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New Year Greetings to all our readers

SPIRITUAL PRIORITIES

By J. J. Morgan (Minister of Elim Church, Sparkbrook)

HERE we are upon the threshold of another year. For us all it is a fitting moment to review the past, and thank God we can say that surely goodness and mercy have followed us all the days of our lives; but we also look forward into 1960 and ask, "What lies ahead?" As year succeeds year, life becomes fuller and, we trust, richer in spiritual experience. Increasing demands upon us make us wonder if we can fit everything into our programmes. We are in danger of allowing our time and energy to be frittered away on too many things and thereby miss the main purpose of life. We are like the soldier in the parable, left in charge of an important prisoner, who failed in his commission to guard him because he began to do other tasks which no doubt were more attractive and needful. His confession to his superiors was "As thy servant was busy here and there, he was gone" (1 Kings 20:40). We can all be too busy here and there and miss the vital things of life.

THE COMMANDMENT WITH PRIORITY

Our Lord was once asked "Which is the first commandment of all" (Mark 12:28) and His reply was "Hear, O Israel; The Lord our God is one Lord; and thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength: this is the first commandment." This commandment takes precedence over all the other demands upon our lives; God must be first. He demands priority in every atom of our time, every relationship of life, every penny we spend, every task we perform. He knows that in seeking God and His kingdom first all other things will be added.

Once Britain was a great nation and our greatness was due to giving honour to God. His day, His Word and His sanctuary were given priority. The tragedy of our national life is that God is left out entirely—every claim comes before Him. Instead of being the God whom we honour He is the God whom we ignore. The way to spiritual greatness and grandeur is by making God Priority number one.

GOD DEMANDS OUR PERSONAL ALLEGIANCE TO HIM

The Lord *thy* God, with all *thy* heart, with all *thy* soul, with all *thy* mind, and with all *thy* strength.

The command is absolutely binding upon each one. God wants our personal love, our first love, our individual love. We may call Him the God of Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, John, Paul, but is He *my* God? Is He my Lord and my God? Let us note how God desires us to love Him; it is

WITH ALL THY HEART

The trouble with Christians today is their half-heartedness. This was Israel's trouble: they served God with a divided heart. They served the Lord and worshipped their own gods. The psalmist prays, "Unite my heart to fear Thy name." Make my heart undivided in its love and loyalty to Thee. We need clean, sanctified, undivided hearts to serve the Lord truly. The greatest blessing to the world today is a generation of Christians who are wholehearted for God. Nothing gladdens the heart like people who are aglow with devotion to God. They sweep formality aside, they melt coldness and indifference like ice before a fire, deadness gives place to life and dullness to the glow of Christian cheerfulness. The fire of God burns on the altar of the devoted heart.

WITH ALL THY SOUL

God asks for the engagement of our souls in our love and service to Him. We are all acquainted with the dull, soulless formality which can overtake us even in the service of God—the familiarity which breeds contempt. Our souls need to be filled with an ever fresh sense of awe and wonder. We must capture and recapture the spirit of adoration and reverence. Our worship must never degenerate into a soulless mechanical affair, the mere performances of certain actions or duties. Our spirits must glow, our souls must catch fire, our hearts must throb and pulsate with love and devotion. With all thy soul. What depths of feeling lie beneath those words. The soul must match and express the worshipper's mood. The boisterous, hilarious burst of praise, the soulful tenderness of the worshipper as he surveys the wondrous Cross on which the Prince of glory died, the penitential tear, the broken, sobbing voice of the prodigal—all find a place in the offering of the soul. What a world of feeling and expression lies between the heights and depths of the soul when truly stirred. "My soul doth magnify the Lord." David danced before the Lord and Miriam led the Israelites in their ecstasy of praise.

WITH ALL THY MIND

The word means with all our understanding or intellect. God desires intelligent worship. We are in danger of offering to God that which costs us nothing. God desires the love of our minds. How intelligent is our worship? Where does it lead us? Some people leave this portion out—they glory in ignorance. Some tell us our heads should be chopped off if we dare to think and reason things out for ourselves. Well, here is a verse which authorises us to put our brains into our religion, that is if we have any (brains, I mean).

Thank God it does not mean we are to commit mental suicide when we serve God. He is desirous that our minds may be healthy and alert and that our mental qualities may be fully engaged in our service to Him. It will mean more thinking upon the things of God, more Bible study, more concentration, more giving of our minds to God, more meditation.

“Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true . . . honest . . . just . . . pure . . . lovely . . . of good report . . . *think* on these things” (Philippians 4:8). How often our Lord tried to make people *think*. “How think ye?” (Matthew 18:12). “What think ye?” (Matthew 21:28). “What think ye of Christ?” (Matthew 22:42).

One feels sorry for people who decry an intelligent approach to God, who conveniently forget the debt of Christendom to the scholars of the past, who have given us the Bible in our own language, and the missionaries who by their linguistic ability have enabled the Divine treasury of the Word of God to be read in a thousand tongues. Our minds need to be renewed, and they need to be exercised in our devotion to God. David would not offer to God that which cost him nothing. It is with all the understanding (Mark 12:33).

WITH ALL THY STRENGTH

This word strength means force, might, especially bodily strength. It is translated ability, might, power, strength in the New Testament. It means loving, serving and worshipping God with all one's physical energies as well as with heart, soul and mind. It conjures up a happy, radiant, healthy, vigorous personality—one exuberant with vitality, vibrant with abounding energy. Most of our service is expressed through our physical make-up. We raise our hearts and voices in praise, we use our bodies as a living sacrifice which is our reasonable service (Romans 12:1). It is a wonderful instrument which can express our love and devotion to God and needs to be sanctified and meet for the Master's use.

