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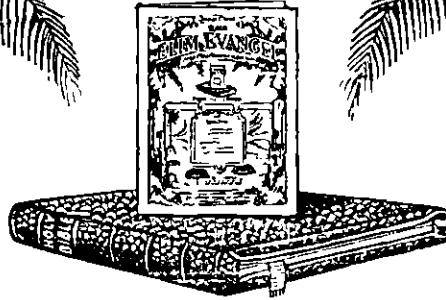
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AND FOURSQUARE REVIVALIST



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AND THEY CAME TO ELIM, WHERE WERE TWELVE  
WELLS OF WATER, AND THRESCORE AND TEN  
PALM TREES. ~ ~ ~ Ex. XV 27

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Coming King

## CHRISTMAS CONVENTIONS

**BELFAST.** December 25th and 26th Annual North of Ireland Convention in Elim Tabernacle, Ravenhill Road. Speakers: Pastors P. N. Corry, E. J. Phillips, and J. McWhirter Convener: Pastor R. E. Darragh. Services both days at 11.30, 3.30 and 7 (Boxing Day at 3.30, Baptismal Service).

**LONDON (East Ham).** December 25th and 26th. Elim Tabernacle, Central Park Road. Christmas Day, 11 a.m. Boxing Day, 11, 3, and 6.30. Speakers: Pastors W. Henderson (London), T. Tetchner (Scarborough), and W. Brambleby (Yeovil) Convener: Pastor Len J Jones.

**LONDON (Croydon).** December 25th and 26th, Elim Tabernacle, Stanley Road Christmas Day, 11 a.m. Boxing Day, 11, 3 and 6.30 Speakers: Pastors E. C. W. Boulton, W. G. Hathaway, and others. Convener: Pastor J. Lees

**BIRMINGHAM,** December 25th and 26th. Ebenezer Congregational Church, Steelhouse Lane Christmas Day, 11 a.m., Boxing Day, 11, 3, and 6.30. Speakers: Pastors R. Mercer and P. H. Hulbert. Convener: Pastor H. W. Fielding

**CARLISLE** December 25th to 28th. Elim Tabernacle, West Walls, Speakers: Pastors S. Gorman and W. Kelly Convener: Pastor R. Tweed.

**LIVERPOOL.** December 25th to 28th Elim Tabernacle, corner of Windsor and Whittaker Streets. Christmas Day, Boxing Day, and Sunday, at 11, 3, and 6.30. Saturday (27th) at 11, 3, and 7.30 Speakers. Principal P G Parker, Pastor J McAvoy and Messrs F Carson and W. Uprichard. Convener Pastor F. A. Farlow.

**PONTYPRIDD** December 25th to 28th Elim Church, Thurston Road. Speakers Mrs Harries-Williams (Llanelly) and Pastor D. J. Jones (Manseiton)

## NEW YEAR CONVENTIONS

**GLASGOW.** January 1st to 4th City Temple (corner of Bath and Elmbank Streets). Thursday, 11, 3, and 6.30 Friday, 7.30, Saturday, 3 and 6.30. Sunday, 11, 3, and 6.30 Speakers: Pastors P. N. Corry, and R. Tweed. Convener Pastor S. Gorman.

**BRAOFORD.** January 1st to 4th. Freemasons Hall, Westgate Speakers: Pastors Jewitt and Miles, Mrs Salter, and Mrs Saxon Walshaw Convener: Pastor H. Kitching

## Principal GEORGE JEFFREYS & REVIVAL PARTY commence a Revival and Healing Campaign on December 28th, in the **ULSTER HALL, BELFAST**

Sundays at 3.30 and 7.30. Every week-night (except Saturdays) at 8. Wednesday afternoons at 3.30

### Another Elim MISSIONARY VALEDICTORY SERVICE

at the **WELSH TABERNACLE**  
Pentonville Road, King's Cross

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 2nd, 7.30 p.m.**, to farewell

Miss **VIOLET W. M. HOSKINS**

as Elim Missionary to JAPAN

Pastor Charles Coates will preach the Valedictory Sermon

Mr Douglas Gray will lead the London Crusader Choir

**FOURSQUARES, ALL RALLY!**

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Special Speakers and other items by representatives of  
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Doors open at 7 p.m. Come early

Every Crusader is asked to bring a friend Book the date now  
Tell your friends to join in this **GREAT WITNESS FOR CHRIST**

## WATCH THESE DATES:

**CROYDON.** Jan 4, at 6.30 Elim Hall, Stanley Road  
Visit of London Crusader Choir

**ELIM BIBLE COLLEGE.** This term ends Dec 20, and  
next term commences Jan 10

**ELIM WOODLANDS** will be open to Elim friends on Dec  
26th and 27th, from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. Music, singing, fellow-  
ship, and meeting Tea and supper Inclusive charge, 4/-  
With tea only, 2/-, with supper only 2/6 On Boxing Day  
the meeting will be at Elim Tabernacle, Park Crescent at 6.30

**ILFORD.** Jan 25, at 6.30 Elim Hall, Scrafton Road  
Visit of London Crusader Choir

**KENSINGTON, London.** Every Sunday during December  
and January at 3 and 6.30 in the Kensington Town Hall  
Pastor P. N. Corry (Dean of Elim Bible College)

**LISBURN** Dec 28 at 11.30 and 3.30 Elim Hall, Wallace  
Avenue Pastor P. N. Corry

**LONDON.** Every Friday night (except Boxing Day) at 7.30  
Welsh Tabernacle, Pentonville Road, King's Cross Foursquare  
Gospel Rally

**LONDON.** Every Saturday at 8 p.m. Foursquare Gospel  
open-air meeting at Marble Arch, Hyde Park.

**This space is reserved for local announcements**

# The Elim Evangel

AND FOURSQUARE REVIVALIST

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## Christmas and New Year Greetings

To All in Elim and the Foursquare Gospel

From our Beloved Leader

ONCE again I am penning my Christmas greetings to our world-wide Elim family of Foursquare Gospellers. This time it is 1930. Fifteen Christmas days have come and gone since the young Elim family gathered together for its first Convention. As we are about to celebrate the sixteenth, retrospective meditation takes me right back to the opening services in the city of Belfast, when newly-born Foursquare Gospellers sang with full throats the old revival chorus.

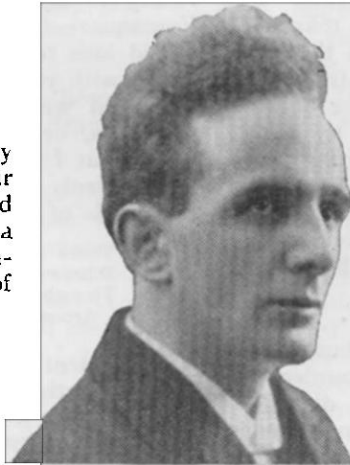
Peal it over hill and valley,  
Tell it out through street and alley,  
This the song to which we rally,  
Ireland for Christ

The potentialities of those early gatherings were hid from our eyes, and we were quite contented with the thought of establishing a witness for the truth, as we understood it, within the confines of the Emerald Isle. Little did we dream of an Elim movement of present-day dimensions, with preachers scattered all over the British Isles and witnessing in foreign lands. Within the limited scope of our vision we did not see the radiant beams of a Foursquare Gospel message falling upon countless multitudes throughout the length and breadth of the land, penetrating the regions beyond. The work as we know it to-day is not the result of any carefully laid plan, neither has it materialised as a result of our copying any other work. By God's grace we have been carrying on from one step to another quite unconscious of the Divine programme. While God was pleased to do the planning, we were privileged to do the praying.

Instinctively my mind takes me back to the first band of workers—those who, having heard the call to "go and preach," left all and gave

all in obedience to the heavenly vision. I am back again in those early prayer meetings where on bended knee I hear those beseeching prayers, I see those crystal tears, I catch the note of triumph over seeming insuperable difficulties, and am carried from one wave of glory to another. The prayer time over, I join in the singing of the same old chorus.

Prayer is over, praise begun,  
Hallelujah! it is done



PRINCIPAL GEORGE JEFFREYS.

Something more than sentiment passes over the soul when engaged in prayer with those who live the life. I see them live as they pray, their actions clothe their sentiments with sincerity, and transactions with fellow-workers are carried on in the atmosphere of the prayer room. How gladly each one of the little band brings of their all into one common fund. Food, clothes, money, anything and everything is shared; no one regards anything he possesses as his own.

I stop for a moment and think of the size of the volume that could contain the full story of Elim. How comforting it is to know that these pioneers, after all these years are still my fellow-workers. The friendship cemented in the furnace of trial and testing cannot easily give way, such brotherly love warmed by mutual self-sacrifice cannot be anything but strong. How consoling it is to know that the same spirit of devotion which characterised the work at the beginning permeates the Elim family of to-day. While treading the pathway of leadership, and taking part in the front line trenches, my responsibility is shared, my burden is lightened, and my heart is cheered because I know of devoted co-workers who lovingly and loyally bear me up in prayer and service. A true remark



concerning our work overheard some time ago made my heart rejoice, "If you join Elim it will be not for what you can get but for what you can give" I could not help but exclaim, 'Amen' may it ever be true of Elim" After all, giving is the essence of real Christianity Does not this festive season remind us of One who humbled Himself and endured a Cross, despised the shame of crucifixion that He might give? He gave up the joy of His Father's house He gave up His place on His Father's throne, He gave up His life—that He might give eternal life to others Every Christian is called to give In fact it is impossible to be a Christian without giving A true Christian is one who possesses the life of Christ, and that life must always find its way out to others

As a result of God's great gift to the world, it is impossible to think of Christmas time apart from giving At this season every conceivable mode of transport will be utilised for the purpose of carrying gifts. The mail train will race at breakneck speed along its silvery lines conveying these links in the chain of friendship. Majestic ships loaded to the water line will plough the seven seas bearing these tokens of peace and goodwill The airplane on the wing will dart through the air with its freight of Christmas love-gifts as though it were beckoning to the less modern mode of transport, 'Hurry up' this business of cementing love and friendship requires haste." The postal staffs augmented at this time by special helpers will leave their depots with bags and more bags, each packed to capacity with boxes and parcels of cheer.

Everyone at this special time is enthused with the spirit of giving. Consequently burdens in life are made lighter, shadows are dispelled, life indeed is brightened, and lonesome ones learn that they are not altogether forgotten. But there is One who always gives, it is Christmas time with Him at all times He is the same in December as in May. The whole of nature is made to contribute towards the happiness of His creatures He calls upon the earth, and it yields its harvest He speaks, and the tree blossoms forth He commands the sun, and it pours forth its rays of life and health, and employs the bright electron as a chariot to carry the gift of a rain-drop The highest possible degree of giving is seen in the gift of His Son, these lesser gifts continually remind us of Him When we see bread on the table it speaks to us of the Bread of Life. We see sparkling water from the fountain, and we think of the Water of Life

All good gifts around us  
Are sent from heaven above  
Then thank the Lord, oh thank the Lord,  
For all His love

In Elim we have come to regard Christmas Day as a milestone, each successive one marking out the distance we have travelled on the road of life since the movement was born

I can easily remember the first Christmas Convention in 1915, when it was possible for me to shake hands with every member of the little family, to bend the knee and join the complete circle in prayer, to enter personally into each one's difficulties, and to share in the individual's joy True the gatherings were small, but there were qualities in them that nerved me in the thickest of the fight Above the din of battle I could hear their prayers, in the hour of trial I received of their practical sympathy, in the time of need I was the recipient of their substance, and when exposed to the cold blast of hatred because of the truth, I realised the warmth of their Christian love

What a difference there is in the size of the family to-day It seems as if there are Elim Foursquare Gospellers everywhere Much as I would love to, it is impossible for me to shake hands with you all, to look into the face of each one, and wish you personally my Christmas greetings, or to blend my audible prayers with yours, but I can meet you around the throne of the heavenly grace, and experience the truth of the words of the hymnwriter—

There is a scene where spirits blend,  
Where friend holds fellowship with friend  
Though sundered far, by faith we meet  
Around one common mercy seat

The extent of the Elim family has indeed exceeded anything we could have anticipated, and it is out of a grateful heart I can say that the same sterling qualities that were marked at the beginning have been correspondingly maintained throughout its phenomenal growth

The last year has been a record one in every respect. As a result of your prayers I have been called to preach to the largest gatherings that have ever come under the sound of the combined message of Salvation, Healing, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and our Coming King, in the history of our beloved land, with the largest auditoriums in the country have rung with the praises of God You have prayed open the doors of the great Bingley Hall in Birmingham, which had been closed as far as evangelistic services were concerned since the days of Dr Torrey in 1904, and before then, since the days of D L Moody in 1878

Following in the footsteps of these spiritual giants I have been constrained to preach the old Gospel to congregations that packed the place to capacity, to lead thousands to Christ, to lay hands upon thousands for healing and the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, to officiate at communion and baptismal services that can only find their parallel in our yearly Royal Albert Hall demonstrations in London

Your prayers have enabled me to unfurl the banner of Salvation, Healing, Baptism of the Holy Ghost, and Coming King in the Crystal Palace, London, and to preach the full message in that, the greatest of all exhibition buildings in the world. Who present at those gatherings can ever forget the sea of faces, the conversions, the healings, the baptisms in the Holy Ghost of those revival scenes?

Prayer upheld me when preaching for the fifth year in succession in the Royal Albert Hall London, at our annual demonstrations and strengthened me when officiating at the three great ordinances of the Christian faith. Those regularly packed revival gatherings have become a household word among us, and only eternity will reveal the triumphs of those monster gatherings.

In answer to your prayers I have been called to pioneer the truths so near and dear to our hearts, in the largest halls obtainable.

Not only has the revival fire spread more this year than in previous years, but the work of consolidation has been going on in a manner that brings joy to our hearts. More church buildings have been acquired this year than in any previous year, and new centres have been well established throughout the country.

In Glasgow the beautiful St John's and Renfield Presbyterian Church is now called "The City Temple." In London the Horbury Congregational Church is now known as "The Kensington Temple." In Greenock the parish Church of St Augustine has become an Elim Tabernacle, and in Nottingham the famous sanctuary of Methodism known as the Halifax Place Church is now designated "The City Temple." These are only four instances, there are others that will probably be mentioned in another part of this *Evangel*. All taken over as permanent centres under the auspices of the Elim Four-square Gospel Alliance in 1930, and again, all in answer to prayer.

It is only natural to pause awhile and ask the question, What will 1931 bring forth? The future is hid from us, and we can only put our trust in the One who has mapped out the path-

way already traversed. We are conscious of the many spiritual and temporal needs, but we must not be overburdened with the budget for 1931. Our heavenly Father who has supplied in the past will lovingly do so again. He will move upon the hearts of His own to give, and in response they will give freely, for they have freely received.

With your united prayers and your devoted labours as co-workers I can face the future with all confidence.

My prayers are for our Ministers, who have so faithfully shepherded the flock in the various churches, that they might continue until they receive the true shepherd's reward. For our Evangelists, men and women, who have so nobly preached the Word, that they might continue to make full proof of their ministry. For our Overseers and Divisional Superintendents, who have so unselfishly borne the burdens and shoulder the heavy responsibilities of office. For our devoted Elim Missionaries who have crossed the ocean to labour for the Master in foreign lands. For the splendid students of our College, that they might continue in the development of spiritual character as well as studying to rightly divide the Scriptures. For those placed at the heads of all departments with their staffs, and members who have so graciously laboured for the cause. For all our Church Officers who have gladly undertaken their various duties, and have loyally rallied to help make the wheels of organisation run so smoothly. For the Crusaders, the Cadets and the Sunday School children with their Superintendents and Teachers for their love and devotion so manifest in this most important section of the work. For the Editors, writers, managers and staffs of the printing and publishing departments and the Correspondence School, for the distributors of our magazines and helpful literature who have so faithfully worked in unison to broadcast the glorious message. For each and every member of the Elim and Four-square Gospel family all over the world, that they might be found in the attitude of waiting for our Lord.

To one and all I send Christian love and greetings. May yours be a happy Christmas and the New Year one full of blessedness in Him.

