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"I am  
come  
that  
they  
might  
have  
life."

John X.  
10.

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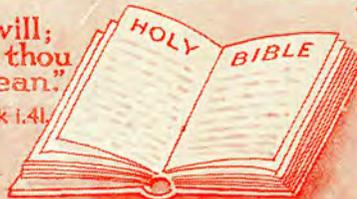
COMING KING

"I  
will  
come  
again."

John XIV. 3.

BAPTISER

"I will;  
be thou  
clean."  
Mark i.41.



"I will  
send Him  
(the Comforter)  
unto you."  
John XVI. 7.

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## Coming of Age Celebrations

Days of Heaven upon Earth

By Pastor H. KITCHING (Croydon)

**J**UST a few hours have been allowed me to write my impressions of Elim's Coming of Age Celebrations. Therefore I must ask my readers to pardon that which may speak of hurried preparation.

I want to speak plainly and sincerely concerning the meetings held at the Palace of Glass.

About a fortnight before the anniversary I asked a dear saint of God if she intended to go this year to the Crystal Palace. She replied, "I have never missed a meeting yet. Health and circumstances permitting I shall be there in the front seat. I would not miss it for worlds, for I am sure they will be days of heaven upon earth." When I reflect upon this wonderful day's happenings, I feel that this sister's remarks are a very apt description of those glorious appetite-whetting services—those hours were indeed heavenly. I must frankly admit that as the afternoon meeting proceeded and I saw the order of procedure, I thought about those who for weeks previously had been planning and arranging that colossal programme. What a programme too! A marvellous array of most able speakers; singing and music of a very high order; it was all most remarkable. Both afternoon and evening programmes gave to us a pictorial review of the continuity of Elim from its commencement until the present year of 1936. It was all a wonderful tribute to our finely trained and brave-hearted brethren who had been arduously labouring day and night

### BEHIND THE SCENES.

Many people fail to realise the amount of work incurred behind these demonstrations in Crystal Palace and Albert Hall. We do not appreciate the labour of those unseen workers half enough. I remember a sister in a prayer meeting once praying, "Lord, bless the work behind the scenes." She spoke a true word, to which we can all say "Amen."

The meetings were powerful throughout the day. They brought Elim and its people into living contact with each other. The mass of people assembled were indeed a noble testimony to the solidity of the founda-

tion upon which Elim is built. The crowds, numbering many thousands at each service, were gathered together, not for some pagan pastime, nor even a semi-religious festival, but to tell forth the wonders of their Lord and King. Hallelujah!

*The Prelude.* The day's celebrations commenced in an atmosphere of prayer, a prayer meeting being held in the Club Room. This service was mainly one of praise and intercession—a preparatory meeting like those in the upper room prior to the outpouring of the Spirit on the day of Pentecost. The gathering provided a real taste of heaven.

The afternoon meeting was convened by our beloved Principal. That huge audience was as responsive to his words as the keys of an organ to the touch of an expert. It was a magnificent service. It is difficult to single out any part of it as being better than the rest. All faces were alight with

### THE GLORY OF GOD.

The programme went off splendidly. The vocal powers of those participating in the meetings were in fine trim. Hymns, and choruses, Amens and Hallelujahs rang out all over the building with a note of triumph. If faces can be looked upon as an index of inner emotions, then everybody must have been nearly intoxicated with joy. There were happy hearts and joyful voices to be heard everywhere in the services, in corridors, refreshment rooms, and halls. Paul's exhortation was being literally fulfilled, "Rejoice in the Lord always, and again I say, Rejoice." Joy seemed to be oozing out of every life. I had never met so many people before in my life. I saw friends from all my old assemblies, from Bradford, Hove, Sheffield, Dundee, Belfast. They had all come for the C.P. banquet. It was beautiful to see them all still praising the Lord. The children were much in evidence. They played their part well. To hear them sing was a real tonic. "I am so glad that Jesus loves me" was not only a fitting piece but well rendered. Let us remember them in our prayers and never forget that "of such is the kingdom of heaven."

This was a splendid meeting. Something that will stand out in our memories for many days. The Holy Spirit was working. A time of boundless blessing.

In the evening service an account was given of the work from 1927 to 1936. The Principal presided and there was no question about his being equal to the task—his beaming countenance, musical and well-carrying voice, clear enunciation and powerful personality all mark him out as one of the

#### GREATEST RELIGIOUS LEADERS

in our generation. It was a truly memorable meeting. Again I am at a loss to regard any one part as being better than the rest.

To speak of a personal impression. I did appreciate the lovely word concerning our late Brother Henderson and others who in recent years have been called to higher service. To many of us Brother Henderson's passing was a big shadow, a big bereavement. His name is written over this movement. As a denomination we have suffered an unutterable loss in the passing of such a great and noble personality. The Bible says we are "compassed about with a great cloud of witnesses." I think it is not unreasonable to say that Pastor Henderson and others were among a cloud of witnesses who gaze upon these glorious services. Let us remember that heaven *still overlaps* earth—he was not very far away!

It was really a wonderful meeting. The speaker's address bristled with startling home truths that brought conviction everywhere. It was a real Holy Ghost meeting. The service was God-sealed. There were several conversions and cases of baptism in the Holy Ghost. To gaze down from the platform upon that mighty audience was thrilling. What crowds! Evidently the storm outside had not damped their ardour. In spite of the torrents of rain, thunder and lightning, hailstones on the ground, it was a monster gathering. We were an heterogeneous multitude as on the day of Pentecost. There were people present from Japan, China, South Africa, U.S.A., Cape Town, Spain, France, Holland, Switzerland, etc.—drawn as by the magnet of divine devotion. Elim's influence is

now world-wide, its pastors, teachers, and evangelists are men who carry the

#### FLAME OF A FULL GOSPEL.

The Communion Service brought the day's proceedings to a close. I hardly know how to write about it. It was a real wonderland service—something that beggars description. As the Northern woman tersely put it: "It is better felt than telt." I queried a number of persons on whose judgment I could rely as to the approximate number. All agreed the number was the biggest yet at the Crystal Palace. The number was unprecedented. One said 10,500 and another said over 12,000 were present at the evening meeting. It was all very wonderful. Reverent crowds! God-fearing crowds! Christ-redeemed crowds! Joyous crowds! I did not see a match struck or a cigarette or pipe smoked and not even a scowl or a grumble, but everybody seemed to have music in their hearts. That is a witness sufficient to confound those who say that Elim will die out. That great host of young men and women with God-lit countenances registered unmistakably their undoubted realisation of saving grace.

Again at this service I was impressed by the splendid type of men, strong, and capable of endurance in exacting labours, bright and intelligent, hearts warmed by the love of Christ. The atmosphere was heavenly. The Principal read from Isaiah, "Surely He hath borne our griefs," and so on. You could have heard a pin drop. Almost simultaneously that vast congregation began to sing:—

Out of the ivory palaces  
Into a world of woe,  
Only His great eternal love  
Made my Saviour go.

All around me I could hear warm-hearted believers saying, "Thank You, Lord," "Blessed Jesus," "Amen!" "Praise Him." During that service many were passing through the refining fire. God was changing weeds into flowers, fruitlessness to fruitfulness, barren land into pastures. We thank God for the day's magnificent meetings! To God be all the glory! It was Great! Glorious! Grand! Hallelujah!

## Twenty-one Years in Retrospect

By Pastor H. W. GREENWAY

"**A** HA! here's . . . and why, fancy seeing . . . Well, well, whoever would have imagined that you would get here!" Such exclamations are common at the Crystal Palace when Elim Demonstrations are held, for old associations are renewed, and this year in particular was noteworthy for the cosmopolitan character of the gatherings. Friends had converged to this rallying point from all quarters of the globe: from the British Isles, Switzerland, Germany, revolution-distracted Spain, Japan, India. It was a day of new things, a venture hitherto untried and impossible to repeat.

We all came in a spirit of expectancy, wondering whether this ambitious project would run smoothly, whether it would come up to the general expectation, whether the thing was too vast and complicated to

enjoy, whether it would become monotonous. It was a completely new thing in the history of Elim demonstrations, and a good deal of speculation preceded it.

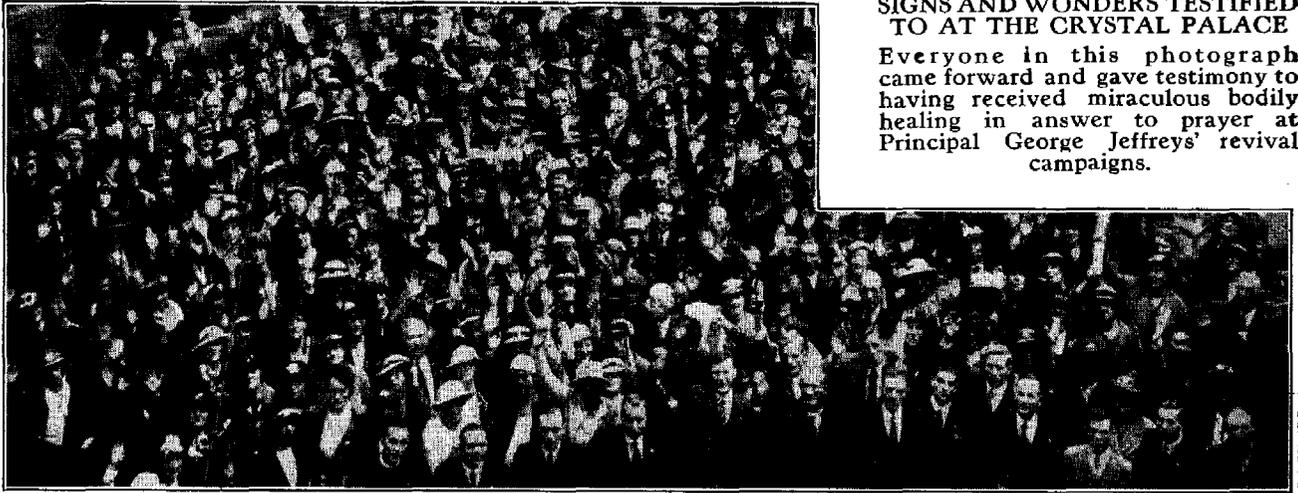
And now here I am like a puzzled journalist, trying to pick up the threads of a jumbled memory, and convey a readable impression.

