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The Great Coronation Day

By Pastor R. REID (*Elim Church, Portadown*)



THE GREAT DAY is drawing near; enthusiastic preparations are nearing completion. The great Coronation Day is fast approaching. Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II is about to be crowned Queen of the great British Commonwealth. Our great cities, and many towns and villages are gaily festooned with brilliant colours: banners, bunting, and beflowered buildings all reveal the sincere homage and respect of her people. From the scattered hamlets among the distant hills to the very doors of Westminster Abbey there is fluttering in the summer breeze the evidence of joy and gladness displayed by a nation in love with the Sovereign. The great Coronation Day is nigh! To Her Majesty we offer our sincere wishes for an abundance of God's blessing upon a long and prosperous and peaceful reign.

At a time like this Bible lovers will find their thoughts upon another proposed Coronation; which in the light of the prophetic Word is also near at hand. Dates must be dispensed with, for God has given us none, but nevertheless we have before us indisputable signs which must be regarded as accurate, and which reveal the imminent return of Jesus Christ. The despised Carpenter of Nazareth is coming back again! He who spake of His decease also made it plain that He would return again.

In absolute contempt and despicable hatred the Jewish nation crowned Him with thorns; the bitter fury of the Roman soldiers was lashed out against the King of the Jews. He was disowned and rejected. Those who did manage to retain a timid allegiance were greatly perturbed and filled with many doubts and questions. It was indeed strange to their preconceived ideas. "We trusted," lamented the Emmaus disciples, "that it had been He which should have redeemed Israel, and besides all this, today is the third day since all these things were done." "Wilt Thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?" queried the disciples, but the answer was negative and non-informative: "It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in His own power."

There is certainly much that we do not know even after we have made our wildest guesses, but in the midst of uncertainty as to time and place, it is abundantly clear

that Jesus is coming back again. In 260 chapters of the New Testament, the second coming of Jesus is mentioned 318 times. That certainly is sufficient evidence to shout about. This colossal theme occupies one in every twenty-five verses from Matthew to Revelation. There is every encouragement to look up for this blessed hope. The magnitude of eternal things is far beyond human comprehension. The most fluent tongue in the best of our English language can but give us a meagre idea of those things which are to be at the great Coronation of our Lord Jesus Christ. Upon that lovely brow shall rest the crown of God's choosing; the scintillating radiance shall cause the sapphire and the ruby with their companions, the emerald, sardonyx, chrysoprasus, and all the rest look dim. The everlasting sceptre of peace and plenty shall be in His hand. He shall be proclaimed King of Kings and Lord of Lords. His whole glory shall fill the earth. Every knee shall bow and every tongue shall confess that He is Lord to the glory of God the Father. He shall reign from shore to shore and from sea to sea. He shall come and will not tarry! A waiting Church shall welcome Him with loud hosannas, and the rapture of His presence shall transcend our widest attempts at description. The entire population of heaven, in combination with a raptured Church, shall sound His praise in a crescendo like to the sound of many waters.

To the Christian Church there comes, in this thought, every encouragement to press on, look up, and expectantly wait in glorious anticipation for the prodigious event. Let us be at our best for the greatest event of the age. Let the inner man be adorned with the graces of the Spirit. Let eyes that have been opened by Divine grace look up in expectancy, for He shall come and shall not tarry. The Bride of the Lamb must be arrayed in white. It will be a State occasion. Heaven will proclaim His name! Preparation is necessary for participation! Let all who desire to feast with Christ at His Coronation trust Him in anticipation. He died to save: He lives to keep all who come to Him for salvation. He alone can save and make us ready for that great advent. Redemption at the Cross will warrant you an entry at His radiant Coronation. Trust Him now by simple faith, for in that day His face will outshine them all.

GOD SAVE OUR GRACIOUS QUEEN



The Coronation and the Bible

In the solemnity of the Coronation Service, the Queen is presented with a Bible by the Archbishop, who says :

“ Our Gracious Queen : We present you with this Book, the most valuable thing that this world affords. Here is wisdom : this is the Royal Law : these are the lively oracles of God. Blessed be she that readeth, and they that hear the words of this Book : that keep and do the things contained in it. For these are the words of Eternal Life, able to make you wise and happy in this world, nay wise in salvation, and so happy for evermore, through faith which is in Christ Jesus, to whom glory be for evermore. Amen.”

THE QUEEN'S DECLARATION

in the House of Lords, November 5th, 1952.

“ I do solemnly, and in the presence of God profess, testify, and declare, that I am a faithful Protestant, and that I will, according to the true intent of the enactments which secure the Protestant succession to the Throne of my Realm, uphold and maintain the said enactments to the best of my power, according to law.”



A SOLEMN DEDICATION

Part of the Speech of Dedication broadcast by the Queen, when, as Princess Elizabeth, she spoke to the Empire on the occasion of her 21st birthday :

“ I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and to the service of the great Imperial family to which we all belong. But I shall not have strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me, as I now invite you to do.

“ God help me to make good my vow and God bless all of you who are willing to share in it.”