I am,

Yours, a Servant of Jesus Christ,

**GEORGE JEFFREYS.**

# The Revival Party in 1930

By Evangelist JAMES McWHIRTER

**T**HE year 1930 has been the carrying on of the re-  
fraught with events vival that will last "till  
that have surpassed He come"

our greatest expectations.  
In the Welsh revival last  
year we deemed that the  
zenith had been reached in  
campaign work, but the  
Birmingham revival of this  
year rose to still grander  
heights As the campaign

The annual meetings on  
Easter Monday at the  
Royal Albert Hall broke  
all records, in numbers,  
fervour and power

Campaigns were held in  
London at Wandsworth,  
Kingston, Ealing and Not-  
ting Hill Gate. Many hundreds were saved and  
healed Three more centres were opened, making  
the total of Foursquare Gospel centres in London  
alone twenty-seven in number

Among the most outstanding services of the  
year were those held in the Crystal Palace, Lon-  
don, where for the first time the Full Gospel was  
proclaimed in the world's largest exhibition build-  
ing In spite of heavy rain that spoiled popular  
entertainments at the Palace the meetings were  
also a great success numerically God poured  
out His Spirit in unusual power

These three events at the Bingley Hall, the  
Royal Albert Hall and the Crystal Palace mark a  
year of prodigious achievement with but few paral-  
lels in evangelical history Their memory will be  
an abiding inspiration to thousands, and their  
effect as a national witness to the truth is in-  
estimable

Apart from pioneering campaigns Principal  
George Jeffreys and Party took part with other  
Elim ministers in various special meetings, open-  
ing of churches, laying foundation stones of  
others, attending Crusader rallies, officiating at  
baptismal services, and preaching at Conventions

At the time of writing we are in the midst of  
a mighty campaign in the Halifax Place Wesleyan  
Chapel, Nottingham

On looking back, a deep sense of gratitude fills  
our hearts for the privilege of service that com-

pels us to say, "Not unto  
us, but to Thy Name be  
glory" In humble prayer  
before that Throne whence  
alone flow the living waters  
of the Spirit's last great  
appeal to dying men in this  
dispensation, we renew our  
hope in God afresh at the  
close of this glorious year,  
and advance with Him into  
1931, confident of the con-  
tinued fulfilment of all His  
gracious promises in Christ  
for our fellowmen



PRINCIPAL GEORGE JEFFREYS  
(Prescher)

in Cardiff was recognised to be the greatest  
evangelical awakening since the world-famous  
Welsh revival of 1904, so the Birmingham cam-  
paign was acknowledged to be the greatest re-  
vival in an English city since the days of Torrey  
and Alexander

Another unexampled feature of this year's  
blessings is the astounding success in acquiring  
magnificent buildings for the continuation of the  
work This feature in the movement is command-  
ing recognition, and the increasing solidarity  
thereby granted to the Elim work is making its  
appeal to thoughtful people

The first mission of the year was held in  
Glasgow One of the finest church buildings in  
that city, known to many as the "wee cathedral,"  
was converted into a Foursquare Gospel City  
Temple The resultant blessing has justified this  
heavy undertaking Hundreds were saved and  
many healed Over one hundred and twenty were  
baptised with the Holy Spirit during the opening  
services

The city of Birmingham was the scene of our  
next campaign, which commenced in a Congrega-  
tional Church, where we enjoyed more than ordi-  
nary kindness and consideration from the church  
officers The work of the Lord prospered so that  
we were obliged to move from one larger build-  
ing to another, when finally we concluded the  
campaign in the Bingley Hall, which is the  
largest public hall outside

London Thousands were  
converted over one thou-  
sand were baptised in  
water, and hundreds were  
healed, while many were  
filled with the Holy Spirit  
in the public meetings  
The permanent result of  
the campaign is evidenced  
in the re-opening of two  
closed churches which are  
now packed with worship-  
pers Also two other  
buildings are rented for



Evangelist R E DARRAGH  
(Song leader)



Evangelist J M. WHIRTER  
(Organiser)



Mr A W. EDSOR  
(Pianist)

# SOME OF THE CHURCH BUILDINGS

acquired by the Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance during 1930



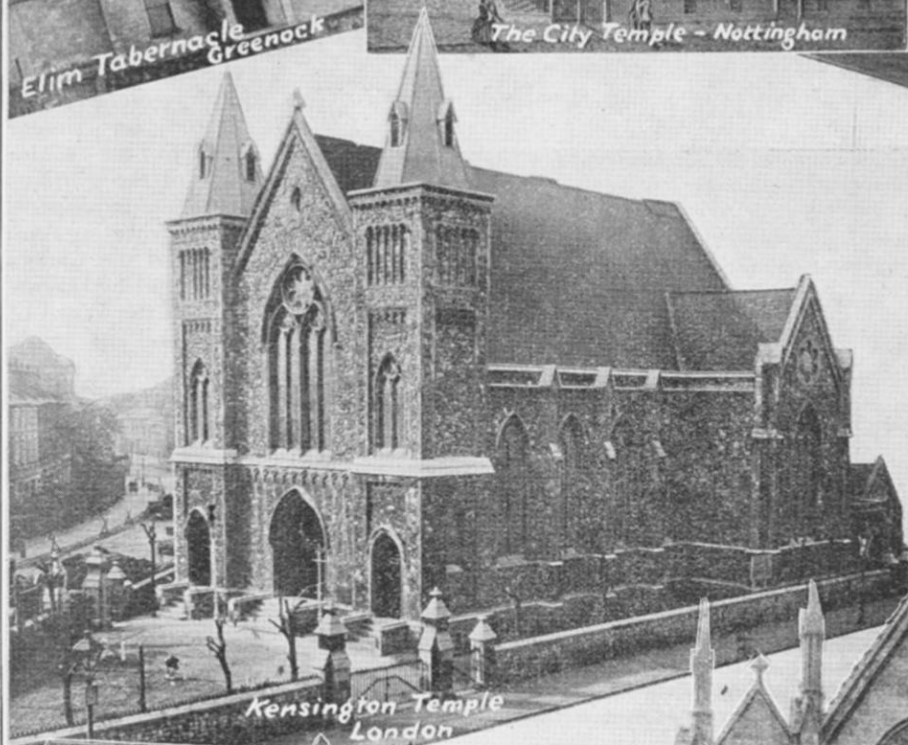
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*The City Temple - Nottingham*



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Graham St  
Birmingham*



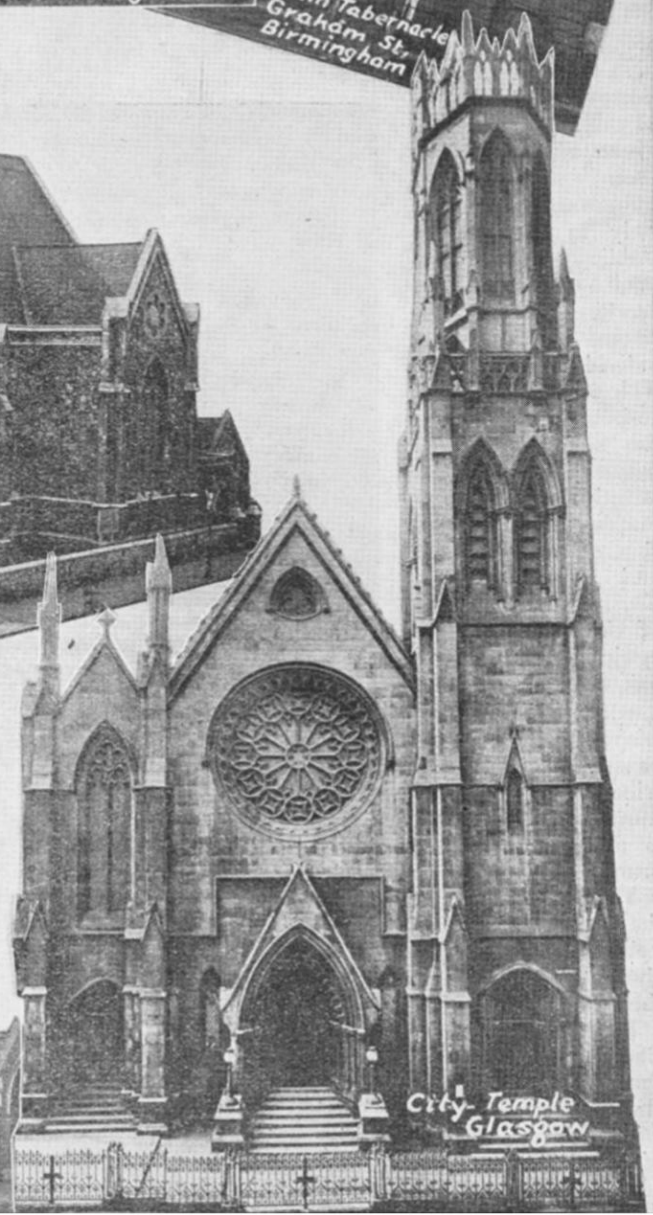
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Gretna*



*Elim Tabernacle  
West Smethwick*



*City Temple  
Glasgow*





# The Elim Crusader Movement



**L**OOKING back over the past twelve months we are filled with gratitude and praise to our God for His signal blessing upon the Elim Crusader movement. Meditating for a moment on the year about to close, there appears a glorious retrospect of achievement and expansion in every section of the Crusader and Cadet movements.

During 1930 many new Crusader branches have been opened in all parts of the country, and we are happy to note that well over seventy branches of Elim Crusaders are now established in the British Isles. A thousand hallelujahs for the raising up of such a force of consecrated Elim Crusaders who are rallying around the banner of the Cross, and answering the call of the Man of Galilee to follow Him.

Throughout the year the Crusaders in various parts of the country have contributed a magnificent witness for Christ in the largest auditoriums of the land, and have given unsparingly of their services in numerous ways. Not only in the greater public efforts has such service been rendered, but in consistent and practical individual endeavour. Think of the house-to-house visitation, the hospitals, work-houses, and other institutions whose inmates have been cheered, comforted and many led to Christ by these visits of Crusaders. Then again the open-air has been a splendid



Pastor E C W Boulton (National Crusader Secretary) and Mr Douglas B. Gray (Assistant National Secretary)

battle-ground for Crusader bands. Ever ready to witness for Christ at the street corner or hand to the passer-by a tract pointing the way to Christ, or distributing to the listener the *Elim Evangel* with its fourfold witness to the power of the Gospel. Such is a very brief outline of what takes place in all branches week in and week out.

The introduction of Central Crusader Rallies during the year have proved beyond measure times of spiritual uplift. These gatherings have revealed the true character of the movement, and also convinced us of the potentialities that lie within it.

Reference must be made to the London Crusader Choir. This band of nearly sixty Crusaders, representing many of the London branches, has worked strenuously, and their tireless and self-sacrificing efforts during the past twelve months in the ministry of word and song have attracted and blessed large congregations both in London and the provinces. As

a result of their ministry of the Foursquare Gospel message, many have accepted the Saviour whilst others have been drawn for the first time to the Foursquare Gospel meetings. At no less than twenty-five centres the Choir has conducted or participated in services.

The Elim Foursquare Cadets, the junior section of our young people's work, is about to celebrate its first birthday, having only been inaugurated in the early part of the present year. Although so recently commenced, the movement has made remarkable growth, and has drawn together a body of young folk who, with the Elim Sunday schools, are faithfully being taught by consecrated leaders and teachers the simple yet all-important fundamentals of the Faith.

There are already over thirty Cadet companies in existence, and we trust and pray that this number may speedily be trebled. The Cadet movement is constituted on similar lines to the senior work of the glorious Crusader movement. Weekly meetings are held, and the Cadets are acquiring knowledge of the Word of God, and in many practical ways are being instructed in Christian service. During the year many Cadets have been transferred into the Crusader ranks, and we predict that every branch of the Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance will have cause to rejoice for the inauguration of the Cadet movement.

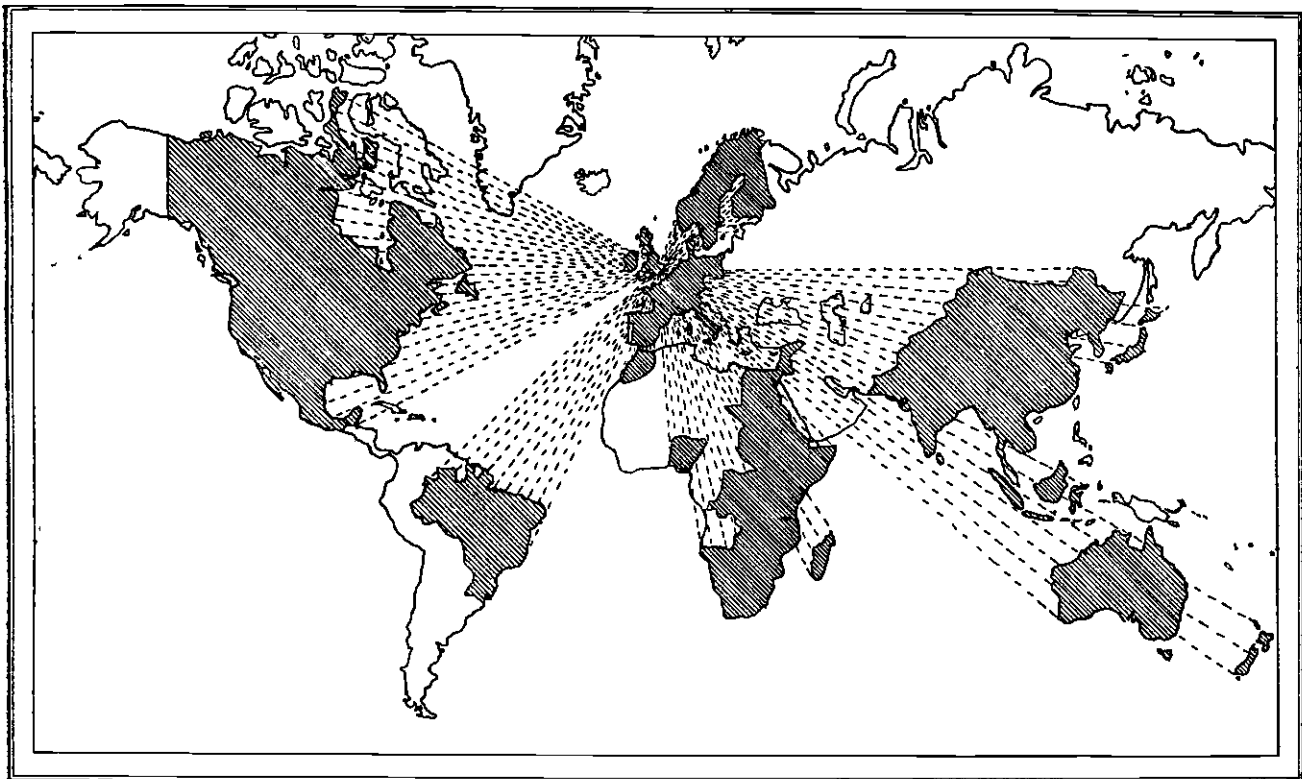
To what blessed examples in the young men and women of Holy Writ can our Crusaders look, taking courage for their youthful service from the fact that most of the great prophets of the Old Testament and all the prophet-apostles of the New Testament received their calls in youth. And what glorious authority the youngest of our Cadets possess to assure them of the scriptural rightness of their effort for God, as they look at the boys Joseph, David, and Samuel, witnessing in vision, exploit, and prophetic service, with the little slave-maid of Naaman's wife, and those whom our Lord Himself blessed—the daughters of Jairus and the Syrophenician, the lad with the loaves and fishes, and the children taken to His arms or set in the midst.

And so in closing this report we can look onward to the future with enlarged and growing faith that God Himself will be the sufficiency alike of the young campaigners and their matured leaders.

# Elim's Printing Works and Book Depots

**W**E are glad to say that the Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance is well organised. Our belief is that God, in answer to faith and prayer, has undertaken for every department of our activity. Printing works and bookshops are tremendously important assets in such a work as ours. We are grateful that we have both. Visitors to our printing works at Clapham Park are delighted with the equipment therein. Busy people in clean and spacious workrooms are controlling swift moving

first volume was published—*The Miraculous Foursquare Gospel, Volume I, Doctrinal*. This year Volume II, *Supernatural*, has appeared. A companion volume to Pastor Boulton's book, *The Challenge of the Impossible*, has been issued within the last few weeks. The recent volume is entitled, *The Conquest of the Commonplace*. Other larger works include *Praying to Change Things*, *The Prayer of Faith*, *The World's Approaching Crisis*, and *The Model Minister*.



**A Magazine with a World-Wide Circulation.**

This map shows the countries to which the "Elim Evangel" is sent every week to subscribers who eagerly await its message of good tidings.

machinery, or folding and packing large quantities of book, tracts, and magazines, full of Gospel truth. The output this year has been greater than ever. Foursquare people are eager to obtain sound evangelical literature, and eager hearts and hands gladly attempt to supply every want. As the family grows, so the demand increases. A glance at the photograph on page 827 will give some idea of the weekly output of the *Elim Evangel* alone.

During the past twelve months we have printed no less than 200,000 hymn sheets in addition to 25,000 copies of the *Elim Chorus Book*. Nearly one million tracts have been printed containing simple Gospel messages suitable for broadcast distribution.

A substantial number of leaflets and booklets has also been printed. Among our larger publications has appeared the second in the series on the *Foursquare Gospel* by Principal Jeffreys. Last year the

One printing order is of special interest—for the Congo Evangelistic Mission we printed a *Bwikalabwe Reader*.

Then our shops bring the activities of the printing department to the notice of the public. At No. 7, Paternoster Row, and No. 16, Clapham Park Road, and next to the Elim Tabernacle at Brighton, are attractive shops that display to an enquiring world literature that explains the truths which we love so much. The shop at Paternoster Row holds a central place in the midst of London, and the one at Clapham Park is ideally situated for catching the eye of those passing to and from the College.

We covet the prayers and practical interest of the Elim family in our shops. Our post order service is good, but we feel it could be much greater. All post orders are promptly attended to, and catalogues are gladly sent, post free.

# Elim Bible College

## A Page that Speaks for Itself



**Nine Nationalities represented at the Elim Bible College with Miss Barbour, Pastor P.N. Corry, and Miss D'Lery**

Hertfordshire.

Dear Mr. Corry,

Greetings!

I have been thinking much about the College lately and I feel it to be nothing but Christian to write expressing my deep gratitude to yourself and to Mr. Parker for all that my College time has meant to me. My picture has become a vital living thing to me and in six months you have managed to perform wonders and I want to say a big thank you. All praise to God for all His grating.

Yours very gratefully,

J.H.

London.  
Dear Mr. Corry,  
I often praise God for the time at His end for all the blessings He showered upon me. The greatest blessing of all was surely because of your lectures and the regular night prayer sessions. I do thank you all or least for all you did for while I was under your charge. I got to be well along you know.  
Yours in His  
S.L.

Dear Mr. Corry,  
Greetings!  
I so indeed thank you for Elim Bible College and all that it has meant to me, and shall continue to remember it all the workers there at the various times.  
Yours in His victory,  
J.J.S.

Dear Mr. Corry,  
Greetings!  
Now I have finished my six months probation I would like to add my testimony to that of others for the faithful way the duties of the College labourer. Your lectures on human and Scriptural side like give in my heart and today I enjoy the freedom of our glorious gospel as a result of those studies. Mr. Parker's studies too were helpful and I thank him for the practical interest he took in me.  
Yours in His willing service,  
S.S.

