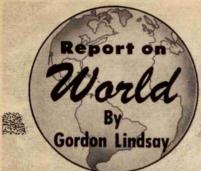


TVH PRESSES TURN OUT HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF FAITH BOOKS TO AID IN REVIVAL





World Prayer Band—The Voice of Healing—Missionary Crusades Radio—Native Evangelism—Free Literature—Healing Revivals

#### **Concerning TVH Conventions**

I N this issue is a report of our recent Erie TVH Convention. Although the weather was severe, and the auditorium was located several miles out of town, the services grew in power and attendance each day. One pastor counted eleven in his own church that received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost.

Plans are under way for other conventions and rallies which will be held in various parts of the country.

#### Aftermath of the Jack Coe Trial

Joseph Lewis, president of the Freethinkers of America, who was the leading spirit behind the prosecution of Jack Coe in Miami, Florida, is still on the warpath in his fight against the ministry of deliverance. Since the rebuff in Miami, the opposition has been licking its wounds, but now Mr. Lewis is sending out an appeal for funds to continue his fight against Evangelist Jack Coe. In his appeal he says:

"When I came to Florida this winter, a book on Robert G. Ingersoll .... But what caused the greatest amount of comment was upon my attack upon preacher Jack Coe, the "healing evangelist." Jack Ball, the famous columnist of the Miami Herald, published my challenge to Jack Coe, and in a half page advertisement, the preacher refused to debate with me because he said, by Biblical quotation (Rom. 1:29-32) "Debaters go to hell." I then found a mother whose child was crippled by polio, who had visited preacher Jack Coe's "healing" tent and she, firmly believing that he had the power to cure her afflicted son, followed his advice, and rewhich, if continued, would have resulted in irreparable harm to the child. This, to me, was giving medical advice, and after a great deal of effort on my part I sought to have him brought before the Courts on the grounds of practicing medicine without a license. I secured an affidavit from the mother and a statement from an eminent physician. I presented this evidence to the Court. A warrant was issued for the arrest of Preacher Jack Coe, and he was held in \$5,000 bond. Although he was discharged by the Police Justice, evidence is now being prepared to be submitted to the Grand Jury for an indictment.

"I am anxious to employ a noted New York attorney to represent the Society, as a "friend of the court," in this case. Although I have already spent a considerable sum of money in gathering the evidence on which Jack Coe was held, I consider it a privilege to contribute the first \$100 to this fund, in order to fight this case to its proper conclusion.

This case has all the features of an-other Scopes Trial, and if we win it, it will be the most significant victory we have ever achieved against the forces of ignorance and religious supersitition.

"Life," "Time" and other national magazines have indicated coverage of the case.

We need your help. Please be as generous as you can. Thanks in advance for your valuable cooperation.

Sincerely yours, Joseph Lewis, President Freethinkers of America

Joseph Lewis, President, Freethinkers of America ·370 West 35th Street, New York 1, N. Y.

I want to help all I can to fight to its proper conclusion the case against Preacher Jack Coe for his fraudulent "healing" campaign and I am enclosing my contribution for \$

Our readers will see the danger involved to the healing message unless those who believe in this ministry stand to-gether. That was the reason that I, as well as a number of leading TVH evan-gelists, went to Miami to stand with Brother Coe in the battle there. We realize that persecution is only getting under way. Evil men such as Joseph Lewis, who are inspired by Satan, who having met a humiliating defeat, will stop at nothing in seeking revenge.

#### TVH Now Publishing Hundreds of Thousands of Faith Books

On the front cover of our magazine this month, we show a number of the many titles of faith books that are being published by THE VOICE OF HEALING. Literally hundreds of thousands of such books are now rolling off of our presses.

We feel that this is one of the most important features of our world evangelization program. Nearly all the books found in the average religious book store are not faith books in the Bible sense. Sick people are usually advised to resign themselves to sickness the supposed will of God, rather than to grasp the promises of God for healing. Our goal is to put millions of faith books in circulation each year. To help us attain this end, we have just purchased and installed another offset press—one of the very latest design. As an example of its capacity it can print an equivalent of one thousand, 100-page books per hour.

#### Installation of Our Administration

At the time of writing we are in the THE VOICE OF HEALING plans for world evangelization, includes five differ-ent administrations. First, THE VOICE OF HEALING. Second, printing depart-ment, third, publications, fourth, world missions, fifth, conventions. Over each of these departments, one of THE VOICE OF HEALING men will serve as an administrator. They will spend part of their time in Dallas, and part of the time on the field. Brother W. V. Grant, since the first of the year, has been the administrator of the printing plant. Now Richard Vinyard has taken over administration of THE VOICE OF HEALING's general operations. L. D. Hall has taken charge of setting up our conventions. THE VOICE OF HEALING is now engaged in putting into operation several new projects for the advancement of world evangelization which are destined to have farreaching effects.

#### **Evangelization of Spain**

Our evangelists have already preached in many countries of the world, reaching unprecedented numbers of people, yet in Spain a very needy field, the door has been closed to all such efforts. For that reason THE VOICE OF HEALING has undertaken a project during the past two years of broadcasting to the nation through a powerful radio station just a few miles from the Spanish border. Brother Hugh Jeter; a missionary who has a strong healing ministry, is carrying on this work with increasing success. According to his reports, many people in Spain are now

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listening to his program and are being led to salvation and healing.

#### Many TVH Evangelistic Teams to Go Overseas Soon

Plans are now being laid for an extensive world evangelization crusade this coming season. The results obtained by TVH teams which have held campaigns in various countries for the past several months, have been extremely encouraging. Never before in history have revivals abroad, been of size and proportion as they are now. Here is the opportunity for people who wish to get the greatest results from their missionary money to invest for God.

#### The New Book, "Why Do the Righteous Suffer?"

Just off the press is the new book "Why Do the Righteous Suffer?" It is true that the righteous will suffer persecution, but is it the will of God that the righteous suffer from sickness? This book shows that the righteous suffer from some things unnecessarily (A chapter from this book "Paul's Thorn in the Flesh" is carried in this issue.) A copy of this book and a copy of Brother Grant's new book "SLOW DOWN AND LIVE" will be given to each person who sends an offering to our WORLD REVIVAL CRU-SADE. (See page three.)



Side view of the Erie, Pennsylvania, Voice of Healing Convention, April 17-22.

#### Notice From Our New Administrator to All Evangelists in the Deliverance Ministry

During the past years, we have received a great number of applications from Evangelists who have desired to associate themselves with The Voice of Healing. Until now it has been necessary to defer applications until convention time. Often times there were so many things to do during the convention that we did not have opportunity to meet with the men who came. Now, at last, we have an administration set up. We have devised a new plan which will enable qualified men with a deliverance ministry to become identified with The Voice of Healing.

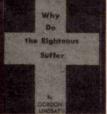
Those desiring to become identified with The Voice of Healing, write to Rev. Richard R. Vinyard at The Voice of Healing office, and mark it "Application," and all information will be sent to you by return mail.

RICHARD R. VINYARD.

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# These New Books Sent Free to Those Who Contribute to Our World Revival Crusade

# Why Do the Righteous Suffer?



# By GORDON LINDSAY

Here is the book that thousands of Christians have been looking for.

- Answers many hard questions including, "Why do the righteous suffer?"
- · Gives twelve reasons why Christians suffer.
- · Shows why many suffer unnecessarily.
- · Explains why Job suffered, and how he got healed.
- Tells all about "Paul's thorn in the flesh," and answers many other questions.

# Slow Down and

## Live

#### By W. V. GRANT

- Written for busy people who are in a hurry.
- It furnishes a cure for worry.
- It substitutes faith for fears and frustration.
- · Helps you to rest, relax and rejuvenate.
- Helps show how lost energy can be restored to employees and employers.
- Written especially for those "going too fast and driving too hard."

#### THESE TWO BOOKS GIVEN FREE TO ALL WHO SEND \$2.00 OR MORE TO OUR WORLD REVIVAL CRUSADE

THE VOICE OF HEALING Box 8658, Dallas, Texas Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ as my gift to The World Revival Crusade. Please send my free copies of Why Do the Righteous Suffer? and Slow Down and Live.

# ots Have In Our Religion

By Evangelist Richard Vinyard

**X**/ITHOUT Jesus, there would be no Christian religion, regardless of the category of faith. In my life, in studying and observing different people of different religions, and, especially, our own Full Gospel Movement, I have been convinced that many who profess do not have faith.

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That is a big statement, I know; but by way of introduction, I would like to say that many people are filled with fear. They think, if they fear God, they are in a place where God is going to meet them. Other folks are filled with the crutch of penance, and we have a lot of it in both our Catholic and Protestant religion-and by the way, we have a great deal of it in our own Full Gospel Movement. We think we are going to get

to God, if we supplicate so many days, that God will answer our prayers.

Some people say, "I think if I fast ten days God will heal me." Then there are others who have hope they will be healed, and some put forth great efforts; others have a desire and a great love for God.

But, my friends, these things are not enough. We must be filled with faith. You can fear God; you can fast and pray; you can hope and put forth great efforts along every angle, and they are not enough. You can love God more than life itself; but that is not enough. There are too many of us who have faith in God and in His ability, but that is not enough. If I should ask, "How many here tonight believe God could perform a miracle?" everyone of you would agree. That, my friends, is faith in God and in His ability, but that is not enough. That, my friends, is faith in God's power and might and His ability, but that is not enough to do the job. We must have confidence in ourselves.

#### "According to Your Faith"

In Matthew, chapter 9, verses 27-29, it reads:

"And when Jesus departed thence, two blind men followed him, crying, and saying, 'Thou Son of David, have mercy on us'."

Those men readily recognized that Jesus had the power and ability to heal blind eyes. That is why they were crying to Him to have mercy. "Have mercy on us, thou Son of David!

"And when he was come into the house, the blind men came to him: and Jesus saith unto them, 'Believe ye that I am able to do this?' They said unto him, 'Yea, Lord'."

Their belief was in God's ability, power and grace. They had



**REV. VINYARD** 

all the faith in God's power and ability to heal, but there is something Jesus said, in the 29th verse, from which I am taking my text. We read His words: "Then touched he their eyes, saying, 'ACCORDING TO YOUR FAITH BE IT UNTO YOU'.'

They had to have confidence that they could receive their sight. Anybody knows that God can heal a blind man. Anyone knows that God can raise the dead. Anyone knows that God can perform any miracle that is needed in this life. But, my friends, we have to have faith we can receive that miracle from God.

Faith in God is not enough. Faith in God's ability, His might and His power is not enough. Fasting and all those things do not mean any-

thing of themselves. We must believe and have faith we are in a position that we can have them. We must have faith in ourselves, the same as faith in God.

#### Co-Labourers with God

I Corinthians 3:9, declares, "we are labourers together with God." And 2 Corinthians 6:1 says: "We then, as 'workers to-gether with him', beseech you ...." God is not going to do it all. We are going to do our part if we are to receive 'God's blessing and His power.

And let me illustrate: If you want to be a soul-winner for Jesus Christ, spending ten hours a day in prayer will not make you a soul-winner. We want to put ourselves in a position where God can make us a soul-winner. You have to believe it. You have to speak with authority and confidence, or, my friends, you will never be a soul-winner.

I am limited, as far as education is concerned, when it comes to the preaching ministry; but I have put myself in the place I believe I can do it. Before I can win a soul, I have to believe that Richard Vinyard can do it - and I can with God my coworker. We are co-workers.

God can work with faith, but an unbeliever cannot be a worker with God. God says I must work. God can't use us unless we have faith we can work with Him. God wins the souls, but God has to have His preachers to preach to win them. We are co-workers. We are co-labourers together with God. I am not a healer, as some people call us. I am a preacher; but when I preach healing and practice healing, God works with me. We read that "the disciples went everywhere preaching the Word,

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A Thrilling Message of God's Power in Action Today

The Supernatural

Power of God

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MILWAUKEE EVANGELISTIC TEMPLI

# "These signs shall follow them that believe" Mark 16.17

#### As preached at the Dallas TVH Convention by Evang. R. W. Culpepper

I WISH to talk to you this afternoon for a little bit on a subject that is so much bigger than I am that I was almost reluctant to speak upon it. And since the profundity of the subject is so great, I shall only be able to touch and illuminate a few high points. But here is the text in the 9th chapter of the book of Mark, verse 23. "And Jesus said unto him, if thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth." Will you say it with me once. "If thou canst believe, all things are possible to him that believeth."

#### Power of the Atomic Bomb

Albert Einstein was the intellectual genius that discovered the secrets of the atomic bomb some years ago. The bomb was first used in World War II and dropped over Hiroshima on August 6, 1945. I was a soldier in the war at that time, and I can well remember the very day. That small bomb, known as the atomic bomb, was dropped and exploded at a height of 1800 feet above the city. Instantly 70,000 people went out into eternity as the great explosion flashed over that city. Another 140,000 ultimately died or were left hopeless invalids the rest of their lives. That city was the scene of one of the most devastating demonstrations of natural power that the world had ever seen.

