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Readers are asked to pray for the special meetings announced on this page. ¥ AUGUST CONVENTIONS ROMSEY. Elim Tabernacle, Middlebridge Street. Further particulars later. MALVERN. August 5--7. Elim North Malvern Mission, Cowleigh Road. Speaker: Mr. A. Carter (Grimsby).

BANGOR, Co. Down. July 9-21. Elim Tabernacle, Southwell Road. Annual Bible School conducted by Pastor P. N. Corry. Sundays, 11.30, 3, 7. Week-days (except Saturdays), 10, 8. Subject: Epistle to the Romans

**BANGOR, Co. Down.** July 12, 13. Elim Tabernacle, Southwell Rd. Annual Convention. Speakers: Pastor P. N. Corry, Mr. S. Burke, and Miss A. Henderson. Each day, 11, 3.30, 7. Refreshments.

BLACKPOOL. July 2-26. Jubilee Temple, rorner of Waterhoo Road and Central Drive. Pastor P. Le Tissier. (July 2-16: Sundays, 11, 6.30. Week-nights, except Fridays, 7.30). Visitors seeking accommodation in Christian homes should write to Pastor R. G. Tweed, 3, Hall Avenue, Blackpool. CROYDOM

**CROYDON.** July 9. Elim Tabe Stanley Road. Pastor W. G. Hathaway. Tabernaele,

**EAST HAM.** July 16. Elim Tabernacle, Central Park Road. London Crusader Choir, 6.30. (Choir at Wormwood Scrubs Prison during alternoon).

ELIM WOODLANDS. July 22. Ann Garden Rally. Special visit of Principal Jeffreys and the Revival Party. 3.30 p.m. Annual

GUERNSEY (Delancey). July 30, 31 and August 1. Elim Foursquare Gospel Church, Delancey, St. Sampsons, Fifth Anniversary Services. Special speakers include Pastors G. S. Duok and H. W. Fielding, Items by Vazon and Eldad choirs. Convener: Pastor A. Jackson.

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 HOVE. July 30. Elim Tabernacle, Portland Road. London Crusader Choir, 3 and 6.30.
 HOVE. July 15. Elim Tabernacle, Portland Road. Special Saturday night rally. Speaker Pastor Tom Thomas. 7.30.

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES. July 9. Emmanuel Hall, Thames Street. Party from London Crusader Choir, 6.30.

LEYTON, July 23. Elim Hall, Vicarage Rd. ondon Crusader Choir, 6.30.

LEYTON, July 20, 1, 1, 6, 30, LIMAVADY, Co. Derry, Commencing July 16, Tent campaign by Pasters W. J. Martin and D. R. McCleau, ROMSEY, July 26, Elim Tabernacle, Middlebridge Street, Opening of new baptistery by Paster J. Saith, 7, 30, December J. Sait

**SOUTH CROYDON.** July 22. Elim Hall, Selsdon Road. South London Rally, 7.30. Speaker: Pastor J. J. Way.

**ST. HELENS, Lancs.** Commencing June 25. Co-operative Itali, Baldwin Street. Revival and Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor J. Woodhead. Sundays, 3, 8. Weck-nights (except Saturdays), 7,30.

SWANAGE. Commencing July 16. Big Tent, Victoria Avenue, corner of Northbrook Road (few minutes from sea and station). Revival and Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor Gwilym L. Francis, Sundays, 3, 7.45. Week-nights (except Fridays), 7.30. Thursday after-noons, 3.

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Carter (Grimsby). SOUTHEND-ON-SEA. August 7, 8. Elim Tabernacle, Seaview Road. Monday, 3, 7.30. Tuesday, 7.30. Speakers: Pastors W. N. Brambleby, D. Emmanuel, and Hawley. Tea provided on Monday. BOURNEMOUTH (Winton). August 6--19. Elim Church, Hawthorn Road. Sunday, 11, 6.30. Monday, 3, 7. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 7.30. Further particulars later. COME TO THE GREAT FOURSQUARE GOSPEL RALLY at the

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travagances and fanaticism in every shape and form. It promulgates the old-time Gospel in old-time power.

# Little Ministries

#### By A. G. WARD

**66 T** ITTLE " ministries are not to be despised. Springs are little things, but they are sources of large streams. A helm is a little thing, but it governs the course of a ship. Nails and pegs are little things, but they hold parts of large buildings together. A word, a look, a frown, are all little things, but powerful for good or evil. It seems to be a matter of no importance that a woman whose name has been forgotten, dropped a tract in the way of a very bad man by the name of Richard Baxter--he picked up the tract and read it and it was the means of his salvation. In after days, that man wrote a book called "A Serious Call to the Unconverted," which was the means of bringing a multitude to God, among others Philip Doddridge. Philip Doddridge wrote a book called "The Rise and Progress of Religion in the Soul," which has brought thousands and tens of thousands into the Kingdom of God, and among others, the great Wilberforce. Wilberforce wrote a book called "A Practical View of Christianity," which was the means of bringing

#### A GREAT MULTITUDE

to Christ, among others Leigh Richmond. Leigh Richmond wrote a book called "The Dairyman's Daughter," which has been the means of the salvation of unconverted multitudes.

"If you cannot be a great river bearing great vessels of blessing to the world, you can be a little spring by the wayside of life singing merrily all day and all night, and giving a cup of cold water to every weary, thirsty one who passes."

Little ministries, just because they are "little," are often neglected, and the loss is great not only to people who might receive the help they so much need, but also to the one whose privilege it was to become a helper.

There are so many helpful things To do along life's way, Helps to the helper if we But knew from day to day; Close observation and attention to little ministries often play a

#### MUCH MORE IMPORTANT PART

in the development of Christian character, and success in our Christian walk, than many are aware of. Michael Angelo was one day explaining to a visitor at his studio what he had been doing upon a statue since his caller's previous visit. "I have retouched this part, polished that, softened this feature, brought out that muscle, given some expression to this lip, and more energy to that limb." "These are trifles," remarked the visitor. "It may be so," replied the sculptor, " but recollect that trifles make perfection and perfection is no trifle."

When Franklin made his discovery of the identity of lightning and electricity it was sneered at, and people asked of what use is it? To which his apt reply was, "What is the use of a child? It may become a man."

When Galvani discovered that a frog's leg twitched when placed in contact with different metals, it could scarcely have been imagined that so apparently insignificant a fact could have led to important results, yet therein lay the

#### GERM OF THE ELECTRIC TELEGRAPH

which "binds the intelligence of continents together and puts a girdle around the globe."

A pure white lily pinned on the bosom of what was left of a woman who had sunk deep into sin, resulted in her salvation. A kind word to a profligate lying drunk in the gutter aroused within him a desire for a better life and brought him to God. A warm handshake has made more than one discouraged soul feel that after all life was worth while, and they have tried again, this time to win.

Let us be more prodigal in our love, in our sympathy, and in our effort to help, and even though life be made up so largely of little ministries, let us not grow weary in the same, for " in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

#### GALATIANS.

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The Occasion—The Galatians were evangelized by Paul, but soon after his departure from them their churches were invaded by Judaizers. They aftirmed that Paul's Gospel must be supplemented by the observance of the law of Moses and submission to the rite of circumcision. To facilitate the propagation of this perversion they attack the apostolic authority of Paul, insinuating that the authority for the Gospel was the Apostles at Jerusalem; and the Galatians, fascinated by the new theory, were abandoning the Gospel for Judaism.
 The Them—Paul vindicates his postolic authority and reafirms his Gospel, especially defending the principle of justification by faith; thus giving to us this precious document on Christian liberty.
 The Message—Christ, sufficient Saviour from sin; and the Emancipator from ritualism, ceremonialism and legalism.

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#### THE EPISTLE TO THE GALATIANS. No. 1.

### Synthetic Study of the Epistle

#### By Pastor FREDERICK G. CLOKE (Elim Church, Southport)

I N commencing the study of any of the Bible books it is natural and helpful to ask a few questions. When was it written, for whom and by whom was it written? What were the particular circumstances that occasioned the letter and what is its design?

In regard to the Epistle to the Galations the date is unknown, therefore we will not waste time in talking about probabilities. It was sent as a circular letter to a district designated "Galatia," but this could mean the country of Galatia proper in the north of Asia Minor, or the larger Roman province which took its name from the older Galatia land, in which were situated several cities whose names are familiar to students of the Acts of the Apostles—Antioch, Iconium, Lystra, and Derbe. The uncertainty that exists respecting the date of the letter and the district to which it was sent, need not affect our understanding of the epistle in the slightest degree. That Paul was the author of the epistle is established beyond doubt: even those critics who have endeavoured to discredit the genuineness of the New Testament writings, have recognised and acknowledged this letter to be genuinely Pauline.