God demands that our love to Him must be on

these levels of life, heart, soul, mind and body. Are we using all these to render to Him our noblest and truest devotion? These are not mere individual compartments of our lives, but the constituent parts of one great whole—our entire personality.

We may be frowned upon for our heartiness, our fervent zeal, our abounding energy of mind and body, but it is what God desires, and would save us and our fellowship from present-day listlessness, deadness, apathy and indifference. Less than the best is not good enough for God. Let us see to it that in 1960 we render to God a love that flows from redeemed and undivided hearts, from souls that thrill and vibrate in their emotions, a love that is not blind, but wide awake and intelligent, a love that finds expression through our physical ability.

“Bless the Lord, O my soul: *and all that is within me, bless His holy name*” (Psalm 103:1).

Book Review

Arrows of Deliverance, by Harold Horton. Price 2/9 (by post 3/1), from Flat 4, 14 The Avenue, Bournemouth West.

Arrows? Yes, but I would say slices; delicious, nutritious, crisp, chunky slices of good fresh stuff—the real, original, inimitably Pentecostal brand. Ninety pages for 2/9! Ninety slices of the Bread of life. No verbal butterings! No academical staleness! No homiletical treacle! If you prefer the expression, here is rich meat, not meat soup. Mr. Horton puts the Word, the Word of salvation-healing deliverance, right into your mouth. You devour it! You digest it! The Bible becomes *you*!

Get this book! If necessary, cancel your newspapers for a week. These leaves of life will do you 1,000 times more good than *The Times*. Let the Minister of Health put a copy in every British home, and the cost would be saved many times over in the healing and health which would result. That is a sure fact, not facetiousness.

GEORGE CANTY.

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EDITORIAL

RETROSPECT AND PROSPECT

1960 commences not only a new year but a new decade. We are in reflective mood as we ponder on the events of these mid-century years. New words have been added to our vocabulary—sputniks and luniks were unthought of ten years ago. New discoveries have opened up the Antarctic and penetrated the dim abyss of the polar ice-cap, while hitherto unassailable Everest has been conquered and records on land, sea and in the air have been shattered by the accomplishment of unheard-of speeds. Even on foot the four-minute mile has been achieved, not once but several times.

Side by side with scientific advance and new discoveries there has grown up a new generation worshipping the rhythm of rock 'n' roll, captivated by the television screen and only too often seeking expression in a mounting wave of crime and violence. Nor have they been peaceful years for the nations, for there have been wars in many places, while great nations, stirring out of the sleep of centuries, have been awaking to self-rule.

In the Christian realm we have seen the great crusades of Billy Graham filling vast arenas and halls in nation after nation, bringing thousands to new faith in Christ, while Pentecostal evangelists too have drawn unprecedented crowds on every continent. In some countries the number of Pentecostal believers has increased tenfold, until the Pentecostal movement is hailed as the fastest growing church in many areas.

We too can look back and see great changes which have taken place within our movement. This has been a decade of evangelism, in which fine new churches, ranking with the best of the old-established ones, have taken their place in the growing fellowship of our Elim movement: Bristol, Oxford, Worcester, Norwich, Motherwell, Hastings, Kidderminster, Newcastle—to mention just a few—apart from those which have come into being in the last year. Our conferences, moving out from their traditional London venue, have drawn many people to enjoy the fellowship in holiday surroundings. Scores of keen young men have swelled the number of our ministers,

though this decade has seen the thinning of our ranks by the promotion to higher service of one faithful warrior after another. We miss them, but realise that though God may bury His workmen He carries on the work.

Our youth work has made great strides under its dynamic director, and missionary vision has been stirred by two great missionary schemes, with a third now on its way. Fine Elim mission stations, with a great work for God being accomplished through medical and educational work in addition to the unabated work of evangelism, give testimony to the courage and foresight, labour and enterprise of Elim's faithful missionary band, while keen and sacrificial giving at home has enabled this great work to advance through these years. And so we could go on!

What of the future? Should the Lord tarry there will undoubtedly be even greater opportunities for service for the Master in the coming days. Shrinking distances and improved means of communication, including the spread of radio evangelism, will make the spreading of the Gospel and the reaching of the last tribes easier to accomplish. The growing fears of mankind, their helplessness in face of the immense powers now in human hands and the failure of plenty and prosperity to satisfy the inner hunger of the soul must surely lead many to turn back from materialism and godlessness to a firmer belief and fuller trust in the One who alone can satisfy the heart.

We stand on the threshold of opportunity unlimited. May God give us vision to see the whitened fields that call, to realise the spiritual potential in the Pentecostal message and to go forth to make 1960 and the years that follow until Christ comes the greatest reaping time this old world has ever known. We see the need, God has promised the power; then "Arise, let us go hence," for "Behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it."

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THIS CHANGING WORLD

Clippings and Comments by W. G. Hathaway

Home-call for W. P. Nicholson

Rev. W. P. Nicholson, who more than 30 years ago gained the reputation of Ulster's stormiest evangelist and to whose meetings thousands of people flocked from all over the province, has died in a Cork hospital. He was 83.

Bangor-born Mr. Nicholson spent a good part of his life in America. It was there that he studied for the ministry.

At the time of his death he was on his way back to the province, where he intended to spend his remaining years. He was taken ill on board ship, and when the vessel docked at Cork he was taken to a local hospital on shore.

He was licensed and ordained by one of the Presbyterian churches in America and subsequently became connected with the independent body known as the Moody Bible Institute in the United States.

It was after this that he began his famous series of campaigns in Ireland, and as a result of them his name became almost a household word in Ulster.

The emphasis was not so much on theological questions as on what has been called "hot evangelism." Whatever may be said about him, however, there is no doubt that he was a highly significant figure in Ulster at that time.

