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Springtime at Budleigh Salterton, Devon.

[Sheila Jackson, York.

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

# Churches Look Back — and Forward

**T**HE Elim Church, SAUNDERS STREET, BELFAST, recently celebrated its 25th Anniversary, and it was with joy that the people received, as their guest speaker, Pastor J. Slemming, one of the earliest ministers in the church.

Nearly every Pastor of the Irish Presbytery supported the Jubilee, and we were very glad to have our Superintendent, Pastor J. Smith, taking part.

In addition to Pastor Slemming, were Pastors R. Reid (Portadown), D. Wilson (Belfast), and G. W. Gilpin (Bangor). All ministered with the anointing of the Holy Spirit. In Irish phrase it was "a powerful time."

Members of the oversight gave reports of the work over the years. Mr. W. Irwin, who has been an Elder since the church's inception, told how for four years the church had remained closed due to war damage, but after vigorous effort, was reopened to enjoy the blessing of the Lord. Later the Pastor of the Church, Pastor Arthur Harries, presented Mr. Irwin with a gift made from the church.

Miss L. Campbell (also a foundation member) along with Pastor Slemming, cut a two-tier cake which she had made.

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The annual church meeting at **ST. PETER PORT**, Guernsey, reviewed many blessings received during the year under the rich ministry of Pastor and Mrs. James F. Hardman, who have celebrated their third anniversary at St. Peter Port.

Encouraging reports were given by the officers and leaders.

The church gives thanks for the salvation of souls and the healing of bodies—several have testified to being healed during the special services. It has been grand to see new faces in the Sunday evening services and a joy to extend the right hand of fellowship to ten new members.

The Crusader Secretary gave a good report of the Crusader work, which now had more teenagers in the branch than for many years.

The Treasurer's report, too, was most satisfactory. Two Gift Days resulted in the splendid figure of over £550, the highest ever received on Gift Days. The weekly offerings, too, had kept at a very encouraging figure.

At the close of the service Pastor Hardman thanked the deacons and all the members for their loyalty and devotion in the Lord's work.

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Reports given at the annual church meeting at **PENDLETON**, Salford, were very encouraging and showed progress in almost all sections. The financial report showed an increase of about £150 over the previous year. The Sisterhood attendance has increased and the Crusader work has been considerably enlivened. Many young people attend and enjoy the unusual but spiritual and helpful programmes under the leadership of Pastor J. C. Mulvagh.

The year's work comes under two distinct sections—before and after Pastor John Woodhead's departure for the United States and Canada—Pastor Woodhead returns

in May. Pastor J. C. Mulvagh was welcomed as deputy minister, and under his six-month's ministry much blessing has been enjoyed and thirty-six decisions for Christ have been made.

Special meetings have included an Old-Age Pensioners' Rally which saw the church packed. (This unique meeting was conducted by Pastor L. Cowdery and the Blackheath Instrumentalists), the showing of the film, "Mr. Texas," as an after-church rally at which twelve decisions were recorded; a grand Presbytery "Zone" Rally with fine ministry by Pastor Alex. Johnston

A recent campaign, conducted by Pastor Arnold Brooks, resulted in souls saved, some healed and other baptized in the Spirit.

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Missionary interest was increased at **CLACTON-ON-SEA** by the visit of Pastor A. D. Bull, whose reminiscences of work on the mission field in Tanganyika were much appreciated. Another recent visitor was Pastor J. Hywel Davies, National Youth Secretary, who addressed the Crusaders on a Saturday afternoon, and in the evening spoke on "The Challenge of the Hour." The visit of the Ipswich Crusaders a week later brought more blessing. Testimonies, solos, duets and choir pieces were given, and three sermonettes, one by a brother in the U.S. Air Force. When the appeal was made a young lady who had accompanied the party surrendered to Christ.

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The President's Itinerary of the Churches of the Portsmouth and District Presbytery was greatly appreciated by all concerned. His messages were unique, instructive, and instrumental in bringing the truths of the Word into clearer perspective, and enriching the hearers. There were professions of conversion during his visit and between thirty and forty were baptised with the Holy Ghost in Acts ii. 4 fashion, also a case of healing has been reported. In one service a backslider was restored, and in the subsequent waiting meeting was filled with the Holy Ghost. . . . For this fruitful ministry we praise God and trust that the Lord will continue to use Pastor Dyke in an even greater way.

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## Anonymous Gifts

We express our warmest thanks to those friends who have sent anonymous gifts as follows:

**Elim Missionary Society:** "The Lord is good," £2; Birmingham, £5. Anonymous, £1; E.B., Coventry, £10; Stowmarket, 5s.; "From a believer," Croydon, £3; Munelburgh, 10s.; Ex-Clapham Crusader, £1; "John iii. 16," £1; Coventry, £3; Swindon, Wilts, £4 10s.

