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BARNLEY. Commencing February 20. Elim Tabernacle, Nelson Street (near town centre). Campaign by Pastor J. Woodhead.

BIRMINGHAM (Blackheath). April 22, 23. Elim Tabernacle, Cardale Street. Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

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BIRMINGHAM (Kingstanding). March 25, 26. Elim Tabernacle, Warren Road, Perry Bar. Pastor E. C. W. Boulton.

BIRMINGHAM (West Smethwick). April 29, 30. Elim Tabernacle, Oldbury Road. Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

BOURNEMOUTH (Winton). March 26—April 12. Elim Church, Hawthorn Road, Winton. Campaign by Pastor G. I. Francis.

BOURNEMOUTH (Winton). April 6—13. Elim Church, Hawthorn Road, Easter Convention. Speakers include Pastors F. Shadlock, W. George, and J. Way. Convener: Pastor A. J. Chuter.

BRAINTREE. March 15. Elim Tabernacle, Manor Street. Annual Convention, 3 and 7 p.m. Speakers: Pastors J. McAvoy and H. A. Mason. Convener: Pastor J. Eaton.

BRIGHTON. March 12. Elim Tabernacle, The Lanes. Pastor W. G. Hathaway. 11 and 6.30.

BRIGHTON (Preston Park). Commencing March 19. New Elim Tabernacle, Balfour Road. Campaign by Pastor W. E. Smith (nightly except Saturdays).

CANNING TOWN. March 27. Elim Hall, Bethell Avenue, Mr. J. Douglas Craig, 7.30 p.m.

CATERHAM. March 3, 10, 17, and 24. Co-operative Hall, Upper Caterham. Series of Special Studies on Christian Evangelism by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton.

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HUDDESFIELD. March 5—23. Elim Tabernacle, St. John's Road. Campaign by Pastor G. I. Francis.

HULL. Great Revival and Healing campaign commencing Sunday, March 12, in Regal Cinema, Ferensway (opposite Paragon Station) at 7.45 p.m.; also Sunday 19th. Continued week-nights, 7.30 in the City Temple, Hessel Road (corner of Madeley Street). Conducted by Pastors P. S. Brewster and C. A. C. Hadler.

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ISLINGTON. March 11, 12. Elim Tabernacle, Fowler Road. Saturday at 7 p.m.; Second Monthly Convention of North London Elim Churches. Speakers: Pastors J. Dyke and F. Packer. Islington Choir. Sunday at 6.30 p.m.: Pastor E. J. Phillips.

KENSINGTON. March 5—19. Kensington Temple, Kensington Park Road. Campaign by Principal P. G. Parker (nightly, except Fridays and Saturdays).

LETCHEWORTH. March 12. Elim Tabernacle, Norton Way North. Pastor E. C. W. Boulton. March 26, 27. Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

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SOUTHAMPTON. March 26. Elim Tabernacle, Park Road. Pastor D. B. Gray.

WALSALL. March 22. Elim Hall, Darwell Street. Pastor W. F. South and party.

WHITBY. April 15—18. Elim Hall, Cliff Street. Special services conducted by Rev. T. D. Robertson, D.D., and Pastor E. F. Hall.

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WOLVERHAMPTON. March 26. Elim Hall, St. John's Street. Pastor E. J. Thompson. 6.30 p.m.

WOOD GREEN. February 7, 14, 21, 28. Brook Hall, Brook Road, Mayes Road. Series of Special Studies on Christian Evangelism by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton.

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" 7. Blackheath. " 16. West Smethwick.
" 9. Erdington. " 19. Graham Street, Birmingham.
" 12. Selly Oak.
" 13. Kingstanding.

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10th April, 1939

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The Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance was founded by Principal George Jeffreys, its present leader, in Ireland, in the year 1915. The Principal's campaigns have filled to overflowing the largest halls in the British Isles, and have resulted in many thousands of converts to Christ, and notable miracles of healing. The Movement consists of Elim Revival and Healing Campaigns, Elim Foursquare Gospel Churches and Ministers, Elim Bible College, Elim



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Paul's Letter to the Church at Philippi

By J. A. VANSTONE

PAUL is a prisoner at Rome, perhaps still in "his own hired house," for we know that his friends can visit him and supply his needs. The only outward signs of his detention are the chains, and the ever-present military guard.

Epaphroditus, the messenger of the Church in Philippi, has brought him news of their welfare and a gift of money, a spontaneous expression of their affection and gratitude for his past labours and suffering for their sake. Paul had brought blessing to many churches, but this was the only one to acknowledge the debt, and to express its thanks in so practical a way.

If the churches forgot, and even turned against him, he never forgot them. In every epistle we notice the intensity of his prayers on their behalf, and his longing to see them again. But in this letter there is a deeper note, expressing his strong affection and tender solicitude for their welfare. The condition of this Church evidently calls for no strong rebuke. There is no hint of any tendency to lapse into the surrounding heathen immorality, or to forsake the simplicity of the gospel for one of the many

SUBTLE AND ATTRACTIVE HERESIES

already gaining an entrance into the churches.

So, as he begins to dictate his letter, he thanks God for the happy fellowship he has enjoyed with them (i. 3-5), and assures them he has them in his heart (i. 7), longing after them all in the bowels (affections) of Jesus Christ (i. 8). Right through the epistle the same note of intimate friendship is sounded as he writes to "my brethren, dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown" (iv. 1).

There are two significant facts we know about the people to whom he is writing. In Acts xvi. in the account of his first visit to the city, we find that it was a "colony," that is a city in which, at the end of their active service, the veteran legionaries were settled, thus forming a kind of military reserve in the more distant provinces of the Empire. The citizens had special privileges, receiving the right of Roman citizenship, although they were not Romans by birth. The second is the evident pride they had, as represen-

tatives of the Imperial City in the midst of mere provincials. We see how indignant they were, when it was suggested that Paul was inducing them to receive teaching unworthy of those bearing the proud title of Romans. As we shall see, Paul uses these facts as he warns them of the perils besetting them.

The key verses to the whole epistle are the last four in the first chapter. Let us take them, not so much as an exhortation to those old Philippians, but as

A DIRECT CHALLENGE

to ourselves: —

Verse 27: *Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel.*

Your conversation. This word in the New Testament means "intercourse with others," or "behaviour," and in no case does it mean "talk." But here and in chapter iii. 20 Paul uses a special word, unique in the Scriptures, meaning "to act as citizens," as if he would urge them to imitate their fellow-citizens who, as representatives of Rome, were anxious lest any act of theirs should shame the name of Roman.

They, too, were to be watchful, lest they should bring shame on the proud name they bore, for their citizenship was in heaven" (iii. 20). As Christ's representatives among an alien race, their conduct must "become the gospel of Christ," and they must be "blameless, sons of God without rebuke in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world" (ii. 15).

That ye stand fast. Paul now pictures the Church as the well-disciplined legion fighting a desperate battle against the powers of darkness, not against "flesh and blood," but against an enemy subtle and persistent, who is always endeavouring either to

WEAR DOWN THE RESISTANCE

of the Church by unremitting attacks, or to produce dissension in the ranks.

In one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel. This dissension is evidently the

peril against which Paul desires to warn them. In the first chapter there is a deep significance in his use of the word "all," repeated six times when he sends his greetings to the Church, as if he insists on including all in spite of a growing party spirit in their midst. Circumstances were arising that gave ground for his prayer (i. 9), that "their love might abound yet more and more in knowledge and in all judgment."

From the number of times he urges them to be "of one mind," the cause of the disunion would seem to be some difference of opinion on minor matters of doctrine.

Later he names the leaders of the factions: "I beseech Euodias and Syntyche that they be of the same mind in the Lord" (iv. 2). The pity of it all! for Paul refers to them in the next verse (these women, R.V.) as being those who had laboured together with him in the gospel. These champions in the cause of Christ had turned aside from the conflict to fight one another over matters of little concern compared with the importance of keeping a united front against the enemy.

We often see someone

DROP OUT OF THE RANKS

because of some fancied slight, or some rankling grudge. That is bad enough, but it is far worse with those who turn their weapons against their fellows, either for their own personal advancement, or because they differ from them over some point of doctrine.

Verse 25: *And in nothing terrified by your adversaries: which is to them an evident sign of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God.*

To their devotion and unity they must add a steadfast faith in the ultimate victory. This faith will steady them, and keep their courage high, consequently producing in the enemy the realisation that all his efforts will be in vain, and that the Church will come out victorious—through God. Faith is the victory. "This is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith" (I. John v. 4), and James sounds the same

clarion note: "Resist the Devil and he will flee from you" (James iv. 7).

Verse 29: *For unto you it is given in the behalf of Christ, not only to believe in Him, but also to suffer for His sake.*

Devotion to the cause of Christ, unity, faith; and now Paul calls for sacrifice and suffering. This warfare entails sacrifice of our personal comfort, of our ambitions, of our time and money, and then there is always the strain and commotion of the battle.

Notice the word "given" used by Paul in this verse. It means a "grace gift,"

AN UNDESERVED FAVOUR

The word is used several times in the epistles. Eternal life is a "grace gift" (Rom. vi. 23), as are the nine spiritual gifts in I. Corinthians xii., but there are others we may not be so enthusiastic about. In I. Corinthians vii. 7 we are told that the ordinary circumstances of our natural life are a grace gift. Are we as ready to accept them as our "proper gift"—a special grace gift to us? And here we have the special favour given to us by God—to suffer for the cause of Christ.

The early disciples recognised it as a grace gift, for they "rejoiced that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for His name."

Verse 30: *Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me.*

They had seen the sufferings of Paul and Silas when the apostles visited Philippi for the first time, and they knew of his present sufferings at Rome, and Paul reminds them that they too must expect the same. Christ Himself never drew men into discipleship by alluring pictures of an easy time, rather He warned them to "count the cost," and Paul also constantly warns his hearers that "through much tribulation we must enter into the kingdom of God" (Acts xiv. 22).