Dear Mr. Corry,  
Greetings!  
I will never return my thanks to you and also to Miss Barbour for the spiritual and temporal benefits I derived during my stay at your Bible College. I am indebted to the great change wrought in my mind and heart by the Bible lessons and the love of Miss D'Lery and yourself. I return thanks for this change for good.  
I am,  
Yours in the service of Christ,  
A.H.

Birmingham,  
July 1, 1930.

"... but do I miss the Woodlands and all the good friends who the Lord knows I shall never forget my College days. They were so happy, and I dread to think they have come to an end, but like Paul, I am still in training and shall be."  
S.J.

Dear Brother in Christ,  
Greetings!  
I rejoice God for the blessings received and the enlightenment given upon His Word while I was a student. I realize the benefits of it now.  
Yours sincerely,  
J.W.

S. Darn

Dear Mr. Corry,  
We feel that we should like to thank you for all the blessings and help we both received in our stay with you at the Bible College. We cannot thank you sufficiently without this expression of our thanks to you and to God.  
Yours sincerely,  
B.V. & K.G.

Dear Mr. Corry,  
Greetings!  
First of all will I thank you ever so much for the time I spent in England. It was a time that taught me very much, and I praise God for it and for all the blessings it brought and will continue to be.  
May God bless you Mr. Corry and your work for His.  
Yours in Christ,  
S.H.K.

Rulheim,  
Germany.  
in route for Java.

Dear Pastor,

When I look back at the time we had in England I must say that it was a great time in which we learned a lot of things.  
Heartly greetings.

Yours in Christ,

S.S. & H.S.



# Elim Bible College Correspondence School



**T**HE many testimonials that we have received from the students of the Elim Bible College Correspondence School prove that this section of our work is a strength to the whole. It is surprising and delightful to see the way in which eager believers in the Foursquare Gospel are laying solid foundations for a life of increasing usefulness through methodical Bible study.

Bible School campaigns have now been held in many centres of our movement, and interest has been created not only among Elim members but also among outsiders who have attended the meetings.

### CAMPAIGNS

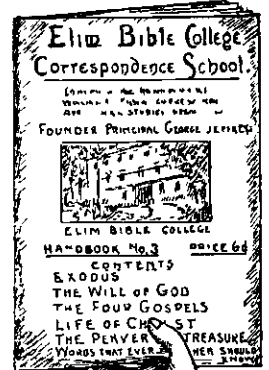
have been held at Letchworth, Leigh-on-Sea, Hastings, Croydon, Watford, East Ham, Brighton, Glasgow, Carlisle, Bradford, Greenock, Swansea.

The Bible School chorus has become familiar to many. It is set to the tune of Mr Seth Sykes' chorus, "I'm an A S S B G". It reads

I'm an E B C C S, a student of the Word,  
And the joy I've found is not to be compared,  
'Tis a Correspondence College  
From whence I get my knowledge,  
I'm an E B C C S, a student of the Word

One of our students recently wrote as follows:  
"I herewith enclose my subscription to the E B C C S, also a small gift in loving gratitude. I do indeed enjoy the studies, which make the Bible more and more precious, and constantly bring out from the unfathomable treasury things new and old. I have pleasure in recommending them to my friends."

You will see the postman accompanying this report. Does he call at your home once every month with these Correspondence Studies? If not—why not invite him? If you write to the Secretary of the E B C C S at Elim Woodlands, Clapham Park, London, S W 4, all particulars will be sent to you, post free.



## Foursquare Gospel Testimony

**D**URING the year 1930 this "league of Bible lovers" has increased its membership roll considerably, a feature for which we return thanks to God. When higher criticism and modernism are rife on all sides as they are to-day, such a fellowship as this Testimony is surely necessary more than ever before. For the sake of any readers who may not yet be fully conversant with the various branches of the Elim Foursquare Gospel movement, it may be well to explain that the Foursquare Gospel Testimony exists to raise a standard in the British Isles and abroad by its members, who proclaim the Lord Jesus Christ as Saviour, Healer, Baptiser, and Coming King, and accept the Bible from cover to cover as the inspired Word of God. All its members, moreover, sign a declaration that they possess a personal assurance of salvation, and subscribe to the Fundamentals of the Foursquare Gospel Testimony, which appear printed on the application form, which is filled in by intending members.



The badge (enlarged) worn by the members of the FOURSQUARE GOSPEL TESTIMONY

small sizes (1 x 3/4 ins, and 3/4 x 5/8 ins) with either brooch or stud pattern back. The application form will be sent to anybody desiring to have fuller particulars, or wishing to read the Fundamentals of the Testimony, without incurring any obligation on the enquirer's part to join our ranks, on application to the Secretary, Foursquare Gospel Testimony, 20, Clarence Road, Clapham Park, London, S W 4.

It will be noticed from the annual report and statements of accounts issued to members that the funds have, through God's goodness, been able to render valuable assistance towards the expenses of spreading the Foursquare Gospel message in various parts of the British Isles. Grants have also been made of Foursquare literature for free distribution, and for the help of Foursquare foreign missions.

We send the season's greetings to all Testimony members, and those who may be interested in its work, trusting that those interested friends who are not yet members will take the definite step of enrolling, so identifying themselves with this uplifted banner and testimony for Christ during 1931, and thus stand solidly with us for the whole Word of God.

An enlarged facsimile of the membership badge appears on this page. It is neatly enamelled in red, white, blue, and gold, and is stocked in large and

# Elim's Message to All Flesh

Elim Foreign Fields in 1930. By Pastor CHARLES COATES

**W**HILE news of the outpouring of the Spirit of God upon increasing multitudes in our own divinely favoured islands has come almost weekly throughout the past year in connection with Elim campaigns and ministries, our efforts in the foreign field have also progressed. Elim missionaries, ten in number, are now at work in three fields—Africa, Mexico, and India—while the dawn of the New Year will (D V) witness our entrance into Japan.

## AFRICA

In Africa Elim is represented in two districts of the Belgian Congo, and one in the Transvaal. In all these the beloved labourers are constantly and directly in touch with the great negro populations of the Dark Continent.

In the large Congo province of Katanga Pastor Cyril Taylor and his devoted wife maintain their testimony for Christ in a field which has proved exceptionally fruitful in recent months, after long years of hard and apparently unfruitful sowing. While Mrs Taylor maintains at their central station, Ngoi-Mani, the civilising and ameliorating influence of a British missionary home among the blacks—ever a necessary, practical, and most fruitful form of Christian example among a people whose impressions mostly come through eye-gate—Pastor Taylor faithfully travels at regular intervals around a "parish" which would fill two or three English counties, and still offering opportunities of expansion, could human strength and limitations overtake it. Our brother has goodly and growing assemblies of black saints scattered throughout this area, which are ministered to by local preachers and evangelists who are also sons of Cush, and whose testimony has brought some hundreds of wanderers to the Saviour's fold during the past year.

Several hundred miles away, but still in the same province, Pastor Taylor's "neighbours," Pastor and Mrs James E Mullan, will by now be arriving at Kipushya, the latter's station among the Bekalebwe. Pastor and Mrs Mullan (formerly Miss Mary Paynter of Hove) sailed for Africa in October last, Mr Mullan having thus closed a brief furlough in the home-land, and Mrs Mullan being a new recruit. It is with thankfulness to God we record that we were able, with the help of the special gifts for the purpose recently sent in, to provide most of the heavy outlay necessary to equip these friends for their next term of service in the bush, though we are still having to postpone the provision of the lorry that would make

more frequent and more extensive preaching tours possible in their immense "parish," and give them a safer and more convenient camping method when benighted in the lion-infested jungle.

So much for Central Africa. Much further south, in

## EAST TRANSVAAL,

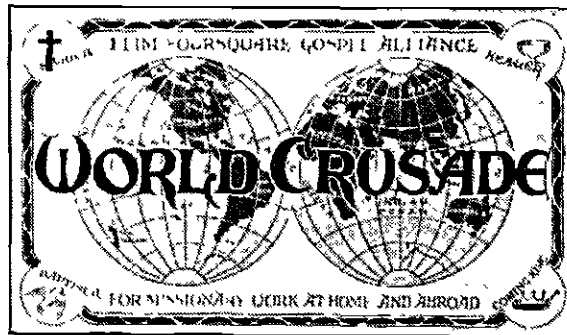
and therefore British territory, Pastor and Mrs. Hubert Phillips are carrying forward the Lord's work with their colleagues of the Emmanuel Mission, working from Nelspruit as a central station. Though also in the midst of a great black population, their work here has to be more adjusted to the conditions of industrial and commercial exploitation of the territory by the white settlers, to whom the area with its regional negro populations is farmed out. Our brother

asks for prayer that a large farmed area of this type near his station may soon be opened to his efforts, and that blessing may continue in the other areas, where numbers have recently been baptised. The provision of a Ford car, mostly by means of gifts designated for that purpose, has here increased greatly the efficiency with which the country work can be tended and fresh regions opened up to the Gospel.

A most gratifying addition to our brother's opportunities at Nelspruit has been the provision and recent opening of a Bible School building for training native evangelists. Such work lies at the heart of the whole missionary problem in every field. In this instance the Christians, though passing through many difficulties themselves, offered of their means toward the building. Praise God for black Bezaleels, and the helpful poverty of these Philipians of the Transvaal.

## INDIA.

Though sorely tried by the severe illness of Miss Marion Paint soon after their arrival at Giridih last year, she and her senior colleague, Miss M Ewens, were granted to rejoice in her complete recovery and successful acclimatisation and both have been able to give time to necessary language study. Our sisters have entered Mongyr, the town of second importance in Bihar province, and with their recently appointed native evangelist and Biblewoman, Mr. and Mrs Ephraim, are meeting with acceptance among the people, who invite our sisters into their homes for the teaching of the Gospel. Miss Ewens writes of two cases of the Lord's healing which have aroused interest, Mongyr being apparently a city where Christ as Ever-the-Same has not previously been preached.



World Crusade Boxes (actual size  $4\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$  ins) will be gladly sent to those desiring to help forward the work at home and abroad.

**MEXICO.**

Here at Guadalupe Hgo, as with our friends in Africa, Pastor and Mrs. G. H. Thomas have been able to pursue organised Bible School training among a considerable number of most hopeful students—men and women who know their own people and yearn for their salvation—besides maintaining in a number of centres a wide network of assemblies which have sprung up as the result of their faithful Foursquare witness to Christ. In October last our brother and sister having received an urgent call to help in similar work for a year in San Diego, California, commended their Mexican work to God, and have set forth to answer the call, with the intention to resume in Mexico next autumn. Our readers will share with these honoured labourers in

prayers for Christ's flock in Mexico during their absence.

**JAPAN.**

Lastly, just as the year neared its close, the Foreign Missionary Council accepted Miss Violet W. M. Hoskins as an Elim missionary to Japan, to sail on January 8th. She is just now engaged upon the strengthening of the cords of home fellowship and prayer by means of farewell visits to the assemblies, and there will be a special valedictory meeting to wish her Godspeed at the Welsh Tabernacle, Pentonville Road, King's Cross, on Friday, January 2nd, to which we know that Elim folk from all quarters will rally, as an expression of fervent loyalty to the Lord of the Pentecost promised to all flesh.

**Angels from the Realms of Glory**  
(THE GOLDEN HARP)

J. MONTGOMERY.

Welsh Melody.

1. An-gels, from the realms of glo-ry, Wing your flight o'er all the earth;  
 2. Shepherds in the field a-bid-ing, Watch-ing o'er your flocks by night,  
 3. Sa-ges, leave your coun-tem-plations, Brighter vi-sions beam a-far;  
 4. Saints, be-fore the al-tar bend-ing, Watch-ing long in hope and fear,  
 5. Sinners wrong with true re-pen-tance, Doom'd for guilt to end-less pains,

Ye who sang cre-a-tion's sto-ry Now pro-claim Mes-si-ah's birth;  
 God with man is now re-sid-ing, Yon-der shines the in-fant-light;  
 Seek the great De-sire of Na-tions; Ye have seen His na-tal star;  
 Sud-den-ly the Lord de-scending, In His tem-ple shall ap-pear;  
 Jus-tice now re-vokes your sentence, Mer-cy calls you, break your chains;

Come and wor-ship, Come and wor-ship; Wor-ship Christ the new-born King.

Wor-ship Christ the new-born King, Wor-ship Christ the new-born King.

Our readers will welcome this excellent Christmas hymn. Although the melody is in a minor key, the time is bright and worshipful, the refrain at the end being particularly attractive. It should not be sung too quickly. Next issue: "Hail, Everlasting Spring," a new hymn which will be very acceptable.

**Bible Study Helps**

Isaiah ix. 6, 7.

1. **His Pro-existence.**  
"A son is given."
2. **His Birth.**  
"A child is born."
3. **His Titles.**  
"Wonderful, Counsellor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace."
4. **His Kingship.**  
"And the government shall be upon His shoulder."
5. **His Kingdom.**  
Verse 7.
6. **The Appeal.**  
Will you not now believe in this coming King and thus permit Him to begin His reign in your heart?

**THE INCARNATION.**

(John i. 14).

- I. **Necessity of:**
  1. The fall of man.
  2. The holiness of God.
- II. **Nature of:**
  1. The seed of a woman.
  2. The Son of God.
- III. **Purpose of:**
  1. To reveal God to man.
  2. To reconcile man to God.
- IV. **Results of:**
  1. The law is satisfied.
  2. Man is justified.
  3. God is glorified.

**SALVATION.**

1. **Of God** (I. John iv. 9, 10).
  1. His love (John iii. 16).
  2. His longsuffering (II. Peter iii. 15).
2. **Through Christ** (Heb. v. 9).
  1. He came to effect (I. Tim. i. 15).
  2. He died to effect (Gal. i. 4)
3. **By Grace** (II. Tim. i. 9).  
Not of works (Eph. ii. 9).
4. **Through Faith** (Eph. ii. 8).  
As a free gift (Rom. vi. 23).



# The Day We Celebrate

By A. P. CONNOLLY, B.A.



Awake, glad heart, get up and sing;  
It is the birthday of your King.

—VAUGHAN.

**T**HE season of the year in which we celebrate the birth of Christ has again arrived, and while it is doubtful that this is the correct date of the birth of our Saviour, I believe heaven is pleased that we remember and celebrate this day. A few more days and another Christmas will become past history. To the youth in our midst, time would appear to have moved with leaden feet; the period

## 'TWTIXT 1929 AND THE PRESENT

seems to have been one of extraordinary length, and they could hardly wait for the holiday season to come again. Such is youth, bright, happy youth, whose only thought of pleasure lies in the storehouse of the future.

To those of us who have passed the milestone which marks off the boundary between youth and middle age, the year seems to have passed with lightning rapidity, and it seems but a few days ago that we were making preparations for the festivities which the calendar declares took place twelve months ago. And yet, unlike other anniversaries, Christmas loses none of its joys with increasing age, but rather, on the other hand, as we draw nearer to the final goal which separates the present from the future life, we seem to acquire a firmer grasp, a clearer conception of what the true joy of Christmastide means. Merry fun-loving youth associates the day with feasting and sport, and in the desire for self-gratification, often loses sight of its deeper and truer significance.

The day is suggestive of love and benevolence. The birth of the Christ Child in Bethlehem gave to the race a truer and broader conception of the love of God the Father, who, though all mankind were in conflict with Divine government, and worthy only of condemnation, so loved the race that He bestowed a Gift, even that of His beloved Son. That birth gave new life to the world; it was the breaking of the dawn of Christianity; the severing of the bonds of the old Mosaic law for the gentle lovelight of a more acceptable faith.

## THE BIRTH OF CHRIST

was heralded by the sweet song of angels, and caught up by man, who hastened to pay homage with the richest gifts within his reach. Despite the winds of unbelief and infidelity, the memory of that birth which took place nineteen centuries ago has grown and spread, and carried comfort and solace to myriads. Quite properly the day is one of rejoicing; but such joy should be pure, and of nature acceptable to Him from whom came the great Gift whose birth we commemorate. Anything that would cause us to forget the significance of the day should be regarded as sacrilege to the one whose birth we celebrate. The gift of our Father to us His children should serve to remind us of the love we owe our brethren.

On this bright December morn over nineteen hundred years ago, a gift was bestowed upon man; and what a gift! It was that of an only Son. Can we imagine a greater gift than this? The life of that Son was one continual act of giving, of self-sacrifice. But to whom? To the rich and affluent? to those who were able to shower gifts upon Him in return? No! for we read that it was not with the rich, proud and influential scribe and Pharisee, but with

## THE POOR PUBLICAN AND SINNER,

with those who were suffering and in need that He loved to associate. He bound up the broken heart of the poor lone widow; brought comfort and joy to the fatherless; ministered to those who were sick, or too poor to enjoy the ordinary comforts of life; pitied and protected the destitute and fallen.

By His life spent on deeds of love and mercy, He left a message to the race: "Love ye one another." And so must we, if we wish to emulate His work, come out from our comfortable homes and surroundings and carry the real joy of Christmas into the homes of the less fortunate ones. We must go down into the slums and alleys, and those habitations where the poor and destitute are wont to dwell, and bestow upon the needy ones such gifts as He would have us do.

The gift of our affection to some near and dear friend, or some absent one, will undoubtedly carry comfort and joy to both giver and receiver. But how much more pleasure we may enjoy, if in addition to this, we add to the comfort of those in our midst, whose lot is that of poverty and sorrow. Perhaps you say it is their own fault; they could have been in as comfortable circumstances as you if they had taken advantage of the opportunities that came to them. That may be true; yet let us not think too harshly of them, for somehow I think

## IF THE MASTER WERE HERE,

he would not condemn them. He would not even chide them, but now as of old, He would be the same Man of Galilee, going about doing good; reaching the helping hand to a fallen brother, bestowing gifts upon the needy, and speaking words of comfort to sorrowing ones.

