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Conversions and Healings at Eastbourne

By E. J. Phillips (Member of Executive Council)

EASTBOURNE was the scene last month of an evangelistic campaign conducted by the Rev. Ken Matthew and party. The meetings were held in the Town Hall and continued in the local Elim Church. It was the writer's privilege to be present on the third Sunday of the campaign.

In this lovely seaside resort on the south coast there are probably more evangelical churches than in any other town of comparable size in the country, and consequently, as one would expect, the evangelist had in his congregation not only those whom these meetings were planned to reach—those without Christ and so in need of the salvation which He alone can bring—but also born-again believers of many denominations. In these circumstances it was most encouraging to look down on the congregation and observe the keen interest manifested in the full gospel message so faithfully proclaimed by the evangelist. Mr. Matthew was ably supported by E. R. Corsie, J. Lancaster and R. Lighton, and each member of the party in his own way added to the success of the meetings. The congregational singing, duets and testimonies all helped to create the right atmosphere for the preaching of the Word of God.

And the results? The very first day of the campaign saw seventy decisions for Christ, and on the

days that followed other souls surrendered to Him immediately the opportunity was given. It was apparent that a prolonged appeal was unnecessary, for the Holy Spirit was present in convicting power.

In addition to a steady stream of conversions, day after day there have been testimonies of the power of God to heal the body and to deliver from many kinds of diseases. At the end of most of the meetings a queue of sick and suffering people file up to the platform to receive from the evangelist the laying on of hands. During these times the praying congregation is quiet and sympathetic. Some families have special cause for thanksgiving. To quote only one case, a husband was saved and his wife and her mother were healed during the campaign. An interesting event the night we were there was the presentation to the evangelist of a deaf aid no longer required by one who had been completely healed of deafness.

The only hope for mankind today lies in a return to God. Reader, will you pray regularly and earnestly for our evangelists and help the work in which they are engaged, to the end that multitudes of souls may be won for Christ?

(Press report overleaf)

"These signs shall follow them that believe"

HEALING CAMPAIGN GOES ON AT ELIM

AFTER two weeks of intensive work in a public revival and Divine healing campaign, the Rev. Ken Matthew and his party held their final meeting in the Town Hall on Sunday night, though the work will continue until next Sunday in the Elim Church, Hartfield Road.

At this last service in the Town Hall, Mr. Matthew took as his subject "Is the collapse of civilisation imminent?" He declared that "Christ is coming back as literally as He went away."

Christ's life and death as well as His second coming had been foretold in the Bible thousands of years before. Christ must return to bring peace to the world.

Mr. Matthew told how the Jews had at length returned to Israel, as had been foretold, and he was confident that they would remain there even if they were attacked by other countries.

He believed that there would be a last world war in which nuclear warfare would be used and only the intervention of Christ would save the collapse of the whole world. He would return and gather up "the saved." Then He would establish His kingdom on earth.

The evening started with the singing of several choruses, and after the address members of the audience were invited to pray for the healing of the sick.

Before inviting those who wished to appear on the platform to receive a blessing and prayer for any infirmity from which they might be suffering, Mr. Matthew showed a hearing appliance that he had had sent him from a woman who said that after receiving Divine healing at one of the former services she no longer needed it.

Invited to stand up in the audience, she declared that she had been deaf for three years but could now hear quite well.

Mr. Matthew said that a number of cripples had been made to walk and three or four people had had their sight restored.

People in the hall who desired to have a prayer for healing said on their behalf next filed on to the platform.

One woman remarked that she had been to a meeting a fortnight before and received "Divine healing." She was now able to walk unaided. Another stated that she was much better. Both were again prayed for, as were a number of others, who first had a few words with Mr. Matthew.

Afterwards Mr. Matthew told a reporter that he had been impressed by the increased interest which had been shown in the meetings over the fortnight of the campaign's course.

Many people, he declared, had testified that they had been healed of their various afflictions, as "you yourself have seen tonight."

He pointed out that he and his party were all fully conscious of the great work done by nurses and the medical profession, and his work was in no way antagonistic to theirs. It was rather in addition.

He hoped that during the rest of his campaign held in Elim Church people would continue to attend to receive the message of the Gospel.

Eastbourne Gazette, November 27th.

Gifts for Elim Campaigns should be sent to the Secretary, Revival Campaign Fund, Elim Headquarters, 20 Clarence Avenue, London, S.W.4.

The Father's Business

"Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" (Luke 2 : 49).

As the Divine and eternal Son of His Father, He had already carried through many great undertakings. But this present undertaking on which He is just entering is by far the greatest and grandest business of them all. Almighty, and full of all manner of resources, as the Son of God always was, He could not attempt this present business till He was first made flesh. No, nor till He was first made sin. This new business burdened Him, and humbled Him, and straitened Him, and gave Him no rest, till it was accomplished. . . . It was your sin that was His Father's terrible business with His Son. It is my sinfulness that gives me the right key into this text; and it is your sinfulness that enables you to understand. He might have been found holidaying it up and down among His kinsfolk and acquaintances all that week, like the rest, had it not been for your sinfulness and mine. But then, when that business of the Father's and the Son's and yours is finished, both in Him and in you, you will be able to visit all your kinsfolk and all your acquaintances in the New Jerusalem at your holy leisure, and will have time to tell them what both the Father and the Son have done for your soul.—ALEXANDER WHITE.

Campaign in Elim Church Alexandra Park Avenue Belfast

An evangelistic campaign conducted by Pastor W. Ronald Jones, of Bristol, assisted by Pastor Neville West, of Romford, was held here recently.

The campaign was organised primarily for the local residents in this very densely populated district, and preparation beforehand in the distribution of hundreds of handbills, posters, personal invitations and announcements in the press ensured that it was well advertised.

Much prayer ascended to the throne of grace prior to and during the campaign. A special word of commendation must be given to a fine band of young people who were ever earnest in prayer and practical help when needed.

