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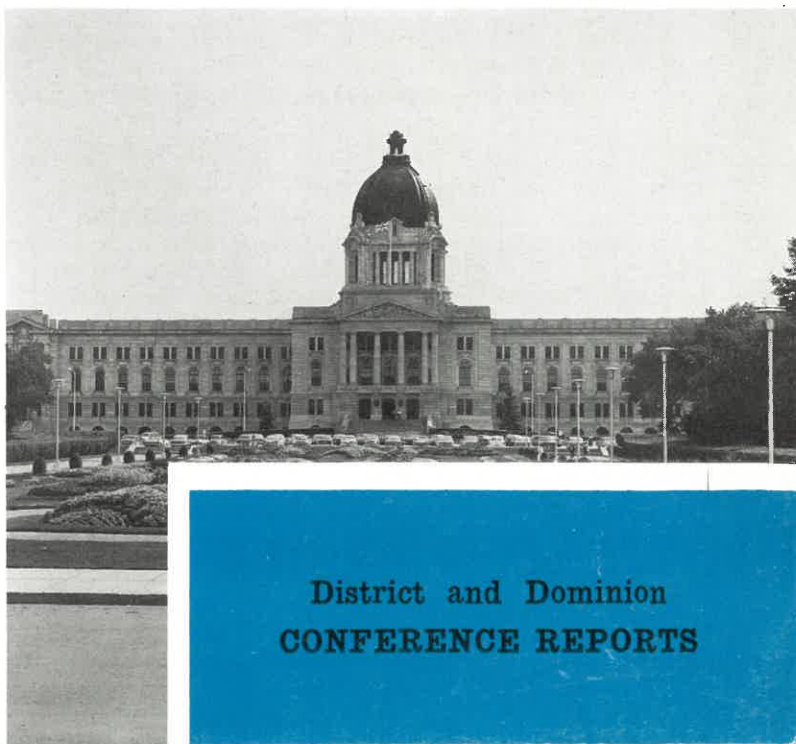
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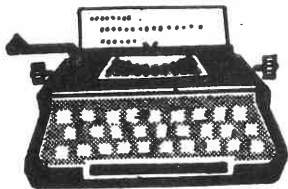
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EDITORIAL COMMENT---

ARE YOU CLOCK CONSCIOUS?

WE ARE NOT fully consecrated until we have given to God, without any inward reservations, our watches as well as our wallets. Many Christians fail to realize that time is a commodity that can be as dedicated as dollars! While so much is being said about tithing our income, so little emphasis seems to be placed on consecrating our time.

Has God given us this priceless element of time simply to make friends, to hold down two jobs so that we can make more money to buy more luxuries that will save us more time to waste?

Time that is not dedicated is wasted time! This by no means implies that all our waking moments must be devoted to that which is altogether spiritual. One must have some form of recreation for physical development, and God is not opposed to rest and relaxation. In fact, if some pastors would learn this they would undoubtedly live longer and preach better. However, there is a word of caution needed here, for there is always the possibility that a minister's golf score may be better than his prayer score.

If we follow the revealed Will of God as found in His Word, we will always have enough time, enough health and enough money to do the work of the Lord. Many of us have learned that God can stretch dedicated dollars, but few of us have found that He will also s-t-r-e-t-c-h dedicated hours.

The time we spend in devotions is as well spent as other periods when we study our lesson for the Sunday School class, for seed will not take root in unprepared soil, nor souls! People who know why God has given them time, will not begrudge the time they give back to Him.

Habits of prayer and study, of consecrated thought and consecrated meditation are difficult to form in this helter-skelter world: but we will never develop into men and women of God, able to teach others who will in turn become dedicated, in any other way.

If we do not give "spare" time to praying for that towheaded wiggler in our class, who will? Who will pray for, and visit, that elderly, gray-haired member who is nearing the Celestial City? Such grand ministries are granted to those who have purposefully set aside the time for it, and allow no lesser things to enter.

Although millions of citizens in our country are paid for their time, so much an hour, no such value is placed on those "Leisure" hours that belong to nobody but ourselves. There are the hours where we improve time, where we improve ourselves, and improve others too when we have a spiritual ministry to them.

Don't be ashamed of being clock-conscious. Unless we use time purposefully and prayerfully, it will be lost forever.

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WHEN H-BOMBS FALL

By **Clay Cooper**
(Spokane, Washington)

HISTORY is hardly kind enough to allow us the speculative question. "To Be Or Not To Be." The cherished hope that the frightfulness of nuclear weapons will prevent their use is poorly founded. When, in the past, has the awesomeness of man's destructive devices totally eliminated their use? Sooner or later a provocation arises calling for the application of each new devastating contrivance.

It is almost too good to be true to expect that history will not repeat itself. There can be little, if any, reasonable doubt that one day an order will be given to a weapon-ner to activate an H-Bomb for release "on target." Nations reckon with this possibility twenty - four hours of every day.

Recoil as we may at the prospect of thermo-nuclear catastrophe, no highly positioned person has yet dared affirm: "It **can't** happen," and since it **can** happen it probably will, man's penchant for war being what it is.

Chaos from an exchange of H-Bombs, even on a minimal scale, will be colossal. This poses the necessity for realistic thinking. If we are fortunate, we may have as much as fifteen minutes between warning and impact in which to prepare to meet our God in peace. The time factor will be decided, largely, by the distance from launching site to destruct area. The grace period could be shortened to mere seconds if the missiles are put up from lurking submarines nearby.

It may provide slight consolation to contemplate that we die but once; also, that there are certainly more insufferable ways of being dispatched from this world into the next. If mode were the only consideration, sudden incineration in the holocaust might even be preferred by many. Alas, there are overshadowing issues.

Most persons on the night side of the world will be caught asleep. They will waken in eternity. This is a sobering thought. Only those on the day side may be favored with enough time to say a penitential prayer.

Most of us hope for an amicable relationship with our Maker in our final moments on earth, even if we have not known or deserved it before; and, almost innately do we expect there will be 'eleventh hour' grace extended in which to mend our ways. But when H-Bombs fall, there will be no reprieves. Millions will likely die right where they are and as they are, without absolution, baptism, or even time to cry: "God be merciful to me a sinner."

The fiery mushroom will be im-

partial. Both Christians and non-Christians will be **cremated equal**. For the Redeemed, the pillar of flame will be Elijah's chariot of fire whisking him to heaven. Far from creating gloom, tomorrow's outlook only provides incentive for more ardent discipleship to-day. — Then, sudden death, sudden glory.

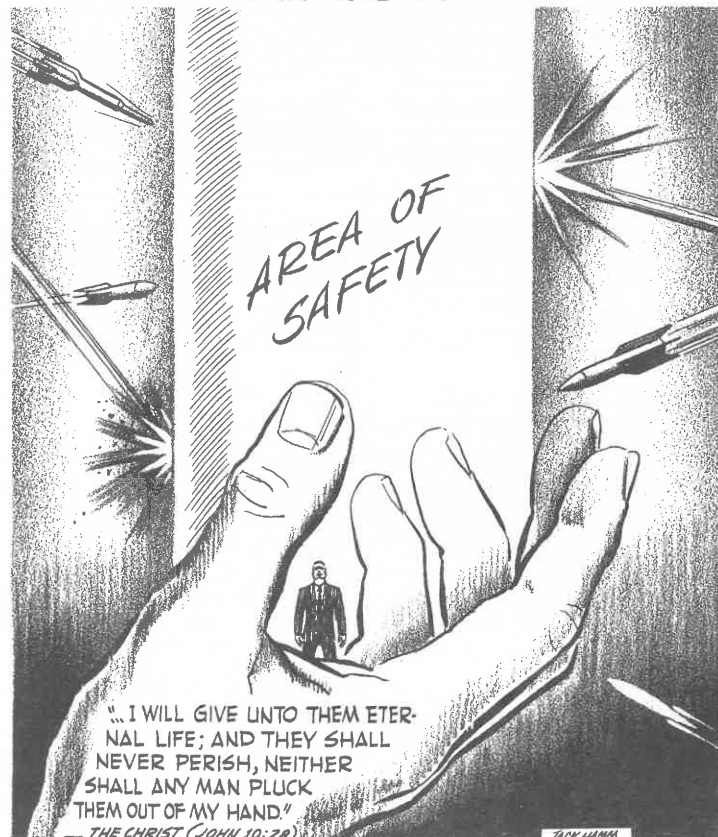
Alas and alack for the unsaved masses! Consternation and dread, for a few seconds, or minutes, will become immeasurable. May the courteous reader determine to be not numbered among them; and, he can, and may, so resolve. While guaranteeing no immunity from the violence of a nuclear cataclysm, personal acceptance of Christ does vouchsafe spiritual survival, come what may. To insure this there is but one course we must all pursue to be infallibly safe, come H-Bombs or no. It is this:

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved and thy house. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have . . .

EVERLASTING LIFE."

(Acts 16:31, Romans 10:10, John 3:16)

TO HEAR AND TO HEED



"The sin of Judah is written with a pen of iron, and with the point of a diamond; it is graven upon the table of their heart, and upon the horns of your altars. Whilst their children remember their altars and their groves by the green trees upon the high hills" (Jer. 17:1, 2).

FEW PEOPLE DESIRE responsibility in these ominous days. The Bible clearly reveals that escape from responsibility is impossible. "Who shall render to every man according to his deeds" (Romans 2:6). Regardless of how man may shirk the preparing of his soul for eternity, he will stand in judgment and give an account. "For it is written, as I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God. So then every one shall give account of himself to God" Rom. 14:11, 12).

In respect to Judah, her sins were ob-

vious. Surrounding nations recognized it for it manifested itself in every form of worship. From the heart, through the tell-tale lips, came evidence of her debauch. "O generation of vipers, how can ye, being evil, speak good things? for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh" (Matthew 12:34). Judah was soon known by her fruits, how bitter they had become. You cannot hide sin beneath a cloak of self-righteousness or religion, for soon there will be a slip and your secret will be out. Notwithstanding, God knows your heart and is grieved. Well did Jeremiah of old say: "The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked; who can know it?" (Jer. 17:9).

Does God's blessing rest upon your home, father, mother? Does He find welcome there? Are you saved and welcome if Jesus should come? Are your children under the blood, if the death angel should pass over would they be

safe, ready for heaven? It's your responsibility, more than that of the church, to see that their little feet find the right road. And in our churches, are we seized with the conviction that the time is short, we must reach those who sit under the shadow of death.

In our text it is obvious that fathers and mothers of Judah had shrank back from their God given responsibility, neglected the instruction of the Word of God in their homes. They withdrew, little by little, from active service in the Lord's work, and now found themselves the depraved worshippers of all that was anti-christ. What a picture of sin. Hear the great sob of grief as Isaiah pens the words of Jehovah: "The ox knoweth his owner, and the ass his masters crib, but Israel doth not know, my people doth not consider" (Isa. 1:3). The sensual, material appetite must be satisfied, while the truths of God's Word are shunned, laid aside and forgotten,

THE MARKS OF SIN

By Alan W. McLean
(Assiniboia, Sask.)

left forsaken, mid the crumbling altars of yesteryear. How deceitful sin is! See the heart of the profligate dominated by its reckless urge, cursed and wrecked, scarred with the pen of iron, and with the point of a diamond, sweeping on with increasing fury to the roaring vortex of death and hell. Yes, the Bible says the sting of sin is death, Satan's pay for sinner's service is death, mid the awful agonies of hell.

Let's face reality, do you know the Saviour who died on the cross of Calvary for your sins and mine? "For God so Loved the world—" (John 3:16). He loved you, he loves you still. It isn't man's sin that God loves, but, the never dying soul. Jesus gave himself to the tormentor's, and executioner's to be beaten and put to death, for thus a Holy and Just God ordained it. He died for you, personally, as he died for me, personally. No one is too wicked nor too good, the Bible says, "For all have sinned . . ." (Rom. 3:23). How soon the ebbing of life's tide, how fleeting our allotted space in time. Rom. 5:1 "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ." Do you have peace with God? Are you sure that you have made provisions for eternity now, for tomorrow will be too late, — "After death the Judgment."

But you may say: "Everyone is good at heart." I wish it were true. Every parent observing the behaviour of his children knows that the mystery of iniquity operates strongly even in the youngest, purest, most innocent child. "But there is good in everyone you may

protest." Yes, there is good in every bad man, and bad in every good man. This good is the echo of Eden. Even the thief may pause to give a stolen coin to a blind beggar. But the spark of goodness doesn't cancel the fact that the thief is a thief and a sinner. A dirty garment may have a clean place on it, but it can still be described only as filthy and unclean. "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God. There is none that understandeth there is none that seeketh after God" Romans 3:11,23) Everyone is not good at heart.

