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THREEPENCE

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(Photo by John McClelland.)

The Editor preaches during the great open air meeting held at the Pickie, Bangor, Northern Ireland. The low vantage point from which the picture was taken does not show the vast crowds gathered on the slopes in front of the speaker.

TEXT FOR THE TIMES

“For in Him we live, and move, and have our being” (Acts xvii. 28).

Focus

on the Churches

PONTYPRIDD CONVENTION

By Mrs. M. Withey

Once more the windows of heaven were opened and blessings showered upon Pontypridd. Saints gathered from many areas around and also from Leicester and Harrogate. People outside stopped to listen to the singing. A by-



Pictures of congregation and platform party at Pontypridd Elm Convention. Bottom picture includes, left to right: Pastors R. Lighton, L. Reeves, J. Dyke, D. Keenan, Miss M. Jones, Pastors G. Steele, K. Matthew, Mr. C. Jones, Pastors Mills (A.o.G.), Donald Gee, and K. Hathaway.

stander remarked that in most chapels and churches the hymns were sung because it was customary, but in Elim they were sung by people who **wanted** to sing them.

The ministry was given by Pastors J. Dyke, D. Gee, and J. Tetchner. The theme seemed to be "Service." People were inspired with the desire to serve Him better, to walk closer, to be unto Him living witnesses.

Miss Mair Jones, the soloist, sang the Gospel from her heart.

The meetings were convened by Pastor K. Matthew. Strenuous as the days of Convention undoubtedly are, they prove sustaining and uplifting. Singing, preaching, convening, all combined to bring a wonderful blessing, sealed by the Spirit of the Lord.

LOWESTOFT CAMPAIGN

By Pastor G. Stormont

I visited the campaign at Lowestoft on the Thursday of the first week. The campaigner is Pastor Charles Brookes, ably assisted by Pastor G. Backhouse.

The afternoon meeting was well attended, and God's presence was evident. After a powerful message on Divine Healing nine people signified their acceptance of Jesus as Saviour. Then many sick folk were prayed for, and, praise God, miracles took place. One lady, a Christian of many years, had arthritis of the hands. She could not move them. After prayer she was instantly freed. Amazement was written on her face as she found that she could move hands and fingers freely. Another lady sought deliverance from the paralysis of her ankle, caused by polio seventeen years ago. She wept for joy when she discovered that the Lord Jesus had loosed her in answer to prayer. After the service I chatted with a laddie of seven who on Sunday had been prayed for. His left eye was almost totally blind as a result of ulcers on the eye itself. But he was healed instantly when prayed for. He was happy to cover his right eye and read small print for me. He did it with ease.

For the evening meeting, the tent which seats over 350 people was crowded, and people were standing round the door. They were thrilled to hear the testimony of a gipsy I had taken with me from Leigh-on-Sea. He was saved at Easter, filled with the Holy Ghost and healed of bleeding piles at Whitsun. Pastor Brookes, too, told something of his life-story interwoven with the exposition of the Word of God. Praise God another twelve folk raised their hands for salvation at the end of the meeting and were dealt with personally.

As is usual in Elim meetings, the singing was of high order, and marked by enthusiasm. So much was this so that at the afternoon meeting we were interrupted by a messenger from the nearby magistrate's court, who came to tell us that a murder trial was in progress and they could not hear the evidence because of the noise we were making. We had to sing under our breath till the court rose. But we made up for it in the evening! Thank God that to date fifty-seven have confessed Christ as Saviour in the first week of the campaign.

One feature of the campaign so far has been the number of ministers of other denominations who have attended the meetings. There were three on Thursday afternoon. I spoke to two of them. One said, "I'm coming again." The other, a Church of England vicar, had a long conversation with us. He is deeply interested in the truth of Divine Healing.

FIRST ELIM CONVENTION AT BRISTOL

Almost twelve months after the revival campaign conducted by Pastor P. S. Brewster came the official opening of the City Temple Minor Hall. Following this remarkable and blessed day in the Presence of the Lord, the first Elim Convention at Bristol commenced.

Our first convention service saw the Minor Hall comfortably filled, the enthusiastic singing of the congregation was most inspiring. The first message ministered by Pastor A. Boston was most helpful. Pastor Reeves of Caerphilly, followed, stressing the need of a full surrender of the will to the claims of the Lord. The Spirit of God was present in a mighty manner as Pastor Ronald Jones made an

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EDITORIAL

CRABWISE CHRISTIANS

This title has nothing to do with crabby Christians, although many crabby Christians combine with their irritability the disadvantage of being crabwise. And there are too many of both varieties for the healthy progress of the Church.

Anyone who has poked about among the pools or under the rocks by the seaside, or glanced down through clear waters to nature's crustaceans, will have noticed that the crab is a very comical creature, at least, his pedestrian antics are rather amusing by human standards. Instead of moving forward or even retreating backward in a decent manner, the crab goes off in a sideways direction. It looks ahead, but appears to hedge sideways—as though it sees the rocks and tries to get around them by a flanking movement.

And when we have said that, we have described what must be one of the tragedies of many Christian lives. By some mischance of circumstances, moral maladjustment, or deep-seated fears, these unfortunate folk seem incapable of observing the simple rule for getting to a destination in the shortest possible time—walking forward. The example of the great apostle is lost to them as he pressed towards the mark.