THE QUEEN'S REQUEST

“ I want to ask you all, whatever your religion may be, to pray for me on that day, to pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life.”

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EDITORIAL

THE ELIZABETHANS

Many modern writers are of the opinion that the Coronation of our Queen may herald the advent of a new Elizabethan age. That term can be somewhat elastic in its definitions, but it is generally agreed that England entered a period of industrial and social prosperity during the reign of Elizabeth I. W. H. S. Aubrey, the historian, says: "Never was an English monarch surrounded by such an illustrious band of statesmen and administrators. Never was a reign more renowned for its galaxy of literary splendour, for its merchant princes, and for its bold navigators, who by their enterprise and courage made the name of England famous across unknown seas and in distant lands. It was called, with pardonable exaggeration, the Golden Age." J. R. Green also adds, "While England became 'a nest of singing birds' at home, the last years of Elizabeth's reign were years of splendour and triumph abroad."

It seems obvious that if we are to lead the world again, it must be in the field of scientific discovery. The glory of imperialism has gone in the widening influence of the new education, and a spirit of self-determination among the peoples of the world has demanded for them a place of equality with those who once led them into the light of civilisation.

Our interest in this editorial is not so much in the cultural glory of the two periods, but in the religious aspect of the reigns of the two Elizabeths. Elizabeth I. came to the throne in an atmosphere of religious turmoil. The inauspicious reign of Mary closed with the country on the brink of ruin, and the affections of her people alienated by the cruel persecutions for which she was responsible. Three to four hundred people perished in her reign by imprisonment, torments, famine, and fire, of whom more than a sixth were women, and some were even children and babies.

Elizabeth, although Mass was sung at her Coronation, soon weeded out Mary's prelates from the Church and established the Protestant Faith. This she did without the violence or bloodshed which had marked the religious enthusiasm of her predecessor. "The contemporaries of Elizabeth regarded the first ten years of her reign as her halcyon days," writes Knight in his *Popular History of England*. "The transition from the fiery Catholicism of Mary Tudor to the temperate Protestantism of her sister Elizabeth had been accomplished without bloodshed or convulsion." The Pope signed a bull of excommunication on 25th February, 1570, in which he pronounced the Queen guilty of heresy, but it was a damp squib amid the thunders of Europe at that time. The emancipation of our land from under the heel of Rome was complete.

The scene has changed, except for the continued antagonism from Spain, but it is still fraught with danger in this particular direction. Rome still presses for supremacy in Britain, and her influence grows. The cocksure attitude of many Protestants does not promote the best interest of liberty in our land, for there are evidences that the Roman Catholics are making progress in many quarters.

The first Elizabeth when apprised of her accession fell on her knees, saying, "This is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes"; she also had a silver coin struck with the phrase *Postui Deum adiutorem meum*, "I have chosen God as my helper." The great changes which were brought about are proof that her statements were both true and fundamentally sound. Our own Queen has avowed her personal dedication to the cause of truth, making the Coronation oath more than a religious rite. She has asked for the prayers of her subjects that she may be enabled to fulfil her vows. In Westminster Abbey the Archbishop will require an answer to the question, "Will you to the utmost of your power maintain the Laws of God and the true profession of the Gospel? Will you to the utmost of your power maintain in the United Kingdom the Protestant Reformed Religion established by law?" The Sovereign will answer, "All this I promise to do." We trust our Queen will show the same readiness as the first Elizabeth to circumvent the machinations of Rome.

It was not every section of Protestantism, however, which enjoyed the religious zeal of Elizabeth I. The Puritans were subjected to indignities and imprisonments for their enthusiasm and republican notions. Moreover, they showed an unwelcome desire to fraternise with the Puritans of Scotland, a fact which constituted an unpardonable offence to the Queen.

Nonconformity today enjoys wide privileges, but we fear it has lost much of the old-time enthusiasm. Dignity has taken the place of the old fanaticisms and the Puritan harshness has been tempered by a more refined approach to practices which give us offence. The change has not been advantageous to a vigorous witness. We call ourselves free churches, free from the shackles of establishment; but if it results in a freedom to neglect the things which really matter, and to hold lightly the doctrines upon

which secure foundations of greatness are laid, then our nonconformity can be a devitalising sop.

It was the influence of the Christian faith within the home and among the farming communities that provided a strength of moral character upon which succeeding generations have relied. Trevelyan tells us "The tendency of Protestant doctrine was to exalt the married state, and to dedicate the business life . . . The religious home was the Protestant ideal, with family prayer and private Bible reading in addition to the services and sacraments of the Church . . . The religion of the home and of the Bible became a social custom common to all English Protestants. It was found most often, perhaps, in the households of squires, yeomen and tradesmen, but it was widely extended among the cottages of the poor . . . When Elizabeth came to the throne, the Bible and Prayer Book formed the intellectual and spiritual foundation of a new social order."