The particular circumstances that occasioned the letter are easily gathered from its pages. The Apostle Paul had evangelised them, and preaching Christ crucified, he was received with abundant honour and warm affection (iv. 14, 15). Soon after his departure, these new churches were

#### INVADED BY JUDAISERS

preaching the necessity for the observance of the law of Moses and submission to the rite of circumcision. Their teaching was that faith in Christ crucified was not sufficient means for the justification of a sinner; it was necessary also to observe the Law and be circumcised. The preaching of the Apostle Paul was not altogether repudiated, but the need to augment it was emphasised. Unworthy methods were adopted by the Judaisers, and, as is often the case with perverters, they attack the credentials and authority of the Apostle Paul. The authority for the Gospel, according to their view, belonged to the apostles at Jerusalem, of whom Peter was first. It was insinuated that Paul had no independent authority as a preacher and an apostle. Doubtless the perverters would reason that Peter and the other apostles had accompanied the Lord Jesus during His ministry, and had received much of their instruction under His ministry and from His own lips. According to them, Paul was only preaching a part of the truth, and it was suggested that this he had received from those at Jerusalem. So they claimed to have come with the completion of the gospel; Moses must be obeyed and circumcision must be received, or they were not justified. The Galatians, thus fascinated, were being persuaded by these plausible arguments and were removing from the Gospel preached to them by Paul.

When the apostle learns of their defection, he pens this letter as an answer to the Judaisers. It was written under the stress of great emotion: surprise, grief, anxiety, indignation and affection are so woven into the epistle that

#### PAUL'S SOUL SHINES FORTH

in every line. The great subject of the epistle, therefore, is justification by faith. From beginning to end it is a theological battle for this fundamental doctrine. With masterly skill and unerring argument the apostle contends for this doctrine, so important to the foundation of Christian life and experience.

The epistle is written systematically and in five sections, the first and last being the introduction and the autographed conclusion. In the other three we have first, the authority of Paul's gospel, and in this Paul vindicates his apostleship. Next we have the argument of Paul's gospel; this is the doctrinal portion proper, where the arguments for justification by faith are presented with precision and power. Then follows the application, a feature common to most of Paul's letters. Doctrine alone is not enough; it must be qualified by conduct.

Legalism, ceremonialism, and ritualism were the errors in these young churches, and Paul realised that by these the foundations of the Christian faith were being attacked. The particular occasion that called forth this letter has passed, and many of the disputed subjects have little interest for us to-day, for they are among the settled controversies of the past; but the principles employed by the apostle in this particular case are abiding and

#### OF PERPETUAL SIGNIFICANCE.

As long as we have legalism, ceremonialism, and ritualism in any form, presented as means for salvation from sin, so long shall we need the clear, definite, and authoritative teaching of the Galatian epistle. Here then is an epistle which should claim the affectionate interest of every evangelical Protestant. It is a precious, priceless document of Christian liberty, ringing out the message of Christ, the sufficient Saviour from sin, and the Emancipator from every kind of externalism.

#### INTRODUCTION-Chapter i. 1-10.

#### 1. Greeting and Epitome.

The epistle opens with an unusual introduction. There is no praise and thanksgiving for the Galatian believers and no mention of their position and privileges in Christ. Paul is evidently not so sure of them. The apostle makes an immediate approach to the subject by giving, together with a brief introduction, an epitome of the contents of the letter. The Judaisers had insinuated that he was not a true and independent apostle, and in the first verse he replied to the charge: "Paul, an apostle not in the service of man, neither by the authority of man, but by the Lord Jesus Christ

and God the Father." Thus he adumbrates the autobiographical section of the epistle. Unnamed brethren are coupled with him in the greeting which is sent to the Galatian churches.

The benediction is pronounced in customary manner from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ; and here again we have an epitome of the doctrinal section of the epistle. The Lord Jesus Christ is presented as the Saviour, the One who by His sacrifice delivers from the evil of this world. Christ crucified.

#### THE SUFFICIENT SAVIOUR

from sin, is presented by the apostle in these early verses. It is his immediate reply to the charge that faith in Christ crucified is not sufficient means for justification.

#### 2. Occasion and Theme.

The occasion for the letter was the defection of the Galatians. Paul is astonished that they are so quickly removing from him and the Gospel which he had preached to them. I am aware that many readers interpret the personal pronoun "him" (i. 6) as meaning God, but in my estimation it is perfectly clear that the apostle is intended here, especially if the Revised Version be noted: "him that called you in the grace of Christ." It could not refer to Christ and I do not see that it can possibly be God, for the caller, whoever he was, called them "in the grace of Christ." God was not depending upon the grace of Christ before He could call a sinner. It undoubtedly refers to the grace bestowed upon Paul in making him a preacher and an apostle (Rom. xv. 15; Gal. ii. 9). It does not appear that the Galatians had altogether abandoned the Gospel, for defection is not presented to us as an accomplished fact; they were removing. The Revised

Version says: "quickly removing" which suggests that it was very soon after Paul's departure from them. Paul has been charged by many commentators with a stern attitude to these Galatian converts in his letter, but I have failed to find it in the epistle. It is true that the letter is

#### WRITTEN IN STERN TONES,

but the austere attitude is not for the converts but for the perverters. This is evident in the seventh verse where Paul, expressing his astonishment at their speedy defection, softens his tone toward the converts by imputing the defection to others: "I marvel . . . but there be some that trouble you."

The theme of the epistle is now introduced, and will the student note that the primary fact in verses eight and nine is not the anathema on the perverters, but the defence of the Gospel. The Gospel as preached by Paul is here exalted above every other creed and protected by the solemnly pronounced anathema of God. The judgment of God is pronounced upon all, whether apostle or angel, who dares to preach a substitute for it. Thus Paul's Gospel is authenticated by this solemn pronouncement.

The apostle had been charged with man-pleasing. Possibly he had been charged with preaching one thing to the Galatians and another to the churches where Jews predominated. The accusation was that of a persuasive manner which employed any creed to please men. In the tenth verse Paul declares that although once he was a man-pleaser (referring to his former life) yet now he had but one aim, to please God and be the servant of Jesus Christ.

[This issue of the "Evangel" should be retained, as the chart will be required for reference in the studies which follow in this series.—Ed.]



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### Bible Study Helps

#### THE THREE " R'S "

Introduction: In our schools the scholars were supposed to learn the three R's-reading, 'riting, and 'rithmetic; so the Christian now learns these three R's in God's school: 1. He Restores (Psa. xxiii. 3).

- 2. He Renews (II. Cor. iv. 16)
- 3. He Remembers (Psa. ciii. 14).
- Then again:
- 1. He Redeems (Titus ii. 14).
- 2. He Reproves (Prov. i. 23).
- 3. He Rewards (Rev. xxii. 12).

#### THE EPISTLE OF JUDE

- Greetings (vv. 1, 2).
   Defence (vv. 3, 4).
   Disobedience (vv. 5-8).

- 4. Disputation (vv. 9-11). 5. Dissipation (vv. 12, 13).
- 6. Declaration (vv. 14-16). 7. Divisions (vv. 17-19). 8. Duties (vv. 20-23).

- 9. Dedication-Benediction (vv. 24, 25). How to keep from falling:
- 1. Build up yourselves (v. 20).
- 2. Pray in the Holy Spirit (v. 20).
- eep yourselves in the love of God (v. 21). 3. Keep
- 4. Look for the mercy of our Lord (v. 21).
- 5. Have compassion (v. 22).

# PICTURE NEWS



Enid Ackland healed of infantile paralysis. at Swansea campaign.



Above : Speakers at Bath Whitsuntide Convention. Left to right, Pastors N. Brooks, P. S. Brewster, F. J. Slemming and J. McAvoy.

Left: Enid Ackland, aged 13, healed at Pastor G. I. Francis's campaign at Swansea. She discarded her leg-iron and surgical boot, worn for over 11 years on the left leg. Her legs are now equal in length, the left leg having miraculously grown  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches.





- Top picture : Elim Bible College students with Pastor J. Smith (Dean).
- Second : Lectures in the College grounds.



A happy band of members spring-cleaning at Clapham.



Speakers and others at Merthyr Whitsuntide Convention



Banner-bearers at South Bank, new branch of Middlesbrough Church.



Eager listeners at Pastor Green's Bible lectures at Dowlais Tabernacle.

### Tent Meetings at Lowestoft

#### Remarkable Results at Campaign by Pastor GWILYM I. FRANCIS

A T the time of writing, although the campaign being conducted at Lowestoft by Pastor Gwilym I. Francis has been in progress only eight days, 257 decisions for Christ have been registered. The tent is crowded to overflowing and has proved too small to accommodate the numbers endeavouring to obtain admission. There are many outstanding cases of healing, and five people have discarded their bath chairs.

