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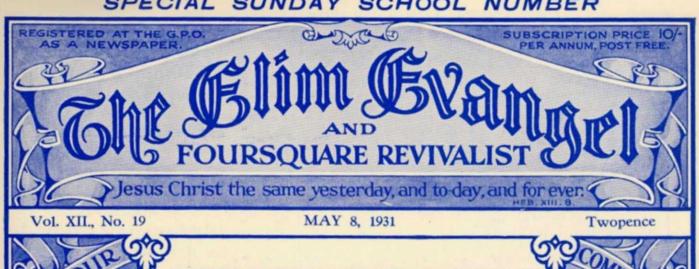
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and Revival Party's GREAT

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commences

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WATCH THESE DATES

BOURNEMOUTH. May 23—28. Special Whitsuntide Convention in the Tabernacle, Victoria Park Road, Winton. Speakers: Pastor Jeays (U.S.A.), and Rev. L. T. Pearson (Meopham). Convener: Pastor E. Blackman. For accommodation write Miss C. May, "Felsham," Ashton Road, Moordown, Bournemouth.

EAST HAM. May 31. Elim Tabernacle, Central Park Road. Visit of London Crusader Choir, 6.30, accompanied by Pastor

E. J. Phillips.

ISLINGTON. Now in progress. Elim Tabernacle, Fowler Road. Evangelistic campaign by Pastor John Hewitt of South Africa

KENSINGTON, London. Every Sunday at 3 and 6.30 in the Kensington Town Hall. Pastor P. N. Corry (Dean of Elim Bible College). May 3. Visit of London Crusader Choir.

LEDBURY. May 3.—17. Mission Hall, Bye Street. Campaign by Principal P. G. Parker.

LEEDS. Principal George Jeffreys and the Revival Party open the new Foursquare Gospel Tabernacle on Saturday. May 30th. Full particulars from Pastor T. H. Jewitt, 11, Spencer Place, Leeds.

LONDON, Fridays, April 24—May 8. Welsh Tabernacle, Pentonville Road, King's Cross. Foursquare Gospel Rally,

Conducted by Pastor John Hewitt.

LONDON. May 23 (Saturday). Second Elim Crusader

Ramble. Full particulars later.
SOUTHAMPTON. May 24, 25. **SOUTHAMPTON.** May 24, 25. Elim Tabernacle, Park Road, Freemantle. Whitsuntide Convention (11, 3 and 6.30 each day). Speakers include Pastors W. Henderson, W. G. Hathaway, and John Hewitt.

This space is reserved for local announcements

ANNUAL LONDON

Whitsuntide Convention

WHIT-SUNDAY, MAY 24th, to FRIDAY, MAY 29th

Services simultaneously at Elim Tabernacle, Central Park Road, East Ham, and Elim Tabernacle, Park Crescent, Clapham.

Whit-Sunday, I1 and 6.30.

Whit-Monday, 11, 3 and 6.30. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 7.30.

Closing Rally at Welsh Tabernacle, Pentonville Road, King's Cross, on Friday, at 7.30.

Services at Elim Woodlands every morning - from Tuesday to Friday inclusive.

Speakers include: Pastors R. Mercer, H. T. D. Stoneham, P. H. Hulbert, S. Gorman, and H. Kitching

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Pastors and Superintendents Talk

Some Frank and Friendly Suggestions

THE PASTORS ON

" What I would like My Superintendent to be "

A MAN OF PRAYER.

FIRST of all, I would like my superintendent to be a man of prayer

2 To be a man of faith, ready to tackle prob-

lems that are difficult

3 He should be a man of courage and conviction, with opinions, and arguments to bolster up those opinions

4 He should be a man of a loving heart with keen sympathies for young people, understanding their problems, and trying to get their point of view

5 He should be a man of cordial spirit and pleas-

ing personality

6 He should have the evangelistic attitude, on the look-out for those who might be brought to a confession of faith in Christ

7 He should be a man who appreciates his task, who sees its bigness, and earnestly endeavours to

accomplish it

8 Of course, he should be a man who knows the Bible, and is able to present its lessons in summary with clearness

SEEKING FIRST THE KINGDOM.

As a pastor I would have my superintendent to be

1 One who makes the kingdom first in his life

2 One who has a spiritual conception of the purpose of the Sunday school

3 One who has a knowledge of modern methods

in organising and conducting his school

4. One who is optimistic, and not much given to

5 One who insists that the Sunday school contributes to the public worship of the church

ALERT, OPEN-MINDED, ENERGETIC.

I would like a superintendent to be alert, openminded, energetic, and with a true sense of spiritual values. He must be a leader and an inspirer of people, not a driver. He must realise that it takes real administrative work to run a Sunday school. He must keep abreast with the best methods being used in successful schools. And he must never believe that he is elected to his position for the term of his natural life and for good behaviour.

My Sunday school superintendent must have a real knowledge of his Bible what religious education is, and must be one who makes an earnest effort to put into his life the truths his school tries to put into

the lives of the pupils

GENUINELY LOYAL.

First of all, he should be a man of patience, tact, tenderness, courtesy, good judgment, humility, and deep spirituality.

Second, he should know his Bible, believe whole-heartedly in it, and live obedient to it as being the very Word of God and of *final* authority

Third, he should be a man of genuine loyalty—

- 1 To me as his pastor, who, as an ordained minister of the church, is, and should be recognised as, the official head of the church
- 2 As a co-worker with me, he should be one with whom I could always counsel, and upon whose sympathy and co-operation I could always tely
- 3 That he should be loyal to the church itself, realising that the Sunday school is not independent of, but merely a department of, the church, and can serve best when it considers and furthers the interests of the church as a whole
- 4 That he constantly seek to impress upon his assistants and teachers and scholars the importance of their attendance upon the sanctuary services, and their support of the church's financial and other programmes
- 5 That in order to unify and not dissipate their resources, he sees to it that the budget of the Sunday school and organised classes is such as to further and not hinder the success of the budget of the church

And finally, through all he says and plans and does, he should impress his associates that their supreme concern should be soul-saving and Christian character building

A CHRIST-LIKE PERSONALITY.

I would like to see the same qualities he now possesses developed to their utmost efficiency.

1 Personality—The foremost quality is a Christ-like personality that brightens every session of the school. It warms the friendship among teachers and pupils and attracts strangers. Bunyan calls this Great Heart, the gift of the Spirit.

2 Intelligence—This radiant personality is strengthened by intelligence sufficient to interpret the Bible and to understand the religious needs of others. This mental keenness will seize and discriminatingly employ the best methods of Sunday school work.

3 Executive Ability—It follows that the superintendent possesses executive ability—That is, he understands picking the right person for the right place, tactfully working with him, keeping, so far as in him lies, his interest up to the burning point. The assembly is planned and conducted in a summery atmosphere attractive alike to old and young

4 Pastoral Spirit —Nor is the work of the superintendent confined alone to the schoolroom. He has the pastoral spirit. His big heart leads him from home to home up to the limit of his ability and then delegates the same service to officers and teachers. One by one the pupils are led to Christ and the pastor is presented with these firstfruits of the Spirit. Church attendance and church membership are neverfading goals. Pastor and superintendent are pals.

They have perfect confidence in each other and are united in prayer as touching the one thing of bringing the school into fellowship with Christ in the public worship of the sanctuary. They are labourers together with God

THE SUPERINTENDENTS ON

"WHAT I WOULD LIKE MY PASTOR TO BE"
WORKING WITH HIS SUPERINTENDENT.

I would like to know above all things

That there is one hundred per cent co-operation. That should there be opening exercises by the different departments be will feel perfectly welcome and will make it a point to visit in the various departments and not seat himself in a men's class and stay there.

That he would make it a point to attend the teachers' meetings as often as possible and take point in the discussion freely, so as to know about the different plans and to be able to assist as far as his time will permit

That he would be on the look-out for teaching material and help me to get in touch with the prospects, or failing to communicate with me, would communicate with the various departmental superinterdents.

