall and straight—patterned after Him, and they will bring forth fruit in due season.

The Importance of Sunday School Work

By Mr. F. GWYTHER (Swansea Sunday School Superintendent)

SOMEONE has said that the Sunday school of to-day is the Church of to-morrow. This is a very true statement. The value of Sunday school work cannot be over-estimated, and the teacher's task is not a light one by any means. To-day more than ever the need of the Sunday school must be met by consecrated teachers who are prepared to devote their time and energy to instruct the young. This is essentially a labour of love and sacrifice. Because of the difficulties arising from time to time the teacher needs your prayers and less destructive criticism.

The teacher must command respect from his or her class and must show forth not only by their lips but a life lived by the power of Christ, as the scholars will often take more notice of the life of their teacher than all the lessons given throughout the year.

Care must be taken as to what is being taught in the Sunday school, especially in these days of Modernism and Higher Criticism—soul-destroying stuff to the adult member of a church, but who can measure the harm done to those of tender years by this dangerous teaching? "Foursquare" must be something more than a slogan to the class, and it is the chief duty of the teacher to deal with the spiritual problems of any scholar in the class. The seed sown in the Sunday school must be the Word of God. No matter how good a text-book may be, it should never take the place of the Bible in the preparation of the lessons week by week, for to substitute someone's notes for the Bible is nothing short of a crime against its Author.

The Sunday school can be the means of drawing the parents of the children to church and more important still to the Saviour. The desire and one aim of the Sunday school teacher should be to lead the little ones to Christ. Of course the teacher must first know the Saviour, as it would be impossible for them to lead the children to Someone they did not know themselves. Many people ask if it is possible for a child to be born again. This question can best be answered by a large number who have experienced the new birth during the tender years of childhood, and are still faithful to Christ after many years of pilgrimage to the Celestial City. Many young people have to thank the Sunday school teacher for a word of advice when stepping out into the world for the first time, and the

thorny paths have been bravely faced—temptations have been overcome as a result of early training in the Sabbath school.

Open the door for the children,
Tenderly gather them in,
In from the highways and hedges,
In from the places of sin:
Some are so young and so helpless,
Some are so hungry and cold;
Open the door for the children,
Gather them into the fold.

Only eternity will reveal the results of faithful Sunday school work. Teachers, carry on, be not discouraged, and earn the Master's "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

No Temple Therein

And I saw no temple therein.—Rev. xxi. 22-27.

AND that because it was all temple! "Every place was hallowed ground." There was no merely localised Presence because the Presence was universal. God was realised everywhere, and therefore the little meeting-tent had vanished, and in place of the measurable tabernacle there were the immeasurable and God-filled heavens.

Even here on earth I can measure my spiritual growth by the corresponding enlargement of my temple. What is the size of my sanctuary? Am I moving toward the time when nothing shall be particularly hallowed because all will be sanctified? Are the six days of the week becoming increasingly like the seventh, until people can see no difference between my Monday manners and my Sunday mood? And how about places? Do I still speak of "religion being religion" and "business being business," or is something of the sanctuary getting into my shop and is the Exchange becoming a side-chapel of the Temple?

"*And the Lamb is the light thereof.*" When we have done with the local temple we can dispose of its candles. When we pass out of the twilight into the change "the stars retire." The foregleams will change into the wondrous glory of the ineffable day.—*Sel.*

Winning Boys and Girls

By FRANK A. MILLER

DO you want to win boys and girls to Christ? Have you a real heart desire for their salvation? Then pray for them and ask God to show you how to win them.

You must understand them and love them. Put yourself in the place of these boys and girls. Remember what things you liked at their age. Pray for the children until your heart is tender and warm toward them, until you feel the burden for their souls.

Interest them. Get and hold their attention. Don't sham; give them a really live message. Each one of them has a soul, and if that child is not really saved, it is a lost soul! You are dealing with eternal things. Do not trifle with superficial things; give them the deepest truths of the Bible, illustrated so that they may see them as well as hear about them. The eye has three times as much impression upon their consciousness as has the ear. Do not try to make a beautiful picture, but just enough to illustrate your point, or they will think of the picture instead of the truth which you are trying to teach. A crude drawing illustrates the truth better than a finely coloured drawing. Move rapidly. Children think fast; keep ahead of them.

Show them their sin, and their real need of a Saviour; press the truth home upon their hearts. Choose illustrations from actual life and experience—your own

or that of someone else. Then show them what a wonderful Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ is, how He loved them, came to seek them, suffered for their sins, died for them, bore their sins in His own sufferings on Calvary, when His soul was made "an offering for sin" (Isaiah liii. 10).

Make a very tender closing appeal, with a story which will move their hearts to definite, intelligent decision for Jesus their Lord. Ask them to stand up and declare their decision to turn away from their sins, and definitely choose Christ as their Saviour, one by one—not in groups, or you may have a mob action instead of a definite, personal decision for Christ. Then ask them to come forward and pray, and to confess Jesus as their Lord.

Put in their hands something that will provide instruction, or give them Scripture to follow up. Moody said, "There is nothing better for a convert than the Gospel of John." Get each child's name, address, and church preference for follow-up work by the pastor or another Christian worker. Keep after the young converts lovingly and persistently, and thus lead them on into the church.

If we are to have leaders at all in the Christian Church of the future, these leaders must come from among the boys and girls of to-day.

East Essex Elim Churches' Conference of Ministers

AT the beginning of this month a day of conference was held by the ministers of the East Essex Elim Churches, at the home of Pastor and Mrs. George Kingston. Fellowship, enthusiasm, and joy were characteristic of all the proceedings.

The morning session was spent in intercession and praise. The afternoon was taken up with the profitable discussion of practical matters, especial prominence being given to Youth work. The dominant theme was "Personal Responsibility." It was felt that every

Crusader and every Church member should realise their calling to be witnesses and that the burden of evangelisation is on the people as well as on the pastors. If every Foursquare Gopeller were to catch the vision of his or her responsibility, and were to live out that vision in the power of the Holy Ghost, what great things would be accomplished for the kingdom of God!

It was inspiring at the close of the Conference to hear reports of blessing in the East Essex Churches. Miss Hannah Barton's account of the Lord's doings at Laindon was an outstanding testimony to the power of prayer.

The Conference, which began with prayer, ended with special prayer for the campaign being held at Hadleigh; and afterwards the ministers departed, some to their own meetings, and some to Hadleigh, where God set His seal to the meeting and to the day by saving two precious souls.



Ministers and Workers of the East Essex Elim Churches, with Pastor and Mrs. G. Kingston in the centre of the front row.

The Way of Salvation

The Mysterious Malady

TO Dr. Forbes Winslow, an eminent pathologist in disease of the mind, there came a young Frenchman, bringing letters of recommendation from many eminent men in France, among them one from Napoleon III. Dr. Winslow read the letters and said, "What is your trouble?"

He said, "I don't know."

"Have you lost money?"

"No, not lately."

"Have you suffered in honour or reputation?"

"No, not so far as I know."

"Have you lost friends?"

"No, not recently."

"Then what is it that keeps you awake?"

"Well, my trouble is I am an infidel, and my father was an infidel before me. But strangely enough, every night when I lie down to sleep this question arises before me, 'Eternity, and where shall I spend it?' During the night I can think of but that one thing, and I can't sleep."

Dr. Winslow said, "I can't help you, but I can tell you of a Physician who can." He took his Bible from a table and read from Isaiah liii. 5, "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement

of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed."

There was a curl of scorn upon the Frenchman's lip. He said, "Dr. Winslow, do you mean to tell me that a man in your eminent scientific position believes that effete superstition of Christianity?"

"Yes," said Dr. Forbes Winslow, "I believe in Jesus Christ, and I believe in the Bible; and believing in Christ and the Bible has saved me from becoming what you are."

The man dropped his head for a moment. Then he said, "If I am an honest man I ought at least to be willing to consider it, ought I not? Will you teach me?"

Dr. Winslow consented, and four days later the young man returned to France a disciple of Christ. And the same Christ who was wounded for the transgressions of Dr. Winslow and this Frenchman was wounded for *your* transgressions. He was bruised for *your* iniquities. Are you tired of life? Are you longing to be free from your burden of sin? Come to the Lord Jesus Christ, just as you are, and accept the offer of pardon which He extends to you. He paid the full price for your redemption. Will you accept it now?



Conducted by Pastor DAVID A. VANSTONE

Tool Shed Talks—No. 3.

THE ANCIENT BIKE LAMP

Rex breezed in one day, "I say Big Brother, have you forgotten the stories we heard in the tool shed? What about another one for Junior Jottings?" Obediently I hauled out my notes.