The following report is from the Lowestoft Journal:

The sight of a marquee beside the Triangle, Lowestoft, accompanied by bills proclaiming a healing campaign by Pastor Gwilym Francis, has aroused laughter in the many and faith in the few. Let those who laughed talk to Mr. Ernest Stafford, of 102, Whapland Road, or Mrs. A. Catchpole, of 80, St Peter's Street, two striking cases among the several "cures" which have been effected during the revival and healing campaign this week.

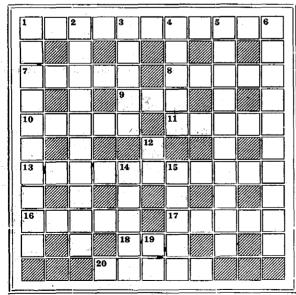
Mr. Stafford, who is fifty-eight, was made helpless by a stroke over four years ago. He was unable to walk, and indeed could hardly move. He was forced to stay at home, though later he managed to hobble about with the aid of a stick, and would often stand at the bottom of Rant Score and direct the traffic for a pastime. This was only possible for a short space of time, so when tired, he would sit at the foot of the Score and try to enjoy the air.

Having heard of the campaign, and being a believer in the powers of faith, Mr. Stafford got his wife to help him up to the meeting on Tuesday evening. The effort was great, even with his stick and his wife's support, as his limbs were stiff and unresponsive.

"Pastor Francis prayed over me," Mr. Stafford told our representative, "then took my stick away. I found I was able to walk. I walked home without my stick—the first time I have done so for more than four years."

#### OUR SPECIAL "EVANGEL" CROSSWORD For Increasing Bible Knowledge

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The solution will appear next week.

Mr. Stafford, who was once a fisherman, walked unaided to the meeting on Wednesday evening, where he showed the congregation that his ability to walk had been restored. "I can hardly believe it," said his wife.

Faith, which is free, did more for Mrs. Catchpole than years of treatment, which cost hundreds of pounds.

When our representative shook hands with her, she laughed and told him that only a few days before she had not dared even to shake hands because of the pain. She showed him how she used to place her hand next to her visitor's, and hold off his thumb with the other hand for fear of the pressure.

Mrs. Catchpole suffered with rheumatoid arthritis for twoand-a-half years. She could only turn her head with difficulty, was extremely stiff in hands and limbs, could not walk, and was forced to spend her days in an invalid chair. She underwent all kinds of electrical treatment without success.

"Can honestly say that every bone in my body was painful in some way or other," she said. "I could not bear anybody to touch me anywhere, not even shaking hands. When I came to the service on Sunday I had no freedom of movement at all. Now I can move freely without pain."

She related how, on reaching home after the service, she was about to be assisted from her invalid's chair into a carrying-chair, to be taken upstairs, when she suddenly felt able to walk. "I got out, managed to get up the step, and walked to the foot of the stairs. I said, 'I think I can walk upstairs,' and I did so." This was the first time she had walked for nearly two years.

Another remarkable case on Sunday was that of a fouryear-old boy who had been deaf and dumb from birth. He was made to hear, to imitate sounds, and to come when called. His mother, who had brought him from Nottingham specially to be cured, became almost hysterical with joy. Her first act was to rush to the telephone kiosk outside and 'phone the news to his father.

CLUES DOWN:

ruin.

4. Ascertain.

24).

6. Gluttony.

1. This kind of mouth works

2. Many were this when they heard Jesus' doctrine.

3. The Israelites sharpened

5. Number of the lot which

12. Exclamation used by Job.

14. "But ye are a chosen

15. King Ahasuerus laid a

way he should -....

these by means of a file (1 Sam, 13).

came to Aphses (1 Chron.

generation, a — priesthood " (1 Pet.).

tribute upon these (Est.). 19. " Train up a child in the

#### CLUES ACROSS;

- 1. This frightened Isaiah, because of a vision (Isa. 21).
- 7. "Thou shalt make an to burn incense upon."
- 8. This is described as being outrageous.
- Prisoners from Damascus were carried to this place (2 Kings 16).
- 10. The Israelites lived in these in the wilderness.
- 11. This is saltpetre.
- 13. "Thou castest off fear, and — prayer before God " (Job).
- 16. In want.
- 17. Title over the cross was in this language, as well as in two others.
- 18. The cause of dimness in Israel's eyes.
- 20. Near,

#### SOLUTION TO NO. 35 CROSSWORD

Across: 1. Deliverance (Luke 4: 18). 7. Frail (Psa. 39: 4). 8. Gebal (Ezek. 27: 9). 9. Esh (1 Chron. 8: 33). 10. Eater (Judg. 14: 14). 12. Thing (Mark 1: 27). 14. Enlargement (Est. 4: 14). 19. Consolation (Acts 4: 36). 20. Steps (Psa. 37: 23). 21. Heard (Luke 1: 13).

Down: 1. Differences (1 Cor. 12: 5). 2. Least (Matt. 13; 32). 3. Viler (Job 30: 8). 4. Right (Prov. 12: 5). 5. Nebai (Neh. 10: 19). 6. Enlightened (1 Sam. 14; 27). 11. Era. 13. Ham (Gen. 5: 32). 15. Lance (Jer. 50: 42). 16. Roots (Mark 11: 20). 17. Elath (2 Kings 14; 22). 18. Elika (2 Sam. 23: 25).



The Scripture Union Daily Portion: Meditations by Pastor J. C. Cariss.

Sunday, July 16th. Micah iv. 1-8. " For the Law shall go forth of Zion,

and the word of the Lord from Jeru-salem " (verse 2). Jerusalem's exaltation will come. The once-despised Jesus will return, occupy the throne of David, and "reign where'er the sun doth his successive journeys

run," translating into fact the prophetic picture of this chapter. Then, and not before, shall men "beat their swords into plowshares," and learn war no more. As we meditate upon this coming millennium, two things should afford comfort. The one is, that even through the chaos of present times, God's plan is moving to its grand fulfilment. The other, that for believers it will mean association with Christ in administration and rulership. So let us earnestly pray, " Thy kingdom come."

PRAYER TOPIC:

For much blessing on Principal George Jeffreys' Worthing Campaign commencing to-day.

#### Monday, July 17th. Micah v. 1-9.

"Bethlehem . . . out of thee shall He come forth unto Me that is to be Ruler in Israel " (verse 2).

One thing which proves the inspiration of prophecy is its fulfilment in detail as well as aggregate. This verse foretells not just Messiah's coming, but the actual place of His birth. Its wonderful fulfilment proclaims its supernatural origin. Moreover, not from prophecy alone, but from every sphere of revelation, we learn God's interest in detail. To us this is significant; it means that He is concerned with the minutest details of our lives—that nothing is too trivial to take to Him in prayer. Let us not be slow to commit to Him our every care.

PRAVER TOPIC: That God's controlling hand may rest upon those responsible for the affairs of State in this and other lands.

Tuesday, July 18th. Micah vi. 1-16. "Hear ye now what the Lord saith" (verse 1).

If Israel had heeded God's messages as they came through the Law and by the prophets, their condition would not have been as pitiable as Micah found it. But they preferred lies rather than the truth. Strife prevails to-day because men are just the same. They will listen to any-one but God, read any book but His Book. But what about ourselves? Are we governed by what the preacher says, by what our friends advise, by the dictates of our own desires, or by "what the Lord saith "? Upon the answer to this question hinges our success or failure as Christians.

#### PRAYER TOPIC:

For spiritual power to be granted to those who minister in hard and difficult places, that they may not give way to discouragement.

Wednesday, July 19th. Micah vii. 5-20. " I will wait for the God of my salva-tion: my God will hear me " (verse 7).

Here is evidence of both patience and faith. Not many can say in time of trial, "I will wait for the God of my salva-tion." The natural thing is to seek immediate deliverance. Fewer still can say when the night seems blackest and hope farthest away, "My God will hear me." So often we are dominated by circumstances instead of overcoming them by faith. Is it not because temporal things are allowed to mar our vision of God? We need to pray for grace to keep our minds fixed on Him. Only as we do this can we triumph.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For Holy Ghost outpouring upon the ministry of all our missionaries,

Thursday, July 20th. Mark i. 1-13. "The Spirit driveth Him into the wilderness" (verse 12). (verse 12).