Thousands flocked to hear him. One observer of that time said: "His friends and supporters felt that this was Christianity on its tiptoes at last. His enemies, on the other hand, felt that this was Christianity being let down by its preachers. He was somewhere in between."

He conducted mission campaigns throughout the world, one famous one in the early days being as far away as Australia. He went round the world several times.

Even in advanced years he still continued to preach regularly, although he limited his activities in recent years due to heart trouble. He preached at several centres in Northern Ireland during his visit last year.

He is survived by his wife, who was with him at the time of his death, two married daughters and a son. The members of his family live in Los Angeles.

So passes one of the great figures in evangelism in the beginning of the century.

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Baptist minister visits Pentecostal meeting

The well-known Baptist minister, Rev. Geoffrey R. King on his recent extensive tour of India attended a Pentecostal service, and thus comments on his experience:

"In the early afternoon I attended the Pentecostal service conducted by an Irish friend of mine, who is proving to be one of the most sought-after preachers in North India. He married one of our East London missionary members. It was an interesting experience. The service lasted two and a half hours, with very devotional singing and a sublime message on the opening verses of the Song of Solomon. Following the sermon, during a time of open prayer, a young woman stood up and quietly spoke for a few minutes in a foreign tongue, and after

a pause another girl quietly interpreted it into English. It was my first experience of hearing "tongues," and it was certainly very beautiful, following on the message perfectly, and indeed crowning it as a word of assurance from God. It would seem that it was perfectly genuine, and there was no excitement whatever."

Surely an impressive experience for the famous London preacher. A few more preachers having a similar experience might persuade them of the reality of the modern Pentecost.

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Discovery in Jordan

Robert Cooley, archaeology instructor at Central Bible Institute in Springfield, Missouri, made a significant discovery while helping to excavate the buried biblical city of Dothan last summer. He uncovered the skeleton of a child evidently killed in an invasion nearly 3,000 years ago. The child, who was wearing earrings, was probably a victim of the Assyrian invasion of Israel under Shalmanezzer V in 722 B.C., an event mentioned in 2 Kings 17: 3-5. He also discovered five other skeletons from a later period and an Assyrian burial in a pottery coffin.

Dothan is located sixty miles north of Jerusalem in what is now the Hashemite kingdom of the Jordan. Working at the site was the Wheaton archaeological expedition. Mr. Cooley was an area supervisor and draughtsman for the expedition.

Six inches below the surface of the mound which was once the thriving city of Dothan, the expedition uncovered the local "courthouse," a large government building where citizens paid their taxes in commodities of wheat and olive oil. Large rooms in the building still contain storage jars for the commodities and piles of charred wheat. Nearby are the grindstones which would have ground the wheat to flour, but the Assyrians struck before it could be processed.

In addition to his work at Dothan, Mr. Cooley has visited Qumran, where the Dead Sea scrolls were found. He holds the archaeological discoveries, while shedding valuable light on ancient history, to be particularly valuable as further evidence of the accuracy of the Holy Bible.

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Bible study popular in Israel

Today it is very fashionable to be a member of a group which gathers regularly to study the Scriptures, reports the Bible study movement in Israel. Political and civic leaders, by their own active participation, have invested the Old Testament with newness and relevancy.

A Bible class is held in the Jerusalem residence of the Prime Minister, David Ben-Gurion, each Saturday night. Both the Prime Minister and the President of Israel, Ben Zvi, participate actively. The first meeting was devoted to the book of Joshua. A number of university professors, archaeologists and important national figures were present, but no rabbis. It was

for laymen only. The circle was led by the relieving president of Israel's supreme court, Justice Cheshin.

Meanwhile a women's Bible class has been meeting in the home of the President every Monday night for the past four years. This is sponsored by the Pioneer Women's Organization, which also promotes fifteen other Bible classes in Jerusalem. At present the women are analysing the book of Nehemiah.

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Pope John learns English

Pope John XXIII has started taking English lessons. The pontiff hopes to speak the language fluently within a year—probably with a soft Irish accent. The Pope's private tutor is Thomas Ryan, of Tipperary, Ireland.

So now let the British and American people watch out for a concentration upon them by the Vatican.

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Soviet allows replacements of books

Seventy of the so-called "controversial" books removed at Soviet insistence from the shelves of the American Exhibition in Moscow have been put back. Russian visitors show great interest in the Russian Bibles at the exhibit. In fact they have carried many away as "souvenirs," and the American Bible Society has rushed a new supply by air as replacements.

One way of getting the Bible and other spiritual books into the hands of the Soviet people, anyway.

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Increased power

Radio station KHOF-FM, operated by Maple Chapel, an Assemblies of God church in Los Angeles, California, has been granted permission by the F.C.C. to increase its power to 100,000 watts. It will install a new transmitter and change its antenna height.

An interesting story told us, when we visited this station in 1957, how by believing God and acting in faith on a definite direction of the Spirit this good brother, Rev. Shoch, bought this station and its site for Gospel broadcasts.

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Queen Elizabeth has approved the appointment of Maj.-Gen. George P. Vanier, of Montreal, to be Canada's nineteenth Governor-General (personal representative of the Queen). General Vanier is a Roman Catholic. All of the eighteen Governors-General who preceded him were Anglicans.

Undoubtedly a gesture which will be appreciated by the large number of French Canadians in eastern Canada, many of whom are Roman Catholics.

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Moslems converted to Christianity

More Moslems have been converted to Christianity in Java (with a population of 68,000,000) than in any other section of the world, reports the religious department of the Government of Indonesia. Indonesia is fertile ground for evangelical missions. Over ninety per cent of the population are Moslems.