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# "Absent . . . Present"

## Mrs. W. F. South promoted to Glory

A tribute by Pastor E. C. W. Boulton

In the home-call of the beloved wife of our dear brother, Pastor W. F. South, another Christian warrior has laid down her sword, and gone to her eternal reward; another gap made in the ranks of those who stand in the front



line of battle; one less of those who faithfully and fearlessly witness for God and the Gospel of His sovereign grace. Of this departed servant and soldier of the Lord, it can truly be said, that she fought a good fight, and kept the faith. For forty-three years as a devoted wife, and thirty-six years as a minister of the Gospel, she has laboured with her

husband in the cause of Christ, giving herself unsparingly to and for her Master and Lord.

It was during their service as officers in The Salvation Army that Mrs. South was stricken with a disease which rendered her completely helpless, and made further active work for God impossible. However, God had other plans for His child, and at this time the truth of Divine Healing was brought to her notice, as a result of which she was remarkably healed. To use her own words when speaking of that wonderful experience, she said: "When hands were

laid upon me something immediately loosened its grip, and divine life went surging through the whole of my body." Mrs. South's testimony has served to strengthen the faith of many of those who themselves were physical sufferers, encouraging them to believe God's Word, and trust Him for the inflow of His glorious risen life, for body as well as soul.

It was the teaching and experience of Pentecost which in 1928 brought our brother and sister into the Elim ministry, and during those twenty-seven years our dear departed sister has faithfully shared the burden of pastoral work with her husband. In various parts of the country the influence of Mrs. South's life and labour remains a fragrant memory and an abiding inspiration.

Mrs. South was a woman who knew how to reach God. Her ministry of intercession was most powerful. The last time the writer heard her pray was in a little gathering at Brixton. Never shall we forget the way in which she poured out her soul before the Lord, going through to the Throne with a dauntless and determined faith which seemed to break down all resistance.

And now she has gone within the veil; passed from the limited horizons of earth to the unbounded glory of the Master's presence. Absent from us . . . present with Him! Beyond the reach of pain; out of the shadow into the everlasting sunshine. For her, God's eternal day has dawned, life's mysteries are made plain, the perplexities and travails of life are all understood in the radiant light of God.

The sympathy of all our Elim family will flow out to Pastor South in this hour of such great personal loss, and our prayers will go up to the Father that he may be strengthened and sustained, upborne upon the Arms of Everlasting Love.

## COME TO LONDON ON EASTER MONDAY! THREE GREAT REVIVAL MEETINGS

### 11 a.m. Trafalgar Square. Open Air Rally.

Speakers include Pastors J. Hywel Davies and F. A. Hodge. Convener: Pastor H. W. Greenway. Outstanding testimony by Pauline Morgan. Soloists: Dawn Gidney of Bolton, and Ann Boddy from High Wycombe (who has sung on "This is Life"). . . . Community Singing. . . . Youth choirs.

### 3 p.m. Royal Albert Hall. Convention.

Convener: Pastor D. B. Gray. Speakers: The President, Pastor J. Dyke, and Elim Missionaries. Opportunities for those seeking Divine Healing and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. (Musical Programme from 2.30 p.m.)

### 7 p.m. Royal Albert Hall. Great Evangelistic Service.

Convener: Pastor G. Stormont. Speakers: Pastor R. D. Bradley of Greenock, and "This is Life" radio broadcast speaker: Pastor H. W. Greenway, who speaks on "Will Civilisation Crash?" (Musical Programme from 6.30 p.m.)

#### Musical Features.

500-voice Youth Choir, plus the London Crusader Choir, directed by Pastor D. B. Gray.

#### Refreshments on the premises between the meetings.

**Cheap Railway Tickets.** Parties of eight or more travelling together, and returning the same day, may obtain return tickets at one and a half times the single fare, provided application is made before the day of travel. Excursion tickets may be obtained at cheaper rates from many stations; enquiries should be made locally.

**Coach Travel.** Bookings of Special Coaches should be made immediately. Please arrange for them to arrive in time for the Trafalgar Square meeting.

**Reserved Seats.** Tickets for Reserved Seats in Boxes and Stalls may be obtained at 2/6 per meeting, from Elim Headquarters, 20, Clarence Avenue, Clapham Park, London, S.W.4. Enclose stamped addressed envelope with remittance.

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**COME EARLY!**

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## EDITORIAL

### Spring is in the Air

Most of us feel the effects of the long Winter with its unusual snowfalls, especially after last Summer with its heavy rainfall and lack of sunshine, but—Spring is in the air.

Dwellers in the South may feel the impact of it a little earlier than those farther North, but you cannot get away from the tonic of sunny mornings and the first signs of Spring in the warmer sunshine and the peeping forth of the first flowers. Yes, Spring is on the wing.

Look around you wherever you are, and you will find cheering evidences of better things than the wantonness of man. Bombed sites in the City are soon covered with green. Fields once pock-marked with bomb craters and scarred with the defensive trench lines are now healed of their scars by the tender hand of Nature and of Nature's God. Pacific atolls, blasted once with devastation, will blossom again with the beauty of nature. Healing balm is in the air.

