A messenger of salvation, healing, comfort, good cheer, and encouragement to the poor, the needy, the unsaved, the sick, the afflicted, the heavy hearted, the distressed, the discouraged, and to all who are in need of blessing and comfort from on high.

Vol. 21

September-October, 1961

No. 5

Jesus Saves — Jesus Heals

"... I know whom I have believed, and ... He is able ... " II Tim. 1:12 "I rejoice at Thy word. . . . I love Thy law! . . . Thou . . . hast made me wiser than mine enemies." Ps. 119.

. be diligent that ye may be found of Him in peace, without spot and blameless!" II Peter 3:14

"... Ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you; . . . " Acts 1:8

.. the promise is unto you, ... " Acts 2:39 "Let your loins be girded about, and your lamps burning; . . . like unto men that wait for their Lord." Luke 12:35-36 "Behold I come quickly; hold fast that which thou hast, . . .

In Times Like These

By CORA L. VINAL

In times like these God must have first place in the lives of those that hope to make it through safely. He must be One most often consulted, and the One One most often consulted, and the One most highly honored. Only by such whole-indifferent. "And because iniquity shall hearted devotion is it possible to face the present world conditions with confidence. Never have world conditions been more things are worth it at any cost. The earth been more deluded by wolves in specific apostle Paul could say: ". . . . for I know Whom I have believed, and am persuaded that He is able to keep that which Never has this worldly-wise and misguided I have committed unto Him against that day" (2 Tim. 1:12b).

of all, a personal, saving, regenerating nor hot. . . So then because thou art knowledge of God. The best kind of lukewarm . . . I will spue thee out of second-hand knowledge is not enough. A mental assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold Word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the truth of God's Again we read: "Behold word is not assent to the tr ceive Christ, and have a personal experlivered from the power of Satan to serve the true and living God.

In times like these the Word of God should be prized as a very precious possession. This world has never produced any kind of literature so enlightening, so comforting, so hope-inspiring, so absolutely reliable, as the inspired Word of God. It is "more to be desired than gold, yea than much fine gold." It reveals the His holy purpose and will concerning the children of men. The Psalmist could say: Thy law! It is my meditation all the . Thou through Thy command-They are the best-equipped to withstand then after describing the deplorable con-"But evil men and seducers shall wax worse, deceiving, and being deceived" (2 Tim. 3:1-14). And surely the best safeguard against such devices is to be well-established in the plain teachings of God's Word.

"And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness to all nations; and then shall the end come" (Matt. 24:14). But it must be the true Gospel based upon the atoning sacrifice of Jesus Christ. It is vain to be trying out some new kind of social gospel, or some new kind of religious science, or some sort of educational program designed for the betterment of this perishing world. Human nature cannot be made better. It look for such things, be diligent that ye is altogether corrupt and sinful. Statistics prove it. And the daily news reports con- spot and blameless" (2 Pet. 3:1-14). stantly witness to it. Man cannot save himself. There is no substitute for the make sure they are filled with the Holy Gospel of Christ. There is no hope of Spirit. Not a weak guess-so, maybe-so, salvation apart from Him. But there is think-so profession, but a constant, conforgiveness for every repentant soul. fident place of power and witness. "There is a fountain filled with blood, Ye shall receive power, after that the

plunged beneath that flood, lose all their shall be witnesses unto me. . . . " Acts 1:8. guilty stains."

In times like these the children of God should be wide awake and alert. "The night is far spent, the day is at hand." It is time to stand up and be counted. It is time to give a positive testimony to the faithfulness of God. Many are bethe One most greatly desired, and the coming fearful and discouraged. Many abound, the love of many shall wax cold.' It will cost something surely, but eternal disturbing. Never have the peoples of sheep's clothing. Never have they been more dominated by Satanic influences. civilization been nearer to the breakingpoint than it is today. And yet the church But this world is becoming more and in general has never been more selfmore destitute of such knowledge. There- complacent and unconcerned. More and fore it is becoming more and more trou- more the social functions are displacing bled and confused. It is like a storm- the prayer meetings. And more and more tossed vessel at sea with no hope of ever a bloodless theology, designed to please reaching a safe and peaceful harbor. It the natural man, is taking the place of is subject to the evil powers that are the preaching of the cross. Jesus sent bent on the everlasting destruction of all this Word to a certain cherok. "I know humankind. What is the remedy? First thy works, that thou art neither cold I will spue thee out of

Again we read: "Behold I come quickly; Word is not enough. Every one must re- hold fast that which thou hast, that no man take thy crown" (Rev. 3:11). ience of the new birth. And that means forfeited crown is not a pleasant thought. an altogether new life, with an altogether But Esau sold his birthright for a mess different outlook. It means to be de- of pottage. And Saul lost his crown because of self-will and disobedience. And doubtless many of God's children have forfeited God's highest and best in order to gratify some carnal desire or to fulfill some selfish ambition. Therefore, whether it be a gift, or a ministry, or some other priceless treasure, His Word still admonishes: "Hold fast that which thou hast."