(To be continued).

Revival in Church, Theatre, and Drill Hall

Great Joy in Carlisle

THE border city is still experiencing an apostolic revival under the ministry of the Principal and Revival Party. About 150 souls have turned to the Lord, and the Word is being confirmed with signs as promised in Mark xvi. The Theatre has been packed from floor to roof, every available space taken up, while long queues have lined up outside before the service. The Infantry Drill Hall, taken to accommodate the crowds, was also crowded to capacity, and revival enthusiasm prevailed in this great building. The week-night services in the Church and Drill Hall have been conducted along deepening of spiritual life lines, when believers from all churches have flocked to hear the consecutive expositions of the Word. Professing Christians have become possessors, backsliders have retraced their steps and sanctified themselves, believers, many of them for the first time, have been led right up to the threshold of the Pentecostal

experience. The cry for the Baptism in the Spirit is insistent, and the Principal has consented to give further teaching throughout another week, with altar calls for seekers. So great is the effect of the campaign in the surrounding districts that the Principal is to carry the flame to a Methodist Church at Halton-Lea-Gate, some eighteen miles out in the country, in which there are hungry souls.

On Friday, February 17th, the Principal and Party motored to Barnsley for the opening of the new Elim Church building, when it was evident that the revival fire was burning there again. The place was besieged; seven souls accepted Christ, setting God's seal to the never-to-be-forgotten opening service of the new Church.

Press reports of the Carlisle campaign and of the opening of the new Tabernacle at Barnsley will appear in our next issue.

What about my Leisure?

By Pastor J. C. CARISS (Lincoln)

A MAN'S character is revealed by the way in which he spends his spare time. In many cases the work a man does gives an indication of the kind of man he is, but this is not always the case, since it is not possible for everyone to choose their vocation in life. Many who sit at office desks would have chosen if they could an outdoor life, while there are farmers who would gladly forsake the tilling of the land to teach children, or sell goods. And yet though we may not always choose the kind of employment which falls to our lot, we do certainly choose what we will do with our spare time. The choice we make is an important one. Our spare time may be a blessing or a curse.

It is necessary for us to make up our minds that we will never let time run to waste. As Christians we must remember that we shall be called in question for every wasted hour, every unused moment. Once time has gone it can never be recalled. It is of no use to say, "If only I had that hour, that day back again how differently I would use it." No, as the poet has it, "The mill can never grind with water that is past."

We must, however, differentiate between time wasted and time used to give relaxation. While seeking to avoid waste we must not forget the need of relaxation. It is still true that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy." An engine must be

ALLOWED TO COOL

sometimes, or else it will get overheated and its efficiency become seriously impaired. The human engine needs a rest too. If in spite of the warnings of nature we "flog" it, it gets overheated and there is nervous friction, and in more acute cases a "seizure" occurs with most serious results. We call it a "nervous breakdown." God instituted every seventh day as a day of rest for Israel. He knew that the labour of the six days would be more successful for the relaxation of the seventh.

The nature of our relaxation will depend of course

very largely upon the kind of work we do. The shop assistant, bank clerk or factory worker will be wise to seek healthy and vigorous outdoor exercise. The need of the farmer or the man whose occupation keeps him physically active and out-of-doors all day will be somewhat different. Relaxation for him will come perhaps most easily as he sits quietly with a good book. But whether we read, or walk, or play games, if as a result of our doing so we go back to our work benefited in body and soul, the time thus spent has not been wasted. It has been well spent. The choice of just that which will afford us the maximum of relaxation is one which we must all make for ourselves, but as Christians we must not forget to seek God's guidance in the matter. We must never do anything even for relaxation which would cause us to blush with shame

IF JESUS SHOULD RETURN

and find us thus engaged. Christ ought to be consulted just as earnestly about our leisure and how to spend it, as about Christian service. If we follow His leading we shall not go wrong.

Let us remember too, that it is not only when we are on holiday that we need to watch our spare time. We must be on our guard every day. The spare minutes count as well as the days and hours. Was it Frances Ridley Havergal who, in the few moments she had to spare each day while waiting for the lunch gong, made herself master of the French verbs? We may not all be called upon to do this, but there is certainly the possibility of spending even the shortest bits of spare time in such a way as to bring health to our bodies and enrichment to our minds. And let us not forget that while it is true that the way in which we spend our leisure reveals our character, it is equally true that it moulds our character.

Shall we then say with the Psalmist, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom"? (Psalm xc. 12).

SPIRITUAL PARASITES

By F. F. REIDENBACH

I WATCHED a crowd of boys one day swimming at a lonely spot in a canal some miles from our home. One after another I saw them coming out and pulling leeches from their bodies. Leeches, similar to these, were one time used by physicians in reducing fever by drawing blood from the patient.

In the spiritual realm there are many things similar to the leech, which if permitted, will gradually draw out the Christian's spiritual vitality. As practically every wild animal has its foes—the deer fears the panther; the chicken, the hawk; and the rabbit, the eagle,—so deeper spirituality has unnumbered foes.

SELF-SEEKING

Many allow personal ambition and love for gain to rob them of deeper communion. Imagine the great

express train of God's divine work held up by man's little waggon of personal ambition, yet this is too frequently the case. In some churches the work of God has stopped, due to the ambition of one or two who wanted to "run" things. God's work must come first, regardless of personal loss or gain. Let not your own personal ambition be a drag to hinder your progress with God.

THE PAST

Some allow the memory of the past continually to haunt them, until it becomes a constant drain on their spiritual nature. It is before them when they pray, when they study the Word and when they attend meetings. When God has once forgiven the past, regardless of what it has been, He does not mean us to dig

it up and dwell under its remorseless shadow. Rather, He intends, "Leave your sins for the Blood to cover; there's honey in the rock for you."

GOSSIP, INQUISITIVENESS AND CRITICISM

Here are three of the worst enemies of true spirituality. Many a visit is made in which the conversation is profitable to no one, and we rise to go feeling condemned, our communion having all the while been ebbing away like the outgoing tide. A large number of Christian people are too inquisitive—"busybodies in other men's matters." Their desire to know all the facts is not so much a "prayerful interest" as a gratifying of the lust of inordinate inquisitiveness. Criticism is the third member of this devastating trio. Gossip, inquisitiveness, and criticism are usually seen together. Though indulged in by many good people and given polite names, they are absolutely deadly to true spirituality.

MISUNDERSTANDINGS

In a naval battle of the American Revolution, one of the commanders suddenly found one of his own ships firing on his vessel. So, through some mistake or evil purpose, many a Christian is firing broadsides into his fellow-Christian. All the while this fire of broadsides is reducing his own spiritual vitality.

FRIENDS

God intends us to be friendly. Most of us choose friends, not because of their spirituality but because of some natural quality; either they agree with us, or we have the same hobbies, or our tastes are similar. When you who are spiritual company with those less so, watch out, lest instead of leading them on, they become a drag to you, sapping your life.

PRIDE

Touchiness, hurt feelings, etc., are but evidences of pride. We want to "keep a good face" and have everyone think well of us. We want to have others think we are matured saints. It is the "poor in spirit" who are blessed. This desire to be well thought of keeps us from confession, from "opening up," saps our true spirituality and leaves us in an emaciated condition.

CARES OF THIS WORLD

Worry over business, home, and even the kitchen, serves to take us from God. Have a deep concern about your business, but put God first. The one who has no time for God is busier than God meant him to be. The excuse that it takes all of our time to make a livelihood is inconsistent with Jesus' statement in Matthew, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." Don't let temporal things drain your spiritual vitality.

OLD GRUDGES

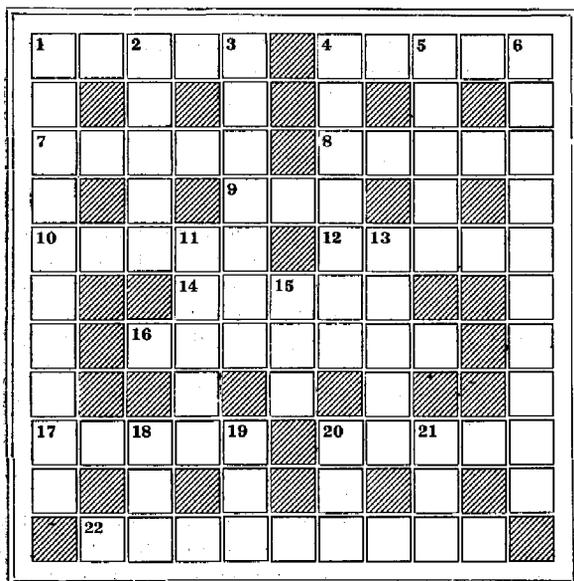
I was born in the country where we had moles. These animals burrow a long passage-way under the ground. You can tell where they are and trace their course by the crack on the surface of the ground. So, in many churches, old grudges (like moles), are still burrowing away. You cannot see the mole, but the cracks are always appearing. Not only do such things stop the work of God but they undermine your own life, and you soon appear like the log the white ant has eaten out—when touched it crumbles.

Why not commence house-cleaning. Trace down the various parasites that are to-day sapping your vitality, shake yourself free from them, and follow on to know the Lord.

OUR SPECIAL "EVANGEL" CROSSWORD

For Increasing Bible Knowledge

No. 18.



The solution will appear next week.