Look again at Calvary. See there the devastation of man's sin. So terrible in its hatred of all that is tender and compassionate and infinite, that when God comes in human form to the world He made, and comes to redeem a lost race, they cruelly put Him to death, but not before they had mocked Him and made Him bend His back to the smiters, so that they laid on Him the weight of the cat-o-nine-tails in the grip of a strong Roman hand. The sun hid his face before the terrible and tragic scene. But—only three days later—the tomb where they laid Him was resplendent with the glory of His Rising. The place of a skull becomes also the place of a garden. The breath of God soughed softly over the scene of tragedy, and Life rises out of Death. God's Spring was in the air. Mary drew a breath of its fragrance and cried "Rabboni." The disciples breathed its wonder and cried "The Lord is risen indeed." One day you and I breathed it and we sang in triumph "He lives."

Yes, thank God! Spring is in the air.

## The Kenley Bible School

### visits Elim

As always when we leave the Kenley Backwoods to come over to Elim Woodlands, it was with a joyful sense of being "brought forth into a large place"; indeed, we not only found it easy to relax in the warm and friendly atmosphere of your College, but a rich benediction from God rested upon us all, in which the Spirit seemed constantly to be urging us into a new depth of consecration and a greater power of witness for our Lord.

It was good to have Mr. F. B. Phillips present for a few moments in the afternoon, and to hear him pray for the blessing of the Lord; refreshing too to have your students minister to us—Peter Guppy in a touching recitation, and T. Hodge and an "overseas" Ladies' Quartet in singing. How struck we were, moreover, by the testimony of your Swiss friend, Mme. Thuillard! Two of our men also testified, our choir attempted to sing on the theme of the Cross, and one of our tutors, Mr. C. L. Parker, sought to show forth the utter consecration (or holiness) of God in the tremendous task of bringing His Creation to perfection.

After this we enjoyed exploring the College, following the kind invitation of the Dean, whose leading of the meetings we thoroughly appreciated. May we express here our sincere thanks for the generous tea which was served for us despite the largeness of our company; and for your hospitality in general, which left nothing to be desired.

Our evening gathering was an unmixed blessing from the moment that Mr. Woodford, another of our Kenley tutors, prayed that we might "feel heaven touching earth." Perhaps the Maranatha Hallelujah Chorus, which our choir sang early, had something to do with this, for Mr. Bradley called on its triumphant refrain again and again during the meeting. The Elim choir gave a short piece with excellent voice-control, which is an accomplishment almost foreign to us; testimonies again thrilled us, especially the one from your Scottish missionary candidate, Miss A. Rodger; our Men's Quartet also sang.

What we enjoyed most of all was the ministry of Mr. Burton Haynes, in which the Spirit pressed home His challenge to personal holiness, and consequent passion for souls. And what was to be the basis: the floodlighting of our exterior beings by, for instance, "zeal" which is almost entirely vicious self-interest?—or rather the inward transfiguring which comes of looking at the glorified Christ of God? "From this alone can spring real love for the world of men," declared the speaker; "O that we would 'take time to behold Him' with the redeemed eyes that see into the Prince's heart itself!"

We were all desiring a time of "looking at Jesus" before our esteemed brother's message ended, nor were we disappointed. A word of appreciation from Mr. Gee on behalf of us all, a closing prayer from our Kenley tutor, Mr. Thompson, followed by a few minutes of sweet fellowship together, brought to perfection this further expression of inter-collegiate unity.

Clifford Bond

(A Student at Kenley).

# Family Affairs

Notes and news of members and friends in the Elim family

First a big welcome from all the Elim family to **Percy Brewster** who is back from his tour of U.S.A. and Canada with **Alex. Tee**. We hear that both enjoyed their trip immensely. P.B., writing to the Editor, says: "It is very nice to be home and once again to get into the work in Cardiff, and I can assure you I am enjoying Cardiff tremendously." We are glad they are back and appreciate their fellowship with us here.



Pastor A. M. Clarke.

**A. M. Clarke** who was for several years pastor of the Elim church at Wells, has now retired and is on the Active Retired List. While not now in charge of any church, he is still energetic and well able to take special meetings or conduct short evangelistic campaigns. Those who would like his help are invited to write him. His address is:  
16, Milton Road, Dunton Green, Sevenoaks, Kent.

Our brother **Sam Gorman**, with Mrs. Gorman, are enjoying their trip. The first week in February they were in the Minneapolis Gospel Tabernacle where Pastor F. J. Lindquist is the minister.

We hear that **John C. N. Eaton**, of the Dagenham Elim Church is due to sail to U.S.A. and Canada for ministry on March 24th. He would appreciate the prayers of the Elim family for this visit.