"Hm! . . . lawn-mower, electric lamp, tool-box, cricket bat, bicycle, watering can . . . Cheers! here's one that will do, labelled 'Ancient Bike Lamp.' Here Rex, I'm afraid these are only rough notes so you'll have to come and give me a hand."

Grumbling a little at having to "work," Rex planted himself in a capacious arm-chair.

"Hm! let me see. The first note is 'BOUGHT.' What can that mean?"

"Why," he retorted, "Dad bought it, of course. Paid 7/6 for it, I believe, and won't let anyone else use it because he's so proud of it—though it's nothing much to look at."

"Ah. So it belongs to him, does it, because he bought it? Now Rex my lad, can you think of a text to fit in here?" The one we chose was: "Ye are not your own for ye are bought with a price" (I. Cor. vi. 19, 20).

The next note was 'FILLED.' Rex took a turn here again. He chuckled: "Of course Dad filled the lamp and lit it as soon as he got it home. It looked super on the bike, and for a week or two it gave good service, until one evening when we were a little late it went out for lack of oil, and Dad had to walk the rest of the way to the meeting." We decided that Christians not only belong to Christ, but must **keep full** of His

love and joy and of the Holy Spirit. It appears that this is done by spending a little time every day in prayer and reading God's Word. Then the light won't go out. Are you "filled"? Text: Acts 13: 52: "The disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Ghost."

Furthermore the lamp had to be kept CLEAN, otherwise, as Rex informed me it would begin to smoke and give off a frightful stench. You know there's nothing quite so objectionable as a Christian who has allowed his life to become impure and unclean. We must "purify ourselves" (I. John iii. 3). If we live near to the Lord His precious blood "continually goes on cleansing" us from all sin (I. John i. 9).

"Does this lamp ever blow out, Rex?" He replied that it had done once or twice when a hurricane had been blowing. You really couldn't **rely** on it in a gale. "Ever seen a lamp that **was** reliable?" A moment's thought and his face lit up, "Oh, rather, sir; down at camp. Why, those old storm lanterns, I believe they'd keep alight even if you played football with them. Whatever the weather, they SHINE."

"Good, Rex! Well now, suppose we call temptation, opposition, and depression 'the hurricane,' do you know any Christians whose light 'goes out' in the storm?"

Looking a trifle self-conscious, he said he did, but added, "I really want to be a storm-lantern Christian." I believe he is.

So, au revoir and—"let your light so shine" for "ye shine as lamps in the world."

—BIG BROTHER DAVID.

PUZZLE CORNER

Three texts this time from which the vowels have been removed. Can you find them?

1. THLRDSMYSHPHRDShLLNTWNT.
 2. THTHRFRNDRHRDnSSSGDslDRFjSSCHRST.
 3. WLLGDTHWTHMNY [Begins and ends with a vowel.]
- Answers to last time's queries: 11. Sam. 18: 2; (a) Absalom; (b) Ahimaaz and Cush (margin: the Ethiopian).

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."

From One "Bar" to Another. Popish priests have been figuring quite prominently recently in the courts on drink charges. A Catholic priest at Blackheath was charged at the Brighton Quarter Sessions with driving a car under the influence of drink. He said that he had had three drinks in three hours. The charge was withdrawn, but he was fined £5 and five guineas costs on a charge of dangerous driving. The Recorder said: "I regret very much that you should be in this position." In another case at Goole, a Roman Catholic Priest was summoned for being drunk and disorderly. The policeman in the case stated that Empson fell into the dock when trying to board a ship, and was rescued by a lock-gateman. The constable found him standing on the quay, dripping wet and smoking a cigarette. On the way to the police station he was abusive, and when charged, replied: "I have been a ——— fool." He smelt strongly of drink. The case was dismissed under the Probation of Offenders Act.

This does not speak very strongly of the alleged grace that Mary supplies to the holy priests to keep their virtue unscathed. But then, to the Romanists, there is no evil in drink. Mass on Sunday morning, then straight to the shop for the sporting paper, and later a few hours at the club or pub, is a common round for a good many whom I know. But after all, it is only how they are trained. You pick up a popish paper such as the "Universe," on one page you are confronted with glaring headlines proclaiming the glories of the "Holy Church," and the celebration of some overwhelmingly-moving Mass. Turn over, and you see "Beer is best," or, "Don't be vague, ask for Haig," or "Nothing like White Horse Whisky."

The Evangelising of Spain by the Vicar of Christ continues.

The Pope has sent his official blessing upon the arch-murderer, Franco. The "Universe" for May 6th, reports that a papal Nuncio has been appointed to the Franco Government. Hitherto there has only been the Charge d'Affaires. This is regarded as the official papal recognition of Franco Spain. The "News Chronicle" for May 5th, stated that Spain, under Franco's control, has been re-opened to the Jesuits. They were expelled in 1932. They have been expelled from nearly every country in which they have operated. They are the biggest enemies of human liberty since the Serpent in Eden. Without them the Romish system would have perished 400 years ago. Their return to Spain will mean the re-establishment of all the old tyranny that has made Spain the land of darkness and degradation. In reporting this matter the "Universe" spoke in glowing terms of their great educational work. So great, that up to a few years ago, only two out of every five Spaniards could read or write. So great, that whilst the "Church" was possessed of nearly two thirds of the property in Spain, running into many millions, the poor labourers slaved to earn a shilling a day.

The European Triangle seems to be at a very awkward angle at present. The "Holy Father" and

his two dear peace-loving children, Hitler and Mussolini, are treading very carefully. The meeting in Rome does not seem altogether too happy. Whilst the dictators make their boast to the world, the Pope quits, and from a distance voices his depreciation. What a predicament he is in! Possessed, as he claims, of the whole authority of heaven, in both the spiritual and political worlds, he is unable to take in hand his rebellious son Benito. Mussolini is bidding strongly for Arab friendship, and when he visited Libya recently, he declared himself the "Defender of Islam." Recently Italian pamphlets were distributed over Palestine, telling the Arabs that in all his dominions Mussolini was making a paradise for the Mohammedans. One phrase was: "Italy loves you—won't you love Italy?" Yet the Pope has nothing to say about this "good Catholic's" flirtation with the Moslem harlot.

The Other Dictator is making a great display of his "godliness," whilst he persecutes God's people. After his invasion of Austria, Hitler declared, as reported in a newspaper: "I believe that this was God's will—to send a boy into Germany and to let him become its leader in order to bring his home country into Germany. Otherwise one must doubt Providence. There is a higher destiny of which we are all tools. When Dr. Schuschnigg broke his word, I knew instantaneously that this was the call of Providence. What happened in the following three days was nothing but the execution of the will of this providence. IN THREE DAYS THE LORD DEFEATED THEM, and I was granted the grace to lead my country back—on the very day of treason." The man who uttered these hypocritical words will soon be brought to realise that there is indeed a higher Providence than the will of man, and that to defy that Providence, as revealed in His Word, is to court disaster. His former ruler, the ex-Kaiser, should be a solemn warning to him. Hitler seeks to make havoc of the Church of Christ, and the Jewish people, and then talks of the Lord's Providence. Surely that Providence is working for his own destruction.

Two Queer People were mentioned on the same page of a recent paper. The one was Simon Nissim, nephew

of the late Sir Jacob Sassoon, multi-millionaire. He is wealthy, but lives entirely alone in a great thirty-two roomed house in Knightsbridge. He spends little on clothes, and less on food. All his money is spent on collecting antiques and art treasures. He is surrounded by them in nearly every room. To a reporter he said: "I want to buy more. Before I die I want to fill my house with a sufficient number of beautiful things so that I can take pride in bequeathing them all to the nation." What a miserable existence. A life spent in building up something which must be left for others, and which they may not enjoy, whilst eternity looms larger every day.

The other peculiar person was a Miss Rose Tompkins of Tooting, who goes to the same cinema show eighteen times a week. She spends over half her small income on the pictures. She stated that loneliness, and the desire to be with crowds was the reason she went. If ever I came to that state I think I should feel I might just as well be out of it all.

Two Dead Certs. for the Big Race! So a minister once announced his subject.

His text was I. Tim. vi. 7: "We brought nothing into this world, and it is certain we can carry nothing out." I suggest this for the consideration of the above people, and all who are like-minded.

COURTESY

Seven pointers for the teacher :

1. An ounce of illustration is worth a ton of talk.
2. A teacher plus a bit of chalk is two teachers.
3. Not what scholars may remember constitutes knowledge, but what they cannot forget.
4. The teacher is the hinge upon which the scholar's future career swings.
5. We teach more by our walk than by our talk.
6. Behind every lesson the scholar sees two teachers—the teacher teaching and the teacher living. And actions speak louder than words.
7. The teacher who does not pray for his scholars has no right to teach them.