In times like these Christians should be very careful about their daily walk and true character of God, and makes known conversation. Our Lord is greatly concerned about the every-day lives of His followers, and especially so with the "I rejoice at Thy Word as one that building of Christian character. And while findeth great spoil. . . . O how love I much of the world is engaged in a program of hateful and destructive activities belonging to the kingdom of Satan, ments hast made me wiser than mine the church should be showing forth the enemies" (Psa. 119). Men who are well- many noble qualities and soul-saving instructed in the Word of God are the ministries belonging to the Kingdom of most highly-educated persons in the world. God. And while the tares are fast ripenwickedness and rebellion against the subtle attacks of the enemy. The God to be cast into a "furnace of fire, apostle Paul forewarned that in the last the wheat is also ripening in righteousdays perilous times would come. And ness and in loving obedience to God, to eventually "shine forth as the sun in the ditions that would prevail, he added: Kingdom of their Father" (Matt. 13: 17-43).

> The Word of God makes it plain that these present conditions shall not always endure. The day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night. The elements shall melt with fervent heat. And the works of ungodly men shall be utterly consumed. "Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness?" Everything of the carnal nature will perish. Everything which can be shaken will be shaken. And beyond that, this whole creation is destined to go through a purifying process of fire. "Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye may be found of Him in peace, without

In times like these all believers should drawn from Immanuel's veins, and sinners Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye

Again in Acts 2:39 we read Peter's inspired words to the waiting multitude: . The promise (the gift of the Holy Ghost) is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. There is a real apostolic baptism with the Spirit. Let us make sure that our experience is the same as was experienced on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2), in the household of Cornelius (Acts 10), and among the believers in Ephesus (Acts 19) -i.e., "with signs following."

In times like these we must not be satisfied with less.

And then in times like these believers everywhere must be prepared to leave this world on short notice. Some prophetic students may advise that certain portions of God's Word must yet be fulfilled, and doubtless that is true. Nevertheless Jesus forewarned: "Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as think not the Son of man cometh" (Matt. 24:44). And without question that will find the peoples of this world taking their own self-determined way as usual. No great parade of notables will be seen on the city streets to welcome the King of glory. No bugles will be sounded to alert an unbelieving world. No great television show will broadcast the approach of Christ down the flaming skies. No radio station will announce the startling news: "Behold, the great Redeemer cometh!" All classes of people outside of Christ will be taken unawares. And beside the nearness of our Lord's returning, there is the ever-increasing danger of a sudden release of destructive weapons that could wipe out great populated areas without warning.

Jesus said to His followers: "Let your loins be girded about, and your lamps burning; and ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their Lord" (Luke 12:35, 36a). No time to be living in idleness and self-complacency. Our Lord cannot come until His church is preparded to meet Him. He gave Himself for the church . . . that He might present it unto Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle, or any such thing. . . . "(Eph. 5:25-27). The holy Son of God cannot present unto Himself a trifling, indifferent, unsanctified body of nominal church members. His church must be made like unto Himself, the fair-

the earth to the uttermost part of ..." (1 Cor. 15:51, 52a). Just so quickly heaven" (Mark 13:27). No one child of shall this robe of flesh be cast aside. of earth will be ready. Their lamps will Jesus."

Humility

Have you ever truly thanked the Lord for those humiliating experiences which have laid your honor in the dust? The vistas of heaven are open to the humble soul. The Lord knows the proud afar off. Blessing flows from the lips of those who magnify God in the midst of severe chastisement, for it is he whom the Lord loves that He chastens, and scourges every son that He receives (Heb. 12:6). "Despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him." Before honor is humility. -A. L. Halterman. Gospel Herald

How Old Ought I To

'Dear Mother," said a little maid, "Please whisper it to me-Before I am a Christian, How old ought I to be?"