Unfortunately, this favourable situation does not obtain in this new Elizabethan age. The religious home is a thing of the past, marriage is an institution like "Aunt Sally," target for ridicule and abuse, and the Bible lies unused on the shelves of our modern homes. It is a cause for gratitude that our royal family has set such a good example in their home life, and that the Bible is the rule and guide of our Queen. If another start can be made in our social life, then the new Elizabethan period will be glorious indeed.

THE PERSONAL EVANGELISM COLUMN

conducted by

Pastor Gerald L. W. Ladlow

DOING YOUR BEST

"She hath done what she could"—Mark xiv. 8.

I AM NO GOOD at talking to people!" How often do we hear Christians speaking thus when asked to try to win others for Christ. These folk so often feel that there is very little of a practical nature that they can do, their work must lie only in the prayer chamber. They will hold up before the throne the "soldiers who occupy the front line." Prayer ministry, whilst being very commendable, can never relieve us of the obligation of seeking men for Christ. Even though we may feel incapable of speaking to others about their soul's salvation there is something that we all can do to influence men to Christ, or to help those who are actively engaged in evangelistic work. We may by our acts of kindness open the way for another to speak. We may soften the heart so that it becomes receptive to the message of the preacher. Ever remember that the Lord tells us that in the day of reward the Master will not only commend those who have prophesied in His name, but those also who have given "a cup of cold water" in His name.

I remember the joy I felt, as a local preacher, when leading my first soul to Christ at the conclusion of the Gospel service I had just conducted. How very surprised I was to learn afterwards that this was the first time the woman had been to the church, and had only been able to

attend that night because two Elim Crusaders had called at her house and offered to mind her two babies to allow her to come. I remember thinking on my way home, "I wonder to whose credit God has placed the winning of that soul, to mine, or to that of those two Crusaders?"

Dr. A. J. Gordon used to tell a similar story. I will give it in his own words:

"In 1877, during Mr. Moody's meetings in Boston, there was an enquiry meeting at our church. The house was full, and Mr. Moody sent me round to find workers to help. I came upon a woman with a baby. She was anxious to find Christ; for when I approached her and asked if she wanted to be saved, she said, 'That is what I came here for.'

"I stepped over to a gentleman on the front seat, a fine-looking man, and said, 'Are you a Christian?'

"'Yes sir,' he answered.

"'I want you to go over there and talk to an enquirer.'

"'I've never talked to an enquirer,' he replied.

"'But you are a Christian?'

"'Yes.'

"'Here is a woman just ready to be led to Christ.'

"'Excuse me, I should not know what to say to her.'

"Well, because I could not get him to go, I went over myself and sat down beside the woman. But the baby was so restless that she could not give me her attention. The man kept watching us, and saw the situation. By and by he crept softly down the aisle and gave the baby some sweets, and took her in his arms and carried her to the other side of the church, and held her for an hour, while I led the woman to Christ. He found that, if he could not lead a soul to Christ, he could hold the baby while someone else did. I think a special blessing rested upon that work; for not only was the mother saved, but that little girl came to Christ when she was twelve years old, and I never had a more aggressive Christian in my church than that baby grew to be."

Will you look around and see what you can do? May the Master be able to say of you as He said of the woman with the alabaster box of ointment, "She hath done what she could."

Next week's "ELIM EVANGEL"

will contain two articles of interest:

A Challenging Contribution from Pastor J. Smith

THE KEY OF BLESSING

Every Christian should read this!

Also another article in the series "Crisis Ahead" entitled

THE JEWISH CRISIS

Special authentic pictures from Israel



ON THIS EVE OF THE CORONATION the mind of the nation, quite naturally, is focused upon this historic ceremony. It is the all-engrossing topic of the moment. In the press, on the radio, and even in the pulpit, public interest is directed towards this greatest event of the year. Westminster Abbey, that sacred and historic sanctuary which has been the scene of so much royal pageantry throughout the centuries of the past, once again is to witness another magnificent display of the dazzling splendour which attends the enthronement of a British monarch. What a galaxy of nobles and notable personalities will be assembled from all parts of the world to honour the young Queen in this great hour of her life. She mounts a throne which, amid the ruins of so many other royal houses, stands steadfast and unshaken, largely because its foundations are laid deep in the hearts of her people. She comes to the throne with all the gracious dignity of a true queen, and fortified by the noble, self-sacrificing life and example of her royal father, George VI. Added to this is the fact that she already wears the diadem of motherhood which must endear her to the millions of mothers in her realm, mothers who know the joys and sorrows of motherhood.

In many hearts there is the hope that the accession of our young and gracious Queen, Elizabeth II, may mark the inauguration of a new period of progress and prosperity, during which the sun of peace and goodwill shall shine upon this beloved land of ours: that it may herald the dawn of an epoch of national recovery and restoration such as Britain has not known for many long years. Some seem to think that our country at this time is crossing, what succeeding generations may come to regard as, a frontier of history, constituting the close of one era and the commencement of another and more glorious age. Certainly we are facing a future full of challenging portent for all classes of the community, and particularly for those who bear the name and acknowledge the Lordship of Christ. The hearts of thousands of the Lord's people are stirred with a Spirit-inspired desire and expectation of a



The stands go up in Westminster as London prepares itself for the Coronation Day. Nothing is left to chance. In like manner we are preparing ourselves for the glorious crowning day, when the blaze of His glory will outshine the splendour of all earthly pageantry.