#### The Power of Destruction in the Next War

A few months ago, out in Oakland, California, when I was holding a revival for Dr. C. J. Lowry, I picked up the newspaper, on the streets of Oakland, and I looked at a headline that said that the president, Mr. Eisenhower reports that 35,000,000 people could be killed in one single night. I read the caption under the Associated Press report where the President said should the enemy choose to invade us with nuclear bombs, that our defense department would perhaps be able to stop 60% of any invading enemy's planes, leaving 40% to fly across this great America that you and I live in, and to drop its devastating bombs on the great metropolitan areas.

That is an illustration of what human power or what the human mind has been able to concoct, and to produce in the way of power. But let me remind this audience that the supernatural

#### CULPEPPER CAMPAIGN STIRS MILWAUKEE EVANGELISTIC TEMPLE

EVANGELIST R. W. CULPEPPER has just concluded one of the greatest revivals in the history of Milwaukee Evangelistic Temple. Thousands of people attended his revival in the four weeks' campaign. Hundreds were healed by the Power of God as he laid his hands on the sick and afflicted. Scores were filled with the Holy Spirit according to Acts 2:4, and as many as 57 were baptised in the Holy Spirit in one service. To be exact, an actual count of 1,038 souls came forward for salvation during the revival.

Our church welcomes the return of Evangelist Culpepper as soon as he finds it possible to come our way again. At the close of Evangelist Culpepper's revival our church admitted more members than at any other time during an evangelistic effort. Now that the campaign is over, we are, still receiving new members each Sunday morning as a result of Evangelist Culpepper's campaign.

In my eighteen years as an ordained minister, of which more than half of that time has been spent in pastoral work, I have never had an evangelist come into my church and do more good than our Brother Culpepper. I know that our church will feel the effects of the ministry of this man of God for months to come. Brother Culpepper does not praise himself, but insists that Jesus Christ receive the honor and glory. In this day of mass evangelism, many, through over-enthusiasm (if I may be permitted to use that expression), have unwisely lifted themselves into the limelight and have left Jesus outside in the dark. I don't believe this has been done deliberately, but nevertheless, it has been done. Jesus said, "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me." Some have made the sad mistake of drawing people to themselves. In those cases, after the evangelist leaves, their messiah is gone and the poor pastor is left with quite a backwash on his hands. Must I say more?

Evangelist Culpepper is not only a great soul-winner, but spends tremendous energies in trying to stabilize what he has done that his fruit will remain. Out of the scores and scores who received the baptism of the Holy Spirit through the ministry of Brother Culpepper, I do not know of one person who has been disappointed or who has not absolutely been completely changed and transformed.

Our prayer is that God will raise up more men like Brother Culpepper to bring this nation a revival of old-time power.

power of God far exceeds that of atomic and hydrogen energy and any other form of nuclear energy. If you look back into history a little ways, you will find that Mr. James Watt discovered the steam engine, a source of natural power, in 1798. Electricity was later discovered, and harnessed and used, another great source of power. We think of the powerful automobiles we now drive. We look back to the day when Mr. Henry Ford, in 1898, in-vented the combustion engine. But friends, let me remind you that the supernatural power of God cannot be defined as ever having a beginning. The Bible says "In the beginning God." "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." God's power is creative. God created the heavens and the earth. He made it and then consummated that creation by taking the dust of the ground and molding it into his own image and breathing into it, thus making man after his own likeness. He created man, made him like Himself.

#### The Ronnie Coyne Miracle

I understand that Mrs. Coyne and her son Ronald are here this afternoon. Are you in the audience anywhere? There she is sitting right out there. I think that there would be no congregation in America that would be more conscious of the miracle that God created for little Ronnie Coyne. I shall not attempt to give all the details, but it comes to my attention now, the first time I ever saw and heard about Ronnie Coyne. I was inquisitive, I wanted to see what God had done for that little lad who was out playing in the yard and lost an eye. You remember that a piece of wire had come and stuck in one of his eyes and he lost his eyesight. They took him to a hospital. The doctors said that they would have to remove the eyeball. Sister Coyne at that time belonged to another denomination, and was not Full Gospel. At first she refused to let them operate, but after some consideration they removed the eyeball from little Ronnie Coyne, and placed a plastic eye in its stead. It was a good job. People who looked upon Ronnie Coyne, unless they observed very closely, didn't see or notice that Ronnie had a plastic eye.

Ronnie went to a revival meeting that was being conducted by a lady evangelist, Mrs. Gillock. Sister Coyne was there, and her family and the little lad. Ronnie came across the platform, as I understand the story, to be prayed for as he had a bad cold in his head, and had bad tonsils. The evangelist prayed for his throat and looked down at his eye and seeing that the one eye looked a little bit different, she eye?" He didn't say. "I have a plastic eye?" He said, "I'm blind in the eye." And immediately the evangelist, not knowing that he had a plastic eye said to him, "Do you believe Jesus can give you sight in that eye?" He said, "Yes, Ma'am, I do." She said, "All right, we'll pray." Mrs. Coyne was looking on. But she couldn't attract the evangelist's attention to tell her that he had a plastic eye. The evangelist just laid her hands over the little boy and said, "God give this little boy sight. Make this little boy to see. Now little boy, cover up your good eye." He covered it up. She held up a finger and asked if he could see it. He said. "Yes, that's one finger." Mrs. Coyne was saying that he couldn't see. But the evangelist said, "He is see-

ing." She held up two fingers, and he could see them. The evangelist said, "He can see." Mrs. Coyne said, "But you don't understand, he can't see." The evangelist said, "Listen, I may not understand, but one thing I know, this boy can see." She said, "But you still don't understand for he has a plastic eye." And the evangelist said, "What? A plastic eye? Well, I don't care if it is plastic, he can see. Praise God."

Do you know what had happened? The creative power of God gave that poor boy sight. Hallelujah! God created sight for him. God took nothing and made something. And that something was sight. Ronnie Coyne has been in several meetings that we have been in. In one particular instance in Bellflower, California, he was brought before the people. We said, "Friends, we would like to have someone other than a Pentecostal person come with a card, or something that has writing on it, and test and see if this little boy can see. We want you to see for yourself. Is there a Baptist? Immediately a Baptist man raised his hand. He came out of the crowd of about 1,700 people. When we asked for a Methodist, a man raised his hand, and came forward. Then we asked for a Presbyterian. There was no re-sponse. About that time, way in the back, a man jumped up and said, "How about a Dutch Reformed?" There are lots of Dutch around Bellflower. He came forward with the first two gentlemen. Everybody was watching, and there was a great spirit of faith and belief, and God was mightily in the meeting. As the Baptist came by, he was astonished by what God had done. The Methodist came, and he, too, was astonished. They were so astounded they stood close by to see what this Dutch Reformed man was going to do. They just didn't want to get away from there. When the Dutch Reformed man came, he handed Ronnie a little piece of paper. When Ronnie opened it, he looked a little closer, and said that it was a check. So we told him to go ahead and read it. He said, "It's made out to the evangelist and it's for \$1000." Do you remember that, Sister Coyne? Well, that is another story.

Something else happened there that night. Those men had seen what the creative power of God had done for that lad. And when they saw it, and had stepped aside, the power of God swept over that audience just as if God had breathed upon them. That Methodist, that Baptist, and that Dutch Reformed man were all instantly filled with the Holy Ghost! Hundreds saw it with their own eyes. The Dutch Reformed man started jumping and shouting and praising God. Let me tell you what he does now. He goes to the Full Gospel Tabernacle in Bellflower to all the special services, but he stays in that Dutch Reformed church. He teaches a big class of men and women and doesn't leave because, he said that he wants them to know about healing and the power of God. He has a big truck, and he has written on the side of that truck, "Jesus Saves! Jesus Heals!" When he saw what God could do, it changed and revitalized his entire life. The power of God can do the same thing for you.

#### When the Governor Saw a Miracle

Let's go a bit further. We call ourselves the Voice of Healing. God's power is healing power. A few years ago I was in at-

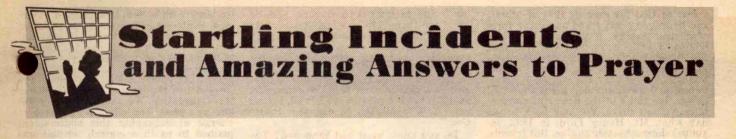
tendance with several thousands of others in a Pentecostal Convention in Atlanta, Georgia. There in Atlanta it was announced to us one full day in advance, that the next day at precisely a cer hour, we were going to be honored having the Honorable Mr. Talmadge, the Governor of the state of Georgia, address this Convention. We were all glad, everyone was glad. The officials who were in charge of arranging this address, explained to us in a logical, sensible and dignified manner which was becoming to such a situation, how we should act when the governor should come. They told us that plainclothesmen would come through a certain door, and they pointed it out. Some of the people I am speaking to were in that meeting. They said that the governor would come through that door, and when he did, we were to all rise and stand, and sing, "God Bless America," and I be-lieve, a verse of the Georgia State Anthem, or something of that nature, that was fitting and in order. They had a gentleman who was very gracious to give the eulogy — I believe that is what they call it — to introduce him. They had another gentleman who, after the governor had spoken to us, was to give the postlude, or whatever you call it.

The governor came at precisely the expected hour. He walked through the door, and we all stood as we were supposed to do. The gentlemen on the platform cued us, so we stood at the right time. I would judge there were about 3000 people there at that time. The governor came to the platform and was very courteously led along to his seat. We had the usual formalities, and the man made the "eulogy" and said, "I introduce to you the Honorable Mr. Talmadge, the governor of the State of Georgia." The governor stood and in essence said something to this effect, "Ladies and gentlemen, I wish to take this privilege, as the Governor of the State of Georgia, to welcome you to Atlanta and the great state of Georgia."

Suddenly far back in the auditorium, we heard something that sounded like an Arkansas brush arbor "hallelujah." It was conspicuously noticeable. The governor made a few sounds. And the brethren who had the responsibility (I was certainly glad that I didn't) began to blush just a wee bit. When the governor started to talk again, you heard from the rear, "Glory to God." Now I believe in everything being done decently and in order. Before I get through you will believe that this was undoubtedly in order. We all tried to be gracious and not look away from the Governor, at least I did, and I think most everyone did. But about that time, we heard anothef "Glory to God." And that was too much for me, I looked around. There came a man shouting "Glory to God" and "Hallelujah" and jumping like a kangaroo down the aisle. Every time he would hit the floor, he would say, "Praise God, Glory to God, Hallelujah." So the Governor just gave up trying to speak. The men in charge were embarrassed, of course; I saw them punching one another and saying, "You do something." But no one was doing anything. That man was shouting and leaping and praising God like the man in the shouted and jumped right down\_ to the rostrum. The Governor looked at him,

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"Ask What Ye Will and It Shall Be Done Unto You"

> By K. O. Syvanto, Tiberias, Israel

DURING the wartime year of 1942, I was in government service in Finland. The situation was not good and the government had ordered the evacuation of the whole population, some 500,000 people, from the Russian border some 200 miles inland. Every available flat or room was occupied by these refugees.

Arriving in this area to look for a place for my family, I was told that there just were not any vacancies. However, realizing that I had to do something, I started out early in the morning in a house to house search. The people just laughed at me. "The local authorities had already searched out every possible place," I was told.

The evening wore on. Darkness began to gather. I looked at my watch and saw that only three hours were left before the last train would go and I had to catch that train. Things looked hopeless. I had government orders to relocate in this place within a month. I hated the idea of leaving my family behind, for even if I should, I needed a place to live.

Suddenly I remembered the words of our Lord in John 15:7, "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ASK WHAT YE WILL AND IT SHALL BE DONE UNTO YOU." I asked myself: are those words true or not? Can I trust the Lord's promises in every day life, in its troubles and difficulties? I got a bold idea—now I shall put this promise to a test. I knelt by the way-side and said to the Lord, "Lord, I cannot boast that I have always kept Thy words, and that I have always been faithful to Thee, but, dear Lord, be Thou faithful and keep Thy promises and help me now in this hopeless situation. Thou hast promised, "Ask whatever ye will and it shall be done to you."

On arising from my knees I saw a small girl coming down the road toward me. I had the feeling that I should ask this girl to be my guide. So I asked her, and she was ready and willing. I told her that I did not like the naked plain where the center of the village was, and that I preferred to buy a small house surrounded by trees and near a forest and with a natural spring nearby for drinking water. I had heard that the water was not good in this place, and even scarce in dry seasons.

She listened to me and said quietly, "I know such a house. Please follow me." She led me to the outskirts of the village near a forest, and there nestled a nice, nearly new brick house. The house proved to be vacant. I asked the girl if she knew the owner. She led me to a wealthy merchant in the village, and left.

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In less than half an hour we had agreed to the particulars and the price, which was surprisingly low, and I had become the new owner. I hardly realized what had happened. The Lord had in a marvelous way, answered my prayer, and given us our house, in less than three hours, after my efforts had failed.

After a month, we moved into this house, and lived there many happy years until the Lord called me for His service in the Holy Land. We live now by the Lake Gennesaret, where the Lord provided us another nice house.

