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# Elim Evangel

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The crowded Town Hall at the Lurgan campaign conducted by Pastor A. Wilson and the Pentecostal Musical Team.

# “Receive Ye the Holy Spirit”

By MARIE E. BROWN

**T**HE word Pentecost means “fifty,” and it took place fifty days after the resurrection. “And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them” (Acts ii. 1-3). Peter explained this to the people around by saying, “This Jesus hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost. He hath shed forth this which ye now see and hear” (Acts ii. 32, 33). What was it they could see and hear? They could see the tongues of fire and hear the wind and the speaking in tongues.

Now what did this manifestation mean, and what are we to learn from it? Pentecost stood for lives consecrated to God, lives set apart for a purpose, and lives endued with power forcefully to witness to an adequate way of life. The Church seems today to be living between the resurrection and Pentecost. If she would only move up to Pentecost nothing in this world could stop her.

Imagine the early Church without Pentecost: those men going out with that wonderful message and they themselves not possessing the power of it. Pentecost made the men and the message one, hence their power. The Cross was the birth-pain of the coming Church, and the resurrection heralded the coming birth: but Pentecost was the time that the Church was born. Here men were commissioned to proclaim a crucified Jesus as Saviour and Master, to establish the new world order of the kingdom of God. But this was to be done in the face of the spirit of enmity, and without Pentecost it would have been impossible. It was not enough for them to see Him and hear Him say, “Peace be unto you. As My Father hath sent Me, even so send I you.” No, not even His presence and commission were enough, for up to Pentecost the whole thing was on the outside of them, objective, something spoken and acted before them. It was not **in** them. Pentecost then was the power that came **within** and possessed them. Hence they became irresistible disciples of a great passion.

The Church has shied away from Pentecost. She is afraid of it. Teaching concerning the Holy Spirit is the most vague and uncertain thing in the life of the Church. Arthur Hurd says, “It is the undiscovered country of Christianity, the dark continent of Christian life, the land where our spiritual resources lie undeveloped.” There

**The author and her beloved husband, Robert A. Brown, founded Glad Tidings Tabernacle in New York City in 1907. Her husband went to be with the Lord in 1948, and Sister Brown has continued to serve since that time as Pastor of this large congregation. In 1950 Glad Tidings Tabernacle gave \$45,000 to missions.**

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was a time when the Christian Church celebrated Whit-Sunday, the anniversary of the coming of the Holy Spirit, more than it did Christmas. Did she find it was easier to celebrate Christ's birth, to commemorate His coming into the world than it was for her to go with His message

to the world? Did it cost less to give gifts at Christmas than to give herself at Pentecost? Christmas is the festival of God **with** us: Pentecost is the festival of God **in** us. Is He more with us than in us?

Two things remain in Pentecost as permanent: power for living and power for life-giving. Only prayer can keep this life-giving Spirit alive in us, for prayer is the breath of life in every Christian. Thus it is befitting that it should be made the first step in receiving the Spirit. **Prayer** precipitated Pentecost. Those ten days in prayer brought the disciples face to face with themselves and with their resources.

The second step is **Self-abandonment**. In John's Gospel it is said that the reason the Spirit had not yet been given was that “Jesus was not yet glorified.” When He went to the throne the Spirit was given. It is not different today. There is only one thing that keeps us from receiving the Holy Spirit—Jesus is not on the throne of our lives. Another master is there. Only empty hands can grasp Christ. When we are sure that we are withholding nothing, we may then be sure that God is withholding nothing. The gift of the Holy Spirit may then become ours.

The third step is **Faith**. Many fail to go boldly in and possess the land, but they could if they talked faith with God. The promise is to all. Note the Lord said, “Receive ye the Holy Ghost.” The word “receive” is active voice, so that it might be translated, “Take ye the Holy Ghost.” We are not to wait passively; we are to reach out and take the offered gift. Faith is the venture that dares; it is simply taking what in all sincerity God offers. But faith is not merely an act that takes. It is more; it is an act and an attitude. When one has this faith-attitude there sets in what may be called spiritual initiative and things will happen in such lives.

Pentecost is not the end: it is just the beginning. The spiritual life is both a gift and a growth. As the Holy Spirit was given after ten days of prayer, so the spiritual life must be maintained by prayer. By watchfulness and careful living we are to guard the gift that was committed to us, the blessed Holy Spirit.

If we do not receive the Spirit, then we deliberately cancel the Divine programme for us. If we have not the baptism in the Holy Spirit, it is because we do not want

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## Every Christian Should Tithe

By **BARTLETT PETERSON**

(President : Central Bible Institute, U.S.A.)

**I**T IS CERTAIN beyond all dispute that tithing is Divinely enjoined upon man and emphatically authorised by the Holy Scriptures. This cannot be said about many other schemes and programmes.

God has originated this as His plan. It is the fairest method conceivable, for by it men are commanded to give **proportionately as God hath prospered them**. "Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, **as God hath prospered him**" (I. Cor. xvi. 2). It therefore works no hardship upon anyone since each shares in the same proportionate degree (ten per cent) as he has prospered. Without question it eliminates any haphazard, slipshod, hit-and-miss, make-shift practice for Church support. God desires us to be as business-like in carrying on His work as He was in laying its plans. All of His creation is most highly systematised. **Tithing is one of those systems!**

Out of concern for the furthering of His work, and a desire to bless His people, God has appointed that the storehouse (the Church treasury) should be full (Mal. iii. 10.) If this Divine injunction were always obeyed, it would never be necessary to put on high-pressure drives, to originate clever schemes, or for the pastor to turn his church into a restaurant. In Divine protest Christ drove out those who had engaged in selling for gain in the temple, instead of praying for growth. "My house shall be called a house of prayer, but ye have made it a den of thieves," was the Saviour's rebuke.