This most unusual transfer of Moslems to Christianity is due largely to the effect of the campaigns of T. L. Osborn. In some of the meetings he challenged the crowds to believe in Jesus as the Son of God, and then in His name wrought many wonderful works. As a result the crowds shouted "Jesus Christ—He is the Son of God." Hallelujah!

CHURCH NEWS FLASH

ELIM CHURCH, HADLEY

On October 31st Pastor John Dyke opened the new church in Hadley for the worship of God and the proclamation of the Gospel. The doors opened, people soon packed the building to its utmost capacity. Pastor Alan Caple warmly thanked Pastor Jack Newman and the friends of the Elim Church for the help and encouragement given during the dismantling of the building which was at one time the place of worship for the Elim family in Coventry. The first preacher was Pastor Newman. A young lady from Nottingham rendered two beautiful solos and Joy and John Newman sang a duet. Pastor Dyke was the final speaker. During the weekend six people accepted Christ as Saviour and a further six were baptised in the Holy Spirit. After the opening rally Pastor A. J. Chuter commenced an evangelistic and Divine healing crusade, during which many people were saved and healed.

Photos by courtesy of "Wellington Journal and Shrewsbury News."

CLAPHAM FELLOWSHIP MEETING

At the Elim Central Church, Clapham, annual fellowship meeting the leaders of each department reported on the spiritual progress of the work. A special note was taken of the rapid strides in the youth work; of increases in numbers and blessing.

The pastor expressed the appreciation of the



Pastor John Dyke opens Hadley church.

church for the splendid band of consecrated and faithful workers in the diaconate and each department of the work.

The secretary reported growth in the prayer meeting; many baptised in water and in the Holy Ghost; a very marked increase in Sunday morning attendance and also in blessing; decisions each Sunday night for the past few months; blessing and progress in the sisterhood. Then the treasurer wound up with his financial report: total income around £3,800; higher average Sunday offerings; £500 cleared off the building debt besides the interest paid on the loans.

We had as our guests Pastor and Mrs. H. W. Greenway, and the delightful evening was brought to an end by a timely and thought-provoking message.

B. G. TROUGHDON.

ST. PETER PORT, GUERNSEY

Special convention meetings were held in November to celebrate the silver jubilee in the Elim ministry of our pastor, Rev. J. F. Hardman. To commemorate this notable occasion the deacons and



Members at work on Hadley's new church.

IBRA RADIO

Radio Africa, Tangier

"This is Life" programme, presented by the Elim Church

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 6th, 1960, at 9.15 p.m.

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Speaker: Rev. H. W. Greenway (Secretary-General)

Subject: "The cure for crime"

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members presented a silver cruet in the form of Guernsey cans to Pastor and Mrs. Hardman. Before the presentation the church secretary pointed out that a silver jubilee was always a milestone in life and especially to one whose life had been dedicated to the preaching of the Gospel.

Rev. W. G. Hathaway, accompanied by his wife,

was our guest preacher, and our hearts were greatly encouraged as we listened to a series of Christ-exalting messages. Slides were shown of their tour of North America, which were much enjoyed, as also were the contributions made by Mrs. Hathaway as she testified to the goodness of the Lord.

H. E. BOURGAIZE.

FIVE COACH-LOADS OF EBBW VALE CONVERTS FOR BAPTISMAL SERVICE IN CARDIFF

Over thirty people ready for baptism

THE pillars in Solomon's temple were made from brass captured from the enemy, but the pillars of the new Ebbw Vale church will be those recently won from the ranks of the enemy to the cause of Christ by the crusade conducted by Pastor P. S. Brewster and his party.

As the new church comes into being the converts are singing

“ Now I belong to Jesus,
Jesus belongs to me,
Not for the years of time alone,
But for eternity.”

Ebbw Vale has by no means been an easy place for the party ; it has been recognised for many years as a hard district and no campaigner has been there for a large number of years. As a coin over the eye can obliterate the light of the sun, so prosperity in this steel-producing town has blinded many to their need of the light of the Gospel.

However, in the public hall the pioneer campaigner and his loyal team have worked hard for the past five weeks and God has been pleased to visit this Monmouthshire valley. Hundreds of men and women from all walks of life have come to Christ, and many are joining the church and will prove themselves to be as true as the steel they produce.

In the Sunday evening service, at normal church time, 6.30 p.m., 150 enthusiastic followers enjoyed the crusade church service. Over sixty converts gathered to share the first communion service.

In response to the appeal many hands shot up to express their willingness to pass through the waters of baptism in obedience to Christ's teaching. Five large coaches were immediately filled to bring the new converts and others from Ebbw Vale crusade to the Cardiff City Temple for a great baptismal service.

Crowds gathered for the welcome service of Pastor George Crichton, the minister of the new church. Ten ministers of the Welsh Presbytery took part in this service and one convert from the Llanelly campaign of twenty-five years ago proved to the people that there are lasting results from pioneer campaigns. The Christ who saves can also keep for a quarter of a century—and more:

“ Not for the years of time alone,
But for eternity.”

So a new baby has been born to the Elim family. And the name of the new church ?
Ebbw Vale.

LESLIE W. GREEN.

THE old year is behind us, its record is made and we cannot change it. Doubtless there is much in it we would like to change, but the page is turned, the year is gone and its record stands. We have said goodbye to 1959 and have crossed the threshold into 1960.

The opening of a new year is a challenge to nobler achievement in the next twelve months; it is within our power to determine what it shall be. There are Divine resources available to everyone who wants to live right. The God who starts with us stays with us.

The language of Paul in our scripture evidently points to the scene on the Damascus road when the Lord apprehended him and changed the course of his life.

Conversion is indeed an apprehension, a laying hold upon a life under the dominion of Satan and sin and bringing it under the power of the all-conquering love of Christ.