We usually think of the Spirit as leading into pleasant places. But this is not always so. The Spirit led Christ into the wilderness. When our experience is like a wilderness, it will help us to remember this. The wilderness for Christ meant conflict, but that conflict ended in conquest. If the Spirit leads us to oppose evil it is that He might school us in the art of using spiritual weapons, and show us that through Him Moreover, we can always conquer. " angels ministered unto Christ." Shall we fear the wilderness if in it we are miraculously sustained and comforted? PRAYER TOPIC;

That much fruit may result from all Gospel effort in the villages this summer.

#### Friday, July 21st. Mark i. 14-28.

" Come ye after Me, and I will make you to become fishers of men " (verse 17).

Note Christ's offer to these fishermen. He told them that if they followed Him, they would become "fishers of men." He offered them better employment than they had-indeed the best employment they could ever have-for to seek for souls is the highest purpose to which any life can be devoted. As Christians this is our calling. And the grand thing about it is that we can follow it anywhere and at any time. The gospel net can be used in the stream of our everyday life as well as in the tide of massevangelism.

#### PRAYER TOPIC:

That the power of God may be manifested in the bodies of those who are trusting Him for physical healing.

Saturday, July 22nd. Mark i. 29-45. " In the morning, rising up a great while before day, He went out . . . into a solitary place . . . and prayed ' (verse 35).

Christ set apart times for communion with God. We should do the same. Private prayer is as vital to the soul as air is to the body. Note when Christ prayed—" in the morning . . . a great while before day. . . " One said of Hudson Taylor, " The sun never rose on China without finding him on his knees." Wesley, Moody, C. T. Studd, and many others have made a practice of keeping the morning watch. We shall do well to follow their example, for the wheels of service cannot run smoothly unless they are oiled with prayer before being set in motion. PRAYER TOPIC:

For rich blessing on all readers of the "Elim Evangel."

### Helpful Illustrations for Christian Workers

#### "None Liveth to Himself"

The body of a young suicide was discovered in Louisville, and in one of the pockets was found this note: "I have done this myself. Don't tell anyone. It is all through drink." The printing of this letter in the public press drew two hundred and forty-six letters from as many families, each of whom had a prodigal son who, it was feared, might have been the suicide.

#### Are You a Soul-Winner?

Dr. W. Leon Tucker tells of a great street demonstration in New York City in which twelve thousand persons marched. In the procession were three charabancs packed full of men, women, and children. In one was a judge of the Court of Appeals, and in the last one was a ragged street boy. On the sides of the cars it said, "These people have all been saved from burning buildings by the New York firemen." Then back of the cars marched the men who had saved them, wearing their medals, while hun-dreds of thousands of people cheered them. Think of the eternal joy that will thrill the hearts of those who, following their Lord and disregarding the consequences, have spent their lives pull-ing men out of the fire.

#### Her Hand

A devoted Christian wife used to pray for her husband with her hand gently resting on his head when she thought him asleep. After her death it seemed to him that he could still feel that hand upon him, constraining him to be a Christian. It was more than he could resist, and he let that hand guide him to the Saviour.

#### The Blessed Future

The doctor did not think the dving daughter would hear when he said to the mother, "Poor child; she has seen her best days." But she heard him and said: "No, Doctor, I haven't seen my best days; my best days are still to come when I shall see the King in His. glory." **L** ORD MACAULAY wrote concerning the Roman system: "It is impossible to deny that the polity of the Church of Rome is the very masterpiece of human wisdom. In truth, nothing but such a polity could, against such assaults, have borne up such doctrines. The experience of twelve hundred eventful years, the ingenuity and patient care of forty generations of statesmen, have improved that polity to such perfection that, among the contrivances which have been devised for deceiving and controlling mankind, it occupies the highest place." (Critical and Historical Essays, Vol. III., p. 237).

No sane person can deny this, and the more one becomes acquainted with the amazing vicissitudes of history, with the rise and fall of one power after another, and yet the Papacy surviving all, the more one is convinced of the super-human origin and character of popery, viz., satanic.

Thus we face the fact to-day that in spite of the disillusionment of many devout papists as a result of Rome's disgraceful part in the Abyssinian and Spanish atrocities, yet Rome continues to make capital out of the current eventful happenings in world history.

In this last article, I shall endeavour to convey some idea of the world situation as it relates to the fortunes of the Vatican and show how this certainly seems to be a golden hour of opportunity for the achievement of

#### PAPAL DESIGNS AND AMBITIONS.

One's first thoughts automatically turn to the European situation and whilst, in the maze of events that crowd one upon another, it is often difficult to detect and distinguish the real influences at work behind the political scenes, a thoughtful analysis of records cannot fail to leave the impression that the great wirepullers of the last four centuries—the Jesuits have been hard at work in the last decade.

The most potent factor in Europe to-day is the rise to power of Nazism and Fascism-these twin forces that threaten the peace of the civilised world-and in any consideration of these powers the following facts must be reckoned with: Firstly, all these totalitarian dictators are Romanists. Franco, Mussolini, and Hitler all received their education and upbringing in the bosom of the Papacy, and although the last-named is a non-practising Catholic, and Mussolini only an "occasional," I have never yet read of the "Holy Father" disowning either of these two of his sons. The second thing to remember is that only in popish lands have these evils flourished, and their watchword and war-cry has been the same as the Papacy's. Spain and Italy are almost exclusively Papist, whilst in Germany, Protestantism had become decadent so that the Romish power had become increasingly menacing. In these lands the dictators arose as the " national saviours from Bolshevism and Communism." This "red flag" has long been the Pope's danger cry and it is significant that Fascism has found it a splendid means for throwing dust in people's eyes. At any rate, thoughtful people would like to know why it is that only in lands where the "angelic" influences of Rome have

been dominant is there this fearful menace of a red revolution? Surely there must be something in popery that breeds discontent and rebellion. Thirdly, let us remember that the Papacy has never raised its voice against these tyrant powers. Occasionally of course, the Pope has uttered a little squeal when his own interests have suffered from the severe methods of the Nazi regime, but this is all part of the game. The fact remains that Rome has been the upholder and not the opposer of these systems. With her unparalleled "spy" system it is evident that Rome knew all about the rise of these powers in their early days, and yet there was never any outcry such as there would have been against any movement antagonistic to her ambitions. No, the "Church" saw in these rising forces, a means of furthering her satanic schemes, and thus she has been the active supporter of them both with finance and influence.

Take for instance, Germany. In spite of the Pope's alleged grief at some of the happenings under Nazism, I am convinced that the whole of his power is thrown into the balance

#### IN HITLER'S FAVOUR.

In the crisis of 1933 the bishops exhorted the Romanists to join the National Socialist Party " in order to accelerate the evolution of the German people to the National Socialist state" (Star, 19th April, 1933). In the 1934 Saar plebiscite, the whole weight of the popish vote was thrown in Hitler's favour, and this could not be without Vatican authority. In the 1936 elections when every German was compelled to vote, the voice of the Roman bishops was made known from the pulpits exhorting papists to give their "Yes" for Hitler. When Hitler's invasion of Austria took place in 1938, Cardinal Innitzer, the Primate, persuaded the Romanists that this was God's leading and they should rejoice in Hitler's accession. Then as regards Czecho-Slovakia, we know that country, with its noble Protestant leader, T. G. Masaryk, was always the object of Romish hatred and intrigue, and its break-up under Nazi rule invoked no complaint from the man of the Vatican, but as soon as Hitler had split the country into three autonomous states, we saw a Jesuit priest, Mgr. Tiso, appointed as Premier of Slovakia. So evidently Hitler and the Jesuits were well-pleased with each other.

What is true of Germany is a thousand times more apparent in Italy and Spain, so that we are faced with this fact that to-day in Europe there exists this union of tyrant powers, and that the Papacy is either definitely pledged to them, or sympathetically inclined. What is the significance of this state of affairs? One does not need a great power of insight to realise that the Vatican, as has always been her policy, is identified with these parties because she sees in them ways and means of

#### FURTHERING THE SCHEMES

that have always been the prime factors in her evil history.

Then again, coupled with this critical state of affairs in Europe, there is the undeniable fact of the alarming growth of papal influence and power in the British Empire. Southern Ireland is now practically a foreign and enemy state. Australia has had two popish premiers in succession, with eight out of thirteen members of the Cabinet also members of the Pope's family. In Canada, Romish influence continues to grow, so that many writers of note to-day (e.g., A. J. Cummings in the *News Chronicle*) give expression to fears as to the continuance of Canada's union with Britain.

Surely then, we are at a place where the moves of the Vatican require most careful watching. It is undeniable that she herself is conscious of the fact that the supreme hour of her opportunity is arriving, and thus she is devoting herself unsparingly to the task of perfecting her machinery so that when the tide reaches the flood, she may harness it for her purposed triumph.