Tithing elevates a man from **robbing from God to paying to God that which is rightly His**. Man's question is, "Wherein have we robbed Thee?" God answers, "In tithes and offerings" (Mal. ii. 8). Tithing therefore removes a man from a position where he receives curses for faithlessness and disobedience, to a position to receive blessings for faithfulness and obedience. "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in Mine house, and prove Me now herewith, said the Lord of hosts, if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it." While in Malachi iii. 9 God says, "Ye are cursed with a curse: for ye have robbed Me." In the next verse He promised blessing, and in the following He promised to "rebuke the devourer for your sakes," if men will bring their tithes and offerings to Him.

Real satisfaction in the Christian's life lies in being able to establish and maintain a state of proper relative value between commonplace things and holy things—between the secular and the sacred. Tithing will do this!

A church properly financed by the scriptural method of

tithes and offerings not only will have Divine approbation, but the efforts and energies otherwise dissipated in unscriptural financial programmes can be used unreservedly in soul-winning.

The late Bishop Selwyn often quoted John Wesley's motto, "Save all you can and give all you can." He believed that charity did not begin until after a tithe had been paid to God. "Whatever your income," he wrote to his son, "remember that only nine-tenths of it are at your disposal."

### GREAT REVIVAL MEETINGS EASTER MONDAY

#### TRAFALGAR SQUARE at 11 a.m.

Speakers include : **Pastors J. J. Morgan and T. W. Walker.**

Convener : **Pastor Douglas B. Gray.**  
United Elim Male Voice Choirs

#### ROYAL ALBERT HALL, 3 and 7 p.m.

(Musical Programme from 2.30 and 6.30 p.m.)

Speakers : **Pastors P. S. Brewster (President), and W. Cantelon (U.S.A.).**

Soloist : **W. Llewellyn Bell.**

During the evening service, Mr. Cantelon will paint in oils a large picture of a Bible scene.

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**Secure your tickets NOW—**

**Reserved Seats.** Tickets for Reserved Seats may be obtained at 2/6 per meeting, from Elim Headquarters, 20, Clarence Avenue, Clapham Park, London, S.W. 4. Enclose stamped addressed envelope with remittance.

**YOU MUST NOT MISS THESE MEETINGS!**

*Thought for the Week*

**Better to step up the stairs than to stare up the steps!**

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## EDITORIAL

### CAIRO—WASHINGTON—MOSCOW—ROME

The holiday celebrations in Northern Sudan over the signing of the Anglo-Egyptian agreement on the Sudan still echoed in the Moslem world when the politically-conscious Egyptian Press recommenced its campaign for the "immediate" evacuation of British troops from the Suez Canal Zone. Before the ink has had time to dry on one document, the Egyptian Foreign Minister is anxious to append his and other signatures to the next, which, in the eyes of many Egyptian people spells freedom from foreign domination. Dr. Fawzi is already busy choosing his delegation to discuss the complex problems which will arise. No doubt the British Government will not be quite so anxious to leave an area which is so vital to the trading nations sharing this important waterway as the Egyptian patriots would like them to be.

Comments on this enthusiasm from the land of the Pharaohs in the *Daily Telegraph* are of interest to students of prophecy. It is pointed out that the main reason for the use of British troops is not only for the defence of the Canal itself, but that of "the defence of the whole Middle East against Communism." In the 1936 Treaty it was stated that "The Suez Canal, whilst being an integral part of Egypt, is a universal means of communication as also an essential means of communication between the different parts of the British Empire." The writer again underlines this thought by adding, "For the Zone lies in an area of great strategic importance, and it could be made, and to Egypt's advantage, the key-point in the defence of the Middle East."

It is quite clear that the Canal can become a bottle-neck in the communications between West and East, and that its very construction makes it extremely vulnerable. If atomic war developed in the area the waters of the Canal could quickly be made radio-active, thus rendering it unusable to shipping. Any enemy closing the Canal would

immediately interpose the vast African land mass between the Western world and any Eastern allies.

There are also other and wider issues at stake. The defence of the Middle East depends on air bases which would be pushed back to Cyprus and Jordan if British forces are withdrawn from Egypt. Air Commodore L. G. S. Payne writes, "The strategical value of Canal Zone bases as a vital part of a future Middle East Defence Organisation is obvious. It would be exceedingly difficult to create an effective organisation if these bases were not available or were available only to the forces of one member, Egypt. There seems to be little hope that, if war seemed imminent, political arrangements could be made with the Egyptian Government for the reorganisation of British air defences in the Canal Zone before hostilities began."