There are four things mentioned in these verses. First

A CONFESSION OF SHORTCOMING

"Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect." He speaks very humbly and quietly about himself; he had no great pretensions, no fatal self-conceit. But he makes *the certainty of aim*. He is not paralysed by the distance which yawns between him and God's ideal for him. He does not sit down weeping bitter tears of impotence. He pursues the glory with all the intensity of a hound which has found the trail.

Mark how the apostle gathers all his energies together in concentrated and undivided purpose:

"THIS ONE THING I DO"

Even though the ideal be as yet remote, and the shining summit towers beyond him in dazzling splendour, he will not permit his strength to dribble away in restless, erratic endeavour or in futile regrets. He will have but one aim, one task, and every power, every desire, shall yield to its sovereignty. It is this concentration which enfolds the secret of the progressive lives of all the saints of God. They live for *one thing* and one thing alone. How we all need to concentrate! What is the will of God? Nothing else matters, "*This one thing I do.*" Let the heathen rage, let the scoffer scoff, let the world invite, let sin make its appeal, "*This one thing I do.*"

I can imagine that there were those who tried to lure Paul away from his high calling. "Paul, it will be a hard way, you will be cast into prison, they will beat you with rods, they will stone you." His reply

"This one

PHILLIP

By John Woodhead, F.R.G.S.

at all times was "*This one thing I do.*" He was a man of faith, vision and courage. His heart was filled with hope. He was determined to live for God at any cost.

Oh, how we Christians today need to concentrate on the goal and purpose for which we have been called. The Lord Jesus set His face like flint to go to Calvary and nothing could turn Him aside. Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself (Daniel 1:8). Caleb's resolution is another illustration. He had faith in God and believed that God's people could overthrow all the giants. Although the ten faithless spies convinced the Israelites that they were helpless before these sons of Anak, Caleb refused to agree with them. Forty-five years afterwards, when the children of Israel had entered the promised land under Joshua, Caleb, now eighty-five, still had unshaken confidence in God that he could drive out the Anakins. When Joshua was dividing the land the old faithful warrior requested not the plains and valleys but the mountainous country where the Anakins lived. His request was granted. He drove out the giants and there in that hill country the tribe of Judah flourished. There was Bethlehem where the Christ-child was born. There was Jerusalem where God placed His home.

"*This one thing I do.*" In this race do not drop behind where the way is rugged and the prize seems far away. Be patient, and press forward to the mark of your high calling.

To help you do this

BRING DOWN THE CURTAIN UPON THE PAST

"Forgetting the things which are behind." At the beginning of the new year we need to forget many things.

What an inspiration these words are, coming from the grand old apostolic warrior—so full of hope and unflagging energy. Old, worn and broken, yet with the light of unquenchable hope and faith in him, he cries: "I leave the past behind, and with hands outstretched to whatever lies ahead I go straight

ing I do”

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resident of the Elim Churches)

for the goal” (J. B. Phillips). Some people stand with their faces to the west, regretting the lost radiance of the setting sun, but others turn their gaze to the east, eager to catch the first streak of a new dawn. Let us forget the disappointments of 1959. Everything may not have turned out as we had planned, but there is no reason why we should give up trying. Let us forget the trials, the burdens, the cares and the failures of the past twelve months. If we keep thinking about them we become pessimistic and despondent. Forget your failures and defeats lest they should seem the measure of your future and cause despair. Take courage through faith in Him who is able to keep us from future failure. I have known people to backslide because they were continually looking back, thinking of past sins and failures. Paul is giving us the picture of a man pressing toward the mark, a runner who cannot afford to let that which is behind attract him so that his running is affected. The Lord Jesus gave us this principle when He spoke of a man who had put his hand to the plough; if he looked back he was not fit for the kingdom. A farmer could not very well plough in a straight line looking back all the time. Many spiritual races have been lost because the runners have not only looked back, but have also turned around and gone back. I have heard people say “I would like to start all over again”; “I would like to forget the past, but it’s too late to begin again.” *No, it is not too late.* Of course it is too late to turn the past into success. Pilate said “What I have written I have written.” The record has been made, but God can overrule our mistakes and blot out our sins. Remember God is on the throne, and if our trust is implicitly placed in Him we shall be more than conquerors.

Let us forget the failure of others, for if we give ourselves to thinking of the weakness of others we become critical and lose the love we should have toward each other. The Bible says “Love covereth a multitude of sins.”

Having therefore curtailed the past the apostle calls for

A CONCENTRATION OF EFFORT

“*Reaching forth* unto those things which are before, *I press toward* the mark for the prize . . .”

Paul not only forgot the things which were behind, but he was reaching forth unto the things that were before. Thank God we can enter 1960 with confidence and trust in Him. You can say, “I do not know what the future holds for me, but I know who holds the future.” With those things which are behind forgiven and forgotten, look to the future, to the prize of the high calling. Keep the forward look. If we face the sun the shadows will fall behind us.

There is a striking statement in Ephesians 5:16, where we are told that Christians must live their lives with a view to redeeming the time because the days are evil. That is the unique and significant way of describing the relationship of a Christian to the present and the future. Every moment, every hour, every day or year is an opportunity which must be saved and used as God wants us to use it, filling them with the saving power of faithful Christian living, redeemed in service for the Lord. Some people make the most of time; they make real progress, not geographically but spiritually. They travel with God through faith in Jesus Christ. That is the best way to travel through 1960. It is the only way to ensure reaching the goal. It puts purpose and meaning into life. It keeps your eye fixed on the prize of the high calling. It organises your energy and interest for a unified concentrated drive. It lifts you over the mountains of trouble and inspires with courage in the valley of conflict. You can travel a long distance in a short time if you travel with the Lord. You can go all the way from earth to heaven. What a pity to be blown about by the winds of time. How terrible to go round and round and get nowhere. Instead of being used by it, you must use it. There is a way for you to be delivered from the evils of time and to make your days serve the purpose of eternity.