It is obvious that the habit of dodging from side to side is not confined to inebriates, some Christians find it the easiest way of avoiding awkward problems confronting them ; instead of applying the miracle of faith to their mountain of difficulty they take a circuitous tour around, and as life consists of many of these difficulties for all of us, the life of this type of Christian becomes a tortuous serpentine adventure.

The Romans have left their mark on all countries conquered by them in the roads they built, and a Roman road, as the elementary school-boy will quickly advise us, was characterised by its rule-like straightness. Over hill and dale it takes the traveller in one direction—forward.

It was when Pilgrim moved from the path planned for him that he was captured and thrown into Doubting Castle. The surest way of doing the will of God and enjoying

spiritual fellowship is to move as He moved, with a sure determination and a knowledge of the path planned by the all-wise Father. It was noted by those who were the contemporaries of the Lord Jesus Christ that when He came to the hour of His supreme trial, His face was as though He would go to Jerusalem. That was the place of execution. But He did not falter, He did not move aside to some more easy way. His eyes were upon the very Cross destined to become for Him a place of shame and spitting. But as the road led on beyond the Cross there was the joy ; the travail gave place to the triumph ; the difficulty led to the delight ; many sons were born and the Church came into being.

Now it seems to an uninitiated human that the crab's vision must be one of a passing vista instead of an approaching goal. Not that he fails to reach somewhere : he must get somewhere, even if he moves sideways ; but he doesn't seem to be a creature with an objective. His course is determined by the obstacles he meets. And such is the progress of a certain number of religious people. They fail to recognise the will of God in their lives, they just move according to the dictates of fickle fortune.

The Christian must recognise that when he sets out to perform any work for God He will inevitably run into some kind of difficulty. The Devil will see to that. It is his determination to proceed in the plan of campaign that will decide the issue. When Nehemiah began his job of building a wall around Jerusalem, some critics might have described it as mediocre, and too simple a task for a man of the calibre of the king's cup-bearer. But the appearance of Sanballat and Tobiah and Gessem soon revealed the importance of the mission. They threatened, cajoled, even invited the patriot to a conference, but he had a job to do which he intended to finish. It was a big obstacle, and he meant to get over it. There were to be no side-steppings and crawling out of his difficulties. There can be no doubt that the recantation of Cranmer was the bitterest experience of his life, certainly it is the event in his experience most well known. But facing the awful thing he had done in side-stepping from the path of duty, he said in the renunciation of his recantation that the hand which had signed the unworthy document should be first to suffer in the flames. When he was led to the place where Ridley and Latimer had suffered a few months before, he was heard to exclaim with loud voice in the devouring flames, "This hand hath offended—this unworthy hand."

Have we a purpose in our Christian lives ? Or do we just move along, taking life as it comes ?

Of course, it might be argued that the crab knows far more than the Editor realises, where he is going, as for instance, when a box of crabs taken from their natural habitat around the Lizard was dropped into the sea at Falmouth after being branded, and the box having broken, the crabs were discovered shortly after on their old feeding ground—a distance of eleven miles away ! Some unerring instinct had guided them. Well, that is another story, and will provide a further illustration for some budding writer who wishes to point the moral that the longest way round is the shortest way home.

FOCUS ON THE CHURCHES—Continued.

appeal during the closing moments of the service. Over seventy people came forward, and, kneeling at the front, gave themselves in full surrender to the Lord and His service.

Friday and Saturday evening services were also well attended. The ministry of Pastors A. Boston and J. Osman, was enlightening and inspiring.

Sunday morning, the first Breaking of Bread service was conducted in the new Hall. It was an impressive sight to witness over 200 people gathered to remember the death of our Lord and Saviour. Pastor Jones in his remarks, reminded the congregation of God's great blessing upon the work at Bristol and the manner in which every need had been met. Sunday evening the Revival Service was again conducted in the Corn Exchange. Over 500 people assembled. Pastor Boston's message brought deep conviction upon this great congregation. An after-church rally followed at which Pastor J. Osman, ministered with power. Items in song by Pastor and Mrs. Osman, and the Bristol Elim Church Choir under the leadership of Pastor Jones, were appreciated. The appeal resulted in seven souls deciding for the Master.

The Great Day of the Feast was on the Bank Holiday Monday when services were held at Mount Zion Chapel. Two great meetings were convened by Pastor Jones, the speakers, Pastors A. Boston, J. Osman and E. Scrivens, in their messages exalted our beloved Lord. The convention atmosphere was continually rising. At the evening service there were well over 750 people present. The Elim churches at Oxford, Bath, Wells, Caerphilly, and Yeovil were well represented.

NORTH MIDLANDS DISTRICT PRESBYTERY

The President toured the North Midlands District Presbytery from July 17th to July 24th. This report is an accumulation of remarks made by the Pastors.

Parkgate.—It was Friday night, and an hour before the service there was a great downpour of rain which flooded many areas around. But there were 150 present and a splendid meeting with a soul saved.

Sheffield.—The Presbytery rallied in the oval hall of the City Hall. In the afternoon there were 350 and in the evening 700. "It was an excellent rally. Several received a definite touch of healing."

Mansfield.—A crowded meeting and six souls, among whom were two husbands for whom much prayer had been made. One lady suffering excruciating pains in her arms and chest, and with a broken finger, knelt with others to accept salvation. Hardly had she uttered her "Thank you, Lord!" when a more astonished cry broke from her lips—"The pain . . . it's gone . . . my finger . . . it's . . ." Yes, it was healed.

Nottingham.—A large crowd gathered which had not been known for a mid-week meeting since the days of the revival. Two souls saved.