**George Every**, of Margate, has recently gone to be with Christ. He was one of the early members of the Elim Evangelistic Band. During later years he was for a long time pastor of the Assembly of God at Margate.

We bid loving farewell to **Paul Cantelon** who, with Mrs. Cantelon and Sharon and the new member of his party, Eddie Jeffrey, sailed from Southampton on Wednesday, March 9th, on their return home. During the ten months he has been in this country, he has campaigned in many Elim churches, and has been the means of leading many hundreds to the Lord in these campaigns. Many also have testified to healing through their ministry. God bless them in their campaigns in their own homeland



Ruth Wright makes friends.

**Ruth Wright**, younger daughter of Gordon Wright of Eastbourne, makes friends with a pony over the fence. He is interested in the "offering," but she is glad of the fence in between.

Congratulations to **Gordon Wright** on gaining the New Era Academy Diploma with distinction for proficiency in public speaking. The *Eastbourne Gazette* says of him:

"Among the most active religious

leaders in the town is Pastor Wright, minister of the Elim Tabernacle in Hartfield Road. His church is a very progressive one, and the pastor is prominent for the divine healing campaigns regularly held there.

"Pastor Wright is particularly interested in elocution and public speaking, and has studied the art very closely. In public speaking he gained the proficiency grade with merit at the Guildhall, London, and followed this with the bronze and silver medals (both with honours) and the gold medal of the New Era Academy, London. Now he has rounded off these successes by gaining the diploma of the New Era Academy with distinction.

"For a busy man, these accomplishments are deserving of special praise."

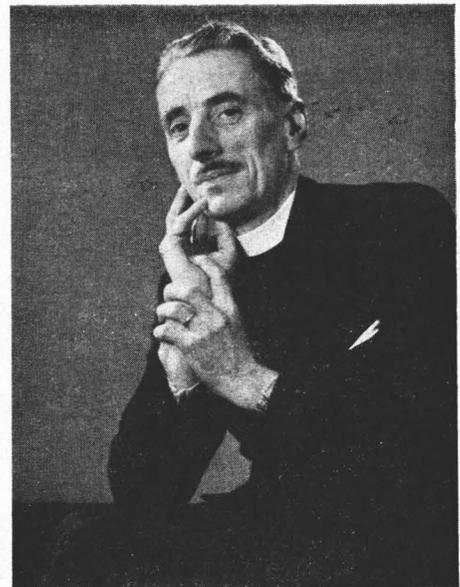
**John Woodhead**, too, is enjoying blessing on his tour. He says: "We have just entered British Columbia after five months in the United States, where we visited twenty-one assemblies, travelling from extreme East to extreme West, and covering twenty States. Oregon is most beautiful. Souls have been saved in every place and miracles of healing have taken place. We now begin our tour of the Dominion from West to East. We are now staying with the Parhams. The whole family came here from Croydon. We have ten engagements in Canada before sailing for home on the *The Queen Elizabeth* on May 18th."

The **London Crusader Choir** will be holding their annual Festival again this year in the Kingsway Hall. The date is Saturday, April 16th.

The Choir plan to make their second visit to Norway and Sweden in June, visiting the World Conference and other centres in both countries before their return.

The Choir have been invited by the B.B.C. to provide the singing in the People's Service on Good Friday morning. The service will be at 12 noon.

Last year the Lowestoft and District Photographic Society exhibited a selection of prints by its members, which exhibition in the Borough Library was opened by the Mayor, Mr. J. M. Lang, himself a keen photographer and member of the Society. Among the prize-winners was Mr. Leslie Hogg, who won the Peter Allen Cup in the portrait section with the enlargement of his photograph of **George Backhouse** of the Elim Church, Lowestoft.



Portrait of Pastor G. Backhouse.

Two well-known and highly respected members of the Hove Church celebrated their Diamond Jubilee in December last. They are Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Arnold, whose photograph we give here. They came into the Elim fellowship during those memorable days of the North London Campaign in 1927. Mr. Arnold was the Treasurer of the newly-formed Hornsey Church when the building was packed to capacity. It is the happy privilege of the Editor

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**T**HE FOURTEENTH and sixteenth chapters of John have a great deal to declare on the person and ministry of the Holy Spirit. Many times over, the third person of the Godhead is referred to, and always by the proper noun, or first personal pronoun. For the Holy Spirit is a person, a divine person, equal in person and power and prestige to God the Father and God the Son. Let us never refer to Him as "it." If we full-gospel folk would honour the person of the Spirit more, in all of our gatherings, we would see more of divine glory and blessing upon our meetings. When the Lord Jesus bespoke the Spirit's coming, He said: "I will send you another Comforter." Notice that word "another." It infers that some one like unto this Comforter preceded Him. Who was the first Comforter? The Lord Jesus Christ. The word comforter means advocate. "If any man sin we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous." And the word advocate means "one called alongside to help us," "one who stands beside us."

length of time, it was more than the unsaved could endure. Compare that, beloved, with the complacency, the perfect comfort, with which sinners sit at ease under our preaching today in our churches, coming scores and scores of times; and remaining untouched and unconvicted by our preaching. Brethren in the ministry, there remains much land ahead of us to be possessed! Let us enter into our Holy Ghost heritage.