Are there not some such needy ones in our midst? Yes, we have them; every community has them. And dear friend, though your offering to such be small and unproclaimed by men, it is faithfully recorded in that great Book: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

Let the love of God to man, then, the birth which we commemorate, prompt us to give this day at least to deeds of love and charity. Then indeed will it be with us a day of peace on earth, and goodwill toward men.

# The Message of the Snow

(Job xxxviii. 22)

Incidents in the life of Evan Roberts, the Welsh Revivalist

By Principal P. G. PARKER

(of the Christian Workers' Bible Correspondence School)

**S**EVERAL incidents in the experience of Evan Roberts during the initial fervour of the Welsh Revival of 1905 illustrate his thought and prayer life at that time

One Thursday morning, Mr Roberts and a small company of friends ascended Hirwain mountain, and

## ON THE MOUNTAIN TOP,

amid the snow, they sang a hymn of Calvary. Afterwards one of the company drew an umbrella across the snow, making a straight line, Evan Roberts with his stick crossed it, adding quietly, "A cross is a simple thing." Then someone else wrote the word LOVE on the snow. "Wherever you find the Cross you find love. Love and the Cross are inseparable. The Cross is the supreme revelation of God's love."

The snow melted, but the message abides—that GOD IS LOVE—a love supremely revealed at Calvary. The preparation for Calvary was Christmas. If Christ had not been born, then Calvary could never have been borne. Christmas Day and Good Friday are linked together by cords of scarlet—cords unbreakable.

Let us consider God's love from the standpoint of the Foursquare Gospel.

### 1 *Salvation proves the love of God*

Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins (I John iv 10)

God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him, should not perish, but have everlasting life (John iii 16)

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us (I John iii 16)

Evan Roberts was filled with gratitude to God for His love revealed in Calvary. Here is an extract from one of his letters to a friend:

"Last Monday I could weep at the words, 'Calvary,' 'Jesus.' These words could melt me. Last Saturday morning in bed, I was weeping and sobbing so loudly that I awoke

our people. Now, you ask the Spirit to reveal Christ to you, and you will feel your heart melting."

The chief hymn of the Revival embodied the feeling, not only of Mr Roberts, but of all. It read thus:



Here is love vast as the ocean,  
Lovingkindness, as the flood,  
When the Prince of Life, our Ransom,  
Shed for us His precious blood  
Who His love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing His praise?  
He can never be forgotten,  
Through heaven's everlasting days

### 2 *The Baptism in the Holy Spirit proves the love of God*

The Baptism in the Holy Spirit gives power to those who know the love of God to tell it to others. A mighty Baptism in the Holy Spirit is not simply a big blessing to oneself, it is an indescribable blessing to multitudes of others who are blessed through our blessing.

When Evan Roberts was baptised in the Holy Spirit it was not simply a revelation of God's love to him, but it was a revelation of God's love to tens of thousands of others who were redeemed through the evangelist's ministry.

Here is an account of his Baptism in the Spirit:  
"On our way to the nine o'clock service

#### REV. SETH JOSHUA

said 'We are going to have a wonderful meeting here to-day.' I answered, 'I feel filled with God.' I felt in going to the meeting that I was compelled to pray. When the meeting commenced many prayed, and I asked the Holy Spirit, 'Shall I pray now?' 'No,' said the Spirit in answer. Shortly some wonderful influence came over me. After many had prayed, I felt some living energy or force entering my bosom, restraining my breath, my legs trembling terribly, this living energy increased and increased as one after the other prayed. Feeling strangely and deeply moved and warmed I burst forth in prayer.



Evan Roberts

What so deeply moved me was the verse, 'For God commended His love.' I fell on my knees, with my arms outstretched on the seat before me, the perspiration poured down my face, and my tears flowed. One of the workers said, 'Oh, wonderful grace!' 'Yes,' said I, 'oh, wonderful grace!' It was

#### GOD COMMENDING HIS LOVE

that bent me in that deep prostration of blessing. A wave of peace filled my bosom. When I was in this feeling the audience sang heartily.

I am coming, Lord!  
Coming now to Thee.

"What came to my mind after this was the bending in the day of judgment. Then I was filled with sympathy for the people who will have to bend in the judgment day, and I wept. I felt on fire for going through the whole of Wales to tell the people about the Saviour."

This is the wonderful history of how Evan Roberts was filled with the Spirit. It is a proof of God's love to him, to Wales, and to that wide world which has since tasted of that revival stream.

#### 3 Healing proves the love of God.

We are told that it was because Christ had compassion upon the multitude that He healed their sick.

And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick (Matt. xiv. 14)

#### WHEN EVAN ROBERTS WAS BAPTISED

in the Spirit, he was also healed. He lost all physical weakness. He also lost an impediment in his speech which prevented him from singing and speaking freely. One writes of him, "He used to get very tired after walking a few miles, but on the above night he walked eight miles from Blaenarnerch to Newcastle Emlyn, and felt nothing after it, though he had been ill for four days previously. The day after, he walked five miles without getting at all tired. This is remarkable when we remember that he was almost too weak to walk from the house of the Rev. M. P. Morgan to the chapel, a distance of a few dozen yards, the morning that he was filled with the Spirit. He felt some physical freedom penetrating through his whole body, and the physical impediment to which he was subject previously to this disappeared

entirely. He felt a certain difficulty when singing, speaking, or doing other things, but from the moment he received the Spirit, that was not experienced by him any more."

It will interest many friends to know that at the present day Mr. Roberts, who is living the secluded life of a prayer warrior, still, at times, visits Wales. Two friends of mine, one of whom knows him personally, tell me that Mr. Roberts definitely believes in Divine healing. He says that he has been healed himself, and declares that the next revival will be one of *salvation and healing*. At the present time he is the picture of health—another proof of the sustaining grace of God to His servant.

#### 4 The Second Coming of Christ proves the love of God.

God is not going to leave His Church indefinitely in the midst of

#### A SIN-DISTORTED WORLD.

No, when the fulness of the time comes the Lord will come from heaven to receive His own unto Himself (I. Thess. iv. 13-17). As the hymn puts it:

Thou art coming, Thou art coming!  
We shall meet Thee on Thy way,  
We shall see Thee, we shall know Thee,  
We shall bless Thee, we shall shew Thee  
All our hearts could never say!  
What an anthem that will be,  
Ring out our love to Thee,  
Pouring out our raptures sweet  
At Thine own all-glorious feet!

Evan Roberts firmly believes in the return of Christ. In a tract issued some little time ago he wrote: "The burden on my spirit day and night, is the imminent appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ from heaven to translate His saints."

Thus the Foursquare Gospel rings out the glad Gospel message—God is love. Do we know that love? Do we enjoy that love? Do we know all that love? Let us say over and over again, God loves me—He saved me. God loves me—He has given the gift of the Holy Spirit. God loves me—He is my Healer. God loves me—He is sending His Son again to receive me unto Himself. Let us spend this Christmastide in the enjoyment of the indescribable love of God.

## The Family Altar

Being the Scripture Union Daily Portions, with Meditations by Principal PERCY G. PARKER

Sunday, December 21st. Isaiah xxxv. 1-10

"Sorrow and sighing shall flee away" (verse 10)

Thus it will be in the millennial Jerusalem. For Israel there will be no sorrow—no sighing. Thus also will it be in the New Jerusalem that comes down from God out of heaven. Sorrow and sighing are fleeting experiences for the child of God. In eternity the eyes will never need to relieve themselves with tears, and the spirit will never need to relieve itself with sighs. There will be no physical tears and no spiritual tears for the redeemed. It is a good thing to learn down here to smile through our tears. But eternally the redeemed will not need to smile through their tears. Instead it will be smile upon smile, joy upon joy, glory upon glory. Christmas is coming. Sorrow and sighing has not yet fled away. But by our Christlike lives and sacrificial gifts let

us cause some sorrow and some sighs to flee away this Christmastime.

Monday, December 22nd. Isaiah xxxviii. 1-8

"I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears" (verse 5)

These daily portions are being read by praying people. How varied those prayers are! A young man prays for full time service for his Lord—he prays even unto tears. A young woman prays that God will indeed make her life a channel of blessing—she prays until the tears of yearning stream down her cheeks. Parents pray for strength to keep on the narrow path—especially in view of the expected visit of unsaved friends this Christmastime. They fear to deny the Lord they love. Tears stand in the eyes as together they beseech God for victorious grace. Others are conscious of financial shortage this Christmas. It seems that the usual

simple presents cannot be given, and the usual simple pleasures cannot be enjoyed Do not be discouraged Count on Him God has heard thy prayer He has seen thy tears Whatever you do—count on Him!

**Tuesday, December 23rd.** Isaiah xxxviii 9-22

"O Lord, I am oppressed, undertake for me" (verse 14)

Many days do not pass by in the experience of any of us without a feeling of depression attempting to steal over us Depression comes in various ways Sometimes we can distinctly trace the source of our depression At other times depression comes upon us so elusively that we cannot trace from whence it comes We know it is there—that is all we are sure of Whether it is a physical depression or a spiritual depression we cannot be sure But of this we can be sure—when we are filled with the Spirit of Christ there will be no depression Depressing circumstances may surround us Many things will apparently be working against us But the heart filled with the fullness of Christ will burst through every cloud and rise into the sunlight of His presence Are you depressed this morning? Then pray the prayer of Hezekiah "O Lord, I am oppressed, undertake for me" Will He say nay to such a prayer? Surely not—not till earth and heaven pass away

**Wednesday, December 24th.** Isaiah xxxix 1-8

"He had heard that he had been sick, and was recovered" (verse 1)

This was wonderful news Hezekiah had been sick unto death, but he had recovered Who had restored Him? Jehovah Rophi—Jehovah, my healer Many others can so speak to-day They have been ill with various diseases, but the Lord has healed them What a wonderful Christmas this will be for sure Last Christmas an invalid—threatened with death Last Christmas having to be waited on hand and foot But this Christmas, praise God, in the best of health no longer threatened with death, no longer a helpless invalid Waiting on others, not being waited upon Oh, what a marvellous Christmas this is We have had no other Christmas like it Some of us have not got the miraculous testimony of others—but we can rejoice with those that rejoice, and praise with those that praise

**Thursday, December 25th.** Matthew 1:18-25

"Emmanuel" (verse 23)

The name "Emmanuel" is filled with meaning It is like the word "Hallelujah" Both convey an inexpressible meaning Who can exhaust the meaning of Emmanuel?—God with us Who can exhaust the meaning of Hallelujah?—God be praised These two words are fit companions for this day Emmanuel! Hallelujah! God is with us! God be praised! Yea, we will, we must praise Him this morning Praise God for the Lord Jesus Let the children and the grown-ups unite in praising our heavenly Father for sending His Only Begotten Son Many gifts have been given this day but let us remember, "There was no gift like the Saviour given" He was the Gift of all gifts, and so we will give Him the praise of all praises "The Lord bless thee, and keep thee the Lord make His face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee, the Lord lift up His countenance upon thee, and give thee peace"—this Christmastide

**Friday, December 26th.** Psalm xxxiv 1-10

"The angel of the Lord encampeth round about them that fear Him" (verse 7)

"I am protected" Thus the Christian may speak Nations are protected by their guns England is protected by her navy Castles are protected by their ramparts Ships are protected by their armour plate Banks are protected by their strong rooms Homes are protected by bolts and keys But the Christian is protected by God There are spiritual and material armies and hurricanes that threaten us Dangers abound on every hand The redeemed life is the centre of attack But we are protected Bless God, we are so protected that not the smallest dart can hit until the love of God sees fit We have reached the time of the year when we look backward and forward As we do so, we can truthfully say, "I have been protected, I am being protected, I shall be protected"

**Saturday, December 27th.** Psalm xxxiv 11-22

"The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous" (verse 15)

God delights in watching His children The earthly father never forgets his child The crowd may be great, but the father keeps his eye upon his child The crowd on earth is great, but to God there are lives of light that He is always watching He sees His own He plans for His own He prepares places for them, and leads them thereto How vividly the action of God is described in II Chronicles xvi 9 "For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew Himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward Him" His eyes are upon us, not in order to condemn us, but that He may shew Himself strong on our behalf God is watching But this thought should not bring us fear It should fill us with confidence

**Sunday, December 28th.** Psalm xxxvi 1-12

"Thou shalt make them drink of the river of thy pleasures" (verse 8)

The Lord loves pleasure Pleasure flows from Him like a river Eternity is filled with the pleasure of God So why should we be sad Christians? Why should we go mourning all the day? Why should we have long faces? Why should we hang our harps upon the willows? Sin brings misery Disobedience brings sadness But if we are victorious over sin, if day by day we are living in the presence of God, if day by day we are led by the Spirit of God, why should we be sad? The river of God's life is flowing from Calvary's Cross right past the front door of our hearts Let us drink of God's river Let us laugh and sing, and praise and shout, Do not be melancholy—be merry Do not lament—laugh Do not crawl through life—dance This is the last Sunday morning of this year Let us take a deep draught from the river of God's pleasures

**Monday, December 29th.** Psalm xxxvii 1-20

"Fret not . . . rest in the Lord" (verses 1 and 7)

Why should we fret? Nothing that can happen to us can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus Circumstances may rob us of a little earthly wealth, but nothing can rob us of the riches of glory Why trouble because we did not get the Christmas presents we were hoping for? Why fret because the letter we expected did not arrive? God is still on the throne God has not withdrawn His promise to supply all our needs according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus Children fret who do not trust the wisdom of their parents But we ought to trust our heavenly Parent Why then fret? Why sigh as you wearily trudge through life? Cease to fret—commence to rest Then instead of the Christian pathway being a drudgery it will be a constant delight

**Tuesday, December 30th** Psalm xxxvii 21-40

"The steps of a good man are ordered by the Lord" (verse 23)

George Muller comments, "And the stops also" How we need to learn this truth! We are quite willing to believe that God is guiding us when we are speeding forward Yes, but we need to learn that God may just as surely be guiding us when we are brought to a standstill God's saints are frequently brought to a standstill in order that they may be fitted to go forward The children of Israel travelled in stages There were steps—and stops We do the same—steps and stops, steps and stops Are you stopped at the present moment? Then wait upon the Lord and learn the reason for the stop—then you will be able to go forward again when He calls

**Wednesday, December 31st.** Psalm xxxix 1-13

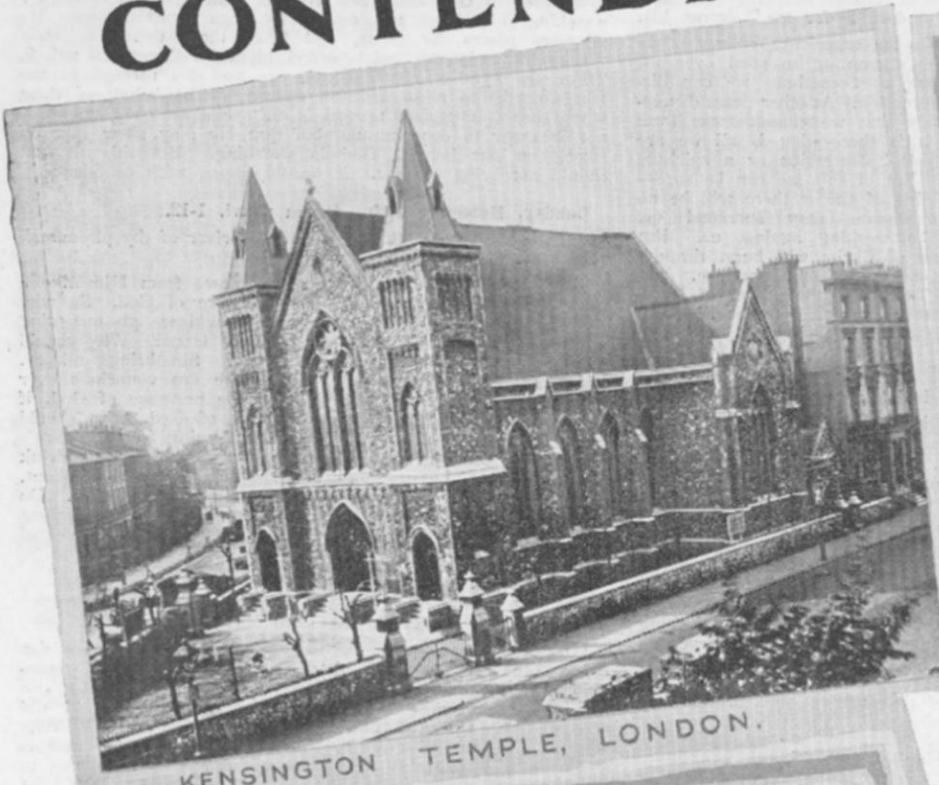
"And now Lord, what wait I for?" (verse 7)

It is the last day of the old year Grateful thoughts are filling our breasts as we review the past God has indeed been good to us How good, we do not realise He has saved us from perils seen—but how many unseen perils has He saved us from? Many, undoubtedly Yes, God has been good—goodness and mercy have followed us But the new year is upon us What will it bring? What wait we for?