How old ought you to be, dear child, Before you can love me? I always loved you, Mother mine, Since I was tiny wee."

I love you now, and always will," The little daughter said. And on her mother's shoulder laid Her golden, curly head.

How old, my girlie, must you be, Before you trust my care? Oh, Mother dear, I do, I do-I trust you everywhere."

How old ought you to be, my child, To do the things I say? The little girl looked up and said, "I can do that today."

Then you can be a Christian, too, Don't wait till you are grown. Tell Jesus now you come to Him, To be His very own."

Then as the little maid knelt down, And said, "Lord, if I may, I'd like to be a Christian now." He answered, "Yes, today."

Anonymous.

be trimmed and burning. They will be est and noblest expression of redeemed found watching and longing for His aphumanity that only His sufferings and pearing. And for such ones this will be and death could even produce. the divine order: "Behold, I shew you a "And then shall He send His angels, and mystery; we shall not all sleep, but we shall gather together His elect from the shall all be changed, in a moment, in four winds, from the uttermost part of the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump.

God will be forgotten. What a blessed Just so quickly shall our redemption be and comforting hope! All the faithful ones made complete. "Even so, come, Lord

CHRIST FAITH MISSION Box 68, Highland Park Sta. Los Angeles 42. Calif.

Non-Profit Org. U.S. Postage PAID

- OUR CREED -

"Christ our wisdom and righteousness and sanctification and redemption."

Herald Of Hope

CHRIST FAITH MISSION, Publisher

Editor: H. J. Smith

Box 68, Highland Park Station, Los Angeles 42, Calif. Phone, CLinton 5-4783

Printed in U.S. A.

Herald Of Hope Policy

The Herald of Hope is a faith publication. There is no subscription price for the paper but it is sent out free of charge as the Lord supplies the need.

The Herald of Hope does not receive its support from any fund or foundation. The printing and mailing of the paper is made possible only by the free-will offerings of friends who have been blest and helped by its

Important Notices

The Post Office Department has established Zone districts in all large cities to help speed delivery of mail and they request that your Zone Number be placed directly following the name of your city. BE SURE and give us your Zone Number when writing.

> Address mail to us as follows: HERALD OF HOPE Box 68, Highland Park Station

Los Angeles 42, California * * *

Paper currency sent to us from foreign countries can usually be exchanged here for United States money.

Offerings could be sent using international postal orders or bank drafts.

* * *

Many times papers, letters or books are returned to us because the return name and address was not plainly written. In every case, when writing us, print your name and address clearly on the outside of the envelope. This is especially necessary on letters from foreign countries.

* * *

As we are continually revising our file, we would be very glad if those of you who have not written to us in the past twelve months would inform us whether or not you would like your name to be kept on file to receive the HERALD OF HOPE.

FINAL NOTICE

To some, this may be your final notice before we remove your name from our files.

We want to continue sending our paper into your home if it is a blessing to you. The only way we can know is when you write us.

Have you written us recently? Why not fill out the slip at the bottom of this page and send it back to us? That way you won't miss one copy of the paper. Thank you.

If you have recently sent us one slip takes us a little time to make the necessary corrections on our file after we have heard from you.

'OLD PISGAH' TABERNACLE 6026 Echo St., Los Angeles 42, Calif.

Regular services every night 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting each morning except Sunday at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship at......10:45 a.m.

Fellowship Meetings on the 15th of each month with services at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Fellowship Supper at 5 p.m.

CONCERNING DISTRIBUTION OF HERALD OF HOPE

If you have any chance to distribute a few papers, send and get as many as you can use. Our papers are too expensive to scatter indiscriminately but you can ask for them to send through the mail to friends, and to give to those who might come to your door, or to give out among your church people. As you distribute them as unto the Lord, God will bless you.

Write in for extra papers to distribute. When you give out a paper or pass on the tracts which you receive in our letters, you do not know how many souls may be saved, or how many suffering ones may be healed through this thoughtfulness on your part.

We will be so glad if you can join us in getting this message of salvation and healing to the people. Address your requests for papers to:

HERALD OF HOPE

Box 68, Highland Park Station Los Angeles 42, California

Sample Copy

If this is the first copy of our paper you have received, please let us know if you wish to have your name placed on our regular mailing list.

Please send us the names of those whom you think will be glad to receive the Herald of Hope. Whether they are rich or poor, and regardless of where they live, in any part of the world, we will be glad to send them copies of our paper.