Thus we become more impressed with the choice that was recently made for an occupant of the papal chair. The times demanded the election of a man who could take the helm with confidence and pilot the "barque of St. Peter" through the troublous seas to the desired haven. Herein we have the whole reason for the election of Eugenio Pacelli as Pope Pius XII.

One of the most fascinating of all studies is that of the rise of

#### HISTORY'S MOST AMAZING SYSTEM

-the Papacy. The steps whereby the once Christian Church degenerated into an organised superstitious religion, and then how that organisation developed into a vast political power which ultimately overshadowed thrones and sceptres, form one of the most amazing pages of human history. For our present purpose, it will suffice to mention one way whereby " the humble followers of the fisherman " were superseded by " a race of kings and princes." It is this--that at the times of great crises and opportunity in the histories of Europe and the Papacy, there have come to the papal chair men of such personality and power as to be able to turn the tide of affairs entirely to their own advantage and the advancement of the Church's interests. Take one or two examples. In the beginning of the fifth century, the Roman Empire was crumbling to pieces before the onslaughts of the barbarian hordes which overran Europe. There was no leader who could stand before them and defend the helpless Romans. In 409 A.D. Rome was sacked and pillaged by the Goths under Alaric.

In the year 452, the more formidable Huns appeared outside Rome, led by Attila, and bent on destruction. But now a man had risen to the papal chair who was capable of dealing with the situation. He was Leo the Great, the first to claim the title "Vicar of Christ." Courageously he went forth unarmed to meet the invader and succeeded in persuading him to abandon his evil designs. Leo repeated this notable act three years later when Genseric led his Vandals against Rome. The result of

#### THESE CRITICAL INTERVENTIONS

was incalculable, serving to advance the growing power of the infant papacy with both Roman and pagan alike.

Another example of this remarkable phase of papal aggrandisement is seen in the case of Gregory VII. who ascended the papal chair in 1073. Concerning him and the situation of that day, I quote Wylie's words: " It required no prophet to divine that so long as the imperial sceptre continued to be grasped with a strong hand and guided by a firm mind, which it had been since it came into the possession of the German race, no danger would arise; but that the moment it ceased to be the case, the Papacy, already almost on a level with the empire, would obtain the mastery. The hour was near when Rome's grandest hopes and loftiest pretensions were to be realised." This emergency soon arose. "We behold on the throne a child, Henry IV., and in the chair of St. Peter the astute Hildebrand. We find the empire torn with insurrection, whilst the Papacy is guided by the clear and bold genius of Gregory VII." (The Papacy, p. 72).

The result of that critical situation was the complete domination of Europe by the Papacy.

Many other instances could be given of this remarkable advance to the papal chair of a man who was pre-eminently capable of directing the affairs of the Vatican. But we are concerned with the present and we ask ourselves if we are approaching another such spectacle. The

#### CRISIS IS UNDOUBTEDLY HERE.

What about the man who now fills the papal chair? These facts at any rate are clear. First, he is one of the most astute politicians the Vatican has known for a long period. Then again, whatever may have been said to the contrary, it is apparent he is a supporter of Mussolini and Fascism. Further, he has intimate relationships with Germany. Already we find that he is beginning to feel his way in the political world. The nations are crying out for peace, and as is common with human nature, are looking for a lead from one man who would be readily recognised by all as a suitable head. The only place where such a mortal resides is on the Seven Hills of Rome, and so we see the eyes of politicians, religious leaders, social reformers, and others turned hopefully towards this oracle. In England we have had the disgraceful spectacle of even some of the Methodist leaders declaring they would enlist under the Pope's banner in a crusade for peace. What will be the ultimate outcome we cannot say, but we can expect developments of an important character.

Above all, it behoves us who know the Truth and are watching for the coming of our King to be on the watchtower. Powerful forces are at work in our land for the destruction of our Christian privileges. The price of liberty is eternal vigilance. A mighty spiritual awakening can turn back the tide of popery and infidelity. May God have mercy on our country and bring us to our knees before Him, ere our enemies shall bring us to our knees before them.

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#### Revival News.

READERS will rejoice to hear the latest news of the Revival Campaigns being conducted at Lowestoft by Pastor Gwilym I. Francis and at St. Helens by Pastor J. Woodhead. The number of converts at the former has risen to 412 in the first 12 days of the campaign, and at the latter to 110 in the first week. To God be all the glory! Continued prayer is requested for these and all other efforts for bringing the lost to Christ.

#### The Leaflet Campaign.

ALTHOUGH we have made little reference in the *Evangel* of late to the Leaflet Campaign, the work of printing and distributing the leaflets still continues apace. Amongst the churches which have taken up the campaign with real enthusiasm is Wolverhampton, where Pastor South has organised the distribution of 10,000 leaflets, an A.R.P. Warden being appointed "Leaflet Warden." The distribution was carried out in one week, the Monday night being set aside for special prayer for the effort.

#### Special Evangelistic Number.

THE Elim Evangel for July 28th—the week after next—is to be a special Evangelistic Number. Among those contributing articles to this special issue are Pastors P. N. Corry, J. Smith, S. Gorman, and H. W. Greenway. For the first time, every article in a single Evangel will be written with the definite aim of winning souls for Christ. It will be just what you require for sending to your unsaved friends. Readers are urged to order extra copies *immediately* to avoid disappointment.

#### Remember July 28. Special Evangelistic Number

We have a number of requests from Latvia asking us to send the *Elim Evangel* regularly to those unable to afford the subscription. We should be pleased to hear from any of our readers willing to help. Ten shillings enables us to send a copy every week for a year to one applicant.

#### ANONYMOUS GIFTS

This is our opportunity of thanking kind friends who have given anonymously as follows:

Leaflet Campaign: Kirkcaldy sister, 5/-; Brown Hill, Birmingham, 5/-; Cheshire (M.A.M.), £1; Billericay (E.H.A.), 5/-; Southport (child of God), £5; Essex (R.H.), 10/-.

Southport (child of God), £5; Essex (R.H.), 10/-. Debt Fund: Kirkcaldy sister, £1; Portadown, 7/6; Southampton, (M.S.), £1; Plymouth (A.B.), 10/-.

Foreign Missionary Fund: Clapham, per Pastor Kingston (designated), £2; Haywards Heath (B.P.) (designated), 10/-; Dundee sister (designated), £1.

Bible and Healing Campaigns: Harrow (designated), 10/-.

#### The Influence of a Tract.

A young Frenchman who had been wounded at the siege of St. Quentin was languishing on a pallet in the hospital when a tract that lay on the coverlet caught his eye. He read it and was converted by it. The monument of that man may be seen before the Church of the Consistory in Paris, standing with a Bible in his hand—Admiral Coligny, the leader of the Reformation in France. But the tract had not yet finished its work. It was read by Coligny's nurse, a Sister of Mercy, who penitently placed it in the hands of the Lady Abbess, and she, too, was converted by it. She fled from France to the Palatinate, where she met a young Hollander and became his wife. The influence which she had upon that man reacted upon the whole continent of Europe for he was William of Orange, who gave religious liberty to the Netherlands.

Put a tract in every letter you send, every bill you pay. Take them to hospitals and gaols. Never leave home without a supply in purse or pocket. Ask God to show you where to give or place them so they will bring glory to His Son who died that we may have eternal life.

### Gleanings from other Fields

#### B. T. I. Glasgow.

A recent report of the Bible Training Institute, Glasgow, revealed that 1,900 of its former students were preaching the Gospel throughout the world.

#### Young Life Campaign.

Mr. Harold W. Fife has been appointed headquarters secretary of the National Young Life Campaign in place of Miss E. E. Bird, who has resigned.

#### Mrs. Laura A. Barter Snow.

On June 23rd, at the age of 74, Mrs. Laura Barter Snow, well-known for her literary and other Christian work, was called to her eternal reward.

#### Capt. R. M. Stephens.

For some months past, Capt. R. M. Stephens has been in Poland ministering temporal and spiritual relief to Polish Jews expelled from Germany.

#### **Bible Flower Mission**,

During the past year, the voluntary workers of the Bible Flower Mission visited patients in seventy hospitals and institutions in London and distributed about 372,000 Scripture messages.

#### Rev. A. N. Barclay.

Rev. A. N. Barclay, Staff Missioner of the C.S.S.M. in Eastern Canada, who visited this country earlier this year in connection with the Scripture Union diamond jubilee celebrations, has passed into the presence of the Lord.

#### Bible Conference at Thun.

The Fifth International Conference for Bible Study and Prayer at Thun, in the Bernese Oberland, Switzerland, will be held from July 31 to August 6. The speakers include Miss Mildred Cable.