CLUES ACROSS:

- 1. Like crystal (Rev. 4).
- 4. Uttermost.
- 7. Parts of wheels (1 Kings 7: 33).
- 8. Bodily sufferings (Rev. 16).
- 9. A tree (Isa. 44).
- 10. David's ephod was made of this (1 Chron. 15).
- 12. This rests in the bosom of fools (Eccles. 7: 9).
- 14. Son of Elioenai (1 Chron. 3: 24).
- 16. Paul and Silas sang these unto God.
- 17. Supports to Solomon's throne (1 Kings 10).
- 20. Jesus uttered this word to the sea.
- 22. This means everlasting.
- 3. She ministered unto Jesus (Luke 8).
- 4. Fatherless children (Lam. 5).
- 5. Arioch made this known to Daniel (Dan. 2).
- 6. Checked; kept back.
- 11. When Jesus went to the Judgment Hall, it was this.
- 13. According to Jacob, Rachel was this relation (Gen. 29: 12).
- 15. An angel poured out his vial into this (Rev. 16).
- 18. Anna was of a great — (Luke 2).
- 19. The trees of the Lord are full of this (Psa. 104).
- 20. Receptacle for water (John 4).
- 21. A king who suffered from diseased feet when he was old (1 Kings 15).

CLUES DOWN:

- 1. A fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5).
- 2. Child of Shobal (Gen. 36: 23).

SOLUTION TO NO. 17 CROSSWORD

Across: 1. Pharisees (John 3: 1). 8. Palms (Mark 14: 65). 9. Arise (Mark 2: 9). 10. Tin (Ezek. 27: 12). 11. Reeds (Ezek. 42: 16). 13. Tabor (Judg. 4: 6). 15. Town (Mark 8: 23). 18. Moon (Psa. 104: 19). 20. Rib (Gen. 2: 22). 22. Astrologers (Isa. 47: 13). 23. Proselyte (Acts 6: 5).
Down: 2. Helve (Deut. 19: 5). 3. Rests (1 Kings 6: 6). 4. Scant (Mic. 6: 10). 5. Eliab (1 Chron. 2: 13). 6. Spiritual (1 Cor. 2: 15). 7. Weariness (Eccles. 12: 12). 12. Dan (Exod. 31: 6). 14. Arm (Job 31: 22). 16. Water (Acts 1: 5). 17. O'1 (Gen. 28: 18). 19. Owest (Matt. 18: 28). 20. Rods (2 Cor. 11: 25). 21. Bowl (Judg. 6: 38).

"Praise Ye the Lord!"

By Miss B. M. RAYNER

"PRAISE ye the Lord!" The earnest Christian cannot fail to see that this monosyllabic phrase, so often reiterated in the Word of God, is freighted with dynamic power, the power of the Almighty God of the universe.

God says, "Whoso offereth praise glorifieth Me, and maketh a way, whereby I may shew him My salvation" (Psalm 1. 23, R.V.). That which is of paramount importance here, is, that man is accorded the wonderful privilege of glorifying the all-glorious Lord, and in doing this the law of his being is fulfilled, for man was made to worship God: and it is also true that praise opens a pathway into the holiest, and brings down the unspeakable gift of deliverance to needy men and women. Praise when the way is hard, when conflicts, fears, misgivings, the buffetings of Satan's messengers, temptations, the accusations of the enemy, wrestling with the principalities and powers, misunderstandings, the hatred and vindictiveness of the world cast their dark shadows across the shining pathway of the just; and the heavy mist of tribulation appears to hide the face of God; when the enemy comes in like a flood and the soul is submerged in its icy waters, then is the time to extol and

MAGNIFY THE GOD

of heaven. Somewhat difficult to praise in such circumstances, someone will say! Yes, dear believer, yet "with such sacrifices God is well pleased"; "for we walk by faith and not by sight."

Shall we not give thanks in all things and for all things, assured that "all things work together for good to them that love God"?

In what great pain is the soul when passing through some experience of suffering, and how hard it is not to look at the ones causing the pain, not to feel some resentment! How well-nigh impossible to go the way the Master went, who "was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before his shearers is dumb, so opened He not His mouth." Think of the words of the greatest warrior the Christian faith has ever known; "I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me," who was so strengthened in his inner man, that he was enabled to be filled with all the fulness of God.

The Psalmist commands his soul and all that is within him to bless the Lord and to remember some of His benefits.

How great is God, and how great is

HIS MIGHTY POWER

towards His children who believe. It is the same power that raised Jesus from the dead.

Praise is not a carnal weapon—indeed it is almost repugnant to the natural man; but it is "mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds."

Praise puts the enemy to flight, for we read in II. Chronicles xx. 22, "And when they began to sing and to praise, the Lord set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and Mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten."

With bleeding backs, feet held fast in the stocks, the two disciples at Philippi began to sing and to praise the Lord, and as the worship ascended to the Throne, in obedience to the command of Jehovah, the prison doors are opened, the prisoners' chains fall off, and wonder of all wonders, the jailer and his household desired the gift of eternal life. This mighty miracle really happened; it is not a legend culled from ancient mythology, but it is found in the book of God's Word of Truth.

When we entered into that glorious and unspeakable experience of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, what glad hallelujahs and hosannas came pouring forth from joyful lips! When the Lord turned our captivity, and gave us

THE GARMENT OF PRAISE

for the spirit of heaviness, it was all so wonderful. What precious, sacred memories are recalled, what inexpressible joy was ours, when the whole being was filled with spiritual worship. Hallelujah! That expression is the same in all earthly languages, and it is the same in heaven, for "again they said, Allelujah."

The Psalms, called by Henry Suso, "The Hymns of Jesus," tell us of His mighty power, His eternal loving care of His children; that He fighteth for them, that He avengeth them, He strengtheneth them, He maketh their way perfect; that He is their Light and their salvation, their high tower; they also affirm that He is their Shepherd.

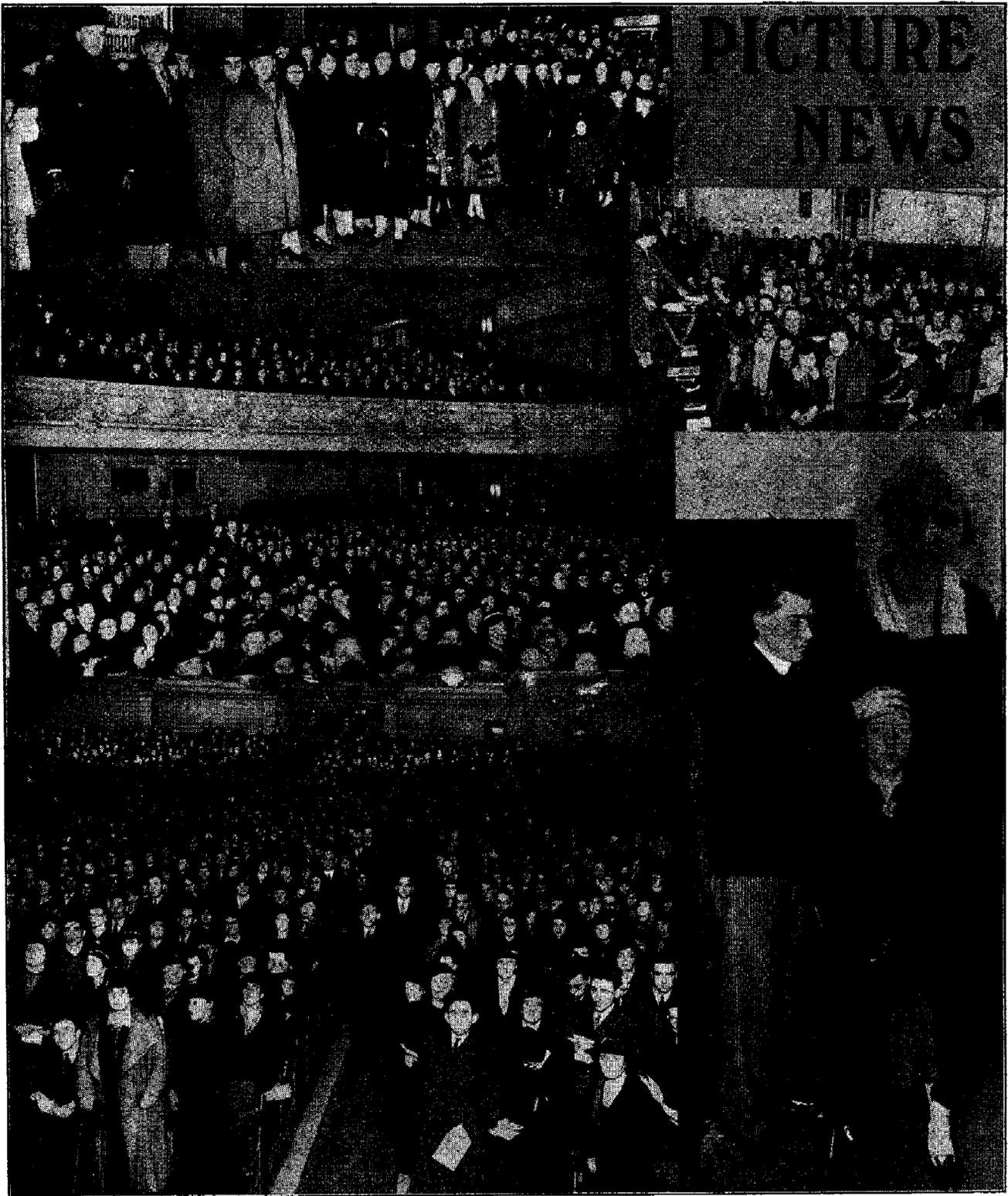
Words fail us, we cannot describe all His great goodness. How appropriate that the concluding Psalms should exhort all living things and things inanimate to praise the Lord. In fact the last verse says, "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord," and that includes you and me!

A Sheffield Testimony to Divine Healing

I live near Newcastle. About a fortnight ago I was suffering intense pain from a severe abscess under my left arm. I went to the doctor, and he said he was unable to do anything, and it meant going to the hospital for an operation.

I had heard about Divine Healing and cures coming as the result of prayer, and on the Monday evening was prayed for by Pastor P. S. Brewster, who was holding services in Sheffield. The next morning, to my amazement, all the pain and swelling had completely gone, and the abscess itself had disappeared as if by magic. I am thrilled at the knowledge that God is still doing miracles to-day. I shall spend the rest of my life giving thanks to God, and to His servants, for the healing He has given me.—(Mrs.) R. HOLLIS.