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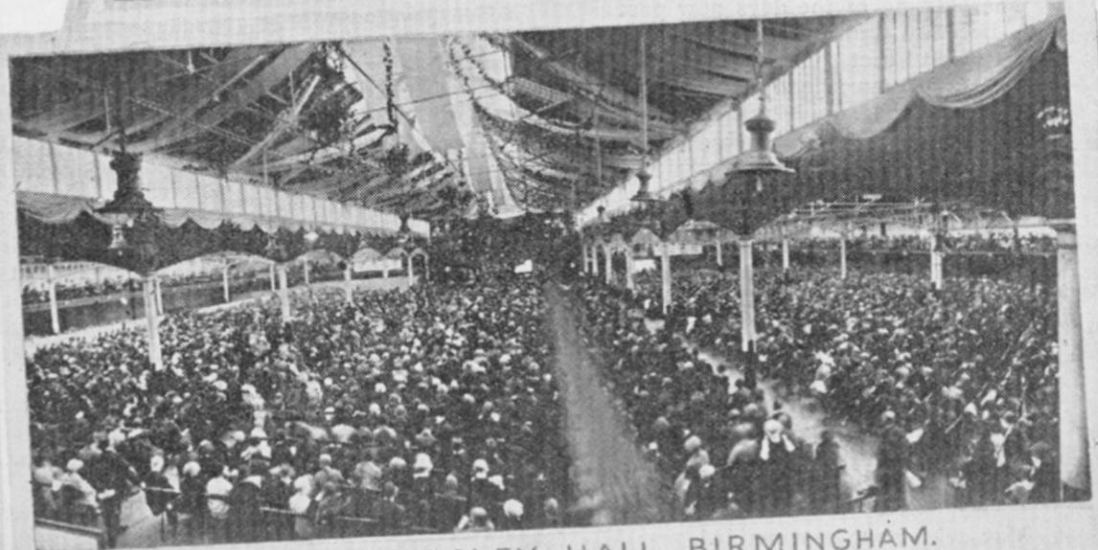
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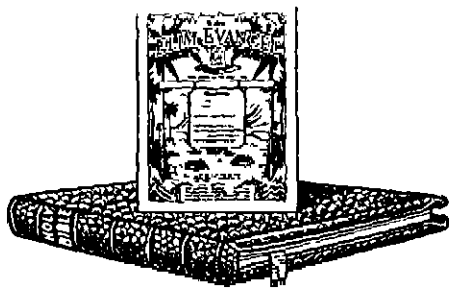
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## Christmas, 1930

'Tis Christmastide' and we approach  
The closing of the year;  
The blessing of the days now past  
Becomes a mem'ry dear  
The Hand that guided all our way  
Through storm and sunshine bright  
Still leads unerringly to-day,  
Our good is His delight

Then onward in His strength we go,  
Secure whate'er betide,  
Christ crucified our message still  
Our Healer He'll abide,  
Baptised with His Spirit, we—  
Clothed with His mighty power—  
Await with joy His blest return,  
That glorious triumph hour

May nineteen thirty-one to you  
Be filled with heavenly days;  
Your heart and life with joy o'erflow  
Your lips be filled with praise  
May ev'ry hour be sanctified,  
As in His path you go  
"Jehovah Jireh" still He'll be  
In Christ—who loved us so



## Ending and Entering.

THE march of the children of Israel was ending—for practical purposes it had ended. A few days hence they were to enter the Promised Land. How did Moses, their leader, speak to them? Thus—"Thou shalt remember all the way which the Lord thy God led thee" (Deut viii 2). "Understand therefore this day, that the Lord thy God is He which goeth over before thee" (Deut ix 3). We too are *ending* and *entering*. As we end 1930 we remember with unspeakable gratitude the way the Lord our God has led us. As we enter 1931 we will understand with unspeakable joy that He goeth before us.

## THE ELIM EVANGEL, 1931

THIS issue completes the eleventh volume of the *Elim Evangel*, and our thoughts now turn to Volume XII. The past years have been marked by progress, and an amazing increase in circulation, and letters from regular readers are evidence of the fact that each improvement has resulted in increased interest, and consequent spiritual blessing.

And now we come to another milestone. Both outside and inside, the *Evangel* will be improved next year—but the price will remain the same.

The first change to attract the attention of the reader will be the beautiful new design for the front cover, conveying the message of the Foursquare Gospel. It will be printed in coloured ink on white imitation art paper.

Inside, the first thing to catch the eye will be the three instead of two columns on most of its pages. This has a more pleasing appearance, and is more easily read. The new titles to the articles and the arrangement of the pages will bring general satisfaction.

Among the special articles in store are "The Model Home"—a series by Principal P. G. Parker, and "Some of the Gifts of God"—a series by Pastor Len Jones. Smaller new features will include "Mis-quoted Scriptures," "Alphabetical Gems," and "Light on Difficult Scriptures", none of the present features being discontinued, and the music which is published every week including, among other favourites, the latest choruses sung in the campaigns conducted by the Revival Party.

With the New Year, Pastor E. J. Phillips, who has edited the *Elim Evangel* since its first appearance as the "little green monthly" half its present size, is taking the place of Managing Editor.

We are pleased to announce that Pastor W. G. Hathaway, who is well-known to many of our readers will be the Editor in 1931. Valuable assistance will still be rendered by Pastors C. H. Coates, P. G. Parker, and E. C. W. Boulton, as Contributing Editors.

We rely on the prayers of our readers that the world-wide ministry of the *Elim Evangel* may be owned of God more than ever before during the year which we are about to enter.

*Jesus Christ—The Saviour.*

# The First Christmas Day

By Evangelist R. E. DARRAGH (*Elim Revival Party*)

**D**ARKNESS covers the Eastern hemisphere, night falls like a mantle upon the plains of Judæa Lamp and candle have been extinguished in the homes of the dwellers Sleep steals over the land until all is still. There is nothing unusual about this night, thousands of similar ones had come and gone, and yet this was the night that God Himself had in mind when He said to the enemy of mankind in the Garden of Eden, "The seed of the woman shall bruise thy head."

Prophets had prophesied concerning it when they said as they were moved by the Spirit of the Lord "The people who sat in darkness saw a great light"

The singers of Israel had sung and rejoiced, knowing that the time would come when the darkness would be dispelled, and the light would shine forth, reaching the chosen of Israel in every part of the world

The Simeons had stood with hand-shaded eyes, and looked for this night of nights The Annas and Elizabeths, on the tip-toe of expectation, wondered when the night would pass away and the morning would dawn Wise men in the east were so much stirred that they could not rest in their own land. Bethlehem had become as a great magnet drawing them Quickly they urged their camels on, eager to get to their journey's end, for they must spend the night in Bethlehem of Judæa

The little town lay quiet and peaceful, unconscious that the greatest event in the world's history was there about to take place

Bethlehem had had a busy day. Visitors had been pouring in from all over the land, until every house and inn was over-crowded. Everybody is well-housed—the doors are locked and barred

But look! along the dusty road something is moving Nearer and nearer it comes until it takes shape in the gloom, and we see a youth and a maiden, they have dropped behind the rest of the travellers, owing to the frailty of the girl-wife When they enter the town her protector goes from door to door Inn after inn is visited, knocking, only to hear the repelling words, "No room! no room!"

No room for my girl-wife? No room for the babe which is about to be born? Surely there is a place somewhere! He lifts up his eyes and before him is an open stable There he leads his precious charge

No eyes gaze upon their disappointment No one understands his sorrow No one can feel the suffering she went through on the long four days' journey over the rough road from Nazareth to Bethlehem

And yet the eyes of angels were upon them.

The loving heart of a loving Jehovah sympathised with them in their disappointment, sorrow, and suffering Many a time on the journey when she would have swayed and fallen, she was strengthened by the thought of the messages she had received from heaven For the angel had said, "Hail! thou that art highly favoured! the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women!" And when she was troubled at the heavenly visitation, had he not said?—"Fear not, Mary, for thou hast found favour with God Thou shalt bring forth a son He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest, and the Lord shall give unto Him the throne of His father David And He shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever, and of His kingdom there shall be no end" These promises would steal around her like two mighty arms Again she would hear the music tones of the heavenly voice, "The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee. therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God"

And Mary would take courage and whisper to herself, "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour"

An ordinary night? No, a thousand times, No!

The most wonderful night that ever was

The night when the heavens were to be filled with angels' song

The night when the eternal day

was to dawn

The night when the Sun of Righteousness was to rise and shine into chilled hearts

The night when hope was to be born in the life of the hopeless

The night when the great Deliverer was to come, who would break chains and snap fetters, bringing liberty to the oppressed

How dark the world was before He came For centuries it lay in the grip of black midnight No ray penetrated the inky gloom No voice was heard in the land Moses had come and gone, Aaron had fallen asleep Joshua who had led the people into the promised land had gone to his reward Isaiah who had told of another and a better day coming was departed His voice was silent, and the people heard him no more Even the last of the minor prophets, Malachi, was hushed to silence For over four hundred years the earth had known no prophet Men forgot even the gentle light of prophetic promise



EVANGELIST R. E. DARRAGH.



Then suddenly in the midst of the gross darkness the curtains of the heavens were drawn to one side by invisible hands. An angel stepped forth radiant with the glory of the Lord, and with a voice quivering with joy at the privilege of delivering such a glorious message, said, "Fear not! Behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord." "Rejoice, ye shepherds! Clap your hands ye that wait for the consolation of Israel! For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son. You will find the Babe wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger."

Then it seemed that every cloud took shape, and became a moving mass of

#### ANGELIC BEINGS

who sang the praises of the new-born Babe who was the Saviour of mankind. They had often chanted His praises in the ivory palaces, but to-day their hearts were bursting with song as they sang His welcome, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men." Good tidings of great joy, "Unto you this day a Saviour is born."

This is what you need, shepherds on the plain

This is what you need, ye dwellers in Israel

This is what you need, ye Gentile world

Good tidings, O captives, for your bonds shall be loosed

Good tidings, ye that dwell in darkness, for the Saviour is the Light of the World

Good tidings, ye sick and suffering, for He is also the Great Physician.

Good tidings to all people! Send the glorious message, north, south, east and west. Good tidings—"Unto you is born a Saviour which is Christ the Lord."

"Where is He?" said one of the thunderstruck shepherds. "Let us go now even unto Bethlehem, and see this which is come to pass, which the Lord has made known unto us," said another.

As they stand in wonder, behold one star suddenly becomes more brilliant than the others. It begins to move, then it stops over the place

#### WHERE THE YOUNG CHILD LAY

Can it be possible that the promised Saviour has come? Throughout generation after generation the world had watched for the coming of the Son of God. Their fathers looked and longed for Him to come. In the days of their youth it became their fondest hope. In middle age their faith endured. Old age rolled on, they closed their eyes, and were laid beside their fathers without having seen the blessed Saviour so long promised. But here He was—"Jesus," who was to save His people from their sins. "Emmanuel"—God coming down and tabernacling among men. The dark night had passed, the morning of fulfilled prophecy had come.

He will be the centre of all that will make life worth living. A light to lighten the Gentiles and the hope of My people Israel.

No wonder every eye in the glory land was turned to the manger. No wonder the heavenly host sang a song of welcome. No wonder every star was eager

to point to the place of His birth. No wonder wise men travelled day and night to bow before Him in silent worship. No wonder shepherds left their earthly possessions behind them, as they hastened to look into His face.

#### YEARS HAVE ROLLED BY,

centuries have passed away. History has repeated itself over and over again. Wise men and women have sought and found Him, leaving all that would hinder them and counting all things but dross, that they might win Christ.

The procession which started on that memorable night so long ago was joined by apostles. People in all stations in life have been eager to get into its ranks. Kings have marched followed by their subjects. Statesmen who ruled have got into step and hurried on to ask Him to rule in their lives. Authors have fallen in, and have written about the hope of the world. Physicians have taken their place, as they have made their way to where the Great Physician lay. Actors have left the unreal and have taken part in the march of the ages. All with one attracting rendezvous—the Child Jesus.

They come with tears. He wipes them away.

They come with burdens. He bears them.

They come weak. They go away strong.

They come hungry. They go away satisfied.

They come thirsty. They go away refreshed.

For every one who comes to Him goes back another way.

Thank God, we need not go to a crude stable to find Him. Neither have we to make

#### A PILGRIMAGE TO THE EAST.

to seek Him. He is to be found in the hearts of His humble followers. These all have said to Him, "Lord Jesus, there was no room for Thee in the inn. You were barred out. There was no room for Thee in the town. They besought Thee to depart out of their coasts. There was no room for Thee in the land. For they took Thee to the brow of the hill to cast Thee over. There was no room in the world for Thee, for they crucified Thee. Blessed Lord Jesus, there is room in my heart and life. Come in!" And He enters the life bringing with Him all that makes life worth while.

Reader, has He entered your life? Listen to His gracious words, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If any man hear My voice and open the door, I will come in to him and will sup with him, and he with Me." Do not bar Him out of your life. Let Him in to every room, put the keys into His blessed hands. Let Him look after His own property.

He will do it well. You will rejoice with exceeding joy, knowing that He has been born in your heart by the power of the Highest, and that He has become your Saviour. Then you will be among the countless multitude who will adore Him—Christ the Lord!

In most of the Elim Churches in London there will be a service on Christmas Day at 11 a.m., instead of the usual Thursday evening service.

Jesus Christ—The Healer

# The Divine Panacea

By Pastor H. A. COURT (*Elim Tabernacle, Hull*)*All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth—Matthew xxviii 18*

**T**HE Lord Jesus is the universal Remedy for all the ills of mankind, diverse though they may be, and legion in number. There exists no need beyond His capacity to suffice, be it that of an individual or of a nation. To the most ignorant negro of dark Africa, and to the refined sinner of civilisation's highest social circle, He is alike able to minister.

We can deal, however, and that but briefly, with one phase of this great qualification—that of the Healer of the body.

## 1 His Personality.

The earthly walk of the Christ presents Him to us in open vision. It was then that the curtain was drawn to one side, and we enabled actually to behold Him. There was no need for further conjecture as to His attitude toward man. He "was made flesh, and dwelt among us." And this is not the vision of a character of thirty-three years' existence or duration, it is a glimpse of the eternal Son of God, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and to-day, and for ever" (Heb. xiii 8).

Now, what can you see in that Personality? You can see love, compassion, delight to cheer, willingness to help. Wherever His aid is solicited, wherever His touch is sought, the Master is ready and willing to minister. Yesterday, Bartimæus fought his way through the rebukes and discouragements of the Palestinian crowd outside Jericho, to the presence of the Christ who was all compassion. Today's Bartimæuses can receive the like grace from the unchanged Son of God. Nor were the halt, the lame, the deaf, the dumb, of A. D. 30 possessed of any prior claim to those similarly circumstanced in A. D. 1930. The need was great—His compassion greater. This then is the Healer. Such He was, and such He is.

## 2 His Permanency

There will come a time when appeals for saving grace and healing virtue will not fail upon His ear. We do not suggest that His compassion will have waned, or His love grown cold. We refer to that blessed time when human need will have ended. Sin and sickness will have receded into the dim past, and sorrow and sadness will no longer be the lot of His people. But He will be the same. His heart will still pulsate with love for those He redeemed at infinite cost. The Last Adam will glory in His great achievement, where the First Adam hung his head in shame. The Christ who loved in Gethsemane and at Calvary

will love just the same in the glory. He will be "Jesus Christ, the same . . . for ever." The difference in glory will be in us. We shall not pray for anything then, for prayer will have given place to praise—eternal praise.

The Christ who will love "for ever" loved "yesterday." And the Christ who loved "yesterday" loves "to-day." There will be no healing in that "for ever," for there will be no need. But when the need existed "yesterday," He met it. And, praise God, He is "Jesus Christ, the same to-day."

## 3 His Prerogative

Some have severely restricted the Christ to the soul's need. They are prepared to hand the soul into His keeping, He may heal it, save it, bless it, feed and satisfy it, govern and control it. But the body, say they, is the exclusive province of the earthly physician. Both the nursing and medical professions are worthy of much credit, for their members are self-sacrificing and devoted in their untiring efforts to alleviate the sufferings of their fellows. We must remember, however, that it is His Divine prerogative to deal with His own as He chooses. "All things were created by Him and for Him" (Col. i 16). Not the soul alone, but man in his entirety, belongs to the Lord who redeemed him.



PASTOR H. A. COURT.

In the early days of this dispensation men who were leaders of the people, and who worshipped God, made a futile attempt to rule out the exercise of this prerogative. The lame man of Acts iii, an object of pity to all who beheld him, was healed. One would have thought that the religious leaders would have rejoiced in this signal manifestation of the love of God, if only for the man's sake. But no! Callous and indifferent to the man's crying need, they raised objection to what had taken place. In fact they would fain have forbidden the repetition of so gracious an act. Nevertheless the Bible narrator tells us that God was "glorified . . . for that which was done" (Acts iv 21). The Master had used His prerogative.

The Christ of God, who remains unchanged to-day, still exercises His right in healing the bodies of His people, notwithstanding the outcries of the critics, and the doubts of those who would confine Him within the limits of their own narrow vision.