All kinds of things I can still see. A little ruby light flashing its warning to sit down and be done with the "mike." A map surmounting the organ on which the towns were marked in which Elim assemblies are situated, and which showed a light at the particular town mentioned by the speaker of the moment. There were the kilts of the Scots, national costumes of the Swiss yodellers, a prominent white waistcoat of our beloved friend Dr. Lanz, ex-missionaries gliding about in Indian dress.

What can I write of that remarkable day?  
It was certainly

#### A MIRACLE OF ORGANISATION

for we passed through twenty-one years of history, given in word and song, without a single hitch. This story, condensed into the compass of a few hours, revived for many memories of early pioneer work; the days of struggle and heartache, the days of sacrifice and privation, the days of hard ploughing, now turned to days of triumphant victory; for who, in that early period could have anticipated such a gathering as this? We looked on the happy faces of crowds of young people and saw a future generation saved from the turmoil of a pitiless age. We glanced higher up the ranks of the choir, and saw the children from our Cadet meetings, the potential leaders and workers of the future. Yet again we turned to the vast auditorium,



#### SIGNS AND WONDERS TESTIFIED TO AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE

Everyone in this photograph came forward and gave testimony to having received miraculous bodily healing in answer to prayer at Principal George Jeffreys' revival campaigns.

where thousands of faces registered the joy they were experiencing by the narrative of God's gracious dealings in these latter days. How we thanked God for the great things He had wrought in our midst, for in that vast audience were those who had been saved from lives of shame, those who had been healed by Divine power; those who had been given a fuller vision of service and the power to witness for Christ.

I do not possess the musical vocabulary to adequately describe the singing. I can only say there has been nothing like it before. One hymn is still in my mind as a choice recollection:

Ashamed of Jesus? Just as soon  
Let midnight be ashamed of noon:  
'Twas midnight with my soul, till He,  
Bright Morning Star, bade darkness flee.

A medley of voices followed that of Principal Jeffreys, who opened the story by telling how he commenced

#### THIS GREAT WORK

together with a few faithful friends. Ministers and laymen, old and young, brothers and sisters, all told in word and song of campaigns, healings, demonstrations and the influence of Foursquare literature. In all we traced the hand of God guiding and developing an organisation to proclaim the message of a full-orbed gospel.

The programme continued to its close as Principal Jeffreys preached a short message. He emphasised the importance of the Lord's Table, and the necessity for those who partake to know Christ experimentally. An appeal followed, and the response of eighteen to the gospel call was evidence of the Spirit's brooding. This, after all, was the crowning glory of the day's meetings, souls redeemed from darkness and despair to serve the true and living God.

The pageant was over and now a "Table" is prepared in the midst—the "Table of the Lord." A great multitude, we gathered here in simple participation of two common elements, the symbols of divine love. And now the scene had changed. Gone were the banners, the spidery palace of glass and steel girders, the pageantry, the story of Elim, all had faded from view. Here we were on a rough and rugged mound. Before us, stark, rude and merciless, a cross

—two arms outstretched to save. It was the merging point of divine love and human folly. Both had come into conflict, and lo, a Cross! His brow, we saw, furrowed with pain and pierced with thorns. A side from which the crimson stream flowed to earth. We began to feel the pulse of the great Eternal Love, and in those eyes of compassion we read again the message of forgiving mercy.

His lips are moving now. I listen quietly for His voice. He whispers, "All this I did for thee, what hast thou done for Me?"

I leave the Crystal Palace

#### SUBDUED AND HUMILIATED,

and yet with a sense of ecstasy, for we have seen the Christ. Here in this unresponsive and difficult structure, God has revealed Himself in the breaking of bread and drinking of wine.

This Cross has been the central theme of the evangel preached by the leader and ministers of the Elim Alliance. By its life-giving energy a movement has been built, and a fervent prayer rises from our hearts that His Cross may for ever be pre-eminent in our theology, and that the future of this work of God be one of devotion to the precepts of Holy Scripture.

# A Day of Holy and Hallowed Memories

By Pastor H. A. COURT

**G**LAD day of happy memories! So thought thousands that gathered at the Crystal Palace on the 5th. Reunions! Rejoicings! Refreshings! Hearty handshakes speak volumes for the fellowship feeling predominant as members of one family meet on this great occasion. Smiles betoken great expectations.

There is singing as I enter the great Centre Transept for the afternoon meeting—the folk are getting into praising trim. We are about to commence the twenty-one year survey. There is an outburst of song from thousands of throats—"O God our help in ages past"—and hearts begin to think back over His great goodness as the hymn reverberates through the great glass auditorium.

Silence! A quiet but impressive voice is telling of a wonderful birth. Few in that company can remember that birth: most of us met Elim when it was a growing child. As Principal Jeffreys unfolds the story we feel we are on holy ground. We are conscious of a Presence. Humble thanks quivers on our lips as we visualise the Creator at work. . . .

. . . An upper room. That is where it began. All blessings begin in the upper room. A few humble hearts made way for God. . . .

What is that red light on the map that covers the organ? Oh, I see, it shows the position of Belfast. Belfast, how blest art thou, for thou hast given birth

to a wondrous thing! . . . Hush! a song from those days. Thank you, Ulster Crusader Choir for your lovely heart-stirring rendering of "Send the Fire." You have touched

## SOME OF MEMORY'S CHORDS

indeed.

Look! The light on the map is moving. It has gone to Ballymena, Lisburn, Dublin, Portadown, Cullybackey, Moneyclare. The new-born child is healthily active. By the way, the map referred to is a marvellous piece of work. It is 25 feet by 35 feet (or in more homely terms about the size of the floor-space of six large-size front rooms). Half a mile of wire has been used in connection with the lighting. Evangelist Vanstone must have worked hard to get that map going. Well done, Brother Vanstone!

. . . Things move apace. The *Elim Evangel* has come, and come to stay, and for that we thank God.

. . . Over the water comes the Word, Guernsey gets it. And the tomato growers of the island of fruit and flowers pack their baskets to a new tune.

. . . Iesu! Cyfaill—a strange tongue this from the choir on the left. Elim has come to the land of song, and Wales is happier in a new-found joy.

And then to England. Happy England—land of liberty! But what new liberty is this that comes to you? Your sons are losing their sins, their sicknesses, their fears. The Christ of the Foursquare



## GLOUCESTER SILVER BAND

The splendid Gloucester Silver Band (Conductor, Mr. A. Walkley), which took an active musical part throughout Elim's Coming of Age celebrations in the Crystal Palace.

Gospel is enthroned in English hearts.

. . . London—the heart of the world—is reached. Clapham resounds with redemption's praises.

#### LIFE COMES TO A DERELICT CHURCH.

Later at this same Church there springs into being the youth movement we call Elim Crusaders. See the banners. From all parts they represent Elim's vast army of satisfied youth.

Four blending voices make their own music, and we are reminded of Miss Henderson's journey to dark Congo. The farewell service at Clapham will never be forgotten by those of us who were privileged to be present.

The lights are on the map again. Barking, East Ham, Canning Town, and Ilford receive the Word gladly.

. . . A College for the training of ministers. What evidence of growth is this. Elim Woodlands is open, and from it in addition to well-equipped ministers, the Holiday Homes spring—homes of refreshing—Elims!

. . . The lights flash over the map. Bournemouth in the south, Carlisle in the north, again south for Plymouth, and north again for Liverpool.

. . . The Royal Albert Hall, engaged for the first time by Elim, is packed to overflowing with enthusiastic crowds. So did 1926 signalise itself in the history of Elim.

Tea is over, and we resume the story. Hearts are aglow with the memory of the years. As the work widens more and more of the company present have their memories stirred.

. . . Scotland, the land of the psalm, is invaded, and we hear the kilted choir sound its praise to Him who doeth wonders. . . . Then comes the Correspondence School,

#### A BOON TO THOUSANDS.

. . . Leeds, Brighton, Portsmouth, Rochester, Hastings, Wimbledon, Hammersmith—all are caught in the wave of Pentecostal revival. . . . Reading, Eastbourne, Bath, Exeter, Bradford, these join the great company.

. . . On goes the banner of truth. It flies over Greenock, Brixton, Worthing, Ipswich, . . . Again to Wales. Packed congregations fill the Cory Hall in Cardiff. Swansea rallies to the banner.