Someone says: "We're all going to the same place." If the Bible is true, nothing could be more false. The 'all roads lead to heaven' philosophy is as unreasonable as it is un-Biblical. "No man cometh to the Father but by me." "Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name, under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12). Sin may have inscribed its name on your heart with cruel stroke, its point may have bitten deeply, yet there is forgiveness in acceptance of Jesus Christ.

When John the Beloved by inspiration of the Holy Ghost, penned the sacred pages of Revelation, the Lord, in loving invitation made his position clear towards the lost sinner. How beautifully the Lord speaks the eternal theme of the Bible as it proclaims, from cover to cover, the love of God for fallen man. "And the Spirit and the bride say, come. And let him that heareth come. And let him that is athirst come. And WHO-SOEVER will, let him take the water of life freely" (Revelations 22:17).

Friend, Jesus loves you. The word WHOSOEVER was meant for you. You may come and lay your burden of sin at Jesus feet and be free. Won't you just now ask him to take away your sin, and save your soul, you can have peace with God right now. God can wash away in the blood of Jesus your sin and make you a new creature. — Why not now, why not come to Jesus now?

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THOUGHTS IN PASSING



"From Where I Sit"

These seven things I have tried: Laughing at difficulties, and found them disappearing.

Attempting heavy responsibilities, and found them growing lighter. Facing a bad situation, and found it clearing up.

Telling the truth, and found it the easiest way out.

Doing an honest day's work, and found it the most rewarding.

Believing men honest, and found them living up to expectation.

Trusting God each day, and found Him surprising me with His goodness.

—California Parent-Teacher Magazine

—D. Carl Yoder

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The Ways of God

By G. O. B. Killam
(Pangman, Sask)

WE ARE TOLD that each of us has a personality pattern, that after careful study reveals certain traits and peculiarities in us that are basically the same under similar circumstances. — Things that have happened our lives while children have left impressions on us that remain in the subconscious mind that cause us to act, speak and regard certain things the way we do.

The human being is one of the most difficult parts of God's creation to understand. Man has many ways and tendencies that make him unpredictable and even dangerous. You know your own heart and life better than anyone else, and though you may boast to others of your good qualities, you know right well that your own heart cannot be trusted. Certain tendencies and desires have conquered you many times and there doesn't seem to be a thing you can do about it.

Over against this let us consider the ways and characteristics of God. God has ways and judgments that are beyond our understanding, yet one thing that is certain, and has been proven from time to time, and that is, **GOD'S WAYS ARE ALWAYS BEST!** This can only be said of God. Nevertheless, one of the most criticized things about God is the way he deals with man. Man continually asks: "Why did God allow this, or do that?" However, only a fool after looking at history from the beginning of creation would not say that God's ways have been best. At least, man has not yet been able to produce anything to equal God's plan of life.

The Ways of God are revealed in The Creation — (Romans 1:18 - 20)

One man of God who had spent hours watching the stars and heavenly bodies said: "I have been thinking over again the earliest thoughts of God." One cannot but help see the ways of God
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clearly outlined in the creation. The work in design, purpose and accomplishment reveal the ways and the thoughts of God. In direct contrast to this, man's ways and thoughts are also revealed in his works, especially in his motives and objectives in life. The developments of recent years clearly testify that ways of man are sinful and corrupt. His works are deceitful, rebellious and evil. God, says: "there is none good, NO NOT ONE."

The Psalmist gives us a good outline of the ways and judgments of God — (Psalm 19). Creation is the silent witness of the ways of God and yet man through the ages to our present day with all its progress and knowledge fails to hear the voice of this ringing testimonial!

God's Ways are Beautiful (v.1)

In the scenes of nature, there is something that somehow draws the very heart and soul of man to make him long for a world of unmarred beauty. Sin has marred his creation and in everything that man touches there is an ugliness that he is continually trying to cover up. Artificial means to make beauty in the creation, in the body, in the home, etc., fade into a sickly paleness in view of the glories of God's handiwork in the heavens. God's ways are beautiful!!

God's Ways are Harmonious (v. 4)

"Their line is gone out through all the earth . . ." The thought here is of strings pulled to a certain tension on an instrument to produce harmony. The creation was not a last minute thought, but was made with design and predetermined order and harmony. The Bible is a book of harmony. God's ways alone can bring order and harmony in your life, and give you a purpose in living.

God's Ways are Perfect (v. 7)

To have harmony you must have no flaws or faults. What a contrast to man's ways, who is prone to make so many blunders. God never has to patch up His work, because it is **PERFECT!**

God's Ways are Sure (v. 7)

The seasons of the earth remind us of the surety of God. His word never fails. It has never failed at any time, but how often man's word fails because of his inability and corrupt nature. God's laws are sure, for **WHAT WE SOW WE WILL ALSO REAP!**

God's Ways bring Joy (v. 8)

His ways bring the thing that man needs for inner satisfaction, thus bringing complete happiness. Think of the limited joy of earth, that is ended or hindered by failure, sin, death or the diseases of sin. It was when David got out of the "way of God" that he lost his **JOY**, and cried unto the Lord, "restore unto me the **JOY OF THY SALVATION.**" There is **JOY** in serving Christ that is eternal!

God's Ways are Clean (v. 9)

God's ways are righteous and clean, this being seen in all His works. The ways of man are so many times dirty and filthy with his works. His life, conversation and actions reveal the vile ways of his mind. His ways are repugnant to God. Note the contrast God Himself draws in Isaiah 55:8, 9 — the difference of heaven and earth!

Clean are the acts of God and all His works reveal this. In the beginning of the Bible we see God cleansing the original creation that was defiled. Then, we see a holy union made between man and woman, but man's ways have defiled the beauty of that relationship. When man fell into sin, God's first concern was to judge him and cleanse him, so, blood was shed. In the judgment of the flood he took away the evil man. He judged the evil doer in Sodom and Gomorrah. His great eternal plan of redemption through the cross was to provide a cleansing for sinful man, to cleanse and make whole! Even His last dealings with Israel (Romans 1:26, 27) will be to "**TURN AWAY UN-GODLINESS FROM JACOB.**" Finally the creation of a New Heaven and a New Earth "**wherein dwelleth righteousness**" is the climax of God's great purpose (2 Peter 2:13). Yes, all His ways are **CLEAN**, and if you come to Christ he will cleanse you from your sin, but if you reject Him, He will separate you from His Holy presence for ever!

God's Ways are Enduring (v. 9)

The ways and thoughts of God have eternal values and purposes. What has man made that endures? His house deteriorates, his clothes wear out, his cars break down, and all that he puts his hand to is doomed to disintegrate. However, what God has provided is eternal, and what He has done is standing the test, not only of time but of eternity! His universe! His Redemption, His Love! His Grace, all these are eternal. To those who put their trust in Him are given eternal promise of a home of a "**better and enduring substance,**" also a body that will never grow old or decay (cf. Heb. 10:34; 2 Corinthians 5:1).

What about your Life? Have you been trying to run your own life? Are you trusting your own ability and judgment? Jer. 10:23 says: "**O Lord, I know that the way of man is not in himself: It is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.**" Why not? Because he only sees the present, but God looks at the past, present and future alike, and at the same time, therefore He is better able to lead us and guide us through life. In view of all this why not commit your life to Him to-day?

A person all wrapped up in himself is pretty poorly dressed.

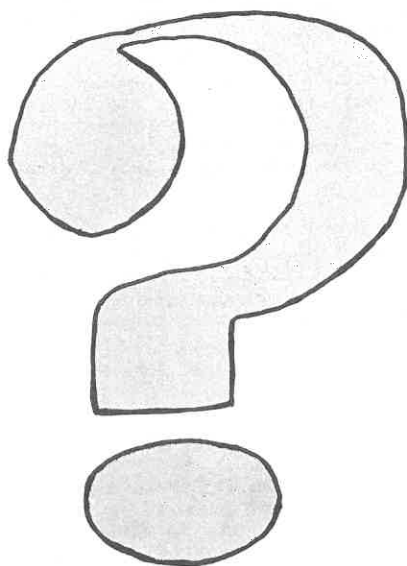
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There never was a man so empty as the man who is full of himself.

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It is a tragedy when a man has no invisible means of support.

HOW HUMBLE ARE YOU?



Humility, compassion and understanding have been characteristic of great men and women. Weigh your ego on these scales, and let's see what happens.

1. Is good clothing one of your main interests in life? ☐ Yes ☐ No
2. When telling a story do you exaggerate details? ☐ Yes ☐ No
3. If you feel you have been the victim of an injustice, do you plot revenge? ☐ Yes ☐ No
4. Is it difficult for you to ask others for advice? ☐ Yes ☐ No
5. Have your successes been due to your own hard work and ability? ☐ Yes ☐ No
6. Do you have only a few acquaintances with whom you have much in common?
☐ Yes ☐ No
7. Do you often look at yourself in the mirror? ☐ Yes ☐ No
8. Is it difficult for you to admit an error or to apologize? ☐ Yes ☐ No
9. Do you think older people have out-dated ideas? ☐ Yes ☐ No
10. Do you spend more than fifty per cent of the time talking about your own activities?
☐ Yes ☐ No
11. When things go wrong, is it usually because of someone else's mistake? ☐ Yes ☐ No
12. Do you have secret doubts about those of other races, creeds, or religions? ☐ Yes ☐ No

SCORING: Give yourself 2 points for each No.

0 to 6 points: You have an extended ego. We suggest you slowly deflate it before there is an explosion.

8 to 12 points: Vanity and self-pride are your problems. People may be friendly, but you are so busy looking at yourself that you cannot hear what they are saying behind your back.

14 to 18 points: "Pride goeth before a fall." In general, your attitude is good. A little care on your part will make you even more attractive to your friends and associates.

20 to 22 points: You are considerate of others and willing to accept responsibilities. Your concern about others and your fairness, born of humility, make you admired and loved.

24 points: A perfect score! (And we'll bet you say, "But that was such an easy quiz!")



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B.C. District Conference Report

HOST PASTOR E. O. Kurtz welcomed the delegates, including ministers and laymen, to the spring conference of the B.C. district of A.C.O.P. which convened at the Full Gospel Tabernacle, North Kamloops. Rev. R. E. S. Toms, assisted by L. Crick and E. G. Bradley, was in charge of the Communion service which was followed by a time of prayer and praise.

Presbyter R. L. Dean was chairman and E. G. Bradley acted as recording secretary during the business sessions of the three day conference. Speakers at the evening services were G. A. Batke, Moderator of A.C.O.P. and Pastor R.E.S. Toms. Mr. and Mrs. R. Kurtz from Melfort, Sask were present when their son, Pastor E. O. Kurtz, a graduate of the Prairie Apostolic Bible Institute, was ordained to the ministry.

Many of the twenty-three items of business dealt with were an outgrowth of the previous district conference hosted last fall by Pastor and Mrs. R. L. Dean at North Surrey.

One of the highlights of the conference sessions was the progress noted among the "new works" of the District. A report was given concerning Kelowna where a "new work" including a building program was started just less than a year ago. Progress was also noted at North Kamloops where G. A. Batke, R. L. Dean and E. O. Kurtz presided over an impressive sod-breaking ceremony. At the time of this writing the assembly there is busily engaged in the construction of a church edifice.

Property, on which a church building will be erected, was purchased in Pen-ticton by the District. Evangelist and Mrs. Curtis Mitchell have accepted the

Pastoral duties of this field from former Pastor and Mrs. R. F. Howard.

It was reported also that Pastor and Mrs. E. Delviken and the assembly at Parson are planning a building project.

Other of the more important items included the decision to make repayment to A.C.O.P. of a \$440. loan concerning the Nanaimo church building and the election of Mrs. Hazel Batke as provincial President of A.L.M.F. Group Life Insurance, an agreement for churches wishing to affiliate with A.C.O.P., items to be dealt with at General Conference, and the possibility of starting a new work at Kinnaird also received special attention from the conference delegates. Camps, A.Y.M. and other things too numerous to mention also had a place on the agenda.

Those attending the Conference were billeted in the homes of members of the assembly who also supplied them with very sumptuous meals.

The delegates returned to their homes with sincere gratitude in their hearts for the sense of oneness and the spirit of the Lord that prevailed during the entire time of meeting together. Looking back over the past months we were once more made aware of the fact that the Lord is working among us and has already done great things for us where-of we are glad.

— E. G. Bradley.

Ontario District Conference

THE FULL GOSPEL Lighthouse in the heart of the highlands of Haliburton was the location of the Ontario District Spring Conference held on May 21. Ministers from various parts of

the Province gathered in an atmosphere of co-operation and enthusiastic anticipation, it was very evident that several felt this was God's time to move forward in this challenging field—Canada's largest and most heavily populated Province.