We do thank and praise God for the convicting power of the Holy Spirit upon every meeting, for the anointed ministry of the evangelist, Mr. Jones, the talented rendering of musical items by Mr. West, the grand gospel songs by the various soloists and the Ulster Temple Quintet, who kindly came along to assist

In spite of the fact that the campaign commenced at the height of the flu epidemic and in very inclement weather, attendance was very good and we had the joy of seeing many precious souls make a real decision for Christ and many others receive a healing touch. On the first Sunday after the campaign we were overjoyed to see nearly every seat in the church occupied at the evening service.

This church, which was built and opened about four years ago, has steadily progressed, and we have had the joy of seeing many young men and women converted and built up in the faith.

We do thank God for the faithful ministry of our resident pastor, the Superintendent of the Irish Elim Churches, Pastor Joseph Smith, and now that his strenuous year of office as President is over we look forward to great things and continued blessing if the Lord should tarry in His coming again.

S.J.H.



Conducted by **PAUL SERVICE**
Famous People of all Ages
10. DR. BARNARDO

Hello Boys and Girls.

We are going to talk about Dr. Barnardo today, the man who was the friend of the homeless boys and girls of Britain. Oh yes, when he was alive there were many boys and girls who had no homes. "Where did they live?" you ask. Well, I'll answer your question by telling you a story about Dr. Barnardo.

When very young, Thomas Barnardo was converted and decided to become a doctor and then go abroad to be a missionary. While he was training in London he started a school for poor boys and girls. One night when he was locking up after his class he noticed one of the ragged little urchins still crouched over the small stove. "Come along and go home now," said Mr. Barnardo. "Let me stay here," pleaded the little boy. "I've got no home." Mr. Barnardo was so amazed at what the boy said that he replied. "Where do you sleep then?" "Follow me," said the little lad. "I'll show you." Mr. Barnardo then followed the boy through the slums and filthy alleys until they reached a high wall. This the boy immediately clambered up, with Mr. Barnardo close behind him. When they reached the top, there curled up all over a roof were eleven boys huddled up fast asleep. A few evenings later Mr. Barnardo addressed a great meeting and told the people about these poor homeless lads. Later he was asked if he could take some interested gentlemen to see these lads sleeping out. Mr. Barnardo led them to a dark and dirty yard. There wasn't the sign of a boy there, but Mr. Barnardo called out. "I'll give a halfpenny to every lad who will show himself," and what do you think happened? Out of all the old barrels and crates that were cluttering up the yard, seventy-three boys came crawling.

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Editorial

The Spirit of Christmas

THE spirit of Christmas is everywhere abroad again as in previous years. Almost everyone seems full of the joy that pervades the atmosphere at this time of the year—the joy that comes through giving to others and in the receiving of gifts. And what a difference it makes to the atmosphere in factories, shops, homes and on public transport—in fact everywhere. Yet one wonders if many people really think upon the true meaning of Christmas, what it really recalls and symbolises, namely the giving of the *supreme gift* of God, His only Son, the Lord Jesus, to a world of men and women unworthy of such love and consideration.

The craving of the human heart is for joy and peace, for that which satisfies and makes one happy and contented. It was, therefore, the purpose of God, in giving His Son, to bring real and lasting joy to the heart of mankind, for when Jesus was born the message of the angel was, "Behold, I bring you glad tidings of great joy, which shall be to *all* people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." This being so, why is this joy lacking in so many lives today? Because it can be experienced only by those who have acknowledged the Saviourship and accepted the Lordship of Jesus Christ in their hearts and lives. Where the Saviour is enthroned upon the heart, the experience of the person concerned is similar to that expressed by the hymn writer:

"Now none but Christ can satisfy,

None other Name for me;

'There's love, and life, and *lasting joy*,

Lord Jesus found in Thee."

Men and women are spirit beings, living only for the time being in a house, the body, and this accounts for the failure of material things to meet and fully satisfy the inner craving of their hearts. God has made them with a part of their being akin to His own spirit, and only the coming of the Lord Jesus

into their lives can meet and lastingly satisfy their heart-hunger. Until that takes place they remain unsaved and unsatisfied.

The message of the Christian dispensation, of which we are particularly reminded at this season of the year, is that by the acceptance of God's gift, the Lord Jesus, into their hearts, men and women can become the recipients of that true and lasting joy spoken of by the angel and described by Peter as "joy unspeakable and full of glory."

NEW FEATURES FOR 1958

We hope to introduce in our magazine the following new features: Minister's Diary; Outline of the Epistles; Implications of the Second Advent; Open Correspondence (readers' letters answered by readers); The Story of Famous Hymns, and articles on Personal Evangelism. The latter have been recommended by the Evangelistic Committee and will be supplied by them.

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Women's Column

By
Gladys Gorton

A CAT AND DOG LIFE

THE phone rang. The voice at the other end of the line was telling us that Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, who were sailing for Southern Rhodesia in a fortnight's time, had decided not to take their dog Sally with them. As they wanted the satisfaction of knowing that she had a good home would we like to have her? Because we had a cat it meant some consideration before we made a decision; nevertheless within two days Sally came to our home.

I've never realised before the meaning of a "cat and dog life." Certainly they dwell under the same roof and belong to the same owners. Sally has chased Fluff, the cat, once or twice when she thought we were not about; otherwise she is most obedient and keeps back out of the way when we tell her to. But Fluff we feel is the worst offender. He has cause to be, for he has been with us for six years, and then for a young impudent dog of all creatures to come into the home and take possession needs some putting up with! Whenever they are at close quarters, which fortunately is not too frequently, Fluff arches his back and spits and swears, and out go his claws. What a dab he would give on Sally's nose or in her eye if he could get the chance. Let's hope that opportunity will never come his way. Sally, on the other hand, if she could have her own way and wasn't bossed around so much by her new mistress and

master, would bark at him and chase him off the premises. What a life! Sufferance is the word; that's what it is, and somehow I don't think they will ever get on speaking terms. Both are too old. This is a sad thing.