I have wondered many times if the girl who was then my guide was a real girl, or was she an angel whom the Lord sent to help in my time of need?

#### The Rattlesnake Could Not Bite

"The Lord is on my side, I will not fear." Psalm 78:6.

**D**AVID Brainerd, in the early days of our country, resolved to carry the Gospel to a savage tribe of Indians away in the forest. His friends declared that they should never see him alive again. He carried a little tent, under which he slept.

After weary days of travel he approached the principal village of the tribe, but tarried for a while that he might plead with God for His blessing on his attempt to benefit those savage Indians. He supposed that no eye but God's rested on him, but some Indians had watched him as he pitched his tent, and then hastening to the village had told the chief of the approaching white man. A council was held, and it was decided that he must die.

A party of Indians hid in a sheltered place and waited for the missionary to come out, but Brainerd continued long in prayer. Becoming impatient they drew nearer, and cautiously peering through the opening, they saw him on his knees. Just then a great rattlesnake slowly pushed its ugly head under the tent, and crawled over Brainerd's feet, reared itself parallel to the kneeling man's back as if to strike its fangs into his neck. Suddenly it drew back, as if God forbade the murderous attempt and glided out at the opposite side from which it had entered. The Indians were amazed, and slowly retreating they joined their comrades and described what they had seen.

Brainerd was so absorbed in prayer that he knew nothing of the snake's visit, or of the savage warriors who had come to destroy him. He seemed to hear God say, "My presence shall go with thee." At length he took his Bible and went forth to the village. To his surprise, it seemed as if the whole tribe came out to greet him. They treated him with the greatest respect, regarding him as under the protection of the Great Spirit, and concluded instead of being hostile to this man whom God had defended from the poison of the rattlesnake, they ought to sue for peace. They listened to his preaching, and were ready to heed his entreaties to trust alone in Christ for salvation.

Lena Elliott, Dumas, Ark. (Satan has long deprived many Christians from having faith for healing because he has told them that their affliction is a "thorn in the flesh" such as Paul had, and for this reason they cannot be healed. In this article is absolute proof that Paul's "thorn in the flesh" was not sickness.)

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# Was Paul's Thorn

# in the Flesh Siekness?

#### By GORDON LINDSAY

T IS TRUE that the Scriptures do teach that "they who will live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer." (II Timothy 3:12) Many read the last word of this verse to say "sickness." But if the reader will refer to the verse he will see that it says no such thing. It says they will suffer "persecution." Nevertheless from this false assumption, some teach that the righteous must also suffer from sickness and disease. To back up this contention they call attention to Paul's "thorn in the flesh" which they assert was a disease, supposedly a dreaded eye affliction which caused Paul to become almost blind.

The first law of sound reasoning is that one may not assume the thing which is to be proved. The Scriptures declare that Paul had a "thorn in the flesh." We are also told that it was a messenger from Satan which came to buffet him. We further understand that Paul did not receive deliverance from "this thorn in the flesh." But where, we ask, does the Bible indicate that the term "thorn in the flesh" refers to disease? Even Scofield, a denominational expositor, regarding the supposed eye affliction of Paul, says:

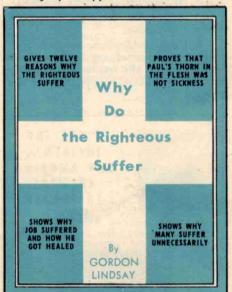
"It has been conjectured that Paul's "thorn in the flesh' was chronic ophthalmania (a serious eye affliction) inducing bodily weakness and a repulsive appearance. This cannot be positively known, and the reserve of Scripture is as sure a mark of inspiration as its revelations. Paul's particular thorn is not described that his consolations may avail for all to whom any thorn is given." (Scofield Bible)

Actually the evidence of the Scripture supplies absolute proof that Paul's "thorn in the flesh" was not sickness of any kind.

#### Paul's "Thorn in the Flesh" was given because of great revelations.

Many sick persons are prone to com-

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pare themselves to Paul in the matter of his "thorn in the flesh." But they should note the reason why he received it. Paul said it was given "lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations." (II Cor. 12:7) Now the obvious fact is that most of the people who claim to have a "thorn in the flesh" have received no notable revelations as Paul. Many of them don't even know the Scriptures on Divine Healing. Far from having any great revelation that would necessitate a "thorn in the flesh" they pay little heed to the revelations already given. They take little mote of those great promises such as Psalms 103:2, 3 which declare "Bless the Lord O my soul and forget not all his benefits, who forgiveth all thine iniquities and who healeth all thy diseases." Nor of Matt. 8:16, 17: "And he cast out the spirits with his word and healed all that were sick; That it minibe fulfilled that which was spoken Esaias the prophet, saying Himself took our infirmities and bare our sicknesses." Or the promise, "By His stripes ye were healed."

Paul was caught up into the third heaven. He saw amazing things and naturally desired to relate on his return to earth what he saw. This however was not granted. Because of the abundance of the revelations he was given a "thorn in the flesh" to keep him from becoming unduly exalted.

#### What does the Bible say a "Thorn in the Flesh" is?

It is always a wise thing to allow the scriptures to explain themselves. The term evidently is figurative and not a literal thorn. We shall see in the Scriptures that in each case, the term "thorn in the flesh" is used to indicate the persecution of wicked persons and not diseases. In Numbers 33:55, Moses said:

"If ye will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you then it shall come to pass that those which ye let remain of them shall be pricks in your eyes and *thorns in* your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein you dwell."

Joshua, speaking at a later time, used the term in the same way: "They shall be scourges in your sides and thorns in your eyes." Joshua 23:13. Again in Judges 2:3, the Lord speaks of the Canaanites as "thorns in your sides." We see therefore that according to the Scriptures a "thorn in the flesh" is not a disease but a personality whom the devil uses to annoy or persecute the children of God.

If we allow Scripture to interpret Scripture then the matter should be forever settled as to what the Bible means when it speaks of a "thorn in the flesh."

3. Did Paul infer in any way that his "Thorn in the Flesh" was blindness or some kind of sickness?

In the very passage of Scripture where Paul speaks of his "thorn in the flesh" he refers to it as an infirmity or infirmities. He says:

"Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities that the power of Christ may rest upon me. Therefore, I take pleasure in infirmities, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake; for when I am weak then am I strong." II Cor. 12:10.

Paul lists his infirmities here as necessities, persecutions and distresses. In the preceding 11th chapter, he makes a long list of these infirmities and distresses:

- 1. Labors more abundant.
- 2. In stripes above measure.
- 3. In prisons more frequent.
- 4. In deaths oft.
- 5. Five times received I forty stripes save one.
- 6. Thrice was I beaten with rods.
- 7. Once was I stoned.
- 8. Thrice I suffered shipwreck.

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Y ES, I actually met the devil face to face! I did not imagine it; I was not having hallucinations as some have said; nor was it a dream, for I was wide awake. Were I to live in this life a hundred million years, this frightening experience could never be blotted from my memory. Four years have lapsed since this phenomenon occurred, yet it has left such an indelible impression on my soul that the experience seems as though it happened only yesterday.



My wife and I had been traveling part of a day and all the night aboard a huge Continental Trailways bus. We were enroute to Denver, Colorado, from Dallas, Texas. I awoke early that morning and while the sun had not yet risen,

the daylight was already streaming through the windows and I could easily detect by the terrain features that our bus was now roaring across the eastern plains of Colorado. In fact, we were just forty-five minutes out of Kit Carson, Colorado. As I sat beside my faithful wife and glanced about the bus, I noticed that, like her, some of the passengers were still asleep, some were talking in low voices, while others read quietly, the smoke from their cigarettes curling toward the ceiling. I was totally unaware that within the next few moments on that bus a terrifying thread of experience was to be wound around the spool of my life.

Looking directly forward, my eye caught the reflection of two lights on the ceiling of the bus. One was green and the other red. Both lights were attached to the control panel of the bus and reflected clearly on the polished ceiling. It was at that moment that it happened! Suddenly the two reflections merged into one. As the red and green converged, it seemed that they burst into a hundred brilliant colors. With mixed emotions I watched the ceilors cover the entire front part of the ceiling.

At first I was frightened, but in spite of this fear, I felt strangely drawn toward those beautiful colors that danced before me in all their splendor. Never in my life had I seen such beauty in any combination of colors. While sitting there gazing in wide-eyed astonishment, I noticed the colors were taking on a form. My eyes moved rapidly to the left and I recognized the form; it was the body of a dragon. This dragon I had seen many times before in pagan worship while in North China. As my eyes travelled slowly down the dragon's body, I was still aware of the radiant colors; however, the fascination of its beauty was fading rapidly only to be replaced by a dreadful fear. Suddenly my eyes came to an abrupt halt! As I looked into his horrible face, I could see that he had the countenance of a man. Yet no man has ever looked so wicked as he, for written deep into each ghastly line of his hideous face was all the sin of the universe.



Then it was that I first realized I was looking into the face of the devil himself! The moment my eyes met his it seemed that the fear intensified a thou-sandfold and all I could do was to sit, paralyzed, staring into his bulging eyes with stark terror. Then he spoke to me in a low, sinister voice that reeked with all the powers of darkness. He knew my name and what God had called me to do: he spoke in a steady voice, never raising or lowering the pitch, threatening me as he talked, boasting that some day he would destroy my ministry and cause me to lose my testimony of the reality of God in my soul. As he continued pouring out his infamous vials of blasphemy, I began to wonder if I were the only one on the bus who was aware of the undeniable presence of Satan. I tried to look around me, only to discover that I could not take my eyes from his. However, in my right forefield I could see the people and although more seemed to be awake than before none seemed aware of any of the things I was seeing and hearing.

The longer Satan talked to me the more malicious his threats became and the more frightened I became, until indescribable waves of dread and horror swept over me again and again. I knew that I had to do something to gain my deliverance or I would be utterly consumed by fear. It seemed that I was suddenly aware of the presence of my wife; why had I not thought of her sooner. She had always had an answer to spiritual problems. After all, was not she the one who had led me to the Lord Jesus Christ? She could pray and he would have to go, I thought. I could feel her arm touching mine — all I would have to do would be to nudge her with my elbow and she would awaken and help me to be free from this horrible thing. But try as desperately as I might, I could not nudge her, for I was completely paralyzed. My mind was racing rapidly now. I knew that I had to be liberated or I would die of sheer fright. Futilely I attempted to close my eyes, only to find this unholy power compelling me to stare into his eyes. Straining the muscles in my neck in a final attempt to pull my face away from his, I exhausted the last bit of human effort that I possessed.

Just when fear and terror had reached its highest pitch, I thought of a name the Name of Jesus. With great difficulty I attempted to utter this name audibly, but to my alarming dismay, I found my vocal organs completely paralyzed. I then determined to simply think His name. This I did once, twice, three times. At last I managed to faintly whisper His name-Jesus. Upon the first audible whisper of the name of Jesus, the visage of Satan changed from a proud authoritative look to that of worry. Once again I managed to blurt out the name, Jesus! Then Satan's voice seemed to tremble and fail; outright fear replaced the worried look on his face. With more confidence now, I repeated the name of Jesus. The voice of Satan was completely silenced and now he was the one who was afraid he feared that name, Jesus. My fourth venture was easy so I boldly declared the name, Jesus! The very moment the words had fallen from my lips, yes, even quicker than it takes to tell it, the devil vanished before my eyes and the only material re-minder of this alarming experience that remained was the two lights which I

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could see clearly reflecting on the ceiling. I buried my face in the seat cushions of that bus and thanked God for the lovely name of Jesus to whom someday every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess.

Oh, hear it today, friend. You can obtain deliverance through that matchless name, that name above all names, the name of Jesus. Are you demon oppressed, or possessed by evil spirits? Are you bound by sickness, sin, or fear? If so, deliverance can be found within the spaceless dimensions of faith in the name of Jesus.

#### VINYARD SERMON

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and God worked with them and confirmed the Word with signs following." We've got to believe we can do the work of God.

Some people have no confidence in healing. They say, "I have tried and tried, and I don't seem to get anywhere." If you don't believe, you can't get anywhere. Workers must believe. God never works with anybody that does not believe. We must have faith in our religion. Jesus healed the sick and cast out devils. The wind and the waves obeyed His command. He believed He could do the works of the Father, and because He believed, He re-ceived. When Elijah had fear and ran to a solitary place, he was having defeat. It was according to his faith the way God worked with him.

"Oh," you say, "I believe the whole Bible!"

You do? You would never know it! When you believe this Book from cover to cover you will have results. You have to believe you can have them, though.

Jesus didn't say, "According to your desire and longing, and according to your need be ye healed." He said, "ACCORD-ING TO YOUR FAITH." He said, "If you believe, you can receive from Me." Before you receive, you have to believe He heals, because "WITHOUT FAITH, the Scripture says, "IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PLEASE GOD."

Peter healed the sick by speaking the Word, in the NAME OF JESUS. He said God has given me the authority to use the Name of Jesus. In that mighty Name of Jesus, I can do the works of Jesus. And Peter believed he could do the works of Jesus.