A photograph of the writer of this testimony appears over the page.—ED.



Immediately under the words "Picture News" is a photograph of the Christmas Party at our Rochester Sunday School. All the other pictures on this page are of Pastor Brewster's Revival Campaign at Sheffield:

Top left: Queuing up at the Coliseum.

Middle left: An interior view of the Coliseum.

Bottom left: Part of the congregation of 2,000 at the Regent Cinema.

Middle right: Mrs. R. Hollis, who was healed at the Sheffield campaign, and whose testimony appears on the previous page.

Bottom right: Pastor Brewster praying with the sick. The woman in the photograph was instantly healed of paralysis.

FAMILY ALTAR



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

Sunday, March 12th. Luke xv. 11-32.

"They began to be merry" (verse 24). And quite rightly too. The Father had commanded them to be merry. He had the best of reasons, for his son who was lost was found, he who was dead was alive again. There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth. If heaven re-echoes with the angelic rejoicing, it is meet that the Church too should be glad. In these strange days the world goes mad over its favourites: there are film fans, football fans, ring-side fans who get intoxicated with the prowess of their favourites, and greet a new "star" with acclamation. How much more should the Church enthuse over new converts! What we need is a fresh vision of the preciousness of a human soul. One sinner cost the Saviour His life, and it is He who bids us rejoice with merriment divine when a soul is born again.

PRAYER TOPIC:

Showers of divine blessing upon all our Elim churches this day.

Monday, March 13th. Luke xvi. 1-18.

"The children of this world are in their generation wiser than the children of light" (verse 8).

How sadly true this is. The unregenerate use every device and spare no effort to accomplish their ends. Nothing is too much trouble. The latest inventions of science and art are eagerly sought and tried out, original ideas and methods are harnessed by the worldling to achieve his purposes. Point of contact and means of approach are carefully studied, all to encompass success. Would to God the believer had as much sense, perseverance and adventure! If we wisely applied in Christ's service the energy we gladly gave to the pursuit of pleasure and evil when we were unregenerate, the whole world would soon be evangelised.

"Every nerve for Jesus,
Brain and heart and will!"

PRAYER TOPIC:

Thanksgiving for God's wonderful response to the prayers of His people for the supply of the needs of this work.

Tuesday, March 14th. Luke xvi. 19-31.

"Son, remember" (verse 25).

Jesus knows more about the after-life than anyone else, and He teaches the fact of the survival of memory. Abraham's word to the rich man must have found its mark. There was no escape from a haunting recollection. Every selfish deed, of which his callousness to Lazarus was but one, stood out in awful intensity: they burned their way into his undying conscience. If the burden of guilt is to be lifted, it must happen this side of the grave. And that can only be through the power of the atoning blood of Christ. When we are born again, God casts all our sins behind His back, never to be remembered against us any more. We can-

not forget them, and it is well we cannot, for the remembrance keeps us humble. But in heaven we shall not be able to recall them. Hallelujah!

PRAYER TOPIC:

That God's controlling hand may rest upon those responsible for the affairs of State in this and other great countries.

Wednesday, March 15th. Luke xvii. 1-10.

"Lord, increase our faith" (verse 5).

Jesus, in that plain yet loving way of His, urged the disciples to take heed to themselves. They were to be careful lest they, like the rich man, became indifferent to the need of their brethren. It was easy to be incensed at another's sin, to sit in judgment on a glaring case of inhumanity. But the weak brother in our midst, is, in spite of all his weakness, one of Christ's little ones. His sevenfold repeated failings are not to be met with harsh judgment, but in the spirit of meekness his fellow disciple is to restore him. An increase of the faith which worketh by love, is essential, and the God of all patience is willing and able to supply this. So, dear Lord, wilt Thou make the offending brother to me, not a cause of irritation, but an occasion for greater grace, which shall woo and win his heart. Make my life fragrant with Thy patience and forgiveness.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For God's rich blessing on all readers of the "Elim Evangel."

Thursday, March 16th. Luke xvii. 11-21.

"As they went, they were cleansed" (verse 14).

Jesus had not touched them—in observance of the law they had stood afar off. Their need and their confidence gave strength to their cry, and Jesus, commending and encouraging their law-abiding behaviour, bade them go and show themselves to the priest. Without signs and wonders, just as they were, at the word of the Master, they went. And as they went they were cleansed. Their obedience brought the victory. Hallelujah! It is always thus. No matter how deeply ingrained the trouble, how dire the disease, how hopeless the case, obedience is the path of deliverance. They that put their trust in the Lord shall never suffer confusion. Lord, give me courage to step bravely out at Thy command, for Thy Word is powerful, and in the keeping of it is great reward. Teach me how precious obedience is to Thee, how beneficial to me.

PRAYER TOPIC:

For Holy Ghost outpouring upon the ministry of all our Elim missionaries.

Friday, March 17th. Luke xvii. 22-37.

"As the lightning . . . so shall also the Son of Man be in His day" (verse 24).

As the lightning gives no warning, it is wise to be prepared beforehand. When the Son of Man comes, there will be no time to do the neglected task, to undo

the wrong, to pay the debt, to make restitution, to get saved, or to seek the lost. Jesus bade us be ready. His precious blood can give the readiness of a cleansed heart. Happy the believer who, living in sweet communion with the Lord and loyal service with Him, is found watching. He is ready to greet the expected One, ready for faith to be changed into sight, ready to hear the "Well done, good and faithful servant," ready to receive the crown of life that fadeth not away. "Yet a little while and He that shall come will come," and our eyes shall be gladdened with the sight of the bright and radiant Lord.

PRAYER TOPIC:

God's life-giving touch to rest upon every member of the Headquarters Staff.

Saturday, March 18th. Luke xviii. 1-17.

"God be merciful to me a sinner" (verse 13).

It was when by-grace we were brought to acknowledge our lost condition, and hopeless state, that real joy came to us. Forgiveness springs from an acknowledgment of sin. This publican smote upon his breast: his heart was rent with contrition. He went to the Temple with a load and left with life. Hallelujah! That heartfelt prayer has never been uttered in vain. The appeal for mercy finds a ready and gracious answer in the heart of a loving God. The all-holy and just One can forgive for Jesus' sake. The blood avails for all who seek its covering and power. Do not let a day pass without remembering Calvary, and our dependence on the Saviour.

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus,
I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty rock
Within a weary land."

PRAYER TOPIC:

Blessing upon every effort to bring the lost to Christ.

Such
inexpressibly glorious
gatherings!

WHERE?

Last Easter Monday
at the Foursquare
Gospel Demonstration
at the Royal Albert
Hall.

DISCUSSING what is wrong with the Church has become, in some quarters, a fashionable pastime. Most of the talk relieves the speaker but not the situation. And most of the remedies proposed are for the symptoms, not the disease.

The symptoms are evident enough and by no means new. There is an alarming worldliness, conformation instead of transformation. The early Christians were a peculiar people; now they are a popular people. Persecution could not retard the Church, but popularity has done it. It never was more "respectable" to be a Christian than now; in the average mind it never meant less. We have lost the line of demarcation and merged with the world until our identity has been swept from most of us. We have tried to catch the spirit of this age, when our business is to correct it. We have been afraid of being eccentric, but a Christian always is eccentric. Eccentric means revolving around a different centre, and that is what a Christian does.

When Constantine embraced Christianity and took the Church under the sheltering wing of his empire it was a hindrance and not a help. When Christians were the despised minority, testifying from catacombs and prisons, nothing could hinder them. But they have become the fashionable majority and, gaining the world, have lost their soul.

Nothing is more repulsive to the true believer than

SOME MODERN EFFORTS

to popularise Jesus. He has been paraded as a hail-fellow-well-met and dressed in the garb of a good sport to make Him acceptable to this superficial and sophisticated age. He is eulogised in a style that, while on the surface it looks encouraging, is the very thing the Lord despises, a euphonious lip-service that substitutes compliments about Him for conformity to Him.

There is another evil, all the more dangerous because it looks like a virtue when it is a vice. It reminds us of the Galatian Church which had begun in the spirit but was trying to perfect itself in the flesh. Some have called it "Churchianity," but that is a misuse of a blessed word. We refer to our over-dependence upon Church machinery and activities.

The Master's business has become the Churches' business. Like a squirrel in a cage, we have plenty of activity but little progress—and that progress too often is forward instead of upward. We have built

PLAN TO SPEND EASTER MONDAY
WITH GOD'S PEOPLE IN THE ROYAL
ALBERT HALL.

The Church without the

By VANCE

*The new gospel is no longer offensive; neither is it
but futile. It is without reproach and without redemption.*

a vast bulwark of statistics, finances, buildings, prestige, propaganda that runs along, "faultily faultless, icily regular, splendidly null." We have exalted the machine above the Master; we are trusting to our size instead of to our Saviour.

Because with our report cards, improved systems, young peoples' societies, socials, committees, programmes and campaigns, we think we are marching to Zion, when we are only marking time. We have substituted business expertness for

SPIRITUAL ENDOWMENT.

The best Church, we think, is the one with most favourable statistics. We measure results by report cards in spite of the fact that religion cannot be tabulated. We have made methods more important than men, exalted pep above prayer, snappiness above spirituality. We are pumping the Church with an artificial stimulation and enthusiasm, forgetting that it is an organism rather than an organisation. The efficiency craze has overflowed the business world into the churches. We try to run them like corporations and apply the same utilitarian yardstick to spiritual affairs that we employ in the counting-house.

We have standardised the ministry. The modern preacher must be an engineer rather than an evangelist. He must sacrifice the prophets' solitude for a life of committee meetings. His spiritual and inspirational work, to which God called him, is buried under a landslide of office details. He is a modern Martha, so cumbered back in the church kitchen that he has little time to sit at the feet of the Lord. In the early Church, deacons were appointed that the apostles might give themselves to prayer and the ministry of the Word. Alas, the modern minister has been forced to "leave the Word of God and serve tables."