FURNISHED BY THE WORD OF GOD

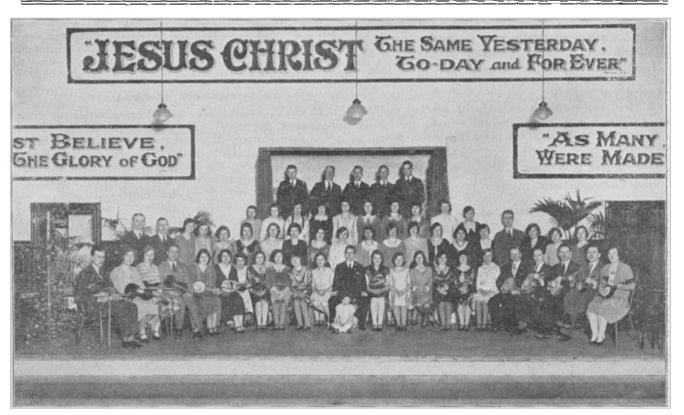
My ideal pastor must be a man of God rather than a man's man, one who is thoroughly outfitted by the Word of God, which is able to do that

He should feel as much responsibility for the Sunday school as for the moining service or the prayer-meetings, should plan with me for the highest attainments of the school, should keep the Sunday school before the whole congregation as the best means of development through Bible study, should visit candidates for church numbership

He should set, and endeavour to maintain, high standards of spirituality—of other-worldiness rather than of worldiness—among the teachers and officers, that they may help in maintaining that among the members

I do not want him to teach a class for that would prohibit his doing other things during the school session that are more important for him—such as regular visits to the different classes and departments, no better service than this could be rendered, if it is not a "pop" call. I do not want him to break into a programme that has been carefully prepared. I do not want him to use the Sunday school as an advertising medium, or as a dumping ground, I have known of schools that suffered that way.

If every home and every person in the congregation is to be reached, the assistance and co-operation



ELIM SUNDAY SCHOOL CHOIR IN IRELAND

The innuit Sunday school gatherings of two Elim Tabernacles in Belfast will long be remembered. Principal Georgi Jeffreys and Revival Porty were present for this inniversary. The Tabernacles were picked and the respective Superintindents, Mr. John Bell in Ravenhill Road, and Mr. Twinem in Melbourne Street, conducted the services in a manner that brought glory to God and incidentally much credit for achievement to themselves. The above picture of the Sunday School Choir, under the able leadership of Mr. John Bell, was snapped on the spacious platform at Elim Tabernacle, Ravenhill Road.

of the pastor is absolutely necessary, for he has access to homes, to officers, to adults, enjoyed by no one else

My ideal pastor realises the immense opportunity for personal evangelism that is offered by the Sunday school, and that hand-picked fruit is far more valuable than that which is shaken from the tree. He realises that those won to Christ in their early years make the finest Christians in the world, therefore he is on the watch for every opportunity to get in touch with the young, and win them before they have been soiled

IN TOUCH WITH TEACHERS AND SCHOLARS.

I would like to have our pastor

1 Present every Sunday at school

2 Not teaching a class regularly, but visiting the several classes—tactfully helping individual teachers, getting in close touch with individual members, helping the superintendent to know better the faithfulness and efficiency of his corps of teachers

3 Meet groups of teachers or scholars outside of school hours to stimulate closer acquaintance and

mutual, loving esteem

4. Have occasional services during preaching hour,

at which special provision is made for school

- 5 At least once a year, perhaps during February and March, have a class for prospective church members, to acquaint them with the plan of salvation, and duties of church members
- 6 Make home calls on prospective church members from school
- 7. At close of each school service, have three to five minutes to unify, re-enforce, and spiritualise the teaching of lesson for the day. Then dismiss school

8 Would like to have our pastor advise me as to how I can make our school bigger and better

INTERESTED IN THE CHILDREN

I would like him

- 1 To be really interested in children and young people of the Sunday school and willing to associate with them in order that they may love and respect him
- 2 To visit promptly all new families that become members of the Sunday school The Sunday school generally reaches the newcomers in a community before the church does. This type of visitation will give him a large list of prospective members to work on
- 3 To deliver an interesting sermonette for children each Sunday morning at the service

To instruct a special class of boys and girls who are not Christians but may be interested in knowing what is required of them to become a Christian and the benefits that come from living a Christian life

5 To let the superintendent and his teachers really run the Sunday school. A great many times a minister wishes to take the lead in a school and in a great many cases hinders the success of the school.

SUPPORTING THE SCHOOL BY PRAYER.

I desire as my pastor one who takes a constant interest in the Sunday school and who attends its sessions often enough to be known to the members of each department

Also I would like my pastor to mention the Sunday

school from the pulpit

He should keep the Sunday school in his heart and prayers, and co-operate with its officers and teachers in all things that tend to develop and improve it.

CONSULTANT AND HELPER

Being commander-in-chief (so to speak) of the whole church, the pastor should be greatly interested in the work of the Sunday school, as this is the teaching body of the church, and should co-operate fully with the superintendent, giving him the benefit of his experience

He should be ever ready to offer suggestions that would improve the work or make it more effective.

He should be interested in the children of the Sunday school and by his friendly manner with them cause them to feel at home and want to attend his Sunday school

He should keep in close touch with the plans and programmes of the Sunday school, attend the most important meetings and thus steer the work in the right direction

He should keep in close touch with the children who have reached the age when they should make a decision accepting the Lord Jesus Christ, and assure himself through personal contact or through the teacher that they are given proper instructions along this line

He should select a man as superintendent of the Sunday school in whom he has implicit faith and the utmost confidence.

He should never be dictatorial or try to run the Sunday school according to any set ideas that he might have

His duty to the Sunday school should be very largely that of consultation and co-operation—Sel.

A Yearly Survey of Soul-Winning

Too often we overlook, in the pursuit of attendance records and efficiency campaigns, the only commission that the Lord Jesus left for His Church, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark xvi 15) The author calls for a greater emphasis on this, the principal object of all church and Sunday school work

E have campaigns for membership, contests to build up average attendance, teacher-training conferences to better the educational capabilities, but we are sometimes likely to lose

sight of the real basic purpose of the Sunday school in our enthusiasm for a perfect working machinery.

Do you ever take stock to find out what percentage of your pupils is won for the kingdom each year?

Do you know how many of your teachers have a definite programme looking toward

THE WINNING OF EACH PUPIL

in their care to Christ? Do you know if every teacher is herself a Christianising influence? Do you know if each of your department superintendents has a passion for souls? Do they care if their teachers are concerned about building up Christian character, or are they more concerned about the fact that each pupil is finishing the required number of memory verses in the specified time or covering the correct amount of Bible facts in record time?

Have you a yearly programme that takes account of the actual development of Christian advancement in the student body?

If you have been lax about these things, why not make this the subject of your next general survey. Find out where you stand as a school, find out where each teacher and each officer stands. If you have teachers or superintendents of departments who have no heart for this phase of the work, change where you can; where you cannot make a change in personnel, work and pray hard for a change of heart in those you must retain

Unless the great majority of your pupils are making advancement in Christian development your school is failing in its real purpose, no matter if you are the largest school in town, have the largest average attendance, and can graduate each pupil, knowing that he has completed a satisfactory course for the year

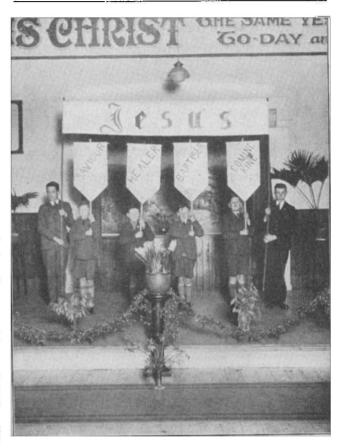
I know of a teacher in a large school who taught for several years—the most

PRECIOUS FORMATIVE YEARS

good times together They learned much Bible lore They discussed many moral facts with zest and vim Yet that teacher made this statement "I never mention the name of God or Jesus, never speak of heaven or hell or prayer to my boys. It is a sure way to scare them away from Sunday school." After four years of teaching only nine out of the twenty-five boys in that class were members of the church, and they were such before this teacher took charge of them. After four years of teaching, he could not point to one young soul in his class won for Christ

—among sixteen boys right at the age when choices are so easily made for life

Did this man's superintendent know the kind of teaching he was doing? If not, why not? If he did, why was he not concerned about it? It must have been that he was so filled with the thought of building up a big school and about other material things that he had lost sight of the real purpose of his school, or else he did not care, or was simply careless. How about you?—JES



FOURSQUARE GOSPEL REPRESENTED.

There was overwhelming enthusiasm as these Ravenhill scholars illustrated the Loursquare Gospel message

Winning your Class for Christ

How I got Attention and Decisions.

Y class of seven boys, from ten to thirteeen, kept the worst order imaginable, but I was patient for two reasons—first, because I had to be; second, because I remembered thirty-five years back when I was thirteen and thought of Sunday school as a place to have a good time in The first Sunday I had this class, a Sunday in February,

TWO OF THE BOYS

had an altercation during the lesson which developed into a rough-and-tumble on the floor. I stopped that, but I had to let a great deal go

I got their attention that first Sunday when I told

By a Canadian Teacher

them how I had lost my thirteen-year-old Archie last September. They listened while I told how Archie came to his grandmother when he was seven and asked, "Grannie, how can I be sure that if I die I would go to heaven?

"Well, Archie," she replied, "if your father or your modici took a present from the Christmas tree and said it was for you, what would you do with it?"