. . . New offices for Headquarters. We hear the sound of telephone bell and typewriter telling of busy hours behind the scenes.

. . . But I must watch my space. What more shall I say? As needs arise they are met. The Sunday School and Cadets are catering for the children, with

camp in the summer, while the need for ministerial consultations on important matters brings about the annual ministerial conference. Gramophone records supply those who want permanent remembrance of outstanding blessings. And while these needs are met the revival bursts forth in many other parts.

. . . Birmingham, Nottingham, Halifax, Barnsley, Glossop, Blackpool, Southport, Isle of Wight, Sheffield, Hull, Scarborough, Aberdeen are all in the blessing of this twentieth century revival. York, Manchester, Middlesbrough, Scunthorpe, Lincoln, Bristol, Neath and Llanelly follow too. The movement grows apace as it nears

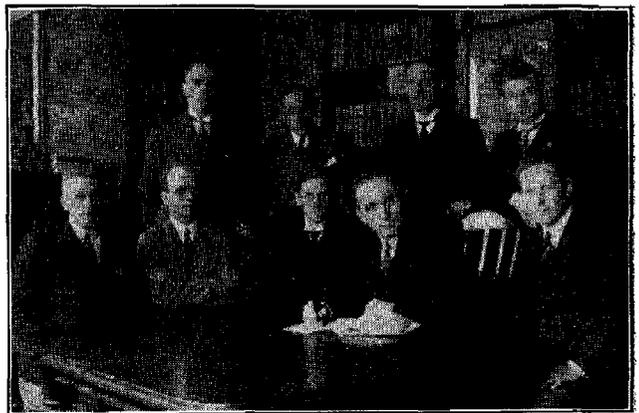
#### ITS TWENTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY.

. . . Switzerland calls. The answer comes. Three sisters in national costume sing in national style. It is their tribute to the mighty God who came their way.

. . . "After the same manner also He took the cup . . ." Gathered around the table is the great crowd of servers, always an impressive sight in Elim demonstrations. Solemnity prevails as the vast host of saints forget for the moment what they have all day been so gladly remembering. It is good to remember the works of the Lord, but now these redeemed ones are remembering the death of their Saviour. They are right at the very source of the blessing—Calvary.

. . . And then comes the final outburst of song. The smiles and the handshakes are as at the beginning.

To summarise. It was a marvellous day of retrospection. Those who planned it did amazingly well. The whole unrehearsed programme dovetailed beautifully, without hitch or let. Thank you, organisers. Thank you, choristers, Thank you, speakers. But above you and behind your efforts—God be praised.



Executive Council Signing the Deed Poll of the Constitution of the Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance

"Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me, bless His holy name.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits."

## Crystal Palace Notes

The large map (35 feet high) with cities and towns illuminated by electric lamps, which served so forcibly to remind us of Elim's widespread activities, was prepared by Evangelist D. A. Vanstone. It is interesting to note that nearly half a mile of electric wiring was used in connection with this.

The special items used by the Narrators and Announcers were written by Pastor P. N. Corry.

The two Jubilee Songs used at the Crystal Palace were composed by Pastors E. C. W. Boulton and D. B. Gray.

The fanfares of trumpets which so enlivened the celebrations were composed by Pastor D. B. Gray.

The whole of the Crystal Palace programme was arranged and directed by Pastor E. J. Phillips.

## The Year of Jubilee

By Pastor G. I. FRANCIS

**I**N the south-eastern part of London, situated on a high, elevated hill, enveloped and surrounded by beautifully-laid-out grounds, a large artificial lake and a cluster of famous fountains, with multitudes of sparkling springs and sprays, stands one of the mightiest monuments of glass and iron ever designed and constructed by man—known as the Crystal Palace. This gigantic palace of glass has been the centre and scene of some of the greatest exhibitions, festivals, and rallies, but never before has it been the scene of greater spiritual activity and enthusiasm than on Saturday, 5th September, when a huge panoramic display of the spiritual activities of the Foursquare Twenty-one Years of Revival was graphically and vividly staged and portrayed in a remarkably well arranged programme of word and song.

At the top end of the South Transept is a monster clock, with a dial of over forty feet in diameter—it indicates 10.15—off to the Club Room to join the greatest society on earth—the Royal Prayer Band! An enthusiastic crowd of believers are gathered for a time of sincere prayer—led by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton—invoking God's guidance and blessing upon this unique event in the annals of the Foursquare Gospel Church.

Eleven o'clock: long before the hour the people are pouring into the Concert Hall, where the Principal is to conduct a Divine Healing Service. Soon it is packed out, people standing, and a large

### CROWD OF SICK PEOPLE

sought and received the Master's healing touch. In the same hall the World Crusade Meeting is held under the leadership of Pastor P. N. Corry. This meeting is always a great attraction, when thrilling accounts are given of the Foursquare Revival activities in other lands and nations. Miss V. Hoskins gave an encouraging account of the revival in Japan; Miss M. Paint, inspired with the thought of soon returning to India, gave another stimulating talk on the mighty power of the Foursquare Gospel in India, and in addition to other speakers it was a joy to welcome Pastor and Mrs. George Thomas, who have been labouring in Spain for the last three years, and to hear of the remarkable and thrilling deliverances which God had wrought for them during the present tumult in that country.

The outstanding event of the day was to commence at 2.15 in the huge Centre Transept. Long before the scheduled time, this massive place was packed with an

eager, enthusiastic and expectant crowd of people, who had come to witness the remarkable spiritual kaleidoscopic representation of the phenomenal progress and success of the Elim Foursquare Gospel Movement, since its inception in the little upper room at Monaghan, Ireland, in the year 1915. This great spiritual pageant, consisting of nearly 200 items, is now to be staged, in two parts. The first part is introduced by the singing of that well-known hymn by that vast congregation, accompanied by

### THE THUNDERING STRAINS

of that great organ—rendered with such fervour and passion—

O God our help in ages past—  
Our hope for years to come.

God—the true foundation and the secret of all spiritual success.

After a fervent prayer, the Principal gave a very clear and detailed account of the birth of this great Elim work. He emphasised how that original little band of workers in those early days sought to preach a full gospel for spirit, soul and body, devoid of all extravagances—which has been for the last twenty-one years and is still a characteristic feature of the operations of the Foursquare Gospel Revival.

Those early days were times of severe testings, as was humorously instanced by Pastors Darragh, Farlow, Phillips and several of the other pioneering ministers of this great Elim Movement, yet from the outset God sealed the faithful ministry of the Principal and his little band of loyal workers, with mighty signs and wonders; souls were saved; bodies miraculously healed and hundreds baptised in the Holy Ghost with signs following, and from 1915 until the end of 1919 despite much opposition and many difficulties, the Foursquare Revival fire spread throughout many towns and villages in Northern Ireland. "This revival will blow over," declared the Irish critics, and in the year 1920 it did actually blow over, for the

### FOURSQUARE REVIVAL FLAMES

reached the prosperous town of Dowlais, Wales, when the Principal and his party conducted a great and remarkable revival campaign in that town, and mighty signs and wonders followed the preaching of the Word. Since then stirring revival scenes have been witnessed

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# FAMILY ALTAR



The Scripture Union Daily Portions: Meditations by Pastor V. S. PRITCHARD

**Sunday, Sept. 27th.** Prov. xviii. 10-24.

"The name of the Lord is a strong tower" (verse 10).

Bless the Lord! What a blessed refuge He is for those who trust Him. We may be hard pressed by the enemy of our soul, but hallelujah! we can run into our Refuge in God. There the enemy cannot enter to destroy. I dare not seek refuge in my feelings, my circumstances or my environment, these afford me no safeguard. But in the unchangeable character of Jehovah I have found and shall find complete safety. The accuser of the brethren may rage without the walls, but I am safe. The winds of hellish hate may roar, but they beat themselves out against the impregnable rock tower of the eternal integrity of the Infinite. Glory to God! Beyond all I have heard of His sheltering love to the sons of men, God Himself in all the attributes of His Eternal Verity is mine. Hallelujah!

PRAYER TOPIC:

That a special anointing of power and blessing may rest upon all the gatherings in Elim churches this day.

**Monday, Sept. 28th.** Prov. xx. 1-13.

"Who can say, I have made my heart clean?" (verse 9).

The consciousness of uncleanness of heart must precede the acceptance of salvation. We must realise we are lost before we can enjoy the blessed assurance that by the shed blood of Jesus we are saved. The choicest saints of God have been those who first had the deepest sense of guilt. This work of bringing home to the sinner the guilt of his depraved and unregenerate nature or heart is the work of the Spirit of God. The sinner thus made conscious of his lost condition cries "What must I do to be saved?" God's Word supplies the answer, "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved." God-given faith lays hold of God's offer of mercy and the heart is cleansed from sin by the redeeming blood. Hallelujah! It is all of grace. It is the Lord's doing and marvellous in our eyes. When I had ceased to reform, to patch myself up with the filthy rags of self-righteousness, Jesus took me in hand and made me a new creature.

PRAYER TOPIC:

That God may mightily endue the Principal for the forthcoming gatherings on the Continent, and that a great ingathering of precious souls may follow his ministry.