## 4 His Pledge

It is by no means unreasonable to expect healing from the Lord. We have already indicated His right

to intervene when His people are overtaken by sickness or disease

But let us consider the matter from

#### ANOTHER VIEWPOINT.

He has given us a pledge which holds no limits, providing that the conditions connected therewith are adhered to "If ye shall ask anything in My Name, I will do it" (John xiv 14) Yes, ask! Put in a petition at the throne of grace Tell Him the need, and ask Him to meet it But be careful to ask in the Name "Ask in the Name," the pledge says, not, "Add to the Name." How often we have heard God appealed to on the grounds that the individual is a Christian worker, or on the grounds of his intense suffering, or that he will do something for God if the prayer is answered The Name is enough without any embellishments of our own If the pledge is to be fulfilled let us adhere to the terms of the pledge "He is faithful that promised" "Ask in My Name" is our part Then He is responsible who said, "I will do it"

#### 5 His Provision

We must not lose sight of the bounds of the pledge "If ye shall ask anything—" How far does *anything* take me? It includes my prayer for the salvation of men and women, it includes my petition for grace in temptation, it allows me to "call upon Him in the day of trouble"; it will bring me strength when I am weak, and when I am falling it will hold and buoy me up And with

#### THIS GLORIOUS PROVISION

where shall I go when I am sick, or when I am stricken? With such a pledge made by such a Saviour, am I to remain a victim to this attack of the enemy? Surely my sickness is part of that "anything"

There are some who argue that to seek healing at such times is to seek to get out of the will of God They say that sickness is sometimes part of God's great plan Unfortunately for these folk, their argument breaks down when they themselves seek means, either by doctor or medicine, to remove from this coveted place in the will of God

To the world God has offered salvation in the all-embracing term *Whosoever*. To the believer is the unlimited potential *Whatsoever* (John xiv 13). Believer, lay hold of a promise that takes in your need, whatever it may be, and do not allow the great arch-enemy, whoever or whatever may be his channel, to rob you of the healing the Master is so willing to impart. And if *whatsoever* and *anything* includes healing, it includes

#### ALL KINDS OF HEALING.

Do not measure the terms of the pledge by the extent of medical research. He will heal—whether the doctor can or not. His *Whatsoever* provides for all

#### 6 His Programme.

I now call your attention to the Healer's programme. It will be remembered that wherever Jesus went He declared His evangel and dispensed healing

In order to assist Him in the rapid spread of the glad tidings, He selected men to whom He imparted power First, there were the twelve—"And when He had called unto Him His twelve disciples, He gave them power against (margin, *over*) unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness, and all manner of disease" (Matt x 1) Of them we read, "They cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them" (Mark vi 13) In proof that the Apostles were not the only ones to exercise this power, we read that another and larger company was chosen to augment the spread of the glorious Gospel Seventy were forthwith despatched, and to them He said, "Heal the sick" (Luke x 9), and, as we know, the sick were healed

As the Master closed His earthly ministry He enjoined His disciples to carry on with the good work, for which colossal task He would give them adequate equipment—the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Mark's record of the commission shews that in addition to preaching salvation they were to "lay hands on the sick," with the promised result that "they shall recover" By what authority has this been omitted? Ask any minister or missionary his

#### AUTHORITY FOR PREACHING

the Gospel, and you will invariably be directed to the Master's parting words Yet the healing part of the commission is relegated to what is termed the "apostolic age" What right has any man to insert, at the present day, a matter of 1,800 years between the two clauses of the same commission—"He that believeth shall be saved," and "They shall lay hands on the sick"? The promise in connection with the instructions is, "These signs shall follow them that believe,"—and to believe then was to accept Christ in His entirety. as Healer as well as Saviour

As the Church was formed all its activities were brought into order Whereas the pioneers anointed all the sick in their campaign work, the elders in the Church only complied with requests for their prayers, as laid down in

#### JAMES v. 14, 15:

Is any sick among you? Let him call for the elders of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the Name of the Lord and the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up, and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him

So, although the Lord Jesus had departed this earth, He was still working through the Church as Healer of the body And this has never been annulled

#### 7. His Purpose.

What purpose in view has the Lord when healing His people? Undoubtedly His nature is such that He delights to alleviate their suffering But there is another great purpose It is that He might be glorified And if the crowd glorified Him when the lame man leaped they will do so to-day, as evidence of His healing is seen in the bodies of those that love Him.



Jesus Christ—The Baptist**“He shall Baptise You with the Holy Ghost”**By Pastor LEN J. JONES (*Elim Tabernacle, East Ham*)

**M**ALACHI, the last prophet of the Old Testament, has given forth his message to Israel. We are now at the close of the four hundred years of silence between the Old and the New Testaments.

Who is this bold, fearless preacher that has broken the silence?

“Art thou Elias?”

“Art thou that prophet of whom Moses wrote?”

The reply comes back, “I am not Elias, neither am I that prophet.”

“Well then, who art thou?”

“I am only a voice crying in the wilderness, as it is written in the prophets, ‘The voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, prepare ye the way of the Lord,’ and ‘Behold, I will send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before Me.’”

His name is John the Baptist, and he is clad with a raiment of camel’s hair with a leathern girdle about his loins, and his meat is of locusts and wild honey. He is preaching fearlessly a message of repentance, baptising in water for the remission of sins. He is rebuking hypocrisy boldly, and the multitudes are flocking to him, confessing their sins, and being baptised of him in the River Jordan.

John the Baptist spoke of the coming of Christ. He shrank from the very suggestion that he was Christ. While agreeing that Isaiah and Malachi wrote of him, and that prophecy was fulfilled in him, yet to emphasise the comparison with Christ, he said that he was not worthy to stoop down and unloose the shoe latchet of the One who was to come after him.

But John the Baptist spoke of the coming of another as well, and that other, the Holy Ghost. The particular part of the Lord’s ministry that John the Baptist emphasised, was that He would baptise with the Holy Ghost. He did not say, “This is the One who will perform many miracles.” He did not say, “This is the One who will do many mighty works of healing.”

But he did say, “This is the One who will baptise with the Holy Ghost.” Many other works of our Lord were wonderful, but it was this work of baptising with the Holy Ghost that John the Baptist emphasised. Why, we may not quite understand, unless there is something specially wonderful in this experience, that we have failed fully to grasp. Whatever the reason for the emphasis, the fact of it is significant.

Not only does John the Baptist emphasise this part of our Lord’s work, but the Spirit of God has so arranged that this verse of Scripture, “He shall bap-

tise you with the Holy Ghost,” occurs in the New Testament more often than any other. Six times do we find this Scripture—in each of the Gospels, in the first chapter of Acts, and again in the eleventh chapter of Acts. Shall we say that both John’s emphasis and the six-fold occurrence of this scripture are but mere coincidence, or shall we see a design and purpose in this that is worth considering and preaching about now and again?

One day when John was baptising in water, Jesus went to him to be baptised.

John hesitated, saying that he had need to be baptised of Him, but the Lord said, “Suffer it to be so now for thus it becometh us to fulfil all righteousness.” And so John baptised Him. The heavens opened, and he saw the Spirit of God like a dove resting upon the Lord, and he heard a voice from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.”

From that time John begins to fade from the Gospel story—he begins to decrease, and the Lord begins to increase. The last we hear of him is an account of his death at the request of Herodias, whose daughter danced before Herod.

Because of the emphasis that John laid upon the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, no doubt there were many conjectures later, by the people to whom he had preached, respecting this promise. They would ask—“When is the Lord going to baptise with the Holy Ghost?” Would He walk in and out amongst them, and lay His hands upon them, and thus fulfil this prophecy, or would He invite the people to a certain place, and there meet their need?

What would the experience be like, and what would take place?

These, and many other questions no doubt came up before them. To us the answers are clear, for we know how it all worked out—we are looking back with a full knowledge of what took place.

But we, too, may have questionings upon other lines—questionings to us, yes, but no problems to Him who sees the end from the beginning. We have not their questions. We have not Job’s questions, for we see the end, and know it is all right. But we may have some questions of our own—and it will be all right. It may never have entered our minds that they thought of these things—but, you see, we were not in their position, and many of us have grown up with this knowledge.

One day the Lord tells the people that this experience would not be theirs until after He went away—not during His earthly ministry at all. An-



PASTOR LEN J. JONES

other day they are told that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost would be like rivers of living water flowing from their innermost being. Then after His resurrection the people are told that in a few days they would be baptised with the Holy Ghost. Instructions are given to go into all the world and preach the Gospel, but first to tarry until they are endued

#### WITH POWER FROM ON HIGH.

The Lord is taken away from them, and they are left gazing stedfastly toward heaven, as a cloud received Him out of their sight. They were left with the promise that He would return again, also with another promise—the promise of the Holy Ghost—a promise in which there was a command

Many were ministered to by the Lord during His lifetime, and He appeared to at least 500 after His resurrection, but there were only 120 who waited for this experience

Perhaps there were some who were too busy—they believed in the experience, but really could not afford the time. Perhaps there were others who thought there was no hurry, and any time would do. Perhaps there were a few who did not believe in the experience at all. Perhaps there were others who were quite satisfied without this new experience. They had walked with Jesus. They had seen the sick healed and miracles wrought. Their experience was good enough for them, so why should they "tarry until."

There were 120 faithful ones, however, on the tip-toe of expectation. All they had was

#### A PROMISE;

but then all they needed was a promise, for a promise from the Lord is as good as that which is promised. We find them in an upper room with one aim in view. It seems that it is a very ordinary place with very ordinary people. They are praising and blessing the Lord, waiting for the promise of the Father. The world rushes on outside, as unconcerned about them as they are of the world. Peter is amongst the number. He does not falter through his past mistake, neither does he assure himself that there is no need for him to wait, seeing that mighty works already have been wrought at his hands. Thomas, too, is there. He does not stay away, thinking that he has not enough faith, but has gathered with the others. Yes, Mary the mother of Jesus is there too. She was chosen of all women to bring Christ into the world. She has reared the infant child Jesus, and all generations are to call her blessed. She too had need of this experience, and was amongst the number.

What a time of heart-searching, of worship, and of praising the Lord! What joy there was, and what tears were shed—tears of joy and tears of humiliation!

And so they waited before the Lord until the Day of Pentecost was come. They did not know just what would take place, but they did know they were within

#### THE COMMANDMENT OF THE LORD.

They did not know how they would receive this experience, but they did know that the promise said, "Not many days hence."

Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing, mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and no doubt to the surprise of everybody present, they begin to speak in a language they had never learned, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Different to what they expected, maybe, but they were now on the other side of the "Tarry until," and knew that they need tarry no longer—with the experience came the assurance that they had been baptised with the Holy Ghost. So we leave them with their faces shining, and their hearts full, and our hearts burning too.

A little time after this we read of people in the city of

#### SAMARIA

receiving the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. Eight years after the Day of Pentecost referred to, we read of the household of Cornelius receiving the Holy Ghost. Twelve years later still (twenty years after the Day of Pentecost) we read of people in the city of Ephesus being baptised with the Holy Ghost.

In these days too, nineteen hundred years after the Day of Pentecost, many are rejoicing in the same experience with the same evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance—just as the Lord has been and is being true to that which was spoken about by the angel before His ministry commenced, "Thou shalt call His name Jesus for He shall save His people from their sins," so He has been and is being true to the other work also attributed to Him, before His ministry commenced, by John the Baptist, "He shall baptise you with the Holy Ghost."

### A Christmas Message from Spurgeon

*Unto you is born this day, in the city of David, a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord—Luke ii 11*

WE esteem every day alike, but still as the season and the general custom suggests thoughts of Jesus, let us joyfully remember our dear Redeemer's *glorious birth*. Every day should be the birthday of the Saviour to a renewed soul. Amid all that is humiliating there is much that is honourable in the circumstances of the birth of our Immanuel. Whose birth was ever ushered in by a long train of prophecy, or longed for by such a multitude of hearts? Who but He can boast of a forerunner who marked Him as the coming Man? When did angels indulge in midnight songs, or did God ever hang a new star in the sky before? To whose cradle did rich and poor make so willing a pilgrimage, and offer such hearty and unsought oblations? Well may earth rejoice, well may all men cease their labour to celebrate "the great birthday" of Jesus. O Bethlehem, house of bread, we see in thee our hopes forever gratified! "'Tis He, the Saviour, long foretold, to usher in the age of gold." Let gladness rule the hour; let holy song and sweet heart-music accompany our soul in its rapture of delight.

Jesus Christ—The Coming King.

# The Second Coming of Christ

By Pastor P. LE TISSIER (*Elim Tabernacle, Birmingham*)

**T**HE Second Advent of Christ is a truth that cannot be too urgently pressed upon our minds and hearts as we near the close of this dispensation of grace. Some would suggest that this truth is a mere theory, others speak of it as speculative, and yet others who may believe in it fail to preach it because it is contrary to the schemes of the modern church, or to avoid controversy. We believe it to be God's specific purpose for securing holiness in the life of the believer, hence it is bound up with every Christian precept and duty.

Shall we consider this grand and glorious truth, as we find it in the First Epistle to the Thessalonians. One conspicuous feature in this Epistle is the direct reference at the end of each chapter to the Second Coming of Christ. The Apostle, writing to the Thessalonians in his first Epistle, speaks of their conversion

Ye turned to God from idols, to serve the living and true God, and to wait for His Son from heaven (I Thess i 9, 10)

It is clearly evident that the Apostle had exhorted these young converts to expect the coming of the Lord. They had received the word in much affliction and joy in the Holy Ghost, and Paul remembered their work of faith ("Ye turned to God from idols"), their labour of love ("to serve the living God"), and their patience of hope ("to wait for His Son from heaven"). What a happy position to be in! They manifested the spontaneous outcome of their standing in Christ, for it is quite natural for those who have been delivered from wrath to wait for the One who has delivered them. So these young believers maintained an attitude of waiting and readiness for our Lord's appearing.

We are not told when Christ will come—"Of that day or hour knoweth no man." He may come at any moment. Blessed are they whom the Lord when He cometh shall find watching.

Shall we consider the words of the Apostle at the end of the next chapter. He rejoices in the hope of coronation

For what is our hope or joy, or crown of rejoicing? are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming?

Some there be who say that "the advent hope" will paralyse Christian service and minimise Christian testimony. Those who say so oppose the evidence of all experience. The Apostle was stimulated to service and was sustained in his sufferings by look-

ing forward to the crowning day. He had visited Thessalonica absorbed with a passion to win souls for the Master. Now he was away from them and learned of their sorrows and bereavement. He longs to bring them some message of comfort. He longs to see their faces with great desire (I Thess ii 17), night and day praying exceedingly (I Thess iii 10), but Satan hindered (I Thess ii 18). The Apostle anticipated a glorious day when Satan would no longer hinder—the day of Christ's coming. How he longed and looked for this crowning event, when he would be more than compensated as he looked into the faces of his Thessalonian converts shining with the reflected and radiant glory of their Lord.

Here we have indisputable evidence of mutual recognition beyond the grave. With such a blessed hope in view, what manner of persons ought we to be? These are days of hustle and bustle, but the advent hope will enable us to stand fast and to keep faithfully to the work of winning souls for Christ. For what shall be our joy or crown of rejoicing? will it not be to gaze with indescribable joy upon those whom we have won for the Master?

Then in the third chapter the Apostle breathes for the Thessalonians a prayer for their consecration

The Lord make you to increase, and abound in love one toward another, and toward all men even as we do toward you to the end that He may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints (I Thess iii 12, 13)



PASTOR P. LE TISSIER.

John in his first Epistle also directs our thoughts to consecration and holiness in view of the Lord's coming—"And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as He is pure." The doctrine of real scriptural holiness is indissolubly linked up with the blessed hope. The Apostle exhorts the Christian to be "unblameable before God." By the place we shall occupy in the day of Christ's glory, it will be made manifest how faithful we have been to Him on earth. If the truth grips our souls it will also change our lives. As the reality and certainty of the blessed hope lays hold upon us it will invariably lead us out into the practice of holy living. It has been said of the blessed hope, "It is a hope that works in us, automatically working out a separation unto God."

So far as we can judge, the holiest in character and the most spiritually minded are those who are steadfastly looking for the coming of Christ. The value set on earthly and temporal things is in like

proportion to our sense of the nearness of the Lord's return

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,  
Look full in His wonderful face,  
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,  
In the light of His glory and grace

In the fourth chapter, we find another reference breathing comfort. Three times in these chapters the Apostle speaks of consolation.

I Thess iv 18 Wherefore comfort one another with these words

I Thess v 11 Wherefore comfort yourselves together  
II Thess ii 17 Comfort your hearts and stablish you

A prominent preacher, taking for his subject the Coming of Christ and the first resurrection, said, Some time ago, at Thessalonica, two funeral urns were exhumed. On one of these was written the words 'Without hope': on the other, 'Christ is my hope'. These urns were supposed to date from the period of the struggle for supremacy between heathenism and Christianity, in which that city was so strenuously engaged a little time after Paul had preached the Gospel there." Commenting on this very interesting fact, the preacher remarked, "The first epitaph, 'Without hope,' is reason's inscription against the ashes of mortality. The second epitaph, 'Christ is my hope,' is revelation's glorious doctrine concerning the dead." "The dead in Christ shall be raised." No one can read the reference in this chapter and doubt the resurrection, unless he doubt the Word of God. "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, and the dead in Christ shall rise first." What consolation it brings to the heart that is lonely! We know that death is only a temporary victor. The dead in Christ shall be raised, and our departed ones whom we mourn, if they were saved, shall be among them. We shall see them again.

Such was the hope of the late James Wright, who, standing by the grave of his beloved one, said, "I thank God for three things. First, that my beloved is with Christ, next, that Christ is with me, and thirdly, that we two shall be together at His coming. Hallelujah!"

Then in the last chapter, we find one verse which speaks of confirmation:

Faithful is He that calleth you, who also will do it (I Thess v 24)

We are reminded of our Lord's precious promise in John xiv. "I will come again and receive you unto Myself." It is impossible to spiritualise this scripture. Said a tiny girlie, "If Jesus did not mean what He said, why did He not say what He meant?" Thank God, we know He said what He meant, and meant what He said, and He who has promised will perform. He who came the first time when God's clock struck the hour will come the second time with the same faithfulness. "Faithful is He that promised, and His promises hold, Hallelujah. His coming assures us that our faith will be vindicated. We shall gather together with open Bibles and see the fulfilment of all the glorious advent prophecies.

## Children's Bible Educator

We are giving a prize every month for the best answers.

In order to interest our children in the study of their Bibles and improve their knowledge of the Scriptures we are inserting a Bible Puzzle every week under this heading.