Burton-on-Trent.—A number signified their desire to follow the Lord.

Leicester.—Over 100 present and many healed.

Ashbourne.—Another Friday night, but the church was full and there was much blessing.

Rotherham.—Sunday morning around the Lord's table. A rich feast indeed.

Barnsley.—Sunday night—two services and both crowded. Throughout the tour Mr. D. Evans sang most acceptably.

FAREWELLS AT WINTON (BOURNEMOUTH)

By D. G. Wilkins

Pastor and Mrs. J. Hywel Davies said "Farewell" to a crowded gathering on leaving the Winton Church to take up ministry at Bolton. Each testified of the Lord's hand upon their lives. Pastor Davies testified of the call of God to full-time ministry, and the transfer to Bolton from the "Sunny South" was the result of Divine leading.

Mr. D. Stuart House (Secretary), presented to Pastor and Mrs. Davies a cheque as a token of esteem and of appreciation of their three years' ministry in Bournemouth. Tribute was paid by Mr. House to Pastor and Mrs. Davies, whose faithful ministry in personal evangelism and visitation had resulted under God's blessing in growth and stability in the Church.

Pastor Davies reiterated appreciation to the Secretary and the Church Session for the fellowship, help and loyalty he had always received during his stay in Winton.

OBEDIENCE, THE MASTER'S TEST—Continued.

Father in making this a better and happier world to live in.

This is what God wants, and what we want, but neither He nor we can do the work alone. We need God's help and He needs ours.

Hence He offers to take each one of us into individual partnership, we to do our best, be it much or very little, He to do all the rest.

All the gains from the partnership are to pass through our hands, and we are to pay into the partnership business one-tenth of the profits.

This one-tenth is God's share, but He does not keep it. He delegates the spending of it to us, only stipulating that after consultation with Him we shall use our best individual judgment in spending His share where it will be the most effective in advancing the work for which the partnership was established, i.e., making this a better, happier and more Christlike world.

We believe that the Tithe law was created, not for God's benefit, but for the benefit of the giver, for it not only makes Christ a partner in our business, to prosper us and to keep us from covetousness, but it gives every true Tither his part in soul-saving efforts, no matter how weak and worthless he may seem to be in other Church activities. This thought builds character and keeps many a weak one from backsliding. (Psalm I. 12; II. Cor. ix. 6; II. Chron. xxxi. 5-10.)—Justin Prescott.

Thought for the Week

Thanks to the new faster-than-sound jet planes, you can now have dinner in London and indigestion in New York.

PRACTICAL HOLINESS

IN THESE DAYS of Christian indifference it is necessary for the herald of the Cross to emphasise the doctrine of holiness. We live in dark and sinful times; the atmosphere is polluted with wickedness, crimes of immorality, and vice and sin are on every hand; as in the days of the Judges, "Every man did that which was right in his own eyes," so today men try to live without God. Yet, in spite of our evil environment, I believe it is possible to live a pure life. The flower, though it may grow amongst thorns and thistles, still remains a flower with its own perfume and colour. So we Christians, because of the springing life within our souls, should in face of all the difficulties of life be enabled to lift up our heads and blossom forth like a well-tended rose.

I. THE PURPOSE OF WRITING

Peter is writing to saints, not to a particular Church, not to a particular sect of people, but to all who share with him faith in the Lord Jesus Christ: men and women who have been to the fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins, and having plunged beneath the flood have washed all their sins away. This letter is addressed to all individuals who call Jesus, Lord.

The purpose of writing is to bring before us the doctrine of which we are aware in order to impress upon us the importance in relation to growth in grace, that we might be established, grounded in the truth, and this doctrine is **HOLINESS!** It is easy for a weak Christian to be overcome by temptation, but there is a much greater possibility of a well-established Christian obtaining victory where a weaker brother might fall. If we are strong in the Lord we shall not easily be ensnared by the world, its gilded toys and glittering lights. Come what may, temptation or tribulation, we shall triumph gloriously. This is God's desire, that we might be overcomers living a life of holiness, established and fortified by grace.

II. PROVISION PROVIDED FOR HOLINESS

There are three principles provided to enable us to live a holy and a godly life:—

THE BLOOD — THE WORD — THE SPIRIT

- (a) The Blood sets us apart for God.
- (b) The Word sets up a standard of life to be lived.
- (c) The Spirit enables us to live up to the standard set up by the Word.

Thus a life empowered by the Spirit can be sanctified by the Word when once it has been cleansed by the blood. The blood is the cleansing agent; the Word is a sanctifying process; the Spirit is the energising power. "Ye shall receive **power!**" When? "After that the Holy Ghost is come upon you." Power, not merely to witness, not even

that one might become an eloquent preacher, but power to live a victorious Christian life.

According to this chapter I understand that the Christian who lives a defeated life does not need to look about him for the cause, but must look into his own heart. Peter tells us plainly that everything needful has been provided in order that we might live victoriously over the flesh, the world and the Devil: "According as His Divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him that called us to glory and virtue" (v. 3).

Here is the provision in our knowledge of Christ. The life of Christ is an incentive to holy living. Weymouth translates this verse: "The knowledge of Christ has appealed to us by His own glorious perfection." "As He which hath called you is holy, so be ye also holy in all manner of conversation. Holiness is a healthy spiritual life, a life energised and empowered by the spirit, a life lived on a higher plain.