You say, "I hope I can be healed." But hope is not enough. You have to believe. YOU HAVE TO BELIEVE IN YOUR ABILITY, THAT YOU CAN HAVE WHAT GOD SAYS. "Christ in you, the hope of glory!" We have to realize it and turn it loose, in order to receive His blessing. As long as we don't we are not going to possess.

#### Why So Many Defeated

Many people are defeated because they do not believe in themselves. They get a touch from God but they doubt their ability to obtain anything, and though they have received a touch of bodily healing, they don't keep their healing. You can have anything God wants to give you, if

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you make up your mind and hold on to God's promise and have confidence in uourselves.

A man came to the platform not long ago, a very sick man. He began to make excuses why he was not healed. There is no excuse why. He said, "I just got back to God a couple days ago. I am not worthy."

I said, "There is not a man on the face of this earth who is worthy of what God has done for him!" I said, "You are not going to be healed because you are worthy, but because you believe you can have it.

People don't realize what they are in Christ. They think of their own ability and not in the ability Christ gives. As long as we look at ourselves and conditions and our failures, that is enough to disgust anybody; but when we look at what Jesus made us, that is what counts!

The old devil said to me, "You need not think you are going to have miracles. You are not worthy.'

I am not going to have miracles because I am worthy; but Jesus said I could have them, and I believe I can have them. You know most of us don't have faith in our religion. People go around condemning themselves. Have you heard Christians going around condemning themselves? The Holy Ghost isn't condemning them; they are condemning themselves. They say, "This is wrong with me, and that is wrong with me, and if you don't think something is wrong with me, just ask my wife - she'll tell you!"

But I can still have God's anointing power, because I am not looking at my natural self; I am looking at what Jesus Christ says I am. We've got to believe in the religion of Jesus Christ.

I look back at the tendency of the Vinyard family and the Irish and Dutch sides. I have been born again from above and all the old carnal nature — all the old Irish nature that lived in me, I have lost. I am a new creation. Christ made me a new creation. I don't think as a man would think about myself, but as God thinks about me. And that is the reason we lose our faith. If we look ourselves over a bit, but when we look at what Christ made us, and remember He said, "If ye believe, ye shall receive." You can have what you believe you can.

#### Believe in Yourself

We must believe in ourselves; for "according to your faith be it unto you." According to what you believe.

Some people say, "You are not fit to have God's blessing." A lot of preacher friends come to me, and say, "How in the world did you get where you are in the ministry. We know your disposition."

It makes no difference what you know, but I know what God knows I am. He measured me, and I believe I am what Jesus says I am. And when you STOP believing what all the emissaries of Satan say and all the quotations from Hell, and begin to believe what JESUS says about you, then you will have faith in yourselves.

Some people say, "My, I am weak!"

"Yes," you say, "I am weak. I'm afraid I'm not going to make it."

"When I am weak, then am I strong!" Jesus says He "is my strength."

The Devil says, "You can't win that

battle!"

God says, "I am more than conqueror through Him that loved me!'

Some folks believe anything the old Devil tells them. Some people will sa "Now, don't get all excited about the faith business."

It is time we took our place and had faith in ourselves, and what Jesus made us at Calvary!

Some people say, "I don't have enough faith to get healed." And that is why so many of you run to everyone's prayerbecause the old Devil says, you lines. haven't enough faith.

"What do you mean, old Devil? I have the faith of Jesus Christ. I have the faith of the Son of God. I have the faith of the Spirit of God. I have the witness of the Spirit of God. What do you mean I don't have faith? You get out of here! I can have all the promises in the Book.

You say you don't have faith in your religion? Well, religion comes from God. When I pray for folks, sometimes I don't have faith; but I don't go on feelings or on what I think. I go on what God says. That is the secret of the whole thing — belief in God's word and belief in yourself.

I will never forget an occasion when a minister came to visit me. He said, "I thought you had good sense. I think now you are losing your mind. I am going to pray for you."

"All right, go ahead and pray for me; but be sure and come to church Sunday morning."

"Do you mean to tell me sick people are going to come to church to be prayed for and you can pray for them and they will be healed before our eyes?"

"Yes," I said, "and we see that at every service. God heals the sick !"

So I invited him to preach on Sunday morning. It was the saddest message have ever heard. He didn't believe what Jesus said, and he presented the thing, so negative, it stunk to the high heavens. Then he announced that I was going to pray for the sick.

The people had heard nothing upon which to build faith from God's Word. So I had a challenge against a negative preacher and against the Devil. But Jesus said, "These signs shall follow them that believe. IN MY NAME shall they cast out devils, they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

So I stuck to the Bible. In the meeting that day there was a high school boy, who was cross-eyed and almost blind. When in that precious NAME OF JESUS I touched his eyes, they were healed, and three days later the doctor who again examined him attested he was healed.

The preacher who had preached that Sunday morning was a Full Gospel preacher, and one of their doctrines is Divine Healing: but the preacher didn't believe in his religion.

God put this thing in the Book, friends, and we can claim it or not claim it. God's promise is this, that we shall have "power over all the power of the enemy"; but if we do not believe it, the enemy will use us for a football: but to those who have faith in the religion of Jesus Christ, victory is ours, for we are fighting the good fight of faith and God is going to bless us.





In the front, beginning at the left, is Bro. Eli Cruz, Bro. Sjoberg, Bro. Mastro, and Bro. Lacsina.

ON NOVEMBER 9, 1955, Evangelist Michael Mastro arrived in the Philippines for a month of deliverance evangelism in Angeles and the surrounding area. These were days of Divine Ministry. Rev. Mastro's campaign was the first extended deliverance campaign ever conducted in the provinces. All the other campaigns have been in Manila and those that did go to the provinces were for a few days only. Rev. Mastro's campaign proved that the provincial people are as receptive to the message of deliverance as those living in Manila and the metropolitan centers.



Angeles is located 50 miles north of Manila, near Clark Air Force Base, the largest American Air Base in the Far East. Pentecost is new in this area. Angeles Christian Center is the only Pentecostal church in this entire central

Michael Mastro

section of Luzon. This unevangelized area is a challenge to the message of Pentecost.

When the mighty revelation gifts of the Spirit operated through Rev. Mastro in his first service in Angeles Christian Center, the people were filled with consternation. As he pointed to people in the audience, and described in detail their illnesses, some began to cry and pray, while others visibly showed fear, for they knew they were in the presence of the Lord. Later, as the people became accustomed to these mighty manifestations, it caused everyone to rejoice, and greatly strengthened the faith of all. One day we went to one of our new outstations in a nearby community. When Rev. Mastro was ready to minister to the sick, he began to reveal to them their illnesses. In detail he told a lady that she had a tumor, its size, and location. It was true. She was speechless. In bewilderment she turned to her friends, and in the dialect she remarked, "What kind of a man is this who can tell me all these things!" Often we saw people healed where they stood when Brother Mastro would pray for them, after having described their illnesses.

Evangelist Mastro's preaching was outstanding. Even yet the people frequently remark how they were edified and instructed by his Bible messages. His opening question "How many love that man called Jesus?" has almost become a slogan here. His theme chorus "Jesus set me free" has spread from church to church until it is being sung everywhere in the Islands.

Rev. Mastro's life and ministry are such that it is a joy for a pastor to sponsor him. Often the conditions overseas are not comparable to the States, but Rev. Mastro adapted himself perfectly to our non-American standard of living. Never before have I met a man of God who seemed to fit so perfectly with circumstances, and who was so humble and human, while yet so anointed and gifted of God. He served without any considera-tions for himself at all. All of this, while he could have been in the States under ideal circumstances. One quality that I really appreciated in Rev. Mastro was his missionary vision. Certainly I can recommend him to any who wish to have an anointed man of God to minister to them. Praise the Lord for his ministry.

The accompanying pictures, taken at the concluding service, show the campaign in progress. Interest was excellent. People came from far distances. In every place where we advertised the meetings, we had a fine response. As a result, the message of Pentecost is far better known now than before. Frequently people from a distance return to our church, telling us that they first came here during the salvation-healing campaign of Rev. Mastro. As a result of the healings of many who came from distant places, we now have more opportunities for out-stations than we can manage, because we lack native workers. The harvest is greater than we can reap. Pray with us for reapers.

Brother Mastro's ministry also inspired our church workers and lay members to work for God. Some of our people who have felt the call of God upon their lives have volunteered to assume the responsibility for some of the new out-stations. Our readers would be thrilled to see their enthusiasm and consecration to work for the Lord.

Rev. Mastro did not spare himself in this campaign. Services were held twice daily; a morning instruction service in the church, and the evening service outdoors in a large vacant lot adjacent to the church.

In a community about five miles away is a U.C.C.P. church (United Church of Christ in the Philippines), pastored by Rev. Nicanor Lacsina, who is now accepting the message of Pentecost. Rev. Lacsina interpreted for Brother Mastro almost every night. Without the splendid cooperation of Rev. Lacsina, the campaign could not have been successfully conducted. Toward the end of his stay here, Brother Mastro held four nights of services at Rev. Lacsina's church, which was so packed that not even standing room remained. Rev. Lacsina reports that his church is growing, and that there is a new spirit in their services.

We are deeply grateful to Brother Mastro for coming to the Philippines, and would be happy to have him come again.

#### TESTIMONIES OF HEALINGS FROM THE MASTRO CAMPAIGN

#### Testimony of Mrs. Brigida Dabid

(See photo No. 1)

For more than six months I was paralyzed from my waist down. I could not even stand on my feet, and whenever I wanted to move, I had to drag myself around the house.

During these six months I sought the aid of three prominent doctors in our community. They could not help me. But when Evangelist Mastro prayed for me, I received deliverance, and was able to stand on my feet, and walked home without assistance.

Now I do my own work at home. I am filled with joy and gladness, for I can do my work with ease. Praise God!

#### Testimony of Benito B. Mutia

(See photo No. 2)

From 1913 to 1940 I was a member of the Philippine Scouts, United States Army. Because I was afflicted with asthma, I had to be given a medical disability discharge in 1940. Prior to my discharge, I was sent to various U. S. Army Hospitals for treatment. I also sought the assistance of various civilian hospitals, but without any relief.

On November 20, 1955, I was prayed for by Evangelist Mastro. The Lord Jesus was gracious to deliver me instantly. Before I was prayed for I was in such critical condition that my wife had to assist me to find a place at the beginning of the prayer line, for there were so many who were seeking deliverance. For my healing I give all the glory and praise and thanksgiving to the Lord Jesus Christ. I also wish to thank His servant, Evangelist Mastro, for coming to the Philippines.



Donald Gee Column



#### **Candlesticks and Rockets**

I SEEMS that we have to return to some themes again and again if they deal with real dangers in the work of the Gospel. For instance, here is a *hot* letter on my desk from a pastor accusing an evangelist of gross exaggeration in reporting a campaign in his area. And here is another letter referring to the scathing words of some evangelists about some pastors, and about official brethren and councils in general. Like most of the rest of us I personally want to keep cool in the middle of this kind of thing, and have the mind of Christ.

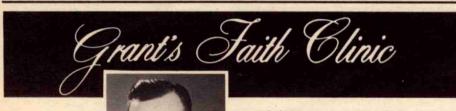
One can sympathize with a local pastor who works steadily in his church year in and year out with rewarding but not spectacular results. Then a revivalist comes along with a big tent, big publicity, and a spectacular type of ministry. He draws the crowds; he sees some miracles of healing; he is able to count decisions by the hundred while the revival is in progress. Then he moves on to repeat the same thing elsewhere and publishes enthusiastic statistics. What the evangelist (DONALD GEE is Editor of a quarterly magazine PENTECOST which gives a review of world-wide missionary and revival news. Subscription rate \$1.00 for two years. Send orders to PENTECOST, Victory Press, Clapham Crescent, London, S. W. 4, England.)

does not always recognize is that the whole thing is of a transitory nature. It is good; it has done good; it has left some lasting fruit unto God: but the ultimate increase of the church depends in the final analysis upon the frithful work of the obscure local pastors. It is natural for an evangelist who lives in a constant whirl of excitement through campaign after campaign to develop a view of the work of God as a whole that lacks balance and true perspective. It can only be otherwise by a great mental and spiritual effort.

But let us sympathize with the evangelist also. Usually his very gifts have made him somewhat of an individualist. He could not succeed in any other way. Inevitably he chafes at the necessary constitutional structure of collective church activity — call it "denominationalism" if you wish. His particular work makes him want to get things out of the rut, and launch out in a big way in the Gospel. Such a man becomes impatient with settled ministers who have become conservative, cautious and see things only and always from the "church" angle. Perhaps they are men of limited ability and parochial outlook — faithful, but definitely in the "two talent" class. In any case they are very conscious that it will be their task to carry on after the big effort has spent itself, whatever the effect may have been on the public. It is, however, posible for local pastors to become circumspect to the point of cowardice. The evangelist wants men who will dare things for Christ and the Gospel. If he cannot find them it is easy to become critical and sour and suppose that all pastors are backslidden and lack zeal.