All of which means that this business age has taken charge of religion. Having standardised everything else, it turns to the spiritual. The divine fire from above has been forsaken for "efficiency."

Church e Holy Spirit

E HAVNER

effective. It is popular, but powerless; fashionable, but empty. Woe unto a gospel that all men speak well of!

We have, of course, that Laodicean indifference which, being neither cold nor hot, is nauseating to God as He plainly said. We have modern Pharisaism that loses the spirit in slavery to the letter. How many are theologically correct in every position, minutely observing every church function, but still are, as He said, dismally blind to His real meaning because they think they see! How many churches might be listed as orthodox in opinion but heretical in actual experience!

One turns from the inconsistency of the Pharisees only to run into the leaven of the Sadducees. The modernists thought to broaden the faith; but when they broadened it they also made it shallow. Jesus made the gate strait and the way narrow. Who has been authorised to remodel it?

It really is only a naturalistic syncretism in which Jesus is a shade better than Buddha or Confucius, but by no means the Absolute. Abana and Pharpar are now as good as the waters of Israel. The day cries out that we prophesy smooth things; but smoothness is not soundness.

Such are some of the troubles one sees at random. They indicate a condition better felt than described. One senses amidst the general

CHAOS IN THE CHURCH

the wrong spirit. The Church to-day has plenty of spirits, but not the Spirit. One finds an enthusiasm, a progressive "get-up-and-go" attitude that would not be wrong in its place, but it has usurped the presence of the Spirit.

The disciples were told by the risen Lord to wait for Pentecost before they began their ministry. Now, at a glance, they would seem remarkably well prepared to preach immediately after the ascension without waiting for anything further. The average modern preacher would grow impatient. Had they not been loyal disciples, three years in daily fellowship with the Master, students under the supreme Teacher of all

time? Had not they preached already and cast out devils in His name? Were they not men of fine character? Why wait further?

So to-day we rush out into feverish Church activity and wonder why, for all our qualifications, so little is done. No question is so timely now as this: "Received ye the Holy Ghost when ye believed?" How many have begun too soon with a baptism little better than John's! Many a modern young Apollos, brilliant, earnest, charming, but immature, needs some humble Aquila to teach him the way more perfectly!

We hear much nowadays about

FELLOWSHIP WITH CHRIST.

It is a good term and points to a great reality, but too often what is meant by that phrase is not at all the full experience. The disciples before Pentecost had had three years' fellowship with Christ, but it was not enough. To-day, the term has come to mean familiarising one's self with Christ through study and imagination. That might produce a Jesus enthusiast, just as continuous mental association with Shakespeare produces a Shakespeare enthusiast, but that is a far cry from the fellowship of the Acts.

We are not contending for a fantastic emotional experience: opening the life to the infilling of the Spirit may be as calm as an autumn sunset. But until we realise that, whatever other qualifications we may have, we are not ready to be His witnesses unless His Spirit indwells and abides—until we see that, and then receive that Spirit and go forth confidently believing He is within, all of our varied activities are but sounding brass and tinkling cymbal.

A young man once went to Philip Brooks with

A PERSONAL PROBLEM.

After spending an hour with that great character, the young man, on his way home, suddenly reflected, "Why, I forgot to ask him about that problem!" Then, he decided, "Well, after all, what I needed was not the solution of a particular problem so much as to get in touch with a great personality."

As individuals and churches we are much concerned with solving this problem and that, baffled over details. Our need is to get in touch with the Great Personality—the Lord Jesus Christ.

SPEND THE DAY WITH GOD
ON EASTER MONDAY
IN THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL



The Elim Foursquare Gospel Alliance does not necessarily endorse every view expressed by contributors. The articles in this magazine represent our teaching on fundamental matters, but on minor matters we allow liberty.

The Need of the Hour.

THE tragedy of the hour is a perishing world and a Church holding the remedy, yet powerless to apply it. In spite of modern efforts to popularise the Gospel, in spite of up-to-date organisation, energy, and activity, the world goes by, unheeding. The writer of our centre page article this week fearlessly lays bare the root cause of this condition of things. Not until the Holy Spirit has His rightful place in the Church will Pentecostal power and Pentecostal results be experienced.

A Month To-day.

TO-DAY is March 10th. Thousands of our readers are eagerly anticipating April 10th, for on that day they hope to meet one another at the annual mobilisation of Foursquare Gossellers in the Royal Albert Hall, London. For many it will be the fourteenth year in succession, and yet their eagerness to take part in the day's meetings is as great as ever. What is the attraction that fills the world's premier hall on an Easter Monday—a day which usually witnesses the first great exodus of the year from city to sea and country? Surely it is the spiritual atmosphere created by thousands of consecrated lives, the preaching of the Word, the manifestation of the power of God, the unspeakable preciousness of the Communion service—but above all, the glorious presence of the risen Lord Himself.

If you have never been to the Royal Albert Hall on an Easter Monday, then come on April 10th and enjoy a foretaste of heaven itself!

New Features.

THIS week's *Evangel* presents another new feature—the series of articles by Mr. J. A. Vanstone on the Epistle to the Philippians, which will appear fortnightly. Helpful illustrations for Christian workers, will be found weekly on the Family Altar page, commencing in our next issue.

Revival News.

A report of the Principal's campaign at Carlisle appears on page 146.

As we go to press, news is to hand of the final meeting of Pastor Gwilym Francis's campaign at Halifax in the Cinema Royal. There were over 1,400 present, and 68 decided for Christ.

News of the final meetings of Pastor Brewster's campaign at Sheffield will appear in our next issue.

SECRETARIAL NOTES

By W. G. H.

Pastor W. L. Taylor who took charge of Glasgow during the Principal's campaign at Carlisle, is likely to remain in charge there for the present.

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Mr. H. Childs, recently in charge of Derby, takes charge of Watford on March 5th.

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The new Elim Church at Preston Park, Brighton, is nearing completion and will be opened this month.

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Friends in the Birmingham area should not miss the meetings on March 8th in the Town Hall. Particulars are given on cover ii.

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Elim friends in London and elsewhere will regret to hear of the Home-call of our brother Mr. A. A. Dalton of Ilford. For many years Treasurer of the Ilford Church, and one of the Head Ushers at the Annual London Demonstrations and at several of the early Campaigns, his passing will be a loss to the movement he loved and served so faithfully.

Gleanings from other Fields

Rev. F. J. Miles.

During the first six months of his tour in Canada and the United States, Rev. F. J. Miles addressed 375 meetings and travelled 15,000 miles.

Rev. George Dempster.

For reasons of ill-health, Rev. George Dempster has been compelled to cancel all his engagements for the next few months.

Rev. Walter Duff.

Rev. Walter Duff recently celebrated his 45th year of evangelistic work at the Lutheran Church in San Jose, California. During that time he has trained and sent forth 200 young evangelists.

The Scriptures in Italy.

The British and Foreign Bible Society reports that its circulation of the Scriptures in Italy last year amounted to 150,672 books—an increase of 15,342 over the previous year. These books were in 67 languages.

The Salvation Army.

General Evangeline Booth, who retires from the leadership of The Salvation Army at the end of October, was the guest of honour at a luncheon at the Grocers' Hall, London, on February 21st. Her address was broadcast. On the same day the Salvation Army commenced a regular series of broadcasts from Radio Normandie.

Prayer Changes Things

Philippians iv. 6.

Prayer is requested for:

Two sisters that they may be delivered from spiritism and find Christ as their Saviour.—T.E.

An aunt that she may be restored to health and strength.—L.F.W.

A brother in Christ that the Lord would undertake and deliver him from the fiery trial through which he is passing.

The conversion of a husband and wife.

Missionary Achievements

A Missionary Report by Miss A. HENDERSON

Call upon Me and I will answer thee and show thee great and mighty things which thou knowest not—
 Jeremiah xxxiii. 3.

*If Radio's slim fingers
 Can pluck a melody
 From night, and toss it over
 A continent or sea;*

*If petalled white notes
 Of a violin,
 Are blown across a mountain
 Or a city's din;*

*If songs, like crimson roses,
 Are culled from thin, blue air;
 Why should mortals wonder
 IF GOD HEARS PRAYER?*

IT is only through the spirit of limitless renunciation that the vast heathen population of midnight lands can be redeemed. The sombre tapestry of *Things As They Are*, written by that gallant pioneer and pathfinder, Miss Amy Carmichael of India, and similar books, have brought before our eyes solemn and staggering facts of the gruelling, gruesome conditions existing in those land where the name of Jesus is unknown and God's great salvation has not been preached.

Through this twentieth-century Pentecostal revival, breezes of Calvary love and Calvary passion have been blown across the ranks of youth, and from eager hearts full of youth's enthusiasm as well as from those more

glad and glorious heritage, but oh, to awaken the sleepers around us to the realisation of His near coming! His coming draweth nigh! His coming draweth nigh! May we be kept faithful until He arrives.

"We have just completed our school term of eleven weeks' really hard work, and hope next week to be away 'en safari' with the thirty young men who have been attending school, camping out, and giving out the gospel in the villages.

"I have just finished our yearly statistics of my assembly and those for whom I am responsible, along with others to the C.E.M. and Government. The numbers have taken a bit of getting together and I will give them here so you may have some idea of the size of the assembly. It is small compared with other stations, but then here there is only a woman in charge and it is one woman's work, too. I

COULDN'T MANAGE ANY MORE.

Sister Edwards is our helper at present: she has charge of the children's work and helps with the women:—



Mrs. Taylor
 and her little son
 Cyril
 at the
 Mission House
 at
 Ngoi Mani,
 Belgian
 Congo

White staff (We have also sister Bartlett for a few months)	2
Evangelists	16
Evangelists in here for training this year for two months and two weeks.	
Outstations	15
Baptised Christians	183
Unbaptised Christians	371

(There are a great many others who have professed conversion, but these we do not count until they have become stable; also a great number of our Christians have left to go to the mines, etc.)