ATTENTION -FOREIGN READERS

Correspondence and offerings for language editions of the HERALD OF HOPE should be sent as follows: (All English speaking countries) address:

> HERALD OF HOPE Box 68, Highland Park Station Los Angeles 42, Calif. U.S.A.

(Spanish)

HERALDO DE ESPERANZA Box 68, Highland Park Station Los Angeles 42, Calif. U.S.A.

(Indian): NIRIKSHANA DHUTHA (Teluga Herald of Hope) Address: P. Abraham Samuel Faith Home Bezwada 2 Andhra, India.

> NAMBIKAYIN THOOTHAN (Tamil Herald of Hope) Address: R. Paulaseer Lawrie Box No. 15 Nagercoil. Kanyakumari Dist. S. India

PRATHIASA DHUTHAN (Malayalam Herald of Hope) Address: M. C. George Gospel Home

Kula Seka Ram Kanniakumari Dist. S. India.

IMPORTANT

If you have not already written us and you desire to continue receiving the Herald of Hope, please clip out this slip and mail to us at once.

Please print.	print.	Name		
	Street	City	Zone	State

Pentecost Is Not A Denomination: It Is An Experience

By Dr. John H. Osteen Pastor of the Lakewood Baptist Church, Houston, Texas

I am a representative of the professional ministry of our day. I do not mean behooves each one to make a personal apa ministry that feels no Divine call. I stand as one of the group of pastors who are desperately concerned and deeply disturbed and confused over the lack His efforts to search out and seal an of power. I know God saved me at the age of seventeen. I gave my heart to Jesus. I became a new creature in Christ Jesus. Old things passed away and behold all things became new. In order to prepare myself to fulfill the call to preach, I went to college and then to seminary.

I entered into my ministry. I was assistant pastor of the First Baptist Church of San Diego, California. I was about three years pastor of the First Baptist Church of Hamlin, Texas. For six and one half years I pastored the Central Baptist Church of Baytown, Texas. Lest anyone misunderstand and if can say it without Foreign currency can usually be changed being misunderstood, I tried to be a spiritual preacher. I loved Jesus. I sought to give all to God. I have wept, dedicated, separated and waited upon God.

The Spirit of God has blessed as have preached and besought men to be reconciled to God. If any man have not the Spirit of God He is none of His. This I know to be true. And yet, throughout my nineteen years of preaching, there has been a growing concern in my heart, for I knew that something ought to be there which was not there, and could not be found.

I preached about praying, but in my heart I didn't really love to pray con-I preached about loving the Word of God, but my congregation would have been amazed to know how little I really loved it. I preached about the presence, power and blessing of God, but when I faced the facts I enjoyed very little of it. Ah, how many preachers know and cry out in their heart about these things. I read in the Bible about the early church and its supernatural power and I so longed for such as that. I knew, according to my training, it was not for us today, so I faced my pulpit and people weary and sick at heart!

Finally, I resigned my church to enter business. I determined never to be a pas-tor again. Many preachers were lined up for the job. I wanted them to have mine. would be an insurance underwriter. I didn't want to face people coming for help to face this world and its problems, with something reaching out of their hearts crying, for power, knowing that my own heart was crying out for the same thing.

While in the business world, I found how little power the people of our churches have. I know there are good folks in business, but I was amazed to find that folks who teach in our Sunday Schools and sing in our choirs and have serious responsibilities in the Church thought nothing of taking the Name of the Lord in vain, and drinking or engaging in smut. If there was ever a day we needed power it is today!

We talk about the stirring of the masses in the East and Asia: I tell you, and God is my witness, there is a stirring in the religious world. Men and women and preachers are tired of deadness and failure. My preacher brethren are stirring They are hungry men. But they are confused. They don't understand. They have been taught against the power and yet they long for the power.

Do you know the tragedy of this preacher's heart and life? God was trying no printing presses, nothing! However, to lead me into the Baptism of the Holy they turned the world upside down in Ghost and I didn't even know it. Tragedy one generation! What did they have? of tragedies! It's enough to make the angels weep! I was saved, called, educated in college and seminary and still didn't know and recognize the hand of God heavy upon me, seeking to lead me into the full Baptism of the Holy Ghost and Fire. The preachers of our day have God's hand upon them, but they do not recognize that it is the hand of God seeking to baptise them in power. How patient and concerned we ought to be. How we ought to pray that they may see and understand!

