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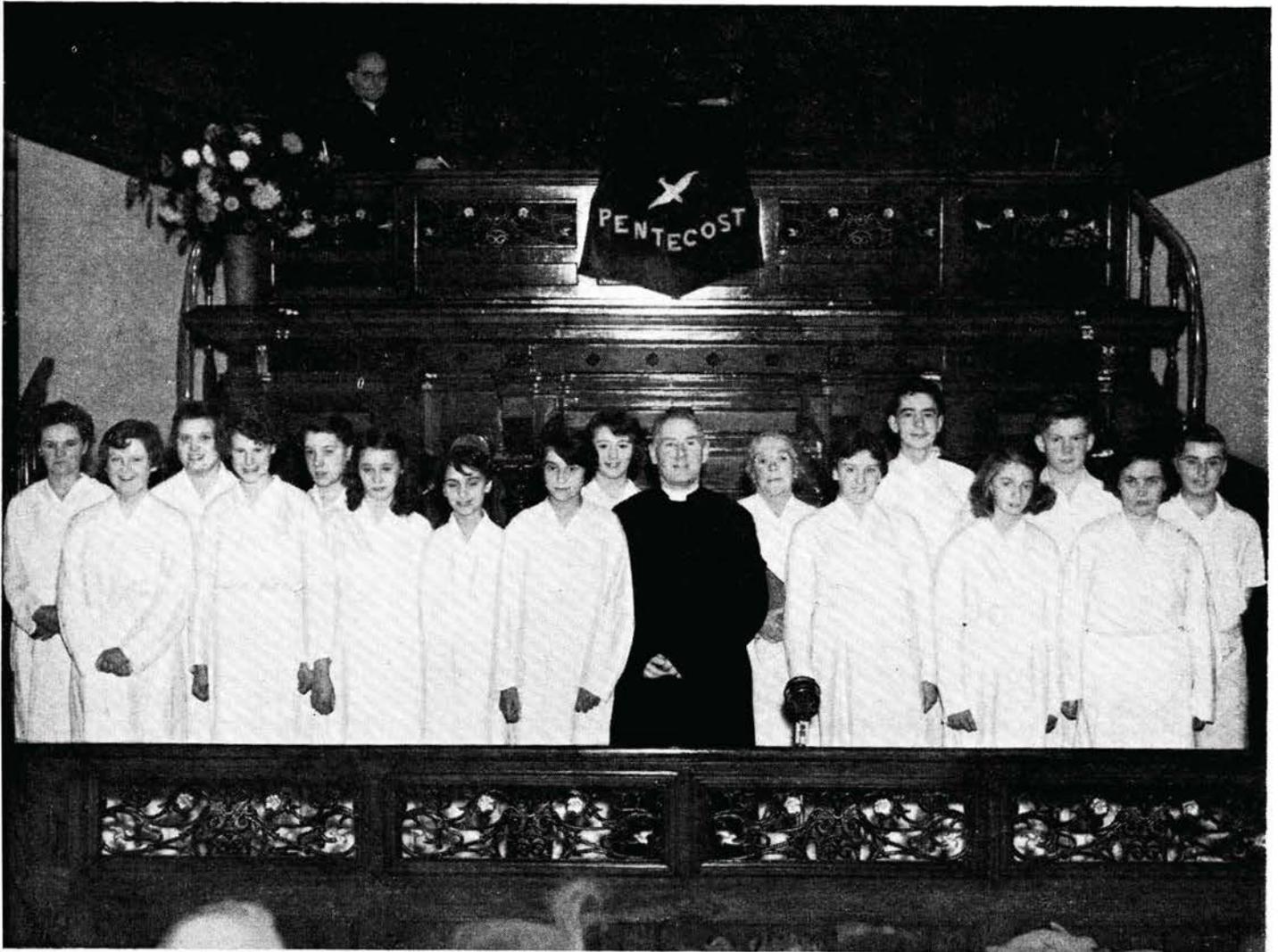
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Pastor J. J. Morgan and group of candidates for a recent baptismal service at Bradford. Most of those baptised were young people.

Witnessing to the fulness of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

YOUR PASTOR

By Pastor Harry Shaw (Elim Church, High Wycombe)

"And He gave some . . . pastors and teachers" (Eph. iv. 11).

I HAVE SOMETIMES HEARD the remark passed, that pastors are the queerest and most awkward people on earth. It is not altogether my intention either to disprove this statement or to agree with it. If the statement is true, may it not be because a pastor has the queerest and most awkward job on earth to fulfil? What I assay to do in this short article is to try and bring a link of mutual understanding between your pastor and you. For reasons of embarrassment, or of appearing a little boastful, your pastor oftentimes cannot let you into the secret of his inner life with God, and you. Let me make it clear to start with, I am speaking of the pastor who is such because he cannot help but be. Not the position-seeking, or easy-living type of person. I'm concerned with the real man.

Have you ever thought that your pastor is a public man? He is not a private individual any longer. Once he comes upon the public platform a lot of the private life which you cherish is his no longer. By following the call of God he has deliberately renounced much that you hold dear and have not been called upon to sacrifice. He becomes the "butt and jibe" of everybody. Remember that, won't you, the next time you hear someone finding fault with him. Your pastor differs from other public men in this respect, he is a public man for God. Not for a party, a good cause, or to make a name for himself. He is there to make a name for God. As such he has placed himself deliberately against all the powers of hell. The realisation of this is enough to knock the stuffing out of any weakling. This means to say that he is not only the "butt and jibe" of everybody but he is also target number one for the Devil. If the Devil can floor him he can scatter the flock of God much easier. If he can blind his eyes he can slip a "wolf in sheep's clothing" into your church, and thus accomplish his devilish plan of devouring and scattering the flock. All these things and many more are the continual anxiety of your pastor. Don't you agree that just these things are enough for one person to look after without all the host of other things which are piled on? Petty jealousies to face, squabbles to patch up, grumbings to listen to, fault-findings to deal with, and many other things which crowd in upon him, when his real job is to look after your spiritual welfare and not waste time over these childish things.