What is the answer to these things? Surely it is easy to find in the word of God. It lies in recognizing that Christ has given "some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers" (Eph. 4/11). The poisonous thing with so many of us preachers is that we are men with one-track minds, and one line of ministry that we deem vital. It seems as if we can neither see nor appreciate men with a different line from our own. Yet if there is one aspect of the truth made clear in the word of God regarding Pentecostal ministries it is that there are "diversities of gifts but the same Spirit" (1. Cor. 12). The body is not one member, but many.

In the inspired vision of the local churches in the Revelation, they are described as "candlesticks" ("lampstands" R.V.). They represent a steady, clear, shining light, not necessarily dazzling but never going out. The Lord loves His golden candlesticks quite as much as His blazing rockets, that light up the heavens for a brief space — and then? Each and all have a God-given place. The harborlights, and the powerful rockets, each play their part in rescuing the perishing. To learn to work WITH one another, and not against one another, nor even separately from one another, is to manifest true Pentecostal wisdom. Such wisdom from above wins a resounding victory over one of Satan's devices to frustrate the weapons of our warfare.



by Rev.

W. V. Grant

#### RIGHTLY DIVIDE GOD'S WORD

YOU SAY, "DANIEL HAD TO PRAY 21 DAYS FOR AN ANSWER."

GOD SAYS THAT WE HAVE POWER OVER ALL THE POWER OF THE DEVIL (Luke 10:19). Jesus has conquered Satan since then.

Daniel's prayer was not a prayer for healing, nor for any other recorded promise which was purchased at Calvary (I Pet. 2:24). Then, the prince of a nation was fighting to destroy a disobedient nation; now we are a holy nation (I Pet. 2:9). We have power over the Devil since the Holy Ghost has been given (Acts 1:8; 10:38; Mk. 16:15-18).

YOU SAY, "WILL GOD HEAL ME IF MY HUSBAND IS A SINNER, AND REFUSES TO PAY TITHES, ETC....?"

GOD SAYS, "... AS THOU HAST BE-LIEVED, SO BE IT DONE UNTO THEE ..." (Matt. 8:13.) Your believing does not depend upon another's salvation. If you believe part of Psalms 103:3, you should believe it all. You may be healed just as you may be saved, regardless of your loved one's condition.

Neither Jesus nor the Apostles ever turned any sick person away telling him he could not be healed because of another's sins.

YOU SAY, "MAYBE I AM REAPING WHAT I SOWED."

GOD SAYS THAT YOU MAY RE-

CEIVE HEALING OF SICKNESS WHICH HAS BEEN CAUSED BY SIN (Ps. 107:20; James 5:14, 15). A sinner could refuse salvation, saying that he must reap as he had sowed. But Jesus suffered our guilt, our shame and our sicknesses.

We can change our crops from thorns to wheat or from wheat to thorns (Jer. 12:13). We can move away from the field so we will not have to reap the harvest (Mic. 6:15). We shall reap good if we faint not (Gal. 6:9).

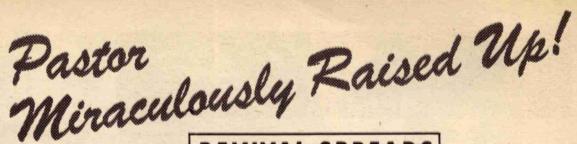
Jesus has never refused anyone healing because he was responsible for his sickness. If he did, few would ever receive. Oh, the riches of God's great grace! All may receive!

YOU SAY, "I MUST BE ANOINTED WITH OIL TO RECEIVE HEALING."

GOD SAYS, "THEY SHALL LAY HANDS ON THE SICK AND THEY SHALL RECOVER" (Mk. 16:18).

If the lame man at the Beautiful Gate had believed this excuse, he would never have been healed (Acts 3). Oil does not heal any more than water saves a sinner. God uses various channels and ways to bring healing to His people. He used men who were not elders in healing the sick (Acts, chs. 7, 8, and 9). He used the seventy.





# **REVIVAL SPREADS**

Evangelist L. C. Robie

# Evang. L. C. Robie

## By Rev. Walter E. Campher 650 Pennsylvania Ave. Hagerstown, Md.

#### Taken from a letter received one year after the healing took place.

FRIENDS, I am happy to tell you of the marvelous grace of God and His power to heal. I was a victim of tubercuiosis. I was bedfast for at least a year and had suffered through part of 1954 and all of 1953. I was healed on February 19, 1954. Toward the end of 1953 hemorrhaging began indicating the last stages of the disease. Oh, how I suffered. The blood poured like water. I had come to the place that I expected to die. The people of God prayed that I might be healed, but it seemed as though all would be in vain.



Then one day the phone rang and Sister Duffy from Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, told us that Evangelist L. C. Robie of Union Springs, New York, was holding a Bible salvation - healing meeting there, and asked, "Won't you

Rev. Walter E. Campher

come over and let him pray for you?" My wife told her that I was not able — that I was bleeding profusely. Rev. Robie mailed me an anointed cloth and told me to believe that God had done the healing, and that I was to praise God for it. "Put your hand on your head," he said, "hold this little cloth, and praise and thank God for your healing."

Seemingly I did not receive the victory, and that evening about four o'clock, as I meditated on it, I turned my face as it were to the wall, and prayed, "Oh God, deliver me from this affliction." I said, "I am like a man that is harassed by the enemy and reproached." I asked the Lord to take away my affliction and "Do it now." And as I asked Him, I began to put faith into action; I took away the cover and made an effort to move. I got on my feet (Oh, praise God's great name); the power of God came down; strength came into my backbone, and I felt the glory of God moving in my room. My whole being was illuminated with the glory of God. I walked and paced the floor, giving all the glory to God, until all in the house knew that God had worked in my behalf. I have been whole ever since that hour.

#### MARIETTA, PENNSYLVANIA, STIRRED By Edward S. Bell, Sr., Pastor

# Maranatha Chapel Assembly of God

For four weeks we experienced a great Holy Ghost awakening here at the Maranatha Chapel. Evangelist L. C. Robie of Union Springs, N. Y., came to us January 1st, and led forth in revival.

Souls came for salvation many nights. Saturday night at the close of the first week, nine were baptized in the Holy Ghost. Others received the Holy Ghost at other times as this visitation of God continued. Many were healed in the prayer line from all sorts of diseases: deafness, arthritis, sinus, virus, bursitis, and many others too numerous to mention. It was a common thing for people to testify to healing right while they were sitting in their seats. The gifts of the Spirit were in operation in all the meetings.

The ministry that God sent to Marietta was far above expectation. The soul stirring messages of Brother Robie, preached night after night, were the solid, sane, sound and very constructive truths and advice that we and all Full Gospel people need to hear.

We are thankful to God for sending the Robie Party here to this small work, which has now become a large work. We have appreciated the way the Evangelist waited on the Holy Spirit at all times. Without a tinge of exaggeration on our part, L. C. Robie is a God-sent leader well capable for any size meeting. All the glory to Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### REVIVAL FIRES AT TRAFFORD, PA. By H. A. Christopher, Pastor

G OD has begun to restore to the church the fire and glow of former years. On September 11 we began a special salvation-healing revival with Evangelist L. C. Robie of Union Springs, N. Y. Brother Robie got under the burden of the situation and preached passionately, inspired by God, so

that the tide contin-

ued to rise. The Tab-

ernacle began to fill especially for the Sunday services.

Many were saved

and several filled, or

refilled, with the Spirit, and numbers were healed of var-



which we praise God.

We had conducted two weeks of cottage prayer prior to this revival and continued them during the revival. Attendance mounted in these homes until they became crowded. God met us in definite wavs in answer to praver. The Glory of God became richly manifest during the revival services, many of which lasted until the midnight hour. To God be the praise! We believe this is the beginning of greater things for Trafford.

#### TESTIMONIES



"I wore glasses for over nine years. On January 15, 1955, Brother L. C. Robie prayed for me. I received complete healing for my eyes. I now can work and read without glasses. Also I received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. All glory to Jesus."

Thelma I. Henry Greensburg, Pa.

"The Doctors told me: 'No cure for these long-standing migraine headaches.'



As Brother Robie prayed God's mighty power went through me. Now, no more tormenting headaches, and I don't need my glasses any more either — after 25 years of wearing them. Praise the Lord!" Mrs. Agnes O'Brien Toronto 12, Ontario

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Evangelist L. C. Robie (Union Springs, New York)



Russell Kensinger and Brother Stewart stand beside little girl who was instantly healed of a blind eye.

Roy Stewart Enjoys Great Success in Central America

Rev. and Mrs. Roy Stewart is another of the TVH deliverance teams which The Voice of Healing has helped sponsor. Brother Stewart not only has had unusual success in his campaigns in which many are saved and many miracles take place, but he also gives attention to the native preachers and evangelists, bringing them into an experience of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, inspiring their faith and teaching them how to go out and minister to the sick themselves. Thus the ministry is greatly multiplied.

#### Report on the Roy H. Stewart Campaign in Managua, Nicaragua, C.A.

**R** EV. ROY H. STEWART and family of Clovis, New Mexico, began a Divine Healing and Salvation Campaign in the City of Managua, Nicaragua, the night of February 7, 1956, and closed the night of the 28th of the same month. Miracles were wrought by God and a great work accomplished under the powerful and consecrated ministry of our brother.

As the campaign photographer I was located in such a position as to be able to note the miracles and healings throughout the campaign. They were innumerable. We have no sure record of the number healed but we are being very conservative when we say that dozens of deaf people, in one ear or both, were healed instantly. A great number of mutes, mostly among the children were heard to speak for the first time. God worked in a special way among the blind. Many who had been blind all their lives and others for a long period of time, in one or both eves, were delivered instantly. Cataracts were seen to leave at the powerful prayer of faith. Twisted and crippled bodies were straightened and healed, headaches and other bodily pains instantly ceased.

The testimonies were many and inspiring. Truly we have seen the things brought to pass that are recorded in God's Word. "These signs shall follow them that believe." Mark 16:17. "The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up and the poor have the gospel preached to them." Matt. 11:5.

One notable thing about the campaign was the wonderful behavior and great interest of the people. There was very little disturbance of any kind. Each night, without exception, as the call was given, people flocked to the front to prav the prayer of the repentant sinner. Only eternity will reveal all the wonderful things that the Lord has brought to pass during this great campaign.

Ellis J. Stone

Assembly of God missionary to Nicaragua.



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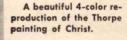
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# The First Assembly of God in Galveston, Texas, Has an Outstanding Revival with Evangelist Richard Vinyard

**Evangelist Richard Vinyard** 

By James W. Drush, Pastor

WE HAVE just completed the greatest revival in the history of The First Assembly of God Church here in Galveston. Texas. Our church in its present form was built largely upon such deliverance ministries.



For four and one-half years after obeying the voice of God to come to this city for the purpose of building a church, we have witnessed the move of God in instance after instance. Each move of God being a foundation stone that would prepare the church for something greater. A parade of deliverance evangelists has been to Galveston, each in his own way contributing to the suc-cess that has been enjoyed during this period of time. An enthu-siastic consecrated congregation has continued to back such a program of faith and vision until today a new church has replaced the old — a revival church that will seat 1000, and that will be completely air-conditioned when fully completed.

Pastor James W. Drush

Possibly you would wonder what has been the effect of the ministry of deliverance, which has, at times, carried the budget quite high. During this period, this congregation has erected this auditorium, valued at \$100,000.00, for an indebtedness of less than \$35,000.00. The balance has been raised and work contributed to make this possible.

This meeting with Brother Vinyard took on spiritual proportions from the first night. What was booked as a healing revival turned into a great move of the Spirit — large numbers receiving the baptism of the Spirit. Evangelist Vinyard moved with the Spirit as God began to visit His people with this type of outpouring. His messages were dynamic, meeting great needs in the lives of the people. We sat night after night enthralled by the move of God as the ministry gifts came forth from the pulpit. Many nights we came home at a late hour feeling that the breath of God was so near that we hardly dared talk for fear of breaking the spell of His mighty presence. Large numbers were added to the church. Nominal church folk were reached during this revival. They heard, saw, and received the baptism of the Spirit. Miracles of healing were witnessed. The gift of discernment operated many nights, and people with all manner of afflictions were called out and set free from their sicknesses.

I found Evangelist and Mrs. Vinyard both lovely people from a personal stand-point. Brother Vinyard feels the burden of a pastor and labors in love to help all that it is possible to help. Sister Vinyard is not to be overlooked. We found that she, too, had a ministry of discernment and compassion, thus filling many needs as God moved on her and brought things to her attention. We feel that this church will never be the same again after the departure of the man of God.

I find it difficult to fully express my feelings on this revival. As a pastor who has learned to be honest and appraise a ministry fairly, my only words in closing is that I trust that the Lord sees fit to permit the return of this couple to our fair city.



The First Assembly of God Church in Galveston, Texas

#### Report from James A. Booth, Supt., Sunday School

We at The First Assembly of God Church of Galveston were privileged to have Evangelist Richard Vinyard with us for the past four weeks.