Jenkins Woods helped me so much in my hour of need. When I was around him he was always praising the Lord. That never failed to irritate me. It made me nervous and uncomfortable. I didn't like it, but I liked him. One day as we ate lunch together, he said, "You know, one of our teen-aged girls got lost in the Spirit in one of our services." I said in my mind that I knew all about that fanatacism, and I wasn't interested in such things, but I listened to be polite. He continued, "She began to speak in another language." "Yes," I said to myself, "I know about that babbling and carrying on. I won't have anything to do with it." Then he said, "A missionary jumped up and said that she was speaking in the

To Our Readers And **Prayer Band**

Again with joy we submit for your reading further evidence of a Move of God among the peoples and churches of the various Christian denominations.

Surely these are end-time days and it praisal of our spiritual possessions. I believe Jesus is coming soon and undoubtedly the Holy Spirit has redoubled overcoming bride for a glorious bridegroom. May we earnestly desire to be among these overcomers.

We certainly solicit your earnest prayers in behalf of the Herald of Hope work. As noted in the July-August issue, postal rates have risen again. Postage is now by far the greatest single demand on our finances. We are thankful for any offerings sent in, be they small or great. Your faithfulness will assist us in continuing our Christian literature effort throughout the world. We are especially grateful for gifts from without the United States. into American dollars to assist us in our work. Then, too, we feel we must thank those who have sent us gifts of old gold or jewelry to be changed into Gospel and Christian literature. With such sacrifice I am sure God is well pleased.

If you have not written us recently, why not do so today? Only your letters will show your continued interest in our work for the Master. Address all letters and send offerings for this faith work to:

Herald of Hope Box 68, Highland Park Station Los Angeles 42, Calif. For Christ and Souls H. J. Smith, Editor

Thanks Again

Once more we wish to gratefully acknowledge the permission given by the Editor of the Full Gospel Men's Voice to use certain material clipped from the pages of that fine publication concerning the moving of the Holy Spirit among the denominations.

Baptized With The Holy Spirit!

By BILLY GRAHAM

We have learned much about the power of the Holy Spirit. You know, in the maindenominations, we have looked a bit askance at our brethren from the Pentecostal churches because of their emphasis on the doctrine of the Holy Spirit.

I wonder if one of the secrets of Pentecostalism cannot be learned by our mainstream churches with the great emphasis on the Holy Spirit. I am sure that my Pentecostal brethren that are here today would agree with me that there have been extremes and excesses that have embarrassed many of them at times, but I want to tell you I believe the time has come to give the Holy Spirit His rightful place in our preaching, in our teaching, and in our churches! We need to go back and study again what Paul meant when he said, "Be filled with the Spirit." We need to learn once again what it means to be Baptized with the Holy Spirit! I know that we can rationalize, and immediately ten thousand theological questions arise and we try to figure it all out; but, brethren, I want to tell you that we need to accept, we need to get something! Give it any terminology you want, but we do not have the same dynamic and the same power the Early Church had.

They had no Bibles, no seminaries nor Bible schools, no radios or telephones, They had an experience with the living Christ! They had the filling of the Holy Spirit!

Look what we should be doing with our churches and seminaries, and all the other facilities that we have!

language of the tribe he ministered to in a foreign land.'

He didn't realize it, but a bomb exploded in my soul! He didn't ask me to believe it. He just stated it as a fact. I said to myself, "Great God in Heaven, could there be any reality to this that I have turned my back on and ignored?" I began to let down my guard and be-

About this time, our little girl was born. When she arrived, we were filled with joy, but it soon turned to great concern. She was so lifeless. She couldn't move normally. The doctor was concerned and had her X-rayed before leaving the hospital. He could find no broken bones. We took her to a specialist. She looked at the child and said, "I can tell you your child is not normal. She may be a spastic or something else of that nature, but she is not normal."

I had always been taught to shun the (Continued on Page Eight)

Speaking In Tongues Our Historic Churches Awes Dutch Reformed Need Pentecostal Fire Church

By RUTH WEBER The Daily Argus, Mount Vernon, New York

The first Pentecost, in ancient Jerusalem, has come alive for parishiners of First Reformed Church here. Their minister, the Rev. Harald Bredesen, apparently possesses the gift of "speaking in tongues." It is a fantastic story, and for months the minister has pleaded, "Don't write anything about me!"