A thing which is seldom appreciated is that your pastor is vitally concerned in you. Perhaps many would like to challenge that statement. You say: He never visits me, doesn't seem to show much interest in me. When we all get to glory and the day reveals the hidden things, some people are going to get a big surprise when they are shown that the victories which they won, their needs which were surprisingly met, the strength which they derived to tackle the problems of their life, and hosts of other things, were given to them through the faithful prayers of their pastor

when all the time they thought that he wasn't interested much in them. If some congregations saw their pastor in his soul exercises before God on their behalf it would revolutionise their life. Will it ever have to be told that your pastor spent much time and energy in prayer for you and then next time you met he was snubbed, insulted, or grumbled at? Yet this kind of thing is happening every day. Perhaps the handshake and "God bless you" of your pastor has become just a formality to you, but to him it hasn't. Every time he gives himself to it his very soul is behind it. He means every word of it.

You may be having a little chat together, and your pastor is in the company. Words which you utter and think are finished with from your point of view; with him are not. He sees a need of yours: it may be material, physical, or spiritual. You part and go your ways; you, perhaps, with a lighter heart because of the fellowship and your chat together, but not so your pastor, his heart is heavy. No word of his, or even a gesture, has given you any impression that he is concerned, but as he goes his way he carries the burden of one of his flock which God has placed in his care. He begins to pray and lift up his heart to God on your behalf, he prays on and on, sometimes it may cost him sleep, energy, or agony of soul, and you may not even be aware that he has seen your need, in fact you may not be aware that you have a need, yet he has seen it and his sensitive soul has felt it, and all the time you have been thinking that he is not interested in you, he has been lifting up his soul in earnest prayer for you, personally. God has met your need, and you have rejoiced. Maybe in some testimony meeting you tell of the thing which God has done for you, you thank Him because He saw what you needed and gave it to you. Yes, your pastor saw what you needed too, God showed him, and he prayed for you in his secret life with God, now he hears you telling out that God has done it. He can't rise and tell you that he saw your need, but once again in the secret place his heart just overflows with praise to God for answering yet another prayer for one of his flock. He takes heart in his labours and goes on.

Everyone has his troubles and trials, and it is your pastor who shares them with you. Though perhaps you think that he knows nothing about them, God has placed upon his heart the burden of them. Cast your eye over the people in your church and as you do so, remember this: every one of them has his or her place in the heart of your pastor, yes, even those whom you don't like and can't get on with. He has to get on with them. Everybody's troubles are his troubles, their failures are his concern, their victories his rejoicings, their murmurings and grumbings, fault-findings and ingratitude are his cross. Yes, your pastor is "an everybody's man." When he sees one falling away from grace into a backslidden experience his heart within him

begins to break. He wants that young man, or young woman, or whoever it is, back into the place of blessing, and whilst others may have no concern about them he must bear it before his Master alone. Every unkind word he hears spoken jabs like a dagger at his soul. Then something happens, and the wanderer comes back into the place of blessing. Your pastor can't rise and say much about his inner struggle with God, but he rejoices with the restored and goes on to do it again for anyone else who may be in need.

Before whom does your pastor stand or fall? To hear some people talk one would imagine that their pastor was an employee of theirs (and usually these people have a

very poor estimate of his temporal needs) and that he must give an account of his stewardship to them. Paul's words are: "obey them that rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, and that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." It is to the great Shepherd of the Sheep that your pastor has to give account. Help him to give a good account of you. If you see him do wrong, remember, two wrongs don't make a right. He must give account of his stewardship to God. He watches for your soul, perhaps that makes him a little difficult to understand. Your pastor is Christ's ministry gift to you as part of His mystical body. How much do you value what Christ has given to you?

REVIVAL SCENES IN ANGLESEY

THE WRITER WAS PRIVILEGED to have been present at the Elim Church, Holyhead, during the recent three weeks campaign which was conducted, in the first place, by Pastor and Mrs. Brooks of Neath, immediately followed by the visit of Pastor W. G. Hathaway (Editor of the ELIM EVANGEL).

The messages on the deepening of spiritual life proved very helpful and edifying. The power of the Lord was present during the campaign in a very marked way, both in the conversion of souls, and the healing of the sick.



Pastor
A. P. Johnston

Pastor and Mrs. Brooks conducted a children's campaign and held rapt attention by giving attractive flannelgraph talks, and it was a joy to witness the work of the Holy Spirit in young hearts and lives.

At the close of the first campaign Pastor A. P. Johnston, Minister of the church, had the joy of baptising those who had expressed a wish to follow the Lord. One of the candidates was a civil servant in Bangor who was saved only the night before, yet quickly made known her desire to participate in this impressive service.

During the baptism she was healed of a complaint which necessitated an immediate operation, but upon further examination the specialist declared her to be absolutely healed.

Pastor W. G. Hathaway's ministry also had a far-reaching effect both to the saved and unsaved, and those who had a hunger for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Prayer meetings were held at 9 o'clock each morning, and again in the evenings. Several privately fasted during the campaign.

It was also a joy to have the Rev. Williams, of the English Baptist Church, present on two or three occasions, together with deacons and members from other local churches.

There is also a very encouraging Sisterhood meeting conducted by Mrs. Johnston each week, with a good open air witness in the town. Many have been brought under the power of the Gospel.

Before the campaign there were some remarkable conversions recorded through the effectual ministry of the word by Pastor Johnston. Many of the converts during this time of blessing have now been received into the fellowship of the church.

—Edith Durrant.



Top : Pastor and Mrs. A. Brooks and Pastor and Mrs. A. P. Johnston.
Centre : Pastor Johnston baptising one of the candidates.
Bottom : Congregation on the closing night of Pastor Brooks' campaign.

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EDITORIAL

Elim Radio Broadcasts

More and more listeners in the British Isles and on the Continent are being added to our weekly radio family. They write us from all parts, and almost without exception express great appreciation for the blessing these radio broadcasts are bringing.