I happened to be looking through a Christian periodical and saw a lovely picture of a puppy and a kitten snuggled close together, and the words underneath were, "Too young to be anything but friends." Youngsters soon forget grievances, but not so adults. The Apostle Paul had a deep experience and realisation of this fact; thus he wrote to the Corinthian Church, "In malice be ye children, but in understanding be men" (1 Cor. 14:20). It must be shocking when two people live under the same roof and quarrel and bear grievances, etc. Sad it is when it happens in church life. The home, and the church, are spoilt, and other lives are affected by it. You may be out of touch with your Lord because of a bitter spirit and a wrong attitude toward another. Even if you are in the right, let God vindicate your cause and justify you. He will in His own time and way. Remember the words of our great exemplar, the Lord Jesus: "These things I command you, that ye love one another. . . . By this shall all men know that ye are My disciples" (John 15:17; 13:35).

OLD GOLD AND SILVER APPEAL

Many thanks to all those who have sent trinkets, etc., of silver and gold. A deacon of the Plymouth Church collected from some of the members—a fine gesture—and sent a good parcel to me. The amount realised was just under £10. This method is a splendid idea and could be adopted by others. What about it? Since the appeal was launched in June the amount reached up to now (November) is £30.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY, CLACTON-ON-SEA

RECENTLY the Elim Church, Clacton, held a series of celebrations to mark its twenty-first anniversary. The meetings began on Saturday afternoon, when Pastor Fred Squires conducted a service in memory of the late Mr. W. Ball, secretary of the church. During the first three days Pastor Squires,

the founder of the church, addressed large congregations, and at each service great blessing was enjoyed by all. Accompanying Pastor Squires was the International Male Voice Quartet and evangelist party.

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CHURCH NEWS FLASH



LOUGHBOROUGH ELIM CHURCH

We have recently concluded a series of special meetings conducted by Pastor W. Urch, of Dundee. These services took the form of a study of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The elucidation of the varied aspects of this very profitable subject was of benefit to all who came to the services. The academic approach, yet simple and clear exposition of the Word, provided food for the soul, thought and provocation to the mind, and a stimulus to the spiritual appetite.

One other aspect of this series of services was that a number of people from other denominations in the town were brought into contact with pentecostal truths. We do pray that the exposition given so ably by our brother will bear fruit in the future life of the church.

F. Partridge.

SALISBURY

Recently a series of meetings were conducted in Elim Church by the Rev. Joseph Smith, the broadcaster and superintendent of the Elim Churches in Northern Ireland. The Sunday and Monday evening subjects were "The Great Divide" and "God's Great Search in Salisbury." On Tuesday, "Will Russia Fight Us in the Middle East?" was of unusual interest. Mr. Smith stated that it seemed certain that this present age would end in an atomic war on a scale hitherto unforeseen by mankind. Soviet intervention in Middle East affairs was a grave threat to world peace and was perhaps the reason why we were spending £100 per family for defence. Also 400 factories in Great Britain were now engaged in the production of guided missiles. He stated that the development of the H-bomb and others by all nations was a warning to all men of the devastating destruction that would inevitably follow.

He ended this address on a note of hope and assurance for mankind by the Divine intervention of God bringing to a halt the mad inventions of science and the entry of a new era of peace and righteousness.

On Wednesday and Thursday the speaker discussed

"Divine Healing" and "Conditions of Spiritual Power."

The meetings were convened by the Rev. W. J. Patterson, who expressed the church's thanks to the Rev. J. Smith.

Salisbury Times.

PORTSMOUTH SISTERHOOD RALLY

The Portsmouth church was richly blessed by the visit of Pastor and Mrs. E. C. W. Boulton on the occasion of the Sisterhood anniversary week-end.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Boulton ministered and Mrs. Boulton was the soloist.

Monday was the day for the rally of sisterhoods from other churches around the district. Mrs. Knipe was the guest soloist and Mrs. Waddington the elocutionist. At all these services Mrs. E. M. McAvoy, our minister's wife, presided. She told of the activities of the sisters for the missionary cause, over 280 garments and shawls having been made and sent out to Elim mission stations during the year.

In the final meeting God spoke to us through the manifestation of the Holy Spirit, which was a wonderful climax to a grand week-end.

W. E. Sawden.

SPARKBROOK

Recently Mrs. Hawley, missionary from South Africa, visited us. Our hearts rejoiced to hear of souls redeemed, sins forgiven, and hopes of heaven realised on the mission field.

At the annual choir festival the guest choir for the Saturday evening only was the Sparkhill Salvation Army Songsters, and the guest speakers were the Rev. and Mrs. T. E. Francis (Wigan). The Sparkbrook Choir (conductor, Mr. W. Billington) throughout sang earnestly and expressively, and was joined in two songs by the junior choir. Mr. Francis most aptly referred to the cause of song—revival in the heart; the character of song—in the Pentecostal Churches the expression of the experience of the Holy Spirit; and the consummation of song—the

song of the redeemed of every nation and denomination in ascribing praise and honour to the Redeemer. On Sunday morning, as the choir was again dedicated to its ministry of song we felt that the Lord Himself came forth and served us at His table. During the day two men yielded to Jesus Christ. We thank God for the addition of ten new members to our church recently, and for seven candidates who passed through the waters of baptism.

During the visit of Pierre Van Woerden, Swiss evangelist, our hearts were blessed as he played to us on his Hammond organ.

WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA

The annual convention got off to a grand start in the services held in the Westcliff Baptist Church, kindly loaned for the occasion. The speakers throughout were the Rev. J. Kennedy (President) and Mr. S. Thompson, of Birmingham. The convention was a success, and great blessing was enjoyed by all.

Recently the church enjoyed a visit from Miss Maud Backhouse, sister of the Rev. G. Backhouse. On Tuesday the Sisterhood held its annual rally, when Miss Backhouse addressed herself solely to the sisters. At the final service three hands were raised during the appeal.