**Tuesday, Sept. 29th.** Prov. xxii. 1-16.

"By humility and the fear of the Lord are riches, and honour, and life" (v. 4).

Scholarship without humility is impossible. The ignorant must submit to

the learned and so be taught. "Come my children, hearken unto me and I will teach you the fear of the Lord." It is to the childlike in heart that God is able to teach His choicest and deepest lessons. The fear of the Lord is His reward to the humble, and that reward is a threefold blessing. Lord, make me childlike of heart, teachable of spirit, tractable of soul. So shalt Thou endow me, lifting me from the penalty of myself to the riches of Thyself. Lift me from the degradation of self-seeking to the honour attendant on those who seek not their own will, but the will of their God. Make me so pliable in Thy hand that I may be saved from seeking "the way that seemeth right unto a man" but which ends in death. Breathe on me breath of God, that Thy Spirit may constantly inwardly witness that it is no more I that live but Christ that liveth in me.

PRAYER TOPIC:

Praise for all the manifest blessing through the ministry of the printed word.

**Wednesday, Sept. 30th.** Prov. xxii. 17-29.

"To thee, this day, even to thee" (verse 19).

Praise God! The saving grace of God is for whosoever, the water of life for every one that thirsteth. "God so loved the world that He gave His Son." A common salvation for all, but, also salvation for me personally! A brazen serpent lifted up for a dying people, a Saviour exalted as the Lamb of God for me. A Saviour for a dying thief—yes; but a Saviour for me. His saving strength for my frailty. His unerring counsel for my perplexity and foolishness. His peace for my commotion. His health for my pain. His ease and comfort for my disease. Christ in all His fulness for me, even me. This day. Now. Now. Now! Hallelujah. Dear Lord, give me appropriating grace, that Thou mayest indwell me in Thy fulness, that Thy name may be glorified.

PRAYER TOPIC:

That the unreached parts of rural England may have the Foursquare Gospel preached to them in its fulness, and that as a result many may be led into the truth.

**Thursday, Oct. 1st.** Prov. xxiii. 10-26.

"Their Redeemer is mighty" (verse 11).

The Devil and his servants are ever seeking to encroach upon the possessions of the children of God. They would remove the ancient landmarks which mark out the God-given heritage of the saints. They are busier to-day than ever before. The landmarks which the apostles, Luther, Wesley, and Wickliffe were, by the grace of God enabled to erect, are

threatened on every hand with removal by the ruthless robber hand of modernism. Great have been the encroachments of the enemy. But praise God, He still has a people who cherish the old truths and resist the marauder; who honour the all-atoning blood of the everlasting covenant, and in these days of the shifting sands of so-called science, stand firm on the Rock of Ages. Hallelujah. God is on our side. He is a mighty Redeemer. He will see to it that the trustful soul shall lose no territory. His arm is mighty in defence of His own.

PRAYER TOPIC:

Thanksgiving for all those who have recently realised the quickening touch of God in their bodies.

**Friday, Oct. 2nd.** Prov. xxiv. 1-18.

"So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto Thy soul" (verse 14).

The fear of the Lord, that is wisdom. A right relationship to God. The wisest thing a man can do is to get right with God through Christ who is the Living Way. And having become right with God it is wise to keep right, through abiding in Him. Having discovered the Way of Wisdom, He must, like honey, be appropriated and retained if we would derive the sweetness and nourishment. Admiration of Christ never yet saved a soul. It is to the hungry soul who stretches forth the hand of faith and takes Christ, and all He is, for all his need, that the reward of satisfaction and new life becomes a glad reality. He fulfils every expectation, yea He exceeds all our fancied day-dreams. The hunger may be great, but Jesus never fails. Like honey for the physical frame, Jesus is pure, unadulterated food for the soul.

PRAYER TOPIC:

Praise for all God has done throughout the past months in the Elim Churches through the ministry of His own precious Word.

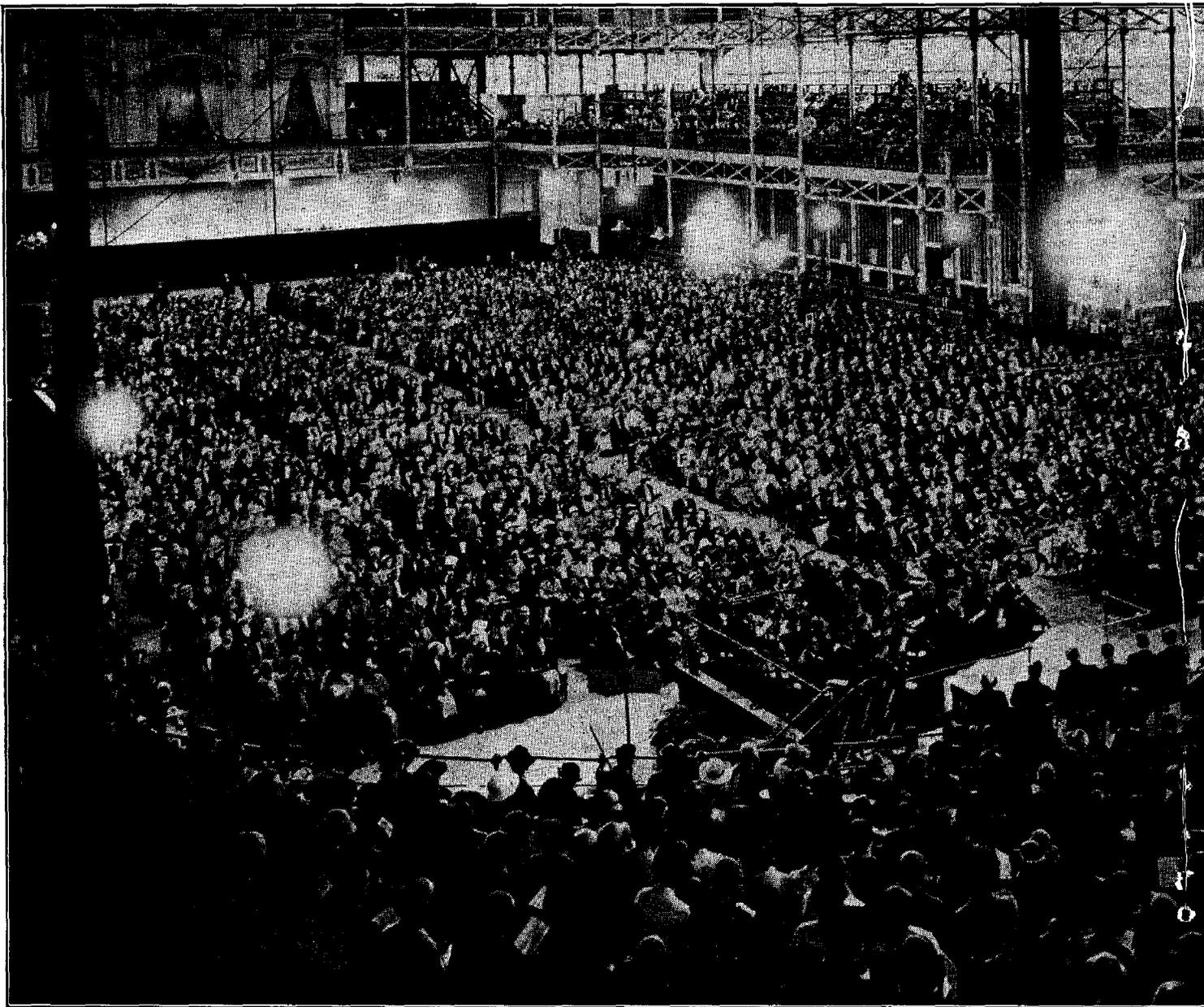
**Saturday, Oct. 3rd.** Prov. xxv. 11-18.

"The Lord shall reward thee" (verse 22).

The Lord is always on the side of the merciful. His vigilant eye has seen all the activities of the enemy. His great heart has beat in unison with His own, when persecution has taken toll of the body and mind and spirit of the oppressed. He knows the grace essential to forgiveness, the love essential wherewith to love the unlovable. When the "old man" of sin would retaliate and take advantage of the enemy's discomfiture, Christ, the New Man, whispers in the cleansed heart of His great work of love. Softly I hear Him saying "I forgave thee all that debt." The sweet remembrance of His mercy steals the "bitter from the sweet" and He, through wondrous grace, enables the forgiven one to go out of his way to minister mercy to the erring and fallen. The Lord takes note of all and the Christ-like of heart and hand are assured of reward. And His reward is worthy of Himself. The Great God rewards in abundant heavenly measure.

PRAYER TOPIC:

That God may graciously encourage all our Sunday School workers by working amongst the scholars in saving and baptising power.



#### A DEMONSTRATION OF POWER AND GLORY IN L

For the seventh year in succession thousands of enthusiastic Foursquare Gospellers, under the leadership of their beloved Principal George Jefferys, gathered in the Crystal Palace to witness a demonstration of the power of the Foursquare Gospel. The photograph shows the crowded Choir and Centre Transept on the occasion of Elim.

