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*Retiring President, E. J. Phillips, presents the Bible to the new President, H. Burton-Haynes.*

**SPECIAL CONFERENCE NUMBER**

# Conference Missionary Rally

By G. H. Thomas

ONE of the highlights of the public meetings in connection with our annual Elim Conference is the missionary rally, when our missionaries on furlough take the platform and briefly tell us about the work on the respective mission fields. This year we had with us Pastor and Mrs. R. A. Gull (Tanganyika), Mr. T. Johnston (Kenya), Miss F. Grossen (South Africa), Miss W. Loosemore (Southern Rhodesia), Miss R. Grimwade and Miss O. Garbutt (Belgian Congo) and Miss E. Wriglesworth (India).

The rally was held on the Wednesday evening of conference week and was convened jointly by Pastors S. Gorman (Missionary Secretary) and G. Stormont (Superintendent of the Elim Pentecostal Churches). The missionaries were introduced to the large congregation and briefly addressed the meeting in the following order.

Miss W. Loosemore, only recently arrived on furlough from Southern Rhodesia, referred to her call to the mission field and how after waiting for seven years the door suddenly opened for her to take up the work in Africa and join Dr. and Mrs. R. C. Brien on their station in the very week that they opened the hospital which they had built. Most encouraging results have already been achieved; Africans who had been steeped in sin have been

wonderfully transformed by the power of the Gospel. The hospital has been the means of reaching many with the message of salvation, and schools for young people have been opened over a large area.

Miss F. Grossen was the next speaker and remarked that she felt very nervous at seeing so many white faces in front of her, after seeing only black faces in her meetings in South Africa. She reminded us of the awful sin encountered among the Africans, but many of these had been changed through the preaching of the Gospel. Miss Grossen stated that she counted it a privilege to be called to work in Africa and to save souls from hell.

Mrs. Gull, home on furlough after her first term on the field, spoke of the work in Tanganyika and how the missionaries are opposed by the powers of evil, but these are overcome in the name of the Lord.

Miss E. Wriglesworth, also just arrived in this country, brought greetings from the Christians on the Elim stations in India. Hundreds of people are brought into touch with the Gospel each week through the medium of the medical work. Miss Wriglesworth asked for prayer on behalf of the Indian Christians and expressed the thanks of herself and fellow missionaries for the gifts, letters and prayers of the friends in the homeland.

Miss Olive Garbutt, of the Leeds Foursquare Gos-



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Missionaries on furlough  
receive a welcome from  
the President.

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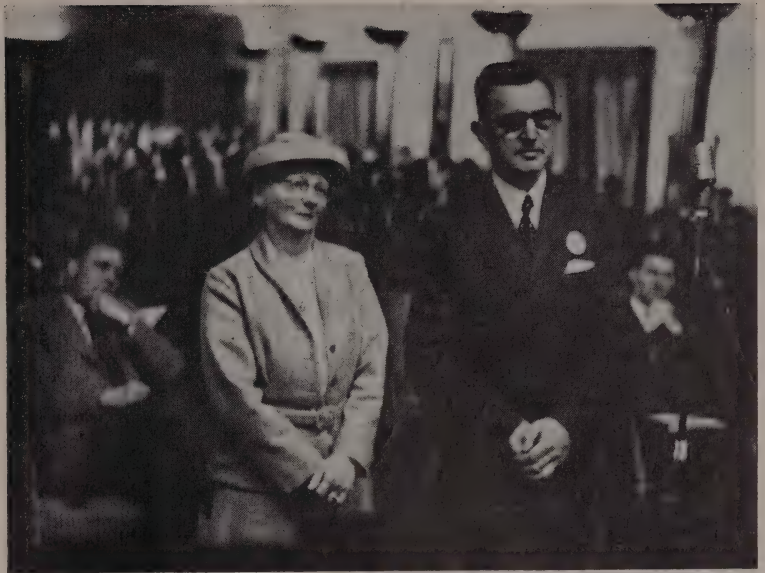
*Photo by George Stormont*

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Pastor and Mrs. G. H. Thomas receive a presentation to mark their many years of faithful service under the Elim missionary banner and in the homeland.

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*Photo by George Stormont*



pel Church, is now included in the list of Elim missionaries. Our sister, who has spent several years in the Belgian Congo, gave a brief but interesting report of the work on her field; this includes hospital work, school activities and work among the youth. God is building up the work in the Belgian Congo and prayer was requested for continued blessing on this part of the great mission field.

Miss R. Grimwade, also from the Belgian Congo, gave an insight into her work, which includes treatment of all kinds of diseases. There was also the maternity side of her work, and many African mothers have found Christ while under the care of the missionaries. Miss Grimwade mentioned that one morning she found a basket outside the door of their hospital and on inspection discovered two tiny babies, cold and almost ready to die. The babies were taken into the hospital and after careful attention they revived. The mother was found and taken into the hospital, where she heard the Gospel and gave her heart to the Lord Jesus. In a few weeks she was able to return to her village, where she faithfully witnessed to her faith in the Lord Jesus.

Pastor R. A. Gull stirred our hearts with a challenging message, pointing out the events that are taking place today in the countries that we regard as mission fields; doors are closing to the Gospel and we must do all we can while there is the opportunity.

The closing address was given by Mr. T. Johnston, on short leave from Kenya. It was good to have Mr. Johnston with us again, and all hearts were gripped as he told us about the Lord's dealing with him and his wife, which eventually led them with

their three children to Kenya. Mr. Johnston is in government service and uses every moment of his spare time in missionary work. Immediately on arrival in Kenya he commenced his work among the Africans, with the help of an interpreter. He later obtained permission to conduct meetings for the students of the telegraph and telephone training school and the Kabete training school, while Mrs. Johnston taught Scripture in the day school for children. Many of these African students have been won to Christ and one young man has been raised up to carry on the work among his own people.