The Annual Link

WHAT is the connection between your Sunday school and Camp, or between your class of boys or girls and Camp?

It can be and ought to be of tremendous importance and an annual blessing. These boys and girls spend a week or two weeks of open air life, in the best of company and under constant Christian influence. They see the vital facts of the teaching they receive in the Sunday school applied to their own difficulties and needs. First, they see that the Christian is not a "softie," for games, swims and walks all go to show him that the officers or leaders who enjoy these things are out and out for Christ. Secondly they learn that the ordinary tasks of life, such as laying tables, washing up, peeling potatoes, and other things more monotonous or disagreeable, can be performed with as much fun and joy by Christians as singing hymns. Lastly (because there is not too much room in this article), they hear the Word of God night and morning, and find that Christianity is able to stand up to the vital test of life and they yield their hearts to the Saviour.

All kinds of boys and girls, even those who are "difficult" and hard to reach, *send them to Camp*, and

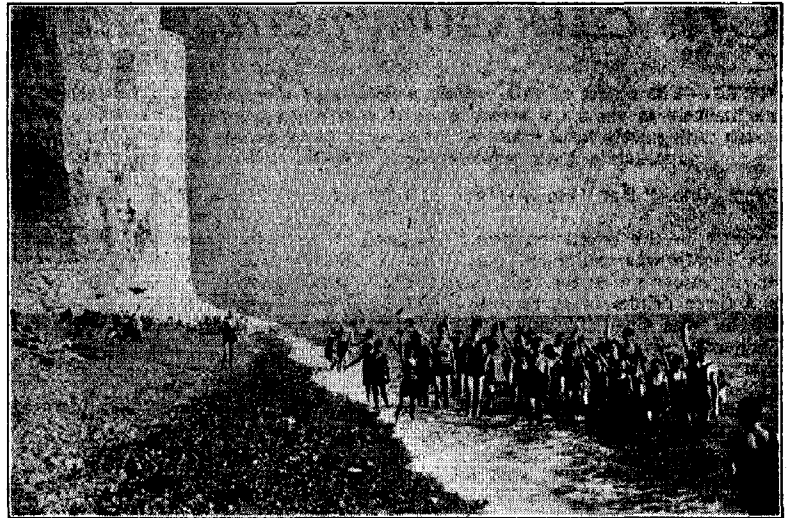


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you yourself will be amazed at the change Christ can make while living for a few days in contact with Christ in the open air. Don't think that our efforts are selfishly put forth so that we may have a good time. We want to help you and we know that we can if you will only encourage your boys and girls to come to Camp this year.

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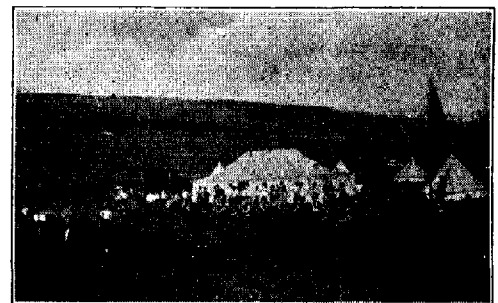


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THEY THAT BE WISE

By LUCY C. STONE

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.—Daniel xii. 3.

WHEN you were asked to take a Sunday school class, did you pass the request lightly by? Did you stop to think that when you declined this call you had missed one of the richest opportunities of your life?

Missed the privilege of being a co-worker with God?
 Missed fellowship with the best people in the Church?
 Missed the joy of companionship with children and youth?

Missed the reward of sacrificial service?
 Missed the benefit of increased Bible study?
 Missed the biggest possible incentive to a consistent

Christian life?

Missed a new song on your lips?

Missed a new prayer in your heart?

Missed an opportunity to be "wise"?

Missed a call to "shine . . . as the stars for ever and ever"?

Missed the privilege of turning "many to righteousness"?

And you thought that if you accepted the invitation to teach a Sunday school class you would be conferring a favour on the superintendent!



The Scripture Union Daily Portion: Meditations by Pastor V. S. PRITCHARD

Sunday, May 22nd. I. Kings xxi. 1-19.

"The Lord forbid . . . that I should give the inheritance of my fathers unto thee" (verse 3).

Well spoken, Naboth! Would there were more like thee. In these latter days we see on every hand, the bartering of priceless privileges and possessions to the claims of greedy notoriety. The Protestant faith, the Bible, the sacred Lord's Day, the sanctity of the marriage vow and home life, the power and prestige of Pentecost, are being bartered for another vineyard, or filthy lucre. We may be only vine-dressers, we may not have a palace, but God give us grace to hold on to our inheritances. Our fathers shed their blood for these precious things, let us cherish them and resist the encroachments of those who seek to seduce us. Let them learn that there is something money cannot buy. If we have to suffer for our uncompromising stand, then so be it. God will give grace not to flinch!

PRAYER TOPIC:

For floods of revival during the Principal's summer campaigns.

Monday, May 23rd. I. Kings xxii. 1-14.

"What the Lord saith unto me, that will I speak" (verse 14).

Micaiah was noted for his unswerving loyalty and allegiance to Jehovah and His commands. He was both loved and hated. God and God-fearing man loved him, and the devil and his satellites hated him. A faithful prophet will always be loved, feared and hated. Like Micaiah he too will be in the minority. But to be in the minority with God is to be in victory. This dear man was severely tested as every real saint must be. His false brethren had spoken deception and he was urged to be like them. They were prophets, so he was told, so he must agree. But in spite of the lavish spectacular display of kingship, he was unimpressed. A greater than they was before his face. A mightier voice resounding in his heart. His ear was attuned to the Almighty, and His word alone would he speak. God give us grace, whatever the cost, to follow such a courageous example.

PRAYER TOPIC:

That great blessing may rest upon the forthcoming Whitsuntide Conventions.

Tuesday, May 24th. I. Kings xxii. 15-28.

"Behold, thou shalt see in that day" (verse 25).

The real prophet of God has the calm and confidence of inspiration. Had he spoken "of his own" he would have been the opposite to this. The voice of God gives a quiet strength. God is not mocked. He speaks and sooner or later it is done. The fleshly mind lusts for a

speedy and spectacular fulfilment. The spiritual mind can quietly wait God's own time and way. The prophetic word falls lightly upon the scornful ear, but like the falling of the snowflakes, so small in themselves, the word of God gathers power, and makes the avalanche, which overwhelms. Every gracious promise, every stirring voice which comes from God, "will accomplish the thing whereunto He hath sent it." Lord give us grace to heed Thy word!

PRAYER TOPIC:

The anointing of the Lord to rest upon Pastor and Mrs. H. Phillips in their work in the Transvaal.

Wednesday, May 25th. I. Kings xxii. 29-40.

"Smote . . . between the joints of the harness" (verse 34).

All his life poor Ahab had shown his weak points. The devil had aimed his arrows between the joints of his armour. Clad in kingly garments, housed in an ivory palace, highly favoured in many ways, yet he was mean enough to covet and kill. Petty enough to grieve over another man's sense of honour. Naboth was an arrow that pierced his little soul. All along the enemy of souls had been aiming at Ahab's heart. A merciful God had spoken repeatedly, and repeatedly had His word been despised. Now Ahab thinks that disguise will save him, but an insignificant man shoots an arrow which finds Ahab's heart. We do well to heed the story and learn the lesson. The devil knows our weak spots and it is often his apparently insignificant messengers who are used to bring us down. Disregard of God's voice is the surest way of opening us up as a mark for Satan.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For divine grace continually to be given to God's sorely-tested saints, that they may be kept in constant victory.

Thursday, May 26th. Psa. cx. 1-7.

"Thou hast the dew of Thy youth" (verse 3).

Hallelujah! What a Saviour. Hunted by Herod, harassed by the devil, despised by His brethren, hated by the Pharisees, forsaken by His disciples, hung up on the cross and buried in a tomb, yet Thou hast the dew of Thy youth. A thousand sorrows weighed upon and crushed Thy sensitive heart. In those short hours on Calvary, on the Tree Thou didst bear an eternity of woe and shame; more marred wert Thou than any man. From Eden's gate to the end of the ages man's sin was laid on Thee. Yet Thou art eternally young. Heaven's young men hailed Thy resurrection. Thou hast gone to prepare a place for those who will never grow old. Hallelujah! Yea, and by Thy in-

dwelling Thy life is even now mine. "I feel new life upspringing."

PRAYER TOPIC:

Praise for answered prayer in the supply of the needs of the Elim work, and the faithfulness of many of God's stewards.

Friday, May 27th. Psa. cxi. 1-10.

"I will praise the Lord with my whole heart" (verse 1).