But recently a news magazine declared that glossolalia, (that's the technical name for this holy outpouring) seems to be on its way back, and "The Living Church," solid and reputable magazine of the Episcopal Church, has declared in an editorial: "Speaking in tongues is no longer a phenomenon of some odd sect across the street. It is in our midst, and it is being practiced by clergy and laity who have stature and good reputation in the church!"

The Rev. Mr. Bredesen admits, "I don't blame people for being skeptical." He says, "I have prayed constantly about it, and all I can do is trust God's guidance.'

He says he has spoken in what natives of Poland, Arabia, Greece and various Slavic countries have identified as their own languages, and the daughter of an antiquarian told him he was talking to her in ancient Egyptian.

The minister also has spoken in an unidentifiable but articulate language, a tape recording of which was taken by Eugene Nida, secretary of the American Bible Society, in charge of translations, to an international convocation of philologists in Toronto, Canada. The Rev. Mr. Bredesen says it was tentatively identified as Paul's "unknown tongue" of I Corinthians.

Another tape was sent to Robert F. De-Haan, chairman of the Department of Psychology at Hope College, Mich., the denominational college.

DeHaan has written, "There is no doubt in my mind that his experience with tongues is a valid experience. In my estimation it bears the stamp of the Holy Spirit and is in conformity with Scripture. I have no psychological explanation of the evangelistic. They preach the Gospel, phenomenon. He is not deranged . . . he phenomenon. He is not deranged . . . he is in spiritual ecstacy."

The phenomenon is described in the New Testament. After Jesus Christ had acended into heaven, the Apostles gathered in an upper room and, according to the Book of Acts, they "were filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

In the early days of the Christian church, this "speaking in tongues" was a serious and important part of life, as the Epistles of St. Paul will testify. But about the third century it vanished. About the turn of this century, it turned up again, mostly in small, uninhibited sects known for their emotional approach to religion.

But the Rev. Mr. Bredesen has belonged to two old-line denominations. He was brought up as a Lutheran, the son of a Lutheran minister. He came to Mount Vernon in the fall of 1957 to take over a parish which had been without a pastor for more than two years, and was sadly

The Consistory picked him, it has been explained, because of his cheerful, dynamic, enthusiastic, outgoing personality, and for his indisputable sincerity and straightforward manner. After a year, the Classis of the Reformed Church ordained

lowed by an interpretation, the congregation reacted in two ways: surprised awe and uncomfortable consternation.

More or less, this is the way it has remained, with a few parishioners distressed by the whole idea, others who have professed themselves deeply moved and have since, according to the minister, sought and found the experience in their own lives, and a third, solid bloc of interested churchgoers who are waiting to see what will happen next.

"I really think he is way ahead of us and I am reserving an opinion until I see what develops," said one middle-of-the-roader. "There's no doubt, though, he's a very spiritual man."

At the same time, the Consistory has told the Rev. Mr. Bredesen in no uncertain terms that there is to be no more "speaking in tongues" from the pulpit on Sunday. But the minister says his chief use of "tongues" is in private worship and intercession.

He says he usually can speak "in tongues" at will. He compares the situation to having a radio in your body which you simply turn on and off. But you cannot "tune" to various stations — the languages. These just happen.

Of what use is this talent, especially when it is apt to kick up such a storm?

By TOM ALLAN

This article, by this noted Presbyterian minister of Scotland, was published in the Glasgow Evening Citizen entitled, "The Fastest-Growing Church Of All."

If you were asked to name the fastest-growing Church — and I mean 'denomination" - in the world, I wonder what your answer would be? Roman Catholic? Presbyterian? Baptist? I imagine that a great many people will be surprised to learn that the Church which leaves all the others standing still, from the point of view of numerical expansion, is the Pentecostal Church

Nowhere is this seen more vividly than in South America—or Latin America, as it is more properly called.

One of the most fascinating people met during my recent visit to the World Council of Churches' meeting in Austria was Dr. Rudolph Obermuller.

Here, obviously, is one of the most strategic missionary fields in the entire

All the great denominations are doing what they can to face up to this challenge. But, says Dr. Obermuller frankly, the evangelism of the Pente-costal Churches is stronger than that of the historic churches. Within a very few years they have gained 300,000 members-more than either Presbyterians, Anglicans, Methodists or Bap-tists, who have been working in the field for generations.