Christian families (both parents & children are Christians)	59
Children of Christian families	84
Number baptised this year	35
Marriages solemnised	6
Christians buried	18
Boys' training school: boys (all the year round)	30
Children's school: children (all the year round)	208
Village outstations: scholars	620
" " teachers	15
Villages visited (with total population of 8,000)	24
Sore eyes received attention	195
Bad sores dressed	170
Maternity cases	12
Pre-natal examinations	20
Woman's life saved	1
Widows cared for (both here and in outstations together)	18
Orphans cared for " " " " " " " "	16

matured and established, there has been a definite reaching out to God in prayer for those dark places of the earth which are "full of the habitations of cruelty"—and God still answers prayer!

Away in the lands beyond the seas our missionaries are

FEELING THE STRENGTHENING POWER

of prayer and care behind them. What follows in this report will bear eloquent testimony to this glorious fact.

From a lonely station in Central Africa where a brave little dauntless soldier of the Cross has been mightily used of God, we receive the following letter:

"Beloved fellow-workers,—Here we are rapidly drawing near to the close of the year. May He keep us working overtime for Him as the daylight wanes and the night draws in. Oh, how one's heart yearns for the gift of another ten years of peace and opportunity to continue in the vineyard of His appointing. God grant that souls may be won before it is too late! Not too late for us, for we have perfect confidence of a

This is one year's report. The outstations were visited for periods of 3, 3 and 2 weeks respectively—8 weeks being spent in outstations altogether this year.

"We do thank you all for your prayers and support during this year and beg that you will not forget us if He tarry in 1939—we may be all 'blown up' to glory before the end of the year! We specially thank Miss

Henderson for all her cheery letters, and Mr. Shergold for all his cheery cheques!

"Yours in full-speed-gear,
M. V. TAYLOR."

There are certain people in our Elim Churches, who because of their unceasing prayer vigil are truly in the Divine reckoning among those who come daily "to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty." Because of their unflinching prayer bombardment, Rome's forces in Belgium are being steadily broken.

ANOTHER NEW CENTRE

has now been opened by our missionaries and the Word of God, the forbidden Book, is being preached



Little
Belgian Carollers
referred to in this
article

to greater crowds than ever. From Miss Lydia Burnett, a former student of the Elim Bible College, now studying Congo Law in Belgium, before returning to continue her work in the Belgian Congo, comes the following racy description of her visit to our missionaries in Belgium at Christmas:

"I went to pass two days in the 'Black Country' which was glorified by a generous covering of snow, and the large coal mounds looked rich with millions of snow crystals twinkling in the light. Snow has another beauty when one has spent several years without a glimpse of it. 'He giveth snow like wool.'"

"Mr. and Mrs. Scott took me sightseeing. A fifteen minutes' walk brought us to a famous grotto to which many catholics make pilgrimages in order to be healed and blessed. It was beautiful, but the images were so gruesome. Poor superstitious souls! They seem to believe in a sort of magic connected with their religion. They consider the first chapter of John a magical formula, and sometimes the farmers buy a Gospel of John so that they can read it over a sick cow! Then Mrs. Scott and I went to a famous old chateau at Mariemont. The ruins were quite as fascinating in their way as the newer restoration. I have never seen such a beautiful collection of jade anywhere and wonder if your Queen-mother's could be so large. We saw a statue of Cleopatra which was dated 'First Century before J.C.' We walked about the grounds of the chateau in the snow forgetting the discomfort of it all as we drank in the beauty of the trees about us.

"More interesting and precious than any of the aforementioned things was

THE CHRISTMAS SERVICE

held in the little Elim Chapel. This unimposing structure was glorified, too, by the presence of a Christmas

tree, typifying eternal life. How blessed it all was! Yes, blessed indeed by the Prince of Peace and by the presence of earnest souls who have come to know 'Immanuel.' We had been in the building only a few minutes when the lights were turned off and we were left in the glow of the candles. The large motto over the pulpit was still legible, "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life." Suddenly we heard voices, childish voices singing carols. Presently a row of happy faces peeped over the chancel rail. To my great surprise they began singing, 'Oh, this is like heaven to me' in English! One might have thought we were in England. The recitations that followed were all on the theme of Christmas: 'Christ is born,' 'Happy is the home where Jesus is,' 'Bells of Christmas,' etc. These were interspersed with translations of English choruses such as 'Blotted out' and 'We're a happy lot of people.' One old gentleman who sat beside me looked intensely interested in everything. He had evidently never been in a service like it before.

"After a story from Congo, Brother Scott gave a good evangelistic message with a practical illustration, in the form of Christmas treats, which we had done up during the afternoon. It was truly a joyful service wherein we forgot that many miles separated loved ones from us!

"You should see the new Elim Tabernacle in the making, at Houdeng. It will really be

WORTHY OF THE NAME

when Mr. Scott has completed the alterations, papering, etc. A staircase is being made with thought for elderly people who have difficulty in climbing. I shall be glad to see it all finished, with Bibles and texts in the windows! What versatile people missionaries have to be, even in Europe! The chapel is an erstwhile dance hall, but is well-situated in a good street, next to the Town Hall."

To give our readers a full and complete knowledge



The packets completed for the Christmas Tree.
Miss Burnett, Mr. & Mrs. Scott, and a kind helper.

of the opening of the Houdeng Hall we give a further extract from Miss Burnett's last letter:

"By the kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. Scott, I was present at the opening of the new Elim Hall in Houdeng. I was really amazed to find such a bright, clean-looking place. Since I saw it before much work had been done on it, I could hardly believe it was the same building! Originally the stairs were formidably steep and narrow. Mr. Scott thoughtfully changed

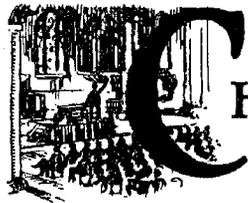
them and made a place for elderly people to stop and have a breath! The hall is more than twice the size of the one at Haine St. Pierre, and being situated next to the Town Hall will be a constant invitation to the 18,000 citizens of the town.

"Pastor Viquerat, a Swiss gentleman who lives at Charleroi, gave an inspiring address on 'Glad Tidings.' The carefully painted texts on the wall bore out the same thought. The hall was filled and num-

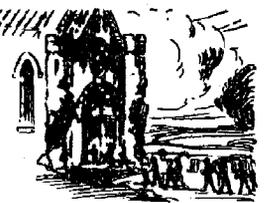
bers were standing.

"We know that this new branch of the Elim Movement will be a blessing to many because of His Word: 'And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me.'"

News of advance, which this report shows so definitely, in lands where Satan's kingdom has been so deeply rooted for centuries, rejoices all our hearts and goes to prove that consistent and continuous prayer bombardment is worth while, for *God still answers prayer.*



CHURCH ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP MEETINGS



Happy Gatherings—Heartening Retrospects

FIFTY-EIGHT NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHOLARS

Ealing (Pastor D. E. Forsyth). The recent eleven days' revival campaign conducted by Pastor E. F. Cole proved a time of real blessing. Each address was truly Spirit-inspired and led to much heart-searching among God's people.

The visit of Pastor W. H. Francis of the Transvaal on February 9th was enjoyed by all who attended. His description of heathen customs and practices in comparison with those of the Christian Church was very enlightening.

Praise was the key-note at the Annual Fellowship meeting held on February 14th, as the officers gave their reports on the various sections of the Church. Special mention must be made of the Sunday school, where there were fifty-eight new scholars during 1938, also of the Cadet meetings, at which quite a number of children have given their hearts to the Lord.

ANNUAL FELLOWSHIP MEETING

Birmingham, Sparkbrook (Pastor J. T. Bradley). On Saturday, February 11th, the Annual Tea and Fellowship meeting was held. As there is not sufficient accommodation at the Tabernacle, we had tea in an adjoining Church Hall. Afterwards we went to the Tabernacle, and as the meeting commenced, the presence of the Lord was very manifest and our hearts warmed with praise to Him as we heard reports of the various sections of the work. Progress is being made in the Sunday school and an increase in numbers is shown. Advance has also been made in the Crusader work, twenty-two new members having been enrolled during the year. The last quarter of the year was a record for the Building Fund. A most helpful message was given by Pastor Bradley on the Early Church and by what means they obtained God's blessing.



Pastor J. T. Bradley

FIVE NATIONALITIES AT A GOSPEL SERVICE

Islington (Pastor W. J. Patterson). Five nationalities were represented at a recent Sunday evening testimony meeting. Two brothers from Wales and Ireland spoke, the latter telling how God had taken him from a "silken-fingered gang" and gloriously saved him and changed his life. There was a duet by two brothers from Russia and Bulgaria, who sang in their native tongue, and a young man from India gave his story.

At a recent Divine Healing service God wonderfully touched each one prayed for, and many testimonies have been received, one sister saying that she had had the first good night's sleep for weeks.

The Annual Fellowship Meeting was a happy occasion, and several former members were with us. On this, the third Fellowship Meeting during the ministry of Pastor and Mrs. Patterson, we do thank God for the blessings He has bestowed. Very encouraging reports were given from every branch of the work, and the Lord has wonderfully met our financial needs.

A young soldier, at the close of a recent Gospel meeting enquired the way of salvation and accepted Christ. He then took a packet of cigarettes and, crushing them up, threw them away, saying, "I have done with that sort of thing now."

NEW CONVERTS AND NEW MEMBERS

Peterborough (Evangelist W. W. Kirkby). The Sunday evening service of February 12th was a night to be remembered by God's people at Peterborough, when twenty-eight new members were received into the fellowship of the Church. God's blessing has continued throughout the week—one sister accepting Christ as her Saviour at the Crusader meeting, and again three more souls finding "that more abundant life" at last Sunday's Gospel service. To God be all the glory!