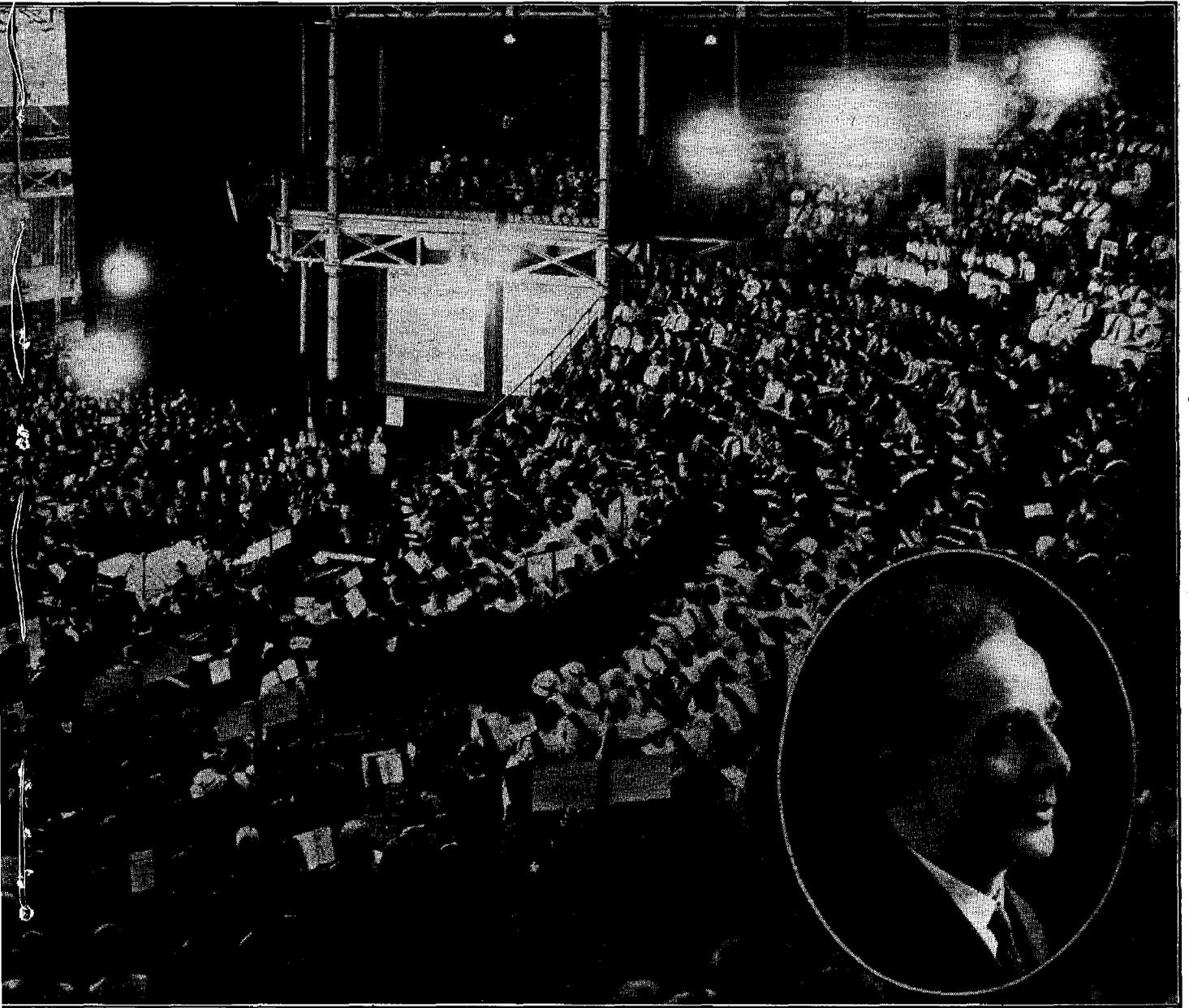
throughout the whole of the British Isles, and other parts of the world, as was undeniably confirmed by the convincing testimonies given by a number of English, Scottish, Irish, Welsh, French, Swiss and other witnesses.

An impressive item in this exceptionally well-planned programme was when the young Foursquare Gospellers, who form the Crusader section of this great movement throughout the British Isles, marched past the Principal who stood on the steps leading to the platform, each section displaying their respective banners of different colours and sizes, with an inscription of the Holy Bible woven in a conspicuous manner

in the centre. What a challenging testimony in these days, of the irresistible power of the Foursquare Gospel to attract and to satisfy the young as well as the old people.

The second part of this great demonstration occupied the whole of the evening session, covering the activities of the Foursquare Gospel Revival from 1927 until the beginning of this present year.

During this period the revival fire has swept forward throughout the British Isles with still greater and deeper results, and we were reminded of the first Elim Demonstration which took place in the Crystal Palace in 1930. The inauguration of the Elim Cadet Move-



#### IN LONDON'S FAMOUS PALACE OF GLASS

Mr. Jeffrey, took possession of the historic Crystal Palace and filled its vast space with the sound of their praises. The above photograph shows the scene of Elim's Coming of Age celebrations in this unique Palace of Glass.

ment for the young scholars up to 14 years of age, a number of whom

#### MARCHED TO THE PLATFORM

also bearing their banners.

It was a bright moment in the programme when three Swiss sisters dressed in their national costumes sang, followed with a chorus by a French Choir, which is an entirely new feature at these great demonstrations. Yet another inspiring proof of the spreading of the Foursquare message to the four corners of the earth.

And now we reach the closing moments of this great and inspiring spiritual festival. Our souls have been

thrilled, our faith has been established deeper than ever in the miraculous power of the gospel of our Lord, and in an atmosphere which was charged with the presence of the Master we gather around the table in an attitude of deep reverence and thankfulness.

The Principal passes on a short but clear exposition on I. Corinthians xi. 23-28, emphasising the need of self-examination as we partake of this holy ordinance. There was a sense of deep solemnity upon that vast congregation as he delivered his challenging message on the various judgments spoken of in the Word of God, and when the appeal was made to those who were

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## A Week of Prayer.

At the recent annual Conference of Elim Ministers it was felt that the time was ripe for a great forward move throughout the whole of the work, and with this in view a special week of prayer has been planned in all our churches, from Sunday, September 20th to Saturday, September 26th. We trust that the great fellowship of Foursquare Gospel believers throughout the United Kingdom will rally to this special season of intercession, that as a result the coming months may witness a gracious outpouring of the Holy Ghost, sweeping thousands into the kingdom of God. Also that during the remaining months of this Coming of Age year God may enable us to completely wipe out the whole of our existing liabilities. At the present time the Jubilee Fund has realised just over 10% of our total commitments. Let us unitedly pray that the remainder of Elim's financial burden may be lifted that God's work may move on to greater triumphs in the coming days. For all that the hand of the Lord hath wrought we must surely praise Him.

## Prayer Changes Things

Philippians iv. 6

Prayer is requested for:

One who is perplexed and anxious for the guidance of God.—A.B.

A child of God seeking to know His perfect will; that the Spirit of the Lord may reveal the next step.—P.T.

A brother who is facing what may turn out to be a very bad form of facial disfigurement, that God may heal completely for His glory.—W.R.G.

A sister in Christ suffering from a stroke and blood pressure that God will restore her to health and strength.—E.P.

Praise for answered prayer for one who was recently prayed for; that this same person may be fully saved.—W.S.

A lady in very poor health who has to undertake some very hard work, that God may strengthen for the task.—C.A.M.

A young man stricken with spinal trouble for seven years; contracted it is believed during the war. That God may give His quickening touch.—L.S.

A brother who is a slave to the smoking habit, who is also convicted that it is wrong, that complete victory may be granted to him.—S.D.

A child of God suffering through the neglect of loved ones, that the Lord may work to right all that is wrong.—S.I.

## The Livery of Christ

**D**IVINE Love is the life-blood of the mystical body, ministered by the Spirit from the Head in heaven, uniting, energising, and nourishing all the parts of the body. It is the mightiest of all conquerors. Said Napoleon when banished to St. Helena, "Alexander, Cæsar, Charlemagne, and myself have founded great empires: but upon what do these creations of our genius depend? Upon force. Jesus alone founded His empire upon love, and to this very day millions would die for Him."

Love will be manifested among the sons as it has ever been manifested by the Father, by persistently overcoming evil with good. Love is the fire by which both God and man melt down enmity, and transform enemies into friends. On one occasion the missionary Lacroix was preaching in a chapel in Calcutta, when a Hindu came behind him, and with a heavy stick, struck a blow at his head. The congregation immediately arose and shouted for the police. The missionary calmly said, "Let us have no police," and taking the man, and gently placing him before him, he taught them the Christian doctrine of forgiveness. The effect on the congregation was such that they shouted aloud, "Victory, victory to Jesus Christ."

Love will manifest itself in prayer for others. Mr. Murray says: "There is nothing that should make Christians ashamed as their non-appreciation of the influence of intercession for others. How many Christians who have thought everything was right with them; who spend their little time in prayer daily, their quarter hour or half hour, and get benefit from it; who have never made it a rule to make time for prayer for others. Love gives its time and its ardent heart's desire, and says, 'Father, oh for a blessing on those around me!'"

Love will manifest itself in service for others. What a pandemonium this fallen world would be if it were not for the natural love which clings to the wreck of humanity! It is love that builds hospitals, orphanages, asylums, refuges, churches, mission halls, lighthouses, and lifeboats. It is love that frees the slave, that clothes the naked, that ministers to the sick, that visits the afflicted, that feeds the hungry, that cares for the crippled, that soothes the dying. If the Love that is so largely natural and human were to give place to a love that is supernatural and divine, what a transformation would be effected! The wilderness and the solitary place would indeed be glad thereof, and the desert would rejoice and blossom as the rose.—Sel.