Neighbours are being invited into Elim homes each Thursday, first for coffee and then remaining for the broadcasts. Churches are even relaying the programmes despite the lateness of the hour. We hear that patients and inmates of hospitals and other Institutions are able to listen in with great delight and enjoyment. Another radio relay system covering a large area of the British Isles has extended their listening time in order to relay the Elim broadcasts from Radio Monte Carlo. Then in the homes of thousands the weekly THIS IS LIFE programme is providing untold joy and blessing and to others is a direct challenge. Many Christian leaders and members of other Fellowships, too, have been liberal in their kindly expressions regarding the careful preparation and character of the Elim broadcasts.

Then we would like to say a big thank you to those friends who have thus far sent us gifts towards the radio programmes. Our financial commitments are very heavy, but we are confident that our churches and our members will rise to the occasion and in a very practical way support financially this unique method of modern evangelism. Send us today, please, your gift towards this your work. We would mention that none of the radio team, or any of those taking part in any of the programmes is paid fees or receives anything whatsoever for all the work, time, and talent involved. Only the usual studio and technical costs have to be met. It is gratifying to know that within our own ranks are those capable and qualified to provide much of what is necessary for preparing these Elim radio broadcasts. We ask all to continue to pray for those engaged in such preparations and that each broadcast will mean the salvation of souls and the blessing of His people everywhere.

A listener from Burton-on-Trent says, "May I say how much I appreciate your radio programme 'This is Life,' and your straight-from-the-shoulder messages. Please ac-

cept the enclosed gift as my practical fellowship with you in this ministry." Another writes, "Please accept the enclosed gift for 'This is Life.' Your service is bringing much blessing" (Abercynon). From Hereford another listener sends a donation with appreciation and assurance of prayer for the broadcasts. A Lowestoft reader, too, writes of great help and encouragement received from the Elim radio programmes. Another from Felixstowe, after hearing the broadcasts, implores prayer for the healing of a relative and for an Elim Minister to visit this brother. (This was duly arranged with an Elim minister). An elderly lady from the Midlands each week sends her little gift towards the radio week. It may well be a "widow's mite," but we are grateful for this wonderful and practical gift from one, we imagine, who can ill afford to do this. The Lord reward her.

Mr. C. F. (a Veterinary Surgeon) from Hampshire sends us his donation with his good wishes. Although not Pentecostal, he is thrilled with the character and the forthrightness of the programmes. From Northern Ireland a young woman writes and tells us of her accepting Christ through "This is Life" broadcasts. She has been directed to a nearby Elim church.

Readers will see from a few of the letters we have quoted that homes are being penetrated by these modern methods of evangelism. Hearts are being moved by the preaching of the Word, and here and there we are finding that men and women are being won for Christ.

Therefore we earnestly request that you will continue to pray for the weekly broadcasts and that you, too, will support the radio campaign in a very generous and practical way.

Pastor Leslie Wigglesworth

Readers are asked to pray for Leslie Wigglesworth whose booking to return to Africa, on November 26th, has had to be cancelled because of ill-health. The doctor has diagnosed a duodenal ulcer, and says that the trouble has been coming on for several years.

ELIM ON THE AIR

Be sure to TUNE IN

And tell your friends to LISTEN IN

To our weekly radio programme

THIS IS LIFE

broadcast from

RADIO MONTE CARLO

205 metres

(Short wave: 40.82 and 49.71 metres)

EVERY THURSDAY

10.35 p.m. to 10.50 p.m.

In Thursday's Programme (December 9th) hear

- ★ the Woodlands Trio sing "He's the One I Love."
- ★ Anton Marco sing "Fairest Lord Jesus."
- ★ One time in pantomime—the testimony of Mrs. J. H. Davies, wife of our National Youth Secretary.
- ★ our United London Elim Youth Choir sing "Thine for ever, God of Love."
- ★ Pastor H. W. Greenway ask the question "What think ye of Christ?"

Have ye Received the Holy Spirit?

IT IS SAID of Jesus Christ that He is the same yesterday, and today, and for ever—no change in His character or disposition. This is equally true of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit knows no decay, no change. And since the glorification of the Lord Jesus Christ, He has been manifested as the Comforter, as the Energiser, as the One who brings the power from on high. He was manifested as visible fire on the heads of the hundred and twenty on the Day of Pentecost, and even controlled their vocal organs. How submissive, how yielded they were and the record declares: "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts ii. 4).

The same thing took place frequently afterwards. Those in Samaria received the Word (Acts viii. 44). And they also received the Holy Ghost. You say, "There is no record that the Holy Ghost spoke through them."

The Holy Ghost did not Change

in His operations in the short interval between the upper room and Samaria. If a new order, a new pattern, had been established, trust Peter to draw attention to it. Peter would not have been satisfied with the converts having any less thrilling experience than he and the hundred and twenty had.

The same thing happened in the house of Cornelius. "While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the Word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles was also poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God" (Acts x. 44-46). Peter was not surprised that the Holy Ghost spoke in tongues through human beings. The surprise was that He spoke through Gentiles. So Jewish flesh and Gentile flesh, when filled with the Spirit, is operated on in precisely the same way. As they are filled with the Spirit, the filling is

Known by the Overflow.

'Have you ever known a silent waterfall? You say, "Yes, when it was frozen!" But the Holy Ghost is fire, and if there is fire there is no freezing.

The Ephesian Gentiles not only spoke in tongues, but prophesied also (Acts xix. 6). If Peter was surprised when hearing one operation of the Spirit, he would, had he been present, have been doubly surprised by hearing two.

In the intervening centuries, the Holy Ghost has not changed one iota. Where He has had opportunity of manifesting Himself fully, freely, and unrestrainedly, He must and will invariably do what He did on the Day of Pentecost. "We do hear them speak in . . . tongues the wonderful works of God" (Acts ii. 11).

The Holy Ghost magnifies the Father, honours redemp-

tion, and glorifies the Son. People today who are criticising the ministration and the working of the Holy Spirit, do so either from foolishness, ignorance, or prejudice. Every honest soul who knows God as his Father, and Jesus Christ as his Saviour, if he will come before God in simplicity,

Open to the Spirit

willing to be taught by the Spirit, and yield to the Spirit, will know salvation in all its fulness as administered, revealed, and brought nigh by the Third Person of the Trinity. Our Lord Jesus Christ brought about redemption, and the Holy Spirit reveals the completeness of that redemption.