Finney's meetings were similar to Edwards' in respect to this mighty Holy Ghost conviction which rested upon the assembled people. We are all familiar with the classic account of the textile factory which had to close down after its owner took the Spirit-filled Finney on a visit through the shop. So many of the working girls were seized with conviction, bursting out in violent weeping and praying to God for mercy, that it was impossible to keep the factory routine going. It is reliably reported that Finney in his life-time was used of God in the conversion of three hundred thousand souls.

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## The Three-fold Work of the Holy Spirit

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Do you remember the old hymn: "Holy Spirit, faithful guide, ever at the Christian's side?" The Lord Jesus is teaching us that the Holy Spirit would ever be at our sides, to comfort us, to instruct us, to empower us, just as Jesus through His earthly ministry was ever beside the apostles, comforting, instructing and empowering them. Never forget it! The Holy Spirit is equal in person and power (and in this dispensation) in position, to the Lord Jesus Christ. If we kept this fact ever before us, what holy dignity would it confer on the Pentecostal baptism! What confidence, what strength, what a feeling of potential power would it convey to the Spirit-filled Christian! Beloved, let us recognize and honour the Holy Spirit more and more in our midst.

Concerning His threefold ministry during this present church age or dispensation, when He is acting as divine executive of the Triune Godhead: the first is Holy Ghost Conviction. He will convict the world of sin because they believe not on Christ. Many of us have read of the Holy Ghost conviction that rested upon the meetings of such men as Jonathan Edwards and Charles Finney. The unsaved would be so stricken with conviction in some of Edwards' meeting that they would jump out of the windows to escape the preaching of judgment issuing from his lips. They would hold on to the pews in desperate frenzy, for they declared they felt themselves sinking into Hell. Edwards would often be compelled to reduce his preaching tone to a whisper, for if he even raised his voice for any

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REV. HARRY STEIL

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*"And when He (the Spirit of Truth) is come, He will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: of sin, because they believe not on Me; of righteousness, because I go to My Father and ye see Me no more; of judgment, because the Prince of this world is judged"* (John xvi. 8-11).

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Preachers and fellow Christians, note the following statement carefully. It is not mere coincidence or happy accident that both those aforementioned preachers were preachers of the Word of God. I mean by that—their sermons consisted almost entirely of correlated passages of Scripture uttered under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. The Holy Spirit delights in honouring, in witnessing to the Word of God (He shall lead and guide you into all truth). The words of man, the "Story of My Life," with which we afflict the longsuffering public today, the futile attempts to borrow from worldly vaudeville, by using stage settings and props to "get the message across"—these things are not-owned nor honoured by the Holy Spirit. But if we of today will, like Edwards and Finney of old, become preachers of the Word of God, then the Holy Ghost will own and honour our ministry even in these days of apostasy with Holy Ghost conviction of sin.

"Is not My Word like a fire, and like a hammer which breaketh the rock in pieces?" (Jer. xxiii. 29). Oh, the hard stony hearts of rock in our gatherings today that will only be shattered by the impact of the sledge hammer blows of God's Word! Never will they be broken by the feather ticklings of man's words or man's wisdom. Oh for the melting power of God's Word ("Is not My Word like a fire?") to melt the cold glacial icebergs that make an Arctic Circle out of so many churches today! Oh for the explosive power of God's Word! "I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God (the Greek word here is the precise one from which we get our word "Dynamite," it is the DYNAMITE of God) unto salvation" (Rom. i. 16). Brethren, we need some divine blasting done in our churches.

The Christian Church is a wondrously complete organization—the best in the world—the best that money can buy. Can we not hear His words to the twentieth century church—"Thou sayest I am rich and increased in goods, and have need of nothing"? Oh! Simons of today, let us remember there are some things which money cannot buy! I know what explosive we preachers need to use for our spiritual "stick-in-the-muds." Let us get back to the Word—let's become preachers of the dynamic Word of God—for IT is the power, THE DYNAMITE, of God unto salvation.

The second ministry of the Holy Spirit is to convict the world of righteousness. "He shall convict the world of righteousness, because I go to My Father and ye see Me no more." As a young Christian I used to misinterpret this. I thought it meant that He would show the world how unrighteous it was and how much it was in need of divine righteousness. Now, while this is true, it is not the meaning here. Christ is referring to His own righteousness here: and to the righteousness of His claims which He made to personal deity and universal power. "All power is given unto Me in heaven and in earth." "I pray that they might behold My glory, Father, the glory which I had with Thee before the world was" (John xvii. 5). Wherefore God which also hath highly exalted Him and given Him a name which is above every name (so that in three worlds—the heavenly world) that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow of things in heaven and things in the earth (the human and terrestrial world) and things under the earth (the demoniac world, the kingdom of Satan, Abaddon), all three worlds, from the lowest pit (I. Peter iii. 19-20; Heb. ii. 14-15) to the highest Heaven, all have felt the impact of His victory on Calvary and His coronation in Heaven.