"Why, I'd take it, Crannic," he answered, beaming

"Well, Archie, Jesus is God's gift to us as our Saviour, isn't He?"

"Yes, Grannie"

"Would you like to

TAKE HIM AS YOUR SAVIOUR,

Archie? "

"I would, Grannie," he said eagerly

. Then well kneel down, Archie, his grandmother said, "and we'll tell God you take Jesus as your Saviour" They knelt and repeated, "O God, I take Jesus as my Saviour now and for always. Amen "

"Now, Archie," said his grandmother, "after your father or your mother has given you a present from the Christmas tree, and you have taken it, what do you say to them?"

"Why, I say, 'Thank you,' Grannie," was his

prompt response.

"We'll kneel down again then, Archie, and you will say, 'Thank you' to God for the gift of Jesus as your Saviour, which God has given and you have

They knelt again, and Archie said, "Thank you," to his heavenly Father

"He left me with a shining face," his grandmother told me later. "saying 'Jesus is mine, and I am His.' "

I wanted to win every one of those boys for Christ, and I knew my time with them might be short, as I was likely to leave S- soon After a few Sundays' teaching I wrote the following on seven dated slips of paper, "Dear Jesus, take me, and break me, and make me" At the close of the lesson I handed a slip to each of the six present, explained it, and told them that if they wished to accept the Lord Jesus as their Saviour they should sign their names at home, after thinking it over very carefully The biggest boy,

looking me straight in the eyes, said heartily, "But I'm ready to sign mine now "

"All right, John, I'm glad to have you sign it now, if you have made up your mind," I said.

He signed, and each of the other five signed. I dared not check their readiness to follow John's lead.

Two new boys were in my class the next Sunday. At the close of the lesson I gave each of them a slip of paper with the same words, "Dear Jesus, take me, break me, and make me" I explained that the "breaking" was the "breaking in" necessary for horses, not "breaking" in a damaging way, which they understood easily When I asked them if they did not want to accept Christ as their Saviour, they said they did, and both signed their little shps and handed them back to me Two Sundays later another new boy came, also one of my original seven who had been out of the class for several weeks. Before Sunday school

ONE OF MY OTHER BOYS

came to me and asked, "Will you let those other boys sign, too? "

"Yes, if they wish to," I answered heartily.

Again both boys signed their deed of gift of themselves to their Saviour The next Sunday I explained the Day School Gospel League's scheme of systematic Bible reading, shewed them a League Gospel with its questions, and gave them each a card to examine. Four signed the cards But now, after my few Sundays with them, I've had to leave S- And my boys?-But the One who gave me the privilege of building a few bricks into those precious ten lives has His own plans for their future building.

The Bleeding Lamb



Bible Study Helps

THE SAINT'S INCOMPARABLE PLACES.

1 The feet of Jesus-place of teaching (Rev 1 17, Deut xxx111 3, Luke xx 39).

2 The footprints of Jesus—place of safety (I Peter in 21, John x 4, I Thess. in 6; John xii 26)

3 The hand of Jesus—place of direction (Deut xxxiii 3, Isaiah xli 13, Song of

4 Between His shoulders-place strength (Deut xxxm 12, Exodus xxv 12;

(Mart xi 2) 5 to walk before the Lord—place of liberty (Gen xvii 1, Gen xlviii. 15, I.

Kings ii 4) 6 To walk with the I ord-place of agree-

ment (Gen v 24, Mark xvi 20, Amos in-

7 The bosom of Jesus—place of love (John xiii 23, Exodus xxviii 29)

THE SIN OF UNBELIEF.

Displeases God the Father

Dishonours Jesus Christ the Son

Despises the Holy Spirit of grace. Disregards the Holy Word of God

Disparages and defeats the work of God.

Delights the Devil and demons Defeats, destroys and damns the soul

Sunday School Anniversary in Belfast

HE annual Sunday school children's treat held in Belfast on March 20th was a time never to be forgotten by those who were present Principal George Jestreys was there to present the prizes to the scholars





MR JOHN BELL

From the inception of Elim Sunday school work in Belfast this young stalwart has put heart and soul into the work of training the children, and is beloved and revered by one anuall



When he arrived at seven o'clock the children, there were hundreds of them, were having a great tea. Such a happy crowd of Irish kiddies having the time of their young lives. Where there are hundreds of Foursquare Gospel youngsters gathered together you may be sure there will be plenty of enthusiasm and noise, and so it proved to be on this night, looked forward to by them for weeks. By

the happiness which prevailed one coult say that the excellent tea was proving to be a huge success

Following this came a delightful programme of music in which the scholars and their able teachers took part. The Tabernacle was simply packed to the doors, the crowd overflowing into the minor hall. Paster Hilliard was elected to the chair, and he received an enthusiastic reception. The children did their parts to perfection, each item being applauded and cheered very generously by the appreciative audience. To hear the little ones and the older ones recite and sing so well was indeed a treat. To bring this thoroughly enjoyable programme to a close the Sunday school teachers sang a choir piece which was much enjoyed.

The chauman then called upon Principal Jeffreys to present the numerous prizes to those who had so deservedly earned them during the past year. As each little one, on hearing his or her name called, came forward, they received cheer upon cheer. The prize-giving was a time of much excitement on the part of the children, for by now they were prepared to cheer till they were tired. The last prize being given, the Principal called for silence and then he asked for three cheers to be given for the Sunday school superintendent, the pastor in charge of the work at the Tabelnacle, and Pastor Joseph Smith, Divisional Superintendent of the Irish Division, Needless to say they were given with heartiness

The Principal then closed with prayer, bringing to an end an evening which had been one long round of joy and happiness

Concise Comments & Interesting Items

The unheaval in Spain is another indication of the times in which we live. Alfonso has been expelled as King from his land. The voice of the people demanded it. The wisdom of the King yielded to it. The fact that strikes us most is that immediately after the Republic was set up religious liberty was granted to all seets. Hitherto Roman Catholicism had reigned with a rigid hand. Protest int missions were the objects of contempt and persecution. We trust that a new period of sprittual opportunity is coming to Spain. Let us priv for a great revival of the work of the Lord in that land.

Pentecostal work in Italy is moving ahead. In a Belfist paper there recently appeared in article by Stefano I Test a Protestant missionary who visited Italy. He said

"In Rome I visited a great congregation of Pentecostalists, packed like surdines in in ill-ventilated sub-cellar, like a cutacomb excavated under a building. Seven baptisms took place that night in my presence. One of the converts there was an engineer who last

year rebuilt the campanile of the Catholic Church of St Lorenzo and collected the money for the work among his friends Some of these congregations in Sicily march to the brook near their towns, singing hymns, to baptise their new converts"

A new thought to most of us is given in the American "Overcomer" Mrs. Clark says

"Sixteen centuries before Christ, Moses wro e, 'The life of the flesh is in the blood' Not in the schools of Egypt did Moses learn this fact, but in the school of God, and now after thousands of years has human knowledge caught up with this fact, which is heralded as a great discovery. In 'The Reason Why,' page 185, J Scott, scientist, says, 'This is a very wonderful fact—that dead matter which but a little while ago was being ground by the teeth, softened by the saliva, and dissolved by the gastric juice and bile, has now acquired life. No one knows the moment when it begin to live, but somewhere between the stomach and the lungs, it has by one or all of the processes been changed from a dead to a

living state, and now forms part of the vital fluid of the system'"

Universal air-mindedness is the worldwide symptom to which a recent writer has called attention Every nation is constructing great neroplane fleets. It is stated that the Soviet Government has just received "ten miracle allmetal planes with a cruising speed of 220 miles an hour, capable of quich turns and the most difficult manœuvres " They are intended for military service, and will be mounted with four machineguns and manned by three men each It is a remarkable thing that at the same time the world is specially turning its attention to the air the Christian Church is doing the same-one, however, in connection with the coming of Antichrist and the other in connection with the coming of Christ

The Bible and the Newspaper is the subject of an intensely interesting article by E E Herchell in the "Christian Herald" Here is one extract about Russia

"The Red Army of Russia is the largest military unit in Europe The standing army is estimated at 1,500,000

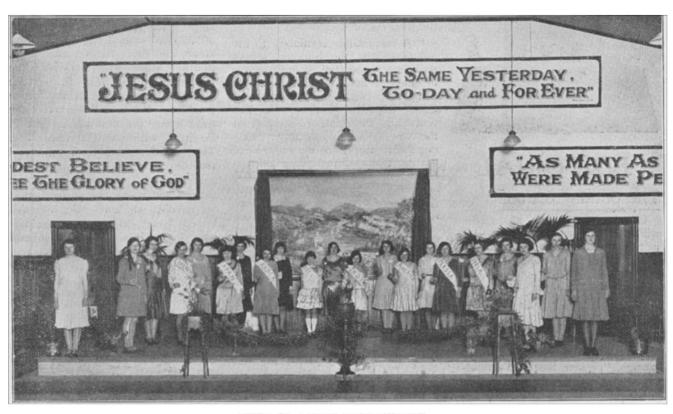
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men 'At an emergency 8,000,000 men could be put into the field " Never before his there been such a ripid increase in the manufacture of various Why so, if a deadly weapons of war

lasting world peace is to be ours? Preparations for aerial warfare are advancing by leaps and bounds in almost every nation. Attacking arplanes can now fly through clouds, guided to their

objective by wireless, and, their aim guided by wireless intersection, bomb in unseen city. The total weight of bombs dropped in the list war could now be dropped in twenty-four hours '"



FOREIGN LANDS REPRESENTED.