For He is worthy; hallelujah! He has given Himself in His entirety for me. Though He knew what it meant, He held not back. All the way to Calvary He went for me, to the uttermost depths of woe. Down, down, down, to the depths of death He went for me. Then up from the grave He arose, to the uttermost heights of glory for me. O bless His name! How can I, Lord, withhold one thing from Thee, when Thou hast given Thine own dear self for me. I will praise Thee. Though all seems to go wrong, though the joy Thou gavest seems withdrawn, the manifestation of healing gone, and the sky o'ercast, what matters if I have Thee. Thou art my exceeding joy. Thou remainest. Thou art better than Thy greatest gifts. Let every power my tongue employ to praise my Saviour's name.

PRAYER TOPIC:

Vision and power to be the portion of all our local preachers.

Saturday, May 28th. Psa. cxii. 1-10.

"Blessed is the man . . . that delighteth greatly in His commandments" (verse 1).

The secret of happiness is to be in the glad will of God. This happiness is not dependent upon what happens, but upon God Himself. His commandments are not grievous. He is not tyrannical, but trustworthy. Our degree of joy is regulated by our degree of delight in His commands. How greatly we have been forgiven, how greatly we should love. And love is the secret of finding delight in the will of our God. It is not a question of having to obey, but loving to. We even anticipate the wishes of those we really love. To delight greatly in His commands is to rise from the low level of submission to the gladsome heights of co-operation with the will that willest good alone. Blessed Father who has planned in love for me, give me grace and gladness in the delights of Thine unerring wisdom!

PRAYER TOPIC:

For blessing upon the Elim Bible College—its Staff and Students.

THE PSALMIST

SAID :

"THY WORD IS

LIKE HONEY."

GROWTH

By Pastor **LESLIE H. NEWSHAM**

And the Child grew . . .—Luke ii. 40.



HOW little do we know of the child life of Jesus! We search Holy Writ in vain for any detailed revelations of His home life? Who were His friends? How did He spend His days? A hundred questions leap to our lips, but we are faced with what seems to be almost a conspiracy of silence on the part of all gospel writers.

Whenever biographies are written of some great evangelist or politician, one of the first things we do is to ask all about the child life and associations. We read of those who commenced their lives in some inauspicious circumstances, who commenced as newspaper boys and ended up in Parliament or the White House, and as we read of the life of the child, we see the main points of character revealing themselves and becoming developed in the great school of life, like a plant unfolding itself under the warming influences of the sun, but when we come to read of the greatest Man of all, we can find no such details to assist us. How true do those words of Isaiah xlix. 2 seem "in the shadow of His hand hath He hid me, and made me a polished shaft." The Lord Jesus was "polished" (to use the word of the prophet) in the shadow. No one met Him and saw in Him an infant prodigy and seized on Him to bring Him out of the shadow.

"And the Child grew." In those words we have the secret. There is an important connection between the "shadow" and proper "growth." We live in an age of

HUSTLE AND HURRY;

we demand results immediately, we are not concerned for the future, we live for the present. We can see this spirit in evidence all around us, why even our houses that once were built to stand for generations now begin to show signs of age after a few years! everything is done for effect! but it is artificial. Our land is becoming worked out, we are told by the farmers, because of the artificial fertilisers that are being used to produce quick results. Even our children's work is affected by this spirit which is manifesting itself.

Think of this fact: The Lord Jesus Christ, God manifest in the flesh, the one perfect Man who ever trod this earth of ours, spent thirty years in an obscure village in Judæa, and then stepped forth out of the shadow to commence but three years public ministry! Such a fact must compel us to ask whether we are concerned too much with the flower instead of the root, particularly in our work amongst the children.

Infant prodigies and boy preachers rarely develop into healthy Christians, simply because they are like flowers that have been forced in a hothouse; they have but little root and are not strong to stand the storms and chilly blasts of life. Real character in the world demands root. This is what we as Sunday school workers must concern ourselves with, else shall we find ourselves producing clever but shallow Christians.

The "hiding time" in the life of the Lord was not in any sense wasted time, although we know it was not occupied in healing the sick and forgiving sins. Surely His loving heart must often have yearned to reveal His power. All those years His soul must have burned within Him to set right the wrong all around, but the Word made flesh knew that His "hour was not yet come": there was a right time for the accomplishment of His work. Had He been a mere man, He would probably have struck before the time in spasmodic zeal as did Moses who in his zeal for the burdened children of Israel struck the Egyptian. Dr. Campbell Morgan, writing concerning this impetuous act, says: "One blow struck when the time is fulfilled is worth a thousand struck in premature eagerness!"

The tremendous impact that the life of Christ had upon the world was due to (1) the fact that He was perfected in the shadow and (2) that He struck at the appointed time. Saith the prophet Isaiah, "He that believeth shall not make haste," that is, he shall not get in a panic. He is something more than a hot enthusiast hastily trying to set everything right in a moment of time, striving to produce results.

Our work in

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

is that of sowing the seed, not getting immediate results. There is a correct order to steady growth, first the blade, then the ear, then the full corn. I suppose the reason that work amongst the children demands so much patience is that we see so few immediate results, and yet there is no work so important as that of instructing the young. It is a very wonderful thought that Jesus had a human and progressive childhood. Although He was God, yet was He also truly human and shared all the experiences which we have. Let us be careful not to try and force growth; let the child be a child while childhood lasts.

May I enter a plea to every teacher amongst children never to think lightly of their work; you are primarily a co-worker with Jesus Christ, and also with the minister; you are putting in the ground work for the whole of the future spiritual life of the children under your care, even though it may seem that the children only take in a little of what you say, yet the impressions gained in childhood are those which remain all through life; you are the instructors of those who are to be our future Church members and workers. In these children of our Sunday schools are all the possibilities of the Christian life, and if they are cared for, taught, trained aright, the Christ life may be realised without being marred by a season of sinful wandering in the world.



Is Child Conversion Possible?

By Pastor H. KITCHING

GOD and the children. Through the medium of this number of the *Elim Evangel* I want to speak to all those who are labouring for God among the younger generation. This is a glorious work. It is the task of a privileged few, for not all have received the call to this noble endeavour. This work requires special gifts and talents.

First, may I enlist the consideration and the affectionate prayers of all God's people on behalf of the children. They need all our prayers and sympathy. All superintendents and teachers need your prayers too. These leaders of our country's youth are in the front line trenches. Not all are apt to teach in this way, yet you can aid the good work by daily intercession and prayer.

My second thought is directed to all workers among our youth. It is that we must be in real earnest about the conversion of these young people. There are those, sad to say, who do not believe in the conversion of children. The pharisaic scepticism which denies to children the possibility of conversion has taken a deeper root than we have been wont to imagine and has exerted a powerful influence upon the minds of many adult Christians. If I were asked which I considered the easier, the

CONVERSION OF A CHILD

or that of a full-grown man, I would be compelled to say that the conversion of a child appears to be the simpler work of the two. There is a simplicity and a readiness to receive about a child that is not often manifest in adult folk. The rambler rose tree in its early stages of growth is more pliable than when it has been allowed to grow old. I have proved that this year while training rambler briars to run in and out of the trellis-work. The older branches were very awkward and hard to bend into position, whereas the tender early shoots went into position without any difficulty. The older we become the more obstinate we become too. There are great opportunities in a young life. The Holy Spirit can operate upon the lives of both young and old. Jesus said that we all must receive Him with child-like faith if we would enter the Kingdom—a child is just as capable of faith in God as an adult. We must get rid of the false notion that a child must be fifteen or over in years before regeneration can take place. I know children of eight years who are just as much converted as some at eighty and have decidedly more sense and gumption. I would much rather preach to a congregation of children than men and women, and would expect to

SEE GREATER RESULTS

because I believe that the child mind is more sensitive to the working of the Holy Spirit than an ardent sinner.

Some of the greatest preachers of this generation declare that their conversion took place at a very early age. The Rev. Samuel Chadwick was converted at the age of ten at a Sunday school anniversary service. Robert Moffatt was brought to God at a very tender age. God has revealed His great salvation to many children. The Bible and experience abounds with illustrations of this. Next time you hear of a child coming to Jesus do not be suspicious, distrustful, and put on a frown lest you should be found sinning against the child. All profession of faith in boys and girls should be encouraged. We must not discredit child-piety. Children can in early life become the recipients of divine grace and made true disciples of Jesus. The children in our churches are the churches' hope. Many of them will become teachers, preachers and the pillars of the Church on earth. Some of us have lived long enough to see numbers of our scholars grow up in our schools and Cadet activities and now are teachers and workers among the young themselves. I recall several cases of children in my "Sunshine Corner" meetings who in their simple yet sincere way gave their hearts to Christ and to-day are young men and women, serving as

WORKERS FOR GOD

among the children. Not one of us can estimate the value of one of these youngsters. They are God's jewels (sometimes we think they look more like a coal-mine with their dirty faces, knees and noses.) God sees deeper than a "dusty" skin.