The Lord stands with you on the threshold of 1960 amid the swirling currents, unmoved, unchanged and untouched by the evil days of time. In fact He is “the same yesterday, and today, and for ever” because He is the Rock of ages to whom we can say “Let me hide in Thee.” When you are anchored to the Rock there is no more reason to fear the tempests of the future. On the contrary you can face the new year with confidence and courage and concentrate every effort.

There is work to be done in this new year—hard, sacrificial, unselfish, soul-saving work, which can only be accomplished by the power and presence of the Lord. When He sent out His disciples He said

He would go with them. The record of Scripture is: "And they went forth, and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following" (Mark 16:20).

We have been speaking of concentration, of driving toward a goal, of forgetting the past, of redeeming the time and of a prize to be gained. There is a prize: the smile of our Lord's approval and, with the smile, words of commendation and everlasting crowns of reward.

What a high calling! Who would not press on and struggle and suffer if need be for the approving smile of our blessed Lord, and to hear His commendation: "Well done, thou good and faithful servant"?

The mere thought of a smile of approval from Jesus is an inspiration to cause us to say "I press forward." It pays to serve Jesus. It pays every day, it pays all the way.

My prayer for you all is found in Numbers 6:24-26.

Pentecost in Jerusalem

By **George Stormont** (*Secretary of the British Pentecostal Fellowship*)

WHEN the 1958 World Conference in Toronto decided that if possible the next World Conference should be in Jerusalem in 1961—and at Whitsun, the time of the feast of Pentecost—the choice caught the imagination of Pentecostal people everywhere. Very many in our beloved islands began to wonder whether this might be the opportunity to realise the hope of a lifetime—a visit to the Holy Land—and to combine it with an outstanding Pentecostal occasion.

Realising this, the annual general meeting of the British Pentecostal Fellowship this year gave careful thought to planning travel arrangements for parties to share in the 1961 World Conference. Complete agreement was reached on what we feel will be an attractive tour at a reasonable price.

The general plan is for air travel both ways. This saves time, costs no more, and allows the maximum period for visiting the places so dear to us because of Bible associations. Alternative arrangements for travel by sea and rail are being examined, in order to accommodate those who dislike air travel. Here is a very much abbreviated idea of the itinerary:

Travel to Athens, half-day sightseeing there, then on to Cairo.

Sightseeing in Egypt, including Pyramids, Leave for Jerusalem (Jordan). Sightseeing in the old city, Bethesda, Bethlehem, etc.

Late afternoon of the seventh day cross to Jerusalem (Israel).

Sightseeing in Jerusalem (Israel).
Conference.

Sightseeing in Galilee, etc.

Return to London, arriving on the morning of the sixteenth day.

Copies of the detailed itinerary are being prepared and will shortly be available. It is impossible at this distance of time to get an exact quotation, but we

anticipate that the inclusive cost will be approximately 130 guineas. The travel arrangements will be handled by Peltours Ltd., who have an unrivalled organisation in Israel, and have placed at our disposal their experience and facilities here. They have been appointed by the World Conference Advisory Committee to take care of all travel and accommodation needs in Israel.

It should be made clear that the Israel Government has officially allocated all accommodation in Jerusalem during the World Conference for the purposes of that conference and at the direction of the World Conference Advisory Committee. This committee has asked the British Pentecostal Fellowship to arrange all parties from Great Britain, and as secretary of that body I have been asked to deal with this matter. All inquiries, therefore, should be addressed to me.

It will help us in planning if all who are interested will send to me their names and addresses, at the same time indicating the number who would travel, whether sea or air transport is preferred, and the name of their church. Then as soon as details are available I will forward them, with the necessary application forms, so that definite bookings can be made. Early registration in this way will give us an idea of the number for whom we shall need to plan. The larger the party, the more likely it is that we shall be able to reduce the price.

"Pentecost in Jerusalem" will be a thrill. Much prayer is rising throughout the world that it shall be much more than that—that it shall be a tremendous spiritual experience, with import for the whole Church. Let us all join in prayer to this end; and if you are interested in being there to see the answer to your prayers write to me immediately. God bless you!

Address your inquiries to George Stormont, 4 Ray Close, Leigh-on-Sea, Essex.

ELIM WORLD-WIDE RADIO BROADCASTS

Calling **BOYS AND GIRLS**

By Bernard H. Norris

E LIM radio broadcasts and tape-recording ministry during the last few weeks have covered many parts of the world. Our readers will doubtless like to know of some of these activities and support the continuing ministry in prayer.

During the Christmas season broadcast programmes produced by our radio department included two transmissions (Christmas Day and Christmas Sunday) over the Christmas Island broadcasting system. Here there are large numbers of R.A.F. personnel, and we know that among them are keen Christians and Elim too has its witness. Our brother Ken McGillivray, too, was sent, by request, seasonal programmes for transmission over Radio Formosa. Over the weekly IBRA programmes on Wednesdays, December 23rd and 30th, special Christmas programmes were devised and produced and the speaker was our beloved President, Pastor H. Burton-Haynes. In our IBRA programmes for January 6th and 13th the speaker will be our Secretary-General, Pastor H. W. Greenway. The IBRA transmitters have increased their power, and reception in the British Isles is now much improved. Thousands of patients in British hospitals, too, listen to specially prepared programmes through the hospitals' intercom systems, and in prisons as well our music department has been busy preparing tapes and supplying gramophone records for ministry "within the walls."