A glance at the map will show how the Canal is brought into the orbit of any Russian ambitions in the Far and Middle East. A rapid thrust at this slender life-line would undoubtedly constitute one of the initial military moves in an aggressive war against the West. That thrust, aimed from the mountain ranges of the Caucasus, would drive over Syria and Jordan. And so Palestine, occupied by the Israel State, lies athwart an army or air force travelling from Russia to Egypt. Palestine, therefore, has a threefold significance for the Soviet leaders at the present time : It would provide the Communist war commanders with the Jewish scapegoat to justify their military adventure—no doubt a case would be presented to the Russian people describing the threat of this growing Jewish community directed by American dollars ; it would sever the oil pipeline, so essential in a time of war ; and as we have seen, it would cut an indispensable sinew of war and commerce.

We do not draw attention to all this for its political significance, but to show that the Russian menace hangs low over the European scene, and to show why it is possible for the lightning manœuvre of the Northern Confederacy to confirm the prophetic word. The attack will be made where God's Word says it will, in Palestine.

Nor is present American policy designed to favour good relations with the Kremlin. There are signs that Roman Catholic influence may be at work behind the sabre-rattling speeches, which cannot have been overlooked in Moscow. Writing of the Hon. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State, *United Evangelical Action* says, "A look at his religious record is not inspiring. The 1952 Peace Medal of the Roman Catholic Third Order of St. Francis was bestowed upon Presbyterian Mr. Dulles last year. One reason the Roman Catholics like him is that his son, Avery, is studying for the Roman Catholic priesthood in a Jesuit seminary." This comment may, of course, mean nothing at all, but on the other hand it may be a straw in the wind. Another pointer comes from the report that "Evangelicals were by-passed again when the Voice of America beamed its Christmas programmes to the Iron Curtain lands. Roman Catholics got the lion's share of the headline broadcasts. Highlighted on all the language programmes was the reading of a poem composed for the Voice by Francis Cardinal Spellman, Arch-



bishop of New York, and dedicated to all United Nations fighting men in Korea."

Knowing of past occasions when the Vatican has interfered in the affairs of other nations, we would not be surprised to find her agents attempting to embroil the powerful American democracy in violent war with her own bitter adversary. It will be interesting to see whether President Eisenhower gives diplomatic recognition to the Vatican by sending an ambassador or personal representative.

The time of Christ's advent surely grows nearer and nearer.

"Watch, for the morning is breaking,  
A moment, and He will be here!  
The mists and the shadows are fleeing,  
The darkness will soon disappear;  
And He, for whom ages have waited,  
The Lord who has tarried so long,  
Will come in an outburst of glory,  
A moment, and we shall be gone."

—M. E. BARBOUR.

# Focus

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## on the Churches

### FAREWELL AND INDUCTION SERVICES AT LOUGHBOROUGH

By **S. G. Partridge** (Church Secretary)

It was with a feeling of regret that we said farewell to our beloved minister, Pastor S. J. Brown and his wife. Pastor Brown has faithfully ministered amongst us for two years. We pray that their new flock may feel the same lasting spiritual influence as we have done in Loughborough.



A goodly number gathered on January 31st to welcome Pastor P. W. Millington, whose induction service was conducted by Pastor J. Tetchner (District Superintendent). Both Pastors J. Tetchner and K. Banks gave messages of encouragement.

To complete the blessing of the week-end, we had the privilege of listening to Pastor L. W. Green lecturing on "The Art of Public Speaking." Representatives from the Long Eaton and Beeston Elim Churches were also present.

### WELCOME TO WEST BROMWICH

By **Ethel Truby**

A good number of people gathered on Saturday, January 3rd, when Pastor W. Patterson conducted the induction service at West Bromwich Church of Pastor H. Fisher.

Pastor and Mrs. Fisher were welcomed on behalf of the Birmingham Presbytery by Pastor Dean, and on behalf of the West Bromwich assembly by the Church Secretary.

Pastor Patterson brought us around the Word of God with a fitting message. We praise God for all past blessings, and are looking, under our new Pastor, to advance still further in the cause of Christ.

### THE FIRE OF THE LORD AT SUNDERLAND

By **H. Merkin**

On the foundation stone of a large Church Hall in Sunderland are written these words: "When the Fire of the Lord fell it burnt up the debt."

These words became evident at our Fellowship and Business meeting. The meeting began on a note of rejoicing for the smile of God is upon us.

Reports showed how the fire had fallen since our last meeting. We were greatly encouraged by the report that since Pastor J. D. Francis came to us 12 months ago God has blessed his ministry. Nearly 100 souls have sought salvation and some 50 have accepted Church membership; also there have been healings at our meetings.

Also we have evidence of signs following: at least 10 of these converts have received the baptism of the Holy and others are seeking. Many have expressed a desire and willingness to be baptised in water.

Last Sunday we extended the hand of fellowship to 23 new members.

Our meetings in the Park have proved a great success. But we are not satisfied. We are looking forward to greater efforts during the coming summer.

Our financial position continues sound as we heard from our Treasurer; our Missionary Secretary was able to report good progress in the missionary work.

After cups of tea and suggestions from members for improving the services and extending the church, we closed our meeting on a "hallelujah" note.

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The Pentecostal Musical Team which has added so much to the blessing of the evangelistic campaigns conducted by Pastor A. Wilson (inset) in Northern Ireland. Many souls are being saved as a result of these efforts, and progress is reported in the Irish work.

The tragedy of the flooding in Eastern England has brought enquiries as to the safety of our friends in affected areas. Quite a number of Elim members have been flooded out of their homes in Essex and Suffolk, but, as we reported in a previous issue of our magazine, there has been no loss of life, for which we praise God.