The Lord Jesus claimed all of this, but how could His followers demonstrate to a sceptical and antagonistic world the RIGHTEOUSNESS of His claim? Jesus was no longer with them—He had ascended to the Father. And how could Peter and James and John answer the challenge of the sceptics? Could they point to the empty tomb? His enemies would answer with the charge—"You're grave robbers—you've stolen His body and hidden it" (Matt. xxviii. 12-13).

And if they said: "Our Master has ascended to His heavenly kingdom and domain," their challenge would be—"Prove it, demonstrate it." This is precisely what Jesus meant. Namely, when I have ascended to the Father, "I will pray the Father, and He shall send you another Comforter—He shall take of the things of Mine, and REVEAL them unto you—He shall glorify Me—He shall not speak of Himself, but whatsoever He shall hear (in heaven) that shall he speak" (John xvi. 13-16). In other words, at the time of our Lord's post-resurrection ascension into heaven, at the time of His high exaltation and coronation (Phil. ii. 9-11, Eph. iv. 8-13) in heaven, the Holy Spirit was there.

For the ten days, from His ascension until the day of Pentecost, He, the Comforter, was an ear and eye Witness of all the glory and position and power which was bestowed upon the Lord Jesus. Then, after ten days of witnessing Christ's glorious exaltation, Christ deliberately sends Him, the Comforter, down to His waiting disciples, with the command "Show them My glory—reveal to them the fullness of my triumph and victory; show them that all of My claims were righteous claims and even though I have gone to the Father and they see Me no more, Holy Comforter, do your office work in showing to the world My victory over sin and death and the grave."

So it was, that on the Day of Pentecost, when the Comforter had come, Peter arose to address the mocking, challenging multitude; and carefully note his words. "This Jesus, whom ye by wicked hands did take and crucify and slay, hath God raised up; whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God (I go to the Father and ye see Me no more) EXALTED and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, He hath shed forth this (the Holy Comforter) which ye now see (the tongues of fire) and hear (the heavenly languages—the other tongues)" (Acts ii. 32-33). Talk about television—not only did Peter by revelation of the Holy Ghost really see His dear Master exalted and glorified in heaven at the Father's right hand (Acts vii. 56), but as he preached under the anointing of the Holy Ghost he was able to make three thousand others see it, and they came flocking through the open door of salvation (Acts ii. 41).

Third and lastly, He shall convict the world of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged. Satan was called by Jesus the prince of this world. Satan has usurped this control. Soon a mighty angel shall announce over heaven's loudspeaker system—"The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our God and of His Christ—and He shall reign for ever and ever" (Rev. xi. 15). But for the present little while "we know that the whole world lieth (in the lap of) in the wicked one" (I. John v. 19, R.V.). And, even as Satan did to Christ, so today he offers the kingdoms of this world and the glory of them, or a little part of them, to the men and women who will compromise, who will sell their souls to him for a mess of pottage.

How can we feeble Christians cope with such a powerful foe? Since we know that he controls the financial, the com-

mercial, the educational and even the religious systems of our day, how can we overcome him? Since he can offer our children all the lusts of the flesh and the pleasures of this world, if they will sell their souls to him, how can we resist him? How? By allowing the Holy Spirit to reveal to us, that as far as the Christian is concerned, the Devil is already judged—is already a defeated foe. Peter knew this, hence his leonine, Holy Ghost courage. Martin Luther knew this, hence he single-handedly opposed the political and religious powers of his day, and took his stand at Worms “though the devils be as numerous as the slates upon the housetops.” John Knox knew this, and could therefore stride into the court of bloody Queen Mary of Scotland, and denounce her to her face. History declares that “Bloody Mary” feared John Knox more than an army of the enemy. Why? Because he was an army in himself, a host in himself, because by revelation of the Holy Ghost, he, Knox, knew that Mary’s master, the Devil, the prince of this world, was a conquered foe—“the Prince of this world IS (not shall be) judged.”

Brethren, when we allow the same blessed Holy Spirit to reveal this truth to us, think of the possibilities of our ministry for God! In nothing terrified by our adversaries—though they be many . . . (Phil. i. 28; I. Cor. xvi. 9). Think of the souls gripped in the bondage of sin that we may loose in Jesus’ name; think of the crippled, the lame, the diseased (oppressed by the Devil, Acts x. 38) whom we may loose in Jesus’ name, when we shall permit the Holy Ghost to reveal this great truth to us—that the prince of this world IS judged. Hallelujah, we, believers, have been translated out of the kingdom of darkness, of Satan, into the kingdom of His marvellous light! —*Message.*

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# Elim Youth Page

Conducted by  
Pastor J. Hywel Davies  
(National Youth Secretary)

## ELIM YOUTH OF LONDON UNITE

Pastor John Lancaster (District Youth Commissioner, London North) writes of the Euston Youth Conference and Rally of London North and South Presbyteries. The photograph by Elim Bible College student Brian Garrard shows the National Youth Secretary preaching.