Time does not change, influence, or work upon the Holy Spirit. All we know is that one manifestation of the Spirit is called the former rain, and the other the latter rain. Both rain—just the difference in dispensation. Even irrigation is dependent upon the rain. "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain."

Ahab named Elijah, "The troubler of Israel." Elijah was the one who prayed for rain. Ahab was the cause of the dearth. Don't criticise those who pray the rain down, but examine yourself as to whether you are the cause of drought. "Grieve not the Holy Spirit." Even those twelve Ephesians spoken of in the nineteenth chapter of Acts, though they be nameless, who magnified God by being simple and obedient, were

Recipients of the Holy Spirit

who did for them what they never could have done for themselves. Paul had no more queries against them after this manifestation. It would be interesting to know the influence and power those twelve men exerted when they went to their homes.

"Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" You say, "I don't believe in the Tongues Movement." Is that your answer to God? "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" You say, "I don't believe it is for these days." "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" You say, "It is not necessary for me." Every excuse that you bring up will be set aside; for the three thousand on the day of Pentecost, the Samaritan converts, the Gentile household of Cornelius, those twelve Ephesians and the great Corinthian Church, will appear as witnesses and testify against you in that day. You have had the Word, and the Word of God will condemn you.

"Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" God's query remains unanswered. What will the answer be? He who knew his Lord's will and did it not shall be beaten with many stripes; and conversely, he who knew not the Lord's will and did it not shall be beaten with few stripes. Are you a candidate for blessing or for stripes?—*Sel.*

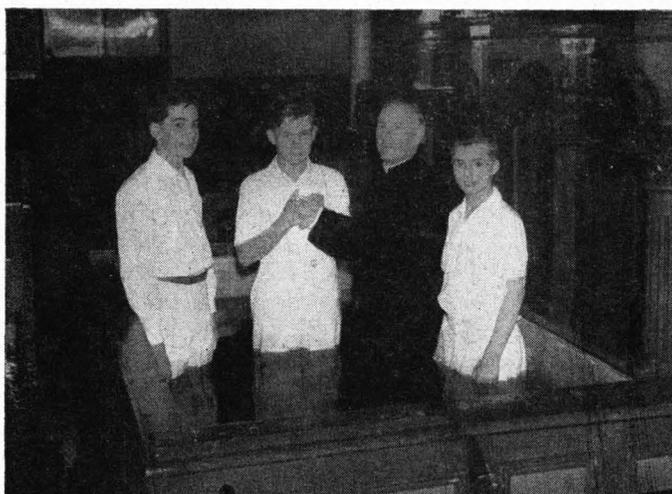
Work of the Spirit at Bradford

BRADFORD Church has been experiencing much blessing, and it has been evident that the Holy Spirit has been working in many hearts and lives.

The annual Convention, at the beginning of October, brought a variety of inspiring ministry. There was a great missionary week-end with Bradford's own missionary, Pastor Leslie Wigglesworth, thrilling our hearts with accounts of God's preserving power and mighty works in the Congo. The Sunday evening missionary offering amounted to £62.

During the week, Pastor and Mrs. G. Steele ministered with blessing, and Pastor L. Lambert brought us a most practical message, which produced another £10 for the missionaries from a sister whose heart was moved.

Two missionary knitting classes have been making garments for the Congo children. A wonderful display of work was laid out during the missionary week-end, and



two large bales were made up by one of the brethren and despatched with love to our Congo friends in Christ.

Mrs. Steele and her sister, Mrs. Newman, who were formerly valued Bradford Crusaders (the Misses Virr), ministered at two services on Wednesday, when a fine company of old friends gathered to bid God-speed to Mrs. Newman, who was leaving the next day to join her husband in Canada.

Pastor Greenway was the speaker for the final week-end of the Convention, when friends from the Presbytery supported the Saturday Rally and shared the blessing.

Two new members were received into fellowship during the Convention, one a Methodist sister who has been greatly blessed since coming into Elim, and an Italian sister who came over to work here, and has found the Lord.

We have just held a baptismal service when sixteen candidates passed through the waters. They conducted the service on the previous Saturday evening, singing and testifying of their salvation. Pastor Morgan interrogated them about their faith in Christ and it was interesting to

hear the various ways in which they had been saved, two in their own homes, three when the McColl Gerrard Trio showed the film "Venture into Faith," and two through Sunshine Corner. One was Brian Wigglesworth who was saved in the Congo under his father's ministry.

The large congregation was thrilled to hear these young people speak of their ambitions in life. Some wanted to be nurses, doctors, missionaries and workers among handicapped children.

We thank God for the fine company of teen-agers in our midst, keen for God.

A Bradford young woman who gave her heart to the Lord under Pastor Lambert's ministry at Sowerby Bridge, has since brought three friends to our church, all of whom have been saved, and one has been baptised.

On a recent Sunday morning when Pastor Morgan spoke on "Confess your faults one to another and pray one for another," a remarkable spirit of conviction fell upon the meeting, and the Breaking of Bread service had to be postponed until the evening, as so many were crying to the Lord for forgiveness and confessing resentment, bitterness, criticism and uncharitableness.

Again, in the evening, the communion service was held up, until many had made confession to the church and had put right differences with other members.

Warrington Goes Forward

The Lord has brought great blessing to the Warrington Church as a result of a campaign conducted by Pastor F. Hodge of Clapham. His powerful ministry caused all to search their hearts, and resulted in a number of souls being won for Christ.

The concluding service was held in the town's main hall; the weather, which had not been good all the week, was at its worst on the Sunday evening, but in spite of pouring rain and a cold, biting wind, more than 350 people gathered. Frederika Shine, recently converted opera singer and known as "The Vienna Nightingale," thrilled the congregation by her glorious singing; while Pastor Hodge preached with great conviction of "Jesus Christ, the one Hope of the World."