Pastor Granville Davies writes to say that the Gospel service at Ipswich on Sunday evening, February 1st, the night of the flooding, was held in candle-light owing to the failure of electric supply. It was a good meeting, however, and one soul accepted Christ as Saviour.

Another story comes relating to the tragic loss of the boat on the Irish service. Pastor Tom Wilson was booked for a campaign in Belfast and had decided to travel on that voyage. At the last minute he changed his plans to travel with another friend by the Heysham route, a decision which probably saved his life.

We know our readers would desire us to offer our sympathy and love to all those who have suffered in the flood. We are deeply moved by the practical interest of our friends of the Canadian Pentecostal Assemblies who cabled immediately they heard of the tragedy.

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A familiar figure at the Elim conferences from year to year is that of Mr. D. Stuart House, Secretary of the Elim Church at Winton. The picture published here shows our brother in conference of another kind, with the Mayors of Bournemouth, Poole, and Christchurch. Mr. House was Chairman of the Bournemouth and District Auctioneers, Surveyors, Valuers and Estate Agents Association annual meeting in the Grand Hotel, Bournemouth.



The change in the format of the ELIM EVANGEL has been well received, apart from two people who felt it was spaced out a little too much in the first issue. On the other hand many elderly people have found it easier to read. There is also more material, which could be increased still further if the circulation improved sufficiently.

Among letters of appreciation from pastors, editors, and friends, one brother from another pentecostal fellowship writes, "I did appreciate the ELIM EVANGEL this week. To my mind it is the best edition of any pentecostal paper

# Family Aa

for a long time. If you maintain that standard it will go places."

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Pastor J. Smith sends us this extract from a letter sent by his cousin in S. Africa, Mr. Wm. Gillespie (one of the two brothers instrumental in starting the Elim work): "An incident I had lately was with a Mohammedan. This Indian knows me since I was in the bread business. I call once a week for fruit and vegetables. I have often presented my Master to him. He believes Jesus was a prophet, but that Mohammed was greater. This day when I called, his priest was with him praying. He had a stroke, his left arm dragged, and he could not lift his arm above his head. In speaking with him I dared him to pray in Jesus' name and say, 'I have redemption through His blood. By His stripes I am healed.' I left his store and did not see him again for three weeks. When I called, he came to meet me, waving the arm that was paralysed above his head. I could only say, 'Glory to God. You prayed in Jesus' name instead of Mohammed?' He said, 'Yes.' So I presented him with an English Bible for Christmas."

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Most friends will know by now that Pastor Gorman is back at the office and growing stronger every day. We praise God for this wonderful deliverance. Pastor C. Coe of Canning Town, who met with an accident and had to have a number of stitches in his head, is also making splendid recovery. Pastor Hawes is also improving in health slowly, but steadily.

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Plans are in hand among the ministers on the Channel Islands to visit the whole Island with tracts. We shall look forward to news of this venture and of the results.

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Our sympathies go out to our friends of the Assemblies of God on the loss of Brother F. Watson, member of the Executive Council, and also to Brother Barnes, another of their Executive members on the homecall of his wife.

From Croydon comes this appreciation by Pastor H. Burton-Haynes: "Visitors and members at Stanley Road will miss the familiar figure of Brother Joseph Witts, for many years Secretary of the Croydon Church, who was suddenly called home recently. He was returning from shopping in the City, and not feeling well, he solicited help from a passer-by. He was taken to the hospital but did not recover from the heart attack, and his spirit entered the presence of the King.

"We shall treasure grateful recollections of this dear



Brother: his genial spirit kept breaking through and lighting up everything he did. Brother Witts was a gracious and faithful Secretary, but he was never happier than when sitting at the organ accompanying the singing.

"How we shall miss his friendship, kind words of encouragement, warm glow of a cheery personality, personal interest in the Lord's work. To his dear wife and daughters we tender our deepest sympathy."

Pastor L. C. Quest has also laid to rest his father and we offer him and his family our condolences.

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Congratulations to Pastor and Mrs. I. R. Moore of Yeovil, on the gift of a son, Philip Daniel, on Nov. 20th; to Pastor and Mrs. A. R. Smith of Huddersfield on the gift of a daughter, Elizabeth, on Dec. 5th.

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Pastor E. J. Phillips has resigned from the Secretaryship of the British Pentecostal Fellowship and Mr. John Carter, of the Assemblies of God, has been appointed in his place. Expressions of deep gratitude were made to Mr. Phillips for his loyal and energetic service on behalf of the Fellowship.

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Among the splendid contributions which have been made to the Evangelistic Campaign Appeal Fund this year. Carlisle sent in £54 7s. 6d., Graham Street (B'ham) £45, and Sheffield £32 13s. 6d.

The Evangelistic Committee met recently and decided upon a number of campaigns for 1953.

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At a recent meeting of the Youth Committee questions were set for the Crusader Examination. Plans were also made for a Crusader House Party at Lascelles Private Hotel, Eastbourne.

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Changes of ministry recently include the following: W. W. Kirkby to Mason Street, Hull; H. Fisher to West Bromwich; W. J. Allen to Glossop; A. P. Johnston to Briton Ferry; J. E. Burston to Ashbourne; S. J. Brown to Armagh; G. Harpin to Lurgan; P. W. Millington to Loughborough. Expressions of appreciation have been received from some churches of the work done by the various pastors. A report from Ashbourne says of Pastor H. Fisher: "Such was the affection in which he was held that the ministers of the town, including the Anglican clergy, made him Secretary of the local Inter-denominational British and Foreign Bible Society. They were happy to work with him as a colleague on the Ministers' Fraternal, and he often took part in the services of the other churches."