The following report is from the *Southend Standard*:

"The Rev. George Backhouse recently celebrated his second anniversary as minister of the church. At both services the Rev. John Lancaster preached.

"At the evening service Mrs. J. Elliott was the soloist and on Monday the Rev. John Lancaster again ministered. The Superintendent of the Elim Churches (the Rev. George Stormont) was chairman, and brought greetings and good wishes.

"The Rev. A. Wright, of Southend Elim Church, read the Scriptures. Mrs. J. Keates represented Rayleigh Elim Church.

"A visitor from Lowestoft, where the Rev. George Backhouse ministered for seventeen years before coming to Westcliff, brought greetings. Westcliff Ladies' Choir sang. A party of East Ham Elim Crusaders were responsible for the service on Wednesday."

Other ministry during the past weeks has been received with blessing from Pastor Alan Seeman, and Mr. and Mrs. Newman (Mrs. Newman was formerly Miss Emmie Virr), home for a short while from Canada.

ACCRINGTON YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Accrington is a small town and notoriously apathetic towards the Gospel. It has no thriving



A section of the Accrington youth orchestra with the minister of the church, J. C. Mulvagh (centre).

evangelical witness and the Elim Church carries a big responsibility for preaching the Gospel here. We are ever on the look-out for souls and for ways and means of extending our work. We can claim no big or spectacular successes, but in a steady way we have reached many and seen some saved. Our church has increased and we have enjoyed rich blessing recently.

Our latest effort is a small musical group composed of consecrated players. These young people have given much time and money and sacrifice in their attempt to serve the Lord in this way.

We ask the prayers of God's people that this effort shall be used by Him and that He will be glorified and souls won as a result. The following is an extract from a local paper:

"At Elim Church, Blackburn, it has been decided to introduce modern music into services.

"The minister (the Rev. J. C. Mulvagh) explained: 'Many people complain that church services are dull and monotonous. Using this youth orchestra we are setting out to remove that excuse.'

"The leader is former dance band musician Noel Eaton, who plays alto saxophone and guitar. Eric Tubby is the drummer, and his sister Eunice one of the accordionists; Accrington Grammar School student Clifford Moon is the other.

"Mrs. H. Mulvagh, wife of the minister, plays the piano.

"The band will accompany all community hymn singing, play spirituals old and new, and individual members will play solos. The two girls also sing."

Accrington Observer.

SHEFFIELD HARVEST THANKSGIVING

We have just enjoyed a wonderful week-end in the presence of the great giver of every good gift,

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I HAVE recently read some articles in religious magazines dealing with the subject of prophecy in relation to future world events. I notice that the writers of these articles take the view that there will be first of all a fulfilment of the prophecies contained in Ezekiel, chapters 38 and 39, and that according to these prophecies we will be plunged into a fearful war with Russia. Then there will be a lapse of some time, and finally all nations will go against Jerusalem to battle—this will be the great Armageddon (Zech. 14:2-5).

I do not agree with this interpretation of scripture regarding the coming of two great world wars, the first with Russia and her allies and the second when all nations come against Jerusalem. This latter one would not be a war, but a walk-over. I believe that the great war with Russia and her allies, as recorded in Ezekiel, chapters 38 and 39, will be the last war of this Gentile age. Anyone who takes the trouble to read the latter part of Ezekiel 39 will see that it is an end chapter. It deals with the end of Gentile world dominion and the full and complete regathering to their own land of the Israelites, their restoration to Divine favour, and the making with them of the new covenant. "Therefore thus saith the Lord God; Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob, and have mercy upon the whole house of Israel, and will be jealous for My holy name. . . . Neither will I hide My face any more from them: for I have poured out my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord God" (Ezek. 39:25, 29). For further references in confirmation of this, see Jeremiah 32:37-41; 33:14-16; 23:5-8; Isaiah 14:1-17; Ezekiel 36:24-38; Romans 11:25-27.

Let us now turn to Zechariah 14:2: "For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city. Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when He fought in the day of battle. And His feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east . . . and the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee."

If that dreadful war foretold in Ezekiel 38 should break upon us right now, you would find that it would naturally work out as recorded in Zechariah. Russia and her allies would invade Palestine, and Syria would of course be on their side. Naturally enough they would be against Jerusalem. On the other hand, the Western allies would launch their attack against Russia, and Transjordan would be

on their side. "And Judah also shall fight against Jerusalem" (Zech 14:14, R.V.). Why will the Jews fight against the old city of Jerusalem? To take it from the Transjordan Arabs who now hold it. This would throw Transjordan against the Jews, and against Jerusalem. On the side of Transjordan are America and Great Britain. Consequently you would have all nations against Jerusalem—without any miracle taking place to bring it to pass. The only thing that is miraculous about prophecy is that it is



What Lies Ahead?



history written in advance. The events have always been ordinary and natural, following the usual course which nations generally take, and no doubt this will also be true of the future.

Although the Jews will no doubt fight desperately to take the old city, they will be beaten and forced to surrender. Then will be "the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it. For it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord of hosts, that I will break his yoke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds." You may say: "How do you know it is the Jewish section which will be forced to surrender, and not the Arab section of Jerusalem?" Because the Bible says: "And half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city." "The city" is the part of Jerusalem which is inside the walls, and is held right now by the Arabs, while the Jews hold all of the city which is outside the walls. To the Arabs Jerusalem is sacred, for inside those walls are the Mosque of Omar and that most treasured rock where Abraham was about to offer Isaac when God stayed his hand. But the Mosque of

Omar occupies the site of Solomon's temple, the dearest spot on the whole surface of the earth to a Jew. Who can picture that fight between the Jews and the Arabs? But the Jews will be beaten, the white flag will be raised, and they will be taken prisoners. "Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when He fought in the day of battle."