A B.B.C. broadcast is to be made from the City Temple, Bristol (Pastor Ron Jones), on Sunday, May 29th. From our church there will come the programme Sunday Half-hour, led by the London Crusader Choir, which is visiting Bristol for the weekend. Look out for details to be announced shortly regarding a great symphony of praise to be held in the Colston Hall, Bristol, on Saturday, May 28th.

Meanwhile, remember the facilities afforded by the radio and music department at Headquarters for the supply of the finest tape-recorders and other equipment for this new and ever-developing method of presenting the Gospel in churches, in the homes of the people, for the sick and the aged, for youth meetings and choral groups, for world-wide exchanges of greetings and meetings on tape, and in so many other ways of electronic communication. Write us for further information, advice and service.

Hello again !

I didn't tell you about Benny's Christmas Day, did I ?

I woke up with a start. "J-i-n-g-l-e b-e-l-l-s. Hello uncle, merry Christmas !" Benny burst into the room. "How'd you like my carol ? I thought you'd like a carol."

"What carol, Benny ?"

"Why, Jingle bells" said Benny, looking rather disappointed. "Di'n't you hear ? I'll sing it again."

"No—er—no, don't bother, Benny. Actually it isn't a carol, but it was a very kind thought. Yes, and a very merry Christmas to you too."

"Oh. Well, thanks. Sorry uncle. I thought it was a good carol too. Anyway, thanks for the Pan'rama Bible, it's super !"

"Good, I knew you wanted one. By the way, coming to church this morning ?"

"Er—well, I've gotta lot o' parc'ls to undo, akshully. Guess you'd better leave me out this morning." Benny slowly backed out of the room until the last words floated in from the landing outside !

At the breakfast table everyone was busy talking about the presents they'd had, and thanking each other for the gifts—everyone except Benny, who was busy eating. Benny was always silent when there was food around. He never believed in being rude. He never spoke with his mouth full, and since it was always full he remained silent ! At the end of the meal I suggested we read the Christmas story. Oh, those wonderful words ! That grand old story was as thrilling as ever. The rest sat and listened as I read. Angels, shepherds, the baby, mysterious foreign visitors, an unusual star they followed, palaces, kings, gold, secret messages, and escapes ! There is just about everything in it. Everyone had been just spell-bound by it all. "Smashing !" said Benny when I had finished.

"Well, let's just pray, shall we, and thank God for Christmas, and for His great gift of His love."

After prayer, Benny had to lend his Panorama Bible to everyone. They all wanted to see it—even Benny's little brother (Benny has an older brother and sister as well). During the afternoon Benny disappeared beneath space stations, boxes of toys, paint-

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Conducted by
National Youth
Secretary

youth page



New project for the New Year

**A personal letter to Elim youth from the Elim Missionary Secretary,
launching "Spread the Light"**

Greetings!

This year could be a most momentous one prophetically, politically, nationally and internationally in the annals of world history. Disturbing and threatening events and situations may develop in view of the unrest among many nations. No thinking person will deny that in the present hour the need of mankind is both deep and desperate. Any person giving even casual consideration to the state of things in the world today must surely admit that it is in a really bad way. This should make us more determined than ever to live for God and work for the extension of His kingdom among men; and let us not forget that this includes missionary enterprise, especially in view of the rise of nationalism and the possible withdrawal of missionaries from various fields of service.

The chance to do something extra and grand for God by way of missionary enterprise is now presented to you, for the publication of this letter coincides with the launching of yet another splendid missionary endeavour by our versatile and missionary-minded National Youth Director. In this adventurous enterprise to "Spread the Light through the 101 Fund," as in other schemes inaugurated and carried through to splendid fruition by Pastor J. Hywel Davies, we are challenged and inspired to splendid achievement for God on behalf of our faithful missionaries.

If we accept and meet this challenge we will supply the answer to a most urgent and pressing need in a very effective and practical manner, as the 101 Fund will cover so many things our missionaries require from time to time. The National Youth Director has set this scheme forth clearly and admirably in his article. This is a vital way in which we can help our missionaries carry out their policy and programme in order to fulfil the task God has laid upon their hearts.

You are to be commended for your wonderful achievements in providing the Land-Rovers and electrical installations for several of our missionaries through the "Lend-a-Hand" and "Send-the-Light" schemes. This is an evidence in itself that you possess a true conception of the Master's commission to His disciples, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Only a few of you may have the opportunity of fulfilling this command in a literal sense, but all can have a part in this wonderful work of spreading the Gospel in other lands by supporting this new effort in generous giving, continued interest and consistent praying.

It warms and encourages the hearts of our missionaries to know that they have the keen interest and practical backing of the youth of Elim.

May the Lord richly bless you in all your activity for Him.

With kind regards,

Yours in the Master,

SAMUEL GORMAN.

As we of the Elim Youth Department at Headquarters send good wishes for the new year to all Elim youth and youth workers, we remind you of the summer and some of our activities. First, for today's page, news of a new camp for Elim youth: August 6th to 20th at Porthpean, Cornwall.

If you would like to know more about it write to Rev. F. A. Hodge, 31 Langhill Road, Peverell, Plymouth.

Women's Column

By Gladys Gorton



ALL THINGS NEW

WE were preparing tea together. Grace was buttering the last piece of bread as I made the tea.

"I've just finished turning a coat," she said. "It looks brand new. But I received such a blessing in doing it."

"How?" I asked, puzzled, thinking that I would never get a blessing this way; it would give me a turn and keep me turning!

"As I worked on the coat the words 'Behold, I make all things new' came as a fresh revelation to me. I saw from an entirely different angle that God will make all things new."

"How lovely!" I exclaimed, brightening. "I hadn't thought of it like that either."

"I rejoiced in that God will make new the 'all things' in and of my life."

"Wonderful! That gives me an idea for the new year Women's Column."

"That's what I thought," she said with a twinkle in her eye.