## The Year of Jubilee (concluded from page 617)

under the judgment for sin, those who were not in Christ, a number responded and were led to the Saviour, to join the multitudes who were to partake of the great ordinance at the Communion Table.

Time can never erase the deep impression made upon our souls at this great and mighty Jubilee Demonstration, and the key words which may represent this marvellous God-inspired Foursquare movement, are *fire*, *fervour* and *faith*.

# A Day to be Remembered

By A RETURNED WAYFARER

**S**EPTEMBER 5th, 1936, will stand out for ever as a day to be remembered in the annals of the Four-square Gospel Alliance movement.

Twenty-one years ago, a handful of people hungry enough for God to satisfy, set out to tell others of the great salvation they had found. They were "born again," "baptised in the Holy Ghost," and they had heard a Voice saying, "Go, tell," and in dead earnest they started, but no one dreamed that they were the beginning of such a mighty movement.

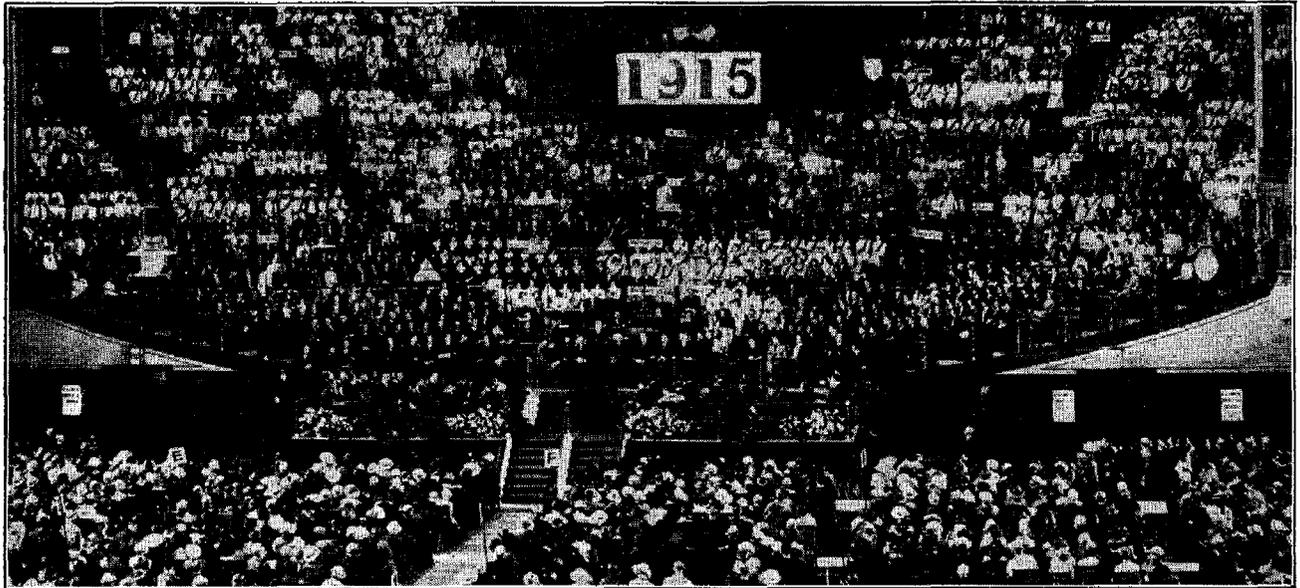
They have obeyed the voice of God. He sent them a leader whom they could follow and they have been out telling others ever since.

Saviour, Christ their Healer, Christ their Baptiser and Christ their soon-coming King; and songs of joy and thanksgiving echoed and re-echoed through the building.

The choirs were two thousand strong, and every member is a person "born again." The children were there too to sing their story.

The day opened with a prayer meeting and then a healing service, and a long, slow procession of sick folk passed to a place where hands were laid on them and prayers were prayed, and they went out to prove for themselves what Jesus can do for them.

It was a soul-moving scene, and tears rained down



## CONSECRATED YOUTH AT THE CRYSTAL PALACE, LONDON

The huge Crusader Choir composed of over 2,000 voices, which again, as in all other of Elim's great London Demonstrations, sang unto the Lord with cheerful voice, under the baton of Pastor Douglas B. Gray.

They have nothing new to tell, it is the old, old story believed and accepted and obeyed. The Bible is their Book. They know that it is the Word of God, and so wherever they go they speak with authority, and in the cities and towns where they have visited, thousands have accepted the message, believed on the Lord Jesus Christ and they are saved!

They have told of the wonderful Baptism in the Holy Ghost they received, they have reminded the people that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, to-day and for ever, and His touch has still

### ITS ANCIENT POWER,

and crowds have gathered to hear and to believe and to prove for themselves that the blind see, the lame walk, and the sick are healed. Hundreds were there to testify that in some meeting in their own city they went where the little band were telling their story and talking about Jesus, and they found Him—Christ their

many faces of those who sat and watched that long line of weary seekers after healing. How near and how dear our blessed Lord Jesus was in that hour—for He ever is—the Great Physician, the sympathising Jesus, our Saviour.

Then there was the World Crusade meeting, and testimonies from missionaries

### AT HOME AND ABROAD

were given. It was the same story, they had proved God and seen His glory where they were, Jesus had triumphed, they were there to give Him the glory. From 2.30 to 4.30 and from 6 to 9 it was an unbroken time of testimony, telling what God has done, and few had more than 1½ minutes to tell what they knew.

There were choirs from Ireland, Scotland and Wales and from most of the big cities in England who were there because they believed and received. A great crowd of young men and young women set out in a

big crusade to make Christ known to others, and their songs were all of Him. They call themselves "The Crusaders"—they mean business for the King of kings.

Three Swiss sisters from the Bernese Oberland sang and yodelled and their voices echoed round the crystal dome; they sang a song of the mountains where they often sang to God and they brought something of their country to us; for they have seen a great revival there through this great movement.

There is something awe-inspiring in a crowd that is stilled and I saw it in the Crystal Palace in a glory that is unforgettable. We speak with hushed voices of the communion service, and

#### MEMORIES HOVER ROUND

little companies who gather together in a quiet church in remembrance of His death and passion, to partake of the emblems Christ Himself ordained, but—this was a day to be remembered, and the Crystal Palace held a crowd of thousands who were there finishing a day of thanksgiving and glory to God by a service of Holy Communion. They call it "Breaking of Bread" service and only those who are "born again" may partake. So—before that part of the service began, the way of salvation was made clear by the leader, so that, if any are present who have not yet passed from death to life, they could do so there and then. I saw hands raised in every part of the building, they wanted to be "in," and I believe they were accepted in the Beloved and made partakers with all those who knew Him well.

Can you imagine thousands meeting for a communion service at the close of a day crammed full of thanksgiving and praise?

The long tables were spread with white linen cloths and there the wine and the bread were placed.

Someone

#### WITH LAVISH LOVE

arranged masses of pure white lilies and red gladiolas around the platform on which the tables stood. They

were His flowers telling us to consider Him; His lilies: He made them. They were speaking to our hearts of His purity and love, reminding us of His care—beautiful, pure white trumpet lilies saying "look at us—consider us—He who made us cares for you—don't be anxious, Jesus cares; these people love His table and make the surroundings beautiful for His lovers."

In a silence that was felt a procession of ushers walked up the two centre aisles to the platform, and then in an orderliness that is a miracle, they each received from the hands of those there to give—their portion to serve to that vast multitude.

Who could look on and not be moved?

The organisation was perfect, "Let things be done decently and in order" was literally obeyed; there was no confusion, nothing to disturb, a holy quietness reigned while we had Holy Communion with Him who died for us, and bade us keep this in remembrance of Him. Softly, very softly, music and words

#### GRIPPED OUR SOULS

and with all our hearts, we sang as one:

All my days and all my hours,  
All my will and all my powers,  
All the passion of my soul,  
Not a fragment, but the whole  
Shall be Thine, dear Lord.

And then—the organ pealed and every one stood erect, with faces looking upward, the song of songs was triumphantly sung, and, the man who led that little band twenty-one years ago, led that vast crowd in singing—

All hail the power of Jesu's name,  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem  
And crown Him Lord of all  
Crown Him, crown Him,  
Crown Him Lord of all.

Truly Jesus has triumphed, and triumphed gloriously. Hallelujah!



The excellent Ulster Crusader Choir, a band of consecrated youth from the land of Elim's birth, which rendered such sweet music in song, under the conductorship of Mr. John Bell, throughout the day at the Crystal Palace.

# PRAISE THE LORD!

## The Power of the Preached Word—Reaching the Hopeless

### MONTHS OF PROGRESS.

#### Fifty Souls Decide for Christ.

**Neath** (Evangelist W. H. Farrow). With hearts full of gratitude to God, the Church at Neath is able to report steady progress during the past ten months, in spite of many difficulties and limitations a virile Foursquare testimony has been established here. On several occasions the hall has been packed and many have been turned away.