SPECIAL BIBLE STUDIES

Woolwich (Pastor H. A. Court). With pleasurable anticipation the saints at Woolwich looked forward to the series of special visits of Pastor E. C. W. Boulton. That pleasure increased as Thursday after

Thursday they listened to the Spirit-anointed messages he brought. The Holy Spirit in personal and Church life was the theme throughout the period, and one and all testified to help and guidance received as the Word of God was expounded with much clarity. Looking back it can be said that a deep hunger has been created for the continual filling of the Spirit, for it is our desire to be constant witnesses to Him who has redeemed us and washed us with His blood.

TESTIMONIES TO DIVINE HEALING

Southport (Pastor F. G. Cloke). Our Bible School session opened again in January with the study of Galatians. A real need and keen desire to understand God's Word is provided for in our weekly prayerfully arranged studies.

This year the Fellowship Tea was preceded by a "joy" meeting. For one-and-a-half hours we joyed in the Lord, after which we enjoyed a faith tea and fellowship with one another.

The evening praise meeting proved a very blessed time. As in prayer and thought we meditated upon God's loving care since our last Fellowship Meeting, healing testimonies were given.

One lady, testifying for the first time, said that her back had been fractured in three places, resulting from a fall. She was rushed to hospital, and after X-ray, put in a plaster jacket where she was to stay for three months. The following morning Pastor Cloke visited the hospital and prayed for her. When a few days later she was X-rayed again the baffled doctors were obliged to discharge her—HEALED.

Another sister testified saying that she had fallen and damaged her arm so that it was bent in such a peculiar way that she was unable to straighten or bend it. In this condition she attended the communion service, and as our Pastor prayed for her, the arm was healed instantly.

A brother also thanked God for a miraculous deliverance in answer to prayer.

CHANGE OF PASTORATE

Armagh (Pastor L. N. Knipe). On Thursday, 9th February, was the farewell meeting of Pastor Stevenson from Armagh, a change of pastorate having been arranged

between him and Pastor L. N. Knipe of Bangor. A very large congregation of members and friends were present, and the Pastor in a short message commended all present to God and His grace.

Looking back over the ministry of Pastor Stevenson and the work he has been able to accomplish, we recall words said of David: "And he behaved himself wisely, and the Lord was with him." In bidding him God-speed a wish was entertained that at some future date, he would, God willing, come back to Armagh.

HELPFUL BIBLE STUDIES

Tamworth (Pastor G. S. Dunk). We thank God for the wonderful studies on "God's Plan of the Ages," when our Pastor gave a very comprehensive exposition of the Word fulfilled through the dispensations, culminating in the working of God's hand in current events. Now we look forward with keen anticipation to a further series of talks on the Tabernacle and its symbolical significance.



**Pastor
G. S. Dunk**

We have been favoured recently with a visit from Pastor Gorman and the Birmingham male voice quartette party. As we listened to the Word and the message in song, we felt the Lord was very near.

The Fellowship Meeting also proved a time of thanksgiving to God. As various reports were read of the past year's activities, we felt that the Lord had been blessing in every department of the Church, and with one heart and voice we praise God from whom all blessings flow!

A PROGRESSIVE CHURCH

Southampton (Pastor L. Morris). Ever since the Principal's campaign, the results have been sustained and even increased. The result is that not only is the Elim Tabernacle full to capacity on Sunday evenings, but everywhere there are sympathisers and friends who may not always visit us. Our Pastor is indefatigable both in witness and pastoral visiting, and his great venture of boldly taking theatres on Sunday evenings has not been forgotten, nor has its influence been void. Scores of decisions were registered at these great meetings—as many as seventy-two in one month. Many are now in full fellowship with us.

A case of demonic obsession has yielded to the name of the Crucified, and the young girl is now in her right mind.

A challenge to public debate by two Anglican vicars decrying the truth of the Bible was successfully undertaken. The meeting ended by a show of hands vindicating Holy Scripture by over ninety per cent, and our people sang their song of victory for the Word of God.

A forum was made for Bible perplexities, and for some time every Thursday evening was devoted to all manner of so-called "Bible Contradictions."

Our annual Fellowship Meeting was a great success. A great crowd gathered for this happy occasion, and a note of victory was sounded by both Pastor and Church

officers of this aggressive assembly. The financial account for last year was the best since the Principal's coming to Southampton eleven years ago. "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes."

VISIT OF LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR

Rochester (Pastor O. Murphy). We were recently favoured with a visit from Pastor D. B. Gray and the London Crusader Choir. The Spirit of the Lord was felt right from the commencement, and at the close of a very happy evening spent in the presence of God, while the Choir were singing the chorus, "Calling, calling, Jesus is calling, calling me by my own name," three precious souls responded to the claims of the Saviour. Hallelujah!

At our annual Tea and Fellowship Meeting we rejoiced in welcoming thirteen new members.

Our Crusader meetings under Pastor Murphy's ministry are proving a great attraction; they have become a real "Information Bureau," and enthusiasm to "search the Scriptures" is prevalent amongst the members of this branch.

At the Thursday evening Bible studies we have been "Through Desert and Jungle with God's Camera," and have learned many lessons by studying the lion, camel, serpent, etc.; the ant also provided much fruit for thought.

Sunday services are really charged with the power of the Holy Ghost; last Sunday evening saw the largest gathering for some time.

DEBT ON TABERNACLE CLEARED

Romsey (Evangelist W. George). Divine blessing is resting upon the Church as the Word of God is faithfully declared by His servant, and the saints are being led into a deeper fellowship with their Lord. The presence of God is mightily felt in the prayer meetings; the Bible studies are full of rich inspiration, and attendances are increasing. Deep conviction is felt in the Sunday evening services as the gospel message is given under the anointing of the Spirit.

We recently enjoyed a visit from Miss Marshall, Elim missionary, who told us many interesting stories of Egypt, and of the wonderful way in which God opens doors, fast locked by the enemy.

Several of God's people have testified to a touch from the Lord in their bodies, and one sister suffering with housemaid's knee, and in great pain, was healed after being anointed in the name of the Lord.

On February 7th a very happy time was spent at the annual Fellowship Tea. A thrill of joy and praise to God went through every heart, when it was announced that the debt on the Tabernacle had been cleared during the last three months, for like the Israelites of old, they gave willingly to the work of the house of the Lord.

A YEAR'S PROGRESS

Wimborne (Pastor F. Shadlock). A survey of the past year's work brings praise and thanksgiving from the heart of every saint in this assembly. God has been good, and the result has been much blessing, needs met, prayers answered, spiritual

deepening, and progress made. The ministry of Pastor Shadlock, Spirit-anointed, has been blessed by God to all. Souls have been saved.

Mention must be made of the wonderful healing of our brother, Mr. George Fittain. Although over seventy years of age, our wonder-working God has undertaken. The case was most serious and the doctors far from hopeful. Repeatedly he was near the "valley of the shadow." Prayer was made for him continually and although his illness extended over a period exceeding twelve months, during which seven operations were performed, God miraculously raised him up—a glorious testimony of His healing power. During his stay in hospital our brother received the Baptism in the Holy Ghost. He is now able to walk to Church again.

Visits from Pastors E. C. W. Boulton, H. W. Fardell, J. Way, and the Portsmouth Quartet were much appreciated and enjoyed.

Every department of the work is in a very healthy and progressive state. The Crusaders are going ahead and numbers increasing. The Sunday school is very much alive. Cadet meetings have been commenced and are well attended. Fourteen new members were received into fellowship at a recent meeting together with four others transferred from other assemblies.

The annual Fellowship Meeting was held on February 8th. Reports from the various officers were definitely very encouraging. Financially as well as spiritually, God has met every need.

How about You ?

Some go to church to take a walk;
Some go there to laugh and talk;
Some go there to meet a friend;
Some go there, their time to spend;
Some go there to meet a lover;
Some go there a fault to cover;
Some go there for speculation;
Some go there for observation;
Some go there to doze and nod;
The wise go there to worship God.

A DAY

of radiant Foursquare
Gospel Fellowship is
expected
on Easter Monday
at the
**ROYAL
ALBERT HALL**



ELIM CRUSADER PAGE

CONDUCTED BY PASTOR DOUGLAS B. GRAY

UNIQUE SERVICE

When the London Crusader Choir last visited Maidstone Prison a special concession was graciously given for the resident men's choir and the London Crusader Choir to unite in two pieces, viz., "Come and Bless us" and the "Hallelujah Chorus" (both works by Handel). The combined effort was a great success, and the rich and full quality voices of the Maidstone choir added greatly to the effect of such inspiring singing. This service completed five years of the Crusader Choir's regular visits to Maidstone, where their efforts and services seem to be as much appreciated as ever. Pray on for this work!

STOCKPORT RALLY

A great Crusader Rally is planned to be held at Stockport on April 29th. Watch for further particulars.

CRUSADER HOLIDAY CENTRES

Plans are almost completed for this year's Crusader holiday centres. One or two changes will take place as to the resorts this year, but excellent accommodation has been selected. Full details will be published very shortly. Meanwhile make a mental note of holiday dates, August 5th to 19th.

COMING AGAIN SHORTLY

There will be another Missionary and Youth Rally in London next month, including Missionary speakers, international broadcast, and other interesting items. Book April 12th now, and watch for fuller details.

**HULL AND LINGS CRUSADER
RALLY
GRIMSBY**
March 11th at 3.30 and 7 p.m.
 ELIM TABERNACLE, Tunnard St.
 Conducted by Pastors
Douglas B. Gray and D. A. Vanstone
 and visiting Crusader Branches.
 (Tea obtainable between services).
**EVERYONE IN
THE DISTRICT HEARTILY WELCOME**

The Latest in Song

Melodies for Easter



The music for the great Easter Demonstration in the Royal Albert Hall, London, and for other Conventions, is now obtainable in *Elim Songster No. 19*. Another good selection is offered, comprising:

Temples of the Spirit. A dignified and devotional hymn, written by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton with original music by Pastor Douglas Gray. The chorus should become useful for congregational singing.