Coronation Contemplation

By Pastor E. C. W. BOULTON

glorious outpouring of Divine power which shall give to the Christian Church of our time an enlarged spiritual vision, and lift her on to a new level of victorious life and witness.

We are reminded that the Throne of England is the birthright of its sovereign, the Coronation service and ceremony being the religious and State recognition of that right. Not by election or appointment, but by birth the Queen holds her royal position. This great and high honour is inherited. Our thoughts turn instinctively to the Christian believer, who also, though in a different sense, is born to reign. Exalted by the hand of God to a position of highest privilege and power, he enjoys a position unmerited yet inherited by virtue of his relationship with God. Being "born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God," he enters into this great inheritance, becoming partaker of Divine nature, sharing in the very life of the Eternal, the new creation of God.

The crowning glory of Christian discipleship is reached when the throne of the being is surrendered to Christ and He becomes life's true Sovereign and Lord; when the rulership of the whole life is transferred from self to Christ, the sceptre of sovereignty passing for ever into the hands of Him in whose hands alone it is safe. Each personality is a kingdom of its own, and in every one of those differing personalities there is a throne from which the thoughts, desires, emotions, ambitions and impulses are directed, like a control room, and the character of each life is determined by the power which rules in that inner throne-room.

What an occasion for joyous celebration is this Coronation of the Queen. The whole country is seeking by every available means to express its gladness; cities, towns and villages are gay with decorations, whilst many a building, grey with age, will be clothed in brightest colours. Everywhere the signs of a nation's joy are manifest: bells are pealing out their joyous chimes; flags are fluttering merrily in the breeze, and the strains from many a church organ will herald the coming of Elizabeth II to her throne on this glad June day.

From all this, in thought and desire, we turn to a far greater and more glorious celebration, when the vision of

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the glorified and crowned Christ shall come to dazzling fulfilment, and the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our God and His Christ. When "mid the plaudits of angels and men" the crucified Galilean is acclaimed King of kings and Lord of lords, and every knee to Him shall bow, and every tongue confess His right to reign. This is an event towards which all creation is moving, the inevitable climax of the drama of the ages, when the full fruitage of Christ's work upon the Cross shall be seen. Then shall the ransomed Church sing its Magnificat :

"The head that once was crowned with thorns,
Is crowned with glory now ;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.
The highest place that heav'n affords,
Is His by sov'reign right,
The King of kings, the Lord of lords,
And heav'n's eternal Light."

The Apostle Paul, in a pregnant passage in his Epistle to the Romans, declares, "The whole creation waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God," pointing onward to some hour in the history of the ages when the full unveiling of the splendour of God shall be revealed in that God-born, God-breathed creation ; a moment when the Divine handiwork shall come to completion, and in those blood-redeemed offsprings of the Eternal shall burst forth the hitherto hidden glory, and an astonished world shall witness the greatness of the Divine majesty—when He, the Author shall be manifested as the Finisher of that great salvation which He died to purchase and bestow. Not His a coronet of gold and precious stones, but a crown beset with the ransomed jewels of priceless souls, the spoil of His blood-victory on Golgotha, those love-drawn and Spirit-transformed beings which have followed Him without the camp, willing to count all things but loss, for the sheer joy of sharing the fellowship of His Cross.

The Cross and the Throne are inseparably linked together in the life of the Lord, and also in the lives of those who truly become His followers. His saviourhood and His sovereignty are all part of a wondrous whole, worked out in the heart of God in the eternal past. Christ is Lord because He took the lowly place of the Lamb—

the sacrificial Lamb! He occupies the Throne because He was laid upon the Altar of Atonement.

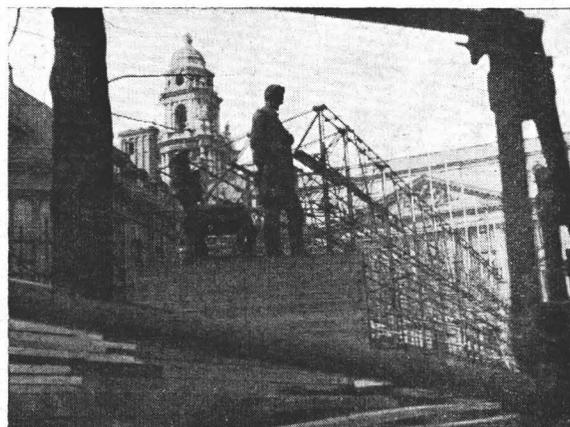


To Christian hearts the world over the most reassuring aspect of this royal investiture is the recognition of God, which finds its rightful place in the religious ceremony, a ceremony in which the Sovereign of this realm acknowledges her dependence upon and subjection to Almighty God ; a realisation and confession that she holds this high office by Divine permission, and that even England's Queen is the servant and subject of the Eternal, that her throne and empire only exist by virtue of Divine decree.