Host Pastor Bro. Noel McNeil opened the conference by welcoming the delegates which included Rev. G. A. Batke, Moderator, Rev. C. R. Ball, Toronto, Rev. F. G. Brecht, Cobocnk, Rev. A. G. McPhail, Lindsay, Rev. L. E. Mason, Trenton, Bro. H. H. Sedstrem, Toronto, and Bro. L. Batke, Vancouver.

Rev. C. R. Ball, District Presbyter, while conveying the regrets of Bro. Andy Stan at not being able to attend brought word of how God had undertaken in an unusual way to provide the means to purchase a building for the new work in Kitchener of which Bro. Stan is Pastor. At the suggestion of Rev. Batke the conference held a time of praise to God for His marvelous grace and providence in meeting this need.

This conference made much progress toward the anticipated advancement of the work of the Lord in Ontario. Important decisions were made in the area of District organization - following lengthy debate on this matter an offering was taken to establish an account for providing financial assistance toward various projects as the work progresses. A committee of two consisting of Pastor Noel McNeil and Harry Sedstrem were appointed to investigate and draw up a suggested District Constitution to be presented at the next District Conference.

Bro. Lionel Batke of Vancouver supplied the delegates with much vital information toward the establishment of local A.Y.M. groups. The possible setting up of a District A.Y.M. Executive while given strong consideration, was shelved pending an investigation into this area of activity by the newly appointed District Director.

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Quotables

Compiled by John E. Southard

When God puts a burden upon you He puts His own arm underneath you.

It is better to look ahead and prepare than to look back and regret.

The devil is willing for a person to confess Christianity as long as he doesn't practice it.

God sees tomorrow more clearly than we see yesterday.

The man who removes a mountain begins by carrying away small stones.

If your life had no clouds it would lack rainbows.

The situation regarding the future of Pinecrest Gospel Camp grounds at Coboconk was studied by the conference and a decision reached to form a camp committee early in 1964 to investigate the possibility of re-locating the buildings toward the centre of the property and re-establishing an annual District camp.

Time did not permit discussion of an extension program, it was however, suggested by Rev. Ball that this matter be given prayerful consideration.

The conference concluded with the election of officers. Rev. F. G. Brecht was nominated for District Presbyterian, subject to ratification at General Conference. Harry Sedstrem was elected Secretary Treasurer and Pastor Noel McNeil appointed District A.Y.M. Director. Rev. C. R. Ball was nominated as a possible future representative on the Missionary Council.

Those attending the conference greatly appreciated the presence and sound council of our Moderator Rev. G. A. Batke who along with his son Lionel, was completing a six weeks series of campaigns in the churches throughout the Province. Our souls have been refreshed and our hearts challenged anew by his energetic labours and dedication in presenting the claims of the work of God upon our souls. The eastern assemblies have benefited greatly by his visit.

The delegates left for home rejoicing that this had been one of the best Ontario District conferences in recent years. Our prayer is that the spirit of progress anticipation and enthusiasm—so evident at the conference, will spread throughout the congregations of our eastern assemblies. God is moving, praise His Name!

— Harry H. Sedstrem.

When one lives above his income there is not much doubt about the outcome.

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People often do odd things just to get even.

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Right may lose a battle but it win the war.

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Step on your stumbling blocks instead of falling over them.

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The trouble with little sins is that they do not stay little.

Ladies' Missionary Fellowship Dominion Conference Report

THE THIRD ANNUAL meeting of the Apostolic Ladies' Missionary Fellowship in Canada convened in the Regina Apostolic Church on Tuesday, June 4, in conjunction with the annual conference of the A.C.O.P. More than 100 women were present.

Sister Evelyn Spicer, Dominion President, welcomed the delegates, then Sister F. White, Regina, led in prayer. Sister A. Sheppard sang "Little is Much when God Is in It," accompanied by Sister M. MacKenzie of Grenfell.

Sister Eva Hudgin was recording secretary.

As a basis for decisions to be made in the business session, Sis. Spicer read several instances in the Bible where things were done in an orderly manner: 1 Kings 4; Numbers 4; and Acts 6.

The meeting heartily endorsed the proposal to have someone allot the needs of homecoming and outgoing missionaries. It was moved by Sister Batke, seconded by Sis. F. White, Regina, that one be in charge who would contact the district presidents, and that they in turn would contact the groups; the groups would then send direct to the missionaries. Carried. Sister Elsie White, Calgary, was chosen unanimously for this responsibility, and is to select a committee to assist her.

The delegates chose to have layettes sent to district cupboards, with Sister White empowered to request district presidents to send these to home and foreign missionaries as needed. standard layette was also agreed upon.

It was decided that a second session should be held each year.

On Wednesday afternoon the meeting re-convened, with Sis. E. White leading in prayer, and Sister I. Gillett reading the Scripture.

Sister Matson, Taiwan, told of their work there, before singing, "I Saw One Hanging on a Tree."

Sis. Spicer then read the new list of districts, as approved at the current Conference, to assist those groups which have not yet formed a district fellowship.

The present adoption of foreign and home missionarise was reviewed, and those receiving fewer parcels noted. It was agreed that all home workers should receive parcels regularly during the year.

A proposal from a missionary pastor was read and discussed. This suggested that all A.C.O.P missionaries, regardless of how they are supported, be designated to groups on a yearly basis by an ex-

ecutive comprising the Dominion president and vice-president and the nine district presidents. It was stated that each group would become better acquainted with every missionary, leading to increased missionary vision and greater fellowship, as well as to better feeling among the missionaries.

Sis. F. White reported on the plan adopted by the Regina group for providing parcels for home missionaries, and she proposed that gifts be sent with returning missionaries for other workers on that field.

The needs and urgency of the foreign field, by Sister Eldon Johnson, and of home missions by Sis. Batke, were vividly portrayed. Every woman present responded in a compassionate purpose to help reach the lost, while the Holy Spirit melted hearts together in a fresh bond of love and unity.

Sister G. S. McLean, Eston, led in closing prayer.

The gracious hospitality of Bro. and Sis. Sheppard and the members of the Regina Apostolic Church was deeply appreciated by all the delegates of the A.L.M.F.

— E. Spicer.

Special Meetings In Haliburton

The Haliburton Full Gospel Light-house enjoyed one week of meetings with Rev. G. A. Batke and Lionel Batke during the month of May. From May 13 through to the 20th the Brothers Batke ministered in song and word in increasing crowds until finally on the Sunday evening about 100 filled the new church.

Brother Batke had come to us from successful meetings in Coboconk, Lindsay, Kitchener and Toronto. Each evening his messages from the Word of God and his example in worship were a means of inspiration to both Pastor and people. During the week a series of "B and C" club meetings were held during which the boys and girls sat under the story-telling ministry of Lionel.

The meetings were followed by a day-long District Conference held in Haliburton. We hope that Brother Batke can soon visit us again.

— Church Pews Wanted —

The church at Lynn Lake, Manitoba would like to buy used pews, chairs or good benches. Those having any information regarding this should write to: Mr. Max Daschuk, Lynn Lake, Manitoba.

42nd ANNUAL CONFERENCE

A NEW RECORD in registered-delegate attendance . . . outstanding evening services . . . well organized kitchen and dining hall activity . . . gracious Christian hospitality. These facts help describe the 42nd Annual Conference of the Apostolic Church of Pentecost of Canada, Inc., held in the Regina Apostolic Church June 4-8.

Host Pastor and Mrs. A. E. Sheppard, along with the Regina congregation, prayed, planned and prepared to make possible this outstanding Conference.

Mayor Baker, who was unable to attend the first day of Conference, welcomed the delegates to the city of Regina when he addressed the assembly at 2:00 P.M. Wednesday afternoon. He commended the local Apostolic Church for its work on behalf of the Young People; he concluded his remarks by presenting a 'Jubilee Hat' to Moderator G. A. Batke, reminding the delegates that this year the City of Regina celebrates her Diamond Jubilee.

The conference had opened Tuesday morning with a time of devotion and communion at the Lord's table. Rev. G. S. McLean, of Eston, was in charge of the opening fellowship gathering.

Moderator Rev. G. A. Batke, of Vancouver, B.C. was in the chair to conduct the affairs of the conference, Clerk Rev. F. Assman, Saskatoon, and recording Secretary Sister Ella Olsen, Saskatoon, were in their places throughout the business sessions.

The reading of the financial reports revealed that the missionary giving had increased substantially during the last fiscal year.

The Moderator appointed Rev. S. L.

Crick of Nanaimo, B.C., Rev. D. W. Brewer, Dapp, Alberta, and Rev. L. Fairhurst of Saskatoon, to serve as the conference committee.

During the afternoons of Tuesday and Wednesday, the delegates to the Apostolic Ladies' Missionary Fellowship met for their Annual meeting.

Moderator G. A. Batke, having been chosen to speak at the first public meeting on Tuesday night, spoke to the assembly on the subject of the "Unifying work of Christ."

Music for the evening services was supplied by the seventeen voice choir of the Full Gospel Bible Institute, under the direction of Rev. A. D. Marshall of Eston, Sask.

A very heavy schedule of business was presented and debated during the sessions on Wednesday.

The Annual Conference Missionary Service was held on Wednesday evening. The church was filled to capacity for the meeting.

Pastor Sheppard introduced Rev. Frank Kosick, A.C.O.P. missionary Council chairman, who was to conduct the service.

Missionary speakers included Rev. E. Johnson, West Africa, Rev. A. Hildebrandt, West Africa, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Matson, Tiawan, Rev. D. I. Gillett, from Cuba, now making plans to go to Mexico, because he cannot return to Cuba. Rev. L. Simcoe spoke on behalf of home missions, he is a home missionary working on Vancouver Island, and Rev. Jock Wallace representing Japan, was the concluding speaker.

Rev. Hildebrandt's statement, "doors

may be closed but they are not locked" — seemed to express the general feeling expressed by all the missionaries. Emphasis was placed on the urgent need of the hour in which we live.

Thursday was a day of much business. Reports, proposals, by-law changes were presented and debated in the usual conference fashion.

Highlight of the Thursday night service was the ordination of two men, Pastor James Nesbitt, of Punnichy, Sask. and Pastor Donald Metz, of Kerrobert Sask., to the ministry. Rev. Batke conducted the ordination service. After speaking briefly on the work of the ministry, then reading the charge of the ministry, he asked the candidates to kneel for the ordination prayer.

The last message of the conference was brought to the delegates by Pastor E. L. McRae. The meeting closed on a high note of praise.

Friday morning's business included the election of officers. Presbyters elected included Rev. E. L. McRae of Calgary, Rev. A. E. Sheppard of Regina, Rev. Brecht, Cobocok, Ontario, and Rev. Verne Wilson of Winnipeg, Man. Rev. Wilson replaced Rev. Cliff Mitchell of Glenella, Manitoba, who had resigned from his position.

Missionary council members re-elected to the council included Rev. R. A. Larden Swift Current, Sask., Rev. J. D. Francis, Edmonton, Alberta, and Mr. Val Schlamp of Grenfell, Sask.

Rev. A. E. Sheppard of Regina, Sask., and Rev. Jock Wallace, Japan, retired from the council. New members elected were Rev. L. Fairhurst of Saskatoon, Sask., and Rev. E. Bradley of Kelowna, B.C.

Rev. G. A. Batke of Vancouver, and Rev. F. Assman of Saskatoon were the two presbyters elected by the conference to serve on the Bible School Board for the coming year.

The Credentials Committee members elected to serve with the Clerk were presbyters, Rev. E. L. McRae and Rev. Verne Wilson.

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Conference Host : (left) Pastor and Mrs. A. E. Sheppard of the Regina Apostolic Church. (Centre) Mayor Baker of Regina welcomes delegates to the city. New

Ministers: (right) Ordained to the ministry during the conference was Don Metz (left) minister in Kerrobert, Sask., and James Nesbitt, pastor of the church in Punnichy, Sask.

A.Y.M. Spring Rally Reports

NORTH SURREY, B.C.

THE A.Y.M. WEST COAST District Rally was held in the People's Full Gospel Church at North Surrey on Good Friday and in Vancouver Zion Apostolic Church the following day. The rally began on Friday afternoon with a gigantic singspiration. This was greatly enjoyed by all.

In the evening service, young and old alike were blessed with both the special numbers from featured soloists and also from the Melodettes, a girls quartet from Kamloops. Bro. Ed Byscal of Victoria was the speaker of the evening. His challenging words to the capacity crowd uplifted and blessed young and old alike. At the close of the service, the altars were filled with young people seeking the face of our blessed Master.

On Saturday morning, the rally moved to Zion Apostolic Church in Vancouver. During the morning service, Bro. Bob Wright from Vancouver and Bro. Brian White from Victoria brought short devotional messages. This service was more prayerful and the spirit of God could be felt in a different way.