Nor is this striking expansion of the Pentecostal confined to Latin America. The Rev. Edwin Robertson - who recently spoke at Kirk Week - has travelled the world in the past two years, and he was telling me when I met him in Austria that he has found exactly the same thing wherever he has gone -Africa, India, the Far East.

It is just possible that some of you reading this are asking "Who are these Pentecostal Churches? What do they stand for? What is the secret of their amazing growth"?

These churches have one outstanding mark - they are wholly and utterly members are themselves evangelists, dedicated to winning their neighbors for Christ. They are people with a consuming desire for the salvation of men, and an overwhelming love for Christ and His Kingdom.

have never been more convinced of the pressing need for those of us in the historic churches to be touched with the same fire which burns in Pentecostalism. Only a revived Church can bring revival to a lost and dying world!

What Would He Say?

If He should come today And find my hands so full On future plans, however, fair, In which my Saviour has no share, What would He say?

If He should come today And find my love so cold. My faith so very weak and dim I had not even looked for Him, What would He say?

If He should come today And find I had not told One soul about my heavenly Friend, Whose blessings all my way attend What would He say?

If He should come today Would I be glad—quite glad? Remembering He had died for all And none, through me, had heard His call What would He say?

- Grace E. Troy

when no one understands what you are saying?

The human apparatus, meaning especially the mind and tongue, is earthbound, the Rev. Mr. Bredesen explained. "It limits that part of the individual which seeks to worship God. In the experience of 'speaking in tongues,' a person has the possession of all his faculties, but the Holy Spirit by-passes the mind and gives spiritual expressions directly to God."

He also stresses that there are two kinds "speaking in tongues"—speaking to God, which needs no interpretation, and God speaking to a person, which always must be interpreted.

When Episcopalians Start Speaking In Tongues

By The Rev. Dennis J. Bennett Vicar, Saint Luke's Episcopal Church, Seattle, Washington From The Living Church

In a number of parishes all over the country, in widely separated locations, an ancient type of prayer meeting is being renewed by God the Holy Spirit. In I Corinthians 14:26-33, St. Paul describes this type of meeting in detail:

When you come together, each one has a hymn, a lesson, a revelation, a tongue or an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification. If any speak in a tongue, let there be only two or at the most three, and each in turn; and let one interpret. But if there is no one to interpret, let each of them keep silence in church and speak to himself and to God. Let two or three prophets speak and let the others weigh what is said If a revelation is made to another sitting by, let the first be silent. For you can all prophesy one by one, so that all may learn and all be encouraged; and the spirits of prophets are subject to prophets. For God is not a God of confusion but of peace."

The people who attend such meetings are not "fringe" people or religious "hobbyists." For the most part they are leaders in the parish. As one parish priest, who has had such a group in his large mid-western church for over five years, puts it: "The pray-ers, the pentients, the tithers, the workers, the regular communicants, the core of the parish, are taking part in this activity." The group is about equally divided between men and women, and mostly made up of married couples. There is nothing exclusive about it. It is open to any persons who are truly interested in a deeper fellowship in the Spirit, and greater spiritual power in their municants, where the prayer group numweek are being welcomed to the prayer group.

The setting of the meeting is informal. The people who attend are the same people who take part in, and rejoice in the highly-structured and formal services of their Church at public worship on Sunday, and would be the first to object to any modification of it. This is a different kind of meeting. It may be at the church or it may be in a private home. The members sit around the room in a relaxed manner, and prayers are offered without special

The spirit of the occasion is lighthearted and joyful, and there is a period of just plain visiting among friends After this, the leader, who may be the priest, or in his absence a capable lay person, may lead Evening Prayer according to the Prayer Book Office, and may follow this with a brief sermon or instruction, or there may be some specific study or instruction in Holy Scripture, or in some phase of the religious life. The group may decide to sing some hymns or Gospel songs. After this come intercession. One of the group may function as prayer leader, and offer the larger part of the intercessions, or other members of the group may speak out for themselves in offering their requests to God. These intecessory prayers are informal and spontaneous, beautiful yet archaic words and phrases being laid Father, through Jesus Christ, by the sion, to give thanks for an instantanethe Holy Spirit. In like manner, thanksgivings and other prayers may be offered.