The promises which Peter calls precious have been given in order that we might become partakers of the very nature of God. One cannot begin to try to explain the nature of God, but he hath testified of Himself, "I the Lord your God am holy" (Lev. xix. 2). Holiness is a part of the nature of God, and we are to partake of His nature. In Hebrews xii. 10 we are given to understand that we suffer chastening in order that we might become partakers of His holiness.

In theory—So ought we to live!

In practice—How do we live?

III. PRACTICAL OUTWORKING OF HOLINESS

It falls into two main divisions: Virtues and Department.

(a) The Virtues

Faith.—This is the first principle, the door to all other virtues. Each is an individual virtue, but all are required to form a completely balanced life of holiness. An accumulation of them brings us to the highest pinnacle of Christian status.

Knowledge.—This is wisdom of a spiritual nature, implying growth in grace and godliness.

Temperance.—This does not merely mean abstinence from strong drink; it includes all evil passions and influences, home, wealth, recreation, and many forms of

TAKE ME,

By Cass

TAKE ME, O Lord
That lies unused
I cannot move to rest
So weak am I
I can but cry for Thee
And ask Thee
That I shall let myself
And yield my heart

BREAK ME, O Lord
Until no pliability
Let Thine own fingers
Till nought of flesh
The vessel on the fire
Some trace of self
Then sift the scum
And satisfy my heart

MAKE ME, O Lord
And streams of grace
The broken dust
No more to struggle
Then take, and bring
The Heavenly Pattern
And in His image
A vessel for the world

Follow peace with all men, and holiness, with

material pleasures and influences which may tend to draw us from the path of duty to God. Let us beware lest becoming over interested in these things we be carried beyond the limits of godliness.

Patience.—This is to say, do not complain nor grumble when under trial. Our life is not promised to be a bed of roses but a life of cross-bearing, it is only through the gate of suffering and tribulation that we can enter in the virtue of patience.

Godliness.—This is holiness or true piety.

Brotherly Kindness.—This is tender affection for brothers and sisters in Christ.

“Behold, how good a thing is it to dwell in peace;

How pleasing to our King this fruit of righteousness;

When brethren all agree; who know the joy of unity.”

How we need to see this particular virtue in our fellowships today, with all the hard feeling and bitterness, the tale-telling and spite. Oh that the kindness of God might be infused into every heart.

Charity.—Here is love reaching out to all friends and enemies alike. It is not easy to love some people, those who slight you, those who seek to make life hard, those who speak unkindly behind your back. It would be much easier to retaliate, but this can never win a soul for Jesus, nay it will but drive them away; love alone can draw men's hearts to the place of surrender. May God keep us low at His feet, that self and pride may never hinder a soul in its quest for peace.

“Make this poor self grow less and less,
Be Thou my life and aim;
Oh, make me daily through the grace
More meek to bare the name.

(b) Deportment

The deportment of a Christian is the main part in the outworking of holiness, how we behave, how we practise our Christianity. At times a little practical work will do more to win souls than many sermons. People are watching our lives, and an uncharitable spirit will be detrimental to a Christian testimony. We must not only profess but we must also practise godly living.

By Pastor H. DAWSON (Elim Church, Briton Ferry)

IV. INDUCEMENTS TO HOLINESS

- The practice of holiness will make us fruitful in the knowledge of Christ.
- The practice of holiness will make us strong in the Lord.
- The practice of holiness assures us of an abundant entrance into the presence of our Lord.

V. THE OPPOSITE TO HOLINESS

The soul that lacketh virtues, that does not live victoriously, but is easily defeated is in a pitiful plight, with:

Blind Eyes—He that lacketh these things is blind.

Blank Mind—Hath forgotten that he was purged from his old sins.

Blotted Vision—He cannot see afar off.

Dear reader, have you lost sight of the Cross? Have you forgotten the sacrifice that was made for our sins, the price that was paid for our redemption? I trust it is not so, for such an one has laid aside the obligation to holiness, he is a careless and indifferent Christian, he has almost become a deserter from the royal army of Christ. He has laid down the sword and discarded his armour, and in the evil day will fall as the fiery darts of the enemy of souls pierce his heart. Many there are, sad to say, who are in this terrible spiritual condition. May we by His grace determine never to fail in our obligations, but rather that we shall set our hearts on heavenly things and make our calling and election sure, for only thus can we be assured of an abundant entrance into the glory of the everlasting kingdom, to hear the “Well done” of the Lord we profess to love.

The Lord reigneth; let the people tremble: He sitteth between the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

The Lord is great in Zion; and He is high above all the people.

Let them praise Thy great and terrible name; for it is holy.

The king's strength also loveth judgment; Thou dost establish equity, Thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.

Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool; for He is holy.

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His holy hill; for the Lord our God is holy.

—Psalm xcix. 1-5, 9.

which no man shall see the Lord. — Hebrews xii. 14.

GLEANINGS FROM OTHER FIELDS



S.A. New Chief of Staff.

Commissioner Edgar Dibden, the Salvation Army's new chief of staff, was welcomed to that position at a special meeting held at the Regent Hall, on July 28th. General Albert Orsborn conducted the meeting.

Mongolian New Testament.

A revised New Testament, now ready for Mongolia, has been provided for the use of the younger folk. This revision of the first New Testament which was distributed in Mongolia many years ago—in 1846—has meant a year's hard work for the printer in Hong Kong. In order to print it they had to be specially trained to carve a special type in a hundred "characters" and make them fit into regular lines.

Mr. Stephen Olford.