On that eventful day, away to the south, beyond the hills of Edom in the direction of Bozrah, you will see a strange sight in the heavens (Isaiah 63:1-7). A great light will appear which will move rapidly towards Jerusalem, and as you look more closely you will discern in it the form of cavalry: "And behold a white horse; and He that sat upon him

care to look up the following scriptures you will also see that it is a judgment on the ungodly (Isaiah 13:9-13; 24:3-6, 21, 22; 26:20, 21; 28:17-22; 34:1-4; 63:1-6; 66:15-18; Jer. 4:23-29; 25:26-38; Zeph. 1:14-18; Mal. 4:1-3).

Surely Isaiah, chapter 24, describes a world swept by atomic warfare, its inhabitants burned, and few men left. "In the city is left desolation," with no place where men may hide in safety (verses 17, 18). The chapter ends with the Satanic hosts in heavenly places and the kings of the earth cast into God's prison, and left there for many days to be punished. This surely agrees with Revelation 19:20; 20:2, 3, where the Devil and certain others with him are cast into the bottomless pit. The last verse in Isaiah 24 describes our Lord reigning in glory in Jerusalem. The following chapter describes His reception when He arrives on the earth.

As we see the dark clouds of judgment rolling up, filled with atomic thunder, ready to smash in pieces the nations, we know that the end of the times of the Gentiles is at hand, and we look forward with glad expectation to when that stone which was not of human origin shall fill the whole earth (Daniel 2:34, 35).

I also believe that before that awful day of judgment breaks upon the earth our faithful bridegroom, the Lord Jesus, will catch away His waiting Bride. If He remembered Noah and Lot and did not allow them to be swallowed up in the judgments which came upon the earth in their day He will surely remember us. The angel said to Lot: "Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do any thing till you be come thither." Jesus said: "Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; but the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed. . . . I tell you in that night there shall be two men in one bed; the one shall be taken, and the other shall be left. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left." Romans 8:1; John 5:24 and 1 Thessalonians 5:2-11 compared with Zephaniah 1:14-18 and Isaiah 26:20, 21 are very comforting to my soul regarding the saints of God and coming judgment upon this world.

During the blitz of London I was conducting a service in a shelter in Brixton in company with some of our people. That night there was the heaviest raid London experienced. The people in the shelter begged us not to go out in it, but to stay with them. We did so, and waited until about 1.30 a.m. The

By Joseph Smith

(Superintendent of Elim Churches, Ireland)

was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He doth judge and make war . . . And the armies which were in heaven followed Him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. . . . And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; that ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men" (Rev. 19:11-18). How closely this language resembles that of Ezekiel 39:17: "And, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord God; Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to every beast of the field, Assemble yourselves, and come; gather yourselves on every side to my sacrifice that I do sacrifice for you, even a great sacrifice upon the mountains of Israel, that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood. Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth." It is quite clear that these two great prophets are describing the same scene, one in the Old Testament and the other in the New Testament.

It is surely evident that the preparations which are now being made for war would fulfil the word of God to the letter as to the destruction which is coming upon the earth at the close of this age. If you

damage around us was terrible, but the people in the shelter were preserved. The following Sunday, when we were again in that same shelter holding another service, some of our people were told that the real reason they did not want us to leave was that they felt they were safe while we were there. But when the trumpet sounds in the sky there will be no holding on to the people of God for safety's sake. We are the Lord's ambassadors of peace in this world, and while we are here judgment on a large scale is held up; but when we cross the border, look out—war will be declared immediately.

The people of the world have rejected God's peace terms for many centuries, and have cherished the ingredients of war in their souls. Dr. Albert Einstein, the noted scientist, said: "The real problem is in the hearts and minds of men. It is not a problem of physics, but of ethics. It is easier to denature plutonium than to denature the evil spirit of man. What frightens us is not the explosive power of the atomic bomb, but the equally explosive power of human personalities. Man's skills have outstripped his morals. His engineering has leaped ahead of his wisdom. We cannot cancel or call back his scientific advance, but we can and must, if the world is to survive, help man to catch up. In God's name, if you still believe in God, take Him seriously, and somehow get control of what science has given to the world, or else we shall all likewise perish."

Thank God that this present state of "nation against nation, and kingdom against kingdom" will not go on for ever. There is a day coming when "the Lord shall be king over all the earth; in that day there shall be one Lord and His name one" (Zech. 14:9).

CHURCH NEWS FLASH *(continued)*

when the church was tastefully decorated by the crusaders with harvest produce, which members and Sunday school scholars had brought.

Our special speaker was Pastor G. L. W. Ladlow (Belfast), once a Sheffield crusader. How ably and well he dealt with the scriptural rendering of the harvest. His ministry was rich in teaching and blessing and will linger long in our hearts.

On Sunday afternoon Pastor Ladlow addressed the children, and at this service his youngest daughter, Sylvia, delighted us with a poem of her own composition. The children were then presented by Pastor Ladlow with the certificates and prizes they had gained in the Scripture Examination. At the evening service Mrs. Ladlow rendered a solo.

At night the produce was distributed among the

sick and aged and a portion was sent to a Pentecostal Eventide Home.

We have also had a brief evening visit from Pastor Martin, of Ireland, who brought great blessing.

Following the above was our Crusader week, when the services were conducted by the crusaders. Much talent was brought forth in singing and the ministry of the Word. Mention must be made of the challenging address on "Neutrality" given on the Sunday evening by Anthony Sargent, aged sixteen, who gives promise for future service for the Master. Believers were stirred and the unsaved challenged.

INDUCTION OF NEW MINISTER AND VISIT OF MRS. HAWLEY (AFRICA)

During the past three months Pastor G. L. Taylor has been in charge of the Sheffield Church until Pastor R. B. Chapman was available to come. He has worked excellently among us.