At the end of the meeting twelve souls signified their desire to accept Christ as Saviour. We praise God for this final seal on the effort to win souls for Himself, and pray that future campaigns planned for the next few months may bring many more into the kingdom.

We also greatly enjoyed the ministry of Pastor Baker and friends from Macclesfield on the occasion of the harvest thanksgiving services. Both the singing and the preaching were very much appreciated, as was also the happy fellowship.

One other item of news is that after years of praying and searching, we have now obtained a lovely hall in the centre of Warrington for our Sunday services, and hope to commence meetings there on the first Sunday in the New Year.

Aberystwyth Thanksgiving

This year the Aberystwyth harvest thanksgiving took the form of a gift day. A token display of a few flowers, fruit and vegetables given by the members and friends brought a brighter atmosphere which added much to the week-end.

Pastor Matthew Francis, minister of the English Baptist Church, brought to us the word on Saturday night. The hall was well filled and the singing rang out from sincere, thankful hearts. On the Sunday evening, Mr. Sidney Bowen gave the message. God richly blessed the word and we had a grand week-end. Pastor B. A. Wicks convened.

Through the gifts of the saints, our brethren and pastor were able to redecorate our hall, which sorely needed it. It was ready in time for the visit of the President, Pastor John Dyke. His rich word of Bible teaching, prophecy and salvation was indeed a blessing.

To seal the ministry two sisters received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Farewell at Silverdale

A large congregation gathered for the farewell service of Pastor and Mrs. T. J. Broomhall after nearly three years' ministry at Silverdale (Staffs).

At the after-meeting which followed, many testified of the blessing received during his ministry. The deacons also expressed their deep appreciation, after which a suitable

Eastbourne Campaign

The Elim Church in Eastbourne has just completed a two-weeks' Evangelistic and Divine Healing campaign, conducted by Pastor C. J. E. Kingston.

Much prayer and preparation preceded the campaign. Thousands of handbills were distributed by house-to-house visitation, and in cinema queues, etc. Eleven people registered a decision for Christ and many also felt the touch of God in healing for their bodies. Some believers have been

revitalised. It was grand to hear the verities of God's Word emphasised by the preacher.

Quite a number have testified to the help received from the special Divine healing instruction services given by Pastor Kingston. These helped to solve queries.

On the second Saturday night of the special services, Pastor V. J. Walker came from Worthing with members of his choir. The Lord richly blessed their ministry in song and testimony.

presentation of a dinner wagon, along with a table lamp, was made by Mrs. C. Ford, the oldest member, aged 82. Pastor and Mrs. Broomhall suitably responded. We were very grieved to see their departure, but indeed very grateful for their services rendered.

On Saturday, Oct. 16th, we were very happy to have with us the Sparkbrook Choir, whose remarkable, inspired singing thrilled the crowded church. Along with the quartet we heard testimonies from husband and wife.

At this service Pastor A. B. Dennison was inducted to the ministry of the Silverdale Church by Pastor W. J. Patterson in the absence of Pastor J. Dyke, President, whose heavy programme did not permit him to be present.

Pastor Patterson gave some very forthright and helpful counsel, calling on the church, the deacons and the pastor alike to be workers together in God's vineyard.

A letter from the President expressing his regret at not being able to be present, and sending his sincere wishes was read by the Treasurer.

The harvest services were held on Oct. 24th, and the special speaker was Pastor J. Osman who thrilled old and young with his able ministry in word and song. The children and Crusaders also took part.

The evening service saw a full church, Pastor Osman preached with power. God proved His arm was not shortened, for He honoured His word, and souls were saved.

BAPTISMS AT CATERHAM

Following is a report from the *Weekly Press*:

An inspiring service was held in the Elim Church, London Road, Caterham-on-the-Hill, on Sunday evening, when four candidates went through the waters of baptism by total immersion. The service was conducted by the Minister (Pastor R. A. Gordon) and the church was packed to capacity. The candidates were: Mr. John Knight, Mr. John Weatherley, Miss Ivy Eade and Mrs. J. Arthur Ibbotson. Mrs. A. Knight sang a pleasing solo, and Mrs. E. Lock was at the piano. The Pastor's text was from Revelation ii. 10: "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life." This Sunday the services will mark the 14th anniversary of Pastor R. A. Gordon's ministry at the church.



Paul Cantelon's 1954 Gospel Tour in Britain

Following is a summary of Mr. Cantelon's campaigns, all of which, except the brief visit to Llandrindod Wells, were in connection with existing Elim Churches.

Cardiff (May)

The first week of meetings in the City Temple was one of great blessing. The congregations were unusually large and every night a splendid number stepped out to accept Christ as their Saviour. Many also testified to receiving Divine healing of the body, and the interest increased steadily.

Hove, Sussex (June)

At Hove the Town Hall was used for the campaign, and many hundreds attended. Some sixty-seven souls gave their hearts to Christ, and one man who had a running sore on his shin from a war wound was completely healed, demonstrating the fact weeks later by hitting the healed wound hard with his hand.

Hereford (July)

The evangelist received an excellent reception at Hereford, for there had not been such a revival campaign there for years: the place having been hard to move toward God. From the very beginning of the meetings, there was real revival blessing. Many unsaved came in to hear the Gospel and on a typical night the tent was packed to overflowing, between twenty and thirty coming quickly out to accept the Lord Jesus Christ. Before the end over 200 had accepted the Lord by coming to the front of the congregation, and scores of others raised their hands when the appeal was given. There was a deep move of the Holy Spirit upon many lives and some well-known sinners of the county were wonderfully converted. Many also were healed by the risen Christ and the revival continued after the evangelist had left.

Llandrindod Wells, Wales (August)

The party went on to Llandrindod Wells, for four nights at the time the Welsh Keswick Convention was there, people having gathered from many parts of the country. The evangelist ministered in a Methodist Church seating about 1,000 people. He had the joy of preaching to excellent congregations each night and seeing many coming to Christ. One of the officials of the Convention supported the effort by his presence on three of the nights and expressed his appreciation of the meetings, declaring that he would fully support any other such meetings.