Our Lord gave children their right place when He said, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me." Christ here points to the little ones as being the best exponents of Christianity. The Spirit of God that touched the hearts of Samuel and Timothy can touch our boys and girls too. The doctrine is not of Christ which holds that the plastic nature of childhood must first be hardened into stone, and stiffened into enmity towards God before it can become a candidate for Christian character. The Good Shepherd never intended that His lambs should be exposed to rude storms and tempests before becoming eligible for admission into His fold. Some pastors, teachers and parents must escape from this pernicious error.

Thirdly, may I appeal in this chapter for greater charity when a child claims to trust in Jesus. We must not demand adult piety in a child. You cannot put "old heads on young shoulders" without a miserable

DISTORTION OF CHRISTIANITY.

The early life of a Christian child is beautiful if we only have the child-like spirit to discern it. I feel
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The Value of the Child.

THIS week's issue is specially devoted to Sunday school work in its various phases. The importance of this side of Christian ministry cannot be over emphasised. Too high an estimate cannot be placed upon the child. The character of the future generation depends to a great extent on how we react to our privileges and opportunities in this direction. Wise indeed are the labourers in the Lord's vineyard who pay particular attention to the capture of the youth of this age for Christ. They are working a seam which will yield much precious gold. Why should we not make a desperate drive to win the unreached boys and girls that are all around us? These precious immortal souls that will be the parents of some future generation. They represent a stirring challenge to the Church of Christ—a challenge which if ignored must cost us dearly in the days to come. Let us focus our energies upon the capture of these Christless children. They are waiting to be won, and there are many claimants for the throne of their lives.

When the world comes between you and God as an obscuring screen, it has conquered you. When the world comes between you and God as a transparent medium, you have conquered it.—Alex Maclaren.

Prayer Changes Things

Philippians iv. 6.

Prayer is requested for :

A man in hospital suffering from paralysis, that he may be healed.—P.J.B.

A brother who has suffered for many years from skin disease, that God may give healing and guidance.—A.S.

An elderly Christian that the Lord may heal a long standing condition of nervous breakdown, and restore to health.—A.T.

A wife and her husband with five little children, the husband is suffering with lung trouble.—R.L.

One who desires healing and fulness of the Holy Ghost.

A mother for whom the doctor gives no hope, that the Lord may manifest His power of deliverance.—M.N.

Praise is requested for :

Answered prayer for divine healing in the past.—R.H.

SECRETARIAL NOTES

By W. G. H.

The Demonstration Number of the "Evangel" containing reports of the Royal Albert Hall meetings has completely sold out. We were sorry those who wrote for extra supplies were disappointed.

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A Special Bible Number of the "Evangel" is being published to coincide with the Fourth Centenary of the English Bible. Special services are being held in many Churches to commemorate this.

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Mr. J. Montgomery, recently in charge of Ballymoney, Ireland, has resigned, and proposes to take up secular employment.

The Spirit-Filled Life

O the Spirit-filled life. Is it thine, is it thine?
Is thy soul wholly filled with the Spirit divine?
O thou child of the King, has He fallen on thee?
Does He reign in thy soul, so that all men may see
The dear Saviour's image reflected in thee?

Has He swept through thy soul like the waves of the sea?
Does the Spirit of God daily rest upon thee?
Does He sweeten thy life, does He keep thee from care?
Does He guide thee and bless thee in answer to prayer?
Is it joy to be led of the Lord everywhere?

Is He near thee each hour, does He stand at thy side?
Does He gird thee with strength, has He come to abide?
Does He give thee to know that all things may be done
Through the grace and the power of the Crucified One?
Does He witness to thee of the glorified Son?

Has He purged thee from dross with the fire from above?
Is He first in thy thoughts, has He all of thy love?
Is His service thy choice, and is sacrifice sweet?
Is the doing His will both thy drink and thy meat?
Dost thou run at His bidding with glad eager feet?

Has He freed thee from self and from all of thy greed?
Dost thou hasten to succour thy brother in need?
As a soldier of Christ dost thou hardness endure?
Is thy hope in the Lord everlasting and sure?
Hast thou patience and meekness, art tender and pure?

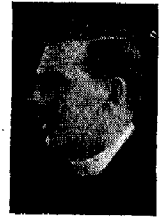
O the Spirit-filled life may be thine, may be thine,
In thy soul evermore the Shekinah may shine;
It is thine now to live with the tempests all stilled.
It is thine with the blest Holy Ghost to be filled.
It is thine, even thine, for thy Lord hath so willed.

The Degree Spurgeon Coveted

There was one degree that Charles H. Spurgeon coveted. Said he: "I would rather receive the title of S.S.T. than M.A., B.A., or any other honour ever conferred by men. There is no time for serving the Lord like the earliest days of youth." And by S.S.T. Spurgeon meant Sunday School Teacher. In his day the Sunday schools of England were "Ragged Schools," ministering chiefly to the poverty-stricken classes. When addressing Sunday school workers on one occasion, Mr. Spurgeon said: "I love to see persons of some standing take an interest in Sunday schools.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL & ITS WORKERS

By Pastor J. C. CARISS



THE Sunday school may well rank as one of the greatest institutions of Christendom. Its influence upon past and present generations cannot be over-estimated. Think of the countless lives which have been fortified against the storms of life by the teaching they received as children in the Sunday school. Think of the many bright-eyed boys and girls who through the influence of a godly Sunday school teacher have given their young lives to Christ. In many cases, the passing years have not altered the grand decision they made, and they have grown up to take their places in society as honourable and God-fearing men and women. Others, we know, have broken right away from the influence of the Sunday school. But even of such we cannot despair. More than one hardened sinner, broken in body and soul, has been brought to his knees, when bereft of friends, and perhaps alone in some far-off city, he has remembered some word that was spoken to him long ago in Sunday school.

What grand surprises await many a humble Sunday school worker! What glorious reunions, when scholar and teacher shall meet on the shining shore!

A noble work demands noble workers. The Sunday school is what Sunday school workers make it. The reason why many Sunday schools have ceased to be the soul-saving institutions they once were, is because the workers themselves have sought to interest their scholars instead of to convert them. This leads us to state emphatically that no one is fitted for

THE GRAND WORK

of the Sunday school unless he has found Christ as his own personal Saviour. How can anyone lead others to Christ if they do not know Him themselves? Christless teachers mean Christless scholars. Unless a Sunday school teacher can impress his scholars with the reality of his own spiritual experience, he is more likely to drive them further away from the kingdom of heaven than to draw them into it.

We hope all Sunday school workers who read these words are truly saved. If you are not, we urge you not to stand before your scholars again until you have surrendered yourself to Christ.

Now to you Sunday school workers who are truly converted, and who are prepared to consecrate every talent, strain every nerve, use every energy to win the young for Christ, we want to say that three things are of vital importance.

First, you must love the children. Real love for the young is essential to all who would work successfully amongst them. Children of every condition never fail to respond to love. They are quick to detect it, and even quicker to sense the absence of it. With unerring precision, even amongst strangers, the child selects for its attentions those who love its kind. It shrinks from those who dislike children. Would you win your way into the hearts of the young, would you claim their lives for Christ, then you must love them—love

them so intensely that whether they behave or misbehave, whether they please or annoy you, they cannot fail to see in your very manner, hear in your voice, something of the love that burns in your soul. If you love the children God has placed under your care, you will be patient with them, you will be sympathetic with them in their little difficulties, you will be interested in the things in which they are interested, and you will go out of your way to show them that you really have their welfare at heart. You may not be brilliant as a teacher from the intellectual point of view, but you cannot fail to influence your scholars' lives if you really love them.

Second, you must have a passion for the souls of those you teach. The question of the salvation of your scholars must ever be with you. If you treat the question lightly, so will they. You must be so ardently in earnest about their souls that you inspire them with the seriousness of your mission. You must not allow yourself to be side-tracked from your goal. It is not sufficient that you entertain your scholars. They must be convicted. Remember it is not your job to educate them—the day school does that—your job is to bring the claims of Christ before them. You have to reach the heart and not the head. Passion for the souls of your scholars will exclude all levity from your class. It will drive you to your knees in prevailing prayer. It will make you search your own heart over and over again. But it will not fail to be rewarded.

Third, you must have perseverance. Without this no Sunday school worker has ever succeeded. Often the work is discouraging. Often there seems to be no response. But if you are to succeed, you must not be daunted. You must keep steadily on, patiently endeavouring to

LIFT UP CHRIST.