These scholars of Ravenhill gave an illustrated sermon on the foreign missionary work, and created a profound impression upon the big congregation

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We are giving a prize every month for the best answers

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 eard to Puzzle Edwar, Elim Publishing Co., Ltd., Park Crescent, Clapham, S.W.4

GOSPEL NAME SYLLABLES. Below are the numes of eight persons mentioned in Luke 1 5-63 in connection with the birth of the Son of God into the world-divided into syllables and mixed up A syllable may be used more than once if necessiry

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Write out the eight names on your postcard, in the order of their first mention in the pissage given

Solutions should arrive by first post, Monday, May 11th

Answer to April 24th Acrostic

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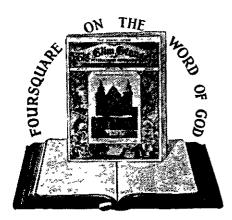
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Prize-winner for April. Wilter Elcock, 14 Mill Lane, Romsey, Hants, to whom we are sending a copy of the I ife of Griffith John, the veteran missionary to China Special Mention Stella Cliff, Arthur G. North

Why do we fail?

"Where is your faith?" Is it centred in ourselves or in Him? Why do we so frequently fail? How is it that we so often find ourselves defeated rather than victorious? Why do our heads hang down when they should be lifted up in praise and thanksgiving. The answer to all this is found in Matthew xvii 20, " Because of your unbelief" Herein lies the reason why so many believers are burdened with undue anxiety, occupied with their trials and difficulties, continually worrying over the little things of life

If our faith is centred in ourselves, we shall inevitably fail, but if it is well-grounded in Him, we shall rise triumphantly over the stormy seas of our trying circumstances



EDITORIAL

The Sunday School.

Our present issue, as readers will observe, is devoted to the subject of Sunday school work value of the child as the future citizen and church member has been vividly brought before our minds by the attempts of the various sections of the community, religious and otherwise, to gain the ears of the children in their The words of the tender age Master, "Suffer the little children to come unto Me and forbid them not, for of such is the kingdom of heaven," are ever before us in this great Foursquare movement, and we rejoice to hear of ever-growing Sunday schools in Elim churches

It has been said that eighty per cent of those who become church members in adult age were at one time. Sunday school scholars Robert Raikes, whose name is well to the fore as a pioneer of Sunday school achievement, gave up his attempts to reform adult criminals, and turned his attention to the ragged children of the streets, with obvious results.

The Sunday school worker is sowing for the future rather than the present, and a text which every one should note is "Cast thy bread upon the waters, and it shall return unto thee after many days". This is blessedly true of the work among the young, the seed sown may go into death for a period, but a word spoken for the Master, a Gospel address, a Gospel song, may bring it forth again in triumphant resurrection to the salvation of the individual

A Judge's Tribute.

THE following, culled from a contemporary, is an indication of the value placed upon Sunday school work by those in a position to see and measure its results. It speaks for itself—

"A remarkable testimony to the influence that the Sunday school exercises upon the young people of America has just been given by Judge Fawcett, of the New York State Supreme Court He has written to the general secretary of the New York Bible Society ' Permit me to state that my experience during twenty-three years on the bench, in which time over 4,000 boys under the age of twenty-one years were convicted of crime before me, of whom but three were members of a Sunday school, has satisfied me of the value of Sabbath schools to the community in helping to safeguard it, to the extent to which Sabbath schools exist, from the growth of crime In fact, I regard our Sabbath schools as the only effective means to stem the rising tide of vice and crime among our youth ' ''

Getting to the Heart.

If we are to live beautiful Christian lives then we must get to the heart of our life. Surface troubles are simply the expression of heart troubles. We may make great efforts to overcome ill-temper, worry, quick judgment, evil speaking, and so forth, and yet be disappointed again and again. But if we seek the fulness of the Spirit of Christ, then these things

will vanish without effort Recently we were trying to dig out the stump of an old gate There was one big stone wedging that stump in so tightly that we could make no progress We worked at that stone for a long time, with no re-Then we discovered that another stone was wedging the first stone, and then, further away still, another stone was wedging the first two stones The third stone was really the cause of the whole When we removed the third stone the first moved easily So it is with our Christian life That which seems to be the real trouble may be occasioned by something far deeper. It is not temper and worry and so forth that we need to cut out Get the evil human heart displaced by the fulness of the Spirit of Christ and then the stones of wickedness will be immediately displaced

Go on!

The following verses were found in a "Lord's Portion" envelope, along with an offering unto the Lord, in the offertory at Elim Tabernacle, Clapham We pass them on, so that our readers may benefit by the gems of truth

If the Saviour's won your heart,
And for heaven you've made a stirt,
Keep your eye upon the chart,
And—Go on'

Buy the truth and sell it not, Hold for God the bit you've got, Be content, whate'er your lot, And—Go on'

"And they brought young children to Him, that He should touch them. and His disciples rebuked those that brought them. But when Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and said unto them, Suffer the little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of God. Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the Kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not enter therein. And He took them up in His arms, put His hands upon them, and blessed them '—Mark x. 13-16.

"Is it Well with the Child?"

By Principal PERCY G. PARKER (of the Christian Workers' Bible Correspondence School)

Is it well with thee? is it well with thy husband? is it well with the child?—II. Kings iv 26

WISH to recall to you the memory of a Shunammite mother. She lived in the beautifully situated village of Shunem, fifty-three miles north of Jerusalem, eight miles from Tabor, and a few miles from Jezreel Her home was an exceptional home, for one of the little rooms in her home was called

THE PROPHET'S CHAMBER.

In this room were placed a small bed, a table, a stool and a candlestick. Whenever Elisha the prophet passed that way he could enter into his room and rest. In return for the woman's great kindness Elisha

prayed for her and she received a little son

One day when the child was grown he said, "I'm going to see father, out in the harvest fields" The mother said, "All right," and away he went sun was scorching; blazing down upon the reapers Suddenly the lad startled his father. He cried out, "Oh, father, my head, my head!" Then the father knew that his boy had sunstroke He did a wise thing he immediately said to another lad, "Carry my boy home to his mother " The mother received him, nursed him upon her knees till noon, when suddenly he died

The mother was grief-stricken, but she did not shut herself away with her grief She remembered that Elisha was away on the mountain of Carmel, and she thought, "His prayer brought this child to me, surely his prayer can bring my child to life again" So she lay the dead child on the prophet's bed, and then hurried across the plain in great haste to Elisha Elisha saw someone approaching turned to his old servant Gehazi, and said, "Yonder comes the Shunammite woman, run and meet her and say, 'Is it well with thee' is it well with thy husband' is it well with the child' '" Gehazi obeyed. He met the hurrying woman, and shouted out, "Is it well with thee? Is it well with thy husband? is it well with the child?" She shouted back, as she hurried by, "It is well" Notice, she told a lie, for it was not well

SHE HURRIED TO ELISHA,

sobbed out her story Her lad was dead said, "I will send Gehazi my servant to him " The mother said, "I want you," and she would not rest till he came with her He came, went in to the lad, lay upon him, put his mouth to his mouth, and his eyes upon his eyes, and his hands upon his hands. and the flesh of the child waxed warm Elisha desisted for a time, then repeated the performance, and, lo, the child's mouth moved, the eyes opened, the hands twitched, the child sneezed, and the mother knew that her child who was dead was alive again

I wish to ask you to notice a few facts

1 The mother told an untiuth concerning her child Gehazi, the servant came asking, " Is it well with the child?" The mother immediately replied, "It is well." She was telling a lie. It was not well with the child, for the child was dead to-day many parents doing the same thing are saying it is well with the child, when all the time it is completely wrong. I would like to suggest that it is not well with the child if parents are not teaching their children to love God. My heart aches for the child who has parents who are neglecting to teach it about the love of God My heart aches because I know such children are not having a fair chance I owe everything, under God, to parents who taught me

FROM EARLIEST CHILDHOOD

When I was a youth I wrote these to love Him They will just shew you how much I owe to my parents

> My mother set a tiny seed, Within my infant heart And morn and night would humbly plead That God would life impart

The pastor saw that little seed, And watered it with care, He would foresee its every need, And nourishment prepare

God saw that tiny seedlet too, And in His wondrous way, He brought a tender shoot to view, One peaceful, happy day

And ever since He's nourished it With sunshine and with rain, And every time it's drooped a bit He's strengthened it again

He will not let it die, I know, He'll send vitality, To make the weakly sapling grow, To be a fruitful tree

The tiny seed that mother set Was just the seed of love, The love that no man can regret, The love of God above

Mothers! have you set the seed of love to God in the heart of your child? Fathers! have you? not, it is not well with the child. If you say it is well, it is a lie Neither is it well with the child if you are not giving it your best

A minister and a mother were talking together. They passed the mother's child as it was watching some boys playing at marbles "What a lot that child costs " said the mother, thoughtfully, as she looked at her girl "What?" said the minister, "do you mean her shoes and socks, her dress and gay ribbons, her hat and feathers, her-?"