In one sense the Coronation of the Queen is an act of separation as well as one of dedication, for the higher we go the lonelier our pathway. Her exalted rank, since she takes precedence over all her subjects, makes her stand apart in almost unapproachable splendour. None may share her throne or sceptre of authority. Whilst some may contemplate such a position as a prize to be coveted, yet it is one for which a price must needs be paid. And so it is with those who tread the highest heights in God ; those who mount to the utmost reaches of the Christian life must be ready to climb alone. God asks this of all who would assay to kingship in His kingdom, of all who aspire to reign in life in Christ Jesus. Separation becomes deeper and more comprehensive the farther we go in our pursuit of the choicest and best which the hand of the Father offers us.

And so, on this happy Coronation day, we lift up our hearts to God for blessing upon her gracious Majesty, Elizabeth II, praying that her reign may be one of the most illustrious in the annals of our English history. At the same time we sing of Him to whom our hearts are united, our blessed Lord and Redeemer :

"Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His Throne ; ,
Hark ! how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own :
Awake, my soul and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Thro' all eternity."



The mute statue of Abraham Lincoln surveys the scene of preparation from amid a tangle of scaffolding.

OVERSEAS MISSIONS

A Page of News conducted by Pastor G. H. THOMAS (Missionary Secretary)

. . . PRAY YE . . . GIVE YE . . . GO YE . . .



Sowing the Seed of the Word in India

Pastor C. Stockdale, in company with the Indian Evangelist, has had considerable success in the selling and distribution of the Scriptures in the various languages used in India. Advantage is taken of the melas, or fairs, which are held on different days in the various towns and villages when vast crowds of people assemble. A stall is set up and attractive Scripture posters are displayed, and soon a crowd gathers. The missionary and his helpers sing choruses or bhagans and preach the Gospel while selling the Scriptures. At one of these melas recently they sold about 1,300 Gospels and booklets. Contacts were also made with those interested in the Gospel who were invited to attend the services where the Gospel was more fully explained. A number of students who have shown their interest in the Scriptures purchased during the melas have been attending the meetings and have taken their friends along as well. The sister missionaries share in this work and Mr. Stockdale writes: "We were glad to have the help of the lady missionaries as we carried on for over a week, during which time we sold, sang, preached, argued, and talked the Gospel. We also visited another town on the other side of the river and met with the same response that we had received in the other towns over there. We had a very good sale of books and the opportunity to preach three times.

"Then we learned of a one-day mela held at a place about seven miles from here in connection with the festival of Mahashivratri. The Indian pastor and I went there in the jeep taking with us a plentiful supply of books. The mela itself was held at the foot of a steep hill on top of which was the stone which the people had come to worship. There was a large proportion of women in the mela, all wearing their best saris, and it was quite a sight to see them wending their way up the side of the hill to do their "Puja." We stopped the jeep under a neem tree and followed our usual programme of singing, preaching and disposing of our books in Hindi, and wished we had brought more.

"Some thirty miles south of here there is a large quarry from which the stone is taken and conveyed in overhead buckets to a large cement factory. A bazaar is held twice a week just outside this factory for the benefit of the workers there. In accordance with our desire to reach as many people as possible we visited this bazaar which

proved to be our best visit across the river yet. We met a great variety of people, including more Nepalis than we have met during previous visits. They bought all our Nepali books. Please pray with us about the literature which we are putting into the hands of the people here, that the Holy Spirit may enlighten every mind that reads and bring true saving faith into each heart."

(Editor's note: The Nepalis come from Nepal which is closed to the missionary, thus it is a cause for thanksgiving that these people are receiving the Word of God and carrying it with them into their country.)

Elim Missionary's Welcome Home

Miss A. M. Buckler, honorary Elim missionary to India, arrived in this country on the 3rd May. Our sister has put in two terms of service in that needy land and has been kept in remarkably good health. A Welcome Home service was held for her in the Clapham Elim Church on 10th May. It was from this church she had her "Send-off" six years ago. Miss Buckler gave an interesting address on the Elim work in India and referred to the great changes that are taking place in that land which make it more difficult for successful missionary work. After a period of rest Miss Buckler will be visiting our churches in the interest of the missionary work.

You Can Help the Missionaries!

We would like to remind our readers and friends of the plan to help the missionary funds by collecting used stamps. Pastor J. W. Newman is in charge of this department of the missionary work and will be glad to receive used stamps. British and Colonial used stamps of 3d. and over, and foreign stamps of all values. A short time ago Pastor Newman sent to this office £9 towards the missionary funds, being the proceeds from the sale of used stamps. Please send your used stamps to: Pastor J. W. Newman, 101, Charlton Road, Shirley, Southampton, Hants.

Rejoice With Us!

Readers of the ELIM EVANGEL will rejoice to hear of the receipt of a legacy of £2,500 for Overseas Missions. This is being credited to the Missionary Extension Fund.