In the closing afternoon service, Bro. Curtis Mitchell brought a message challenging young people not to go home and lose the blessing of the rally, but rather to go home strengthened from the rally.

Another item of interest at the rally, was the three exhibition quizzes. Teams competing were from Nanaimo, Victoria, North Surrey and Langley. North Surrey was the champion of the day.

A note of thanks goes to all who worked to make these days of challenge and blessing possible. To God be the glory, Great things He hath done.
— Reported by Dist. Sec. Allan Kurtz.

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The Pas, Man.

MORE THAN 150 people attended the closing meeting of a day - long rally held on good Friday in The Pas, Manitoba. Grace Apostolic Church was the scene. The speaker was Pastor F. J. Kosick of Zion Church in Winnipeg. He challenged the crowd of mostly young people from N. E. Sask. and northern Manitoba to make definite commitments to Christ. At the close of the meeting, nearly the whole assembly moved to the altar upon Bro. Kosick's challenge. The Holy Spirit searched every heart.

To some, it was the beginning of a
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new life as they received Christ. To others it was a silver capstone (as they were made to remember their own redemption) to a glorious day of blessing.

In the morning, Pastor Taylor of the Pentecostal Church at Flin Flon challenged all to live a constant, day-by-day type of Christianity

(PASTOR TAYLOR AND A NUMBER OF FLIN FLON YOUNG PEOPLE TOOK IN THE RALLY BY SPECIAL INVITATION . . THEY ENJOYED IT AND WERE A BLESSING)

District Director Greg (Shorty) Walton was also introduced in the pre-noon fellowship meeting. He led the singing and a time of testimonies.

Around 250 meals were served through the day by the Grace Apostolic Church ladies. Guests were from The Pas, Manitoba, Melfort, Flin Flon, Hudson Bay, Mistatim, and Prairie River. Twenty-five people were present from Hudson Bay—top attendance of all visiting towns for this rally.

The afternoon meeting was highlighted in part by a district quiz competition which saw The Pas win out over the delegation from Melfort. Some put their faith in Jesus for salvation in this same service. Numbers indicated a hunger to be filled with the Holy Spirit and were encouraged by Bro. Kosick to continue seeking, as they would see a revival soon.

A spot youth choir opened the evening service with "He Lives." Christ is magnified. Lives were moved Godward.

Billeting was provided in homes for nights preceeding and following the rally day. Questions for the championship quiz were submitted by Rev. Alan Mortensen of Kipling, Sask.

— Reported by Gary Penner.

In the old days when youth started to sow wild oats father started the thrashing machine.

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The mystery of evil must not blind us to the mastery of evil.

Names in the News

Rev. Lorne O. Pritchard spoke at a Young People's meeting in the Saskatoon Apostolic church on May 10th. Rev. L. Fairhurst is the pastor.

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Rev. S. Hildebrandt of Brooks, Alberta spoke at the Sunday morning service in the Saskatoon Apostolic church on May 19th.

WEDDING BELLS

Rev. Ron Hooper and Barbara Clements were married June 8th in the Regina Apostolic church.

RECENT ARRIVALS

Pastor and Mrs. Mel Hanson of Ardmore, Alberta, are the proud parents of twin boys born May 15th.

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Born to Rev. and Mrs. Clifton Mitchell Glenella, Man, a son, Timothy James, on May 25th.

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ANNUAL NORTHERN ALBERTA DISTRICT MEETING

THE NORTHERN ALBERTA District (A.L.M.F.) held its annual meeting in the Dapp Apostolic Church on April 16, attended by representatives of five assemblies.

The district supervisor, Sister Evelyn Nelson, conducted the meeting with Sister Betty Seatter recording.

Sister Edith Brewer reported for the Dapp Ladies' Missionary Group, and Sister Bernice Francis represented Edmonton. Sister Sylvia Quist, High Level, expressed her appreciation for the parcels received. Sis. Nelson spoke for the Athabasca group. Sister Alice Liknes gave a brief report of the Manning group, while Sister Claire told of the Children's Home there, and articles they could use. However, the greatest need at present is for a capable couple to run the home, as Sister Claire's health is very poor.

The meeting went on record as favoring the Central Cupboard: the District Supervisor to be notified of needs, and she in turn to ask each group in her district for specific items.

It was decided to hold the annual meetings in conjunction with the

Northern Alberta ministers' conference.

Sister Francis was elected substitute supervisor, in case the office of supervisor becomes vacant before the end of the term.

New District Fellowship

DELEGATES of ladies' missionary groups in Regina, Punnichy, Grenfell, Oakshela, Kipling, Lemberg, Stoughton and Yorkton met in the Fort Qu'Appelle Apostolic Church on April 25 to organize a district fellowship.

The women first attended the worship and communion service with which the district pastors began their conference.

Sister Evelyn Spicer was chosen to conduct the business sessions, with Sister Flo Arneson recording. Sister M. MacKenzie led in opening prayer. The value of a district fellowship was discussed.

The afternoon session began with prayer by Sister Sheppard, and a short devotional talk by Sis. Spicer. There was a solo by Sister Weekend, and a duet by Sisters Sheppard and MacKenzie.

Officers elected for the S.E. Sask. District A.L.M.F. for one year were:

President: Sis. Gwen Groves, Grenfell.

Vice-president: Sis. Hunt, Regina

Secretary-treasurer: Sis. L. Mortensen, Kipling.

It was decided to hold district meetings twice a year coinciding with the district pastors' conference. The October gathering is to be at Lemberg.

Authority was voted the District President to learn needs, and to request the district groups to supply the specific articles needed, if possible.

The following projects were decided upon:

1. To assist in supplying the needs of Bro. and Sis. I. Gillett, as a foreign missionary project.
2. To help supply items for the Indian Bible School as a home missions project.
3. To supply some of the needs of the camps in the district.

The meeting passed a resolution, which was presented to the district pastors in session:

"That the District Presbyter visit, in person, if possible, home workers in the small places in the district and determine their financial status, general living conditions — and needs, and report his findings to our District President, who in turn will notify the district groups

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• The Worths, our missionaries in Europe, request our prayers.

• Sister Steeves and Ashley, India, request prayer for young men recently saved, and others, who are afraid to confess Christ and be baptized, because persecution would certainly follow.

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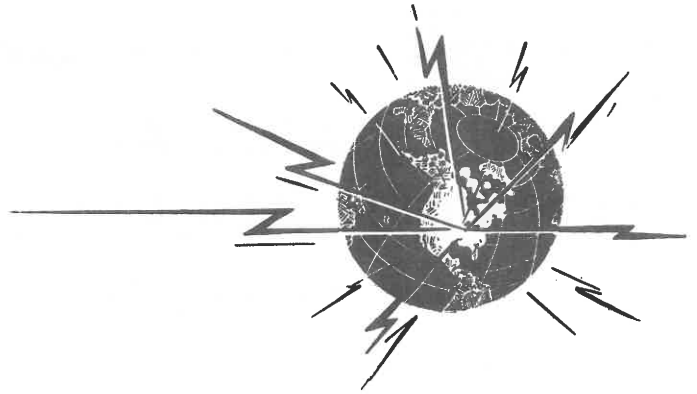
• The Powers, W. Africa, praise the Lord for answers to prayer: for the young men interpreting and teaching S.S.; for the growth of the children's classes and the S.S., with some saved; and for continued good health. Prayer is requested for these young men, and for Abel, in his final year at Bible School. Pray for a continued moving of the Spirit upon the many young people hearing the Gospel, convicting of sin and baptizing with the Holy Ghost. Pray for a Moslem who says he believes, but is afraid to make his stand. Pray for plans to venture into a neighboring tribe when Johnsons return.

• Sister Neilsen, India, reports that Bro. George and son, Abraham, for whom many were praying, is now well. Praise God! She requests:

"1. Continued prayer for the Youth Con-

ferences, which have shown steady growth and interest; pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, too.

2. Pray with us to have Bible School students, led to the Lord;
3. Please pray for two of our workers who lost small children very suddenly, that God will comfort them in their loss, and help them to realize that even in all these things "He doeth all things well."
4. Please pray for the new district, and for a young Hindu man saved there recently, to fully follow the Lord, including baptism.
5. Continue to pray that each one of the churches may be built up in the Lord; we do want to see a much greater move.
So often we are conscious that someone is praying. God bless you."



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Bible is Studied Behind Cuban Bars

Miami, Fla. (MNS)—A Cuban soldier captured following the Bay of Pigs battle won fifty of his fellow-prisoners to Christ, it was reported here. The soldier-evangelist is Juan Cabrera, who had been a Free Will Baptist lay preacher in pre-Castro Cuba and was a rifle-carrying member of Cuban Brigade 3506 at the time of his capture.

Juan started a Bible class in his four-by-six-foot cell at El Principe Prison in Havana. There were four members at the beginning. Attendance grew. It was observed that even the Communist guard listened attentively. Out of the group of 214 men imprisoned with Juan, some 50 accepted Christ as their Saviour.

Now the prisoners are free men. The Christians remain together, most of them attending the Free Will Baptist Spanish mission here.

U.S. Priests In Latin America On The Increase

Washington, D.C. (MNS) — The number of U.S. priests and other Roman Catholic religious serving in Latin America rose from 2,530 in August, 1961 to 3,205 in January, 1963 — an increase of nearly 700 in a year and a half. Of the total number 1,595 are priests.

Russian Magazine Attacks Gospel Broadcasts

Monte Carlo (MNS)—An article entitled "Evangelists From the Gambling House" taken from a prominent Russian magazine, *Krokodil*, was mailed to Trans World Radio here by a listener in Finland.

"From this article," wrote the Finnish listener, "you can see that they are listening to your broadcast and are very ironic in their criticism. As we sit by the radio listening to your program, we pray together with you for the salvation and spiritual awakening of the listeners."

Among the comments in the scathing satire was this: "It is explained with authority that eternity could be spent in two ways: (1) in fellowship with the cherubims and seraphims, (2) in hellish tar kettles of extreme heat. — Father Paul recommend the first choice and promises to help the willing ones concerning a pass into paradise."

The Russian article further chides the broadcasters, admonishing them to go to Monte Carlo's gambling houses and play roulette instead of wasting their time broadcasting to Russia.

Broadcasters here have interpreted the article to indicate that many people in Russia are listening to the broadcasts, leading the writer to attempt to undermine their influence by vicious ridicule.

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Baptists Report Nearly 18,000 Decisions In Japan

Tokyo (MNS)—A total of 17,907 decisions was reported in crusades held as a part of the Japan Baptist new life movement at the close of the fourth phase of the campaign. With one week remaining of the crusades, the number of decisions had already passed the total number of Baptists in Japan at the beginning of the crusades.

Moscow Radio Attacks Missionaries

Moscow (MNS)—The transfer of West Irian to the control of Indonesia has been greeted by Radio Moscow with an attack on the work of American missionaries. In an Indonesian language broadcast Radio Moscow called the missionaries "a real fifth column working for the colonialists."

Indian Census Shows Over Ten Million Christians

New Delhi, India (MNS)—India's "Christian" population (including Roman Catholic and Protestant) increased slightly in the 1951-61 decade, according to census figures released here.

The nearly ten and one-half million "Christians" constitute approximately 2.4% of the over-all population, yet it is shown in the census as the third largest religion of the country. Hindus number 366,161,693 and Muslims . . . 46,911,731.

Bible At Top Of List of Most Translated Books

Paris, France (MNS)—The Bible is still the most translated book in the world, according to the latest *Index of Translations* here by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organizations (UNESCO). The *Index* shows that for 1961 the Bible led with 246 translations. Second highest in number of translations is the life of the late Nicolai Lenin of Russia, with 185 translations.

(According to the American Bible Society, by the end of 1962 some portion of the Bible had been translated into more than 1,200 languages and dialects).

Spanish Correspondence Course Enrolls 60,000

Chicago, Ill. (MNS)—Year-end reports from the Evangelical Alliance Mission, sponsor of the Light of Life correspondence school, show that over 60,000 new students in Spain and Spanish America received lessons from the Gospel of John during 1962. The most significant growth was in Mexico where 25 agents distributed 14,329 courses. Next was Venezuela with 4,786 new students.

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Buddhists Demonstrate In Viet Nam

Hue, South Viet Nam (MNS)—Buddhists here staged protest demonstrations against discrimination they suffer at the hands of the Roman Catholic government. Eight persons were killed in the violence which broke out during the demonstrations.

Subsequently, an eight-man delegation of Buddhist priests and laymen called on President Ngo Dinh Diem in Saigon with demands that the Buddhists be given the same legal standing as Roman Catholics. No immediate solution was found for the dispute. (The President is a brother of the Roman Catholic Archbishop Ngo-Dien-Thuc of Hue).