"That is the least cost," interrupted the mother "I was not thinking of that I was thinking

WHAT PAIN AND SUFFERING

What weariness and watching, how much of a mother's anxiety, how much of a father's toil, how many prayers, how many fears, how many yearnings, how much patience, how much responsibility, how much instruction how much correction, how much love, how much sorrow, how many teachers, how many Sabbaths. She cost, too, a dying Redeemer "

Parents! what do your children cost you? They cost God His Son. How much do they cost you? If you say you have never prayed long and earnestly for your child, if you have not taken long hours to explain the Bible to your child, if the child is not taking up some of your most precious moments, then it is not well with the child.

Neither is it well with the child if you are pushing it instead of leading it. That is what many parents are doing—they are pushing their children instead of leading them. They push their children off to Sunday school, they push them off to church, yet they never go themselves. When I read my Bible, I read that the mothers brought their children to Jesus. I don't read that they sent them to Him. I read in my Bible that God in speaking to the children of Israel says, "Thou shalt return unto the Lord thy God, and shalt obey His voice, thou and thy children." (Deut xxx. 2). God does not say, "The children shall return unto Me and obey My voice, and the parents can please themselves." No, He says,

"THOU AND THY CHILDREN"

How can we expect the children to believe what we do not practise? You will not get the child to believe in Christ unless you believe in Him. How can you influence your child to love God if you do not love Him? How can you get your child to pray if you do not pray? How can you expect to get your child to read the Bible if you do not read it? How do you expect to make the child believe that the quiet Sunday with its church attendance is one of God's greatest boons to the world, unless you remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy? If you are not teaching your child of the love of God—if you are not giving your best to the child—if you are not leading your child, I say, "It is not well with the child."

I will now ask you to notice another fact mother told a lie to Gehazi but when she came face to face with Elisha, she told him the truth She would tell a lie to the servant of Elisha, but she would not tell a lie to Elisha himself. I would lead you to one greater than Elisha, I would lead you to the Lord Jesus Christ Himself He is here, listening, knowing, watching. I would ask you as you are in His presence to tell the truth If it is not well with the child, admit it Tell Him so Tell Him the truth Parents! is it well with the child? Listen, "So then everyone shall give an account of himself to God " In the light of that, is it well with the child? Listen again, "In the day when God shall judge the secrets of all men" In the light of that day, when

GOD SHALL JUDGE

the secrets of all men, is it well with the child? Listen again, "Whoso shall offend one of these My little ones, it were better for him that a millstone be hanged about his neck, and he be drowned in the depths of the sea". In the light of that solemn, searching passage, is it well with the child?

I heard a man say not so very long ago at a

mission room, "I should not have been as I am now, having wasted years of my life, if my mother had taught me about Jesus But I never heard one word about God from my mother's lips" I would bring you all face to face with Jesus Christ and ask, Is it well with the child?" I would plead with you to admit the truth

I will ask you to notice one more thing Before that mother could bring Elisha to the child, she herself had to go to Elisha Before parents can bring their children to Christ, they must go to Christ themselves. How can a mother or a father bring Christ to the children if Christ is a stranger to them?

Gipsy Smith tells us that on one of his trips to America he read the account of a women's conference, at which they discussed the question, At what age should a mother urge the claims of Christ upon a child? The women talked for a long time. One thought this age and another that age, but no one seemed to give a satisfactory answer; till at last one old granny with silver locks rose and said, "I began with my first child twenty years before he was born, by coming myself to Christ."

I want to say that if you are going to bring Christ to your child you must first of all

COME TO CHRIST YOURSELF.

Then when the mother had come to Elisha, she took Elisha to the child, and the child lived

A child without Christ is more dead than the Shanammite's son. He is dead to everything of value. He is dead to the finest friendship, dead to lasting love, dead to perpetual power, dead to eternal enjoyment, dead to a crucified Christ, dead to a reigning Redeemer, dead to a gracious God. Keep your boy away from Christ, and you rob him of the crown of manhood. Keep your girl away from Christ, and you rob her of the glory of womanhood. Keep yourself away from Christ, and you rob your children of their right. Their right is a mother who leads and a father whom they can follow.

Is it well with the child? Is it well with your child? May I lead every father and mother to this

Lord Jesus, bless my children,
Thy precious gift to me
In full and glad surrender
I give them back to Thee
I crave for them Thy blessing
More than aught else beside,
Whom Thou dost bless is blessed
Oh be their Guard and Guide

Lord Jesus, hold my children,
Shield them from sin and harm
And make each one dependent
On Thine almighty arm
The world is full of quicksands,
Satan will seek to snare
Their all unwary footsteps,
Oh keep them in thy care

Lord Jesus, crown my children,
And oh, let each one be
One of Thy royal princes
To live alone for Thee
Faithful in every duty,
Victorious in the strife,
Earning Thy blest approval,
And the fair crown of life





.BELFAST ELIM CONVENTION andine Ravenhill Road Eum Tapernacie 🥞 peakers: Pastor Phil. H. Hulbert

and others. Convener Pastor Joseph Smith

The predominating note throughout the Convention was victory Braise God we are a victorious people

having obtained victory over sin, death, and hell, through faith in Jesus Christ our Lord

If ever there was a time in the history of the Foursquire Gospel movement when the people of Northern Ire-1 md stood firm on the Word of God, it is to-day, as they realise more and more the precious truths for which we st and, and the joy and liberty there is in a clean-cut Christian experience and in a full salvation-salvation for spirit, soul, and body. The recent campaigns brought home these truths in a very real manner to hundreds of souls, who have proved that the Gospel of the muriculous is still effective to-day in saving souls, healing bodies, and bap-tising in the Holy Ghost, and that in the old-fashioned way

On Laster Monday we had just what we expected—people arriving from Armagh, Derry and Tyrone to hear igain the glorious old-time Gospel proc'umed with the old-time power and, pruse God, with the old-time results

The tible was richly spread, and imple provision made to meet both the spiritual and bodily needs of the visitors Pistor Hulbert ministered the Word with power and eloquence, captivating the hearts of his audience, and holding them

Ich being provided at the hall, many never left during the entire day, when 1 time of hearty fellowship was enjoyed Once more we had a glorious Convention, and this spacious hall was taxed to its fullest capacity, everyone having t rial spiritual feast with an appetite for more, as was proved by the large ittendance at our meetings until Thursdiy, the closing night of the Convention, when the hall was packed out Many were the expressions of regret that the mentings were over

CARDIFF EASTER CONVENTION in the Cory Memorial Half

Speakers: Principal P. G. Parker, Miss N Kennedy, Pastor W. Barton, Rev G Havard, M.A., B.D., and Rev. R J. Jones, J.P Convener Pastor A.

From the first meeting on Good Friday morning to the closing service on the following Thursday, one felt that the Son of Man was being gloriously crowned as King of kings and Lord of

Converts—Healings—Baptisms

As this was witnessed to from the Word, what bursts of acclamation were heard from the lips of the saints, whose hearts and lives had been captivated and made joyful by this wonderful King

During the first three days the Word was powerfully ministered by Miss Kennedy The breaking-of-bread service on Friday morning, when she spoke from Rev i, proved to be a time of hillowed blessing and it was felt by everyone that He that was dead but now liveth was present and even in the midst. That same beautiful presence was felt during the Divine healing meeting in the afternoon, when a message was given on God's power to heal the body through the finished work of Christ on Calvary

A great time of blessing was again experienced in the morning prayer meet ing, and right through the following three services on the Lord's Day, the spiritual waves of joy and blessing rising higher and higher in each meeting until in the evening service high tide was reached

On Monday the Rev G Havard, a Welsh minister of another denomination, tool, the platform and gave a stirring message from the Book of Zechariah in true Welsh fervour and enthusiasm. The evening speaker was Principal P. G. Parker who spoke with power on the resurrection of Christ, and the Four-square Gospel During this memorab'e service many lives were consecrated to God, and surely there was great joy in heaven as angels witnessed backstiders being restored to their Lord

A baptismal service was held on Wednesday when a visit was made by Pastor W Barton of Swansea He delivered a sermon on the Saviour's commission to the believers, and afterwards a number of men and women in obedience to Christ's command entered the waters of immersion, and were baptised in the Name of the Trinity by Pastor Longley

The Crusaders were in evidence throughout these meetings, and beautifully rendered the hymns and songs that were sung by that magnificent Crusader Choir at the Albert Hall Demonstra-

The last meeting of these special services proved to be a beautiful and fitting climax, when a message was given by Rev R J Jones, J P The gratifyingly large congregation which gathered to this closing service seemed loth to leave the place of such joy and happiness in the presence of their Lord, and the wondrous blessings received during this Eastertide will be long remembered as a foretaste of heaven itself. We give to God all the glory for the great things He hath done

GLASGOW EASTER CONVENTION in the City Temple, Elmbank Street.