It is a great help in children's work to remember indifference is only apparent. You may plod through your lesson painfully conscious that the eyes of one of your scholars are roving everywhere. You may go home discouraged. And yet if you had questioned that scholar you would most probably have found he knew as much, if not more, about the lesson than his more attentive fellows. Do not forget that the most troublesome and mischievous children possess the very qualities to make them grand Christians. And they are often nearer the Kingdom than we imagine.

We heard the other day an encouraging story of a Sunday school teacher who had a class of troublesome boys. They were just about as trying as boys could be. But he loved them. Daily he prayed that God would save them. For a long time there was no response. Then, one Sunday, after much prayer, he went to the class, determined to speak, by the help of God, as he had never done before. He did. God seemed to give him the very words to say. Those boisterous lads sat in rapt attention. At last, taking a piece of chalk from

his pocket, the teacher rose from his seat, and drew a line on the floor. Stepping over the line, so that he was alone on one side of it, while the boys were on the other, he called, "Is there any boy this afternoon who will have the courage to step over this line and stand beside me as a testimony to the fact that he wants to trust Christ as his Saviour?" For a moment there was silence. Then, imagine the teacher's joy when the most mischievous boy in the class rose from his place, and with tears in his eyes,

STEPPED OVER THE LINE

and said in a husky voice, "I will, sir." Others followed and there was a great work done that afternoon.

So, dear Sunday school worker, do not give up because your scholars are so difficult. You may be nearer their hearts than you realise. Carry on! The break will come. Surely you cannot but persevere when you remember that God has committed those young lives to your care. Think of the possibilities they con-

tain. Some of them may be missionaries one day. Satan wants to spoil them, to mar the opening bud of their lives before it reaches its maturity. Yours is the privilege and the responsibility of praying that his designs may be prevented, of seeking to plant the good seed of the gospel in those young hearts, that they may grow up beautiful and fragrant flowers in the garden of the world. The message of the evangelist may lift the fallen from the mire of sin. You strive to prevent lives ever sinking there. What a glorious work! The potter moulds his clay, the artist paints his pictures, you shape destinies. Less than your best will not do for such a work. You must give yourself to it heart and soul. You must fling aside every hindrance. By your manner, your conversation, and above all, by a character which rings as true as steel, you must back up your message. There is a price to pay if you would win the young for Christ. Pay that price, and God will see that you succeed.



Gleanings from Other Fields

Dr. Paul Rader.

We understand that Dr. Paul Rader, who has been ministering in this country for some time, has now returned to the States. His health is far from good, and his many friends, in this and other countries, will, we are confident, unite in prayer for his restoration.

The Paris Tabernacle.

Founded fifty years ago by Dr. Reuben Sailens, the jubilee celebrations of the Paris Tabernacle, are to be held this month. The aged founder hopes to be present at these gatherings.

Prayer for the Jews.

A Prayer Fellowship has been formed on behalf of the Jews in Glasgow. The membership includes those who belong to all sections of the Christian Church.

Dr. Martin Lloyd Jones.

Dr. Lloyd Jones has decided to continue his ministry in Wales, not accepting the invitation to the pastorate of the Marylebone Presbyterian Church.

A State Day of Prayer.

We learn that the Governor of Connecticut, U.S.A. issued a proclamation that Good Friday should be observed as a day of fasting and prayer. Surely the best possible way to spend this great anniversary day.

Church of Ireland.

Dr. J. Godfrey Fitz-Maurice Day has been elected Primate of All Ireland in succession to the late Dr. D'Arcy, Archbishop of Armagh.

Reaching the Non-Church Attenders.

A church in Margate has arranged for the Sunday evening service to be relayed to the waiting queues of two cinemas opposite. This is certainly commendable enterprise.

LIVING EPISTLES

"Do you do any literary work?" asked a neighbour of a mother.

"Yes," she replied, "I am writing two books."

"What are their titles?"

"'John' and 'Mary,'" she answered. "My business is to write upon the minds and hearts of my children the lessons that they shall never forget."

IS CHILD CONVERSION POSSIBLE? (continued)

supreme contempt for those Puritanical saints who think that the Christian child should not be found climbing a tree, playing marbles in the gutter, or making a hole in his new pants by sliding down the stairs on the newly-painted banister rail, or getting into mischief. The Christian girl will still love her dolls and skipping ropes. Play and games are a child's chief charms. Many adult Christians are suffering from a sickly pietism which breeds spiritual dwarfs.

A child may be a true Christian and yet have very crude notions of morality; even many adults are not very advanced here. Some impose upon children tests which would break down in the case of adults. Please do not misunderstand me and think that in Christian children we should only find levity and frivolity. There are many evidences of the grace of God in these young lives. Wilful naughtiness often disappears. They will try to resist temptations and be more successful than many adult Christians. They will find a delight in coming to church with their parents. I am appalled by the number of our Foursquare Gospel members who never bring their children to the house of God—they evidently think that to send them to the Sunday school once per week is sufficient. That is a sad mistake. As a boy I remember very well attending the Primitive Methodist Church with my parents either to the morning or to the evening service. I did not always go cheerfully but now in later life as I look back I am thankful to God for a Christian father and mother who taught me at an early age the value of attendance at the house of God. Like our Lord and Samuel and Timothy children should be brought up in the fear of the Lord. Such an upbringing is a discipline for an after-life that the child will never forget.

As we look upon the lives of those children who have yielded their hearts to Christ there are many grounds for a cheerful outlook. Daily, children are finding in Jesus the children's Saviour. My most ardent prayer is that we may see an even greater revival among our boys and girls. Superintendents and teachers, yours is a hard work but a grand labour for God. Take courage! We are on the winning side! "I will recompense thee, saith the Lord." To God be all the glory. Hallelujah! Keep marching on.



RADIANT REVIVAL REPORTS

Convention Cameos—News of Salvation, Healing, and Immersion in the Holy Ghost

BIRMINGHAM EASTER CONVENTION

Speakers: Pastors W. A. Nolan, W. N. Brambleby, and Principal P. G. Parker.

Convener: Pastor S. Gorman.

Resurrected, refreshed and invigorated as an outcome of the Holy Spirit's presence during the five days' convention. Such is the blessed testimony of God's people. The visiting preachers faithfully proclaimed the whole counsel of God in the power of His Spirit. Pastor Brambleby's word of encouragement on Friday morning gave assurance to many a heart.

At the evening service Principal Parker focused all eyes upon the Cross. His wonderful presentation of it towering o'er the wrecks of time roused lethargic souls.

The Saturday evening meeting provided a further feast for God's people.

Sunday—Easter day—long looked forward to, met all expectations. The grand theme of resurrection was Pastor Brambleby's message to believers, already ravished with the presence of the living Christ during the breaking of bread. In the evening, Pastor Nolan preached the gospel with power. Seven sinners passed from death unto life. Pastor Gorman baptised nineteen candidates after each had testified to salvation. Special mention was made of a brother who had received sight in one eye, lost through war injuries. At the close of this glorious day, six souls signified a desire to be baptised at the first opportunity. Although a number had left for the Royal Albert Hall, diminishing the large crowds of the previous days, Monday was a memorable day. At the morning service the requirements of the Christian worker were ably presented by Principal Parker, while in the afternoon Pastor Brambleby reminded the saints of their "light affliction" in a cheery style. After a short interval, a time of waiting upon God for the Acts ii. 4 experience was given, the Holy Ghost being in the midst. Pastor Nolan and Principal Parker preached the Word at the evening meeting.

Tuesday, the last meeting of the convention. Another large congregation assembled, hungry, and ready to be fed upon God's Word. Pastor Nolan and Principal Parker again gave the message of the Lord. The convention ended with a grand paean of praise.

A special treat was in store for the Crusaders for Pastor Nolan remained. His exhortation was an incentive to the young people, and God's blessing was realised by those present.

SPRINGBOURNE CONVENTION

Speakers: Pastors J. McAvoy, F. Shadlock, and D. Vanstone.

Convener: Pastor H. W. Fardell.

Easter! What a glorious time of rejoicing it is at this season of the year, and never more so than among the great Elim family. The Convention held at Springbourne proved a real and lasting blessing; opening on Good Friday morning around the Lord's Table, the saints experienced the Master's presence as they were led in meditation by Pastor Vanstone. Again in the evening a large company assembled to hear the Easter messages by Pastors Shadlock (Wimborne) and D. Vanstone.