It was with expectant hearts that a crowded congregation gathered for the induction service of Pastor R. B. Chapman. Pastor Taylor stayed with us over the week-end and Pastor A. Biddle (Rotherham) came to welcome Pastor and Mrs. Chapman and their two daughters on behalf of the Sheffield Assembly and the North Midland Presbytery. Pastor Biddle also called upon the deacons of the church to extend a welcome to these dear ones.

In his response Pastor Chapman assured the people that he and his wife would serve them to the best of their ability and endeavour to help them with their problems and share their joys and sorrows. Mrs. Chapman also gave a word to us.

The following week-end we had as our special speaker Mrs. W. M. Hawley, Elim missionary from the Transvaal, and truly Mrs. Hawley was like a breath of sunshine, bringing joy and help to the assembly both through the pictures on Saturday, showing the great work that is being accomplished in the Transvaal, and on Sunday morning around the Lord's Table.

On Sunday afternoon Mrs. Hawley thrilled the scholars with her stories of the black people. During this service scholars were on the platform in costumes representing overseas children and took part in recitation and song.

The day closed with a crowded congregation and Mrs. Hawley ministered with power. After the meeting Mrs. Hawley answered questions regarding missionary work in Tzaneen, and other details about South Africa. Mrs. Hawley concluded by giving her testimony on Divine healing when the Lord healed her of a tumour on the brain.

Constance I. Ladlow.

Something Wonderful

**HAPPENED
TO ME**

Injured by exploding shell 1917—healed 1957 in Hastings

At the commencement of Hastings Revival Campaign, held in February this year, I was in bed with acute pain in my spine, which has occurred at times ever since 1917 when my spine was injured by an exploding shell. When I recovered sufficiently to be about again, I had a permanently stiff neck and always some pain.

The second night in the Central Hall I felt compelled to go out to receive some help; I knew not what then. During the laying on of hands by the Rev. Ken Matthew, I had a wonderful experience of God's presence. Arriving home, I knelt to pray and again I was conscious of the nearness of Jesus and was strangely comforted. On getting up in the morning I was completely healed and my neck freed. It was then that I accepted Jesus as my personal Saviour, because in His mercy He had touched me, a sinner, in soul and body. I have had no pain since (now nine months ago). I do thank God from the bottom of my heart for His loving kindness and tender mercy and for all He has done for me.

Hilda C. Whitford.

Healed after twenty-eight years of suffering

I have suffered from asthma for twenty-eight years. Every night I had to take tablets under doctor's orders. If I missed taking them I had desperate nights fighting for my breath. A few months ago my nerves were in a shocking state and if I only walked a short distance I had an attack. I was determined I would not go to the doctors any more and tried leaving the tablets off, but the attacks got worse. Finally, on September 15th, I had a terrible day, my nerves were shattered, my confidence was gone. That night I had a slight seizure. My speech was affected, also the use had almost gone out of my legs. My relatives tried to persuade me to have the doctor, but I refused. The following week I was so ill I was not able to be left alone for long. On September 20th the

pastor called to see me and explained to me that, if I could believe, God could heal me. While he was praying for me I just let go and let God. After he had gone I suddenly realised that I had been kneeling down during prayer. I had not been able to kneel for years, so I got down on my knees again and thanked God that I was able to do this. The use had come back again into my legs and I was talking normally; the slurring had gone. When I went to bed I took my tablets with me, but decided not to take any, hoping and believing that my healing was complete. I could not sleep but kept my eyes on the clock. Three o'clock came round and I prayed that the attack would not come, as that was the hour it usually happened. It did not happen and I know then that the Lord had wonderfully healed me of my asthma. I kept awake until five o'clock. The usual two hours had come and gone; my healing was complete. I then went to sleep, praising the Lord for the wonderful way He had undertaken for me. I was able on the Sunday to testify at church to the wonderful blessing He has given me.

Mrs. C. Henney (Leicester).

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THE FAMILY ALTAR AND ELIM PRAYER CIRCLE

Scripture Union Portions. Notes by F. Lavender
(Minister of Elim Church, Loughborough)

Sunday, December 15th. 1 Corinthians 9 : 15-27.

"So run" (v. 24).

To the Philippians Paul said: "I press toward the mark"; years later he wrote to Timothy: "I have finished my course." He had not fallen out by the way, but had steadfastly endured to the end and looked now for the promised crown from the Lord's hand. Do not drop out of the race because of discouragement, but go through to the end. After enduring so much, do not let go the crown in sight of home.

Monday, December 16th. 1 Corinthians 10 : 1-15.

"God is faithful" (v. 13).

Do you feel that you have been tested and tried beyond the limits of endurance, and are you tempted to give up? Let the message of this verse comfort and sustain you; take it as a personal message to your own heart. Is there anyone who has ever accomplished anything worth while for God who has not been severely tested? God is faithful and He will bring to pass His will for you: rest trustingly in His hand.

Tuesday, December 17th. 1 Corinthians 10 : 16-33.

"Do all to the glory of God" (v. 31).

What a wonderful inspiration for every part of life. Paul assures us that we can even eat and drink to the glory of God! Life will become very wonderful and the everyday activities will be transformed if we dedicate all to Him. Does the work before you today appear drab and monotonous? Commit it now to Him with a thankful heart: even the kitchen will become God's house.

Wednesday, December 18th. 1 Corinthians 11 : 1-16.

"Be ye followers of me" (v. 1).

In the previous sentence Paul had shown that he did not seek to benefit himself, but sought the profit of others. In that matter he was a follower of Christ, who pleased not Himself (Romans 15 : 3) but sought the honour of God and the blessing of mankind. Let us have this same determination in our hearts and follow His example. God still desires to bless mankind, and He wants to use us to do it.

Thursday, December 19th. 1 Corinthians 11 : 17-34.

"The new testament in my blood" (v. 25).

The eternal God has entered into a covenant relationship with every believer, a covenant not sealed with animal blood but with the precious blood of His Son. By this covenant He has made available to us all His infinite resources, and we have likewise given to Him our whole selves for His service. Let this thought challenge and encourage us when we drink of the cup at the Lord's table.