Sending out his final news-letter from Cardiff before his impending removal to Richmond, Mr. Stephen Olford requests prayer for the period of transition from itinerant evangelistic work to a settled pastorate. On October 1st Mr. Olford commences his pastorate at Duke Street Baptist Church.

Rev. C. F. G. Bosley.

Rev. C. F. G. Bosley, at one time Chaplain to Brixton Prison while Vicar of Christ Church, and latterly Vicar of St. Matthew's, Southborough, Kent, is appointed to the benefice of Thorndon, in Suffolk.

Stirling Tract Enterprise.

The 105th annual report of the Stirling Tract Enterprise records that during 1952 nearly two and a half million items of Gospel publications in nine languages were issued, approximately one million of these being entirely gratis.

Dutch Princess Calls Christian Youth.

Princess Wilhelmina announced that she was inviting representatives of Christian Youth from all over the world to a conference at Het Loo, her residence near Apeldoorn, The Netherlands. Aim of the conference is to consider how, in the spirit of Christ, the desire for European and world unity and solidarity can be realised, and what efforts can be made to stimulate "the regenerative powers of society."

"Jungle Doctor" Visits Britain.

Dr. Paul White, the "Jungle Doctor," well-known Australian author and broadcaster, arrived in Britain recently from the United States, where he studied his special branch of medicine. After four days in this country he left for Switzerland to attend the conference of the International Fellowship of Evangelical Students.

Dr. Edwin Orr.

Dr. Edwin Orr has been leading a 10-week evangelistic campaign in the Pretoria-Johannesburg-Rand area of the Transvaal. Much blessing has been received and many conversions, especially among students, are recorded.

Brazil Stamp Honours Youth Congress.

The Brazilian Government issued a special air mail stamp in honour of the Fourth Baptist Youth World Conference in Rio de Janeiro, July 1952. The stamp bears the emblem of the Baptist World Alliance. In the upper left corner is a cross and along the bottom margin, the words "4a Conferencia Mundial da Juventude Batista." The same legend appeared on special cancelling stamps used by the Brazilian Post Office Department during Conference week. Some 10,000 Baptists of college age came from thirty countries to attend the conference.

Ireland for Christ.

At the 104th annual meeting in London of the Irish Church Missions, the recently nominated vice-president, Sir Douglas Savory, M.P., took the chair and spoke of his "watch-dog" activities in Parliament on behalf of the Protestant cause. Those present heard about more diligent efforts by the Missions to spread the Gospel in Southern Ireland and of the encouraging reports concerning increased sales of Bibles there.

Methodist Ministry.

More than 100 candidates for the ministry were accepted by the recent Conference. Many lay pastors, to be ordained next year, were accepted also. This apparently large number of candidates is far from being enough to make good the wastage caused by deaths and retirements.

Poster Evangelism in France.

Fifteen French cities with a population of more than 100,000 have had 500 Gospel posters displayed in each of them by the Greater European Mission. It is planned to extend the effort to other cities and smaller towns.

World-wide Missionary Convention.

Convention meetings are to be held in connection with the World-wide Missionary Convention in Bangor, Co. Down, from September 12th to 20th. Speakers include: Revs. Ernest Kevan, A. J. Dain, John Savage, and Dr. Edwin Orr. Host and Hostess of the House party are Ken and Wanda Cummings.

VALUABLE BIBLE LEAF

A sum of £170 was recently paid at Sotheby's for a leaf from the famous Gutenberg Bible printed at Mainz about 1455. The leaf contained the whole of the second chapter of Numbers and parts of the first and third chapters.

LATE NEWS

**357 decisions in first week at Burnley campaign.
Remarkable healings. Filled congregations.**

ELIM YOUTH PAGE

conducted by

Pastor D. B. GRAY (National Youth Secretary)

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

PRELIMINARY CAMP NEWS

First reports from various Elim camps tell of times of great fun, fellowship, and with spiritual results of the highest tone. Numbers have received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and have enjoyed times of real uplift and spiritual refreshment. Others who brought along friends, now rejoice in the fact that many returned home in the sure knowledge of having found the Saviour. Camp commandants, padres, and those noble bands of willing workers, will again feel highly gratified that "their labour has not been in vain in the Lord." Fuller reports and photographs will appear later on.

ODE TO THE PADRE

written by "Campers"

1. A certain Elim Youth Camp,
Had one outstanding tent,
Wherein the Padre kept his lamp,
Far from the CommandANT.
2. Each day, just at the crack of dawn,
The Padre could be seen
Crawling out in shirt of fawn,
With toothbrush and Maclean.
3. At breakfast he is always late,
Yet comes in with a grin.
And in his hand he has his plate
And cup, all made of tin.
4. The children come with such a din,
To shouts of "At the double!"—
"Chop, Chop!"—you hear him cry within
Each tent, "Or there'll be trouble!"
5. And then he gets his battery out,
Complete with amplifier,
"Attention, Campers!"—hear him shout,
Just like an old Town Crier.
6. So to the marquee they all troop,
And quickly they are seated,
The noisy ones are in the soup
And find they are defeated.
7. He calls for volunteers to sing,
And you should see them run,
Some nutty caramels to win,
For the solos they have sung.
8. "Now hurry up, there's plenty o' time"
The Commandant doth cry,
But at the shop they're in a line,
Some eatables to buy.
9. At last they are all mustered,
To the centre of the camp,
And round the Padre clustered,
Like moths around a lamp.
10. Then they go off in twos and threes,
To do as they are bidden,
They're on the river, 'neath the trees,
Strange how they get hidden!
11. "Workers!"—hear the mighty shout!
"Come and get your coffee,"
While all the children walk about
Munching lumps of toffee.
12. We now hear cries of "Oh, dear Pastor"
And a bleeding limb appears,
Along comes Padre with box of plaster
And dries the falling tears.
13. The loudspeaker now booms out again,
To the Service we are called,
To be excused we'll plead in vain
To the Tent we all are hauled.
14. Complete with film the Padre comes,
To edify us all,
When this is o'er each child then runs
For one last game of ball.
15. At last the lights are safely out,
And silence reigns supreme,
The Padre gives a final shout,
And we all retire to dream.
16. And so our story has to end,
We really are most sorry,
It isn't written to offend,
God Bless You—Dear Old Harry!

LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR Programme of musical evangelism

In response to regular enquiries we give below some of the Choir's appointments until the end of the year. Not all are listed, but complete details can always be obtained in advance from the Secretary, Miss Joyce P. Harvey, 81, Windsor Road, Leyton, London, E.10.

- Sept. 26. Royal Festival Hall, London (Male Voice section).
„ 27. Maidstone and district prisons.
Oct. 4. Queensway Church (Pentonville prison, aft.).
„ 18. Broadmoor, H.M. Institution.
„ 24, 25. Portsmouth, Elim Church.
Oct. 31 &
Nov. 1. Westcliff-on-Sea, Elim Church.
„ 15. Englefield Green—Elim Church (Holloway prison, aft.).
„ 22. Croydon, Elim—(Wandsworth prison, aft.).
Dec. 5, 6. Ipswich, Elim and "Youth for Christ"
Also visits will be made to Woking, Saltburn-on-Sea, and prisons in London and the Home Counties.



The Family Altar and Elim Prayer Circle

A page for your daily meditations
and prayer

Scripture Union Portions. Notes by Pastor W. J. Hilliard.

SUNDAY, September 20th. Luke xxiii. 44-56.

“The veil of the temple was rent in the midst” (v. 45).

The temple veil performed the same function as the one designed in heaven and that had hung in the tabernacle. The meaning of the type is in Hebrews x. 20—“The veil, that is to say, His flesh.” The moment Jesus died on the Cross the veil of the temple was rent in the midst. Matthew tells us it was rent from the top to the bottom—GOD opened the way, and that by the death of the Lord Jesus. “In the midst”—it was rent in two equal parts, revealing that His death was the very centre of His mission among men. Not a stray thread was visible. His redeeming work was perfectly complete—think today on that great single word from the Cross, “Finished!”

MONDAY, September 21st. Luke xxiv. 1-12.

“Then arose Peter, and ran to the sepulchre” (v. 12).

What we have here must be the other account of what is given more fully in John xx. There, we read that Peter and John ran together, of John outrunning Peter but stopping at the sepulchre, and of Peter passing John at the door and entering into the sepulchre. To some of the disciples the good news brought by the women were but “idle tales.” Here again is an instance of the fearlessness and independence of Peter linked with a desire for the truth. This had always animated his life. Several years later he wrote, “We have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ” (II. Pet. i. 16).

TUESDAY, September 22nd. Luke xxiv. 13-24.

“Jesus Himself drew near” (v. 15).

Two things make these words exceedingly precious to our hearts. It was Jesus Himself who drew near, not a messenger from heaven in shining attire but the One whom they had known and loved. This very word Paul uses in the passage relating to the second coming—“The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven.” The gentleness of His approach must not be overlooked in the reading. “(He) drew near.” Quietly, almost imperceptibly, He moved into the anxious lives of these two disciples. It may be a long and dusty road that stretches out before you; as He did then, He will draw near to you in blessing and at the very time you need Him most.

WEDNESDAY, September 23rd. Luke xxiv. 25-35.

“He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself” (v. 27).

A priceless privilege was afforded these two disciples

in the unfolding of the Scriptures at a vital moment in their lives and that by the Lord Jesus Himself. Later in the chapter we read that He opened their understanding that they might understand the Scriptures—this must first have been done for the two on the way to Emmaus. The journey was not a long one. The unfolding of Christ in *ALL* the Scriptures was only possible by quickening their minds to receive and understand what was revealed. The Holy Spirit is to us the great Teacher, “He will guide you into all truth.” “Open Thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of Thy law.”

THURSDAY, September 24th. Luke xxiv. 36-53.

The Gospel by Luke ends with the ascension of Jesus. In this last chapter two expressions are used that are worthy of consideration: “He was . . . carried up into heaven” (v. 51), and, “To enter into His glory.” Together these expressions tell of the exaltation of the Lord Jesus and the entering into another sacred office, that of our great High Priest. This “entering in” is mentioned by the writer to the Hebrews (ix. 11-14). “He lifted up His hands, and blessed them”—it was in the midst of blessing them that He was carried up into heaven. One has reminded us that the unfinished benediction is today resting on the Church. These hands are still outstretched in blessing.

FRIDAY, September 25th. II. Kings ii. 1-18.

“They two went over on dry ground” (v. 8).

It was on dry ground that Elijah and Elisha passed over to the other side. The same word is used describing the passage through the Red Sea. Between two great walls of water the Israelites moved from bondage to liberty over dry ground—not a pool of water lay in their path. It was by the power of God that this access through the Jordan was possible, even to the drying of the ground. His works and ways are marvellous in our eyes. The completeness of His works not only exalts the greatness of His mind and power, they show consideration for the comfort and pleasure of His people.