Mr. Johnston referred to the Mau Mau atrocities and the large number of Africans who had been slain and others terribly mutilated. Mr. Johnston was given permission to address the Mau Mau prisoners, many of whom were murderers. He also paid visits to the condemned cell, and among the prisoners was one man who, in a fit of temper, had killed his wife and children. Mr. Johnston had the joy of leading him to the Lord and he cried to God for forgiveness.

The conference male voice party, led by Pastor D. B. Gray, added to the success of the missionary rally by the splendid rendering of two items in song. Pastor H. W. Greenway (Secretary General) made an appeal for a good missionary offering in support of Elim's overseas missions and the congregation responded with the splendid sum of £200.

This missionary rally has brought to us afresh the urgency of overseas missions and we pray that as our missionaries visit the churches in the interests of their work they will be given a warm welcome and that there will be a still greater response to the needs of this side of the work of Elim.

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## SOMETHING NEW

### FOR MINISTERS' WIVES

By Mrs. Vivien Corsie

ON Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock about forty wives gathered in the English Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. Phillips (the retiring President's wife) convened the service, Mrs. Hathaway read from 1 Corinthians 13, and Mrs. Glass rendered a beautiful solo.

By way of introduction Mrs. Phillips told how she remembered Mrs. Haynes, by her good handshake, lovely smile and the home with an ever-open door.

Mrs. Haynes spoke to the younger wives, encouraging them not to get downhearted when they have to wait many an hour for their husbands or when they are left behind when they go away. This word of encouragement was greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Haynes brought to us a message on "Love," taking as her text John 15:14.

God calls us to work for Him and do His will as ministers' wives. It is a wonderful call to be able to work side by side with our husbands, but most of all to be working for Jesus.

God has *commissioned* us in His service to be helpmeets and not hindrances. Our love could be summed up by two words, "Christ likeness." We should pray daily that we might be more like Him.

We pray that God will richly bless Mrs. Haynes in the coming year.

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## EDITORIAL

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THIS week's issue of the ELIM EVANGEL is devoted almost entirely to reports on the recent Elim Conference in Llandudno. We trust that the many readers who were unable to share in the blessings of those days will enjoy reading about the conference sessions and the great meetings held each night in the Pier Pavilion, emphasising the different aspects of our Elim work: its evangelistic drive, its missionary vision and its aim to establish and build up the saints of God, as well as its purpose to train and send forth those who have felt the call of God to His service at home and on the foreign field.

May we all be inspired to renew our efforts in the Master's service and thus hasten the day of our Lord's return.

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A group of ministers' wives in "conference."

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Photo by George Stormont



# THE INDUCTION AND ORDINATION SERVICE

By David S. Ayling

**THE ELIM CHURCH WELCOMES YOU.** We drove into Llandudno with the sun blazing down on us, and the sign in vivid colours adorning the length of the Pier Pavilion. It was like coming home again, and inside the coolness of that great hall you felt that welcome reaching out to you.

We are together again—it rang out as the hundreds of ministers, laymen and visitors pealed out the songs of Zion.

We are together again—it showed in the smiles of greeting across the congregation . . . the firm handshake . . . the friendly word. A few late arrivals hustled into their seats, their 300-mile journey complete. Now they were able to join in the singing.

We are together again—you could feel the family ties joining platform and congregation together and making them one. Pastor Phillips with Christian dignity presented the Bible to the incoming President, Pastor Burton-Haynes, and yet another link was forged in the chain of fellowship down the years.

Some were new friends, fitting into the conference background for the first time. Any sense of uneasiness in them was soon quietened as the service continued. After all, an Elim service and congregation are the same the world over. One such welcome visitor was the Rev. Walter McAlister, General Superintendent of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. Much appreciated were his words of wisdom and encouragement, and his invitation to the World Pentecostal Conference in Jerusalem in 1961!

Others were old friends at conference. What would it be like without the soul-charming singing of Pastor Gray and the Ministers' Choral Group? The incoming President brought a message of power and thought on "The Pentecostal Walk and Witness." How we agreed with him when he said "The spirit of revival is the awareness of God." Old friends? They stood around us in rows as they have stood through the years and rejoiced with us that another should be honoured to take the presidential chair.

Others were not there, and for a moment we could not help but remember them. How fitting that we should. We prayed for them; those bivouacked beside jungle path and camp fire, in native hut or tropical shanty town squalor. We were glad to know that they were Elim with us. Others too we thought

of whose places are now empty, honoured warriors who are now with Christ. Yet their memories linger on at ordination services, especially here, where two of those about to be ordained testified of how they came to Christ through their ministry. I can think of no more fitting memorial.

**THE ELIM CHURCH WELCOMES YOU**—you felt it from the warm welcome to delegates by Pastor Phillips, through the tender words of Gospel song by Pastor Hardman, in the sincerity of Pastor Burton-Haynes; and so the service moved on to its climax, the ordination of ministers. While the hands of experience were laid on the head of youth dedicating itself to the service of God in Elim, we sensed another One present whose benediction sends us all forth with added zeal to serve Him. The Master was there. With such an assurance I look forward to the time when in every city, town, yes and hamlet too, I'll see again the words, the Elim Church welcomes you!

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# CONFERENCE EVANGELISM

By T. W. WALKER

**T**HE Tuesday evening service of conference week saw the holding of a grand revival service. All concerned must be highly commended for such an excellent example of sustained co-operation and enthusiasm. Elim had no cause to be ashamed of the presentation of the Gospel; indeed, the way our fundamental beliefs were brought in was first-class.