### *London Youth Conference and Rally*

From cups of tea in Clapham to human ants in Watford may seem an unusual stretch of the imagination, but the connection is not quite so vague as it seems. Over a cup of tea in the National Youth Secretary's office four rather thoughtful men searched for inspiration. They wanted a subject for discussion that would be both provocative and profitable. There were plenty of suggestions that fell into the first category but not so many that met both demands. At last, however, inspiration came, and it led eventually to those human ants in Watford.

The subject chosen was as follows: How does Separation apply to the 20th century Crusader in relation to: (a) Friendship; (b) Courtship; (c) Family Life; (d) Business Life; and (e) Recreation? The discussion took place at a Youth Conference arranged by the two London Presbyteries at Friend's Meeting House on a recent Satur-

day. Here were gathered a splendid crowd of Crusaders who had previously discussed the subject in their branches and appointed their delegates to speak at the conference. With Pastor F. H. Coleman, a very kindly chairman, we were set for an absorbing afternoon, and the discussion which was animated but friendly was undoubtedly helpful.

But what about the ants? Well, they formed part of a description of life in a modern factory. The Watford delegate described the comings and goings of the workers to and from work as being like the movements of a swarm of ants, but, he warned, the Christian at business must never allow himself to simply become one of the crowd. He must take his stand for Christ, refusing to be careless about time, or a party to dishonest practice. He must remember that his life at work either commends or condemns the Christianity he professes.



WE REGRET TO ANNOUNCE the resignation of Pastor Leon C. Quest from the Elim Youth Committee of which he has been a faithful member since its inception. This decision to withdraw from full-time participation in the activities of the Elim Youth Movement has caused him much anxiety, but in view of his health he has been compelled to limit his work, and this has meant his resignation. He has worked untiringly for our "Sunday School Teachers' Handbook," our National Sunday School Scripture Examinations, and never declined to help when he was needed. The members of the Elim Youth Movement are grateful to you, Pastor Quest, for all that you have done for our youth. May God bless you, is our prayer, not only in spirit but also in body.

The heartfelt thanks of the Elim Executive Council and Youth Committee to Pastor Quest for his work of such high value on behalf of the Elim Youth Movement, and in particular the Sunday School, is accordingly placed on record.

Friendship and courtship provided humour as well as good advice. One delegate complained that his branch had very little experience in the latter, but most of the speakers insisted that the unequal yoke was a major spiritual danger. On the other hand, it was stressed that the Christian must not be aloof and unfriendly to the outsider. A positive approach to this problem came from the Clapham delegate when he said, "Cultivate friends who will help you spiritually." Family life was viewed particularly from the point of view of the young Christian living in an unsaved home, and here again our Watford delegate had a vivid figure of speech. "Remember," he said, "Big Brother is watching you! And big sister, and mother, and dad!"

The last point on the agenda was undoubtedly the "flash-point." One could feel the interest quicken as the speakers approached the right attitude to Recreation. Some delegates thought that recreation as such was unnecessary, while others felt a selective approach to it was wisest. Speakers stressed the dangers of the indiscriminate use of

T.V., and felt other recreations were dangerous when they involved too intimate an association with the unsaved. Sound advice came from the National Youth Secretary when fulfilling that most difficult task of all—summing up. He reminded the conference that in being the temple of the Holy Spirit, the Christian has a responsibility to keep body, mind, and spirit as healthy as he can, and such recreation as will not interfere with spiritual progress is a necessary adjunct to that aspect of our lives.

Rarely, in these short-winded days, is a sermon thought too short, but someone actually asked Pastor Davies why he left off in the middle of his sermon! Not that the address was incomplete or inconclusive—indeed it was a challenging appeal to Pentecostal Youth to take up the tremendous resources at its disposal and demonstrate to a disillusioned world that here alone is the adequate answer. We were urged to take our stand as Elijah of old, and prove conclusively that the God who answers by fire is the only One able to meet the need of our generation.

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## The Family Altar and Elim Prayer Circle

A page for your daily meditations  
and prayer

Scripture Union Portions. Notes by Pastor H. Burton Haynes

**SUNDAY, March 20th.** Luke xviii. 18-30.

"Yet lackest thou one thing" (v. 22).

The rich young ruler possessed many admirable qualities. He was earnest, humble, reverent, clean-living, thoughtful, spiritually inclined and deeply religious and yet his heart was not right with God. We can be self-deceived into thinking that we are right with God. Our Lord tested this young man on the decisive point of self-sacrificing love to God and man. He said in effect, if you claim to have kept the commandments, show in a sacrificial way that your love to God is supreme in your life. In a flash the ruler saw himself, his deep-rooted selfishness, his jealous reserve, his cold sinful alienation of heart from God. Riches were his idol. He loved his wealth more than his God.