Protestant missionaries in Viet Nam are known to be irked by discrimination against Protestant believers but are reluctant to speak out against it because of the overall delicate situation in the country.

Evangelistic Crusades In Spain

Madrid, Spain (MNS)—Fernando Vangioni, one of Latin America's leading evangelists and president of CLASE (Latin American Committee on Evangelism), began a preaching tour May 1 in the Galicia region of northwest Spain. He will also conduct meetings for six days in Madrid and ten days in Barcelona.

Because there is a legal ban on the use of public buildings and advertising by Protestants, knowledge of the meetings must be spread by word of mouth. Both Madrid and Barcelona have evangelical churches seating 1,200 to 1,500.

Italian Elections Show New Communist Strength

Rome, Italy (MNS)—"New alarm has just exploded out of the Italian elections," says U.S. News and World Report (May 13, 1963). "Nearly eight million Italians voted Communist, out of 30.7 million voters. That's a Red gain of more than 1 million voters. Such gains were completely unexpected."

Among the reasons set forth by the Report: "Pope John XXIII granted an audience to Khrushchev's son-in-law just a month before the elections. Many Roman Catholics got the impression it was no longer sinful to vote Communist. Many women whose husbands regularly voted Communist felt free to switch to Communist candidates. The Communists lost no time selling the idea that the Vatican had taken Reds off the blacklist."

Asians Stirred By Martyrdom of Missionaries In Viet Nam

Tokyo (MNS)—Moved by the story of the death of two Wycliffe Bible translators (one American and one Filipino) at the hands of Communist guerrillas in Viet Nam, missionaries and Japanese pastors here started a fund in memory of the martyrs. It was decided that half the money would go to the widows of the translators and half to the work of Japanese missionaries in Laos. (Three Japanese missionaries were captured in February by Communist Pathet Lao, and fears are rising for their well-being).

The martyrs fund appeal attracted notice in all five of the English daily newspapers here. The American Embassy and the Bank of Japan co-operated in the difficult reconversion of yen into dollars. Some of the gifts showed the wide appeal of the drive—a Tokyo university student sent eleven yen (four cents)—a Roman Catholic soldier in Viet Nam sent five dollars.

Evangelical Free Church Of Japan To Send Missionary

Minneapolis, Minn. (MNS)—The Evangelical Free Church of Japan has appointed Miss Sumie Yokouchi San as its first foreign missionary. Miss San expects to go to Singapore this fall to serve as a missionary fully supported by Japanese churches.

Continent-Wide Ecumenical Organization To Be Formed In Africa

New York City (MNS)—Some 350 Christian leaders from 42 African countries will gather at Kampala, Uganda, April 20-30 for the constituting assembly of the All Africa Conference of Churches, according to a report from the World Council of Churches office here.

The main action of the meeting will be the adoption of a constitution which will make the provisional body a permanent one. The provisional body, operating since 1958 from offices at Kitwe, Northern Rhodesia, has been known as the All Africa Church Conference.

While the specific nature of the relationship between this continent-wide organization and the World Council of Churches has not yet been revealed, there is no doubt in the minds of most observers that it will be considered an instrument of the ecumenical movement, as has been the case with the East Asia Christian Conference, a similar regional group founded in 1959.

Further evidence of the intimate alignment with the WCC is to be found in the fact that membership will be by acceptance of the same "Basis" which is used by that organization.

At the All Africa Christian Youth Assembly held at Nairobi, Kenya last January under the sponsorship of the All Africa Church Conference, participants in the program included two fraternal delegates from Russia representing the Christian Peace Conference and the World Council of Churches Youth Department.

Graham Crusades Reach Thousands In Asia

Taipei, Taiwan (MNS)—Despite the absence of Dr. Billy Graham, a series of evangelistic crusades in major centers of Asia attracted record-breaking attendance and recorded thousands of personal decisions for Christ.

Here in Taipei meetings led by Dr. Joe Blinco resulted in 890 decisions. Similar successes were reported in other major centers of this island, with the Rev. T. W. Wilson ministering in Kaohsiung, the Rev. Grady Wilson in Taichung, and the Rev. Leighton Ford in Tainan.

Simultaneously, in Hong Kong, Dr. Roy Gustafson substituted for Dr. Graham, recuperating in a Hawaii hospital, and church officials in the British Crown Colony were highly pleased with the results. Aggregate attendance for a three-day series exceeded 48,000, and the nearly 3,000 who responded are being followed up by the churches.

In Manila around 700 out of an estimated 18,000 who attended the closing rally responded to the invitation given by Grady Wilson. At this meeting Dr. Graham spoke by telephone through a special P.A. hook-up. He expressed appreciation for all those who redoubled their efforts for the crusade after the announcement that he could not come. He further stated that he looks forward to personally visiting the Philippines in the future.

Many Spanish Problems Still Unsolved

Chicago, Ill. (MNS)—"A number of unanswered questions remain," says The Christian Century in a review of the current religious situation in Spain. The April 3, 1963 edition of the ecumenical weekly poses a number of questions. "(1) Assuming that the proposed legislation becomes the law of the land, will it permit Evangelical congregations to own buildings having exterior ecclesiastical design? At present they are forbidden to place on the exteriors of their buildings any kind of marking that would identify them as churches. (2) Will all the churches now closed be reopened? . . . (3) Will Evangelical youths performing compulsory military service continue to be subjected to discrimination and persecution? (4) Will permits for new churches be forthcoming? (5) Will Protestants be allowed to have their own cemeteries and hospitals? (6) Will young Evangelicals be able to marry legally without having to obtain approval from the state church? (7) Will Roman Catholics be permitted to attend Protestant church services if they wish to?"



By F. Assman
(Missionary-secretary of the A.C.O.P.)

WHERE IS YOUR FAITH?

JESUS AND His disciples were in a ship crossing a lake when there came a violent storm. Their boat was filling up with water and they were in jeopardy. Jesus had fallen asleep during the journey, so the disciples came to him saying: — **"Master, Master, we perish."** Then he arose and rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm. Jesus then said to the disciples, **"Where is your faith?"**

In Luke, chapter 12, Jesus spoke a parable unto the multitude. He told of a rich man whose ground brought forth plentifully. His barns were already filled and with a new harvest coming he wondered what he would do with it all. An idea came to him of pulling down his old barns and building new and larger ones in which to bestow all his goods. He was then going to take pride in this resolution, **"And I will say to my soul, Soul thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, and be merry."** But God said unto him, **Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee, then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided. So is he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life."**

He then went on to explain how the birds of the air are provided for and how the lilies of the field are arrayed in glory though they toil not nor spin. Apparently the disciples were greatly concerned about providing for the future rather than caring for the immediate need of the souls of men around them. It was then that Jesus exclaimed "O ye of little faith. And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind. For all these things do the nations of the world seek after. And your father knoweth that ye have need

of these things. But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you."

Faith is a practical part of the life of every child of God. **"But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he that cometh to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him"** (Hebrews 14:6).

We are told that by faith Noah built the ark to the saving of his house. By faith Abel offered up unto God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain. By faith the walls of Jericho fell down. By faith Daniel was delivered from the lion's den. By faith Israel went through the Red Sea on dry ground. The Bible is full of records that tell what miracles have been wrought through men with faith.

The God who worked among men of long ago His wonders to perform, is that same God who lives to-day. The hymn writer says: "What He has done for others He will do for you."

What Jesus said to the disciples in Luke 12 when their ship was about to sink, "Where is your faith?" can well be said to many of us to-day. Faith is the victory that overcomes the world.

Wherever success is achieved in the kingdom of God it has been as a result of faith. There is absolutely no use in sending forth missionaries with the gospel if we cannot believe that God will give them souls for their labours. There is no use in sending out missionaries if we cannot have faith for God to provide their every need.

To the missionary there are times no doubt when he feels himself completely shut up unto faith. That is to say there is no other way than to fully and completely rely on the Lord in faith to meet the need for the work of God.

If it is a pleasure to God when we exercise faith, according to Hebrews

11:6 then it must be a displeasure to Him when we fail to do so. Galatians 5:22 tells us that faith is a fruit of the Spirit. To have faith one must exercise it. To say we have no faith is not right, for Romans 12:3 says: **"God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith."**

Two blind men followed after Jesus crying, **"Thou son of David, have mercy on us."** Jesus said, **"Believe ye that I am able to do this?"** They said unto Him, **"Yea, Lord."** Then touched He their eyes, saying: **"According to your faith be it unto you."** And their eyes were opened. If it was according to their faith that their eyes were opened then faith must be the principle that opens the door to every other thing that is impossible with man but possible with God. Praise the Lord.

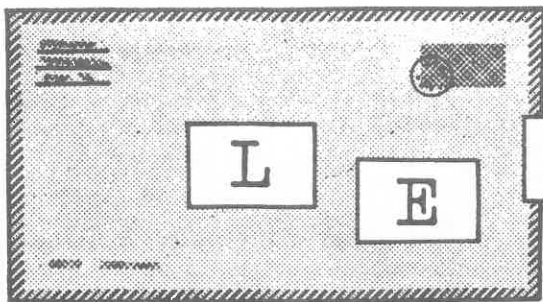
If we are to expand in our missionary objectives then we must implore faith. Faith has its boundaries only in God in whom there is no limitation. There need be no lack to the work of God if we will but believe His promises.

Mission fields lack workers. — **"Where is your faith?"** Mission fields lack finance for various projects. **"Where is your faith?"** Believers lack the infilling of the Holy Ghost so as to become mighty witnesses. **"Where is your faith?"** There are multiplied items in which the Lord will quickly respond in meeting the need no matter whatever it is, but, **"Where is your faith?"**

Unbelief is the opposite of faith. Unbelief says: **"It can't be done."** Faith says: **"It can be done."**

In Matthew 17 we read of a certain man who came kneeling at the feet of Jesus saying: **"Lord have mercy on my son: for he a lunatic. And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him."** And Jesus rebuked the devil; and he departed out of him: and the child was cured from that very hour. Then came the disciples to Jesus apart, and said, **"Why could not we cast him out?"** And Jesus said unto them, **"Because of your unbelief."** Unbelief leaves things as they are; faith breaks through all the difficult barriers. Jesus said: **"If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place; and it shall remove and nothing shall be impossible unto you"** (Matthew 17:20). Where is your faith?

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from the field

The First Harare Convention

By Mrs. C. S. Currie

THE LAST FINISHING touches had been completed for the great event. The evening traffic whisked by in front of the church. I was busily posting an extra sign on the gate, when an overloaded truck pulled to a stop. The first group had arrived. Amidst greetings, double handclasps, and laughter, they were ushered into the church, and food provided for them. This group was from the Mtoko Reserve, and they had travelled since early morning. The next morning other groups began to arrive from faraway places. Some spent all night on the train others came by bus, or bicycle. How happy we were to see them all.

This was the first African Convention of this type we have had in Southern Rhodesia. It started Thursday evening and then lasted four full days. The first evening different ones spoke, as the various groups were introduced. Then the main message from one of the African preachers, followed by a heart searching prayer meeting. The big tent had been erected behind the

church. In it the men rolled out their mats, and slept for the night. The women and children in the church.

As the sun rose the next morning at 6 o'clock the people assembled for prayer. Brother Currie spoke or the crucifixion of Christ and all the Christians partook of the "Lord Supper," followed by prayer.

The four days of convention were blessed with the presence of the Lord. The different groups that had joined our fellowship had the opportunity of getting acquainted with each other.

The morning services were given over to Bible study and teaching by Brother Currie. In the other meetings there were testimonies, followed by preaching by one of the African ministers. At times the one that testified was so carried away telling about the goodness of the Lord, that a minister had to tap on the pulpit reminding them, — "Your time is up, give someone else a chance."

Saturday afternoon seventeen fol-

lowed the Lord in the waters of baptism, and two more later on. Brother Currie and I comparing notes later said, we never had felt the presence of the Lord so near and the Glory Cloud resting so heavy over any baptismal service, as it did at this one. Many were moved upon by His power, and one young mother came up out of the water speaking with other tongues, baptized with the Holy Ghost. A woman from Mtoko Reserve received the Holy Spirit in an evening meeting.

Service followed service, with only time off to cook food. At one time a business session was in progress in the main auditorium. Behind the church at the same time the women were having another meeting. Farther back on the church grounds behind the big tent the children were led in another service.

Permit me to take time and space here to thank all of you who had a part in erecting a fence around our church plot. Without it a meeting like this would have been impossible. Inside its protecting boundary the women kindled many fires, arranged stones and cooked the food. With wooden spoons they stirred the bubbling thick sadza. I wish you could have seen the neighbors standing in their doorways calling to one an-



Rev. C. S. Currie with some of the African preachers at the Harare Convention.