All children under fifteen years of age may compete. Write the solution on a postcard, put your name and address on same side, and address the card to Puzzle Editor, "Elim Evangel," Victory Press, Park Crescent, Clapham, S W 4

For the two weeks represented by the Christmas number of the "Evangel," we continue the Gospels Problem for two more of the Evangelists, Mark and Luke, as under

### GOSPELS PROBLEM.

Below you will find three verses from each Gospel (Mark's and Luke's). After studying them carefully, write on your postcard against (a) for Mark and (b) for Luke, which of the views of Christ mentioned above was chiefly in mind by these two evangelists respectively, as shown in these verses

- (a) Mark iii 35, x 45, xiv 36  
(b) Luke ii 51, iii 23, ix 58

Solutions should arrive first post Monday, December 15th

Answers to December 5th Puzzle:

- (a) Deut vii 26, Job ix 31, xli 6, Rom xii 9, Psalm cxix 163 (b) Job ix 31, xli 6 (c) The Holy Spirit

Uncle Henry wishes you all a very Happy Christmas

## The Family Altar

(Continued from page 815)

We hardly know. Yet we know this—our hope is in God. We are waiting for what God will bring. What is He bringing? We know not. Perhaps He is bringing His Son from heaven. That would be glory indeed. But while we do not know exactly what He is bringing, we certainly know that whatever He brings will be good.

Thursday, January 1st Proverbs i 1-19

"Refrain thy foot from their path" (verse 15)

Refrain from whose path? From the path of the wicked. There is a path in which we can safely walk—it is God's path. What path are we going to choose this year? The path of worldly wisdom, or the path of God's wisdom. There is only one path leading to a destination which will not prove to be a mockery—it is the path of God. That is the path we want. What will it profit us if we walk along the path of worldly success and gain the whole world? It will profit us nothing if thereby we lose our own soul. It is New Year's Day. Before us are two paths—the path of the wicked and the path of God. Immediately we respond, we choose the path of God and He will guard us in it.

Friday, January 2nd. Proverbs i 20-33

"Whoso hearkeneth unto Me shall be quiet from fear of evil" (verse 33)

If Thou art with me, I will fear no evil. The fear of evil is a dreadful spiritual disease. It weakens the spiritual life and turns us into spiritual invalids. The fear of evil takes the lit out of our step and the freshness out of our voice. A vague fear haunts many lives. Numberless homes are shadowed by clouds of fear. But God's promise is that if we hearken unto Him we shall be quiet from the fear of evil. The great thing is to hearken unto God. Then, even if evil does approach us, the guidance of God will be assured.

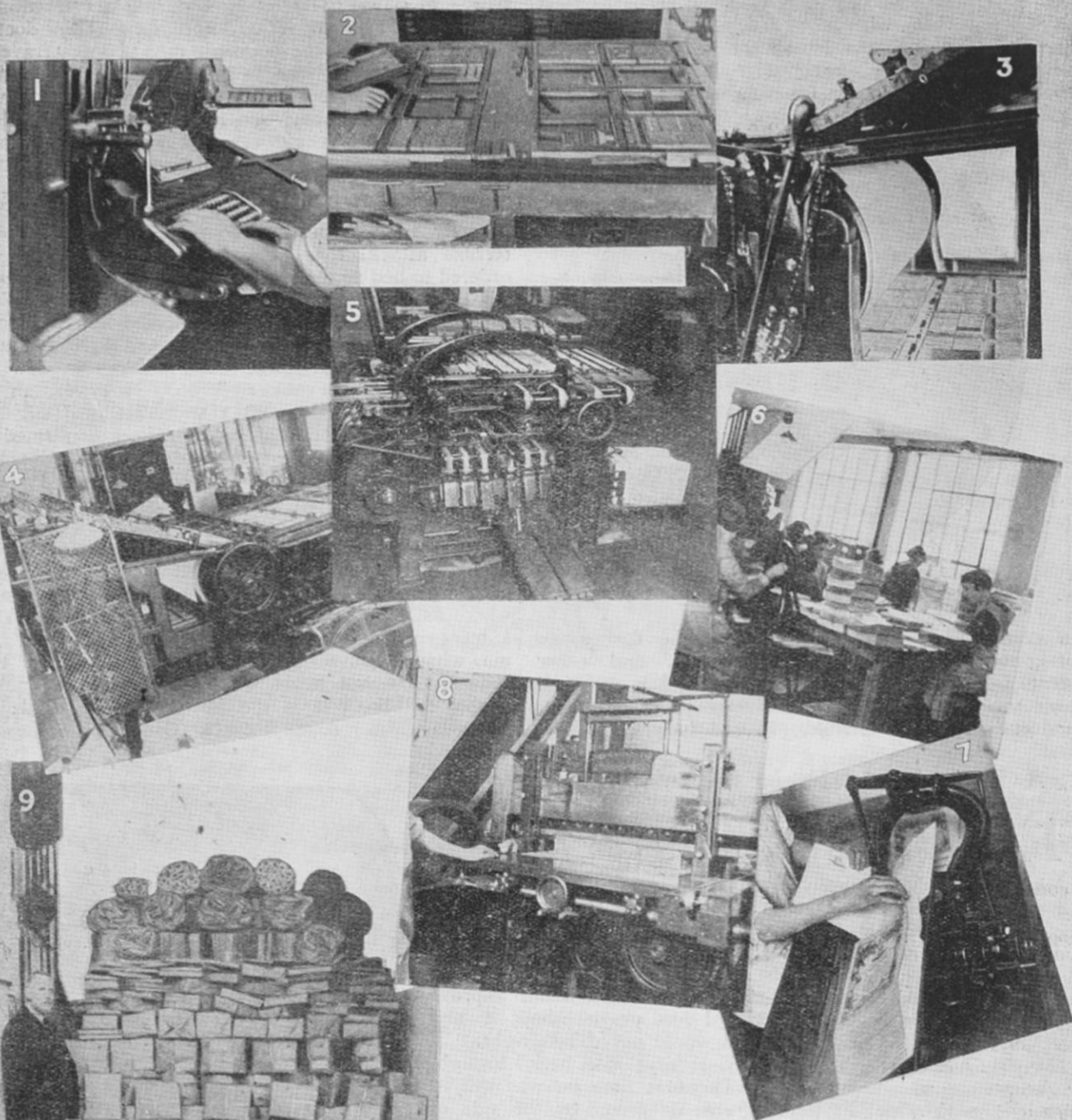
Saturday, January 3rd. Proverbs ii 1-17

The Lord giveth wisdom" (verse 6).

The New Testament and Old Testament both clearly teach that the Lord gives wisdom. Wisdom is necessary in so many ways. The minister needs it. But so also does the business man. There is no department of life where we can live without wisdom. Are you a day-school teacher? Then you need wisdom to teach the varied and sensitive characters that daily sit before you. Are you a farmer? Then you need wisdom lest your expenditure becomes greater than your income. Are you a busy mother? What great wisdom you need. How carefully you need to train those little lives. You are everything to them. How tragic it would be if you failed them. Ask then, and take, the wisdom of God.



# The Elim Evangel in the Making



These pictures show the processes through which the Elim Evangel passes after leaving the Editor's desk:

1. Tapping off the letters on the keyboard of the Linotype machine.
2. The Linotype machine turns out lines of type which are here seen made up into pages.
3. After securely locking in a steel frame, we make ready for printing.
4. The large automatic-feeding Optimus press, which prints sheets at the rate of 2,000 per hour. Each sheet is a complete Evangel, apart from the cover.
5. These sheets then pass on to the folding machine, which can fold 3,000 Evangels per hour.
6. The covers are then slipped on by hand and passed on to
7. The power wire-stitching machine, which is here seen at work.
8. Trimming off the rough edges, which is the final stage before packing.
9. One week's output of the Elim Evangel, with our packer, who is 5 feet 11 inches high.

All the photographs on this page were taken at our printing works by Pastor P. N. Corry.

# Present-Day Miracles

## Healed Eight Years Ago of a Complication of Diseases

**I** DO praise God for Principal George Jeffreys ever coming to Grimsby, as I should not have been here now. No one, only God and myself, knows what I have suffered. Since I was five I had dropsy, and was given up, but I took a turn, and the doctor said I should be a source of trouble as long as I lived, he was right, for I have cost a small fortune



Mrs. Alice Pearce

in doctors—at eleven years of age the first stage of consumption, then pleurisy, neuritis, and other complaints, then ulcerated stomach, and it went all over me. I was only about sixteen years old then, and the pain was terrible. I used to pray to die,

and when hemorrhage set in, I made sure it was the end of it all. I never knew what it was to eat solid food. For twenty-eight years during six months of every year I could retain nothing. The doctors said nothing could be done for me. I have travelled for ten years all over England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales, and had some of the best doctors, who told me just the same—no hope. In 1920 I had an accident, and I would not tell my doctor because every time I saw him he used to say, "What have you got to-day?" or something similar. I gradually got worse, and terribly thin, and sometimes I could scarcely walk across the floor. One night I had a terrible attack, the doctor was called, and I was ordered to bed again. At first he said it was a growth. About three weeks after that he examined me, and found it was kidney trouble. I asked him if I could not have another operation. He said No,—that I was too thin, and there was nothing to sew to. My backbone had sunk right in. However, an appointment was made with a specialist in Hull. He shook his head, and said I should be a confirmed invalid as long as I lived. I had been in bed nearly two years, when a friend came in and asked me to go to hear Principal George Jeffreys. When my husband had gone to work, I got up, and they took me to Elim Hall. It is eight years now since I was healed and saved, and I am better than I have ever been in my life, and go about more, and testify everywhere as to what the Lord has done for me. When I meet people who knew me years ago, they ask me what I have been doing to myself, as they thought I would never go about any more, and I simply tell them it is the Lord who has made the change.—(Mrs.) ALICE PEARCE (Grimsby)

## A Boy's Limbs Freed in Answer to Prayer

**T**WO years ago my little boy, Aubrey, fell into the pool in Small Heath Park, and was nearly drowned. This was a shock to his system. Shortly afterwards we noticed that he was not using the left arm, hand and leg as he should do. There was a rigidity about them, he always held them stiff, and always had the fingers clenched. He could only put his hand and arm up about halfway toward his head. I had to take him to the Nerve Hospital. We went three times a week for five months last year. He did not improve at all, so I gave up taking him. I just prayed about it, and felt sure if it was God's will He would put things right.

When I heard of Principal George Jeffreys' visit here I brought Aubrey along to the meetings. The first time he was prayed for by the Principal he put his arm up direct by the side of his head. I think this happened on the Wednesday afternoon of the first week at Birmingham.

I am thanking God daily for healing my soul. I was one of those people who thought they were saved, but thank God, I know I am saved now. The unspeakable joy that is in my heart, words fail to express it. I shall never forget your visit to Birmingham, for it has been the means of bringing me definitely to the Cross of Jesus.—MRS. A. E. SHELLARD (Small Heath, Birmingham)



Aubrey Shellard (age 8 years)

with his helpless arm. Insets. Since healing—his helpless arm raised.

# The Nottingham Revival

*Below we print two reports from the local press. The first is from the NOTTINGHAM EVENING NEWS and the second from the NOTTINGHAM JOURNAL Both are dated 5th December*

## MODERN MIRACLES IN NOTTINGHAM

### Restoration of Sight and Hearing.

#### Joyful Mothers— Who Prayed for Healing of Children

Some remarkable facts concerning cures said to have been produced at the City Temple Church of the Foursquare Gospel, Nottingham, were given to an "Evening News" reporter to-day

They relate both to children and adults who have suffered for a long time, and constitute a poser for the sceptic

Not the least interesting and noteworthy case is that of Mrs Walter Waring, who can now hear a whisper after being deaf for six years

Collier The "News" representative had the facts in this instance given to him by Mrs Collier

"My husband," she said, "had been to the services a time or two when he remarked to me that his ear, which had been 'running' for quite fifteen years, had stopped running"

"He went purposely on account of his ear, which had seemed somehow as though it were blocked up, and now that feeling has gone there has been no further trace of the running"

"I too have attended the services For a long time I have suffered in the winter from bronchitis, and I have had pneumonia It was only my belief that enabled me to get to the services, for I had been so unwell and in pain But, thank God, the pain disappeared I have never had the pain since Principal Jeffreys laid a hand upon me"

"You do not think it merely coincidence?" the "News"

## LATE NEWS.

*As we go to press, the following news comes from Mr Norman Moggs, the chief usher*

**GREATER AND STILL GREATER CROWDS FIND THEIR WAY TO THE REVIVAL MEETINGS CONDUCTED BY PRINCIPAL GEORGE JEFFREYS IN THE SPACIOUS CITY TEMPLE AT NOTTINGHAM. VAST CONGREGATIONS ARE SWAYED UNDER THE POWER OF HOLY GHOST REVIVAL. THE ATMOSPHERE IS VITALISING, LIBERATING, CHEERING. THE FOURSQUARE GOSPEL MESSAGE IS GOING FORTH WITH TREMENDOUS EFFECT—AT ONE TIME WITH CRASHING FORCE, AT ANOTHER PIERCING AS A TWO-EDGED SWORD UNTIL PREJUDICE IS LOST IN PRAISE BEFORE THE MIGHTY WORKS OF GOD. THE HUNDREDS WHO HAVE BEEN CONVERTED ARE BEARING THE MARKS OF PRIMITIVE CONVERTS, BOLDLY EMBRACING AND OBEYING THE APOSTLES' DOCTRINE IN ITS FULLNESS. THE GREAT CHURCH BUILDING TO-NIGHT WAS NEARLY FULL FOR THE BREAKING-OF-BREAD SERVICE. THIS WEEK A BAPTISMAL FONT IS BEING INSTALLED THAT THEY MIGHT FOLLOW THE LORD THROUGH THE WATERS OF BAPTISM. SIGNS AND WONDERS ARE THE ORDER OF THE DAY. HUNDREDS TESTIFY TO MIRACLES OF BODILY HEALING OF ALL KINDS THROUGH THE DEMONSTRATION OF GOD'S POWER.**

Mrs Waring stated that she first went to the City Temple Church—formerly known as Halifax Place Mission—on Armistice Day

### Went to Pray for Her Child.

"I believed in faith healing," she said, "or I should not have gone, and my real reason was that I wanted to pray for my little son, Clifford, who will be five in January, to be cured He had been unable to talk for some time, apparently as a result of some shock which we did not know of"

Mrs Waring described how Principal George Jeffreys laid a hand upon her, and how, while she prayed, she was conscious of the disappearance of a curious sensation in the left ear which she had felt during her deafness

### Heard Watch Ticking.

"Later, at home," she went on, "I put my hand over my right ear—a thing I often did—and for the first time for six years I could even hear a watch ticking in the kitchen"

"Was it a surprise to you?" the "News" representative asked Mrs Waring replied that it was not, as far as her faith went, for she had believed she would be cured, but that, in the material sense, it was indeed a joyful surprise

Since then she has been able to hear with her left ear quite well, there being no trace of the former deafness

### Answered Prayers.

"It was a far greater joy," she added "when we knew that our prayer for our little boy was answered He spoke the day after he had been prayed for"

Mrs Waring also mentioned that she is a member of the Church of England, but that many matters touching religious faith now have an entirely new significance for her

Equally remarkable are the circumstances in the case of Mr

man asked Mrs Waring said it was not and that it was to be explained only by faith in the power of God to heal

### Christ's Miracles

"After all," she said, "is there anything new in it? If we believe in miracles that Christ performed on earth, and if we believe in a living Christ, why should we not believe that He can cure our ills by faith to-day?"

"At the City Temple Church the Bible has been turned into a new book to me Many others can testify to the efficacy of their faith and I was most impressed by a mother who once testified to her ten years' old son having sight restored to one eye that had been blind for six years"

### NOTTINGHAM'S CITY TEMPLE.

Nottingham is to have her own City Temple This perhaps rather high-sounding name has been given to the building known to so many people as Halifax Place Chapel, which, like the famous City Temple in London, has been the centre of a vigorous Free Churchmanship for long time And so there is an appropriateness in the new title bestowed on the spacious old building which is tucked away in the Lace Market

Under what may be called the fresh dispensation, the revival and healing campaign services continue to attract much attention, and it is stated that many of the old Halifax Place friends are noticed in the congregations

These Foursquare Gospel services (as they are called) which Principal George Jeffreys is conducting remind people of older growth of the Moody and Sankey revivals of years ago

It is stated that since the campaign began there have been hundreds of conversions In every service many conversions are taking place is the claim put forward, and at the Sunday meeting hundreds testified to being healed of all kinds of ailments.

FAITH  
HEALING  
"CURES" IN  
NOTTINGHAM

EVENING  
NEWS



Sunday, December 28th, 1930.

READING: Revelation XXI. 10-27.

## Sunday School Lesson By Pastor P. N. CORRY

**MEMORY TEXT:** "In My Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto Myself: that where I am, there ye may be also."—John xiv 2, 3.

### THE NEW JERUSALEM

#### TEACHER'S NOTES

Instead of our Sunday School Lesson for the Sunday after Christmas leading us to the manger, the inn and to Bethlehem the city of David, the scripture chosen brings before our hearts and minds the heavenly Jerusalem, the city of God. The connection between the two is not hard to follow, so that the teacher should find it quite simple to lead the thoughts from the earthly home to the heavenly abode, from the Lamb of God incarnate to the Lamb of God enthroned. Notice in this chapter and in chapter xxii 1-3, besides other passages in the Book of the Revelation of Jesus Christ, the many mentions of the Lamb. For your own study you would be well advised to read the book through and make a note of every mention that you find.

From the earliest beginnings of Genesis where we see man called of God to follow Him, and so deprived of a permanent abode, as in the tent wanderings of Abraham and the fathers of the nation of Israel, we have many kinds of homes brought before our notice. Now in this chapter we see the consummation—the best home of them all. Again in the many dwellings provided as tents of witness or temples of glory, throughout the history of the nation of Israel and the times of the New Testament, we read of a succession of Temples for God to dwell in. This chapter shews us the final revelation—no Temple—for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the Temple of it (Rev. xxi 22).