Speakers: Pastors T. Tetchner, and H Kitching Convener, Pastor S. Gorman.

Right from the commencement of the Convention until the last hymn and benediction of these special meetings God very graciously made His presence and power realised to all who were privi-leged to attend This was indeed a week of spiritual refreshing Pastors Tetchner and Kitching have been giving inspiring addresses which will remain in the hearts and minds of those who he ird them for a long time to come, especially the last two addresses of our brothers who seemingly were keeping the best wine until the last

On the list Sunday evening, closing the Convention Postor Tetchner spole on Genesis xvii 7, "And I will establish My covenant between Me and thee, and thy seed ofter thee for go everlisting covenint, to be a God unto thee and thy seed after thee " He proved from Scripture and his own testimony that Abraham's God was our God, and that His covenant to Abraham was applicable to us, every promise of God had been or would be fulfilled, and every child of God could claim those promises for themselves Pastor Kitching followed on with an address for the unsived, taking as his text I Cor vii 23, "Ye are bought with a price," and under the unction of the Holy Spirit pictured all that Christ suffered to bring men back to God

When Pastor Gorman made the appeal for those who wished to be saved, three hands were raised in response to the claims of the Man of Calvary After the Sunday afternoon address a Divine healing service was held, as also at the Saturday evening service Praise God, He is still healing bodies in the same old way as of old. These Convention meetings were well attended, the numbers growing meeting by meeting until the end of the Convention

CROWDED SUNDAY GATHERINGS.

Bath (Pastor W L Taylor) Saturday night throughout the winter months an open-air gathering has been held in the centre of the city God's blessing has rested on this effort in a very marked way

The weekly praver meetings also are times of very real intercession and communion, and the results of the earnest petitions are seen in he crowded Sunday evening gatherings at the historic Assembly Rooms, Alfred Street, where many have found peace in believing

A very helpful and instructive series of talks on The Second Coming of our Lord, and After" has been given at the weekly Bible rendings. Many of God's children have received great blessing from the meditations on those things which are so soon to come to pass

MUCH SPIRITUAL BLESSING

Hove (Pastor W L Kemp)

wave of spiritunl blessing has been experienced at the Ilim Tabernacle. Portlind Road during the Fistertide On Good Friday evening after a short Gospel addr ss, eleven cindidates followed their Lord through the witers of biptism



Pastor W L Kemp

At the conclusion of the meeting seven souls yielded their heirts to the Lord

CONVERSIONS AND HEALINGS

Newtownards Miss M Linton has just concluded a lour weeks mission in this town. God has wonderfully manifested His presence, over thirty souls have been sived, and all are praising the Lord for sending His servant to this corner of His vineyard

There have also been some marvellous healings, and none have received the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, speaking in other longues is the Spirit give ut-terance. Miss Linton ilso trained a

On the last Monday night of the mission Miss C Jirdine paid a visit to Newtownards, and gave her testimony as to how God so marvellously healed her, everyone being deeply impressed

BAPTISMS AT TAMWORTH.

Tamworth (Pastor J McAvoy) On Thursday evening, March 26th, a baptismal service was held here, when five believers passed through the waters Pistor J McAvoy gave a very clear message on water baptism, after which he immersed the candid ites

We are glad also to report the goodly numbers attending the meetings, and the blessing that has rested upon this assembly under the ministry of the pastor

On recent Thursday evenings a series of systematic addresses have been given on the Person, Baptism, Work, and Gifts of the Holy Spirit, and the saints have been led to think more of this wonderful gift, which is the birthright of all be-Lievers

THE LORD'S INCREASE,

Canning Town (Mr G Bishop) For eleven months the Canning Town as-sembly, meeting now at Elim Hall, Bethell Avenue, have been greatly plessed under the faithful ministry of Lyangelist G Bishop The work has progressed with souls saved and backsliders returning to the fold Recently sixteen new members were given the right hand of fellowship. This was a very blessed evening spent in the pre sence of the Lord

AN INSTANTANEOUS HEALING

Exeter (Pastor L C Quest) goodness of God to the saints meeting in the JOC Hall, Friernhay Street, has brought increased progress and vic-

On a recent Sunday, during the breaking-of-bread service, nine brothers and

The Young People's Choir, Newtownards

young people's choir to sing, and the older people were much biessed by hearing these young voices prusing God in song. One little girl of seven was the soloist, and, the congregation enjoyed her singing very much

sisters most of which were recent converts, were received into fellowship

God has also wonderfully manifested His heiling power. A little girl with a dislocated ankle was instantaneously he iled after having been brought to the

meetings in an invalid chair, also two s siers received the Biptism of the Hol-Ghost

TWO BAPTISMAL SERVICES

Yeovil (Pastor W N Brambleby) The Lord continues to be gracious The Easter period has been one of great blessing. To have had no less than nine worship and prayer meetings at the Elim Hall, Southville, from Friday 1. Monday, is evidence that the people are

never tired of listening to the Word To see the hall so beautifully decorated for the baptismal services, of which two were held, was a great joy, as it wis all done to the glory of God

Praise the Lord for the power of Foursquare Gospel singing There seemed seemed never to have been a sweeter sound than the



Pastor W. N. Brambleby.

big baptismal splash, accompanied by the singing of "Following Jesus, ever day by day"

The assembly was ministered to by our own young men who belong to the Lord We have a band of young men preachers around us for whom we thank God Men who have followed the light and have received the Holy Ghost and are His witnesses

Crowded congregations, Holy Chost preaching, spiritual quickening, healing for the body, and best of all, salvation, came as a result of the Convention

FREEDOM UNITY AND LIFE

Romsey (Mr Rish) In a most giicious minner the Romsey saints, niccting at Laumer Hall, Laumer Street, have had a real deepening of spiritual life through the discourses of the pistor or Dispensitional Truth

The outcome of this definite form of service is a more solid membership and

better attendance
The Lord continues to bless in all branches of the work, the Sunday school is marching forward, and a Cadet corps has been stirted

It is in this spirit of hard labour that full freedom is found, unity maintained, and life made more real because of the presence of the Lord

NOTE OF PRAISE AND VICTORY

Bermondsey (Pastor W F South) Once more a note of victory and prinse to our Lord, who both done great and wonderful things, making anew ind translating men and women from dirkness into the kingdom of His dear Sa, at the Elim Church, Upper Grange Roul We are able to rejoice with others over sinners coming to the Master Steahly but surely salvation has "come to this house," through the continuance of praying sain's, and the fulness of the Gospel preached in simplicity and Divine power

Through the faithfulness of God's children, the open-air meetings have been fully maintained throughout the whole of the winter, with the exception of occasional evenings when they have met for prayer owing to inclement weather

We rejoice in what the Lord has done, but the end is not yet, praise the Lord

STEADY PROGRESS AT LETCHWORTH.

Letchworth (Miss D Philips) [h.s year has been one of steady progress in this assembly meeting in the Film Tabernacle, Norton Way North lowing upon the new year's week of prayer, there was a distinct move in the direction of revival. Especially has this been the case amongst the Crusaders, and the attendance in this branch of the work has considerably increased The unseen work which has been going on in the hearts of the young people has been reflected in the live atmosphere of every meeting. Great blessing has been experienced in the assembly, and quite recently twelve benevers confessed their faith in their Lord by following Him through the waters of baptism Pastor E J Phillips took one of the baptismal services, and Pastor W Henderson the other The missionary zeal of the assembly continues unabated, and in addition to the special quarterly missionary meeting there are held monthly prayer meetings, and weekly working meetings solely of a missionary character. All these activities are but outward expres-

sions of the love and gratitude of the Lord's people to Him. The inward work of grace goes on too. Thus our God is richly blessing and owning the faithful ministry of our sister as she labours to build up and add to the church.

Westminster Chimes Chorus



 The Blood of Christ, My only plea, Christ died for me, Christ died for thee.