**MONDAY, March 21st.** Luke xviii. 31-43.

"They shall . . . put Him to death" (v. 33).

Calvary was not merely a tragic accident in our Lord's life as some modern thinkers would have us believe. It was the fulfilment of God's eternal plan and purpose. Christ was born into this world "to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself," and knowing this divine purpose He disclosed its approaching end to His disciples. They failed to apprehend the deep significance of this prophetic announcement. Calvary still remains a mystery to the vast majority of people today, but to those who believe it is the key which opens the door of the kingdom of God and to an ever growing understanding of the hidden purposes of God's leading.

**TUESDAY, March 22nd.** Luke xix. 1-10.

"Zacchæus, make haste and come down" (v. 5).

Our Lord never lost sight of the individual in the crowd. That publican who had climbed the sycamore tree to obtain a better view of the Son of God, who was trying to hide himself behind the foliage from the curious and contemptuous gaze of the passers-by, became aware that his presence in the tree had been detected. Every conversion begins with this personal awareness of the presence of Christ. We may be in a crowded gathering when suddenly there comes over the soul a strange realization that we are alone with Christ, His glance and His quiet voice stir the inward depths of our being, and we find ourselves surrendering to the mystic spell of His Holy Spirit. No longer just one of the teeming millions, but a child of God, with the personal consciousness of the Lord's presence. What a privilege!

**WEDNESDAY, March 23rd.** Luke xix. 11-27.

"Occupy till I come" (v. 13).

It is both stimulating and searching, to be constantly reminded that we must all appear before the Judgment Seat of Christ, at His appearing and give a personal account of the way in which we have sought to discharge the solemn responsibilities of our stewardship. Our salvation rests upon the finished work of Christ; we shall be in heaven on the ground of what He has done, but rewards depend upon our faithfulness and zeal in the prosecution of the interests of His kingdom. Are we redeeming the time and using the fleeting opportunities to serve the Lord? By His grace let us always abound in His work.

**THURSDAY, March 24th.** Luke xix. 28-40.

"The Lord hath need of him" (v. 34).

The Lord needed that humble beast of burden to fulfil the prophetic Scriptures, and as it bore upon its back Israel's King and Saviour, it was truly honoured among all the animals. What He uses is honoured and exalted. The Lord hath need of YOU! Have you pondered this glorious thought? Are you proud to respond to His gracious call, to yield your time, and strength and gifts to His royal service? Do you count it as the highest honour of all to be His willing servant? No service is mean or lacking in dignity which is rendered in His name. At His disposal—always and forever; let this be the motto of our lives.

**FRIDAY, March 25th.** Luke xix. 41-48.

"He went into the temple" (v. 45).

God no longer dwells in temples made with hands. The believer is now God's temple: "Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost?" This being so, we should carefully guard our hearts against the intrusion of those things which would grieve the Lord who redeemed us with His precious blood. Do we harbour any of these sins in our lives; corrupt communications, bitterness, wrath, anger, clamour, evil speaking, malice? We are exhorted to put away all these sinful practices and to be followers of God as dear children.

**SATURDAY, March 26th.** Luke xx. 1-18.

"The stone . . . is become the head of the corner" (v. 17).

Various similes are employed in Scripture to present our Lord Jesus Christ in His essential glory and sacred offices. Here we have the Lord brought before our hearts under the figure of a stone. As a living Stone He draws to Himself cold, dead stones, and animates them with His eternal life and they become partakers of His rock-nature. United to Christ, believers in the fellowship of the Church are being built up a spiritual house, an holy habitation for God through the Spirit. This spiritual edifice is destined to fill the eternal ages. The hour of completion is imminent, then all shall know that the rejected Stone is the head, or crown of the Church.

# COMING EVENTS

## PRESIDENTIAL ITINERARY

Pastor John Dyke, the President, will visit the following churches:

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**KNOTTINGLEY.** March 19, 20. Elim Tabernacle, Cow Lane. N.E. District Presbytery Rally and visit of the President, Pastor John Dyke. Sat. 3 and 6.30 (cups of tea provided). Sun. 10.45 and 6. Induction of Pastor A. Anstey at 6.30 on Sat.

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**NEATH.** March 19. Bethel Elim Church, Briton Ferry Road, Melyn. Evangelistic Campaign, conducted by Pastor F. Shadlock. Weeknights 7 (except Fri.). Sun. 6.30.

**PORTADOWN.** March 19, 20. Elim Church, Clonavon Avenue. 21st Anniversary Services. Sat. at 8. Sun. at 11.30 and 7. Speakers: Pastors W. J. Patterson (Birmingham) and W. J. Martin (Ballymena). Convener: Pastor Ronald Reid.

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