Evangelist  
W. H. Farrow

During the past months no less than fifty souls have publicly signified their desire to follow Christ.

A Crusader band has been established with an aggregate attendance of fifty.

A fine work is being done among the Cadets. God is blessing the labours of the

two Cadet leaders, the Cadet gatherings numbering eighty.

Recently Mr. E. Shaw of Manchester conducted a week of special services. These proved a great blessing and stimulus to the Church.

The Cadets on a recent Sunday conducted the evening gospel service; when the appeal was given two sisters responded.

There are a large number waiting to be immersed.

### A CHALLENGING MESSAGE

#### Awakening and Arresting Ministry

**Salisbury** (Pastor F. J. Slemming). Recently Pastor Slemming gave a most challenging address on a subject calculated to create considerable interest. Below we give a report from a local paper of the meeting which was held in the Elim Tabernacle.

#### SHOULD A CHRISTIAN FIGHT?

Salisbury Pastor Strongly Criticises the Church

The attitude of the Church towards warfare was strongly criticised by Pastor F. J. Slemming at the Elim Foursquare Gospel Tabernacle in Scott's Lane, Salisbury, on Wednesday evening when the subject of his address was "Should a Christian Fight?"

"If the Bible is a guide to Christian living," he said, "then it ought to have something to say in this matter. Christ said in the Garden of Gethsemane, 'Put up thy sword, for he who taketh the sword shall perish by the sword.' I believe it is the law of God and the law

of Nature that whatsoever a man soweth so shall he reap, and that is true nationally, collectively and individually. What empire is there, which, founded on blood, did not pass away on a sea of blood? War is human blood, brutality and torture. You can sow hatred, you can sow fear, you can sow distress and disease. But what are you going to reap—love, primroses and daisies? I will tell you what you will reap. You will reap blood-red flowers of Flanders. To my mind all warfare is a retaliation. A nation comes into conflict with another and the other will retaliate. God knows the war clouds are very, very real, and warfare gets more cruel and barbarous every year. Warfare used to take place on land, but that was not big enough—it spread to the sea, climbed into the air, and burrowed underground.

"What am I trying to do?" Mr. Slemming asked. "Am I trying to scare you? Definitely not. I am trying to show you that right from the very beginning war is not Christianity. You have not got to listen to the words of pacifists to discover that. Take the words of the military authorities. They tell us that war to-day threatens entire populations; that it threatens not only manhood, but womanhood and children as well. Can you link these horrors of strife, hatred and malice and bring them into harmony with Christianity? The Commandment of God says 'Thou shalt not kill.' And nowhere does it add 'Except if you put on a uniform, take the king's shilling, and be dished out with a gun.' War is murder on a large scale, and I say if it is wrong to murder an individual, how in the name of reason can it be right to murder a dozen individuals or any number you like?"

#### The Christian's Weapon

"Christianity cannot be reconciled with the ways and reasonings of warfare. Love is the Christian's weapon, not bombs, tanks or poison gas. But what is the Church's attitude towards warfare? The Church has largely encouraged and endorsed it, and in praying that God would bless it, the Church has dealt Christianity a terrible blow.

"I say that the Church must protest against war and go clean out on war, or else take down her banner which she declares is 'Love.' Can a man go to war with the banner of love in one hand and a bayonet in the other? She must renounce war; she must make her stand for God, or else lose her right to witness for God in the world. In the last war did not Earl Haig say to the Church, 'Your job is to make my job unnecessary'? Yet it is still said that every Army Padre is overdressed—that he must either take off his collar or his uniform.

"In summing up let me say that Christianity is against war; warfare and Christianity cannot agree. And when we hear the call of war let us resolve we are Christians, and remember that light has no dealings with darkness. If we stand against war we shall be branded as cowards. But never mind, cost what it may, let us be true to God and Christianity. Let us love and not hate; let us love and not fight."

### SUCCESSFUL OPEN AIR MINISTRY Baptising in the Thames

**Swindon** (Pastor T. A. Carver). It is gratifying to know that the summer months have seen no slackening of the work in Swindon, but rather an all-round increase. The attendances have been well maintained, and the manifest blessing has been an encouragement to those who have the burden of the work on their hearts. On Sunday evenings particularly, there has been a glorious spirit of liberty and power manifest during the past two months.

The open air work is one of the most interesting section of the church's activities. Conducted on controversial lines, large crowds are attracted to the meetings. Strong controversy is raised, this year chiefly on the Temperance question, and soon questions are forthcoming. Immediately the crowd gathers, and generally there are as many as 200 or 300, and sometimes more, who stand listening for nearly two hours. Gradually the workers bring the questions round to the fundamentals of the gospel, and thus



Crowds at Swindon open air service

follow the Apostolic method of "disputing with them concerning the things of the kingdom." The snapshot shows the crowd just beginning to gather on a Friday evening.

August Bank Holiday week-end was a time of glorious refreshing for the church. The special speaker was Mr. George, of Worthing, and words fail to describe all that the Lord did right from Saturday evening to Monday evening. We thought we should never have been able to stop

singing "Crown Him Lord of all" on the Sunday evening. It was 9.30 on that evening before the service closed. Bank Holiday Monday proved a red-letter day. About 100 Foursquare Gospellers went to Lechlade, about 12 miles away, and spent a glorious day on the River Thames. In the afternoon a baptismal service was held in the river, when about 500



Pastor T. A. Carver baptising in the Thames

or 600 people lined the bank. It was a wonderful time, and one felt transported to the days when John came baptising in the River Jordan. Four brothers (one saved at the Albert Hall on Whit-Monday) and two sisters followed the Lord. In the evening an open-air meeting was held in the village, and was greatly enjoyed by all. Mr. George, Pastor Carver and the Crusader Secretary (Mr. V. Bowen), all Welshmen, sang a trio "O fryniau Caersalem," which was greatly appreciated. Though the people could not understand the words, they caught the spirit of those wonderful Welsh

words, which thrill us more than anything else in our language."

A glorious time was brought to a close when a number of the saints gathered on the station platform to wish the preacher God-speed on his return to Worthing. They sang "Say will you be ready when Jesus comes," and looked for that glorious day when the times of blessing enjoyed down here will increase ten thousandfold, and will never end.

#### LABOURERS TOGETHER WITH GOD

**Faithful Sowing and Serving Baldock.** "Great is Thy faithfulness" is the heart-expression of the Lord's people in this little town on the main road to London from the north. Through ten years of hard, and often discouraging work, repairing the breach in the wall, they have been subjected to the taunts of Sanballats and Tobiahs who have laughed at the smallness of the work, yet, praise God, the "labourers together" are doing a great work. From this little centre of blessing life is flowing to dark continents as the saints give of their substance for the advancement of the Lord's work in "regions beyond." An Elim missionary in Africa testifies that if every assembly sacrificed to the same extent there would be no shortage of funds to meet the tremendous need.

Times of rich blessing and heart-searching are being experienced as the Word of God is ministered, backed by the faithful prayers of those to whom God has committed the ministry of intercession.

"If it had not been the Lord who was on our side . . . then the waters had overwhelmed us" (Psa. cxxiv. 2-4).

#### SEASONS OF SPIRITUAL UPLIFT Profitable Ministry of Visitors

**Eastbourne** (Pastor J. R. Moore). It is always a real joy to report the salvation of precious souls, and recently three dear ones have signified their acceptance of Jesus as Saviour in the Tabernacle at Eastbourne. Hallelujah! Even in the "sunny south" the Sun of Righteousness gives an added brightness to the hearts where He enters to reign as King.

Visitors have also contributed to the feast of good things which the Lord's people have enjoyed of late in this church. Mr. Whitfield addressed the meeting one Sunday morning; a saint with a long life of testimony to hearten younger workers.

Then on a recent Thursday evening Pastor and Mrs. McWhirter, with Mr. Vanstone and some of the friends from Waterhall Valley Camp, took the service. An interesting and helpful time of gospel messages in word and song were given.

The Church has also welcomed on different occasions Miss Hoskins from Japan, Miss Barbour and Miss Henderson from London, and Evangelist A. Chuter from Blackpool, all of whom have passed on the message of God that always uplifts and helps.

Finally, as an additional pleasure, Pastor Hathaway ministered the Word throughout one week-end; his ministry will long be remembered by the Eastbourne saints.

The usual services conducted by Pastor Moore have also been times of great blessing; the Communion services, especially, being seasons of hallowed joy when the presence of God has been graciously manifested and the saints strengthened and refreshed.

## Wondrous Saviour

RUTH DERRETT.

W. G. HATHAWAY.

I have a Sa-viour, a won-drous Sa-viour, And He is  
all in all to me; He's e-ver near me to help and  
cheer me, And He has pro-mised He'll take me through.

Copyright. The words of this chorus were the last written by Miss Ruth Derrett, member of the City Temple, Cardiff, before she passed to be with Christ. She was the writer of several popular Elim Choruses.

## Bible Study Helps

### A THREEFOLD EXHORTATION (Hebrews x. 22-24)

Let us draw near . . . in full assurance of faith.

Let us hold fast the profession of our faith (hope).

Let us consider one another to provoke unto love.

The word "faith" in verse 23, is the Greek word *elpis*, and should be translated "hope." We have, therefore, in these three verses, faith, hope and love, as a threefold cord that "is not quickly broken" (Eccles. iv. 12). "Now abideth faith, hope, love, these three, and the greatest of these is love (I. Cor. xiii. R.V.)."