Motherwell, Scotland (August)

Proceeding to Motherwell in Scotland, a tent was used for the campaign which held about 800 seats. Scores came forward to accept the Lord Jesus Christ, and early on people had to stand because there were no more vacant seats. God wrought some wonderful miracles of healing

in confirmation of His word. For example one young woman was instantly healed of tuberculosis of the lungs, as testified to by the doctor taking X-ray photographs afterwards. The campaign closed with great victory and was moved out of the tent to the Town Hall which was packed to capacity. Many went to the front and accepted the Lord Jesus as Saviour.

Caerphilly, South Wales (September)

The meetings in Caerphilly were held in a tent erected in the shadow of the old castle walls. The tent did not hold more than 600 when crowded. In the first three nights this tent was filled and about 100 souls stepped forward to accept Christ and sign decision cards. By the end of the campaign 316 souls had stepped forward, accepted Christ and signed decision cards, plus about fifty children of Sunday School age who were given different cards. Thirty of the new converts were baptised in water by the local Pastor on the Sunday night and a second baptismal service was to be held later. One local preacher attended the services most nights, told the congregation he had been preaching for three years without having been born of the Spirit, and afterwards took back the good news of the Gospel to a church where he had been accustomed to minister.

Jersey, Channel Islands (September)

The Town Hall in Jersey was filled every night and some nights folks had to stand. Many gave their hearts to the Lord Jesus, and sick bodies were healed. Two newspaper reporters who attended on behalf of their papers came forward and accepted Christ as their Saviour.

Guernsey (October)

The meetings at Guernsey were held in an auditorium which seats about 1,000 people. Every night the place was well filled and on many nights it was really packed, some having to stand. The islanders were rather conservative and not easily moved, but being most attentive and appreciative a really deep work of God was done there. Scores stepped forward to accept Christ, and reports came in of many others whom God was moving. The campaign was the talk of the island, and it was said would have captured the island if it had been prolonged. The congregation of one Methodist church attended nightly, and their board had a special meeting to discuss with Mr. Cantelon the possibility of his preaching in their own church. One afternoon there was a very blessed healing service, and among those whom God healed was a lady who had a very serious condition of both asthma and tuberculosis. Although she was able to walk very slowly, she could not move quickly because of her weak condition. But after prayer she was instantly healed and ran a full block to meet her husband, rejoicing in the Lord Jesus Christ. She said she had not been able to run for fifteen years. She and her entire family had been saved just a few nights before.

November campaigns are at Pontypridd and York.

Praise is requested for:

Restoration to health. Mrs. W. Weston, of Long Eaton Church, writes that after a long and painful illness the Lord has healed her and restored her by His touch.

We are
Crusading
for Christ

Elim Youth Page

We "Fight
the good
fight"

Conducted by Pastor J. HYWEL DAVIES (National Youth Secretary)

IT WAS WORTH WHILE

In response to our request Pastor Ken Matthew has written—

Three young ladies were concerned about the children of Pontypridd. They commenced regular prayer meetings and Committee meetings and out of that came the wonderful Tent Campaign for children. Without knowing where the funds would come from, and determined not to worry the deacons for money they launched out in faith. First they had the sanction of the Entertainments Committee of Pontypridd Council, to use the huge marquee in Ynysangharad Park. Permission was a miracle in itself, but that was a beginning of a number of miracles. The money came to hand, posters were displayed, all the children in town knew by the handbills they received, that they were to have a special campaign. The last miracle was that after the Tent had been blown down by a fierce wind, and much damaged, it was erected and repaired just in time for the first meeting.

Mrs. Withey (Auntie Millie), Miss B. Thomas (Auntie Beatrice) and Mrs. L. Prescott (Auntie Lil.) comprised the Team, and what a team! They worked together well with their many assistants, Mrs. D. Prew, Miss P. McCarthy, Mr. Meirion Jones and Mr. Glyn Hopkins (cartoonist). Every programme was different, there was "Dimmy the Dummy" a ventriloquist service, "Black Topsy Meets Jesus" was another, when the Party were all in dress and colouring of other lands. And time would fail to tell of "When Knights were bold" and "If the Cap Fits" and "Keep the Flag Flying" and many other exciting programmes. The Tent seated 1,500 although it was never full, the rain was torrential at times, but there is no doubt in the minds of the children and adults alike, IT WAS WORTH WHILE.

NEWS FROM MOUNTAIN ASH CRUSADERS

The Crusader branch is being blessed, and recently we were able to recruit some new members from the Sunday School. All members, old and new are very keen, and very varied have been the programmes. A number of postal programmes have been exchanged with other branches in Wales and in Ireland.

Four of our Crusaders recently passed through the waters of baptism.



ALL THE WAY FROM ONTARIO IN CANADA, comes a message of greeting from Mrs. Olive Ingram (Secretary of the Springbourne Crusader Branch prior to leaving for Canada earlier this year), and her husband, Mr. Bert Ingram, past leader of the Sunshine Corner at Springbourne, Bournemouth. They now attend the large Pentecostal Church, The Central Tabernacle, in Hamilton. The first church to be visited by Pastor Samuel Gorman during his present visit to Canada and the U.S.A. We send the greetings of the Elim Youth Movement to them through this page.

THE ULSTER TEMPLE SUNSHINE CORNER QUARTET



This charming picture is of Edna Dodds, Lov. Montgomery, Jean McCormack and Ethel Rodgers. Rather a nice Sunshine Corner, don't you agree? What is even more important is that God is blessing this work, and many young people are being introduced to Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

Visitors to Sisterhood

Representatives of nineteen local churches attended the Clacton-on-Sea Elim Full Gospel Church's annual Sisterhood Rally on Oct. 28th. Guest speaker and soloist was Mrs. Granville Davies of Ipswich. A large congregation was present in the afternoon and, following the service, seventy-five sat down to tea. In the evening another large congregation heard Mrs. Davies preach and sing.



Sisterhood Rally at Clacton-on-Sea.