### NEXT WEEK.

Another article by W. F. P. Burton in the series "I Was There!"

#### FOLLOWING WEEK.

Special Evangelistic Number. Order your extra copies now!

# THE WORK GOES ON!

EMissionary

**Report by Pastor P. N. CORRY** 

**HIS** report brings to our readers fresh news from Africa, Mexico, and Spain. The very mention of Mexico stirs our hearts with thankful devotion to the Lord Jesus for what He has done in that country. Our beloved brother, Mr. G. H. Thomas who worked there some years ago, laid foundations

Father, and the consequent joy is apparent to unbelievers who rely upon some idol or charm to protect them from evil spirits.

Trekking through the northern villages, I have been accosted several times by complete strangers. They wanted to know why we always turned back to known

so firm and deep that the natives left in charge of the work have been able to carry it on and to enlarge. The reports from him regarding that work are exceedingly encouraging.

We are also privileged to print a report Leslie Mr. from Wigglesworth regarding the opening up of a fresh field of labour in the Belgian Congo. It is especially with this field in view that he hopes to step out shortly for the foreign field. He was recently married to Miss Ruth L. H. Boulton (elder daughter of Pastor E. C. W. Boulton of Headquarters) who as a fully trained nurse will prove of valuable assistance to her husband in that distant land. We feel sure that all our readers will join together in prayer that their united witness in the Congo may be increasingly owned of God.

#### BELGIAN CONGO (Mr. Wigglesworth).

Reaching from south to north of the area evan-

gelised from Katenta Mission, is six long days' journey. Often we have marvelled that the Lord should so strengthen us for the gigantic task of preaching the unsearchable riches of Christ regularly in such numerous villages. Yet we are not satisfied, for to the north-west there is still untouched territory where the name of Jesus is not known! Aching hearts are longing for the joyous experience of the Christians about whom they hear from travellers who have come into contact with them.

The power of Christ changes the superstitious fear of the Central African to a deep trust in the heavenly

carriers were lovers of the Lord Jesus, and before we left the last group of believers we had experienced times of great blessing, not in any noble edifice, but around village fires. It was a shock to me, therefore, to receive a letter from the Mission Station stating that we had been refused permission by those in authority to evangelise the territory ahead of us and that on no account were we to place our Evangelists in any villages! Placing the matter before the Lord we felt that a way would be made and that He would receive glory from this apparent set-back to our plans. We were determined to visit the district and preach Jesus

MR. AND MRS. LESLIE WIGGLESWORTH, [F. Smith. Photo by]

UNITED IN MARRIAGE ON JUNE 17TH, AND SHORTLY TO SAIL AS ELIM MISSIONARIES TO THE BELGIAN CONGO

villages untouched by white men, and where the Gospel story was un-"Don't you known. love us, Bwana? " they would say, and I promised them that I would try to visit them, and was fully determined in my own mind that the next journey north would be an extended one into unevangelised areas. We were thwarted in our attempts to reach these needy people, and the powers of evil seemed to realise that a struggle was pending, because every means was tried to stop our advance. But a day arrived at last when I said goodbye to my coworkers at Katenta and set out to visit the outstations and to penetrate into the remote districts where the Gospel had never been heard.

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Making our way through the Basonge swamps and over the plains, where so many villages are hidden away from the main paths, we had blessed fellowship with the evangelists and Christians. Most of my



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to those who would listen. My carriers and the Evangelist who was with me, were eager to go, so off we went.

News of our coming had gone before us, and passing from village to village we found crowds of people waiting to hear the story of redeeming love. They were so disappointed when I could not stay for several days with them, but they followed my cycle from village to village so that they might listen again to the gospel story. Following on until the sun was high in the heavens and it was time for them to return home, they pleaded with me to come again quickly or to send an Evangelist. This happened day after day, and the story of heartaches and requests for a speedy return is too long to relate here. In those few intense days was included the joy of preaching to hungry hearts who had never heard the name of Jesus! Preaching six, seven, and more times in a day (a day when I found it almost impossible to lift my feet off the ground but had to walk in agony for twenty miles, finding the task of riding my cycle impossible) and visiting villages off the beaten track where white men

#### HAD NEVER SET FOOT!

Returning to Katenta with mixed feelings, of sorrow because of the great need of the people we had left, and of joy at the sight of white faces again, we determined to leave no stone unturned until we were possessing that land in the name of the Lord. Giving ourselves to consistent prayer we sent requests to the homeland. Months passed by and still our efforts to reach those people seemed to be of no avail. Our native Evangelists were unable to go because of restrictions, but we managed to visit them periodically, and always with amazing results. One journey was made almost impossible because it was so difficult to get the necessary carriers, and no other means of transport was to hand, but God so mightily blessed us that men and women, clinging so tenaciously to their charms and idols, had to yield to the claims of the Gospel in every village and we were moved to praise the Lord from morning until night!

Only a week remained before I should leave for my furlough in England, and then a message came through giving us permission to place our Evangelists in the long-prayed-for district where men and women were waiting eagerly for the Gospel. We *did* praise the Lord, and I especially, because the impossible had happened before my departure.

There is no need for me to emphasise the fact that men were travelling several days' journey to the Mission Station to enquire why we

#### WERE SO LONG COMING.

Had our love for them ceased and were our promises mere words only? They came hungry to hear the words of eternal life and then left us with a plea that we would come as soon as possible. The Evangelists are going to them now and we are seeking God's guidance about the opening of a much-needed station in that district.

Pray that speedily they will have the Gospel and that the needs of the missionaries will be met when the task of reaching them and of building and opening the new work will be carried out. SPAIN & MEXICO (Pastor G. H. Thomas). A few days before the collapse of the former Government forces in SPAIN, word came from one of our Spanish brethren asking our help to enable him to leave Spain, in order to join his little girl in Moorocco. He had . escaped from his home town just as the insurgent troops entered it, leaving his wife and child behind. His wife had been imprisoned for a number of days on two occasions and closely questioned as to the whereabouts of her husband. While in prison she felt she might be taken out with others and shot, for each night she was in prison numbers of the prisoners were taken out and tied together and led away to their execution, but she said God intervened on her behalf and she was released. After some time she managed to leave Spain with the help of some friends of ours and went to friends in Morocco, taking her little girl with her. The terrible nervous strain and physical suffering had their reaction, and soon after arriving in Morocco she was taken to hospital where she grew worse and passed away, leaving her little girl to be cared for by friends who are not Spanish.

The husband was still in Spain with the Loyalist forces until their complete defeat, and the last word from him was that he was

#### IN A PRISON CAMP

and expected to be taken back to his home town to be tried by a military tribunal. His letter breathed a spirit of resignation and faith in the Lord Jesus and real peace of soul. It will be difficult to get definite news of this brother unless he is permitted to write to us again and receive our letters to him.

Word comes from the other believers occasionally, but the letters contain very little news as they are still censored. We know that they do not meet together for fellowship—for obvious reasons,—but the letters tell of their continued trust in the Lord Jesus and they write openly of their faith in Him, although they know the letters will be read by the censor. Word received from other sources tells of extreme suffering through poverty and lack of food and clothing.

From MEXICO there still comes encouraging news of the continual spread of the Gospel and of blessing upon the Bible School there. The School year closed last April, when another group of students graduated and will take their places with the other native workers in spreading the Gospel in Mexico.

Once again, we close this article with the earnest desire—not only for those whose reports are published this week, but for all our missionaries—that united prayer may prevail on their behalf. Especially do we ask this for Miss Marion Paint who has undergone an operation in Mussooree (India).

Will you all please pray that the grace of God may rest upon every missionary, and upon us at home, who stand by them in this work?

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It is not so much the mere difference of opinion in minor points of doctrine that has cursed the work of God and separated the Body of Christ, but rather the uncharitable spirit of division and antagonism.



#### Fruitful Ministry in Campaigns and Conventions

#### WHITSUNTIDE CONVENTION

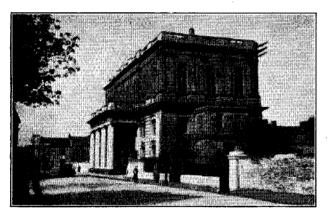
**Plymouth** (Pastor A. V. Gorton). Looking back on the Annual Whitsun Convention, the memory of a very gracious outpouring of the Holy Spirit remains with us. Pentecost was repeated, and the anointing of the Spirit was upon speakers and congregations alike. Pastors H. W Fardell and W. R. Cole were the speakers, and we thank God for every message. On Sunday the gospel address was sealed by three decisions for Christ. We have the inward witness that the

#### SPECIAL SPEAKERS

**Bournemouth (Springbourne).** (Pastor H. W. Fardell). The Bible studies on recent Thursdays, by the Pastor, on "Bible Cameos," dealing with the lives of the Minor Prophets, have been a real blessing, and have demonstrated how God fits His servants for the message they had to proclaim.