Friday, December 20th. 1 Corinthians 12 : 1-11.

"Every man to profit withal" (v. 7).

The operation of spiritual gifts does bring personal blessing to those who use them, yet this is not the chief reason for their being given. They are bestowed on the Church in order that every man may profit with all; so that the whole Church and each individual believer may receive help. When we use spiritual gifts it is not to display spiritual power but to bless those who hear.

Saturday, December 21st. 1 Corinthians 12 : 12-31.

"God set the members" (v. 18).

How much heartache and division would be avoided if we recognised this fact. It is God who has called us and placed us in the Body, and if we envy the position of another we dishonour Him and harm the Body. It may be that we have not so conspicuous a position as another, but each of us is indispensable; if we discharge our calling faithfully God will commend and reward us.

CHILDREN'S STRIP (continued)

From that night Dr. Barnardo made up his mind not to go to the mission field, but to spend his life caring for these poor destitute children. He started by opening a home for them, but as the years went by he had to open more and more, until today there are 7,000 boys and girls being looked after in his homes because they have no parents or homes of their own.

Goodbye,
PAUL.

TWENTY-FIRST ANNIVERSARY, CLACTON-ON-SEA (continued)

On Monday between services a lovely birthday tea was held; the cake was cut by the oldest member of the church, Mrs. Kingston, assisted by the resident minister, Pastor F. F. Frost. Greetings were given by the various representatives from many Elim Churches. The Lord richly blessed us when, after the tea, Pastor Frost received the deeds of the church from Pastor Squires. This was a precious birthday gift, for we learned that day from Pastor Squires that Clacton Elim Church was now clear of debt. Throughout the week there was again mighty blessing from the messages given by Pastors Long, Fletcher and Shaw, former ministers of the church. To wind up this unforgettable week we had another mighty blessing in listening to the word preached by Pastor Coleman, Superintendent of the North London Presbytery. On Sunday the Secretary General, Pastor Greenway, ministered at both services, when again the presence of our Lord was with us.

C. G. ARMSTRONG (Secretary).

Elim Youth Page

We are Crusading for Christ

"We Fight the good Fight"

Conducted by J. Hywel Davies (National Youth Secretary)

YES! "Pentecost" is REAL Today

By Billie Davis

(This Christian girl has written articles published in the "Reader's Digest" and America's "Saturday Evening Post")

AMONG the strange and mystical events of history, and even among the fanciful tales of the world's most whimsical fiction, there is nothing to be compared with the unique experience to which we commonly refer as the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Even in the realm of religion, where the supernatural is expected and no human being claims to understand fully every mystery of God's moving, there are constant questions and doubts concerning the teachings that are called Pentecostal. The word *Pentecostal* has been so tossed about that its actual meaning has become somewhat obscure, and some persons seem to be frightened at its sound.

Originally the Feast of Pentecost was a Jewish celebration, so called because the word means "fifty" and the celebration was held on the fiftieth day of the Passover. It was on the day of this feast

that the apostles of Jesus Christ were gathered, in obedience to His instructions, in an upper room in Jerusalem after Christ had ascended into heaven. As they waited there in one accord they heard the sound as of a rushing wind, tongues of flame sat upon them, and they began to speak with other tongues as the Holy Spirit gave them utterance.

Christian teachers generally agree that the portion of the book of Acts in which this account is given is an authentic part of the Scriptures. They agree that the event is historically true; that the apostles did have the experience as it is described; and that they did speak with other tongues as a direct result of Divine power.

We believe that the same experience is for all true followers of Christ who will seek power to do His work in the world today. We believe that the experi-

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ence is important not merely because it enables one to speak in other languages, but because it brings a new power within. The power is given to all who diligently seek it for the purpose of carrying on the work of the Church. Those Christians who share this belief are called Pentecostal.

There are some who doubt that the experience of the apostles is for Christians today. They question the Pentecostal doctrines, saying that the experience was given once to fulfil a certain need, but that it is no longer necessary.

There is one answer to those who do not believe that the Pentecostal experience is for today. The answer is: God sees fit to give the experience to many persons. Why should this be true if the experience is not for today? There can be no doubt that many persons today do receive an experience which can be described as similar to that received by the apostles. Their testimony is adequate proof that the experience is for today. Since I am one of these persons, I should like to share my testimony with you.

When I was a girl of eighteen I was a sincere Christian. I was deeply devoted to the Lord and wanted more than anything else to please Him. I felt that He wanted me in some kind of full-time gospel service, and I planned to go to a Bible college to receive the training I needed for Christian work. The group of which I was a member taught the doctrine of a "second definite work of grace," which they called "sanctification." According to this teaching, there was a place which each Christian could reach where he would no longer be tempted by evil. All "root and branch" of sin would be removed so that the Christian could live a perfectly holy life, serene and secure and untouched by sin. I longed for this "sanctification" and sought it sincerely, confessing all my sins and shortcomings to God and man, praying, reading the Bible, attending every church service, fasting, until I was in a state of desperation. I almost decided I was not saved, or that I had committed some unpardonable sin, or that God would not give me the experience for some other reason.

While I was in this anxious, frustrated state of mind I was in an automobile accident and was taken to a hospital. In the mysterious way of providence, God allowed my path to cross that of a young Pentecostal Christian who was a nurse's aid there. She asked me if I was a Christian. I said, "Yes, I am leader of the young people's group at our church. I would like to have you visit us some time."

"I am president of our young people, too," she answered. "We call them the Christ's Ambassadors.

I belong to the Assembly of God. Let's trade visits. I'll come to your young people's meeting and you come to mine."