The "all things" mentioned in Romans 8:28 discloses that the Infinite is linked with the infinitesimal; for, after all, even death, sorrow, crying, pain (Revelation 21:4) and the greatest of earthly tragedies will be so small compared with this stupendous gesture of God. As a loving father, wiping tears from all faces, He will write *finale* across the face of all things to do with time.

From the yesterdays of time God will make new tomorrows in eternity.

And that is how life takes its shape for you and me. We build from our yesterdays. Out of the winter of death comes the spring of new life. Patching or other alterations cannot create a "new look." At conversion one is "turned inside out" and "right side up" (2 Corinthians 5:17).

A Salvationist told this charming story. Years ago, in one of their village open-air meetings stood a one-time notable drunkard. He was proudly wearing his jersey with the words "Salvation Army" in red across the front and a new navy suit. An atheist, known to all, stood ridiculing. "He's dreaming, that's what's a matter with 'im." A little girl in a dainty dress with a wide pink bow tied smartly in her golden curls stood beside him. Looking up at him and taking him by the hand, she said pleadingly, "Oh, sir, don't waken him if he's dreaming, 'cause he's my daddy." Still tightly holding his hand, she drew him behind the marchers and then into the citadel. At the end of the meeting that atheist wept his way to the Cross and found Christ.

To make a decision for Christ *only* does not bring about salvation. Neither signing decision cards nor registering vows means salvation. You must receive from God, on the authority of Jesus Christ, remission for sins. You know *then* that you are born again; made a new creature in Christ.

"Being born again means much more than we generally take it to mean. It gives us a new vision and keeps us absolutely fresh for everything by the perennial supply of the life of God. It is a perpetual and eternal beginning, a freshness all the time in thinking, in talking and in living; the continual surprise of the life of God" (Oswald Chambers).

CALLING BOYS AND GIRLS

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ing outfits and mounds of sweets and fruit, but his Bible had a good share of his interest.

"What a lovely time Christmas is," I thought. "Peace on earth. God loves us. God's Son came to show that love. The world can never forget God while there's Christmas."

Say, what about reading that Christmas story again, just now? And when you've read it thank God for His love, will you?

Cheerio, and God bless you.

UNCLE BERNARD.

PS. You'll find the story in the first two chapters of both Matthew and Luke.

COMING EVENTS

(Please pray for these services)

COULSDON. January 16. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road. Monthly United Pentecostal Rally. Speaker: Donald Gee (A.O.G.). Leader: W. G. Hathaway (Elim). Special singing and testimony by Kenley Bible College students. 7.

FINCHLEY. January 9. Elim Church, King Street. Great Finchley Special. Guest speaker: W. Gilpin (Principal of the Elim Bible College. Convener: J. G. Cooper. 7.

GLASGOW. December 31—January 3. Elim Church, Butterbiggins Road. New Year Convention. Speakers: Leon. C. Quest, J. Seaman and D. Hunter. Thurs. 11 p.m. Watch-night, Fri. 3.30 and 6.30, Sat. 7.30, Sun 11 and 6.30. Tea provided on New Year's Day.

GREENOCK. December 31—January 4. Elim Church, Belville Street. New Year Convention. Speakers: S. Gorman (first minister) and F. D. Byatt. Watchnight service Thurs. 11 p.m. New Year's Day, 3 and 7; Sat. 3.30, old-age pensioners' dinner; 7, Convention service. Sun. 11 and 6.30; Mon. 7.30.

PRESIDENTIAL ITINERARY

Northern Ireland. January 2, 3, Lurgan (New Year Convention); 4, Ballysillan; 5, Armagh; 6, Rathfriland; 7, Bangor; 9, Alexandra Park Avenue; 10, Melbourne Street; 11, Lisburn; 12, Bethesda; 13, Portadown; 14, Saunders Street.

Scotland. January 16, Greenock; 17, Glasgow (a.m.), Paisley (p.m.); 18, Motherwell; 19, Alloa; 20, Coatbridge; 21, Dundee.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Frank and Irene Winward would like to advise their many friends in Elim of their missionary travel serial, currently appearing in the "Sunday Companion," entitled "400 Mile Trek through Nepal."

BIRTHS

Bilton. To Ian and Jean Bilton (née Warren); God's precious gift of a son.

Sapsed. On November 3rd, to Mr. and Mrs. K. Sapsed (Elim Crusaders, Kingston); the gift of a son, Paul David. Dedicated at Elim Church, Kingston, by F. J. Slemming, on Sunday, December 13th, 1959. C.217

MARRIAGE

Sergisom: McDermott. On September 19th, at Elim Church, Melbourne Street, Belfast; Joseph Sergisom to Jean McFarland McDermott; both Elim Crusaders. Officiating minister: T. W. Thomson.

WITH CHRIST

Metcalfe. On November 24th, Mrs. Metcalfe, of York. Officiating minister at funeral: John Woodhead.

Oscroft. On November 11th, Mrs. Gertrude Oscroft, aged 78, faithful and beloved member of Elim Church, Mansfield, entered into her eternal rest. "With Christ, which is far better." Officiating minister at funeral, Rev. Mr. Hibbert, minister of Assemblies of God.

Packer. On December 7th, Mrs. Packer, of York. Officiating minister at funeral: John Woodhead.

Patterson. On November 11th, Miss Marion Patterson, of York. Officiating minister at funeral: John Woodhead.

Wayland. On November 28th, Mrs. Emily Wayland, aged 65, beloved member of Elim Church, Hadleigh, was called to higher service. Officiating ministers at funeral: B. Jones and R. Stripp.

Wrigglesworth. On November 13th, Mrs. Wrigglesworth, of York. Officiating minister at funeral: John Woodhead.