A short time ago we published an appreciation of Mrs. Jewitt of Leeds. A friend sent a photo taken at Scarborough last year and writes, "On reading this article in the ELIM EVANGEL (an article about our sister by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton), I wished her picture might have been there. Is it possible to have one in? So many of her dear friends would treasure it."



Well, we have had the block made and have pleasure in publishing this picture of a dear woman of God.

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We have just received the following from Pastor G. Stormont:

I want, through the courtesy of the Editor, to thank all readers of the ELIM EVANGEL who have responded so wonderfully to meet the need of those who have suffered in the floods. Gifts from individuals and Churches have reached me from all parts, including Australia and Canada, and although no appeal for money has been made by us, we have received approximately £400 at the date of writing. Thank you all. As we administer this fund we want you to know that the gratitude of all that we help will be to you who have made the help possible. So also for the generous supplies of clothing we have received. All is appreciated and all will be used.

May I ask for your prayers for the people who are now returning to their homes. Some are almost at the point of despair when they see their homes completely ruined. Only today I gave a couple a lift in my car. They had found all their furniture falling to pieces after the long soaking. They found it hard to speak. Pray that the Lord's children will be granted faith and courage, and so be enabled to be a blessing to their neighbours.

The inside of our little church on Canvey is pathetic. The water has been to the windowsills. Two organs and an open air organ have been floating on their backs. But the structure of the building is sound, and with the help of volunteers we hope soon to get the place in good order for meetings.

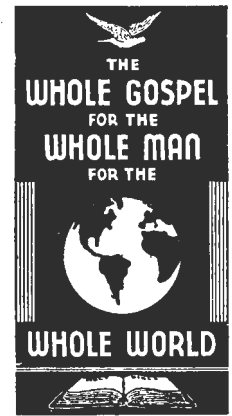
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**REVIVAL AND DIVINE HEALING CAMPAIGN**  
 in the  
**TOWN HALL, ACCRINGTON, LANCS.**  
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**Pastor KEN MATTHEW AND PARTY**  
**Commencing Monday, February 23rd, at 7.30 p.m.**  
 Sundays at 3, 6.30 and 8 p.m.  
 Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30.  
 Wednesday, 3 and 7.30 p.m.  
**PLEASE - PRAY - FOR - THESE - MEETINGS**



# OVERSEAS MISSIONS

A Page of News conducted by Pastor G. H. THOMAS (Missionary Secretary)

. . . PRAY YE . . . GIVE YE . . . GO YE . . .



## ENLARGING THE BORDERS

**Pastor and Mrs. A. D. Bull** (Tanganyika).

I have just returned from a safari to one of our outstations. I could not get through by road so went by rail. This outstation has been on our hearts for a long time as it is the centre for 3,000 labourers from tribes all over Tanganyika, Congo Border, and closed Portuguese East Africa. There is a large local population as well as some nomadic tribespeople, some of whom have decided for Christ. I placed my best Evangelist there three months ago and God is blessing, and souls are being saved. It was after much prayer that we obtained a place for the Evangelist on a large plantation owned by a rich Mohammedan, which in itself is wonderful. It was the manager and not the owner who gave permission. Our big difficulty was that we had no meeting place. How we rejoiced when the Christians said, "Get us a place and we will build our own church." Prayerfully I sought a place and now the church is half built. Yesterday while on a visit to this place I saw Africans of different tribes working side by side, and this, after their normal work day, is a sure sign of their earnestness. Will you pray that we shall experience a real outpouring of the Holy Spirit here, pray too for Petro the Evangelist.

We are the only Protestant mission in this vast area, but there are some Roman Catholic missions. Recently I managed to place a teacher-evangelist in a plantation near their mission, but when the priest heard about it he cajoled and threatened the Catholic manager. The Roman Catholics have been established in this place for the past ten years and have done nothing to help the Africans, but now we have started a work there, the priest has threatened to excommunicate any Catholic who goes to the school. However, I have been able to place a teacher and evangelist on another estate nearby, and daily the children are hearing the Gospel. These teachers are paid by the plantation managers, so there is no financial burden to the Mission.

God has blessed during 1952: our borders have been greatly enlarged, and as we stand on the threshold of the New Year there is the promise of greater things. Will you pray for us and the witness in the clinic, the women's work, the day schools, and our visits to the prisons? Stand with us for an ingathering of souls!

## FORMOSA Terrific Typhoon

**Miss V. McGillivray.**

The main Christmas service was held on Christmas Eve, but we were so crowded that it was impossible to have some of the items planned for the programme. What we did have was a real joy to listen to, especially the testimonies by those who last year saw their first Christmas, and really knew what it was all about. The part that touched everybody's heart most was when a little five-year-old boy, standing on a bench in front of the lighted tree, closed the crowded meeting with the Lord's Prayer. After the meeting we went with a number of the young people, and introduced them to carol singing all round the town. I think they all thoroughly enjoyed it, but you should have seen the look of astonishment on the faces of the people on the streets, as, of course, they had never heard or seen anything like this before.