Pastor E. C. W. Boulton's ministry in May brought much blessing and caused us to take fresh courage.

The Whitsuntide meetings were taken



seal of God was upon every message, and so we were drawn closer to Him. Evangelist J. K. McGillivray was also with us during the week, and we enjoyed his happy ministry. Our brethren have returned to their own churches but the blessing remains. Hallelujah!

We are very glad to record the many indications of the blessing of our risen Lord this year. Many decisions have been made, bodies healed, and thereby God glorified. To Him be all the praise!

#### WHITSUNTIDE CONVENTION

Rye Park (Mr. C. Coe). Once again gatherings were held in the Hoddesdon Congregational Church (kindly lent). Much disappointment was caused owing to Mr. Pat Sullivan, an ex-convict and now London City Missionary, not being able to take part owing to ill health. Pastor F. C. Packer, however, kindly stepped into the breach at the last moment.

The speakers were Pastors J. Dyke and F. C. Packer, and the convener was Mr. C. Coe. Much blessing attended the ministry of the Word, and the meetings were well attended.

A feature of the services was a programme in song given by the Leyton Crusader Choir. by Pastors Hathaway and Evans. Pastor Hathaway ministered on the Sunday and, as always, the Lord met us in a marvellous way with encouragement and spiritual uplift; whilst Pastor Evans took the week-night meetings, dealing on the Thursday with "The Blessings of Pentecost," urging all unfilled believers to seek for the mighty blessing of the Holy Spirit. We all realised afresh the great need for a further outpouring of the Holy Ghost.

#### CONVERSIONS AND HEALINGS

Birmingham (Graham St.) (Pastor S. Gorman). The saints at Graham Street recently had the joy of welcoming Pastor and Mrs. Woodhead into their midst for a fortnight's revival and healing campaign. Much prayer and activity preceded the visit as Crusaders distributed the bills from house to house, inviting the people to the services. From the beginning God's hand was upon His servant, and night after night the gospel was preached with such power and love that souls found Christ in nearly every meeting. At each service numbers increased. On the Thursday afternoons, divine healing services were held, and God blessed in a very real way. One sister who had suffered for ten years as a result of a nervous breakdown, is now rejoicing because of the Saviour's healing touch. Another who was deaf came into the meeting unsaved, and after accepting the Lord as her Saviour, was prayed for, and next morning heard the birds sing for the first time. A brother suffering with a number of complications was delivered from them all. Hallelujah!

We do praise God for the thirty-three decisions for Christ and for all the many blessings received during the visit of our dear brother and sister, and pray that as a result of this campaign we shall go on to do greater things for Christ.

#### STEADY PROGRESS

**Kingston-on-Thames** (Pastor J, J. Way). It is with grateful hearts to God we report that, for the past two months, we have been experiencing rich times of blessing. The work is growing and steady progress is being maintained in every branch of the Church.

The Sunday morning services have been very precious, and the Lord has drawn near to us as we have gathered round His table. The Gifts of the Spirit have been manifested and His wonderful Name has been exalted.

We believe that God is going to pour out His Spirit in a mighty way in Kingston, and that souls will be saved for His glory.

#### MEMBERS LEAVE DISTRICT

**Barking** (Pastor H. T. D. Stoneham). We regret that owing to removal from the district, we are losing the fellowship of our dear friends in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gray.

Both have been loyal members of the Church almost since the commencement of the work in Barking, and Mr. Gray has faithfully filled the position of Treasurer during this period.

We pray that God will richly bless them and continue to use them in His service at Benfleet, and that they will visit their home Church occasionally.

Faith is not a thing to be seen, or touched, or handled. It is not a grace nor a gracious disposition. It is nothing mysterious or perplexing. It is simply and only believing what God says because He says it, without requiring any other proof but His Word alone.

Stonehouse Town Hall, Plymouth



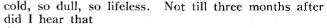
### When the Reaping Time Comes

By GEORGE MULLER (Given at Bristol in his 92nd year)

• T<sup>N</sup> the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand." That is, "Use any and every opportunity which the Lord is pleased to give thee; seek to redeem the time, for thou hast but one life here on earth, and that brief—very brief—as compared with eternity; therefore make good use of it." Oh, the blessing that results from attending to this! On every occasion, under all circumstances, after we have sought the Lord's blessing and are in a proper state of heart, let us drop a word for Christ here and there and everywhere, and after we have spoken it, bring it before God again, and again, and again in prayer.

When the reaping time comes, and we find ourselves in glory, that child for whom we prayed will be found there! That aged cripple whom we met incidentally on the road, and to whom we spoke, will be in heaven. That person whom we visited every day for a long time, and who gave little or no heed at all to what we had to say, will be found in glory, having at last laid to heart what we spoke so many times to him, and though we had no information about it, God blessed our word. Oh, the multitude of instances we shall find at last when our work, labour, or service has, contrary to natural expectation, been blessed!

I was once standing here about sixty-two years ago, preaching the Word of Life, and after I had finished I was cast down because my words seemed to me so



#### THROUGH THAT VERY ADDRESS

abundant blessing had been brought to nineteen different persons.

But let us carefully see to it that when the reaping time comes there will be something to reap because we have been labouring. If there be no labour, if there be a careless, thoughtless walk, without prayer and crying to God mightily, then let us not be surprised if when the harvest time comes there is no reaping as far as we are concerned. But as assuredly as there has been the crying mightily to God, as there has been the sowing, as there has been the laying out of ourselves for God, most assuredly we shall reap.

"For thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that." We know not what God is about to do, because He does not tell us if it is at this or that particular time He will own our labour and service.

"Or whether they both shall be alike good." God may bless, not merely at one time, but both times. In the morning the work may be commenced, in the evening the Holy Ghost may deepen it, and God may bring double blessing out of our poor feeble service."

In view of the above let us not grow weary in well doing, or slack in our supplication, but let us be more earnest in endeavour, more faithful in prayer, and because we shall reap if we faint not, let us continue to pray for revival!



#### **Conducted by Pastor DAVID A. VANSTONE**

#### IS HE WITHOUT WAX ?

What a quaint question! Without wax? You have often heard the question asked before—only the wording is usually, "Is he sincere?"

Centuries ago, when it was fashionable to have marble statuary in one's garden, crafty sculptors were in the habit of concealing faults in their work by filling in with white wax. Thus if the end of a nose were accidentally knocked off they would put the matter right by moulding a new nose in wax. The appearance was perfect!

The summer came, and with it a heat-wave. Soon the wax was softening, melting, trickling, and what had once been an aristocratic nose was now an unshapely blob. How embarassing for the owner of the property, as he brought guests to admire the statuary, to find a handsome face horribly disfigured!

As a result it became the practice in ordering marble work to specify, "One statue, sans cire "—without wax—from which, as you can see, we derive our word "sincere."

Well, are you without wax, sincere, with no pretence? Or are there parts of your character which melt in the heat of temptation and reveal some fatal flaw? Will you make it your prayer, "Lord Jesus, in all things make me genuine, honest, sincere, that inwardly and outwardly I may be cleansed from secret faults "?

#### IT'S ALL IN YOUR POINT OF VIEW

The Japanese, I believe, address their envelopes in this way:

England, London, S.W.14,

50, Farthingale Street,

J. Smith, Esq.

which of course seems to us to be peculiar. [Although the way we do it, the postman has to read from bottom to top!] On the other hand many of our customs appear just as strange to foreigners. For instance, hear what a Chinaman

strange to foreigners. For instance, hear what a Chinaman thinks of barbarian Europeans: "They do not know how to amuse themselves. You never see them having a happy time by sitting quietly upon their ancestors' graves. They jump around and kick balls as if they were paid to do it. And you will see them making long tramps into the country; but that I think is a religious duty, for when they are walking they wave sticks in the air, nobody knows why! They have no dignity, for they may be found walking with women. They even sit down at the same table with women, and the latter are served first."

While we feel that our ideas are superior to those of our friend, particularly regarding our treatment of the fairer sex, we shall remember that he has his point of view. In seeking to improve his ideas we should be courteous and avoid making cheap jibes at what is to a foreigner quite reasonable. So with all whose opinions differ from ours.



#### RALLY DAY

JULY 22nd at ELIM WOODLANDS

Principal GEORGE JEFFREYS and Revival Party

Great Open Air Service and full Programme from 3.30 p.m.

### Pentecostal Youth

Activities in and around Stockholm—Sweden's Magnificent Capital By Pastor DOUGLAS B. GRAY

#### By Pastor O. MURPHY "Want to Know" Corner

**Crusader Corner No.7** 

Problem No. 2: The Gardener's Dilemma.