SATURDAY, September 26th. II. Kings iii. 1-12.

“Elisha . . . (who) poured water on the hands of Elijah” (v. 11).

This statement is suggestive of the humble ministry exercised by Elisha. For about ten years he took this lowly place and performed the duties of a servant to a master. A far greater example of faithful and loving humility is in John xiii. 5, “(Jesus) poureth water into a basin, and began to wash the disciples’ feet.” These years of faithful and lowly service were of great spiritual value to Elisha for the great work that lay before him. “By love serve one another.”

GOD'S PROMISES NEVER FAIL

On every package sent out by a certain printer in a large eastern city is an impressive trademark. It is simply a circle, within which are his name and the words “I never disappoint.” Every promise the Lord ever made might well bear that legend.

COMING EVENTS

BASSALEG. Sept. 19-28. Ebenezer Pentecostal Church, Bassaleg. Mon. Campaign conducted by Pastor F. A. Hodge (Clapham). Sun., 6.30. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30.

BURNLEY—PIONEER CAMPAIGN

Now proceeding. Full-scale Pioneer Revival and Divine Healing Campaign will be held as follows:
Sundays: 8.0 p.m. in the Empress Ball Room. Then every night at 7.30 in the Co-operative Hall, Hammertone Street. Conducted by Pastor Alexander Tee and his Revival Party.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THIS PIONEER EFFORT

COLNE. Sept. 19-23. Colne, Bus Stop, Colne Lane. Church Convention. Speakers: Pastors B. Newman (Liverpool), Tetchner, Davies and Beresford, and Mr. and Mrs. Instone. Convener: Pastor G. Jones. Sat. 3.30, 6.30. Sun., 11, 6.30, 8. Week-nights, 7.15. Cups of tea provided between services on Saturday.

COULSDON. Sept. 19. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road, United Pentecostal Rally. Convener: Pastor Burton Haynes (Elim). Speaker: Pastor Elisha Thompson (A.o.G.). Croydon Elim Male Voice Choir. 7.

DELANCEY. Sept. 12-17. Elim Church. Visit of Pastor A. J. K. Magee. Sun., 11, 2.45 and 6.30. Week-nights, 7.45.

EALING. Sept. 12-17. Elim Church, Northfield Avenue. Campaign conducted by Pastor J. Woodhead. Convener: Pastor T. W. Walker. Soloist: Mrs. J. Woodhead. Sun., 11. Week-nights, 7.30. Sun., 13th, in Ealing Town Hall, 6.30 and 8.

ELSTREE PIONEER CAMPAIGN

Commencing Sept. 7. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor A. A. Biddle and Revival Party in the Tent, Sports Field, opposite Hill House. Sun., 8. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30.

ERDINGTON. Sept. 27-Oct. 11. Elim Church, South Road. Special Gospel Mission conducted by Evangelist Adam Chambers of the London Evangelisation Society. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Week-nights (Fri. excepted), 7.30.

FINCHLEY. Commencing Sept. 13. Elim Hall, Christchurch Avenue. Special visit for two weeks of Mrs. Alice Parham, American Evangelist. Sun., 6.30. Tues. and Thurs. at 7.30.

HALIFAX. Sept. 19-24. Elim Church, Bond Street, Hopwood Lane. Annual Convention. Speaker: Pastor J. Dyke. Sat., 7. Sun., 10.30 and 6.30. Mon. to Wed., 7.30.

HULL. Sept. 19-24. City Temple, Hesse Road. Annual Convention. Speakers: Pastors H. W. Greenway and E. Harford. Convener: Pastor L. W. Green. Sun., 6.30. Week-nights, 7.30.

LEIGH-ON-SEA. Sept. 26. Elim Pentecostal Church, Glendale Gardens. Missionary Film shown by Mr. F. B. Phillips, 7.30.

LOWESTOFT. Sept. 19-21. Elim Church, Milton Road. Visit of Pastor D. Lewis (India). Sat. and Mon., 7.30. Sun., 11 and 6.30.

MOUNTAIN ASH. Sept. 19-27. Elim Church, "Noddfa," Knight Street. Annual Convention. Special speakers include Pastor A. S. F. Horne. Sats., 7. Sun., 6 and 7.30. Week-nights (Fri. excepted), 7.30.

NEATH. Sept. 12-21. Elim Church, Briton Ferry Road, Coronation Year Convention. Speakers include: Pastors J. McBurney, W. Evans, and Ann Lodwick Lewis, Idris Davies, and E. T. Rees. Soloists: Miss Mair Jones and others. Convener: Pastor V. J. Walker. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.

NEWQUAY. Commencing on Saturday, October 3rd. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign in Newquay Theatre, St. Michael's Road (behind car park) conducted by Pastor Ken Matthew and Party. Sun., 6.30, 8. Week-nights (Fri. excepted), 7.30.

PLYMOUTH

Commencing on Saturday, September 5th, Revival and Divine Healing Campaign in Large Marquee, Union Street, City Centre, by Paul Cantelon and Party (Artist-Precacher from Canada). Sat., 7. Sun., 6.30 and 8. Week-nights (Fri. excepted), 7.30. The sick will be prayed for.

PORTADOWN. Sept. 20-27. Elim Church, Clonavon Avenue. Revival Campaign conducted by Pastor R. Reid. Reports on recent tour of Canada and U.S.A. Sun., 11.30 and 7. Week-nights (except Fri.), 8.