Brother Vinyard has a rich deliverance ministry. His teaching of the Word of God brought us closer to *Him.* The bap-tism of the Holy Ghost was made so real. Over twenty who had been seeking for months and even years, received before two weeks had passed. The gifts of the Spirit were in operation from night to night in an unusual way. The Word was preached with such anointing that sev-eral felt and sought their call into God's purpose. God truly is no respector of per-sons: what He has done for others Ha sons; what He has done for others He will do for you.

My own personal experience is unex-pressable. I sat and drank in the Word. God moved on my heart. I have seen things clearer than ever before. My words are inadequate to express my heart for Brother and Sister Vinyard and their ministry. Needless to say our Sunday School is on the increase. My desire is to have them back at their first opportunity. opportunity.

#### From W. I. Julian, Deacon

Brother Vinyard took the church on his heart from the beginning. He took the prophets of old to set us upon a high level of Christianity. He started with Moses on the mountain, Daniel in the lions' den, David and the giant, and came right on down to Paul, Stephen and the disciples in the New Testament. He never left anything to doubt. He made the Word so clear a child could understand it. The gifts of the Spirit were in operation to the edification of the church.

Personally, he has shown me more dur-ing this meeting concerning God's Word than I ever thought I could understand. My son Ronald received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, which was a real thrill to my soul.

#### From William Marshall Jennings, Deacon

We have just closed one of the greatest revivals it has been my privilege to attend. Signs, wonders, and miracles has prevailed throughout the whole meeting. Our Brother Vinyard has taught God's people under the anointing of the Holy Ghost which has resulted in many covenants being renewed. His direct and dis-tinct teaching of God's Word has cleansed and purified hearts and souls to the ex-tent that only eternity will fully tell its worth not only to me, but to the whole surrounding countryside.

#### PAUL'S THORN IN THE FLESH

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- 9. A night and a day have I been in the deep.
- 10. In journeyings oft.
- 11. In perils of waters.
- 12. In perils of robbers.
- 13. In perils by my own countrymen.14. In perils by the heathen.
- 15. In perils in the city.
- In perils in the wilderness. 16. 17.
- In perils in the sea. In perils among false brethren. 18.
- In weariness and painfulness. 19.
- In watchings often. 20.
- In hunger and thirst. 21
- 22. In fastings often.
- 23. In cold and nakedness.

Notice that with the exception of the natural hardships encountered in those days in the preaching of the gospel, al-most all the troubles Paul listed have to do with persecution either by the heathen or by false brethren. These men driven by Satan raged against him, beating him, stoning him, putting him in prison, sub-jecting him to hunger and thirst and every kind of persecution. At one time he had escaped much of this persecution, but during his later years God allowed the full force of it to come against him insomuch that at times he even despaired of his life.

But notice! Not once does he list sickness among his infirmities. Not once does he list a single disease. Nowhere does he mention cancer or tuberculosis or any other physical affliction. It thus would appear to be pure invention to say that Paul's infirmities included blindness or some kind of disease.

#### 4. Why do some insist that Paul's infirmity was blindness?

The answer is that it is purely the tradition of men. Actually to say that Paul was blind is a direct denial of the Scriptures. It is true that Paul did become blind at the time he saw the vision of Christ on the Damascus road. However, we are told that after this Paul spent three days and nights in prayer and fasting. At that time Ananias came in and laid his hands upon him that he might receive the Holy Ghost and his sight. And the Scriptures say that he did receive sight. (Acts 9:18) Consequently to hold to a tradition that Paul was almost blind is to go directly against the Scripture.

#### 5. Did Paul consider blindness a blessing or a curse?

Paul explains that his infirmities were a blessing in disguise. Did he consider blindness a blessing in disguise or was it a curse? Blindness had indeed come upon him as he approached Damascus with threatenings and slaughter against the Christians there. But after his proud heart had been subdued he regained his sight. Did God then send blindness on him this time as a blessing? The Old Testament declared that blindness was a curse that would come on the disobedient. Deut. 28:28. Was it now to become a blessing?

Paul believed no such thing. He knew that blindness was a curse. When the false prophet, one Bar-Jesus, sought to withstand Paul from preaching the Gospel in Paphos, the apostle turned to the sorcerer, and said:

"O full of all subtility and all mischief, thou child of the devil, thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to prevent the right ways of the Lord? And now behold the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and thou shalt be blind not seeing the sun for a season." Acts 13:10, 11.

From this incident it will be seen that Paul regarded blindness as a curse and not a blessing.

#### 6. Did Paul ever teach people that sickness was a blessing?

Paul did no such thing. He went about as Jesus, teaching and preaching healing of body and soul. Great miracles took place as the result of his ministry. On the other hand he showed that sickness came upon Christians because they did not judge themselves and because they did not discern the Lord's body:

"For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body. For this cause many are weak and sickly among you, and many sleep. For if we judge ourselves we shall not be judged." I Cor. 11:29-31.

From this we see that Paul did not teach that people were to regard sickness as some special providence from God becaues they were spiritual. Rather it came because they had not discerned the Lord's body and because they had not judged themselves.

7. Is there any evidence that Paul had faith for healing for others but not for himself because the Lord had sent sickness on him as a "Thorn in the Flesh"?

We find no case of Paul being physically afflicted except when he became blind as a result of the blinding light of the vision. He fasted and prayed three days and nights and was healed.

There was one case where Paul was apparently slain as a result of a stoning by a wicked mob of persecutors who were intent in bringing a halt to his ministry. While sorrowing disciples stood about his body, suddenly they saw a movement. The apostle's eyelids flickered. Then supernatural power seemed to enter his body. His startled followers saw him arise up, apparently completely restored. He was able to walk back with his friends into the city. (Acts 14:19-20)

As long as Paul lived, he trusted in Christ as his Healer. There was no dimi-nution of his faith in God for healing even in his last years. In the final chapter of the Book of Acts when Paul, after escaping from the wrecked ship, reached land, he was attacked by a poisonous viper which had coiled around his hand. The natives supposed that he would suddenly fall down dead. But Paul trusting in the Great Physician, felt no harm. The fact is that Paul as long as he lived took the Lord as his Healer.

#### Did Paul act like a sick man?

Paul suffered many infirmities and privations, but he was able to endure them because he had a strong body. A sick person is a poor soul-winner. A physically afflicted person requires the services of

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Heaven's switchboard was kept busy, as God sent special angelic dispatchers to the Erie, Pennsylvania, Voice of Healing Convention, April 17-22, to answer prayer even as Gabriel was sent to Daniel's side, as a result of sincere supplication.

No one could have attended this entire convention and gone away saying, "I never saw a Miracle," for they were many. One lady had passed over 600 gallstones, 450 of which she had in two bottles. These were shown to the congregation.

Many were saved and some estimated that over one hundred received the Holy Ghost. Walter Lipiano, pastor of one of the Assemblies of God Churches in Erie said that eleven received the Holy Ghost from his own church. Visible healings of every sort took place before the eyes of the people.

#### TUESDAY

#### The Just Shall Live by Faith — Evangelist Sam Todd

On Tuesday night, fiery Sam Todd plunged right into his message on "The Just Shall Live by Faith," speaking from Hab. 2:1-4. In the days of Habakkuk, the Levites excused sin, even as some preachers and Christians are doing today. This is the day of sham and unbelief. But God is offering us something very real, and if this thing's real, let's find out. If it's not real, let's get rid of it. If He will heal the sick and raise the dead, let's get in touch with Him. God didn't call you to do the other fellow's work. He set me "upon my watch." God didn't ask you to do the other fellow's praying.

Habakkuk said that he would get up into "the tower"—above criticism, darkness, gloom, backbiting and compromise on another level, and "see what He will say unto me." God told me to tell you that He will speak to you in this convention. Wait upon Him, and you will hear from heaven tonight. Many came for salvation, some received the Baptism, while others were healed in this first service.

#### WEDNESDAY

Conquerors Through Christ—H. E. Hardt On Wednesday afternoon, Pastor John

#### By Mrs. Gordon Lindsay

Reed led in prayer before H. E. Hardt brought a most faith inspiring sermon from Rom. 8:28-39, on conquerors.

The reason some folk are not conquerors is because they are negative. Don't talk negative. Don't read a thing that is negative. Some lose the victory by giving others a piece of their mind. If you give away too many pieces of your mind, you'll lose your peace of mind.

In II Cor. 11:25-33, Paul was a conqueror. He refused to be defeated. He helped the sailors who couldn't swim. When a man-eating shark came along, I can hear Brother Paul praying, "In the name of Jesus, I command you to leave us alone." Learn to conquer the disease in your body, your mind, your spirit. David didn't at first look like a warrior, but he talked like one. Too many Christians have lost their testimony. No so—David! "I killed a lion and a bear!" God will give you a testimony that will electrify your church and the sinner. David slew the giant and took his sword for a trophy! You can be a conqueror, too!

#### Wilt Thou Go? - W. V. Grant

On Wednesday night Evangelist Albert Gilbert led in prayer. Then W. V. Grant built faith in the hearts of the people as he spoke from Gen. 24. Abraham who was 160 years old, was about to die, so he called his servant to get a bride for his son from his own people. That servant went to a country where he found the women drawing water instead of cigarettes. The first young lady he met offered to draw water not only for him, but for his camels. When later she was approached about marriage, she consulted her parents. That's a good thing for any young person to do. But the final decision came with the girl, "Wilt thou go?" Tonight, God has sent a special telegram to you asking, "Wilt thou go?" A marvellous moving of the Holy Ghost took place at this point, and the gifts of the spirit began to be manifested.

#### THURSDAY

The Holy Ghost - Our Strength,

By James Dunn

On Thursday afternoon, Pastor Eugene

Bell led in prayer after which James Dunn delivered a heart-searching and challenging sermon. He said that some evangelists are soft-pedalling the Holy Ghost, but this ought not to be. If you're having good results in the ministry, don't take the credit, but give it to the Holy Ghost. While out walking in Dallas, he found the biggest thorns he'd ever seen. (Some, three to four inches long.) God spoke to him and said, "Make a crown of thorns and show it to the people tonight." Christ's enemies didn't set that crown on Him lightly. They shoved it into His flesh, until the blood coursed down His cheeks. Jesus didn't take the full sting of death on an operating table under a sedative. He took it with His eyes wide open!

Some say they are little worms of the dust. The devil is looking for little worms of the dust to go fishing with. He'll get you! We aren't little worms. We're sons of God. Jesus will never come again as a lowly Nazarene to be beaten and spit upon. We're serving a powerful Christ. Receive what you need from God today, for the tomb is empty!

#### Judgment to Victory - Richard Vinyard

Richard Vinyard spoke with great force on "Judgment to Victory," on Thursday "Till He sent forth judgment unto vic-tory." When Jesus came to this world, He brought the verdict "Your sins have separated between you and your God." But He changed that judgment to victory. We're living in a day we've got to know how far we're going in this thing. It's true that you're living under the curse of sickness and disease, but you can be a free man. Jesus saved us from the curse of the law. The law of sickness, disease, death and hell has been offset by the law of power and life. But the devil says, "You're not clean enough, not holy enough, not righteous enough, not good enough to be healed." Put your faith in the law of Grace. Jesus changed our verdict from "Guilty" to a "Free Man." He has broken the yolk! We stepped out of condemnation and He made us a sheriff of the law! "These signs"—is our badge of authority.

#### FRIDAY

#### The True Church - Sam Todd

On Friday afternoon, Sam Todd thrilled the audience with a missionary

ssage from Matthew 16:15-18. We have d 2,000 years of church splits, comproad 2,000 years of church splits, compro-mising, fanaticism, upheavals, etc. The Holy Ghost speaks out against it all and says, "I will build my church." Some say, that when we get the pulpit cleaned up, when we get the hypocrites out of the "Amen Corner," we'll have a revival. But let me tell you, there will still be some hardfilden wardene in the pulpit backslidden preachers in the pulpit, and some backslidders in the "Amen Corner" when Gabriel blows his trumpet. You can sit around and sour up, and become a chronic gripe, but I'm moving with a different crowd. The King of Glory is on the March! If you look for defeat, you're going to be defeated. If you look for a miracle, you're going to have a miracle. There is a tragic necessity of gathering in the harvest, and this world harvest is not going to be brought in by any one denomination. Will you help gather it in before the storm breaks?

Evangelist William Denny led in prayer in the Friday night meeting. We watched the hungry people enter the auditorium in anticipation of the Holy Ghost Rally, at which W. V. Grant ministered. He said that Jesus commanded men not to leave until they received the Holy Ghost. If vou've been seeking ten years, you've spent ten years on a ten minute job. Some people need to drop a letter in the mail box to get the Holy Spirit. David said. "My cup runneth over with joy." My cup and my saucer both are running over! Now David had a cup, but Isaiah had a well. Some think they've got all they can hold. God can turn your cup into a well. No one is qualified to teach a Sunday school class without the Holy Ghost. Let Him fill you tonight!