Lynia together with other women cooking sadza at the Harare Convention.

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other, as they pointed towards us. We were seated on the ground with one of the African groups eating. "Sadza, nyama, and muriwo," with our fingers like they did. (A stiff cornmeal porridge, meat and vegetables.) Something they had evidently never seen a white man do before.

The days were sunny and warm with mild evenings, just perfect in every respect for meetings like these.

Sister Shirley Anderson brought her Christians from New Highfields and Mufakose. Some of them joined the ones staying at the church, in all numbering 110 campers.

The evening services were evangelistic. Appointed preachers brought messages to capacity crowds with many of the women and young people seated on the floor. Special vocal numbers were rendered and new songs introduced. Monday being the last day brought a change of weather. Overcast, gusts of wind and rain. Cooking fires burned low as they were moved inside the tent. Groups darted for shelter. Inside the church, services continued as usual. The rain on the outside did not dampen the fiery testimonies of the Christians, eager to speak about Jesus.

Then came the last service.

The last song — The last sermon

The last praise and prayer —

The last "goodby" — The last
"God bless — The last "Go-well"

My heart felt strange - sick - sad.
Courage. No, it is not the last.

It is the beginning —

New Convention! Confidence! —
Courage!

New Groups! New Grain to garner
New Faces! Friends! Fields!

**HELP US GATHER THEM FOR
C H R I S T**

NEWS FROM LUSAKA

IT IS INDEED a long time since we have written a letter to you from this page. For the past five months we have not been free of sickness, but now it is over we can rejoice in the Lord's goodness and grace. Truly He has been our comfort and help when all things seemed against us. Just when physical sickness, pain and discouragement

were at their height the Lord moved in and wonderfully over-ruled. Just when it seemed too much to bear, Jesus took the burden right away and mightily blessed. Throughout this trying time the Lord blessed our African work here and wonderfully provided our needs. We want to say a heartfelt "thank you" to those who prayed and gave so generously during this time. Truly: **"In the day when I cried thou answeredst me, and strengthened me with strength in my soul"** Psalm 138:3.

Now the rains have finished and the long dry season stretches ahead, we look forward with joy for the work that lies ahead. There is much to be done. Our little church here on the station needs the finishing touches put to it. We hope to consolidate our work on the Reserve nearby and branch out into more villages and another Reserve. Brother Bland goes into Sala Reserve later this week with the intention, D.V., of arranging for permanent housing, etc., for a worker to live there among the people. We are praying for a wonderful breakthrough here.

We are praying that it will be possible to raise a self-supporting church here near the station, but it is difficult. The Lord has been blessing in the meetings and the Sunday School, but when tithing was preached, several folks stayed away and we became known as "the church where you have to pay." How these people need a real vision of the love of God. It seems as though after so many centuries of darkness they are incapable of even grasping the great love of God or worse still, their own spiritual need. Please pray for these blind ones and remember also those dedicated African workers who are suffering persecution from their own race, but who are nevertheless doing their best to bring the glorious gospel to those about them. It is not easy for them in these days. Last Sunday another water baptism service was held on the station and the Lord greatly blessed those who were gathered together.

Though we are separated by so many miles, we do give thanks and rejoice in you all **"For your fellow-**

ship in the gospel from the first day until now" (Phil. 1:5).

— Gordon and Anne Bland and children

Progress as Never Before

O MAGNIFY THE LORD with me, and let us exalt His Name together. Truly, we have much to praise the Lord for in all His enabling and undertakings on behalf of the work here. He has been with us in a very precious way during the African Worker's Conference last week. Some very momentous decisions had to be made and it seemed for a time as though we were going to fail in God's best choice for them. But the last morning the Lord came forth in a wonderful way and brought a spiritual victory for His own glory. Do join with us in praying that this may be a permanent victory. So often the enemy comes in afterwards and tries to destroy all the Lord has accomplished.

The Lord has continued to bless Brother Mbewe's ministry in the Various outpoints of the work here. He is the African evangelist from the Copperbelt in N. Rhodesia. We do appreciate the kindness of Brothers Jamieson and Schuetz in letting him be here with us so long. By now fifty-nine souls have been filled with the Holy Spirit and others have been saved, restored and revived. And the end is not yet, as he still has the Ft. Jameson field to go to with its outpoints. And we are looking for a further moving of the Spirit of the Lord there. Truly God is moving by His Spirit, moving o'er all the earth.

We thank the Lord too for His dealings with Christians in the assembly here. In the breaking of bread this past Sunday we noticed a new tenderness of spirit as believers judged themselves before God. Previously, we had many sore trials over believers who were still failing God wanting to partake of communion. So we thank God for this growth in grace.

Recently too, in our conference and in our church prayer meetings, the Lord has been manifesting Himself through visions and revelations. One pastor was given a vision of the cross, shining in glory. He cried in

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his own language, "Behold the cross behold the cross." A pastor's wife had a vision of the coming of the Lord for His children, and she herself caught up to meet the Lord in the air. Different ones have often seen the Lord's hand stretched out towards them in love and compassion. They so need His presence and power to strengthen them in these difficult days of trial that lie ahead.

The work is progressing here as never before. Two new points opened recently are showing great interest with real Holy Ghost conviction. So we are sending a young worker up into the area to see if the Lord will grant a real break. If it comes, we want to build new churches in these areas, providing we can get permission to do so from the new powers that be. We are also hoping to build another church in the northern province, where one of our workers up there hopes to open up. God is also raising up other new workers to go into these new places.

Time is short, the need is great and the day is far spent. Night seems to be at hand in this little land. Are you interceding before the throne on behalf of those who still sit in darkness? Are you remembering those who are being tested and tried as never before? Are you standing in the gap?

— Sisters I. Duncan, M. Maynard,
A. Mitchell.

42nd ANNUAL CONFERENCE (Contd. from page 9)

Meals for the over 200 delegates, were served by the ladies of the Regina Assembly. Delegates did not have to serve tables or wash dishes! It was evident that much planning and preparation had indeed been done to make the kitchen operation such a success.

Homes in Regina were opened for the delegates, and such hospitality has never been surpassed.

The conference concluded Friday morning with a sweet melting Presence. There had been disputes and debates. There had been agreements and disagreements. But after all was completed, it would seem that one could still say, "it seemeth good to us and to the Holy Ghost."

Mountains that had seemed uncrossable, now vanished. Problems that seemed large had been reduced. There was an expressed desire to "endeavour to keep the Unity of the Spirit," an increased desire to work together. A real Christian spirit prevailed. All that could be said was, "Glory to Jesus!"

JULY, 1963



The Problem Clinic

Rev. E. L. McKee



"I can't understand, why so many Christians find it impossible to attend the mid-week prayer meeting. These same Christians seem to have no difficulty when it comes to social functions. Why don't they find it difficult to attend the socials? Why must it always be a problem to get to prayer meeting?"

THESE ARE THE KIND of questions I revel in, for if I can answer them, as they should be answered, it will be profitable for us all.

Let me begin by suggesting that the block on the road to prayer meeting is a "mental block." Ninety per cent of the problem is in our thinking. If we are persuaded in our mind, the prayer meeting is indispensable to the life of the Church, we would be at the prayer meeting. Now, I am not saying that socials are not important, no doubt they are necessary. They have their place in the life of a well balanced Church. The danger is, when we make them more important than the prayer meeting. Some pastors have ruled social activity out of their Church program. They have done this because they believe them to be harmful, when carried to extreme, but useful when practised with moderation.

There are three factors that enter into the matter of attendance at prayer meeting. First, there is the prayer meeting itself. I am afraid I would be absent from some prayer meetings because they are poorly conducted. They start late (making them unimportant), they drag on into a two hour dull session. Some simple minded individual is allowed to dominate the meeting and waste precious time. A prayer meeting like everything else must have an objective. The objective must be a good one and must be scriptural. If it lacks an objective, you will pray all around the world and back, and ask God for nothing, and get just what you asked for. The prayer meeting should not be all asking, it should have in it a strong spirit of worship, and praise. There must be opportunity for the operation of the Gifts of the Spirit. There must be a place for the word, that builds faith for prayer. Above all it must have in it a sense of the presence of Jesus Christ.

The second factor is the individual. We must know the true value of prayer. We can know this by a knowledge of God's word. First, there is the command to pray. Paul said "**Men ought always to pray,**" "**in everything by prayer and supplication let your requests be made known unto God.**" Second, there is the need for prayer. Paul, one of the greatest missionaries of all time, a spiritual giant, exercising the nine gifts of the Spirit, yet he comes to the Church and asks them for prayer in his behalf. The great need for prayer for all saints, there was never a saint that could stand alone without prayer. There is the prayer for lost souls, this will drive you to your knees, and give you an incentive to pray.

The third factor that enters into the prayer meeting is the Devil. Be sure that he will keep you from prayer meeting if he can. He will tell you it is too hot or too cold. Its too far or you are too tired. Rebuke him sharply and resist him.

May we conclude by saying. If you ever have the choice of going to a prayer meeting or to a social, by all means attend the prayer meeting.

God bless your prayer meetings.

CANTATAS MARK EASTER SERVICES

GOOD FRIDAY afternoon we arrived in Oakshela to have sweet fellowship around the Lord's table.

We returned to Grenfell with MacKenzie's for the evening service. The Frank Forges from Moose Jaw had arrived, and Sister Ivy Forge was at the new Hammond organ, for the service. A filmstrip, "The Cup of Sorrow", made the meaning of the day more impressive to the children. Bro. M. G. Brisco ministered the Word from Galatians 6:4.

Easter morning was a beautiful dawn. Many, like the women in the scripture, gathered at the rising of the sun for a precious hour of Sunrise worship at 5 A.M. in the Oakshela church. One of the highlights of this service was the German trio with their rendition of "He Lives," the words of which were given to Grandpa Dimler, by the Lord, 50 years ago. Brother Brisco used as the theme of his message: "Then Came the Dawn."

At 11 o'clock in the Grenfell church 133 gathered for the Sunday School hour under the capable direction of their superintendent, Wally Schlamp. Sister MacKenzie had the Junior choir wonderfully trained and they blessed all with their presentation of the cantata, "The Living Saviour." The weekly practices of this choir surely have shown gratifying results. They knew all the words by heart, and at many intervals of the singing their harmony was splendid. God bless these children for their wonderful addition to this service. Following the cantata the younger classes saw a filmstrip of Easter. Sister Brisco taught the Teen-age class on the "Incensive of the Resurrection" 1 Corinthians 15:58. Brother MacKenzie asked Brother Brisco to teach his Bible class, so he used as his theme, "The Necessity of the Resurrection."

At 2:30 P.M. we journeyed to Broadview with the MacKenzies. It was our first visit to the Apostolic Lighthouse, that has been moved in there. Brother Glen Groves led the service. Sister Gwen Groves had the Flannel-graph, and each of the children had a part in their Easter program. Sister MacKenzie was at the organ. Janet and Ruth Ward sang, "Willing To Bear The Cross," and Sister Pinter sang, "Tell It Again." These lovely numbers added much to the warmth of the blessing of God. Sister Brisco read, "The Old Olive Mill" and sang "Gethsemane." Then Brother Brisco ministered on the "All's of the Resurrection."

In the evening service at Grenfell once more Sister Ivy Welch was at the console of the Hammond and Sister Ruby Wolfe at the piano. The thirty-voice

adult choir under their gifted directress, Sister MacKenzie, presented the glorious Easter cantata: "Alleluia," to a fine congregation. Surely their efforts were a blessing to all the hearers. It was such a Christ honoring presentation surely there must have been rejoicing long after in the hearts of the choir members to know they had been used so of God to bring blessing to the members of the congregation. Brother Adam Osoiwy, just home from Bible School at Eston, was the narrator.

Following the cantata Sister Brisco spoke on "The Triumph of the Tomb." As a grand climax to the day two new ones found their way unashamedly, with the saints, to the prayer room. There was great rejoicing in heaven and among the saints as God set His crowning benediction on this Glad Easter Day.

— Hazel F. Brisco.

Regina Missionary Convention Report

FOR OUR 1963 Missionary Convention God brought into our midst choice workers from many parts of the world, to share their vision of the needy harvest fields that yet wait to be evangelized.

We had with us Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Lungren and Rev. and Mrs. Eldon Johnson of West Africa; Rev. Jock Wallace and Rev. Abe Boldt from Japan; Rev. J. Matson from Formosa. For the final day we were privileged to have in our midst Hazel Grace McLean from Ivory Coast and our missionary Secretary, Rev. F. Assman from Saskatoon. These missionaries all combined together left a great impact upon our assembly and we praise the Lord for the work that has been accomplished in our hearts.

The words of our missionary secretary Brother Assman, I believe best sums up the entire week, when he said: "You are having a missionary diet this week, and this is a good diet for any church."