Pastor T. E. Francis, of Wigan, conducted the pre-service singing in his own inimitable style. A very popular part of this happy session was the greeting which he gave in Welsh and the hearty rendering of "Calon Lan," a real Welsh favourite, by many in the congregation who certainly did not hail from the Principality!

Accompanied at the piano by Jean Britton and at the Hammond organ by Eldin Corsie, Pastor Alexander Tee soon had the gathering giving their best in the chorus "He lives!" and the hymn "We have heard a joyful sound."

The newly elected Vice-President, Pastor John Woodhead, led in prayer and we soon took up the strains of the old revival hymn "When the roll is called up yonder," energetically led by Mr. Tee. The very valuable and sincere contribution to the service of Pastor W. M. E. Plowright began with his moving interpretation of "Christ is the answer to my need." The cadences of this mature voice were matched by challenging yet comforting words.

Our beloved evangelist Pastor P. S. Brewster then read Scripture and pleased us all by directing us in the singing of "Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah" to the minor strains of the traditional Welsh tune "Bryn Calfaria," and we were delighted to repeat again and again the refrains of the last two verses. This was truly moving and we were deeply aware of the presence of God's Spirit. Mr. Brewster then introduced Pastor Walter McAlister, of Canada, one of the leaders of the World Pentecostal Fellowship and our honoured guest, and invited him to offer a special prayer for revival throughout the world, a typical and most appropriate touch from Mr. Brewster. The male voice party then sang one of their pieces and the general

impression seemed to be that they were in fine voice. After Pastor H. W. Greenway had given the notices and Mr. Tee had joyfully led us in singing "Oh for a thousand tongues," Mr. Plowright brought his second solo. It is sufficient commendation to say that it was better even than the first, for it was that very unusual combination of a really musical and melodic tune, a delightful accompaniment and excellent words which Mr. Plowright, with his good diction, made sure we could hear without strain or without ostentation by the soloist. This was just grand.

Now came the address from Mr. Brewster. This veteran of many a campaign preached with tremendous vigour and forcefulness, and one felt the deep sincerity and passion for souls behind every word. "What is truth?" was the question, and we were clearly shown that truth had fallen in the streets, that it had been strangled and imprisoned by many, but yet that Christ was the king of truth. He desires us to have truth in the inward parts and has promised us that we shall know the truth which shall make us free. This was penetrating, revealing, convicting and forthright, and it was no surprise to see hands going up almost immediately the Gospel appeal began. Those who raised their hands were invited to stand and to walk forward to be greeted by the preacher, and it was a thrill to see over twenty people respond. They were personally dealt with by various ministers, who found that they included folk from Llandudno as well as visitors to the town. A very impressive and hallowed time of prayer for the sick followed. This great service concluded with the singing of the chorus "Now I belong to Jesus" and prayer offered by the President, Pastor H. Burton-Haynes. There were many present who found in this service an opportunity of renewing their vows to broadcast the Gospel message as widely as possible and who felt that our movement is well blessed in those who are the spearhead of our evangelistic efforts. It was especially gratifying to see the prayer for the sick shared by evangelists younger and more experienced alike. Such team work augurs well for the kingdom.

# Fellowship Night

By F. H. Coleman

EACH night of the annual conference a different aspect of the Elim work was presented. Monday night was business night, as the President was inducted and some young men were ordained. Tuesday was a night of evangelism; Wednesday, missionary. Thursday's theme was, as Pastor P. S. Brewster put it, fellowship, brother to brother, sister to sister.

7.30, and soon the meeting was in full swing under the able leadership of Pastor W. G. Hathaway. The convener spoke of the splendid fellowship of the past days in the conference sessions, and now this, our last meeting, was to prove a wonderful time of fellowship around the person of Christ and His Word.

After listening to the delightful singing of the male voice party of sixteen ministers under the direction of Pastor D. B. Gray and the solo of Pastor W. Plowright an interesting item was introduced. The principal of the Elim Bible College was asked to present to all gathered the students who had come to be present at the conference. Pastor Gilpin told us of the great desire of these young men to come to Llandudno and how happy they had been to attend the conference, serve as ushers and also to conduct open-air services on the sea front. The students came from Scotland, England, Wales and one from Sweden.

The first speaker of the evening was Pastor D. Ayling, who spoke on the question David of old asked, "Is there not a cause?" The speaker pointed out that the young man David had gone to bring food to his brothers who were engaged in the fight against the enemies of Israel. The shepherd lad anointed to be king found himself looking on a cowardly crowd of soldiers who had built themselves a trench and when challenged by the giant Goliath retreated to their trench. David took up the challenge, for here was a cause. When the cowards retreated to their trench David fought an open warfare. We were reminded that we face today the giants of apathy, indifference and false doctrine. We are here for a cause, we are here to do battle for

the truth. We were warned not to don the armour of others but to take up the cause in the name of the Lord. The battle is against sin; evangelism is the vital battle today.

This night was convention night and so we were to have a feast of the Word of God. Our second speaker was Pastor W. J. Maybin, who brought to us the call and challenge of Christ. The message was prefaced with a touch of humour when Pastor Maybin told us he had asked Mr. Ayling to write him when he had decided on the subject for this night. He had promised to do the same to Pastor Ayling, but somehow both had forgotten to write. Here was the leading of the Spirit as the speaker felt the word he had to tell us so beautifully fitted in with what had already been said. The speaker then went on to remind us that men come to Christ in order to go. We are saved to serve. Instances in the life of Moses, Isaiah and Peter were quoted to show this. The call of Christ is to a person, not to a church or a creed. Christ is still calling today; even in these modern days man still needs Christ in spite of social betterment. His great need is spiritual.