#### SATURDAY

#### Prayer Still Necessary—Gordon Lindsay

On Saturday afternoon, Evangelist Charles Rothwell led in prayer. He was followed by Gordon Lindsay who said that the purpose of these conventions is to get folks out of the healing line. If he had one thing to say against the Healing Revival, it's that when men see miracles, they feel now they won't have to pray anymore. That there is a short-cut to a life of power with God. Christ found it necessary to pray continually. If we put our dependence on man, we'll be frustrated and disappointed every time. When a man panics, he's not praying right. Many times I've asked those in trouble, "Do you pray at least an hour a day?" The answer is always, "No." It's going to pay off if we forget our differences and go on with God. There's going to be false teachers, but we're going on with God!

Some preach on "The Last Sign Before Jesus Comes." Others say, "We can't tell when Jesus is coming." We can't tell this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world . . . , then shall the end come." Some say their prayers aren't being answered. It took Daniel twenty-one days to get one of his prayers answered, but the angel said to Daniel, "Yes, Daniel, it took twenty-one days to get your prayers answered, but I want you to know I started out on the first day." God is here to answer your prayer today.

#### Healing - The Children's Bread, By L. D. Hall

L. D. Hall then spoke from I John 3:21. The death penalty is upon the human race, but Jesus has acquitted us through the cross of Jesus Christ. But sin, or the condemnation of sin can keep us from healing. If your heart doesn't condemn you, you're a candidate for healing. God's word says you're healed, so you are healed.

While attending Dr. John G. Lake's church, as a young man, Brother Hall heard a lady testifying time and again that she was healed of a mammoth goiter, which she was carrying. With her voice almost gone because of the goiter, she would give the same squeaky testimony each time. "I'm glad I'm healed." Finally Hall and several other young preachers reproved Dr. Lake for allowing her to reproved Dr. Lake for allowing her to continue in this manner. They said, "We're sick and tired of hearing that woman testifying like that." But Dr. Lake asked them, "What have you got to offer against the Word of God? We've prayed for her, and the Word says she's healed! Go on your way and believe God's Word! Some time later, this woman got up one morning and Lo, her goiter was com-pletely gone! Hang on to the invisible until you see the visible!

#### Wilt Thou Be Made Whole? - Jack Coe

Saturday and Sunday J. E. Wilson de-lighted the audience with his singing. Lydia Lipiano was the pianist, Carole Lindsay the organist.

Evangelist Jack Coe preached to a full house on Saturday night, from John 5:6, "Wilt thou be made whole?" He said that God expects you to go, whether you have a way back or not. A woman lay on a cot under his tent one night. She was prayed for, but after the service she still lay there. She explained to Brother Coe. "I don't have any money to pay the ambu-lance to take me home."

"That's too bad."

"You wouldn't let me stay here all night, would you?"

"I sure would."

So she began to cry, "What shall I do?" "You can let me pray one more time and let God heal you tonight."

Brother Coe prayed, God healed her, and she left her cot and went home!

If you fight Divine Healing, you're fighting against God. "To whom is the arm of the Lord revealed?" Not to doubters nor unbelievers, but to those that trust God! He is coming for a Church without a spot or wrinkle. Better get all those spots removed and get ready to meet Jesus!

#### SUNDAY

#### Good Habits Essential in Keeping One's Healing — Gordon Lindsay

God sent beautiful sunshine for the closing day. Gordon Lindsay addressed the afternoon congregation by saying that it was not only the will of God to receive healing, but to stay healed and he showed that it was necessary to obey the laws of health. When God gave promises of Di-vine Healing to the children of Israel, He also gave them a number of health laws which included proper rest and food. He showed that it was necessary for the person who is healed to keep his eyes on

Christ and not on symptoms. When Peter kept his eyes on Christ, he walked on the water. When he got his eyes off Christ, he sank. Keep your eyes on Christ.

#### Healing the Sick, a Commandment -L. D. Hall

L. D. Hall spoke next on Matt. 16:18, "I will build my Church." In Matt. 10:8 and Luke 10:9, Jesus commanded the first thing the disciples were to do was to go into the cities and "heal the sick." The reason ministers aren't getting the job done and reaching their communities today is that they won't obey that command of Jesus. If we push healing, we're criticized. Yet Jesus said to do it.

In times past, I always cleaned house before praying for a person-take out all the pills and medicines, but I've learned to let Jesus clean house for me. Sometimes Jesus heals on credit. I was healed three days before I was saved. Some churches want to reach just one class of peoplethe upper class. Jesus takes all classes and makes one class out of them-first class! Let God make you first class today. A Cure for the Incurable - Jack Coe

On Sunday night, Jack Coe stirred the people by preaching on "A Cure for the Incurable." Luke 8:2, "Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." This man had the incurable disease of leprosy. Some time ago, Brother Coe and a minister drove to a leper colony. They came to the sign, "No trespassing," "Keep Out." The minister asked, "You're not going in, are you?" "Yes."

So Brother Coe let the minister out and drove on. A superintendent of the island with a "leprosy grin" met him and asked, "What do you want?"

"I've come to preach deliverance. Jesus can heal you and set you free.

"Alright, you can preach, but don't touch anyone."

Just then a man came running and said, "I knew you'd come. I've been listening to you on XEG for three years.'

Brother Coe laid his hands on each one and prayed. Two weeks later, the man was healed and was dismissed within one month! He's now a preacher of the Gos-pel! This man told Brother Coe that several weeks after he visited the colony, another evangelist came and prayed, and all thirty patients were healed and re-leased. He said he didn't know if Brother Coe's prayers healed them, or the other evangelist's. Brother Coe answered, "What difference does it make? It's just Jesus!" Jesus cured the leper in the Bible and He will heal you tonight.

And so ended this convention in a blaze of glory, and a shout in the camp. Many hundreds of people had driven great distances, and as they left they'd say, "We'll never be the same again!" Jesus made the difference!

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#### Fear Not Man

F EAR ye not man whose breath is in his nostrils, who passeth away even as chaff before the wind. For why should man dominate, why should he have dominion over that which I have given unto him until he is restored to his proper place of dominion. Why should he exercise authority of other spheres of authority. For no one exercises the authority of a believer except he come into the sphere of a believer. And then he enters into that faith and that rest, that causes him to move forward as the prophets of old when they moved forth not of their own will, nor spake their own words, but spake I say, as they were moved of the Holy Ghost.

#### What Shall My People Do When They Stand Before Me in Judgment?

Even now doth my people tremble before the world, but what shall they do in the day when they appear before me, when they come before the Lord that shall examine them thoroughly? That shall search them by the mighty light of the Shekinah glory, even by the greater light that was in Ark of the Covenant, in the tabernacle of the most High on earth? What shall they do when they appear before the bloodstream sanctuary? Yea, what shall they do when they look upon the very cross? Yea, what shall they do when they behold the Son of God as He hangs upon the Cross? That scene shall be repeated before the lost and dving world. And before the Great White Throne Judgment. They shall all see and behold the nailprints in His hand — see the blood oozing from His feet and hands. Yea, they shall behold that He hath been delivered for their offenses and that He has been resurrected for their justification.

#### Secure Thyself in the Blood Line

So guide thyself in the path of security, that ye may be secure in the blood line. Nay, I say unto thee, not the blood of animals. Not the blood of men. Not the blood of creation, but the blood of the Creator. That it might search and purge and cleanse and purify the sanctuary of God. For who hath offered himself unto the Lord without naught, saith the Lord? Who hath offered himself unto God's sanctuary without recompense? But the Lord thy God doth look upon him who saith, "Here am I, Lord send me." Now therefore have I sent forth my angels throughout the whole earth to minister to my people who shall be ministers of flaming fire and who are heirs of salvation.

#### A Gate of Life and a Gate of Destruction

O thou that behold a misguided people, thou dost see how the angels have come to deliver and to rescue, even beyond the ability of man. Even when man made it improbable and near to impossible for angels to deliver him. But the Lord gave the great and mighty ones, even the holy angels fear and favor and power and supernatural strength as when they delivered Lot out of Sodom. So shall He deliver His people this day who sit in the gate and behold the great sin of the world and hear constantly the filthy conversa-tion of the wicked. So the Lord would have thee guide thyself as thou art in the gate. For this life is a gate and it is open unto thee, saith God. There is a gate opened to the world in which thou canst pass through. But there is also a gate before thee, even an open door into the glory world, through which also you may enter, and to which you are looking now.

#### Thy Strength Limited That Thou Mayest Know That Thou Art Flesh

And even as you look unto this great door, shall I not see that it is open unto thee? And thou hast a little strength, saith thy God. But the Lord thy God is thy strength. Therefore thou shalt not have unlimited strength, because the Lord shall supply the strength according to the need that hour, so that thou mayest know that thou art flesh, and thou art not to glory in His presence. Yea, that no flesh shall glory in His presence, saith the word of the Lord.

#### For Even Now the Flesh Magnifies Itself

But even now hath flesh magnified himself. Even now has he been transformed by the power of Satan, that he might appear a supernatural being before the time of his redemption is completed. Even the redemption was completed on Calvary. But the redemption plan is not yet complete in man, until the hour comes that he shall be delivered from the groanings and from the cryings, and from the oppressions and suppressions of this world. But the Lord God seeth a day that is not far off, when all the redeemed of all a shall come forth to receive their glori bodies through the power of redemption. So the redemption is working in thee, and in thy bodies, and in thy minds to constantly keep thee and to renew thee and to restore thee. But the Lord reserveth unto Himself the supernatural power that shall make man to move and make man to stand. Therefore man has not that dominion yet, until he cometh into the great millennium of God's divine order. And when he cometh into this great millennium there shall be no limit to the supernatural power of God in his life. He shall then be glorified with Christ.

#### Therefore Seek a Lowly Place

O see ye not these things, my children, that you seek a lowly place, and that you want no place, so when the King cometh out to see thee, that He may invite thee to come up higher, and so wilt thou be low in thy own esteem. And when thou art humble before thy God then thou shalt be exalted. And when thou art exalted before thy God, thou shalt be abased.

So it is that you shall walk humbly and lowly and clearly before thy God. So thou wilt not be confused, so thou wilt think clearly, even as clearly as the sun shineth in its strength, even as fair as the moon shineth at night, and even as terrible as an army with banners, saith thy God.

#### The Angel of Isaiah Alive Today

For now hath the angel of the Lord moved again. Hath not he the same power that he had with Isaiah? Is not the same angel living today who took the coals of the censer from the altar of God? And spoke to Isaiah, and put them to his lips that he might be purged from his iniquities? Is not the same angel among his prophets so that he shall purge the lips of those who cry out in despair, and humble themselves as Isaíah humbled himself?

#### God Has Designed a Mighty Move of Prayer

And so hath the Lord designed a great and mighty move of prayer and a great move of power in the very thing of intercession, in the power of supplications and intercessions and rejoicings and thanksgivings. So that intercession shall be tempered with thanksgiving and thereby that it shall not destroy the intercessor. For were there no joy for the intercessor, then thou wilt be silent continuously. But the Lord God will have thee to know that He will give great rejoicing, so that it will temper the power of intercession, of weeping and mourning and crying out. And supplications as they shall have their courses, saith God in the ministry. So that intercession shall follow supplication. And there shall be thanksgivings and rejoicings and again intercessions and thanksgivings and rejoicings and petitions and requests and repenting, and all the conditions of a prophet of old shall be repeated.

#### A Prophet of the Lord Shall Come Forth

And a prophet of the name of the Lord shall come forth and there shall be a great and mighty move, saith God, in the churches, even in the nominal churches, where there is no power, where there is no spiritual drink, where there is no Rock, Christ Jesus. But there shall move in the invisible realm, yea, there shall move ministers from their pulpits, and move m down from their knees into the al-

m down from their knees into the als, into which the congregation shall follow. This shall be a great and mighty move even now.

#### A Trumpet Call Made from Above

For will there not be a trumpet sound from above that causes many of the people of the Lord to move forward? Is not this trumpet sound even today heard in the air? Have they not heard it as Saul of. Tarsus heard it? And even now the Lord with His Angels — yea, they are calling for a warfare. And thou must move forward in the very word of the Lord. And thou must know when the Lord would call an assembly and thou must know when He would call a marching.

#### Gifts to Coordinate—Nations to Be Moved

Yea, thou must know these things as did the ministers and the priests in ancient times. So wilt thou know the difference in the trumpet sounds. There will be a signification, that will be made clear to my people. So that even through the medium of tongues and interpretations, and prophecies followed by the outward manifestations of the gifts of healings, and of faith, and those wonderful miracles. Even they all shall coordinate and move mightily upon the nations, and upon the kingdoms to cause them to tremble and totter.

#### Lord to Gather His People and Bring Reconciliation

Yea, and so the Lord will unite and gather together His people, even today He will bring reconciliation between those who have had hatred in the past. He shall bring deliverance to those who have been bound, and to those who have no speech, the Lord will give a great voice. O thou hast power with thy God, saith the Spirit, if thou wilt walk favorably before Him.