Something unique about our 1963 convention was the Apostolic Youth Movement Missionary Rally held on Good Friday, when numbers of our neighboring churches came to fellowship with us.

Our Missionary Convention actually was to close on Sunday night but we are blessed to have had an overflow of this convention with Wednesday and Friday nights of the second week being blessed with missionary speakers in the persons of Hazel Grace McLean and Abe Boldt.

Our 1962 objective for Missions has gone over the top and for 1963 we have raised our goal to the \$9,000.00 mark and we believe that God is going to do even greater things in the months to come.

— Pastor A. E. Sheppard.

Rally Day at Ardmore Full Gospel Church

ON APRIL 12, THE Ardmore Full Gospel Church opened its doors of 'Welcome' to friends from Bonnyville, Cold Lake, Frog Lake and Edmonton.

Rev. Ken Richardson, pastor of the Cold Lake Full Gospel Assembly, and Rev. Ken Haase, pastor of the Frog Lake Full Gospel Assembly, led the afternoon and evening congregational song services, respectively.

During the two song services, special solos, duets and trios from the local churches and the Edmonton Apostolic Assembly proved a blessing to every listener.

We were, indeed, privileged to have as our guest speaker the amiable, gifted pastor of the Edmonton Apostolic Assembly. For his afternoon message, Rev. J. Francis, using Galatians 6:14 as his text, pointed each one to the triumphant work of our wonderful Saviour the Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross! Then during the evening message, Rev. Francis took his audience for a thrilling 'walk' to show that what "Josephus" wrote about the life and death and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ was actually authentic! Hallelujah!

The Lord blessed both services with His presence and each Christian could happily sing: 'So glad I'm yours Lord!' — Mel Hanson, Pastor.

The Pas, Manitoba

"What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me?" (Psalm 116:12).

WE TAKE PLEASURE in sharing with you, briefly, God's blessings throughout the past few months.

At the annual congregational meeting in January a sweet spirit of fellowship and unity prevailed. We rejoiced in the progress of the past year and turned our faces toward a new year with anticipation.

On February 24th, Brother Stephen Nemeth ministered with the fire and zeal of God burning in his soul. We rejoice in the work that he is doing so diligently for his Lord.

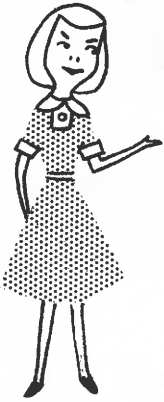
Bob Tauber visited us March 9 and 10, speaking at a Youth for Christ rally and at both services on Sunday. The young people hope that he will return as soon as possible. All were challenged by his ministry. Bob even had a four-mile ride on a sled drawn by a "real live" dog team!

Brother Crowder spent a very busy ten days with us (March 14 to 23). He conducted a Sunday School leadership training course each evening and a "Kids' Crusade" every afternoon. — There was an excellent response in the salvation of young hearts. True-to-form Brother Crowder spent any spare moments installing extralights and switches in the church, for which we are very grateful.

Missionary Jock Wallace blessed our hearts as he allowed the Holy Ghost to minister through him at the services of March 14.

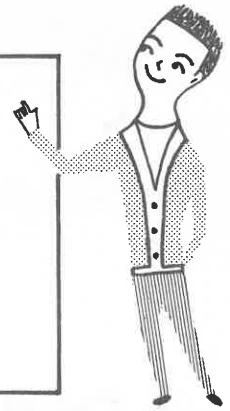
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What to Wear - - and When!

By Bob Tauber

IT USED TO BE when school was out that the saying would be: "No more pencils, no more books, no more of teachers dirty looks." However, as you well realize teens as well as times have changed and the tune now goes like this: "Summers come with no more care; Let's take off as much as we dare!"

Maybe this bit of poetry gives you one large charge, but let's face it teenagers, some of to-day's wearing apparel or lack of it is not only immodest but also a cause for serious concern.

Since many of you have just concluded your graduation exercises a few weeks ago, some of these matters may be still fresh in your minds. No doubt some of you gals had some long arguments with mom over what kind of a dress you should have for this occasion of a life time. You probably used some of your good old stand-byes like, "everybody else is doing it" or "you just can't get any other style." And on we go. One teen-ager was heard to make this comment after a graduation banquet; "Wow, some of those dresses were really scriptural — 'Low and behold'."

Then too gals, why should some fellows have to be embarrassed when they sit across the room from you at a party? Or why should the youth leader have to ask you gals to sit in the second row on the platform when you're taking part in a rally or youth program? "Oh, but it's the style," you may say; "What can we do about it?" Style or no style, it's often poor taste and down right immodest. Girls, you won't be looking out of date or prudish in order to be proper and sensibly attired. In the long run, fellows are going to appreciate your appearance a lot more (if they have any sense of proper standards and character, that is). And what's more important, so will the Lord.

Check 1 Tim. 2:9 in the Philips translation. It reads: "The women should be dressed quietly, and their demeanor should be modest and serious." The revised standard version in the same

verse says: "the ideal Christian woman is to adorn herself modestly and sensibly in seeming apparel."

J. Edgar Hoover of the F.B.I. says: "Teen-age girls - don't ask for trouble. Dress sensibly." In the back of his mind was the wave of sex crimes which have engulfed America.

Fellows — you're not to be excused on this matter of dress either. Our beaches and resorts will be crowded this summer with fellows in the wrong kind of bathing suits, beach clothes, short shorts and slacks that aren't slack any more. No, I'm not saying you should have sleeves on your bathing suit and we won't send you home from camp if you have a hole in the knee of your bathing suit, but let's stick within the lines of proper Christian taste.

If you're a Christian and have dedicated your life to the Lord and want to please Him, then dress accordingly.

No, there's nothing wrong with the body God gave you. He made it and did an excellent job. He also planned that the teens and twenties would be the most beautiful and physically appealing years.

The trouble is though — the devil knows this fact. And he's using the desires which naturally exist in our system to cause wreck and ruin through a wave of immodest dressing.

I know that nearly every phase of our space age economy uses sex appeal to sell their products, but let's not follow the trend of the world. Don't forget what is said in Romans 12:1, 2.

So kids, dress modestly. Forget all of that daring, dangerous, denuding bunk! Strive first of all to please the Lord Jesus Christ. I think it would be a good idea right about now to look up 1 Timothy 4:12 and see what it has to say. Let me also close with the words of 2 Timothy 2:22, where it says, "Flee youthful lusts; but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart."

P.S. By the way, I just heard a ru-

mor which indicates that the style trend for this year is pointing to a little more length on the hemline.

A.Y.M. NEWS & VIEWS

- At a recent conference of the Ontario district, Pastor Noel McNeil of Hali-burton was elected district A.Y.M. director.
- Is your district or young people's group active in a missionary project? Remember, one of our Aims in A.Y.M. is to promote missions.
- By September, we would like to have our new A.Y.M. chorus book off the press. Send in the names of your favorite choruses to the A.Y.M. office.
- A hearty thanks to you young people's groups who have been supporting our A.Y.M. head office with one tenth of your offerings. How about more of you sharing in this important phase of ministry.
- We'd like to hear from more teen-agers. Send in your comments, candid, criticisms, commercials, etc.

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One of the spiritual highlights of the year is the AYM Rally held on Good Friday. We felt honored to be host to the rally this year. In addition to youth from North-east Saskatchewan, young people and their Pastor of the Pentecostal Church in Flin Flon, Manitoba attended. Pastor Taylor brought the morning message, which laid a solid foundation for a good spiritual rally. Brother Kosick of Winnipeg ministered in the afternoon and evening services. Many folk experienced renewal of spirit and some were saved.

During the evening service on May 12 the official Charter of Christian Service Brigade was presented to Captain Gary Penner of The Pas Battalion No. 2071, by committee chairman William J. Pin-iuta. Both Captain Penner and Lieutenant Earle Jellison received their leadership commissions. Registration cards were distributed to Brigadiers, Corporals and Lance-Corporals. At the present there are twelve members registered with the Battalion, with others on the verge of joining. Interest is keen.

Our prayer is for more of God and for more unconditional surrender of all our hearts to His will and eternal purpose.

— Leonard K. Martin, Pastor.



SUNDAY SCHOOL Trading Post

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THE ADULT DEPARTMENT

By D. I. Gillett

ADULTS ARE the Sunday School's biggest challenge. The scriptures speak much of men and women throughout Jesus' early ministry and He is seen dealing primarily with adults.

I. WHY HAVE AN ADULT DEPARTMENT

- Adults represent the largest number of prospective church members.
- Adults represent the wage-earners
- Adults are the heads of families

II: ORGANIZATION

- The adult department consists of all over 25 years.
 - Young adults — 25 to 40 years
 - Senior adults — 40 years and up
- Small schools (60 or less in adult department).
 - All meet together for opening and closing worship.
 - Suggested class grouping
 - Young married people's (Homemakers class).
 - Men's Bible class
 - Ladies' Bible class
(b. and c. could be combined)
- Larger schools (60 or more in Adult department).
 - Should departmentalize into two or more groups.
 - Each group should meet together for opening worship and closing service.

III. REACHING THE ADULTS

There are two accepted methods of reaching the adult in class:

A. The lecture method.

This method is sometimes advisable in new churches where you have many unsaved people in your adult class. Sometimes it is considered essential because of local community idiosyncrasies.

B. The discussion method.

This method is by far the most effective. Experience is the best teacher. With this maxim in mind, the

Adult class should be a miniature laboratory session in Adult learning. Each person in the class should be INVOLVED!

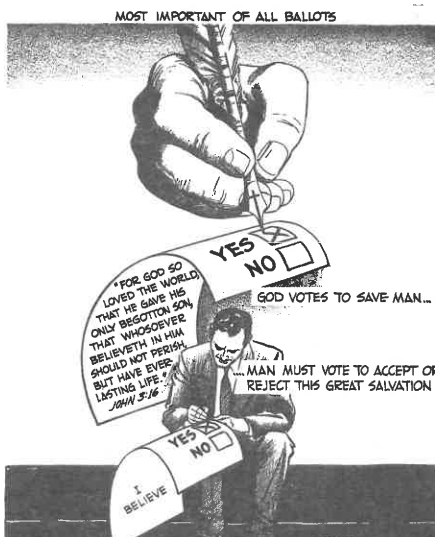
IV. OUTLINE OF Laboratory BRIEFING

A. Stimulation.

- WHO is to be stimulated?
- WHAT is stimulated in the class member?
- WHY do students need to be stimulated?
- HOW are students stimulated?
 - Set up "questions" in the students' mind.
 - Create appetite or suspense in class.
- Get to know each member of your class personally.
- Try to meet the "felt" needs (the vital, near problems) that face them every day.

B. Orientation.

- STATE lessons theme clearly
- LOCATE in application, the lesson with the surroundings.



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- ILLUSTRATE to make lesson clear
 - blackboard
 - slides
 - maps
 - object lessons.

C. Activation.

- MENTALLY paint accurate mind pictures in students' mind
- VERBALLY let the student express himself.
- PHYSICALLY be sure your actions portray the spirit of what you have been teaching.

V. LABORATORY TOOLS

- A good course is essential (one that upholds the PENTECOSTAL MESSAGE).
 - Students quarterlies
 - Lesson leaflets (for new-comers and visitors).
 - Lesson helps (visual).
- A welcoming committee
- Class president (superintendent).
- Class Secretary
- A spirit filled Teacher
Have a good Adult class.

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of needs."

The pastors favored this resolution.

All the delegates agreed that it would be very helpful for the District President to visit the groups in the area.

An offering was received for district expenses.

Prayer for special requests concluded the meeting.

A very delicious dinner and supper was served the delegates by the ladies of the Fort Qu'Appelle area.

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A few of the many young people attending the the annual youth rally in the Moose Jaw Apostolic Gospel Temple. Second from the right is Keith Putman, district A.Y.M. director.

EMPIRE DAY RALLY AT MOOSE JAW

THE ANNUAL EMPIRE day A.Y.M. rally was held again this year in the Moose Jaw Apostolic Temple on May 20th. Young people from all over the province as well as visitors from Alberta and Manitoba filled the church to capacity. The first service began at 10:30 A. M. The main speaker for the rally was Rev. Les Pritchard of Vancouver. He directed his words to the hearts of young and old alike and many were stirred and challenged by his timely messages. At 2 P.M. a musical program was presented by young people from Moose Jaw and Regina. The End Times Messenger Sales contest trophy was presented to Miss Judy Pritchard on behalf of the Eston Young People.

In spite of cold weather conditions, several ball games were played before supper between the various assemblies. A word of commendation is to be given to the young people and members of the assembly who prepared the meals for the many guests.