Christ not only said "Come"; He also said "Go." What could the Church do today? This was the challenge. Much has been done in the past by one person. The early Gospel preachers numbered only eleven and yet they turned the world upside down. The Gospel we proclaim is good news, it can and does transform man. It is a glorious Gospel.

The preacher ended on a note which thrills the heart of every Elim believer—that of evangelism in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Now the service was quickly coming to a close, but not before Pastor Brewster and other ministers prayed for many who came forward to seek healing for their sick bodies. How we felt the presence of God and desired to stay there as we sang "All hail the power of Jesu's name."

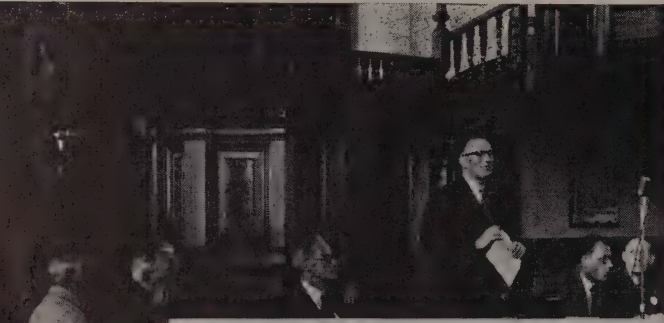
The convention service is over; another Elim conference is almost history. We mingle with the crowd of delegates and friends for that chat before going to our hotels. This is fellowship, Christian fellowship, which we so enjoy in Elim.



**B**EFORE detailing the business of the conference I should like to express a few words of personal appreciation. To me, this has been one of the most helpful conferences for some years. On my journey home a ministerial colleague asked me what, in my opinion, was the keynote of the conference, and together we agreed that it was a reaffirmation of our belief in central government. The desire for closer ties with one another and the determination to sacrifice self-interest for the good of the work as a whole were constantly reiterated in the business sessions and found practical expression in the rich fellowship that was enjoyed throughout the

week. It was a real tonic to my own soul. Elim commenced as a centrally governed movement and during the first twenty years of its history was subjected to rigid control from headquarters. During this time the family spirit was fostered among us and no churches or ministers considered themselves as isolated units, but as an integral part of the work as a whole, and all worked together for the common good. It was inevitable that with the expansion of the movement a policy of decentralisation had to be adopted and consequently each church had to assume responsibility for its own affairs. Our concern during the passing years has been to retain the family spirit, loyalty to and support of headquarters, and loyalty to the conference as the governing body.

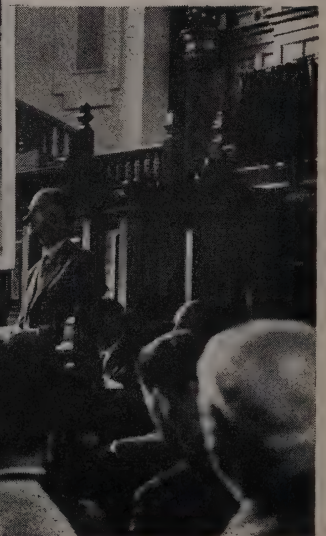
Some of our senior brethren have watched with apprehension the growing tendency in certain quarters to drift farther away from our first principles and to become more and more locally governed and self-centred. This drift could bring us into serious difficulties and destroy the blessed bonds which have been forged between us over the years. This conference has, however, revealed the strong desire of the majority to stop this drift and a determination to maintain and strengthen the bonds of



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By Gerald L.



### **SOME PICTURES OF THE CONFERENCE IN SESSION**

*Top: The President, Pastor H. Burton-Haynes, addresses the conference in Siloh Chapel.*

*Middle: Delegates discussing a point as they leave the session.*

*Bottom: Pastor Wesley Gilpin, Principal of the Elim Bible College, gives his report.*

*Photos by George Stormont*

common fellowship, both by strict adherence to the constitution and by personal sacrifice and endeavour for the good of the whole movement. Now to the business.

**TUESDAY.** The first session was opened in prayer at 9.30 a.m. by Pastor John Dyke, and his fervent cry "Oh that Thou wouldst rend the heavens and come down among us this week" received a hearty response from the delegates. Our newly inducted President, Pastor H. Burton-Haynes, in his opening speech gave some helpful advice to those who would be participating in the debates. His little story of the whale that is reputed to have said to its companion "It is when you are spouting that you are most likely to be harpooned" very aptly summed up his advice.

The Rev. Walter E. McAlister, the General Superintendent of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, was our guest and gave us an inspiring address on "Vision," during which he gave us a thrilling account of the progress of the work in Canada.

The results of the voting for the Executive Council were announced and the following brethren, together with the five brethren who remain in office

work had previously been circulated to the delegates and the conference proceeded to deal with questions and observations arising therefrom. It was heartening to hear, after the evangelistic report, of the plans already formulated by the committee for a number of pioneer efforts in the coming year which it is hoped will lead to the opening of new Elim churches. Speaking on the report of the Elim Bible College, Pastor Wesley Gilpin paid a glowing tribute to the work of his predecessor, Pastor Bradley, whose work he said "had laid a solid and valuable foundation for the future work of the college." He also paid tribute to the splendid work of our late brother Pastor Walter Urch as a member of the college faculty and synod. Arising out of the report were important matters which were later in the week fully debated and agreed upon. I believe these decisions will mean much to the future progress of the college. They are as follows: (1) The introduction of a two-year residential period of instruction and training to replace the present one-year course. (2) The introduction of an annual Bible College Sunday in all our churches, when the activities and needs of the college will be brought before the people and an offering taken up to help in training candidates for the ministry. During the debate on this motion, there was some very lively speaking and a spirited appeal was made to all ministers and laymen to take this matter up enthusiastically with their churches, so that the college can become a real power for good in the movement. (3) The change of the title dean to that of principal, which more aptly describes his offices. A proviso was added to the resolution to the effect that this title shall not be used as a prefix to the name of the one occupying the office. (4) The present principal shall be freed from any obligation to pastor a church for a trial period of two years.