#### The Lord Speaketh As a Lamb and a Lion

For the voice of the Lord hath spoken saying the voice of the Lord, breaketh the cedars of Lebanon, and the voice of the Lord is upon the waters, and the voice of the Lord breaketh down and buildeth up. And the voice of the Lord trembleth even the prophet that shall hear His voice. For though He speaketh with a great and mighty prophetic utterance, He still speaketh in a still small voice to them that are waiting before Him. And so shall He be unto them as a dove unto her mate, and as He is a lion of the tribe of Judah in the forest. Yea, the king of beasts, so the Lord shall be both the Lamb and the Lion. He shall be the great Dove of peace over the earth. And so shall my people know Him in these very associations of the dove, of the lamb, and of the lion. And altogether what He shall be thou knowest not now, but thou shalt know hereafter.

#### Go Forward with Faith and the Whole Armor of God

So therefore go with faith and go with the whole armor of thy God. And go with thy loins girded with the light and the lamp of the Lord. So thou shall hold forth the word of life burning brightly unto a sinful world. So thou shall help to bring forth the sons of God who shall come forth becoming blameless sons of God in the presence of a wicked generation.

Go Forth with Joy and Triumph-The

#### Spirit Will Quicken

And now shalt thou go forth with joy and thanksgiving and triumphant victory forgetting the things that are past and beholding the mountain top to which thou hast set thy face to go. So there shall be nothing in between and the details that shall come, even the obstacles and the difficulties shall be easily surmounted. For the power of the Lord that worketh mightily in him that waiteth for Him, even that working shall be completed. For saith the Lord, His Spirit shall work and His Spirit is moving. And so thy temples be yielded to Him. For if the Spirit of Him dwell in thee, that raised up Christ Jesus from the dead, if that same Spirit shall quicken thy mortal bodies, so that thou shalt move forward and to gladness and rejoicing and triumph over all things until the day of thy complete redemption with the Lord.

#### PAUL'S THORN IN THE FLESH (Continued from Page 8)

the church instead of serving it. Only a well person could evangelize the nations as Paul did. His testimony was "I laboured more abundantly than they all." That is not the testimony of a sick man. If Paul's disease resulted in his becoming the most fruitful of all who laboured in his day, then we could well wish that kind of sickness upon all the people of God.

SUMMED UP we see from the life of Paul that the righteous suffer for the Gospel's sake. Paul deliberately chose a grinding life of toil and hardship that the Gospel might be brought to the lost. He counted the loss of all things gain that he might win Christ, and share with Him in the glory of the first fruit resurrection. But he did not suffer from sickness and disease. It is a snare and a delusion to read sickness into Paul's "thorn in the flesh." To do so will only weaken one's faith and make of non-effect the promises of the Word of God which declare that "he forgiveth all our iniquities and healeth all our diseases."

## PLEDGE TO PRAY

• 1. I will pray daily for all members of the prayer band.

2. I will pray that God will send forth laborers into His harvest to accomplish world evangelization so that Jesus can come back to the world. (Matt. 24:14)

3. I will pray daily for evangelists who are preaching the message of deliverance.

4. I will pray daily for my own church which I attend that it may enjoy a deliverance revival.

5. I will pray that the gifts of the Spirit be returned in full power to the church.

6. I will pray daily that the church may become one.

7. I will pray daily that my will shall be consecrated to the absolute will of God.

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CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE, Last week of

June-July 1—Revival Camp Meeting. MEMPHIS, TENNESSEE, July 8-29—City Wide Tent Meeting, sponsored by Full Gospel Churches.

#### JOSEPH DE GRADO

(531 South Belden, Los Angeles, Calif.) TORONTO, ONTARIO, CANADA, May-June-United Apostolic Faith Church, 214 Delaware Avenue. Rev. H. A. M. Whyte, Phone

LO-5963. ITHACA, NEW YORK, June 10-24-Area-Wide Meeting, Ithaca Assembly of God Audi-torium, 520 W. Seneca St. Rev. Peter Kozak, Phone 4-3581.

Apologies for postponing of Big Rapids and Ithaca meetings previously scheduled for March and April-was overseas during this time.

#### WILLIAM H. DENNY, SR. AND JR.

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ALEXANDRIA, INDIANA, June 1-10-Area-Wide Meeting, Beulah Park Camp Auditorium. Rev. D. A. Menken, Chairman, Route 1, Alexandria, Ind.

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more Revival Center, 2239 E. Fayette St., Rev. John Douglas, Jr., Pastor, Phone Dickens 2-8740.

PRINCETON, BLUEFIELD, WEST VIR-GINIA, July-Area-Wide Tent Revival. Rev. Olin D. Corn, Box 71, Princeton, W. Va.

#### VELMER J. GARDNER

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CLARKSBURG, WEST VIRGINIA, June 1-17-Area-Wide Tent Meeting, Jewel City Rec-reation Ground, U. S. Highway South. Rev. Russell W. Harvey, Chairman, 227 Ferry St., Phone 4-4923.

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#### LEON D. HALL

(P.O. Box 5802, Dallas, Texas) NEWARK, DELAWARE, June 3 (3 weeks or longer)—Area-Wide Tent Revival, East Delaware Ave. at Tyre (Next to New High School). Rev. Arthur E. Hardt, 609 Academy

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St., Phone EN-88010 (Wilmington Exchange). NEW CASTLE, INDIANA, July 8 (3 weeks or longer)-Area-Wide Tent Revival. Rev. Joe Lack, 1415 So. 18th, Phone 2777M.

#### H. E. HARDT

(467 Pennsylvania Ave., York, Penn.) BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, June 17-Central Assembly of God, 714 Lee Street. Rev. Douglas

Carroll. BROOKVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA, July-First Assembly of God. Rev. Vernon Boyer.

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RENO, NEVADA, May 11-June 3—Contact Art Wilson, 1190 Del Monte Lane. WASHINGTON, D. C., July. FRESNO, CALIFORNIA, August (first 2

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#### JOHN W. HIGGINBOTHAM

(3726 West 143rd Street, Cleveland 11, Ohio)

CLEVELAND, OHIO, June 22-July 15-Area-Wide Tent Revival, Route No. 10 North Olmstead. Rev. Paul Schurdell, Chairman, 24940 Lorain Road, North Olmstead, Ohio, Phone SP-7-0980.

**CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE, July 24-August** 12-Cleveland's Evangelistic Center, Corner Oak and First Streets, S.W. Rev. M. E. Little-field, 92 Oak St., S.W., Phone 1285J.

ASHLAND, OHIO, August 14:26—Glad Tid-ings Tabernacle, 179 Nolbrook St. Rev. Roy T. McClellan, 1200 W. Fourth St., Mansfield, Ohio, Phone PX-3709.

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SEATTLE, WASHINGTON, June 12-Rainier Valley Assembly of God 38th Avenue So. at Dakota. Rev. Evert Tornfelt.

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#### (P.O. Box 328, Tiffin, Ohio)

DAYTON, OHIO, June 6-Tent Meeting, Champion Revival Center, 5438 W. Third Street (Drexal Addition), State Rt. 35, Corner of Elkins Avenue. Rev. L. I. Fay, Chairman, Phone ME-7445.

TAMPA, FLORIDA, July 19-Open Bible Pentecostal Church, 7602 North Orleans Ave-nue. Rev. J. Floyd Self, 1318 W. Patterson St.

#### MICHAEL MASTRO

(710 East Green St., Allentown, Penn.) ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, June-

## Frolics Auditorium, 1411 Union Boulevard.

#### LEON MORROW

(1024 South Marlborough, Dallas, Texas) CORSICANA, TEXAS, May 20-June 10-Area-Wide Tent Revival, on Waco Highway No. 31, across from Skateland. Walter Vocke and

Guy Phillips, Chairmen, Phone 4-6106. ATLANTA, TEXAS, June 17-July 8-Area-

Wide Tent Revival, next to Ball Park on Bivins Highway. Rev. Chas. D. Gibson, Phone 95.

#### JAMES NICHOLSON

(1330 Madison St., Eugene, Oregon) COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON, May 27-Healing from Heaven Revival, Assembly of God Church. Rev. Edgar White. THE DALLES, OREGON, July. CAMAS, WASHINGTON, August-Rev.

#### Ernie Mattson. DAVID NUNN

#### (P. O. Box 8736, Dallas, Texas) FORT WORTH, TEXAS, June 10-July 1-

Rev. J. C. Thompson, Phone Terminal 8-8885. DALLAS, TEXAS, July 8-29-Union Tent

Meeting, Intersection Kiest Blvd. and Forest Avenue. Rev. H. C. Noah, Chairman, Phone WH-2-3105.

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#### RUSSELL B. PARK

#### (Box 784, Spearman, Texas)

EAU CLAIRE, WISCONSIN, May 27-Western Wisconsin Evangelistic Crusade Great Gospel Tent Cathedral.

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, Approx. August 12-Sept. 9-Tent Cathedral. Contact Rev. William A. Ward for actual dates and location.

#### JOHN C. POTEET

(1132 Abor Street, Anaheim, Calif.)

FESTUS, MISSOURI, June 3-24—Assembly of God Church, Rev. D. M. Dabney, 702 Vine Street.

GREENVILLE, OHIO, July 17-29-Assembly of God Church. Rev. Max Applegate, Sater and Harrison Sts.

CORONA, CALIFORNIA, August 5-26-Home Gardens Assembly of God, 3763 So. Byron. Rev. Leonard Hicks.

#### ALBERT E. REID & SON

(North Woods Drive, Route 5, Box 399-A, Springfield, Mo.)

SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA, June 3-Area-Wide tent Revival, State Fair Grounds. Rev. Charles Miller, Chairman.

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN, July 1-15-Milwaukee Gospel Tabernacle, 720 Meinacke Ave. Rev. Harvey L. Flaherty. FRANKLIN, NEW JERSEY, July 18-Area-Widt. Text Particul History No. 22

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MECHANICSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA,

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Rev. Louis L. Trotta, Phone BU-8-3565.

#### DALE ROLLINS

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DALLAS, TEXAS-Oak Cliff Assembly of

God, Revival in progress. THOMASTON, GEORGIA, June-First Assembly of God. Contact Rev. Freeman, 306 Georgia Ave.

AKRON, OHIO, July-Evangelistic Temple, 1065 So. Main St. Contact Pastor Grover C. Charlton.

#### CHARLES H. ROTHWELL

(Route 2, Box 264, Lewisburg, Ohio) INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, June 11-15-Cadle Tabernacle, Ohio at New Jersey Street. Host Pastor: Rev. James Jones, Pastor People's

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Street. Rev. J. A. Boren. LAFAYETTE, INDIANA, July 4-22-Pente-

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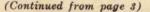
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R. W. CULPEPPER (9722 Prichard Street, Bellflower, Calif.)

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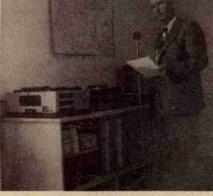


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and then all of a sudden as he looked, he recognized him. He reached down and put an arm around him, and talked to him. We all wondered, what are they talking about? What is going on? They talked on a little, then the Governor stood back up, and he was crying. Tears were unashamedly running down his face. The man who had been shouting and jumping took another spell. After this last leaping and jumping and praising God, he sat down in front, and was perfectly quiet.

By that time, the Governor had wiped the tears from his eyes. And this is all I can remember of what he said. "Ladies and gentlemen, the man that you have just seen come down here, I have known full of my life. He has been an intimate friend of the family since I was a little boy. He often came to our home, and I used to sit on his knee, and he would hold me. Now, he has come here and told me that he attended a divine healing revival and was prayed for. I want you to know that all of the years that I have known him, which is more than fifty, he has been a hopeless cripple, and had to drag himself on crutches. Now he tells me that he went to a divine healing meeting and that he has been supernaturally healed. God performed a miracle. Friends, I believe it. I have seen a miracle today." That Governor's speech set that congregation on fire, and made a Pentecostal revival out of it.

The embarrassment that had been in the faces of our officials had left them, and they, too, were shouting and praising God. Anyone who has been a hopeless cripple for fifty years, and gets healed, has a perfect right to jump and shout and disturb at least one Pentecostal meeting.

God's power has always been in existence, but thank God, in the 1900th year, when the Upper Room Assembly was waiting upon God, He poured out that power and gave it unto man again. I don't understand it, but I can tell you that the power of God is just the same today. Whatever God has promised, He is able to perform. Yes, the power of God is just the same today.

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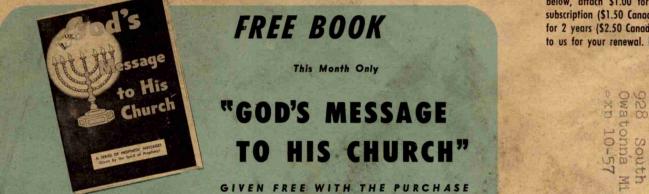
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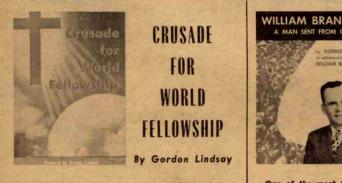
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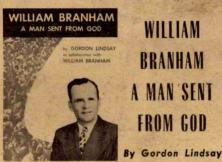
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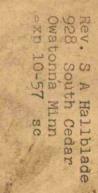
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