1. **Obedience to faith**—"Let us draw near." Faith looks back and up.

2. **Obedience to hope**—"Let us hold fast." Hope looks forward.

3. **Obedience to love**—"Let us consider." Love looks all around.

### FOUR GREAT CONTRASTS (II. Corinthians iv. 16; v. 1)

1. Outward and inward man (v. 16).
2. Light affliction and eternal weight of glory (v. 17).
3. Temporal and eternal (v. 18).
4. Earthly and heavenly house (v. 1).

# Crystal Palace Notes



The London Foursquare Trumpeters' excellent fanfares gave many a thrill. The fanfares were specially written and scored for the occasion.

Ulster Crusader Choir's singing was magnificent. Their spiritual fervour and zeal in interpretation was inspiring, and technically possessed good qualities. We pray and believe that Ulster Choir are just at the beginning of big things in gospel song ministry.

Every choir excelled in their independent items. Some were not positioned to give or to be heard at their best, but *all* were a credit in every way.

Pastor F. B. Phillips' task with musical effects was not an easy one, but the results were moments of surprise and added charm to the programme.

Mr. Ronald Cooper at the Grand Organ again handled that mighty instrument with credit and skill.  
(Continued in column 3)



At the Grand Organ of the Crystal Palace: Mr. Ronald Cooper, who magnificently accompanied the many choirs and musical items.



Top: Croydon Crusader Choir (Conductor: Mr. F. Henson)  
Left: East Essex Crusader Choir, with Pastor and Mrs. W. Mason and Mr. S. Hardiman, Conductor.



(Conducted by Pastor DOUGLAS B. GRAY)

## National Crusader Week

October 4th to 11th

During this great week, it is hoped the undermentioned will be touring and visiting many churches, conducting special services in connection with the above campaign:

- Pastor E. J. Phillips.
- Pastor W. G. Hathaway.
- Pastor E. C. W. Boulton.
- Pastor P. N. Corry.
- Pastor Douglas B. Gray and the London Crusader Choir.
- Miss Adelaide Henderson.
- Pastor F. B. Phillips.
- Pastor A. Longley.
- Pastor J. R. Moore.
- Pastor C. W. Slemming.
- Pastor H. O. Bale.
- Evangelist David Vanstone.
- Mr. J. D. Craig.
- Mr. J. Shaw.
- Dr. F. Weston.
- Mr. John Leech, K.C.
- London Foursquare Orchestra, etc.

Watch for further particulars. Pray for a mighty drive to win youth for Christ.

(Continued from column 1)

Both the London Foursquare and the Kensington Orchestras had a warm time in the Grill Room. Their musical programmes seemed to be greatly appreciated.

Shall we ever forget the concluding message and challenge of our beloved Principal? The final moments of the thousands gathered around the Lord's Table were tense yet heavenly with spiritual realities. A mighty climax to a day of praise.

Gloucester Band's musical programmes were much enjoyed. The playing of the old hymn tunes touched many hearts. Numbers could be heard humming these stately melodies as they passed along the South Nave.

The London Crusader Choir and Male Quartette Party's singing, too, was an inspiration and encouragement to many.

### THANK YOU!

May I briefly say thank you to all leaders of choirs, bands, orchestras, Crusaders, members of choirs, accompanists, trumpeters, and all who contributed in musical ministry at the Crystal Palace for your un-failing support and co-operation in the great day's programme. May the Lord continue to bless your efforts in your part of the vineyard, and make you an increasing blessing.

DOUGLAS B. GRAY  
(Musical Director.)

## The Singer and the Song

By JOSEPHINE SLOAN

MRS. ELIZABETH MERRITT stepped briskly along as she passed up the walk leading to her home. In one hand she carried a tiny basket of groceries and tightly grasped in the other was a letter from her daughter Esther, who was working in the city.

Entering the house the woman put down her basket and began eagerly, "I've a letter from Esther. Maybe she's coming home." And the hands that opened the envelope were trembling. Presently Elizabeth Merritt put down the letter and looked at her sister Bertha. "She wants me to come to the city—to live with her."

"But you wouldn't want to leave this house and this town, where you know everybody," protested Bertha.

"No, oh no!" agreed Elizabeth.

"Why this is known as 'the old Merritt homestead.' It must have been in the Merritt family for nearly a hundred years."

"Just so it has," agreed Elizabeth. "And my husband kept the place in good repair. He wouldn't have wanted me to leave it to—to go to the city. He spoke of it during his last illness. He was so glad I would always have a good home."

"But now, if you really want to go for awhile," put in Bertha, "I could go to Brother Ben's in Montana. He has asked me to come."

But Elizabeth Merritt shook her head. "I'm afraid I'm too settled to be transplanted."

The two women moved quietly in their sphere in the little country town. Their wants were few and their income was sufficient to yield them home comforts. They had a garden which furnished plenty of vegetables for summer use and canning. They loved to be out-of-doors and hear the bees humming in the orchard, the contented, satisfied cluck of the mother hen, and the morning songs of the birds as they flitted to their nests in the eaves. Their round of housework kept them busy and contented. In the winter their fingers were busy fashioning garments or piecing quilts for the needy. On their table was the Bible and religious paper. They took turns in reading aloud during the long evenings. They were able to attend the services of the church which was only a block distant from their home. They enjoyed the Christian fellowship there and felt that there were no finer people than those with whom they mingled each Sunday.

And yet they often listened for the sound of a familiar footstep. Sometimes they spoke in subdued ones as they heard the voices of young people chatting on the street. It was as if they were always expecting her to come in from work humming a cheery song, or laughing over a bit of news she had heard.

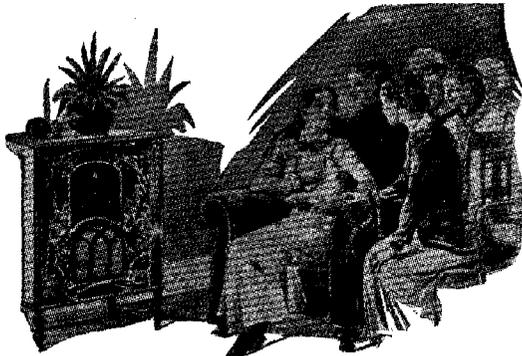
Now always on a Saturday night there was an extra bit for supper and frequently the third plate was placed on the table. There was an evening train from the city and she might come home—to surprise them.

How they missed her! And in the services she was missed, too. She had a good voice, clear and strong, and enjoyed leading the song service. Though she had not accepted Jesus as her Saviour, her favourite song

was, "Lord, I'm coming home." The last time she had attended a service in the church she had called for her favourite hymn.

It had required a great deal of courage for the girl to tell her mother that she was tired of the country town, and of her work in one of the little stores. And yet she spoke of her love for her mother and hoped she would not be too lonely without her. Aunt Bertha would come to stay with mother. She would be glad to share her home. Esther faithfully promised that she would come home sometime, and embracing her mother, she went away. But the lure of the city was strong and as yet she had not come home, though the weekly letter to mother came regularly. She had a good position and enjoyed her work in the city.

The girl's inquiries about the home and the church showed that she was still interested in them; yet somehow she seemed to get along without them. But they were always looking for her and praying—praying that she might not fall into sinful ways, but that she might be a true Christian.



They both knew that voice, the singing ceased. Then came the testimony.

There had been recently a gracious revival in the village church. Souls had been saved and sanctified. Many times they had sung the song, "Lord, I'm coming home." Each time Elizabeth Merritt had prayed for her daughter's salvation. Perhaps that was the reason that she was in an expectant attitude. One evening there was a knock at the door and Elizabeth ushered in Mrs. Barbour, a neighbour.

"I came over to tell you," she began, "that I want you to come over to my home this evening and listen to a service in one of the city churches.

They are going to broadcast this evening. I forgot to explain that they are having a great revival and that souls are being saved. You'll come, won't you?"

Supper was over. The evening was dusky and early stars glinted overhead as Mrs. Merritt and her sister walked over to the neighbour's home. At the appointed time Mrs. Barbour tuned in at the number indicated in the paper. There came a buzzing rumble. And then there was singing—good singing of gospel songs. The prayers followed and then the evangelist gave his message. It was a searching heart-to-heart talk gripping the hearts of the listeners. The evangelist closed his message with the Gospel invitation and many came forward for prayers. The group of women in Mrs. Barbour's room listened intently as the evangelist told of the number seeking the Lord.

Then came one voice! What was the song?

I've wandered far away from God,  
The paths of sin too long I've trod.  
Now, I'm coming home.

Elizabeth looked at her sister. The woman nodded. They both knew that voice. The singing ceased. Then came the testimony. "I've been saved and sanctified. Now I'm going home to tell mother."

Tears flowed down the faces of the listeners in that room in the village home. Mrs. Barbour told of a letter she had received from Esther in which she had declared her conviction of sin and of going forward that evening. "Then," she added, "I planned to have you listen in to-night."

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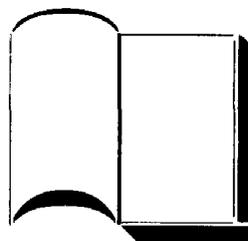
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