Most, if not all, of our readers, will be familiar with the world-famous Westminster Chimes Many will have heard the actual chimes from Big Ben at Westminster, relayed over the wireless; while others will have chiming clocks at home which chime out in imitation of Big Ben each hour as time swiftly speeds away A happy

2 All though this hour, Lord be my guide, Kept by Thy power No foot shall slide

inspiration has occurred to someone in setting words to the chimes so that they may carry a message to the heart as well as to the ear We pass the words on, trusting they may prove a blessing. The first lines are by our brother, Mr J. T. Warwick, of Carlisle church The rest are anonymous

A Famine of Scripture

Behold, the days come, south the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord, and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the Word of the Lord, and shall not find it—Amos viii 11, 12

HE pastor met the Sunday school missionary in the hotel lobby. The missionary was to preach at the services of the local church over the week-end. The two fell into earnest conversation over spiritual things. The pastor asked, "What is the cause of this spiritual death?" The missionary replied, "I think I can shew you one underlying cause while I am here with you."

On the Lord's Day the missionary addressed the junior-intermediate department of the Sunday school By the secretary's record posted at the platform there were 112 scholars present that morning. After the lesson on the prophet Amos, as the missionary rose to speak,

THE SPIRIT LED HIM

to ask-" How many of you saw your father or mother pray this morning before you came to Sunday school? Will you raise your hand?" Not one child of the 112 raised a hand "How many saw your father or mother read the Bible before you came to Sunday school this morning? Will you raise your Not one of the 112 children raised a hand "How many of you have ever seen your father read the Bible and pray? Will you raise your hand? " Not a single hand went up of the 112 child-In great depression of spirit, he had one more question to ask Should he, dare he, put it to these children? " How many of you ever saw your mother reading the Bible?" He waited anxiously for the Yes, at last they were responding Seventeen hands went up of the 112 in that Sunday school room

Sad beyond expression was the confession! The fathers of 112 children between the ages of nine and fourteen years, had never been seen by their own children either reading the Bible or praying. And but seventeen of the mothers And this in a well-organised church

This condition is deplorable enough surely. But it was not all that the missionary later told regarding his experiences. He continued, "After Sunday school I went into the church to conduct the regular morning service. I was led to do

SOMETHING I HAD NEVER DONE

before I cannot say just why I did it, evidently again I was led of the Spirit of God to extend an invitation to the young people present to give their hearts to Christ and to confess Him publicly as their personal Saviour Thirteen of the young people responded I then asked them if they would go into the Sunday school room, and be instructed with regard to the Christian life more particularly ever, another thought came into my mind dered how many of the parents of these thirteen young folks between the ages of perhaps twelve and sixteen were in the audience. I asked the young people to look around and tell me if their parents were present They looked, and sad to say, there were but two mothers and one father of those thirteen young people present at the morning service."

I shall not soon forget the sad look on the missionary's face and the deep pathos of his voice as he said, addressing the pastor, "Now, Dr. —, what

have you to say regarding such a condition of things? Is this condition characteristic of the Church as a whole, or only in this state?"

"We are being overwhelmed," replied the pastor, by a famine of the Word of the Lord It is the cause of the

WIDESPREAD SPIRITUAL DEARTH

of the present day, and it is that which in the end takes the rout of dearth and spells death "Spiritual death"

A Japanese editor, Mr Zumoto, made a speech in Los Angeles, and in the course of his address used an illustration based on the Bible story of Christ's washing His disciples' feet. The newspaper writer who reported the address happened to shew Mr Zumoto a copy of what he had written, and the Japanese discovered that the reporter had turned the story upside down, making Christ get His disciples to wash His feet! The reporter, to his great surprise, learned his mistake from Mr. Zumoto, and at once telephoned his office about it, only to discover that the account he had written was gone to press, having been passed by the city editor, who had not seen anything wrong in it!

Does this deplorable anecdote represent the truth, the awful truth, about the acquaintance of the majority of our nation with the most ordinary facts of the Gospel story, or even any large number of them? We fear it does. We fear that, in spite of our boasted progress in "religious education," our people are not so well instructed in the facts of the Bible as were our fathers, and nowhere near so well instructed as our grandfathers. A famine of the Word of the Lord!

It is recorded that a juror in one instance refused to award damages against a steamboat company, in one of whose ships an explosion had caused

LOSS OF PRECIOUS LIVES,

on the ground that the accident could have happened only by the direct will of God, and was simply an

inscrutable providence. It was a cunning defence, but it was evident to every mind but his own that a woin-out boiler must explode at the very instant when all conditions favoured that catastrophe, and that the men who knew that that instant was imminent, and yet hourly solicited travellers to a possible death, were morally guilty, not only of criminal neglect and deceit but of murder

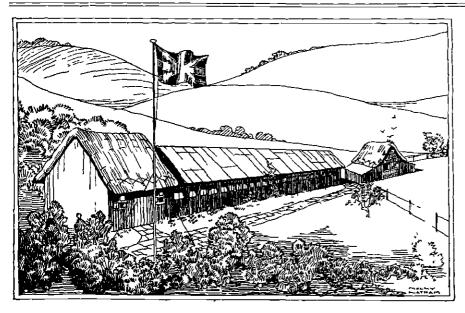
When, in Chicago, says one, a night's fire undidate a generation's toil, spreading misery and death broadcast, was that horror in the least degree inexplicable? Every man who, within thirty years, had put up a wooden house in a city whose familiar breezes were gales, and whose gales were hurricanes, solicited that iam of fire. They who, hasting to be rich, fell into the snare of cheap and dangerous building, digged, every man, a pit for his neighbour's feet as well as for his own. The inscrutable aspect of the calamity was that it had not come years before

Our floods, droughts, and poor harvests, followed by pestilence, famine and death, are ever providential lessons in the established truth that the laws of matter are laws of God, and cannot be violate! with impunity

Are we too heedless or too ignorant to accept the kindly loving

WARNING OF THE GOD OF HEAVEN.

amidst the spiritual dearth and the famine of Scripture in which we dwell, and awake as individuals, to the impending doom of our nation, the vast calamity that is upon us, the downfall and dissolution of our whole highly organised state, the spiritual death of countless millions in our own land and throughout the round world? The goodness and tenderness of God has provided a way of salvation for all, through the substitution of His dear Son to die for our sin and bear the penalty of our guilt in His own body. This specifice of Christ is sufficient for all, but it is efficient only for them that believe "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved, and thy house" (Acts xvi 31)—J M C



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The Scripture Union Daily Portions Sunday, May 10th. Eph ii 1-10

"God, rich in mercy hath quickened us" (verses 4, 5)

Yes, God has given us new life Out of His mercy there has come forth to us the life of God The life of God is far above natural life Natural life belongs to earth, the life of God belongs to eternity God has given us in Christ Jesus His own life That life which fills the whole of creation, that life which has for ever filled eternity, now has been imparted to us. The life of God is within us. Yes, but we must take care that the life of God is unhindered. God is willing to give more and more of His life, but we must treat His life with reverence If we assert our natural life, then God is grieved He wishes to assert His spiritual life, and so control our natural life. As we break the bread and drink the wine this morning, let us pray that the quickening life of God may be multiplied within us

Monday, May 11th. Eph 11 11-22 "He is our peace" (verse 14) Pruse God! We can have peace, be-

Pruse God! We can have peace, because Christ is our peace. Christ is my peace not only concerning the past, but also concerning the present and the future. When we pray for peace we are really only praying for a greater fulness of Christ. If Christ is manifesting Himself in fulness, then our peace will be full. Oh, how we need peace! The sin question, the sickness question, the employment question, and hundreds of other questions all necessitate the application of peace to our troubled hearts let us get past the blessing we need, and remember that our root need is the Blesser. It is a great thing to have the Prince of Peace. With the Prince of Peace whole lengthm of our heart is at peace.

Tuesday, May 12th. Eph in 1-13
"The unsearchable riches of Christ"

Chist's riches are unsearchable. But, they are not unattainable. With Christ we get all His riches. It is for us to go in and possess our possessions. We do not enter into the appreciation of all the riches of Christ with a first. No God leads us on s'ep by step. Sometimes it seems that we are miking slow progress. But even our slowness is the preparation for a further discovery. Christ gives us as much as we can understand and bear. Then He trains us until we are able to understand and bear a little more. Day by day we penetrate deeper into the nime of Christ's wealth. Faith and prayer are the spades which dig out His wealth.