The meetings were continued over the week-end. Pastor Granville Davies addressed a public meeting on Saturday evening on "The return of the Lord Jesus Christ," and spoke before the breaking of bread on Sunday morning. At the final meeting on Sunday evening, Mrs. Davies gave the address. The presence of God was felt in every service, and it was a time of rich spiritual blessing.

Elim Youth Marches On

This can certainly be said of the young people at the church at Sowerby Bridge who, on the week-end of Oct. 30th, took all the services with vigour and enthusiasm.

Youth week-end commenced on the Saturday with an Object Service. The three speakers chose as their subjects "Christ, the Well," "Christ, the Rock," and "Christ, the Lamp."

Sunday Communion service and the Gospel service in the evening were very inspiring; solos, duets, choir items, and testimonies all went with great enthusiasm. Those who had passed Crusader age felt very proud of their young people.

On the Monday night there was a "Broadcast Service" in which certain radio programmes were spiritualised. The young people worked very hard and did everything in deep sincerity. The Lord's presence was greatly felt.



The Family Altar and Elim Prayer Circle

A page for your daily meditations
and prayer

Scripture Union Portions. Notes by Pastor John Gardiner.

SUNDAY, December 5th. Zephaniah i. 1-18.

Little is known of the personal history of Zephaniah beyond the two facts in the first verse of his Prophecy, the first bearing on his ancestry, and the second on the period of his ministry. About fifty years have passed since Nahum, and Hezekiah has been succeeded by three of his descendants (see II. Kings xx., xxi.). Manasseh and Amon were evil men but Josiah now reigning is God-fearing. Zephaniah prophesied in the earlier part of his reign and assisted him in the revival of the true faith. The Lord God is a jealous God. He always has, and He most surely will destroy idolatry.

MONDAY, December 6th. Zephaniah ii. 1-15.

"This is the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, That said in her heart I am, and there is none beside me. How is she become a desolation" (v. 15).

Nineveh, "that great city" is to become a wilderness. Judgment, withheld for so long, does at the last utterly engulf the pleasure-loving, God-dishonouring city. This materialistic age of ours has in a sense dethroned God and has deified Man—because of his ingenuity. People live carelessly today. Dr. Sangster says, "Men are careless with treasures and worry over trifles." How shall we escape if we NEGLECT so great salvation?"

TUESDAY, December 7th. Zephaniah iii. 1-13.

"... For My determination is to gather the nations, That I may assemble the kingdoms, To pour upon them Mine indignation, Even all My fierce anger..." (v. 8).

Observe the agreement here with the Prophecy of Joel—"I will also gather all nations and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat..." The end of this present age is to witness a converging and conflict of all the Gentile nations in the Near East

... the Holy Land itself. Malaya, Korea, Indo-China, Formosa—have taken men's attention away from Palestine. Nevertheless that land is to be the cockpit of the struggle between West and East.

WEDNESDAY, December 8th. Zephaniah iii. 14-20.

Here the cleansed nation of Israel is dwelling in its own land. Verses 19, 20 shows the restored nation a blessing in the whole earth as foretold in the original promise to Abraham, and in the Millennial Psalms. Twice in this short passage we read of the scattered people Israel being gathered and brought back to their Land. The Lord Jesus Christ gave as an unmistakable sign of His Second Advent the reviving of Israel's national life. The Nation Israel is back in ISRAEL. "When ye see these things... look up... your redemption draweth nigh."

THURSDAY, December 9th. Haggai i. 1-15.

"Then came the Word of the Lord by Haggai the prophet" (v. 3).

This is the first of the prophets who prophesied after the return from the seventy years' captivity. To understand this book one needs to be conversant with the Book of Ezra, for the mission of Haggai was to rouse the people of that time to rebuild the temple. The people had a ready excuse for their neglect of God's House and God's work (v. 2), "the time is not come..." They, like some Christian believers today, meant to do God's business, but—some other time.

FRIDAY, December 10th. Haggai ii. 1-9.

Turn back to Ezra iii. 12 and read of the Temple's first glory. But time and neglect have changed its glory into ruins. At first the re-building seemed too big a task to so poor a people. They were encouraged by the second message brought by Haggai from the Lord. "I am with you... My Spirit remaineth among you" (vv. 4, 5). Let all the Christian disciples of this late age refuse to be discouraged by the immensity of the spiritual problems and tasks that face them. The same Lord is with us—His Spirit is amongst us.

SATURDAY, December 11th. Haggai ii. 10-23.

"When one came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty vessels out of the press, there were but twenty" (v. 16).

The Lord sent His third message unto Israel by Haggai to convince the nation of their uncleanness, and commanded them to put from them every evil. Previously because of their imperfect offerings and service they were materially impoverished. They went to draw twenty measures but there were only ten... fifty vessels... but only twenty. But from the day they rectified the wrongs, God enriched them materially (v. 19). The same principle operates today. See Matthew vi. 33.

COMING EVENTS

PRESIDENTIAL ITINERARY

Pastor John Dyke, the President, will visit the following churches:
Dec. 11-13, Chelmsford. 14, Finchley. 15, Bermondsey. 16, Hendon.
19, Sparkbrook (6.30).

BERMONDSEY. Dec. 15. Elim Church, Dunton Road. 7.30. Special speaker: Pastor John Dyke (President).

BIRMINGHAM, Small Heath. Dec. 11. Elim Church, Muntz St. Visit of the Smethwick Elim Crusaders, 7.30. Dec. 18, Visit of Kingstanding Elim Crusaders, 7.30.

CHRISTCHURCH. Dec. 8-19. Elim Church, Jumpers Road. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign, conducted by Pastor Ludovic Barrie. Week-nights at 7.30. Sun 11 and 6.30.

CLAPHAM. Dec. 4. Elim Central Church Hall, Carfax Square. South London Presbytery Rally, 7. Speaker: Pastor Gordon Wright (Eastbourne).

COULSDON. Dec. 11. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road. United Pentecostal Rally. Pastor W. G. Hathaway and Party from Hove (Elim), Pastor A. Stringer and Edgar Cox (Violinist), 7.