Easter Saturday evening, messages were given by Pastors McAvoy and Vanstone; Easter Sunday was also a day of real blessing around the Table in the morning, Pastor McAvoy unfolding precious truths. The afternoon was devoted to the Sunday school, and a happy time was spent together, with the grown-ups listening to an interesting talk given by Pastor Vanstone. The evening service brought renewed blessing, and further inspiring messages from the convention speakers; the Crusaders rendering special pieces which proved a great source of blessing to all. Easter Monday was another day spent in rejoicing, many coming from other districts. Following Pastor McAvoy's address on "The Divine Way" (Deut. xxxii. 10) many were anointed according to James v. 14, and not a few experienced a touch in their bodies; and one soul was brought back to the Lord.

The Convention meetings continued throughout the week, and each one seemed better than the last; the final meeting on the Thursday evening will long be remembered, Pastor McAvoy speaking from Malachi iii. 16, 17; and Pastor Vanstone on "Running the Race"; in both messages one sensed the presence of Christ, being encouraged to go on to perfection in Him.

ABERDARE CONVENTION

Speakers: Pastors T. A. Carver, L. Green and Evangelists F. Hodge and Mrs. Rhys Jones.

Convener: Pastor S. J. Cooper.

Spiritual blessings were experienced during the recent Easter convention services held at Aberdare. The meetings opened on the Good Friday morning with a breaking of bread service, and continued until the following Tuesday. The power of the Holy Ghost was manifest in every gathering as the servants of the Lord delivered their various messages. The

Crusaders contributed to the success of the convention meetings with their special items of song.

DIGGING DEEP IN THE WORD Steady Progress

Grimsby (Pastor J. Tetchner). During the past months there has been a steady increase of attendance at the services. Especially at the Tuesday prayer meetings. Such an attendance has not been known for some years. One and all have greatly appreciated and received much blessing through a series of talks on "The Prayers of Jesus," given by the Pastor. Wonderful spiritual lessons were gathered from these messages.

A remarkable series of studies on "The Power of the Holy Spirit," and "The Gifts of the Spirit" have just concluded. A longing for more of Himself, to be filled and refilled with the blessed Holy Ghost is the great desire of God's people here.

Several have lately confessed to deep conviction of sin. Sick ones are prayed for, the Lord working in response to faith. Many prove Him still to be the wonder-working Jesus.

Reference must be made to the wonderful Easter Prophetic Conference. Good Friday, 15th—17th. Lively interest was taken in the Convention long before it was due. On Good Friday evening the hall was full, the Lord wondrously blessing the ministry of Pastor C. J. E. Kingston. In a clear, definite way the preacher revealed spiritual truths, proving through the Word of God that Christ's coming draweth nigh. At the close of the convention all rejoiced in the salvation of souls. Seekers also were baptised in the Holy Ghost. Pastor and Mrs. Kingston's vocal ministry was a means of inspiration to all.

CLOSE OF FAITHFUL MINISTRY

Crusader Choir to the Front

Nottingham (Pastor W. M. Barton). The blessing of the Lord has been steadily rising for some time in this church. The presence of God in the midst of His people has been very precious and real. The recent Sisters' Bible Class Anniversary brought no little blessing. Mrs. Bradley presided and the closing message was given by Dr. Morton, a returned missionary from India.

Pastor G. Thomas paid a visit recently to Nottingham, and his ministry was deeply appreciated by the Lord's people.



**Pastor
J. Tetchner**

Pastors E. C. W. Boulton and H. O. Bale gave most refreshing ministry to the church. After two-and-a-half years' faithful service Pastor J. T. Bradley has been called to another sphere of labour for the Lord. Special farewell services were held in which the recently-formed Crusader choir took part. The rendering of "Immortal Music" was a great help to those assembled. A crowded congregation gathered to hear Pastor Bradley's farewell message. Many have cause to thank God for the uplifting ministry of the Lord's servant. Mrs. Bradley has also been the means of blessing during their stay in Nottingham.

AMONG THE CHILDREN

Winning them for Jesus

Baldock (Mr. J. Christie Murray). It is said of the headmaster of a certain famous boys' school, that he never failed to raise his hat whenever he met any of his boys in the street. On being asked by a junior master why he did this, he replied, "Who knows, but one of them may be a future Prime Minister of England?" It was with much the same conviction that the children's services were started a few months ago at Baldock. Who can tell what lies ahead for the boys and girls who come tumbling eagerly into these bright, happy meetings Sunday after Sunday? Starting with two or three children who came to the gospel service, the numbers have increased in four months to over forty. The meetings

are conducted by Mr. J. Christie Murray, who is in charge of the work at Baldock, ably assisted by Miss Maud Sable. No effort is spared to bring the gospel home



Teachers and Scholars at Play

to the children by object lessons, black-board lessons, and homely Bible stories. Magazine Sunday is one of the great events of the month, though its popularity is possibly equalled by the monthly service which the children conduct themselves. In this service, a scholar, previously chosen, acts as chairman of what proves to be a well-conducted meeting, complete with soloist, speaker and surprises. A junior branch of the Scripture Union is under consideration at the moment, with a view to creating a love for the Word of God among the children.

Nor is the physical side of the work overlooked, as occasional Saturday afternoons are spent rambling in the pretty countryside surrounding Baldock, or playing football on the school playing-fields.

Arrangements are now completed for taking this band of boys and girls for a day's outing to Hunstanton in June, thanks to the generosity of the many friends in Elim, Letchworth, and the big-heartedness of some who have not yet found the Saviour.



Elim Sunday School, Baldock

PROFITABLE BIBLE STUDY

Stimulating the Saints

Barking (Pastor J. McAvoy). Much blessing has been experienced by the saints at this church during the past few weeks.

A series of talks on "The Work of the Holy Ghost," given by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton, brought real blessing to those who gathered week by week. The saints praise God for the faithful opening up of His Word concerning the life-giving, quickening and reviving ministry of the Holy Spirit; of the glorious possibilities of moving and serving in the power of the Spirit, having communion and fellowship with Him as the Comforter, the Spirit of Reality and Truth. Hearts rejoiced as they were led to know something more of their Pentecostal inheritance in God.

The church has also been privileged to have the ministry of Pastor Hathaway during a recent Sunday evening. His ministry was of spiritual profit to God's children. At the close of the meeting two enquirers sought for help and guidance.

BELIEVERS BAPTISED

Increasing Numbers

Merriott, Somerset. A special baptismal service was recently held in this church, when six young believers followed the Lord through the waters, thus publicly making their confession of new life in Christ. A very helpful address was given by Mrs. Moore on this occasion, explaining the spiritual significance of believers' baptism. It was a joy to witness these six radiant young people treading the path of obedience and witnessing for Christ. Mr. Moore baptised the candidates. The church here at Merriott is growing in numerical strength, all the services being well attended.

"Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of My Father which is in heaven."—Matt. xviii. 10

MY TEACHER

By WILL H. HOUGHTON, D.D.

*A Sunday school teacher,
I don't know his name,
A wonderful preacher
Who never found fame.
So faithful, so earnest
When I was a boy—
He stuck to his task
Tho' I tried to annoy.*

*He never was missing,
In cold or in heat,
A smile his face lighted
The moment we'd meet.
He taught by example
As well as by word,
This splendid old teacher
Who honoured his Lord.*

*He helped my young life
More than ever he knew.
Later years I remembered
And tried to be true.
I suppose he has gone now
To join heaven's ranks,
May it be my good fortune
Some day to say thanks.*



ELIM CRUSADER PAGE

CONDUCTED BY PASTOR DOUGLAS B. GRAY

The London Crusader Choir Visits Scotland

By Pastor Leslie H. Newsham

Exactly on time the Night Scot steamed into Queen Street station, Glasgow, on Good Friday morning, where, with the church officers, I awaited the arrival of the London Crusader Choir. Soon Pastor Douglas Gray appeared with other members of the Choir, looking far more awake than I felt although I had had a good night's rest whilst they were speeding through the night.

We soon made our way to the Y.M.C.A. Restaurant attached to the Bible Training Institute, and after grace had been sung very beautifully, we sat down to breakfast, after which at the City Temple all the various friends who had so readily opened their homes were introduced to their guests for the week-end, and were escorted home, tired but happy.

Back at the Temple at 2 o'clock and the tour had commenced! Two coach loads of happy Christians, Glaswegians intermingled with the Londoners, although I am confident that apart from the different dialects one would have had difficulty in distinguishing who was visitor and who resident, so soon do Elim members make friends one with another.

After visiting Wemyss Bay and rejoicing that the Lord had given us such perfect weather for the visit, we made our way to the Greenock church, where Pastor and Mrs. Magee awaited us and tea had been abundantly provided. Then came the first service, when seven hundred people gathered around the Lord's Table after a beautiful ministry in song, readings, and testimonies.