Arising out of the youth report was an expression of concern at the decrease in Sunday school scholars during the year and a plea was made for the opening of more branch schools on housing estates and in suburban areas.

The day's sessions closed with a prolonged discussion on the annual accounts of the movement. These revealed a deficit on the administration account and a loss on the general income and expenditure account. It was during this discussion that some strong condemnation was made of those who were trying to avoid their responsibilities to the movement and some stirring speeches appealing for loyalty to headquarters and to conference rules were made. The value of our central government was brought home forcibly to all. The Executive Council placed before

## Conference report

ow (Minister of Ulster Temple, Belfast)

this year, form the new council: H. W. Greenway, John Dyke, W. G. Hathaway and J. C. Kennedy. The President expressed the thanks of the conference to Pastor J. T. Bradley for his twenty years of faithful service on the council and also gave a welcome to Pastor Kennedy, who has succeeded him. Pastor John Woodhead was elected by an overwhelming majority as vice-president. In his expression of thanks to the conference for the honour conferred upon him, he said that should the Lord tarry his year of presidential office would be his thirtieth year in the ministry and he was going to dedicate it to the service of evangelism.

Two churches were accepted into the movement, namely Faringdon in Wiltshire, which was assigned to the Oxford presbytery, and Hayfield in Lancashire, which was assigned to the Lancashire presbytery. The reports from the various sections of the

the conference its own plans for economy involving personal sacrifice on the part of headquarters staff to meet the present need. Pastor E. J. Phillips detailed six ways by which churches could help the general funds of the movement, the foremost of which are the conscientious regular tithing of the churches' income to the central funds, the paying of all dues to the assessment fund and the voluntary giving of surplus offerings to headquarters for the use of the whole movement. Later in the week a proposal to alter the rules so that all gifts for the general purposes of the church shall be included with the offerings in assessing the amount of ten per cent sent to headquarters was agreed to.

**WEDNESDAY.** This was the day for the Elim Church Incorporated conference and was devoted almost entirely to missionary subjects. In accordance with custom the day opened with a communion service at which the retiring President, Pastor E. J. Phillips, gave a thought-provoking address on the value of the weekly communion service. It was a very blessed time of fellowship around the table of the Lord. After the communion service Pastor and Mrs. G. H. Thomas were given a great ovation as they were presented with a cheque on their retirement from full-time service. Mr. Thomas recalled his early days in the movement when he was a member of the first term of the first Elim Bible College in 1925 and his part in helping to prepare the present Bible College when it was bought from the Redemptorist Order of Nuns in 1926 prior to his departure to Mexico as one of the first Elim missionaries. The subjects for discussion this year were "The Rise of Nationalism" and "Development of Indigenous Work," presented very ably to the conference by Pastor A. D. Hathaway, B.A. "Our aim," he said, "is the establishment of national churches, self-supporting and self-propagating as in Bible times." He added: "It is a pity that scriptural principles have to be forced upon us by events." Miss Garton then introduced the subject of "Promotion of Missionary Interests at Home" and gave some very useful and practical suggestions.

The Missionary Secretary, Pastor S. Gorman, introduced to the conference the following missionaries now home on furlough: Pastor and Mrs. Gull (Tanganyika), Pastor T. Johnston (Kenya), Misses O. Garbutt and R. Grimwade (Congo), Miss F. Grossen (Transvaal), Miss W. Loosemore (Rhodesia) and Miss E. Wriglesworth (India). Greetings were sent from the conference to missionaries on the field. Arising out of the report of the society, many suggestions were made for the clearing of the present

debt. An appeal was made for every church to have missionary boxes and every Elim family to have a box at home. Later in the week a resolution was passed to alter the rules so that missionary boxes could be supplied to churches which already had building fund boxes circulating among their members.

Voting for committees resulted in all the existing members being returned to office with the exception of the Missionary Council, where Pastor R. B. Chapman was elected for the first time and Pastor H. Burton-Haynes to the Elim Bible College synod to replace the vacancy created by the death of Pastor Urch.

A resolution to alter the present method of stationing of ministers, which would give more power to the local church in this matter, was defeated. Pastor Hathaway, the Field Superintendent, appealed for greater co-operation and support of the stationing committee in its decisions.

**THURSDAY.** The day commenced with an address on leadership, by Pastor Eldin Corsie, based on the example of Moses. It was a very fine address and I was greatly impressed by some of the things said, such as "Some of us are so busy analysing Pentecost that we are paralysing Pentecost"; "Don't examine Pentecost, experience it."

The first business of the day concerned our relationship with the British Pentecostal Fellowship and the following resolution was adopted: "That this conference confirms Elim's membership with the B.P.F. and recommends that every opportunity be taken to improve fellowship." A recommendation to ask the B.P.F. to take united action in publicising the truths which are common to all its members was also agreed to.

A resolution from the Irish conference which would have made the Irish Superintendent an ex-officio member of the Executive Council was defeated, but an amendment authorising the Executive Council to invite the Irish Superintendent to attend any council meetings when matters which concern the Irish work are on the agenda was agreed to.

After a lengthy debate a resolution proposing a change in the name of youth commissioners and in their method of appointment was very narrowly defeated.