**The New Jerusalem Anticipated** (Read Gen. xii 1-3, Acts vii 2, 3, and Hebrews xi 8-10)

During these last few years since Mr. Leonard Woolley has begun to publish the results of his hard toil at Ur of the Chaldees in Mesopotamia, people have begun to understand what a tremendous thing it was for Abraham to move away from this vast city. Abraham's early years were spent in very sophisticated surroundings, he was the citizen of a great city having an ancient and highly organised civilisation. The two-storied houses, with lofty lower rooms for use in the hot weather, themselves spoke of comfort and even luxury. Hymns were used at the temple services, and mathematical tables ranging from plain sums to formulæ for the extraction of square and cube roots have been found. The surrounding walls of this city were about 26 feet high and at the base varied from 81 feet to 110 feet broad. On the west side of the city flowed the River Euphrates, and canals along the other sides transformed the city into an island site, whilst another canal ran through the city from north to south-west. Ur of the Chaldees must have been a lovely city, surrounded by flowing streams, fruitful with gardens, luxuriant in vegetation. Abraham left it all at the word of the Lord, and started off on his life of wandering. He exchanged his house for a goatskin tent, and walked north and south looking for "a city whose architect and builder is God" (Heb. xi 10). So he and his seed wandered seeking a native country, they built upon promises, not upon the native mud of Mesopotamia,

Sunday, January 4th, 1931.

**MEMORY TEXT:** "For unto you is born this day in the city

### THE NATIVITY

#### TEACHER'S NOTES.

As we begin a new year, will you allow me to wish all teachers and scholars a very happy and blessed New Year?

It has been of great encouragement to me to hear of more and more teachers following these lessons in the last twelve months, and I trust that in the Elim Sunday Schools throughout Great Britain more will do so, and that they will be blessed in 1931.

Throughout this year (D.V.) the subject for our lessons will be the life of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that there will be comparatively few subjects taken from the Old Testament. This will be a great advantage over the last two years, and I trust

and in their zealous search they even forgot the place from whence they came out and did not seek to return. They desired a better country, that is an heavenly, wherefore God hath prepared for them a city (Heb. xi 13-16).

**The New Jerusalem Prophesied** (Isaiah lxxv 17-23)

Not only Abraham the tent-dweller and his seed sought for this city and looked for its coming, but prophets and seers gazing down the years caught glimpses of its glory. It was to be a city of fulfilment and of fullest satisfaction, where a man would long enjoy the work of his hand. No longer building for another, planting for someone else, and labouring only to pass on before the reward of labour was theirs, they were to labour, but not in vain, and to rejoice in the reward of labour.

**The New Jerusalem Citizenship** (read Gal. iv 24-26, Heb. xii 22, Phil. iii 20, margin, and Heb. xiii 14)

We are born from above by an incorruptible seed, the Word of God that liveth and abideth for ever, and this city for which Abraham looked and patriarchs longed has become our home. Jerusalem which is above has become the mother of us all. We are no longer children of bondage, but because she is free, we also are become children of liberty (Gal. iv 26 and v 1). Our citizenship is now in heaven, from whence we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ. Though living upon the earth, by virtue of the new birth we have become those whose eyes are spoiled for earthly cares—we look for the city of the Lamb. We, like Abraham and the followers of the God of glory, have come forth unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach, for here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come (Heb. xiii 14). From henceforth we are strangers and pilgrims in the earth—we are a colony of heaven—but when He shall appear, then we shall enjoy all that He has prepared for them that love Him (I Cor. ii 9, 10), because He is preparing this place for us Himself, and His workmanship is perfect (John xiv 2, 3).

**The New Jerusalem Realised** (Rev. xxi 1, xxii 3)

I am sure Abraham will be perfectly at home in this city. Here are walls not of mud brick but of jewels, foundations not of the alluvial mud of Mesopotamia, but as solid as precious stones can make them. Here is no muddy Euphrates piling up fresh deposits but a river in the midst of the city as clear as crystal and its waters pure—the water of life proceeding out of the throne of God and the Lamb.

#### APPEAL.

As you close your lessons for 1930, and stand at the portal of 1931, drive home with much prayer the need to be prepared to enter this City of God. Nothing that defileth, or worketh an abomination or a lie shall enter, but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life (chap. xxii 27). Citizenship through the new birth from above alone makes us eligible to enter the city. We come forth unto Him now without the camp, but when He comes, we shall come forth as a bride adorned for her husband.

READING: Luke ii 1-16.

**MEMORY TEXT:** "For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord"—Luke i. 11.

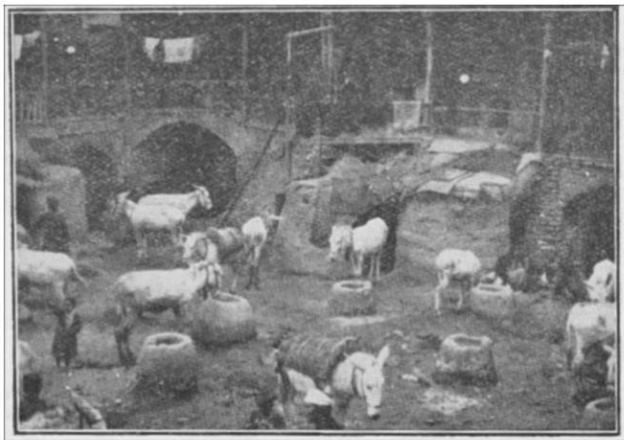
that as a result each teacher and scholar will profit by the work done in the next twelve months, and that each of us will be brought into closer relationship and fellowship with Him who is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

We are all too apt to think that our scholars, and perhaps we ourselves, know all about the truth contained in this wonderful chapter, but let us not be so sure about that, and even if such a thought is true there is constant need to remember that to write and teach "the same things to you, to me indeed is not grievous but for you it is safe" (Phil. iii 1).

In order that we may cover the ground it would be well in preparing the lesson to ask ourselves four questions:

**1. What Happened?** Why is the account of this birth more wonderful than any other before or since? What had taken

place that stamps this event as outstanding in human history? God had intervened in the world's history. It was no longer a movement of man toward God, but God moving out for the salvation of the world. "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son," always moves the heart of the believer, and it is this movement that we see taking effect in the lesson of this day. He who was the Lord of Glory, God the Son, laid aside His majesty and glory, made Himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men (Phil. 2:5-8). Though He was



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rich, yet for your sakes He became poor, that ye through His poverty might become rich (II Cor. 8:9). The marvel of that love, the wonder of that gift, the amazing richness of that poverty is something that the world cannot fully understand, but God makes it clear to us through the Word, and by the power of the Holy Spirit.

God sent His Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin. He partook of human nature that we might become partakers of the Divine nature (Rom. 8:3 and II Peter 1:4). The Word that was in the beginning, that was with God and was God, and by whom all things were made, became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:1, 3, 14), that we being born again through the Word may dwell with Him. Truly He was Emmanuel—God with us. He took our place that we might stand in His presence. Heaven rejoiced, the song of glory filled the air. There was glory to God in the highest, because the glory of God had come to bring peace on earth, goodwill toward men (Luke 1:14).

**2. When it Happened.** From your scholars obtain if possible the reason why we call this year A D 1931. (Never mind about the fact that the era Anno Domini commenced four years before the birth of Christ—that matters little.) What does matter is that Christians count time now from His birth, and

that now we are living in the year of our Lord. "When the fulness of time was come," says the Apostle, "God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the Law, to redeem them that were under the Law, that we might receive the adoption of sons" (Gal. 4:4, 5). The time was ripe, the ages of law and of prophetic witness were running out. Nationally the hour was fatal—the Roman Empire ruled most of the world, and Caesar Augustus the first Emperor of Rome was in power. But the Greek tongue, that most marvellous language of all, was at its best. The time was full, and at that hour the Christ of God was born. We do well to date our correspondence from the year that He was born, for then commenced a new era and a new revelation. The grace of God was manifested through Him who was full of grace and truth.

**3. Where it Happened.** Ask the children what event in the year 1931 is going to affect every boy and girl, man and woman living in the British Isles? If they have forgotten, remind them that the census of the British Isles is to be taken this year, and tell them that the word "taxing" in verse 1 of our reading referred to a similar event ordered by the Emperor Augustus, for the purpose of future taxation in the Roman Empire and the tributary states.

Joseph and Mary being of the lineage of David, had to go to Bethlehem, the city of David, a village six miles from Jerusalem, several days journey from Nazareth (verse 4). It was a long, hard journey and at the end of it there was no room for them in the inn. A photo of a "khan" is reproduced to show that even in such places privacy and comfort were not easy to find, so that it is probable that the Lord of Glory was born in the lowliest place imaginable—an Eastern stable. Yet this little spot was chosen of God as the place where the Messiah should be born (see Micah 5:2 and Matt. 1:5, 6). He was born a Jew, born the Son of David, born a King, born a Saviour, and born Christ the Lord.

**4. Why it Happened.** In studying this subject turn to the second chapter of Hebrews, and look up the seven reasons why God was incarnate in the Lord Jesus and why God was manifested in the flesh. I do not say that you will be able to tell your class all that your own study will shew you, but it will fill your heart with such joy that out of the abundance of your heart the mouth will be able to give some reasons why He came.

- i To be head over all things (Heb. 1:5-8, Phil. 2:6-11)
- ii To taste death for every man (Heb. 2:9)
- iii To be perfect in the knowledge of suffering (Heb. 2:10)
- iv To be one with His brethren (Heb. 2:11-13, John xvii 14-17)
- v To destroy the enemy and deliver us (Heb. 2:14, 15)
- vi To be a merciful and faithful High Priest (Heb. 2:16, 17)
- vii To succour them that are tempted (Heb. 2:18)

Why did He come as man? why did He suffer? why did He die? and why has He risen again? All these questions receive their answer in this wonderful unveiling, and we, like the shepherds, not only come and worship, but return to make known abroad the wonder of His birth and the power of His love.

## Concise Comments and Interesting Items

**Spiritism**, or so-called spiritualism, is illegal in our land. Spiritists may, under the Witchcraft Act of James, be prosecuted as witches. Under the Act of George III, they may be prosecuted as rogues and vagabonds. Alderman Kelly, the Socialist M.P. for Rochdale, has introduced a Bill into Parliament for relieving a special class of spiritist mediums from the penalties prescribed by these Acts. At the time of writing the Bill has passed its first reading.

We ask one question: If spiritism was illegal for ancient Israel, why should it not be illegal for modern England? If we really wished to live up to God's standard, spiritism would not be tolerated in our land.

A significant paragraph occurred in the daily press in connection with Alderman Kelly's effort. It read: "There were startled cries of 'Oh!' when Mr. Kelly said that many M.P.s might be prosecuted under the (present) Acts for attending spiritualist meetings."

**Startling drink figures** have been given by Angus Watson. He shews that on an average we are spending £35 yearly per family on stimulants—a sum sufficient to provide an income of £400 per year for every person unemployed in this country. Here are items to ponder over.

"Industry is suffering because of the burden of heavy taxation, and, as business men supporting a temperance organisation, we intend to reiterate the fact that it is impossible for any real or continued prosperity to come to the nation while this wasteful expenditure continues. We spend—

£42,000,000	on the Army
£60,000,000	on the Navy
£41,000,000	on Education
£84,000,000	on Health and Insurance
£88,000,000	on Milk
£79,000,000	on Bread, and
£298,000,000	on Drink."

—and we would add, something like £300,000,000 on tobacco, and £500,000,000 on movies that would have shamed pagan Rome

**W. E. Gladstone** once uttered weighty words on the necessity of practical preaching. The "Joyful News" has recently reproduced them

The great Victorian statesman said "The class of sermons which I think are most needed are the class which offended Lord Melbourne long ago Lord Melbourne was once seen coming from church in the country in a mighty fume Finding a friend, he exclaimed, 'It's too bad I have always been a supporter of the Church, and I have always upheld the clergy, but it is really too bad to have to listen to a sermon like that which we have had this morning The preacher actually insisted upon applying religion to a man's private life'"

**Russia's madness** is shewn in the paragraph given below It seems almost impossible that a son should parade the atheism commanded by his government by renouncing his father But here it is

"The Bolshevik paper in Kiev, 'Proletarskaya Pravda'

('Proletarian Truth'), reprints letters from some of the ungodly, who disown their parents The son of priest D Motshugovsky declares, 'My father being the servant of a religious cult, I, his son, D P Motshugovsky, with new social ideas, absolutely refuse the injurious ideas of my father, which in fact I did already two years ago But now, before all the working people, I renounce my father for ever'"

**A new life of Whitefield** has just been issued It reveals him as a brave and outspoken man Here is a letter of Mr Whitefield sent to one who had invited him to his house

"I know not what to say about coming to your house For, I am told, you and your wife are dilatory, and that you do not rise sometimes till nine or ten in the morning This will never do for us, and I am persuaded such conduct tends much to the dishonour of God and to the prejudice of your own precious soul Labour, therefore my dear brother, to get an abiding presence of God in your heart Be not slothful in business Go to bed seasonably and rise early Redeem your precious time, be much in secret prayer Converse less with man and more with God Accept this advice, given in great love"

## Echoes of the First Christmas

### Converts—Baptisms—Special Efforts—Campaigns—Missionary Meetings

#### BARKING BELIEVERS BAPTISED.

**Barking** (Pastor W A Nolan) On a recent Thursday, a baptismal service, the first of its kind, was held here A tank covered with moss and beautifully decorated with flowers was erected on the platform for the occasion

Pastor Nolan gave a very striking address on the baptismal service recorded in Acts viii,

and made the Scriptures quite clear regarding obeying the Lord in this way The thirty-eight candidates then gave a personal testimony, confessing their faith in the Lord Jesus Christ Each candidate before passing through the waters, received a promise from God's Word

A spirit of praise and thanksgiving was prominent throughout the whole service as these fellow-members identified themselves in burial with Christ and resurrection in newness of life At the close of the meeting many more signified their desire to follow the Lord in this way at the next opportunity

#### DEEP SPIRITUAL BLESSING.

**Watford** (Pastor J Naylor) The saints meeting in the Elm Hall, St Albans Road, are rejoicing in the fullness of the blessing of Christ The breaking-of-bread services are times of deep spiritual blessing Week by week sees surrender to Christ, while on Sunday evenings, when the sick are prayed for, the Lord's hand is stretched forth Recently one testified to deliverance from consumption and another from rheumatism

#### BAPTISMAL SERVICE AT ILFORD.

**Ilford** (Miss Kennedy and Miss Hawes) On a recent Thursday evening the Elm Foursquare Gospel Church at Ilford witnessed its first baptismal service, when a happy and enjoyable time was spent in the Lord's presence Although the Ilford Hall has no baptistery of its own, Miss Kennedy arranged that the baptism of the candidates should take place in Ilford, and accordingly a tank with its accompanying fittings was erected on the platform, the whole being tastefully decorated Pastor E C W Boulton, after giving a short address on the correct relationship between salvation and water baptism, pointed out that we are not baptised to be saved, but are saved to be baptised He then baptised the candidates twenty in number, giving to each a promise from the Grand Old Book, the ceremony taking place amid much rejoicing by the members of the assembly This service proved indeed that water baptism is a testimony to the outside world, for quite a number of strangers were present In response to an appeal for further candidates, nine expressed their willingness to go through the waters of baptism at the next opportunity Praise the Lord

#### HADLEIGH CAMPAIGN.

**Hadleigh, Essex** (Pastor Hurrell) Pastor and Mrs Charles Kingston concluded on Sunday, November 30th a fortnight's

revival campaign in Hadleigh, Essex This was especially a revival meeting in the real sense of the word, as the Christians were blessed and stirred to deeper experiences in God The theme of the meetings seemed to be the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and several waiting meetings were held when the old-fashioned power descended and caused every heart to rejoice

#### BAPTISMS AT BOURNEMOUTH.

**Bournemouth** (Pastor W Field) Times of revival blessing continue to be the portion of the saints at Springbourne

On a recent Sunday, a blessed message was given by the Pastor, in the power of the Spirit, his subject being "The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse" God's Spirit rested on the meeting, and at the close when the appeal was given, two men and one woman yielded to the Lord Then on two recent Thursdays he has dealt with the subject of "Barriers to Believers" and truly God's people have been much edified

The breaking-of-bread services are still very precious, when the spiritual gifts are blessedly manifested, and at the prayer meetings held on alternate Mondays many of God's people have been baptised with the Holy Ghost, according to His Word

The crowning day of all was the occasion of a baptismal and missionary farewell service, when Miss Hoskins, one of the Crusaders, who on 8th January (D V) sails for Japan, passed on a message prior to the baptismal service She related how God had saved her, and in a most blessed way called her for His service

The Pastor then conducted the baptismal service Prior to their immersion each candidate gave their testimony of salvation, and each one was given a promise from God's Word Seventeen passed through the waters of baptism, making a total of thirty-nine in seven weeks Great reverence prevailed throughout the whole service, and at the close a number signified their desire to follow the Lord through the waters of baptism at the next opportunity

#### WATFORD VISITS HENDON

**Hendon** (Pastor H W Fardell) On a recent Wednesday a very happy and blessed time was spent at the Hendon assembly, when the Crusaders and friends from Watford visited them, and the young people conducted the meeting

Two sisters gave their testimony, telling of all the Lord had done for them A brother rendered an appealing solo, entitled "Calvary" A sister and brother each gave a message from the Word of God One must have been fully convinced that these young people have found real satisfaction in Jesus, by the word of their testimony The bright singing of hymns and choruses also proved their great joy in serving the Lord, and our prayer is, that God will continue to use these bands of young people in His service

We praise the Lord for the way in which He is still richly blessing the work in this corner of His vineyard



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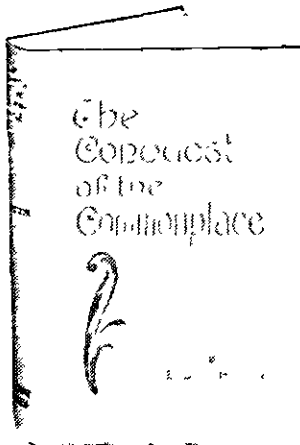
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