Some of you have written, that you were very much disturbed when you read about the terrible typhoon that struck this Island. It certainly was terrible, but we missed most of it as it hit the south-west end of the Island. About 600 people lost their lives, and damage to buildings, especially army camps, was terrific. Some who lost their lives were simply taken up in the terrific wind and carried off, never to be seen again. Whole army camps were completely destroyed: built of only bamboo and plaster they did not stand a chance against the 180-mile-an-hour winds.

We heard a thrilling testimony last Sunday night from one of the soldiers who goes to the I Lan church. He was saved less than 18 months ago when we visited a military hospital at Nei-Yuan-Shan. At that time he could not read nor write, but in the short time, since he came to the Lord, he has learned both to read and write, because he wanted to read his Bible. He is now studying two Bible correspondence courses. He gets up at 3 o'clock every morning to pray, and comes a walk of an hour at least four times a week to attend the meetings. Always first there, he sweeps and dusts the whole place. A short while ago he came under an order which meant he was supposed to be in by 9 p.m. every evening, which would have cut out the evening meetings for him, but he still

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# ELIM YOUTH PAGE

Conducted by

Pastor DOUGLAS B. GRAY (National Youth Secretary)



“Fight the good fight of faith” (I. Tim. vi. 12).

## YOUTH FOR CHRIST

By Pastor George Canty

Wherever a real attempt is made to win people for Christ, if the Pentecostals have half a chance they will be there taking part. They are the backbone of many a soul-saving enterprise, often unknown, or at least unacknowledged by the organisers. Youth for Christ offers them opportunities to collaborate with other evangelicals, and they have helped tremendously in support of the rallies, or in the preparatory work on the organising committees in many cities. The Rev. Bryan Green, well-known Church of England evangelist, has paid tribute to the backing of Pentecostals in the great Town Hall Y.F.C. rallies in Birmingham, in a recent article in the *British Weekly*.

Elim ministers have from time to time been invited to be speakers at such rallies. Here in Gloucester, where the Elim minister is the Publicity Secretary for Youth for Christ, Pastors P. S. Brewster, K. Matthew, and D. B. Gray have been along to address the rallies which usually pack the 600 seats of the Raikes Hall. The local Elim Crusaders often are heard, but even when they are not, they have always done valuable work behind the scenes, particularly in street “fishing.” The Gloucester Male Voice Choir recently gave a musical programme for the Worcester Y.F.C., and Pastor Canty was the original pianist in the great Hereford rallies. The fellowship with other churches is one reward which is greatly appreciated.

## NEXT SATURDAY—MARCH 7th

On this day many hundreds of Elim Sunday School scholars will be taking their annual Scripture examination. We cannot let this opportunity pass without saying to them, their superintendents and staffs, a word of encouragement, success and blessing. May the occasion be a high spot in your school, and may all be rewarded in the knowledge that the best has been done to further Scripture education and the training of the child. The part you have played and will play, is a service of which you may justly be proud. God bless you all!

## ITEMS FOR MARCH

Crusaders will now be well advanced, we trust, in their preparation for singing at the great **Royal Albert Hall** meetings on Easter Monday. In the London area, two united rehearsals are planned to be conducted by the

National Youth Secretary, at Croydon, on Monday, 16th March, and at Clapham on Wednesday, 25th March.

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Easter Week-end for the London Crusader Choir is heavily booked. Good Friday at Dovercourt, Essex, Easter Sunday in the Town Hall, Oxford, and as usual, at the Royal Albert Hall on Easter Monday. Little fear of these musical evangelists rusting out!

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Only a few weeks left (in March) for the final studies for Crusaders in the Gospel of John. Make the most of these meetings. We trust many will decide to take the annual examination during April.

## ULSTER TEMPLE YOUTH EFFORTS

During October, 1951, we had a special campaign conducted by Pastor Ken Matthew, when about twenty or more young people in their teens, came to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

A Youth meeting was commenced. Musical talent began to be very much in evidence amongst the new converts, and as a result, an Octet was formed, simply on the girls' own initiative. Although only a year in existence, their services have been much in demand, especially in Pastor A. Wilson's crowded campaigns during the summer months.

May God bless every one of them, and all our young people everywhere, who seek to serve their Master, and may 1953 see many of our nation's Youth won for Christ.



The Belfast octet. Maureen Lutton, on the extreme right, was converted while listening to the Old-Fashioned Revival Hour on Radio Luxembourg. There are two sets of twins in the group.



## The Family Altar and Elim Prayer Circle

A page for your daily meditations  
and prayer

Scripture Union Portions. Notes by Pastor J. A. Wright.

**SUNDAY, March 8th.** Mark vii. 1-16.

It is the heart that matters.

Mere outward observances and ceremonials are empty and vain if they do not express heart-piety; but to use them for an excuse to evade one's plain obligations towards one's parents, is downright wickedness (vv. 11-13). What damage has been done to the cause of true religion by folk like these. However, let me not suppose that my contempt for such hetokens spirituality on my part. Am I loyal to my parents?

**MONDAY, March 9th.** Mark vii. 17-37.

Our Lord outside Palestine!

A missionary to pagan Syro-Phœnicia! Did He really rebuff a woman in trouble? Was there not rather behind that "frowning Providence" a "smiling face"? I think so. A local proverb had it, "Children first, then puppies." Such was the word for "dog" here. The pet of the household: not the pariah of the streets. No harshness here, but kindly encouragement, withal veiled, but faith perceives, grasps, and says, "Yes, Lord." And what faith too! (Matt. xv. 28).