**FRIDAY.** Owing to the limited time we started business immediately at 9.30 a.m. and the first matter that was dealt with was the passing of a resolution authorising additions to the constitution of the Elim Missionary Society to provide for the ordination to the ministry of nationals. Then fol-

lowed a heated debate on the subject of the marriage of probationary ministers. It was soon evident that such strong views were held that it would not be possible to air the matter fully and arrive at a satisfactory decision in the short time remaining, so the matter was deferred until next year's conference. A number of minor matters were dealt with and a number of questions answered, and suggestions which had been sent in were read. The final resolution, passed almost unanimously, was proposed by Pastor John Dyke and seconded by Pastor Frame, both of whom made forceful speeches. It dealt with the subject of ministers of the movement and once more reflected the determination of the conference to abide by our first principles of central government and to recapture the spirit of brotherliness and sacri-

fice for the good of all. It provided for defaulters to be dealt with first at district level, failing this at executive level, and should this fail the names of offenders to be reported to the conference.

Next year's conference, D.V., was fixed for May 23rd to 27th, the venue to be either Llandudno or Harrogate. If it is possible to find a hall for the establishment of an Elim church in Llandudno it was agreed that Pastor P. S. Brewster should conduct a pioneer campaign there next year, to be followed by the conference. Failing this the conference will be held in Harrogate.

With the customary votes of thanks and the sending of letters of good wishes to our sick ministers and their wives there came to an end a grand week of blessing and progress.



## Calling Boys and Girls

By Bernard Norris

Hello again!

*STEPHANOS*

*Part 3. Risking death*

By the time he arrived at the Governor's palace, Stephanos had worked out exactly what he would do.

"Please inform His Excellency that Stephanos has arrived, and craves the honour of displaying the treasure that he has brought with him in six large cases," said Stephanos to an official.

His boldness brought results. The Governor had never heard of Stephanos, but the mention of treasure aroused his interest, and Stephanos was taken in.

"What is your treasure?" asked the Governor.

"Your Excellency knows that it is said in the holy book, the Koran, 'Believe in God and in the book which he revealed to the Prophet, and in the book which he sent down before.'"

"Yes, that is what the Koran says."

"Well," replied Stephanos, "I have a copy of that very book here with me for you to see." With that, Stephanos produced a beautifully bound Bible, in Arabic lettering. He trembled as the Governor took it, and turned it over and over in his hands. At last he opened it.

"Why, this is the Taurat, the book of the Law. Where does it speak of Abraham?"

Knowing that stories of Abraham and of Moses can be found in the Koran, Stephanos was not afraid as he read from the Bible about these men. But after a while, seeing that the Governor was so interested, he wondered if he could dare to turn to the New Testament.

This was it! This could mean death, and the end of his mission, but it was a risk he had to take. He began to read from the Gospels—and the Governor listened, and listened. Stephanos read on and on for hours, until at last the Governor said "Close the book. Now show me your treasure."

"This is the treasure, your Excellency. I give this copy to you, and ask permission to sell the others to your people."

"By the Prophet!" said the Governor. "Thou art a Christian!"

Next week—the end.

Cheerio for now, and God bless you.

BERNARD.

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# Women's Column

By Gladys Gorton

## A SMILE

**H**AVE you heard about the little girl who smiled for Jesus? This was her way of being a sunbeam for Him.

The morning was glorious, with a pale blue sky and a cool, refreshing breeze. Wee Jeannie stood at the garden gate smiling happily at the passers-by. "I'm smiling for Jesus," she said, gaily dancing up and down. Two old ladies came walking briskly by. They lived together in a house farther along the road. They *never* smiled because they had allowed the hurtful and sad things which had happened in their lives to sour and embitter them. Their faces were as long as fiddles.

Jeannie's head popped over the gate—a pretty picture with flaxen curls, blue eyes and cheeks the colour of a wild rose. "Isn't it a lovely day?" she cried, and smiled bewitchingly. Wonder of wonders, the mouth of one of them curved slightly upwards! A little later the milkman called at their house to collect payment for the milk. She opened the door to him with a kind smile and remarked "What a beautiful day." He was so astonished he nearly fell from the step. He hadn't felt particularly cheerful as his wife was in hospital, but this cheered him and he went along his round whistling. He knocked on the door of another house. A young married couple lived there. Inside they were going at it hammer and tongs, their first quarrel. She flounced out of the room in answer to the knock and opened the front door, looking hot and flurried.

Said the milkman, "It's a lovely day. Is it your husband's day off?" (he was a policeman). "It is," she answered stiffly. "Why not go down to the sea?" he smiled. "It will do you good." When she returned to her husband she put her arms around him. "Darling, I'm sorry; it was my fault. Let's go to the sea." So they had a wonderful time making it up. You see what Jeannie's smile did? Wear a smile—

"It enriches those who receive it without making poorer those who give it. None is so rich or mighty

that he can get along without it, and none so poor but that he can be made rich by it. A smile creates happiness in the home, fosters good will in business and is the countersign of friendship. It brings rest to the weary, cheer to the discouraged, sunshine to the sad, and it is nature's best antidote in trouble. Yet it cannot be bought, begged, borrowed or stolen, for it is something that is of no value until it is given away. Some people are too tired to give a smile, so give them one of yours—for no one needs a smile as much as he who has no smile to give."

"Smile and set the world a-smiling—smile for Jesus every day."



## IN IMMANUEL'S LAND

**D**URING the last two or three years the little colony of Elim ministers and missionaries in the heaven has been growing in number, and on Easter Sunday morning Pastor Granville Davies joined its privileged ranks.