ELIM YOUTH PAGE

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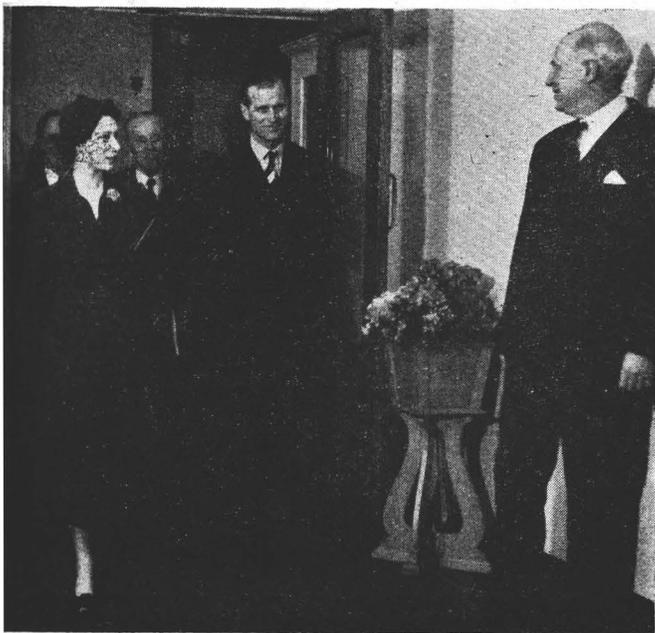
Pastor D. B. GRAY (National Youth Secretary)

CROWNING DAY

June 2nd, 1953, is a memorable date in the history of the British people, in fact of all the peoples who form the great Commonwealth family. At this time of the Coronation of our gracious Sovereign, we take particular pleasure in voicing the sentiments of deep respect and pride which all within the circle of the Elim Youth Movement feel. We honour the lead that—from time to time—has been given by our gracious Queen, and shall at such a time as this constantly and consistently remember her in prayer and intercession for strength, wisdom and fortitude, to give direction in the affairs of this great realm. Youth acknowledges the potentialities of God-directed Youth, and our hopes run high for success and blessing upon our gracious Queen, and upon His Royal Highness, the Duke of Edinburgh, Prince Charles, Princess Anne, and all members of the Royal Household. God Save the Queen!

ECHOES OF THE BROADCAST

Appreciation is expressed in the telegrams and letters received following the recent broadcast by Pastor Douglas Gray, the London Crusader Choir, and a representative Choir of the London and South of England Festivals of Male Voice Praise. Particular joy is mentioned concerning the script which was based entirely on selected readings from the Word of God by Mr. Stuart Hibberd. From many parts such sentiments have been received. The B.B.C. expressed satisfaction and thanks for an excellent



Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh have endeared themselves in the hearts of the young people of our land. May their example always uphold the noblest traditions of our race.

half hour, and passed on many letters received from listeners at home and overseas. It is good to hear from Pastor and Mrs. Dunk of New Zealand (14,000 miles away) that the broadcast was received so well, and that it was so much enjoyed during their breakfast on Monday morning. (They are twelve hours ahead of us in time). It brought them very near home. Also Miss Marshall in Port Said writes to say how much she and others of the European community enjoyed the hymns and readings. These are but a few of the many letters received.

A souvenir recording is being prepared of the broadcast on a ten-inch record, including excerpts from the hymns and Scripture passages. Those interested should write the National Youth Secretary. Recordings of the London Crusader Choir are still heard on the Five-to-Ten feature in the Light programme.



NOTES AND NEWS

Next Saturday commences the Crusader House Party at the Elim Guest House, Eastbourne. A Welcome Rally will be held in the Elim Church, conducted by the Elim Youth Committee, as well as Crusaders from many parts of the country. Special meetings will be held each evening in the Eastbourne Elim Church.

The President, Pastor P. S. Brewster will also minister during the week.



There is still time to book holidays at the many Elim Youth Camps. Camping in Coronation Year is a great idea. Already hundreds plan to come, but there are still some vacancies. Remember the Camps are at Hereford, Newquay, Charmouth, Ayr, Bognor Regis, Ludlow.



Cadet and "Sunshine Corner" badges are now in full supply. Send your orders immediately. Badge-wearing during the next few weeks will become very general, particularly in connection with Coronation functions. Let us see that we, too, display our badges and thus identify ourselves with all that is highest and best in life. Crusader badges can also be supplied on receipt of order.



Will all interested kindly note that tickets for the two great Festivals in the Royal Festival Hall on Saturday, 26th September next, are obtainable only by direct application to the Organiser, F.M.V.P., 38, Beresford Road, Cheam, Surrey. These two Festivals (at 3 and 7) are under the auspices of the London and South of England Festivals of Male Voice Praise. The guests this year are the renowned Regent Hall Band of The Salvation Army, and Mr. A. Lindsay Glegg the speaker. Several Elim Male Voice Choirs will participate. Musical Director and Conductor-in-chief is Pastor Douglas B. Gray.



The Family Altar and Elim Prayer Circle

A page for your daily meditations
and prayer

Scripture Union Portions. Notes by Pastor W. J. Maybin.