I agreed to the plan, and the first Thursday night after I was out of the hospital she called for me in her car. Although it was young people's night the church was almost filled. It seemed that everyone at the Assembly of God attended the Christ's Ambassadors meetings! But the young folk had charge of all the activities. There was singing such as I had never heard before. There was a testimony service which lasted for almost an hour! The C.A. president brought the message herself. At the close of it she invited the people to come to the altar to pray. Everyone went to the altar. In my church the altar call was made for sinners only, except at the services where invitation was given for Christians to seek sanctification. I knew most of these people must be Christians, so I concluded that they were going to the altar to seek sanctification. As they began to pray, I thought they sought it more loudly than was necessary, but I admired their earnestness. I thought I might as well go to the altar too, for I still desired more than all else to receive my sanctification.

I knelt as I had so many times in my own church. I prayed silently as I had prayed before. "Please, dear Lord, take me completely. Make me all Yours. I want more than anything else to please You and serve You acceptably in the place You will choose for me. Whatever You wish to do to me, do it. Make me whatever You wish me to be. Please give me Your grace and power, and let me feel clean and satisfied inside. I give myself to You completely. I don't know what else to do."

It was the simple, almost desperate prayer of a serious teen-ager, and I laid my head upon the altar in complete resignation, conscious of nothing but the presence of God.

Suddenly I seemed to relax. The hollow, empty frustration melted away and I was filled with love for the Lord, so that I raised my hands spontaneously toward heaven and praised Him with complete abandon. Where before I had always been a little uncertain of God's love for me, I now began to realise that He was indeed a loving Father, and He was right there with me to guide and help me, so that I was no longer afraid.

Although it was contrary to my nature to do so, I praised the Lord in a voice much louder than I had ever used in church before—and soon I was praising Him in strange syllables which I had never learned.

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COMING EVENTS

(Please pray for these services)

PRESIDENT'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dec. 22, Ballymena; 25-26, Ulster Temple Convention; 27, Lurgan; 28, Bangor; 29, Armagh 11 a.m., Portadown 7 p.m.; 30, Melbourne Street.

BECONTREE. Dec. 15. Elim Pentecostal Church, Green Lane. Visit of George Stormont. 6.30.

BELFAST. Dec. 22. Ulster Temple, Ravenhill Road. Christmas Festival of Song given by Ulster Temple Choir and Children's Choir, Male Voice Quartet and Quintet and Ulster Temple Girl Singers. 7 p.m. Preacher Gerald L. W. Ladow (resident minister).

COULSDON. Dec. 21. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road. Monthly United Pentecostal Rally, 7 p.m. Speaker R. A. Gordon (Caterham). Leader F. J. Freyberg. Singing by Emmanuel Men's Team.

KINGSTON-ON-THAMES. Dec. 15. Elim Church, Thames Street. 6.30. Visit of W. G. Hathaway.

LONDON. Dec. 28. Bridewell Hall, Eccleston Street (near Victoria Coach Station), S.W.1. Saturday Night Special. 7. Guest speaker: Ron Jones (Bristol). Singers: Louiza Beltrao (South American opera singer), I.B.T.I. Quartet. Convener: Fred. Coleman. At the piano: Geoff. Cooper. (Youth Rendezvous follows from 8 to 9. Refreshment tickets 1/- obtainable from local pastor or National Youth Headquarters).

LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR

(Director of Music: Douglas B. Gray, F.R.S.A.)

Dec. 15, **Holloway** prison and **Herne Hill** (St. Paul's Church); 17-19, **London** (West End), Waldegrave Hall and Thos. Cook's Christian Fellowship (Carol Festivals); 22, **Wormwood Scrubs** prison and Holland Park Church; 29, **Brixton** prison; Jan. 4, **Dollis Hill**; 5, **Broadmoor** institution; 18, **Epping**.

CHRISTMAS CONVENTIONS

BELFAST. Dec. 25-29. Ulster Temple, Ravenhill Road. Christmas Day 11.30 and 7. Boxing Day 11.30, 3 and 7. 27 and 28 8. 29 11.30 and 7. Speakers: J. Craig Kennedy (President), Evangelist Glyn Thomas and Mr. John Harris.

MISSIONARY TOUR

Miss S. F. Beardwell, Elim missionary on furlough from India, will visit the following churches: Dec. 14-15, Exeter; 16, Paignton; 17, Torquay.

EVANGELIST EDDIE SMITH'S TOUR

Jan. 4, U.G.Y. Rally, Reading; 5, Reading; 11-26, Driffield; Feb. 1-23, Belfast (Melbourne Street); Mar. 1-15, Coleraine; 16-30, Ballymoney.

SUNNY BLUNDELL TOUR

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YES! "PENTECOST" IS REAL TODAY

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At first I was certain that what I had received was the experience of sanctification, but the people began to tell me that I had received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit—the experience of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4). Although I had never heard of modern people receiving such an experience, I knew well the story of the Early Church, and I did not doubt that what these Pentecostal Christians told me was true.

The Baptism in the Holy Spirit has not been to me the emotional experience of an evening; rather, it has meant permanent peace and a sense of intimacy with the Lord. It has given me power and confidence so that I have felt that I can be of some use to the Lord and that He needs me in His service. It has given me the serene knowledge that I have found my place, and that God will guide me and direct me all my life. I have no fear of the future; neither do I fear I may fall away from the Lord. The indwelling of the Spirit makes me to know that what I have committed to God He will keep, and "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Immediately after I received the Baptism I began to understand and enjoy the Bible more than ever before. The power of the Spirit within me seemed to make the Scriptures clear and the meaning plain—because He is the Spirit of Truth.

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WITH CHRIST

Flower.—On November 16th, Mr. A. Flower, aged 87, beloved father of Lena Flower, passed away at Whipps Cross Hospital. Officiating minister at funeral: L. N. Knipe.

Rudkin.—On November 21st, Mrs. M. M. Rudkin, aged 80, passed away at Queen's Hospital, Croydon. Officiating ministers at funeral: H. Burton-Haynes and G. Thomas. C.614

Wolsey.—On November 7th, Susan Wolsey, aged member of Elim Church, Portadown, passed into the presence of the Lord. Officiating minister at funeral: N. J. Nelson.

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