Converted under the ministry of the late Pastor W. G. Attwood, at Risca, in Monmouthshire, he soon heard the call to full-time service and entered the Pentecostal ministry, spending the last seventeen years of a long ministry in the work of Elim.

He lived to preach the Word, and his happiest moments were spent in proclaiming the Gospel of grace. The work of evangelism appealed to him especially and he ever sought to reach the unconverted in the open air, in tent campaigns and church evangelism. It was singularly hard, therefore, that the illness which came a week or so after his appointment to the Elim Church, Dowlais, deprived him of easy speech and forced his restless energy into inactivity. For three years he patiently endured, always yearning to work for God again, but after a short final illness his soul left its house of clay in the valley of the shadow and fled to the sunlit uplands of Immanuel's land.

Borne by men who had been converted with him, his mortal remains were laid to rest on a hillside overlooking the chapel in which he found the Lord, and a fellow convert of those days, Pastor John Dyke, together with Pastor W. Mercy, of Cross Keys, conducted the funeral service. To those who sorrow at his departing the greatest comfort of all is in the knowledge that on resurrection morning Granville Davies will walk gladly in the presence of the risen Lord.

JOHN LANCASTER.

Conducted by  
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Secretary

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## Have you heard of the

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We need more *Pathfinders*.

Do you have an EYM PATHFINDER group at your church?

Perhaps you haven't heard of EYM PATHFINDERS!

Now is the time to commence your group.

Already we have received substantial contributions towards the work of the Elim Missionary Society through the EYM PATHFINDERS. But we haven't touched the fringe of what can be done, so we call on you for help.

This is a new activity of the Elim Youth Movement and details are outlined below for the benefit of ministers and youth leaders who have not yet commenced a group in their churches. *Further details may be obtained by writing to the National Youth Secretary, 20 Clarence Avenue, Clapham Park, London, S.W.4.*

EYM PATHFINDERS is an activity of the Elim Youth Movement to support the gallant missionaries of the E.M.S.

To whom does this scheme apply? Every branch of the Elim Youth Movement, Sunday schools and mid-week youth groups which comprises children under fourteen years of age.

These young people pledge their support of Elim missionaries, some of whom were members of the E.Y.M. in their youth. The EYM PATHFINDER is provided with the new attractive savings box to help financially (a scale model of an Elim mission church in East Africa). The permission of parents or guardians must be obtained, and the forms for their signature are supplied by the Headquarters Youth Department.

*Here is a way in which our young people can help the young people of distant lands to see the light of their Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ; young people who now sit in heathen darkness. It is with the*

thought of *light* that this name has been chosen. The Pathfinder provided the light, and the object of EYM PATHFINDERS is "to give light to them that sit in darkness" (Luke 1: 79).

The EYM PATHFINDERS cry: "*Help lighten their pathway.*"

We supply the Pathfinder with equipment for his task. Four items:

### 1. **Membership Card**

Each boy and girl who becomes an EYM PATHFINDER receives an attractively designed card in a transparent envelope. There are spaces on the card for a record to be kept of the contributions they make through their missionary savings boxes, which are entered by the PATHFINDER leader or secretary (an adult) each time the box is emptied. Boxes should be emptied once quarterly. The membership card is held by the EYM PATHFINDER.

### 2. **E.M.S. World Missions Box**

This is the new missionary box referred to above. It remains the property of the Elim Missionary Society, but as long as the holder is a member of the EYM PATHFINDERS he/she is entitled to keep it.

### 3. **EYM PATHFINDERS Badge**

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### 4. **EYM PATHFINDERS Chorus**

A personal copy of the words and music of the chorus is provided for every EYM PATHFINDER. The chorus was written by Alfred Vickery, of the London Crusader Choir (arranged by Audrey Pollard, Croydon Elim Church), and we recommend that it be used at EYM PATHFINDERS group meetings, or Sunday school, when the boxes are brought in each quarter.



THE FAMILY ALTAR  
 and  
 ELIM PRAYER CIRCLE

**Scripture Union Portions. Notes by L. P. Cowdery**  
 (Minister of Elim Church, Blackheath)

**Monday, June 29th.** Esther 7 : 1-10.

The climax of the story is reached with the words, "They hanged Haman on the gallows that he had prepared for Mordecai." Thus not only does God vouchsafe to deliver His people, but He brings on the enemy the very destruction he had devised for his adversary: "He hath fallen himself into the pit that he digged for another." Our Saviour has rescued us from our enemy, who was too mighty for us, and has trodden down our foe, to be destroyed for ever in His own good time. So may we Christians see in the dangers threatening the Jews throughout this book a picture of our own, and in Haman's discomfiture a type of the victory of the Lamb over sin and Satan.

**Tuesday, June 30th.** Esther 8 : 1-17.

"The city of Shushan rejoiced." The tide of royal favour had changed, and the people of Shushan were evidently not very different from the mass of the populace of the present day, who shout with the winning side. Nothing succeeds like success, and the ordinary people of Susa cheered Mordecai as doubtless they would have hooted had they seen him led to execution. The crowds who welcomed our Lord into Jerusalem on His triumphal entry soon let their enthusiasm die away—"Hosanna!" now; tomorrow, "Crucify!" Blessed is the one who is able to stand for right no matter what the crowd thinks!

**Wednesday, July 1st.** 1 Peter 1 : 1-12.

Note the great doctrines which are touched upon here in these verses. We have election, a very precious doctrine when rightly understood, sanctification, the new birth, salvation through the blood (i.e. redemption), and the assurance of immortality. The Father in His eternal purpose is the author of our regeneration; the Word of God is the instrument of it; baptism the outward sign of it; the Holy Spirit the personal agent in it; the resurrection of Christ (including of course His cross and death) the procuring cause of it; heaven the end and completion of it.