SUNDAY, June 7th. I. Corinthians x. 16-33.

“Do all to the glory of God . . . give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the Church of God” (vv. 31, 32).

Here are two great principles which should govern the believer's life—the glory of God, and the good of man. The decalogue is based upon these two principles; they are exemplified in the life of Jesus and taught in the New Testament.

MONDAY, June 8th. I. Corinthians xi. 1-16.

“Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ” (v. 1).

In II. Thessalonians iii. 9, Paul reminds us how he and his companions behaved in Thessalonica, “to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.” Paul's life was such that he could request others to follow his steps. Can we be happy in the thought that others are following in our steps? We can only be, if, like Paul, we follow Christ fully. “None of us liveth to himself” (Rom. xiv. 7).

TUESDAY, June 9th. I. Corinthians xi. 17-34.

In this great passage concerning the gathering of the saints to the Lord's Table, Paul suggests three looks: backward, forward and inward. In retrospect we behold a finished work, in prospect we anticipate a Coming King, and in introspection we behold ourselves. How essential is this examination of ourselves as we partake of this feast. How important that we attend the Table, right with God and with our fellow-believers.

WEDNESDAY, June 10th. I. Corinthians xii. 1-11.

“Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I would not have you ignorant” (v. 1).

This verse opens a new section of this Epistle. The former part is more or less corrective, this is constructive. In the first section Paul deals with various disorders and carnalities which were neutralising the influence of the Corinthian Church. Now he turns from the things which were causing weakness, to the Church's true strength, the proper function of spiritual gifts. Of such gifts the hymn-writer says:

“Strong currents of Infinity,
Gleams of Omniscience,
Outpourings of Almightyness,
Those risen hands dispense!”

THURSDAY, June 11th. I. Corinthians xii. 12-31.

“And yet show I unto you a more excellent way” (v. 31).

Let us not imagine that here with one stroke of his weighty pen, Paul is doing away with spiritual gifts and introducing love as a substitute. Nothing could be more misleading. Paul states, “Covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet I show unto you a more excellent way.” In xiv. 1 the order is reversed but the thought is the same—spiritual gifts by all means, but all under the control of love.

FRIDAY, 12th June. I. Corinthians xiii. 1-13.

Of this masterpiece in the realm of literature one writer says, “No thoughtful reader can emerge from this chapter the same as he entered it. In its dazzling light, motives are ruthlessly exposed, character relentlessly analysed and service tested . . . If the chapter be read, substituting ‘Christ’ for ‘charity’ it will be found that every statement is matched in His peerless character. The substitution of one's own name for ‘charity’ would afford a humbling contrast.”

SATURDAY, June 13th. I. Corinthians xiv. 1-20.

In chapter xii, Paul enumerates the nine gifts of the Spirit. In this chapter he deals with the three vocal gifts: tongues, interpretation and prophecy. In the first twenty verses he deals with tongues. We learn two things about this gift here. First, its Godward aspect (v. 2). This gift never was and never can be used to preach. Secondly, its manward aspect (v. 5). Its benefits to the Church can only be realised when it is accompanied by the gift of interpretation.



PLEASE PRAY:

For a daughter and her husband that they may be healed, and for a sister that she might receive strength (Chelmsford); for a pentecostal sister very ill with bronchitis and asthma (Co. Antrim); for a widow in India who has been confined to the home through illness for 16 years, and for her crippled friend (Bangalore); for a mother who has had a stroke; doctors can do nothing for her (Halifax); for a sister suffering from osteo arthritis (Bletchley); for a minister and members of a church that they might see the truth of Pentecost (Berks); for a sister in hospital who is weak after a severe attack of the flu (Chartham); for a brother who suffers badly from rheumatism (Ryde); for a boy who is the victim of polio (B'ham); for a brother who has been unwell for some weeks (Aberystwyth); for a sister suffering from internal trouble and another friend with ear trouble (Beeston).

Thought for the Week

THREE WHISKEY PRODUCTS

A police court magistrate was approached by a distiller who asked him if he had ever tried his special brand of whiskey. “No,” said the judge, “but I tried three men in court today who had tried it.”

COMING EVENTS

BRECON. May 30. United Youth Ramble. Meet Elim Church, Brynmawr Terrace Gardens, 2.30. Open Air. 6.15. Evening Rally, 7. Speaker: Pastor D. Ayling. (Cups of tea.)

BELFAST. May 9-31. The Tent, Percy Street, Shankill Road. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor A. Wilson and Pentecostal Revival Musical Team.

BRITON FERRY. May 30-June 4. Elim Church, Old Road. Coronation Convention. Speakers: Pastors A. V. Gorton and P. S. Brewster. Convener: Pastor H. L. Dawson. Sun., 11 and 6.15. Week-nights, 7.

CARDIFF. June 4, 5. City Temple, Cowbridge Road. Visit of Rev. W. A. Brown ("Revivaltime" Preacher), 7.30.

CLAPHAM. June 4. Elim Woodlands. United Baptistal Service conducted by Pastors F. Hodge and J. Karamadzanis. Speaker: Pastor H. W. Greenway. 7.30.