**TUESDAY, March 10th.** Mark viii. 1-13.

"Faint by the way" (v. 3).

The need of the world has not changed. Still they need The Bread of Life. Nor has His power to meet that need changed. But what of us, His disciples, and our resources? Though meagre and insufficient in themselves, are we willing to bring our all to Him for His blessing upon it? Assuredly as we do we shall see the hungry fed, and abundance to spare. Fancy seven baskets this size! (Acts ix. 25). This miracle wrought among the Gentiles is distinct from that wrought among the Jews in chapter vi. (vv. 19, 20). Both seek Him.

**WEDNESDAY, March 11th.** Mark viii. 14-26.

A Second Touch (v. 25).

"Just one touch as He passes by" was not sufficient in this case. Some are not healed instantly and completely, but partially, and need a second touch from the Master. Alas for the very great number who falter between earth and heaven and do not return for it. This time the man "looked steadfastly and saw all things clearly" (R.V.). The Moon in an eclipse, complained to the Sun, "Why, O my dearest friend, dost thou not shine upon me as usual?" "Do I not?" said the Sun. "I am sure I am shining as I always do. Why do you not enjoy my light as usual?" "Oh, I see," said the Moon, "the Earth has got between us."

**THURSDAY, March 12th.** Mark viii. 27-38.

A Cross for Christ and a Cross for Christ's (vv. 31, 34).

For so it was prophesied of Him (Isa. liii.), and we cannot bless until we bleed. "A marvellous Christianity is this . . . striking the Self out of the man. What, may I not retain one little atom of my very self? And the Gospel says, 'No.' Then what are the terms of acceptance with the higher life? The words are at least four in number. 'Humble himself'; 'Deny himself'; 'Crucify himself'; 'Mortify himself'. Then where am I? No-where! Killed. Slain. The last shred of selfishness crushed. . . . The Saviour says, 'If you want to come into My kingdom, one man must be killed. Who is the man? Yourself!'" (Dr. J. Parker).

**FRIDAY, March 13th.** Mark ix. 2-13.

The Transfiguration of Jesus (v. 2).

Night, but this is certainly no séauce, for there was no communication from the dead to the living; and the subject of their conversation was the Cross (Luke), not usually the topic at such unholy gatherings! It was a foregleam of Glory, as Peter afterwards realised, though not at the time (2 Pet. i.). "Jesus only with themselves" (v. 8). And that's enough. Hallelujah!

**SATURDAY, March 14th.** Mark ix. 14-32.

Where were the nine? (vv. 20, 21).

Lacking Faith, lacking Prayer, and lacking Self-Discipline (vv. 28, 29. cp. Matt. xvii. 20, 21). And for these very same reasons we fail to see the signs following today. Let us talk over "our victories, failures, hopes and fears" with Him rather than with each other as we so often do (v. 28). Then the works He did we shall do also, and greater!

### PLEASE PRAY:

That God will undertake for the building of a new hall at Hereford; for a campaign amongst students at Dublin; for a group of nurses working for God among children (Nottingham); for the Easter meetings in Trafalgar Square and the Royal Albert Hall; for all Elim evangelistic campaigns.

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## KNOW WHAT TO PRAY FOR

**Receive Ye the Holy Spirit** (Continued from page 98). Him, or perhaps I should say, do not want Him sufficiently to go through the necessary steps. Only those who bring to Him the price of their all, and believe His Word, shall receive. God has no favourites. That power can be yours, for the Holy Spirit is given to them that ask. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him?" (Luke xi. 13).

Pentecost is not a spiritual luxury; it is an utter necessity for victorious, Christlike living. The human fails unless the Holy Spirit fills. The Sermon on the Mount is beautiful; but without Pentecost and the power of the Holy Spirit it is impossible of achievement. We cannot go further until we go deeper, nor can we go further until we receive our Pentecost.

For a testimony as to the blessedness of this gift, I would like to say that forty-four years ago I received my Pentecost just as did the hundred-and-twenty in the upper room in Jerusalem. I am sure that I would not have been this long in Glad Tidings Tabernacle were it not for His abiding presence and power. This path was His choosing for me, and it has been with great joy as well as suffering and trial that I have walked it as a co-worker with Him. The Holy Spirit has made the Lord Jesus Christ a living reality, and together our fellowship has been most precious.

And the promise is unto you. "Receive ye the Holy Spirit."—*Pentecostal Evangel*.

**Overseas Missions** (Continued from page 104).

turned up, and when we asked how he managed it, he said, "Oh, the punishment is only that I am shut up in the barracks for two or three days." This meant that he was released just in time for the next meeting, so it was well worth it. Pray that the Lord will raise up more with like courage to stand for him!

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Feb. 28.—Melbourne Street, 8. March 1.—Melbourne Street, 11.30; Ulster Temple, 7. 2.—Markethill, 8. 3.—Armagh, 8. 4.—Lurgan, 8. 5.—Beersbridge Road, 8. 6.—Newtownards, 8. 7.—Bangor, 8. 8.—Saunders Street, 11.30; Apsley Street, 7. 9.—Ballymoney, 8. 10.—Ballymena, 8. 12.—Bethesda, Landscape Terrace, 8. 14.—Edinburgh, 7.30. 15.—Edinburgh, 11 and 6.30. 16.—Glasgow, 7.30. 17.—Greenock, 7.30. 18.—Kirkintilloch, 7.30. 19.—Motherwell, 7.30. 20.—Dunfermline, 7.30. 21.—Aberdeen, 7.30. 22.—Aberdeen, 11 and 6.30. 24.—Dundee, 7.30.