Saturday. The weather still remained beautiful when we gathered at the City Temple and commenced our journey through the glorious Scottish scenery

around the Lochs. En route we stopped at Bo'ness, where the local newspaper had heralded our arrival, and the Choir met in the Market Place and sang the gospel to quite a large company who had gathered, and so on to Edinburgh and the evening meeting where again tea had been generously provided. Parties from Aberdeen, Dundee, Dumfermline, etc., swelled the company. Before a large gathering the choir again sent forth the message of salvation full and free, and Dr. F. Weston, M.B., B.S. (Crusader Commissioner) was the speaker, resulting in souls accepting the Saviour. Pastor F. Farlow welcomed the choir and the visitors, and the presence of God was very precious.

Sunday. We commenced the day around the Lord's table, when one of the Choir members gave a devotional message. Again in the afternoon a large congregation gathered, including many from other denominations, but the evening service was indeed the crowning meeting of the Tour. The beautiful Temple was crowded, and the Lord moved in our midst, and three souls surrendered at the close of the meeting. At the end of the first service a special song service was held, and finally we all gathered on the steps of the Temple when the Choir sang again before hundreds of people who packed the vicinity of the Temple, every window in the houses opposite was flung open. So ended with a note of true thanksgiving a week-end crowded with blessing and happy fellowship; many came down to say good-bye to the Choir at the station where they again witnessed by singing well-known Scotch psalms,

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KINGSTON-ON-THAMES

We have much to thank God for in the way He has blessed us during the past months. To Him be all the glory! Raiding meetings or monthly youth meetings have been a special effort to reach those outside. A band of Crusaders make their way into the streets before the meeting commences with handbills, giving also a personal invitation. Visits of the following speakers have been greatly appreciated, Pastors P. N. Corry, D. Vanstone, D. B. Gray and party. On one occasion the local Crusaders provided the programme.

The Crusader Communion service is always a time of sweet fellowship. Awakener's Night, with the visit of Evangelist K. McGillivray who spoke on "The Life of John Wesley," was much enjoyed. Surgery hours, when problems of the Crusaders were dealt with, proved very helpful and encouraging.

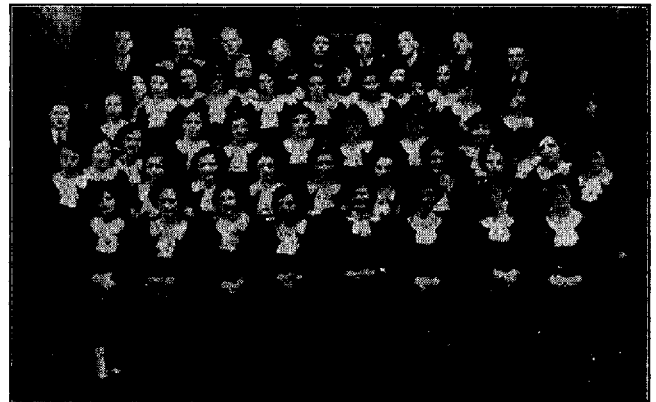
LAINDON

How often we hear the remark uttered with a serious look on the face "The fire is spreading!"

We at Laindon, however, are rejoicing with gratitude to God for the fulfilment of the above remark, in the spiritual sense. Although a small Crusader band numerically, we can say of a truth "The fire is spreading!" thus bringing to pass the words of the Lord through the Prophet Ezekiel: "I will make them, and the places round about My hill a blessing, and I will cause the shower to come down in its season, there shall be showers of blessing." Hallelujah! We believe, as our President, Miss Hannah Barton remarked in her helpful talks, "It is faithfulness that counts in God's service; we have yet to see what God can do with a surrendered and faithful heart."

May God help us as Crusaders for Him to press on, grasping the opportunities our Heavenly Father gives, realizing revival comes from Him who is faithful that promised.

Glasgow
City Temple
Crusaders.



The
London Crusader
Choir



Saturday at Seven
CROYDON—JUNE 11th
Sunday School and Cadet
DEMONSTRATION

and as we said good-bye, we felt that we were saying farewell to friends whom we had known for years. We have a grand testimony that can produce consecrated singers who have not only a splendid standard from a musical standpoint, but a far higher one in the spiritual sense. May the Lord continue His blessing on this band of young people as they tell out the Foursquare message.

**KNOW THE BIBLE IN YOUR HEAD
STORE THE BIBLE IN YOUR HEART
SOW THE BIBLE IN THE WORLD
SHOW THE BIBLE IN YOUR LIFE**



"Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the King's enemies."—Psalm xlv. 5

Conducted by **Pastor J. J. MORGAN**

For Sunday School Workers.

THE CHURCH NURSERY

The Sunday school may be called the nursery of the Church. Here the lives of the young are fitted for the battle of life. The nursery is where they are carefully reared in Christian principles and ideals. Where the tender plants are encouraged to grow. Where the warmth of human and divine love is seeking to bring them to full fruition.

One day they may be transplanted into the cold region of the world, but let us see they have roots deep enough to draw forth from Him who is the source of life.

STUDENT TEACHERS

One of the many qualifications for Sunday school teaching is a mind desirous of studying the Word of God. In a very real way the teacher should be a Bible student, for good teaching is the great need to-day, and this can only be realised by diligent study. The teacher should be a student, and the Word of God hold the central place in study and

teaching. If schools are to improve in their usefulness it will come through the increased usefulness of the teachers in teaching what they have studied of God's Word.

For Local Preachers.

OUR TASK

Though our task is not to bring all the world to Christ, our task is unquestionably to bring Christ to all the world.—A. J. GORDON.

We have no fires of martyrdom now to test our fidelity to Jesus Christ, but we are not left without a test. God is testing us all continually as to the measure of faith, love, and devotedness to His Son, by the presence of a thousand millions in the world without Christ. It is a tremendous test; so real, so practical! Gifts that cost us no personal self-denial are no proof of devotedness.

—Mrs. GRATTAN GUINNESS.

Bishop Ryle says of Baxter that when he came to Kidderminster there was one

family in one street who worshipped God; but that when he left there were some streets where only one family did not.

OPPORTUNITY

In a London West-end mansion a lady was suddenly brought face to face with eternity. Her minister was sent for and besought to pray that her life might be spared. "But," said he, "you are a Christian, and to die is gain." "Yes," was the answer, "for forty years I have been a Christian, and now I face death with the terrible awakening that I have never won a soul for Christ!" A few days after he called again, found the blinds drawn, and learned that among her last words was the appeal, "Oh for one more opportunity."

For Open Air Workers.

OPEN AIR HINTS

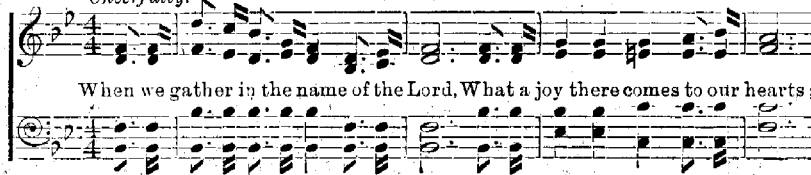
1. Prepare quite as thoroughly as for an indoor meeting.
2. Remember that you are surrounded by critics, so get the best possible material.
3. Make a close circle.
4. No long prayers or addresses.
5. Let the meeting work up to a definite finish regarding time and objective: What am I going to do at **this** minute with Jesus Christ.
6. Best work is often done by the personal worker following up.

When we Gather in the Name

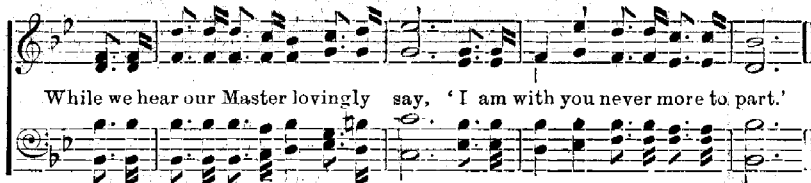
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Cheerfully.

T. J. ENGLISH.



When we gather in the name of the Lord, What a joy there comes to our hearts;



While we hear our Master lovingly say, 'I am with you never more to part.'

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Bible Study Helps

SEVEN IMPOSSIBILITIES

1. It is **impossible** for God to lie (Heb. vi. 17-20).
2. Without faith it is **impossible** to please God (Heb. xi. 6).
3. It is **impossible** to renew a reprobate to a second repentance (Heb. vi. 1-8).
4. Nothing is **impossible** with God (Luke i. 37, and xviii. 27).
5. Nothing shall be **impossible** unto you (but conditionally), Matt. xvii. 20 (read 21).
6. With men this is **impossible** (Matt. xix. 26), (read 16 to 26).
7. It is **impossible** but that offences will come (Luke xvii. 1), (read 2 also).

ONE GLORIOUS POSSIBILITY

All things are **possible** to him that believeth (Mark ix. 23).

E. M. F.

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