Wednesday, May 13th. Eph 111 14-21 "Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly (verse 20)

Meditations by PERCY G PARKER

There is no limit to the powers of He gives in abundance He does more He exceeds ibundance We little know how much He has already given to us. He has been giving all the days of our life He gave to us before we knew Him He wis wriching over us even when we were walking the broad way. That watchfulness at last resulted in us turning right about face. Since we have been in the narrow way we have been able to appreciate His giving to us a little more. But again and again blessing has slipped into our life unnoticed Blessings are like blackberries. The first few we find we count But then they become so numberless that we forget to count. Countless blessings are behind, but a multiplicity of countless blessings lies ahead

Thursday, May 14th Lph iv 1-16

"Rejoice in the Lord alway" (ver 4) If we don't always rejoice in the I ord its because our futh is not perfect. There was never a moment when the I ord Jesus did not rejoice in the Father. He had perfect faith and with the perfect faith came complete joy. We can easily rejoice in the Lord when He is obviously working for us. But what about the times when we cannot see Him working? Then we get impatient. We lost our song of rejoicing because God is not quick enough for us. But let us. always remember, God is strong

enough to wait. Said to say, we are weak enough to be impatient. God works and waits. If we wish to keep in tune with our Father we must work with Him and wait with Him.

Friday, May 15th Eph iv 17-32 "Be ye angry and sin not" (ver 26) If we get angry we naturally try to excuse it. We call it righteous anger So it may be, and as such is justifiable But it is easily possible to abuse the permission to be angry Most people who get angry do not do so righteously It is a strange thing that I man will be unmoved if he hears somebody curse God, and yet if his dinner is burnt a little he flores up, and then calls it righteous inger! Generally we are unmoved by big sins, and yet get into a real explosion of temper over petty things that don't matter a straw your anger. In the victorious Christian life there should be no failure on the

Saturday, May 16th $-\Gamma_{D}h$ \sim 1-16

"Walk in love" (verse 5)

anger question

Here is an ideal overcoat Walk in love, and be sure you never go out without this coat Divine love is a won-derful thing. It is not a sentimental, passing emotion. No, it is the love in which the Trinity has eternally dwelt It is strong, patient, merciful The swee'est and strongest thing in existence is the love of God. We need more of it. We need to be clothed with it. Like 1 mantle the love of God should rest upon us, and like a fragrance it should fill Don't cease to love because your love has been ill-repaid. Love doesn't count its slights. Love can be ridiculed Love can be taken advantage of But true love still goes on loving Brethren and sisters, let us pray to love as God



By Pastor P N CORRY

Sunday, May 17th, 1931 READING John VI 5-14

BASKETS FULL

MEMDRY TEXT: "Yield yourselves to God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteculness unto God"—Pomans vi 13

TEACHERS NOTES

I find that notes on this lesson were published in the "I lim Evangel" Sunday School Notes of June 20th, 1930, and wonder how many of my renders (especially the Sundry school teachers) have retained their copies for reference. In any case, as with all Scripture, one lesson does not exhaust the subject, so to-day we will try to examine not simply the smallness of the supply, but the sufficiency and superabundance of the

loaves and fishes left over, after the people were fed

The Smallness of the Supply (Matt xiv 17, xv 34)

Make it clear to the boys and gals that in all probability the loaves inentioned were small, certainly not larger than the 1d rolls supplied at any Lyons' cafe. In the case of the boy who gave them up to the Lord, they were undoubtedly his evening med, provided by the loving care of a vise mother who did not intend her boy to go himgery even when following the crowd to see Jesus. The fishes in both instances are described as small (Matt. xv. 34 and also in John vi. 9), so that there can be no doubt as to the minuteness of the supply of meat. The material for the manifestation of this marvellous provision for thousands was in both instances minute.

The Satisfaction of the Crowd (Matt x_{1V} 13-15. x_{V} 32)

Both these crowds were hungry An Eastern man after his morning meal does not usually eat again until the evening, and when he does so there is usually a good healthy appetite that does not need sauces to help him eat In the instance recorded in Matt xv they had been with the Lord three days without food, and in their fasting condition were in danger of fainting by the way (Matt xv 32 and Mark viii 1-5) There can be no doubt then that these people were very hungry, and no matter how small the supply, there was nothing small in the demand. This was no picnic among people who were already overfed, and who would just nibble at a sandwich, they were ravenously hungry and ready for a good meal. The Lord Jesus did not fail them, for in both accounts we read "They did all eat and were filled " (Matt xiv 20, xv 37) They sat down hungry, and after partaking of the Lord's bounty, rose up with their hunger satisfied their faintness banished, and their three days' fast for-gotten. It was a good meal the Lord provided, and ample

The Superfluity of the Remainder (Matt xiv 20, xv 37)

In Palestine you will often see the women with an round flat basket made of wicker or of willows. They are the cheapest hand-baskets obtain ible, and do not hold any great quantity. In Matt xiv it is these baskets that are mentioned, but in Matt xv 37 the word used in the original is absolutely different, and means a large basket or

hamper As an example of their capacity we are told that when Paul escaped from Damascus he was let down from the wall in a basket (Acts ix 25), and the word used there is the same employed here to inform us that they gathered of the broken meat that was left seven hampers full (Matt xv 37) No one likes to see food left over after a meal is finished, and seeing that the Lord supplied this meal by a miracle, would it not have been easy to stop when the appetite of the people was satisfied? Then why these seven hampers of broken meat left over? Surely in shew us that He was not only sufficient to meet a great need, but more than sufficient. As I write, an apple tree close by is crowded with blossom, will every little flower become an apple? Surely not, the tree would be crushed under the load, but the sufficiency of supply is there. The sun, which is pour-ing out millions of rays of light, seems to waste the greater part in space, because this little world only receives a small fraction of the heat poured forth, but it tells the same story Everywhere and in everything, from the village pond teeming with life, to the sea full of fish, flowers, plants, and even our own bodies, teach the same wonderful truth has given to all men liberally, and in the whole of His creation, life and sufficiency are poured out with lavish hand The hampers are always full to the brim and the people satisfied. He is God all-sufficient, our great El Shaddai

The Service of the Lord calls for our co-operation The boy gave up his evening meal, the disciples their store of food, and in the hand of the Lord

their paltry, insignificant supply besufficient for a multitude, with more left over than when the distribution began Giving to God never made any man poor, but it has made multi-tudes rich Barnardo, the medical student, in the hands of God, became the benefactor of the destitute, Crawford, the young consumptive with only a few years of life, in His hand became the pioneer missionary destined to spend years of healthy ministry in Cen-tral Africa Carey the cobbler was changed to Carey the ambassador of Clirist to India, and the master of languages Mary Slessor the mill-maid became the missionary pioneer of Calabar Whitefield the pot-boy became the prince of preachers What more shall we say of Kirk, Spurgeon, Muller, Nightingale, Fry, Paton, and a million more who gave themselves to Cod with only a few small loaves and fishes, but who in His hand have fed multitudes. and been more than sufficient for the

Let us then give ourselves to God as those that are alive from the dead, and our members as instruments in His hand, for He will make our lives go farther than ever we can I covet for God every boy and girl that I meet, because He can make so much of so little What shall we give Him? Our brain and mind, our will and ambitions, our love and affection our strength and enthusiasm, our talents and appetitesgive Him all and without the slightest doubt at the end of the feast you will gather not only what you sowed, but hampers-full over and above of the superabundance that remains

A FAITHFUL SAYING

ALK of questions of the day! There is only one question and that is the Gospel "So wrote the late Mr W E Gladstone Through the Gospel

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Here we get the Gospel in a verse! CHRIST JESUS means the Anointed Saviour

When

the Lord Jesus Christ went into the synagogue at Nazareth, as related in Luke iv, He opened the book of the prophet Esaias and read, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He hath anomied Me to preach the Gospel to the poor " God sent His Son He did not send an angel He anointed His Son and sent Him as a Saviour You remember the injunction in Matthew 121, "Thou shalt call His Name JESUS for He shall save His people from their sins"

God could not pass the sinner by Justice demands that he should dic God is holy and must judge sin The Lord Jesus Christ, however, came into the world and offered Himself as a sacrifice, that He might save sinners Man had rebelled against God, but God loved the sinner and Jesus came to voice that love in this world. This coming of the Son of God into the world was a glorious event He came with a glorious provision for poor

He came to save He did not come to condemn "The Son of Man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save them " (Luke ix 56) "God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved " (John 111 17) Salvation work was His great object O won-derful grace! The Lord Jesus Christ came into the world and suffered upon the Cross that He might save sinners

He did not die for the righteous or the good people. He came for sinners It is only the lost who need a Saviour-only the guilty who need mercy

Are you a sinner? "Yes," you say, "I have sinned" Then you are one for whom Christ died Apart from the Lord Jesus Christ there is no Saviour-no salvation All the hope you can ever have hes in Him who died upon the cross He came to save sinners Let Him save you Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved " (Acts xvi 31) —Sel

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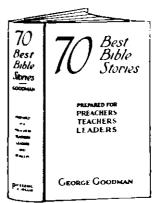
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