The Banner of the Cross. An old favourite, full of majesty and life. Will stir any congregation and give inspiration to all hearers.

He Reigns. A song of adoration, with a smooth-running melody. The chorus provides pleasing work for the male voices.

Easter Anthem. As the title suggests, a typically Easter hymn, again the composition of Pastor E. C. W. Boulton. For the music, Pastor Douglas Gray finds us a sweet little melody of Chopin, the famous musician, and arranges it for choral singing. Alternative words, entitled "The Golden Morn" are also provided by Pastor Boulton with the song, which should be popular and useful at all times.

March On. As we expect, a marching song, full of vigour and youthful expression.

Our God is Just the Same. A most suitable chorus for congregational purposes, the words and music by Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

O Christ Whose Glory. Pastor W. G. Hathaway has supplied us with words to that old but soulful tune, "Eden."

Visitors to the Royal Albert Hall meetings will, we are sure, desire to have this music, obtainable from the Elim Publishing Company, Ltd., price 3½d. including postage.

Fellowship Time

No. 9.—More News
from the
lovely Island of
BERMUDA



Miss Etta
Simmonds

To start this series we published the photograph of Miss Helena Williams, the leader and organiser of a group of Crusaders in Bermuda. This week we have pleasure in publishing the photograph of one of her Crusaders, Miss Etta Simmonds, together with her testimony:

"I took a decided stand for Christ in March, 1936. That same year I was invited to join the Crusaders at Heard Chapel. I did, and from that time on to the present I have striven to render a worthy account to my Master. I am happy to be a co-labourer with God in the great work of kingdom-building, and by His grace assisting me I mean ever to stay in the centre of His will. I really enjoy working for God in my island home. We Crusaders are still doing "our best for God," and on Mondays of each week we gather around His altar for more inspiration and greater power. Many of our young members have shown visible spiritual growth. Please include us in your prayers."

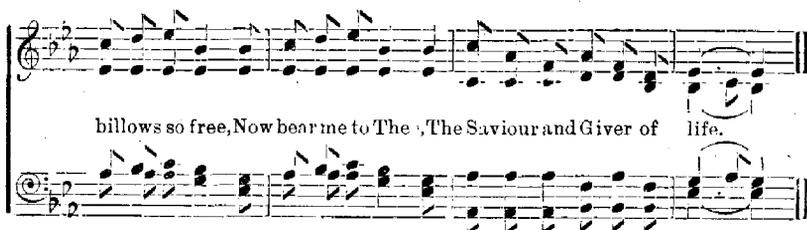
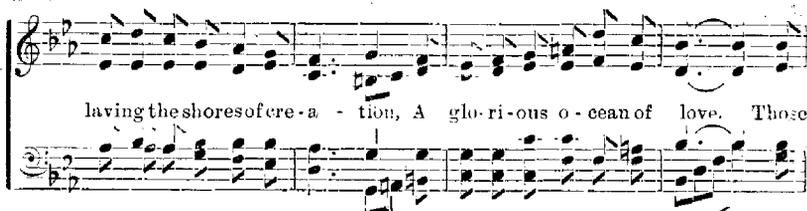
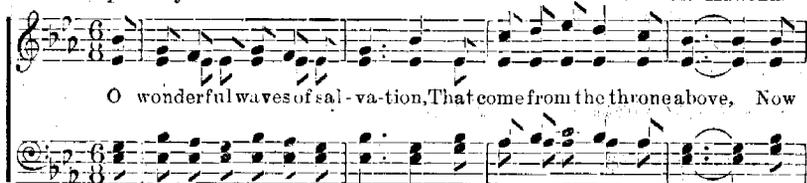
At this time the Bermuda Crusaders will be concluding their revival campaign, so Elim Crusaders everywhere will join them in praying that the blessing will continue after the special meetings have ended. In conclusion Miss Simmonds quotes:

"In Christ there is no east nor west,
In Him no south nor north;
But one great fellowship of love,
Throughout the whole wide earth."

O Wonderful Waves of Salvation Bible Study Helps

E. C. W. BOULTON.
Keep steady.

M. HELYER.



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- ELIJAH'S LONELY MINISTRY**
Elijah was a lonely man. At least seven times we find him alone:
1. Alone with God (I. Kings xvii. 1).
 2. Alone in the court of Ahab (I. Kings xvii. 1).
 3. Alone at the brook Cherith (I. Kings xvii. 3, 6).
 4. Alone with the widow woman of Zarephath (I. Kings xvii. 9).
 5. Alone with the widow's dead son (I. Kings xvii. 19).
 6. Alone with himself (I. Kings xix. 3, 6).
 7. Alone with God (I. Kings xix. 11, 14).

VICTORIES OF GALVARY (Colossians ii. 15)

1. Victory over Sin (Heb. ix. 26; I. Cor. xv. 56, 57).
2. Victory over Death (Heb. ii. 14; II. Tim. i. 10).
3. Victory over Satan (Rev. xii. 10, 11; I. John iii. 8).

ISAIAH'S VISIONS (Chapter vi.)

1. A Vision of God (vv. 1-4).
2. A Vision of Himself (vv. 5-7).
3. A Vision of the People (v. 5).
4. A Vision of His Divine Task (vv. 8-13).

THE ROYAL ALBERT HALL DEMONSTRATION, EASTER MONDAY, 1939

Much prayer is requested that these special meetings may be the means of reaching the Christless multitudes of the great city of London, and bringing many into touch with the Foursquare Gospel. We have had much encouragement in past years in this respect. May it be another great victory for the King of kings!

The Way of Salvation

The Broken String

IT happened one Sunday afternoon, when an evangelist rose to address a great body of men. He noticed at his feet a broken violin string, which one of the band had just discarded. He had replaced it by another, but had no use for this bit of material, which lay useless on the steps.

Taking it in his hand, the evangelist called the attention of his audience to it.

"You see what I hold in my hand! It is a broken violin string. It has often yielded delightful music; but, see, it is snapped, broken, useless. No violinist can use it again! It is a castaway.

"But are there not lives here just in the same plight? As young men you had good prospects; you were married happily, children were born to you, and your life made sweet music. Then a sudden change came over the scene! Clouds blew up on the sky! You gave way to drink, or impurity, or dishonesty, and became a snapped and broken string. You have never recovered that false step. It seems as though you will become a castaway like this broken string.

"But what the violinist cannot do, Christ can. In His earthly life He was constantly taking broken lives and making them anew. Zachæus the publican; the woman who was a sinner; the dying thief, were all

broken strings, but He made them anew, and they yielded sweet music."

At the end of the meeting the evangelist was called to a man who was in great agony of mind. He said that he was that broken string, that the preacher had described his life; that everything had gone wrong with him, that he had become a drunkard, and a frequenter of the lowest company.

A few gathered around him. He promised to go back to his home, bearing a letter from the evangelist to his much-wronged wife. He knelt and asked pardon and cleansing from the hand of the Saviour, and rose cleansed and purified, with the past forgiven, and with new hope. Old things had passed away, lo, all things had become new.

Are you a broken string? In an orchestra of some hundred performers, the player of the piccolo, supposing that he would not be missed, amid the volume of sound, ceased playing; but the conductor stopped the whole of the instrumentalists, and said that they were incomplete so long as the piccolo was silent.

So the great love of God misses you, needs you, asks for you. Jesus died for you and bore your sins on the Cross. Forgiveness for all the past is waiting for you. Though your sins have been as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; and the great Master of Music will once more make music out of your life.

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BIRTHS

Knight.—On February 13th, to Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Knight, the gift of a daughter, Valerie.

Mullan.—On February 6th, to Pastor and Mrs. J. Mullan (Transvaal), the gift of a daughter Maureen.

MARRIAGE

HIN : Pitt.—On February 18th, in the Elim Church, Smethwick, by Pastor W. Kelly; Richard Hill to Winnie Pitt.

WITH CHRIST

Chalkley.—William Henry Chalkley, aged 79. Funeral conducted by Pastor H. Kitching.

Le Tissier.—On February 13th, Mary Le Tissier, aged 76. Funeral conducted by Pastor J. Smith. Pastor P. Le Tissier wishes to thank the many friends for letters and telegrams of condolence.

Moses.—On February 20th, Mrs. M. J. Moses, aged 82, of Elim Church, Carlisle. Funeral conducted by Pastor W. Leslie Taylor.

Pangborne.—On February 25th, Mr. H. Pangborne, aged 63, member of Elim Church, Wimborne. Funeral conducted by Pastor F. Shadlock.

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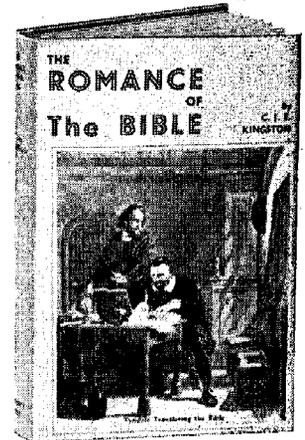
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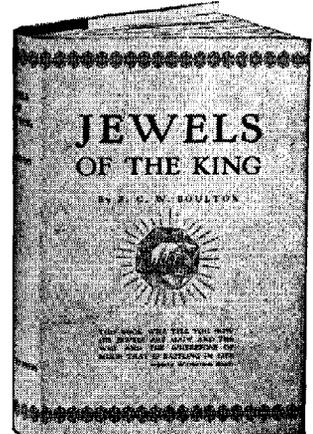
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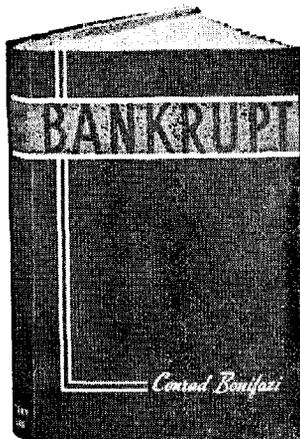
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