While out on a visit a few weeks ago, I met a friend who is a Christian. He related to me the following incident:

Opposite the place where he is employed as a gardener, there is a large, empty house. It had been broken into a number of times, and a good deal of lead, etc., had been stolen from the roof-tops. One day the police sergeant called, and asked my friend and his wife if they would keep a sharp look-out and notify him if they saw any suspicious character on the premises. The following day, while working in the garden my friend heard the sound of tapping. Looking toward the empty house, he saw a man removing pieces of lead from the roof and gutters! He recognised the man, and knew him to be unemployed, with a wife and six children dependent on him. His wife is a Christian, and owing to the small allowance has an awful struggle to make ends meet.

Realising these things, what an unpleasant predicament for my friend to be in !

What should he as a Christian do? There are apparently only two things he can do:

1. **Tell the police.** (Remember he is a Christian, and has promised to notify the sergeant of anything suspicious.).

2. Take no notice of the matter. (Realising that to notify the police would mean the man being put in gaol, suffering for the kiddies, and a life-long stigma on his godly wife).

Would my friend be justified in increasing the burden and sorrow that this would mean the woman enduring?

What would you do? Just drop me a line and let me have your solution. It was my great privilege to be present at the European Pentecostal Conference recently concluded at Stockholm, the beautiful capital city of Sweden. The memories of these wonderful days will be lifelong. They were days crammed with inspiration, edification, education, as well as spiritual refreshment and joyous fellowship.

Much has been written elsewhere, beautifully describing the events of this great Congress, therefore I will



Philadelphia Pentecostal Church, Stockholm

not endeavour to enlarge on these aspects. Yet I feel there are some of our youth leaders and Crusaders who would rejoice, as I do, to know of the magnificent company of Christian youth and youth leaders in these God-fearing Scandinavian lands.

That the Pentecostal message has captured the youth of Sweden cannot be doubted. From the very commencement our souls were thrilled as we viewed the great array of young people gathered at the welcome meeting, in concerted gospel song ministry. The standard of singing is highly commendable, and is accompanied with an enthusiasm and soulfulness yet to be equalled in any contemporary movement.

The work is blessed with large numbers of young men and women, who serve with their talents of

### lege to be music and song. The Swedish Pen-

tecostal friends truly realise and value the power of consecrated The combined number of music. singers and musicians in the Stockholm Church alone is about 900. Led by the organist, Erich Peterson, and the orchestra, by Mr. O. Lenti, the services are richly served with excellent music and song. This great company is also divided into several smaller groups, who every Sunday morning go out to different places to witness with music, song, prayer, and testimony. In this manner wide fields around the capital have become acquainted with the Pentecostal Revival Movement, and many souls have been led to a living faith in Jesus.

It is difficult to express our appreciation of the wonderful singing of Einar Ekberg, accompanied on one of the latest Hammond electric organs. His beautiful voice is often heard over the Radio and on gramophone records, in addition to singing in the various Pentecostal meetings and campaigns. Music Director Karl-Erik Svedlund, must feel gratified in being surrounded with such a bounty of exceptionally gifted and consecrated talent, and furnished with the very latest and best in musical instruments.

We must reluctantly leave this department, but our joys are again revived as we interview the Sunday school department, which records a membership of over 700 children and about 100 teachers. Then there are 30 Sunday school outstations, working from the parent church, where over 1,000 children receive regular instruction by over 200 teachers. Personal salvation is the dominant note struck in the Sunday schools of Sweden. We were glad to learn that here, as in

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the homeland, a set course of lessons is adopted by the teachers, also that one evening per week is devoted to the preparation of the lessons. Further, everything possible is done for the tiny tots in the way of sand tray classes, and descriptive and illustrated lessons. Moreover, a regular week-night children's meeting is held (run similarly to the Elim Cadet gathering), and is experiencing great success.

An interesting feature of this Sunday school work is that the school has its own children's colony with accommodation for 90 children, where every summer large numbers of children are cared for. In one of the colony records we read: "We have built our colony on this foundation and motive-the salvation of the children and their growth in God's grace, and at the same time to make it possible for

needy children to have a time of recreation in the country. We firmly believe we have accomplished what we set out to gain; the children have been saved, and were all happy in Jesus when they returned home, looking strong and well. God had seemingly done a genuine work in their hearts."

There are of course many other departments attached to this great centre, which God has signally blessed, but space forbids further comment. It was more than a joy to meet these servants of Christ. We were moved by their love for the Lord; their great belief in prayer, and the power of Pentecost; their humble spirit and their utter abandonment to the cause of Christ. Fellowship with them was refreshing, and we praise God for the work of Pentecost in Sweden, and in the twenty-one European lands

represented. Lastly, we were profoundly impressed by their practical application of Christianity, in the wonderful provision and care exercised by these saints for the homeless, the aged, and the sick, of their Church and city. We wonder not why God has so signally blessed their entire work, spiritual and social.

Back to England, and to Elim, to another section of Pentecost which, too, God has wonderfully blessed. We rejoice for the wonders God has wrought in our own land. Our earnest prayers are that we may all seek nothing short of the fulness of God, the power of Pentecost, a deeper love for Christ and a fresh keenness for the salvation of lost souls around. May we all experience and fully share in the showers of the latter rain falling upon all tribes and nations.

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### A Society Leader's Story

By Mrs. E. M. WHITTEMORE

WAS a lover of social gaities. My husband and I filled our lives with dinners, receptions, dances, and various forms of worldly entertainment. Although I had known a sincere desire to live a Christian life as a girl, I had fully yielded to the appetite for an unceasing whirl of excitement.

One day a friend, who had once been a companion in our social functions but who had been converted, invited my husband and me to attend Jerry McAuley's Rather reluctantly my husband consented to We found the Mission very much crowded Mission. take me. with sin-bedraggled people and vile smells. At first we felt moved with pity toward the "poor creatures" around us. But as the meeting progressed we no longer felt superior, but as the meeting progressed we no temper felt superior, but actually hung our heads in shame. Following the singing and praying, Jerry read a few verses from the Bible and followed it by simple but heart-searching comments. Then, after a heart-moving account of his own conversion, he called for testimonies. Three, four, five were on their feet at the same time. All were so earnest and so full of gratitude to God for saving them and for keeping them amidst temptations.

Finally, greatly overcome, my husband rose and to my astonishment requested prayers from the redeemed men present. He was such a stiff Presbyterian and had been so very conventional and uncompromising, that I could scarcely believe my own eyes. He put his hand to his face to cover his emotion and I saw a tear trickling through his fingers. In spite of my worldly spirit, he had never appeared nobler or braver in my eyes, so I arose and quietly stood by his side. Jerry turned his piercing eyes on us and said in a loud and almost fierce voice that made me start, "Did y' mean it, both of y'?" We gave a nod of assent, although my pride rebelled at the thought of being prayed for by a thief, even though he was converted. ." Then if y' did, come and kneel at this bench."

As he spoke he pointed to an old worm-eaten and none-too-clean bench. In a few moments there were kneeling about us thieves, drunkards, gamblers, and abandoned women of the streets. We had gone there to see Jerry, "the Curiosity of the Fourth Ward," but surely we were successful competitors for that title that surely we were successful competitors for that the that night, attired as we were for evening dinner. There was a long line kneeling, and Jerry started at one end. "Pray, brother," he said. "Yes, y' must. I can pray till the breath leaves my body, but that won't save ye, ye must pray yirsilves." Many of the petitions were suggested by Jerry. The majority were, "God be merciful to me a sinner."

At last Jerry came to us. He placed a hand on each of our shoulders. I looked up. A tear was zig-zagging down the cheek of the man we thought so rough. It fell between us. It was a holy tear shed by a man who yearned to have others accept his Saviour. It spoke more loudly to me than any words could have done. He asked Mr. Whittemore to pray. I had always felt proud of my husband's eloquence at social functions when he was called on to speak. I knew that his prayer would be strikingly different from the others. But when the words finally came to his lips, they were not the words "I had anticipated. They were the words the poor blear-eyed drunkard at his side had just stammered out, "God be merciful to me a sinner." In a more tender tone Jerry said, "Put in 'for Jesus sake.'" I have always said since that those three words are God's cover of love, hiding away all our sins.

Suddenly the Spirit began witnessing with ours that we were acceptable in His sight once more through the blood-cleansing process and power of Jesus. Wanderers we had been, but the seeking Shepherd had found us! We arose with a holy determination, born of God Himself, henceforth to live for His glory and praise. From that night I date the giving up of a worldly life.

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