CORNWALL. June 8. St. Mary's Hall, Old Bridge Street, Truro. Coronation Rally under the auspices of Cornish Pentecostal Fellowship. Speakers: Pastors F. Asher, and E. Corsie. Conveners: Pastors J. C. Mulvagh and R. Haydon (A.o.G.). Singing by Falmouth F.G.T. Youth Choir. 7.30.

CROYDON. May 30, 31. Elim Church, Stanley Road. Visit of Rev. W. A. Brown ("Revivaltime" Preacher). Sat., 7. Sun., 11 and 6.30.

EAST HAM. June 13-18. Elim Church, Central Park Road. Visit of Pastor J. McAvoey. Sun., 11 and 6.30. Week-nights, 7.30.

ERDINGTON. June 6, 7. Elim Church, South Road. Sunday School Anniversary. Speaker: Pastor T. E. Francis. Sat., 7. Sun., 11 and 6.30. (3 p.m. in Tedbury Crescent School.)

HAYES. June 6. Elim Church, Keith Road. Visit of Amy and Park Male Voice Choir. 7.

HOVE. June 6-21. Elim Church, Portland Road. Revival Campaign conducted by Pastor F. Squire and International Team of Students. Sun., 6.30. Mon. to Fri., 7.30. Sat., 7.

ILFORD. May 30, 31. Elim Church, Scrafton Road. Sunday School Anniversary. Speaker: Pastor W. Patterson.

JERSEY. May 24-June 13. St. Helier Town Hall. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor A. Tee and Party. Sun., 7. Weds., 7.30. All other nights (except Fri.) in First Tower Institute, 7.30.

LEIGH-ON-SEA. May 31. Elim Church, Glendale Gardens. Visit of the President, Pastor P. S. Brewster, 11 and 6.30.

LONGTON. June 6-8. Bethel Temple, Dunrobin Street. Sunday School Anniversary. Speaker: Pastor H. Burton Haynes. Sat., 7.30. Sun., 11, 3 and 6.30. Mon., 7.

PORTADOWN. June 6-July 5. The Big Tent, Fair Green. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor A. Wilson and Pentecostal Revival Musical Team. Sun., 4 and 8.30. Week-nights, 8 (except Fri.).

PORTSMOUTH. May 20-31. Elim Church, Arundel Street. Visit of Rev. Roy and Mrs. Upton (Canada). Sun., 11 and 6.30. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30.

READING. June 6. Elim Church, Waylen Street. United Christian Youth Second Birthday Rally. Speaker: Pastor P. S. Brewster. Sparkbrook Choir. 7.

SMETHWICK. June 14, 15. Elim Church, Oldbury Road. Sunday School Anniversary. Speaker: Pastor L. W. Green. Sun., 11, 3 and 6.30. Mon., 7.

SOUTHPORT. June 6, 7. Evangel Temple, Manchester Road. Sunday School Anniversary. Speaker: Pastor A. Hathaway, B.A. Sat., 7.30. Sun., 10.45, 3 and 6.30.

THORNTON HEATH. May 9-31. The Tent, Brigstock Road (next to Library). Evangelistic Campaign conducted by Pastors C. J. E. Kingston, L. G. Hawes, and B. Hopkins, and Mr. K. Kingston. Sat., 7. Week-nights (except Fri.), 7.30. Sun., 6.30 and 8.15 (After-Church Community Singing).

WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA. May 30. Wesley Hall, West Road. Coronation Youth Rally. Speaker: Pastor P. S. Brewster (President). Testimonies by George Gerard (former Nazi Youth Leader and S.S. Storm-trooper) and John Grant (formerly with Emile Littler's National Company in "Annie Get Your Gun"). John Grant will sing. United Choirs.

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Lord, Thy best blessings shed
On our Queen's youthful head;
Round her abide:
Teach her Thy holy will.
Shield her from every ill,
Guard, guide and speed her still
Safe to Thy side.

Grant her, O Lord to be
Wise, just and good like Thee,
Blessing and blest.
With every virtue crowned,
Honoured by nations round,
Midst earthly monarchs found
Greatest and best.

Long let her people share
Here her maternal care:
Long 'neath her smile
May every good increase
May every evil cease.
And freedom, health and peace
Dance round our isle.

Under Thy mighty wings
Keep her, O King of Kings!
Answer her prayer:
Till she shall hence remove
Up to Thy courts above,
To dwell in light and love
Evermore there.

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MARRIAGE

Tuttle: Armes.—On May 16th at Elim Church, Lowestoft, by Pastor George Backhouse; Charles James Tuttle to Hilda Martha Armes.

WITH CHRIST

Finnigan.—On May 9th, John Finnigan, aged 47, of Croydon, passed peacefully into the Lord's presence. Funeral conducted by Pastor H. Burton Haynes.

Hayman.—On May 10th, Miss Florence Hayman, aged 74, faithful member of Elim Church, Yeovil, from its beginning. Funeral conducted by Pastor Ian Moore. "Only till He come."

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