SPARKBROOK. Sept. 12-14. Elim Church, Golden Hillock Road. Choir Week-end. Speaker: Pastor G. Cauty and Gloucester Male Voice Choir. Sat., 7. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Mon., 7.30.

SWINDON. Sept. 12-14. Coronation Temple, Osborne Street. After-Conference Convention. Speaker: Pastor S. Gorman. Convener: Pastor A. S. F. Horne. Sat. and Mon., 6.30. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Great Open Air Demonstration at the Town Hall, 3 p.m., Sept., 12th.

TONYPANDY. Sept. 26-Oct. 6. Elim Temple, Miskin Road, Trealaw. Annual Convention. Speakers: Pastors A. Brooks, J. C. Mulvagh, D. J. Williams (A.o.G.), H. Dawson, L. Reeves, and Pastor and Mrs. A. V. Gorton. Convener: Pastor R. W. Smith. Sats., 3 and 6.30. Week-nights, 7.15. Sun., 11, 6 and after-Church Rally, 8. (Refreshments, Sats.).

TREHERBERT. Sept. 27. Elim Revival Centre, Girls' Club, Dunraven Street. Anniversary Services. Speaker: Pastor J. C. Mulvagh. Convener: E. J. Thomas. 6 and after-Church Rally, 8.

WARRINGTON. Sept 6-Oct. 1. Elim Church, Knutsford Road. Visit of Miss A. Kennedy. Special Bible talks in Eastern dress. Sat., 7.30. Sun., 6.30. Women's Anniversary services, Mon.-Thurs., 7.30.

WARRINGTON. Oct. 10-15. Elim Church, Knutsford Road. Visit of Pastor J. Hyde (Scunthorpe). Sat., 7.30. Sun., 6.30. Harvest Thanksgiving services. Mon.-Thurs., 7.30, Special Studies on the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit

WEST BROMWICH. Oct. 3. Town Hall, High Street. United Youth Rally. Speaker: Pastor G. Backhouse. Leader: Pastor F. Shadlock. 7.

YEOVIL. Sept. 12-20. Elim Church, Southville. Sunshine Corner Campaign conducted by Pastor P. Rammell. Week-nights (except Fri.), 6.15. Adult Meetings, Sun., 11 and 6.30. Sats., Tues. and Thurs., 7.30.

MISSIONARY ITINERARIES

Pastor and Mrs. J. Williams, Elim Missionaries on furlough from Southern Rhodesia (Border of Portuguese East Africa):

Sept. 15—Warrington. 16—Oldham. 17—Glossop. 19—Wigan. 20—Salford. 21—Blackpool. 22—Blackburn. 23—Southport. 24—Liverpool. 26—St. Helens. 27—Accrington. 28—Bolnley. 29—Colne. 30—Bolton.

Pastor and Mrs. Wigglesworth (Belgian Congo):

Sept. 13.—Belfast (Ulster Temple). 14.—Rathfriland. 15.—Moneyslane. 16.—Belfast (Apsley Street). 17.—Larne. 18.—Megaberry. 19.—Lisburn. 20.—Portadown.

PENTECOST IN GERMANY

By Pastor P. S. Brewster

There are three men who are doing a magnificent work of evangelism in Germany. Rev. Carl Fix, who was a high-ranking officer in the German Army, is in charge of a live Pentecostal work on the borders of East and West Berlin. Practically a third of his congregation come from across the Iron Curtain to attend the services. The Hall in which they worship is a furniture store, rented at £4 a week. They have an attendance of 700 people.

Rev. Mr. Keck and Rev. Oscar Seiring are also doing a splendid work in Stuttgart. They hold their services in a school, and have a following of almost 1,000 people. They are very evangelical, and run special campaigns throughout the year in various parts of their city, and are succeeding in getting many converts to Christ.

Willard Cantelon was their guest speaker this year, and hundreds of Germans found the Saviour through his inspired ministry.

During a brief visit I preached in Stuttgart and also in Berlin, and during those meetings the Enquiry Rooms were well filled with people seeking Christ.

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MISCELLANEOUS

Wanted, second-hand books by Philip Mauro:—"The Church, the Churches and the Kingdom." and "The Hope of Israel." Replies to Box 744 "Elim Evangel" Office.

BIRTH

Moorey.—On July 21st, to Mr. and Mrs. George Moorey, of Elim Church, Ealing, God's precious gift of a daughter, Kathleen; a sister for Christopher.

DEDICATION

Balch.—On August 30th, at Wells, by Pastor A. M. Clarke, Michael John, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Balch, members of above church. C.231

MARRIAGE

England: McIver.—On August 8th, at Elim Church, Sheffield, by Pastor A. Biddle; Arthur Gordon England to Sheila Olive McIver.

WITH CHRIST

Blunt.—On August 25th, Florence Mildred Blunt, faithful member of Elim Church, Rotherham. Funeral conducted by Pastor A. A. Biddle. C.230

Watson.—On August 24th, David Watson, aged 58, member of Elim Church, Aberdeen. Funeral conducted by Pastor H. Palliser.

WHERE WILL YOU SPEND CHRISTMAS?

There are vacancies for Christmas at the Elim Holiday Home at Eastbourne. Application should be made to Miss D. Phillips, Lascelles Private Hotel, Lascelles Terrace, Eastbourne.

There are also vacancies at Elim Woodlands. Application to the Matron, Elim Woodlands, Clarence Avenue, London, S.W.4.

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