**Thursday, July 2nd.** 1 Peter 1 : 13-25.

We are born again by the incorruptible seed of the Word of God. As God's word brought the visible creation into being—"and God said, Let there be light"—so does His word, living and abiding, re-create man's soul. No human voice but only the voice of the Spirit of God can regenerate us. The Word of God is the instrument through which the Lord is able to reach the ungodly and bring them to Himself and re-create their souls. We must preach the Word, not our own philosophies, not rhetorical essays, not science or history (though each of these may have a part in our expositions of the Bible), but the Word of God, which alone is able to help mankind. Other things may help to illustrate truth but only the truth can save.

**Friday, July 3rd.** 1 Peter 2 : 1-10.

The Church is a spiritual house, built up of the living souls of regenerate men on the chief corner stone, Christ.

Each stone in this building is to understand its true place and work there; it is to offer up spiritual sacrifices of cheerful obedience and, by the faithful discharge of every practical duty in each relationship of life, to testify to all gainsayers that they are the disciples of a holy Master who, having lived a life without spot or stain of sin, died of His own free will to put away sin. There is still a temple, and still a priesthood in the Church of God; but the temple is not of hewn stone and raised on Mount Moriah, but of living souls scattered over the world; the priesthood is no longer confined to a single tribe of a small nation, for every true Christian is a priest, to offer not the sacrifices of slain beasts but the praises of obedient hearts in Christ's name to God.

**Saturday, July 4th.** 1 Peter 2 : 11-25.

Note verse 17: "Honour all men." Every human being has a claim on our respect, having been made in God's image and redeemed by the blood of His Son. "Love the brotherhood." A special honour and affection is due to some, however, over others; this special affection is due to the members of the brotherhood—the Church. "Fear God." Not a mere fear of His power and righteous retribution, but a wholesome fear of displeasing or hurting God and bringing dishonour on His name. Here we have three degrees of love, the highest form being shown to God. God is love and the Christian requires that love by being afraid of doing anything that is undeserving of such love.

**Sunday, July 5th.** 1 Peter 3 : 1-12.

Peter, himself a married man, enjoins in these verses, first on wives and then on husbands, the peculiar duties and relations of the married state. Then he proceeds to enjoin on all meekness, courtesy, self-control, endurance. Let us overcome opposition and silence the false accusations of enemies by blameless lives, and with the consciousness of witnessing for God. If we suffer, our master suffered before us. Yet see the patience with which He suffered, and the zeal with which He proclaimed His Father's love. We cannot, indeed, die His atoning death; but we can try to follow His example, and to live His life of constant obedience to His Father.

## HOME CALL OF PERCY G. PARKER

We were sorry to hear of the home call of Principal P. G. Parker on Friday, May 29th, 1959, and would extend to Mrs. Parker and family our sincere sympathy in their loss. Mr. Parker came into fellowship with the Elim work in 1933 and was appointed a minister in 1935, lecturing in the Elim Bible College and conducting Bible teaching campaigns in our churches for a number of years. He retired from Elim in 1938 and opened a holiday home at Lynton in Devon. His early writings, which included Bible study courses, were widely read and very helpful.

There was, however, a strain of the ascetic and the eccentric in our brother's make-up and we found it necessary to dissociate ourselves entirely from many of his later publications, which included strange visions and dreams.

We know the God of all grace will comfort our friends in the hour of bereavement.

H.W.G.

# COMING EVENTS

(Please pray for these services)

**DELANCEY, Guernsey.** July 11-16. Elim Church, Delancey, St. Sampsons. Twenty-fifth anniversary services. Special speaker: L. Reeves (former minister). Supporting choirs. Convener: J. C. Mulvagh. Sat. 7.30, Sun. 11, 6.30 and 8.15, Mon. to Thurs. 7.45.

**HOVE.** Elim Church, Portland Road. Church's Thirtieth Anniversary. Special meetings every Saturday and Sunday in June. Order of ministry: 1st, the President; 2nd, Elim Students; 3rd, Principal, Elim Bible College; 4th, S. Gorman.

**LEYTON.** June 28. Elim Church, Vicarage Road. Buses 697/699. Missionary Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Gull (Tanganika). 11, 3 and 6.30.

**PENDLETON.** June 27-29. Elim Church, Nursery Street, Pendleton, Salford (near Woolpack). Convention services. Speaker: John Dyke (Birmingham). Sat. 7.30, Sun. 11 and 6.30, Mon. 7.45. Opportunity for those seeking the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. July 4-6. Convention services. Sat. 7. Speaker: J. Williamson (Bury A.O.G.). Items from Sheffield Elim choir. Sun. 11 and 6.30, Mon. 7.45. Speaker: R. Chapman. Special musical items throughout both weekends.

**PONTARDULAIS.** July 4-8. Beulah Elim Church, Alltiago Fields. Annual Convention. Speakers: D. W. Cartwright (Andover) and F. C. N. Newcombe (Pontyclun). Convener: K. Smith. Sat. 3 and 6.30 (cups of tea between services), Sun. 11, 2.30 and 6, weeknights 7.15.

**SCARBOROUGH.** July 4. Elim Church, Murray Street, Londesborough Road. Visit of Bradford Elim Male Voice Choir. Speaker: A. D. Hathaway. B.A. 6.30.

**WOOD GREEN.** July 11, 12. Elim Church, Russell Road (off Bowes Road), N.13. Anniversary services. Speaker: L. W. Tranter (Barnsley), supported by The Walters, Evangelists, U.S.A. Sat. 3 and 6.30 (refreshments provided), Sun. 10.45

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