HOVE. Dec. 4. Elim Tabernacle, Portland Road. Pentecostal Jewish Mission—Regional Rally. Sat. 3 & 6.30. Speakers: Rev. L. T. Pearson (Brighton), Oscar W. Neate (Hayling Island), F. Reynolds (Worthing), and Aaron A. Caplin (Romford). Refreshments, Book-stall, and Palestine Film in evening.

ILFORD. Dec. 19. Elim Church, Scrafton Road, 6.30. Farewell Service for Pastor and Mrs. D. Lewis (Missionaries to India). Chairman: Pastor G. H. Thomas.

INGATESTONE. Dec. 11, 12. Elim Pentecostal Church, High Street. Convention. Pastor J. Dyke and Pastor G. Davies (Ipswich). Sat. 3 and 7. Soloist, Mrs. Davies. Sun. 11 and 6.30. Pastor and Mrs. G. Davies.

KINGSTANDING. Dec. 5. Elim Church, Warren Road. Special visit of Pastor Douglas Gray. 11, 3 and 6.30. Dec. 11, 12. Special return visit of the International Quartet prior to their return to the Continent. Sat. at 7.30. Sun. 11, 3 and 6.30.

LONDON. Dec. 4. Holland Park, W. London Christian Fellowship, Penzance Street, W.11. Presbytery Rally, 6.30. Special speaker: Pastor A. Gorton

LOWESTOFT. Dec. 4-6. Elim Church, Milton Road. Sisterhood week-end. Speaker: Mrs. Granville Davies (Ipswich). Sat. 7.15. Sun. 6.30. Mon. 7.15.

PLYMOUTH. Commencing Nov. 27. Elim Church, Emma Place, Stonehouse. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign, conducted by Evangelist Len Chappell, recently returned from the U.S.A. Suns. 11 and 6.30. Week-nights (except Fri.) 7.30.

PONTOITYN. Nov. 28-Dec. 19. Elim Church. Revival Campaign by Pastor J. Nelson. Week-nights (except Fri.) at 7. Suns. 11 and 6. After-church Rallies Dec. 5 and 12 at 8 p.m.

SALFORD. Dec. 11-13. Elim Church, Nursery Street, Pendleton. Presbytery Rally and Revival Convention. Speaker: Pastor Alex. Johnston. Sat. 3.30 and 7. Sun. 11 and 6.30. Mon. 7.30.

STONEYPURN, Stirlingshire. Commencing Dec. 4. Elim Church, Main Street. Revival and Divine Healing Campaign conducted by Pastor Wynne Lewis and Party. Suns. 6.30. Week-nights 7.

WOOD GREEN. Dec. 11-13. Elim Church, Russell Road (off Bowes Rd.). Palmers Green, N.13. Special Church Opening Services, conducted by Pastors E. C. W. Boulton and Chas. Brookes. Sat. 3 and 6.30 (tea provided). Sun. 11, 3 and 6.30. Mon. 7.45. Special singing and music.

WORTHING. Dec. 4, 5. Elim Church, Grosvenor Road. Pastor's 1st Anniversary Services. Sat. 7. Speakers: Pastors W. G. Hathaway and H. A. Court. Sun. 11 and 6.30. Speaker: Mr. C. H. S. Walker (Petersfield).

YORK. Nov. 27-Dec. 12. Elim Church, Swinegate. Evangelistic Campaign by Paul Catehon and Party. Week-nights (except Fri.) 7.15. Suns. 11 and 6.30.

MISSIONARY ITINERARIES

Miss R. Simms, Elim missionary on furlough from South Africa, will visit the following churches:

Dec. 1, Selby. 2, Malton. 3, York. 4, Harrogate. 5, Bradford.

Pastor A. D. Bull, Elim missionary on furlough from Tanganyika, will visit the following churches:

Jersey. Dec. 2-5, St. Helier

Guernsey. Dec. 7, Rally at Delancey. 9, Rally at Eldad. 10, Vazon. 11, Delancey. 12 (a.m.) Eldad, (p.m.) Vazon.

MAKE YOUR WAY TO BIRMINGHAM

SATURDAY, 4th DECEMBER

A Day of Youth Activities led by the Elim Youth Committee

3 p.m. Elim Church, Graham Street.

5 p.m. Youth Fellowship Tea.

(Write to D.Y.C. Pastor F. Shadlock, 113, Holly Lane, Smethwick, for details.)

7 p.m. **DIGBETH INSTITUTE** (3 mins. from Bull Ring), **BIRMINGHAM**, for a Great Public Youth Rally as the Grand Finale for the day. Led by Pastor **H. W. Greenway** (Vice-President). Principal speaker: **Pastor T. W. Walker** (Editor of "Teachers' Handbook"). Massed Youth Choirs conducted by **Pastor Douglas B. Gray**.

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Ulster Temple, Ravenhill Road

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Sunday - - - - 11.30 & 7.00

Monday - - - - 11.30, 3 & 7.00

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(Refreshments obtainable on Monday)

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"I had the privilege of being under the teaching of one of the greatest Hebrew scholars of his day. He thought Hebrew, he was saturated in Hebrew; a gentle, Christian man, a great scholar with a great brain. He would come straight to the desk, open that old Hebrew Bible, drop his face right between the pages and say something like this, 'O Lord Jesus, may Thy Holy Spirit teach us Thy Word.' Do you wonder that he knew his Bible? He knew it by the same process that Black Robert knew his. The Holy Spirit taught both men alike. You can't read your Bible without the Holy Ghost."

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WITH CHRIST

Darlington.—On November 13th, Mrs. Elizabeth Darlington, aged 80, beloved member of Elim Church, Salford. Funeral conducted by Pastor J. C. Mulvagh.

Dunk.—On November 17th, Bertie John James Dunk, aged 64; member of the Elim Church, at Hove, and father of Pastor Gilbert Dunk now in charge of the Elim work in New Zealand. Funeral conducted by Pastor W. G. Hathaway.

Phillips. On November 4th, Idwal Phillips, aged 36, beloved husband of Mrs. Iris Phillips, member of Elim Temple, Tonypanyd. Victim of pit disaster. Funeral conducted by Pastors Denville John and Reginald W. Smith.

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