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The evening service led by Bob Tauber, the Dominion A.Y.M. director was crowned with the blessing of God. Several teen-agers from various areas took part. Bro. Pritchards message from Ezekiel 47 encouraged the capacity crowd to drink deeply of the things that God had already given. Many returned to their homes with renewed spirits and fresh dedication to live for Jesus.

—Reported by R. Tauber.

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Forest Lawn Full Gospel Sunday School Breaks Record

AT THE BEGINNING of this year the Forest Lawn Full Gospel Sunday School launched a rocket to the moon. This was a morning of great excitement, for the rocket was blasted off with all sound and visual effects. The contest rules were that a thirty inch rocket would be fired the Sunday 200 were in attendance and would progress toward the moon until the goal of 250 was reached. At such time the rocket would collide with the moon (large balloon).

On May 12, this goal was surpassed

by 18, for the records show an attendance of 268. The morning of May 26th the great event took place. Everyone watched with excitement as the rocket approached the moon. Sound effects again added realism. At zero hour the rocket collided with the moon with an explosion, and a secret message floated down with the fragments.

October 12 will be a big day in the Full Gospel Sunday School here in Forest Lawn as they celebrate their ten years of Service to Forest Lawn and district.

— M. A. Switzer.

● SPECIAL NOTICE ●

DURING THE ANNUAL CONFERENCE held in June, 1962, a resolution was made toward the support of a Full Time Field Representative for Apostolic Church of Pentecost of Canada. Some made pledges of support in the amount of \$5.00 monthly for a period of one year toward creating a fund for this purpose. It was agreed that solicitation on a voluntary basis for further pledges of support should be carried in the **End Times' Messenger**.

If you are interested and desire to offer your pledge for a monthly sum, please write our general office to inform us of the amount of your pledge. Address your letter to the Clerk of A.C.O.P., — 1612 Adelaide Street East, Saskatoon, Sask.

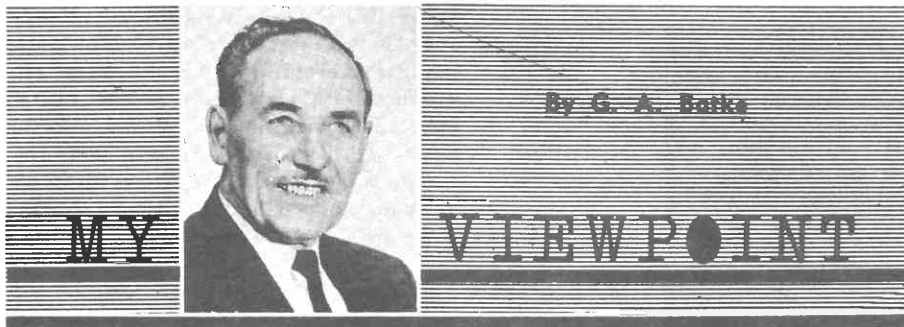
SPRINGSIDE RALLY

Rev. A. D. Marshall and the Full Gospel Bible Institute choir ministered in word and song to all at the Springside Apostolic Bible Camp on May 21.

The two services were well attended by local people as well as visitors from Lemberg, Punnichy, Fort Qu'Appelle. Supper was served in the camp dining hall. It is a day to be remembered for the warm fellowship and ministry of the Holy Spirit to every heart. It also caused a spirit of expectancy towards the coming camp year for a great moving of the Holy Spirit in baptizing power. To our precious Lord Jesus Christ we give all the thanks.

COVER PICTURES

Top left: The Regina Apostolic Church host assembly for the 42nd annual conference of the Apostolic Church of Pentecost of Canada. Top right: Delegates attending the South-East Saskatchewan District Conference which was held in the Full Gospel Church, Fort Qu'Appelle, Sask. Lower left: Ontario District Conference delegates pictured in front of the Full Gospel Lighthouse, Haliburton, Ontario. Lower right: The Legislative Buildings in Regina.



HAVE YOU EVER BEEN “STOPPED COLD?”

WHEN QUEEN ELIZABETH and Prince Philip left England on their recent tour to New Zealand and Australia, they embarked on a pre-arranged schedule. When they came into the vicinity of Vancouver they experienced an unusual winter condition which necessitated them to turn their aircraft back to Edmonton for servicing and re-fueling. Vancouver was disappointed.

When their Majesties left Edmonton for Honolulu non-stop, again the weatherman intervened, and as the great jet liner was racing across the Pacific Ocean, weather conditions at Honolulu again were unfavorable for a landing, and in mid-ocean the pilot turned his craft back and this time Vancouver alone provided a safe landing. The weary Queen said it was so good to be grounded and in the safety of the Vancouver Hotel with its royal suite.

The next morning enroute to the airport with the usual escort of police and other dignitaries, while they were moving along Oak Street, three youngsters pressed the pedestrian switch and while the royal entourage ground to a halt, the three youngsters walked calmly across

the street and had themselves a real close-up of the royal couple. Quipped Prince Philip (who is always ready for a joke) “They sure stopped us cold.”

Even royalty is subject to broken schedules. First the weatherman, then three mischievous youngsters, stopped them “cold.” And it was cold too.

Now herein is a first class lesson. Nations in their fevered schedule for progress and prominence have been stopped cold in minor upsets. Royalty and peasant equally have learned to bow to a broken schedule. One of the great tragedies of life is the inability to adjust to such interruptions.

A multi-millionaire lies in one of our hospitals—an invalid. First a stroke, then the paralysis and now brain damage which has brought on an epileptic condition has struck tragedy to this man of 56 years. He is unable to adjust to it. He is brilliant, he is wealthy. But he is invalid. He cannot adjust—and this inability makes his illness more aggravated. This man was stopped cold.

A few days ago a man, call him

elderly, but a fine Christian man with the hope of Jesus Christ in his soul, was walking down the street to visit someone in hospital, but they picked up his mortal remains, while he himself continued his unbroken fellowship with his Lord and Saviour in Heaven. His earthly sojourn was finished, but he was not stopped cold.

Several months ago Cuba had embarked on a daring project to arm herself with Soviet missiles wherewith to challenge the Western Hemisphere. The combined conniving of Premier Krushchev and Fidel Castro was thwarted by the courageous move of the youthful President in the White House. He stopped them cold.

The wonderful prospect of the European Common Market was the delight of nations and prophets alike: but the tall figure of Gen. De Gaulle was seen kneeling at the altar of his little church pleading with God to have confidence in him, and he rose and with the power of France's Veto, stopped the free world cold in their most hopeful move toward prosperity and enforced peace. In the face of the rumbling growl of the British lion, the nations have been stopped in their tracks.

The personal lesson I learn here is this: I must learn that “My times are in God's hands.” He controls the weather—He controls nations; whom He wills He sets up and whom He wills He puts down: He doeth according to His will in the army of Heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth, and none can say unto Him, what doest thou? I must accept God's Salvation—Then death itself cannot stop me cold!!

To fight against this great principle is like a child screaming to the hurricane to stop blowing. God says He has given the world a Man for a Hiding place. Wise and happy is the man, the nation which is willing to be stopped to re-adjust its course in keeping with the edict of the Almighty. Jesus is a shelter in the time of storm.

ONE DAY A ROMAN RULER stood face to face with a Jewish prisoner and queried: What is truth? (John 18: 38).

The question Pontius Pilate addressed to Jesus of Nazareth on that long ago day, still puzzles the minds of men and women to-day.

Some say that all truth is found in science.

Others state that no truth is absolute but changes with circumstance.

Still others claim that truth exists in all religion.

And so the debate goes on . . . the great pursuit after truth.

Oddly enough, even though many individuals seek truth, it seems that only a few really want to know.

For God has given mankind the answer. Truth, in relation to the vital questions of this life and life beyond the grave, is found in the person of his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, and through the revelation of His Word, the Bible.

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AROUND THE HOUSE



with Gertrude J. Wiechula

Jesus spoke with complete authority. He never said “I think so” or “maybe.” Instead, he positively declared: “I am the way, the truth and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me” (John 14:6).

Yet people living in lands with more Bibles, more churches, more Christian literature, films, TV programs, and radio broadcasts, than ever before in the history of the Christian Church, still ask “What is truth?” and shrug their shoulders, “We can't know.”

It is possible that Pontius Pilate had heard reports of Jesus words. Perhaps he knew that Jesus had said, I am . . . truth, or that others claimed of him, that never man spake like this man. Yet when Pilate came face to face with truth in the person of the Lord Jesus Christ, he failed to accept it because he feared a loss of personal prestige.

Sometime in life, each one of us comes face to face with truth. We are confronted by the Lord Jesus Christ, who says: “He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him” (John 3:36).

And he asks: “If I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? (John 8:46).

Any person—who by faith—has made Jesus Christ their Saviour and Lord, knows experimentally and beyond the shadow of a doubt, that the living Christ is all He claims to be!

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were bubbling over. God's Word says: "Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit sayeth the Lord."

— Pastor Switzer.

New Church Dedicated

SEDALIA, ALTA. has had residents for 50 years and now for the first time the community has a church building.

Pastor and Mrs. Ben Kirkpatrick, of Consort, were led of the Lord to conduct Sunday night services in the Sedalia Community Hall. Following this a move of God resulted in the organization of a local church.

A country school house was purchased, and moved onto a basement which had been completed by the men of the new Assembly. A church board was organized consisting of Mr. J. Thornton, Mr. P. Kroker and Mr. V. Kroker. Pastor Kirkpatrick was named as Chairman and Mrs. Bair as Secretary-Treasurer.

The first meetings were held in the church building in December.

Dedication Day was May 12th. The little church was literally packed, numbers were also in the basement.

Rev. Kirkpatrick conducted the service and gave a brief history of the work.

It was not only "church dedication day," it was also, "Baby dedication day." Four children, including Pastor and Mrs. Kirkpatrick's son, Dwight Lester, were presented to the Lord.

Rev. L. O. Pritchard of Eston preached the Dedication sermon, read the formal dedication and led the congregation in the prayer of dedication.

The ladies of the Assembly served a hot turkey supper to over 100 people in the Community Hall.

We were blessed in our souls to see the good hand of God upon the work and members of the Sedalia Full Gospel Church.

S.E. Sask. District Conference

THE FULL GOSPEL Church and the Indian Bible School were privileged to be hosts to the South-East Saskatchewan District Conference on April 25. Among those present were Pastors from Grenfell, Yorkton, Carlyle, Pangman, Regina, Punnichy, Stoughton, Kipling and Fort Qu'Appelle, Missionaries Rev. A. Boldt, Japan; Rev. D. I. Gillett, leaving for Mexico shortly, and Indian Evangelist Jack Pellitier.

A meeting of representatives of Ladies Missionary groups of the S. E. District was held in conjunction with the conference.

Delegates experienced God's Divine Presence in the devotions and communion service. Rev. P. Smith, Carlyle, brought an inspiring message from the Word. The sessions were a blessing as local church sponsorship of missionaries, fellowship with independent Full Gospel assemblies, a resolution of the Ladies meeting suggesting the Presbyterian ascertain the needs of pastors in small assemblies and relay his findings to the ladies groups, and other subjects were discussed. Reports of blessings from the various assemblies were uplifting and helpful. Fellowship in the Gospel proved to be among the sweetest ties this side Heaven.

Rev. A. E. Sheppard was chosen as our nomination to the General Conference for Presbyterian.

Bro. Sheppard's message in the evening service "My Third Blessing" was both timely and pointed. He expounded the clear teaching of God's Word on tithing and giving beyond our tithe and God's promised blessing which will result. God's anointing was very evident upon our brother as he ministered. God confirmed His Word with a message in tongues and interpretation and prophecies.

Christians from the assembly and from the Indian Reserves nearby gathered to nearly fill the church.

The Bible School dining hall very adequately accommodated the delegates and other visitors as the ladies of the Assembly provided a delicious dinner and supper.

Reported by Rev. M. L. Fuller.

JULY, 1963

FOREST LAWN, ALTA.

GREAT SPIRITUAL Blessings were enjoyed by the folk of the Forest Lawn Full Gospel Church during a recent campaign with Lydia Williams. The last Sunday night, the choir from the Full Gospel Bible School in Eston, joined in the meeting and thrilled our hearts with their dedicated voices. That night as the meeting was closed young People made it known they wanted more of God and came to the altar. Our hearts were filled with joy as a young lady came forward for Salvation.

May 5-12; Barry Moore carried on a city-wide campaign which proved a real spiritual blessing to all. Many came to know Christ as Saviour. As I write this, I have at hand 9 recorded decisions from our Sunday School and Young Peoples. Five of these were first time decisions for Christ, the others for restoration and dedication. For this we are truly thankful.

On Sunday night of May 19th a husband and wife took their stand for Christ at the close of the service. I know that the angels were singing that night but they had nothing on us redeemed saints of God, for our hearts



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