## COMING EVENTS

**ACCRINGTON.** Commencing Feb. 23. The Town Hall, Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor Ken, Matthew and Party. Suns., 3, 6.30, and 8. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30. Weds., 3.

**BRISTOL.** March 7. Zion Chapel, Bedminster Road. Presbytery Rally. Speaker: Pastor J. Dyke, 6.30.

**CAMBERWELL.** Feb. 28. Elim Church, Benhill Road. Combined N. and S. London Presbyteries' Rally. Speaker: Pastor P. S. Brewster, 7.

**CANNING TOWN.** March 2. Elim Church, Bethell Avenue. Visit of Pastor D. B. Gray for Sunday School Prize-giving, 7.30.

**COLCHESTER.** Feb. 21-March 6. Elim Church, Lucas Road. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by L. Barrie (Scottish Evangelist). Suns., 11 and 6.30. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30.

**CROYDON.** March 4. Elim Tabernacle, Stanley Road. Third Anniversary of Male Voice Choir. Speaker: Pastor D. B. Gray. Male Voice Choirs of Hayes and Wimbleton Elim Churches. Guest Choir: Cheam Women's Own, 7.30.

**EASTLEIGH.** March 14, 15. Elim Church, Nutbeam Road. Visit of Miss F. Munday to tell of her Miraculous Healing. Sat., 7. Sun., 11, 2.45, and 6.30.

**FARINGDON.** Commencing March 2. Corn Exchange, Town Centre. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor E. Scrivens and Party. Suns., 3, 6.30, and 7.45 (After-Church Rally). Week-nights, 7.15.

**LEYTON.** March 15. Elim Church, Vicarage Road. Visit of Pastor J. T. Bradley (Dean of Elim Bible College), 11 and 6.30.

**LOWESTOFT.** March 21-23. Elim Church, Milton Road. Fourteenth Anniversary. Speaker: Pastor Granville Davies. Soloist: Mrs. Peck. Sat. and Mon., 7.30. Sun., 11 and 6.30.

**NEWQUAY.** March 7-15. Elim Church, Marcus Hill. Youth Campaign conducted by Pastor P. J. Rammell. Sunshine Corner, 6. Youth Meetings, 7.30.

**NOTTINGHAM.** March 11. City Temple, Halifax Place. Visit of Pastor J. J. Morgan. Subject: "How to Study the Bible," 7.30.

**READING.** March 7. Elim Church, Waylen Street. United Christian Youth Rally, 7.15.

**PORTH.** Feb. 21-March 1. Elim Church, Pontypridd Road. Annual Pentecostal Convention. Speakers: Pastors P. S. Brewster, L. W. Green, and E. Scrivens. Sun., 11, 6.30, and 8.15. Week-nights (except Friday), 7.15.

**SALISBURY.** Feb. 27-March 5. Elim Church, Scots Lane. Fri., Service conducted by Elim Bible College Students, 7.30. Sat. to Thurs., Campaign conducted by Team of Students.

**SELLY OAK.** March 14. Selly Oak Institute, 648, Bristol Road. Presbytery Youth Rally. Speaker: Pastor W. Plowright. Convener: Pastor F. Shadlock (Youth Commissioner), 6.45.

**SHEFFIELD.** March 9. Elim Church, Howard St. Visit of Pastor J. J. Morgan for special study: "How to Study the Bible," 7.30.

**SOUTHPORT.** March 14-18. Evangel Temple, Manchester Road. Spring Convention. Speaker: Pastor J. J. Way. Convener: Pastor E. F. Cole. Sun., 10.45 and 6.30. Week-nights, 7.30.

**SPRINGBOURNE (Bournemouth).** March 7-12. Elim Church, Victoria Place. Evangelistic Campaign conducted by Pastor C. Brookes. Sat., 7. Sun., 6.30. Week-nights, 7.30.

**WANDSWORTH.** March 1. H.M. Prison. Pastor D. B. Gray and London Crusader Choir, 2.

**WATFORD.** March 7. Laying of Foundation Stone of new Elim Church, at the corner of Hillrise Avenue and Douglas Avenue, by Pastor P. S. Brewster, 3.30. Evening Rally, 6.30. (Tea provided).

**WORTHING.** March 14, 15, 18. Elim Church, Grosvenor Road. Pastor's 21st Ministerial Anniversary. Speakers: Pastor A. J. K. Magee and Rev. W. G. Channon. Sat., 7. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Wed., 3.30 and 7.30.

**YEOVIL.** Feb. 28-March 5. Elim Church, Southville. Special Meetings by Team of Students from Elim Bible College. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Week-nights, 7.30.

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### BIRTH

**Glover.**—On December 9th, 1952, to Maurice and Olga Glover (née Little), God's gift of a son Nigel Martin; both members of Elim Church, Kingstanding.

### WITH CHRIST

**Brown.**—On February 9th, Mary Ann Brown, aged 79, oldest member of City Temple, Nottingham. Funeral conducted by Pastors Brown, K. Banks, A. Carter, and J. Teichner.

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