After the intercessions, there may be a period of silent prayer, and then, "out of the silence," may arise any one of a number of different offerings to praise or prayer. One person may speak in simple praise to God, quietly giving love and thanks to the Father, Another may be moved by the Holy Spirit to speak prophetically. This "prophesying" is, needless to say, not used in the sense of 'foretelling the future" but in the Scriptural meaning of "thus saith the Lord," and is always, as St. Paul describes it in I Corinthians, "for edification, exhortation, and comfort." While one member of the group is praying, or prophesying, others may be quietly responding to what is being said. The whole tenor is one of quiet joy. There is no overt emotionalism, although there may be deep religious emotion.

After an hour of such activity, the group may break off for coffee, tea, and perfectly normal, light-hearted, human questioner said, "Yes, but there's some-fellowship. Happy laughter is charthing else!" The "something else" is the acteristic of the attitude throughout, But the Comforter, which is the Holy rather than tears or sanctimoniousness. Ghost, Whom the Father will send in My name, He shall teach you all things, and will again "center down" for prayer and transform the Church, and can show bring all things to your remembrance, and worship. This time several may speak, us all how to give glory and praise to And, more especially, of what use is it whatsoever I have said to you. John 14:26. testifying to what God has been doing God!

Where Would You Be?

Where would I be on a prayer meeting

If my Lord should suddenly come? In my place at prayer, or out with the crowd

Just having some innocent fun? Where would I be? With the faithful and

Or at home in an easy chair? Too tired, too selfish, too careless perhaps

To be with the Christians for prayer. Where would I be? Getting food for my

And praying for those that are lost? Or absent again, forgetting the One Who bought me at infinite cost.

Where would I be? I've excuses enough But how would they look in His sight? Where would I want Him to find me at

Should He come on prayer meeting night? -Selected-

My Prayer

Jesus keep me true and humble, Keep me in thy gentle grace And when journey here is ended Let me see Thy shining face. Draw me closer to Thy bosom So the way will seem more clear;

Let me feel Thy love so tender Then I'll have no cause for fear. Lead me in the path that's narrow Close beside Thee every day;

For I never want to stumble Or grow weary on the way. When I've finished life's long journey His dear face I then shall see, And He'll bid me enter Heaven There to dwell eternally

-Flora Smith

in their lives during the past week. There lives. In a parish of nearly 1,000 com- may be discussions as to the best way to deal with a spiritual problem. At any bers over 100, three or four members a point the group is open to the moving of the Spirit, and a member may be moved to speak from God in prophecy, or in an "unknown tongue." Without any emotional buildup or preliminary, and just as simple as he speaks in his own language to pray or praise God, a person will begin to speak in another language. This will not be gibberish but a stronglyinflected and usually beautiful expression, clearly recognizable as a language and inspiring to the hearers, even though not directly understandable. After the person has spoken in the "unknown tongue," another will immediately interpret what has been said. The interpretation will again be for "edification, exohrtation, and comfort," and often will be in a flowing and beauitful English, beyond the ordinary ability of the person speaking. So objective and real is this gift in interpretation that many times, after the first interpreter has spoken, one or two others will say, "I received essentially the same interpretation." Occasionally, another person will continue further with the same interpretation, in the same style and vein. Listening to the whole process, one finds it difficult to deny that its source is God the Holy Spirit.

Such a prayer meeting as this may last from 8 p. m. until 2 o'clock in the morning! And people may be still unwilling to go home, so strongly do they feel the presence of the living God among them. So powerful are the prayaside in favor of direct English. The form ers of such a group that, on several ocof the prayer, however, is cast carefully casions, the person prayed for has telein the Christian manner: offered to the phoned, while the group was still in sesous healing!

What happens to the members of such a prayer group in their private everyday lives? Emotional problems are stablized and overcome, besetting sins are conquered. Each member of such a group discovers a new and intense interest in every phase of the Church's work. They read the Holy Scriptures with a new eagerness and understanding. Most of them become tithers, and the rector is amazed to find that he has people who feel called by God Himself to be real helpers and workers in the parish. But the most wonderful thing is the new conviction of the reality of God and the work of redemption through Christ that dawns in their lives. These folks know that they are inheritors of the Kingdom, for they have a foretaste of it in this dynamic fellowship in the Holy Spirit. Their lives show a radiance and joy that is unmistakable.

One member of such a group was asked, "What church do you belong to?" She replied, "Episcopal." power of the Holy Spirit moving with a new directness in lives willing to be

Blest Handkerchief *****

Our authority for sending these handkerchiefs is based on the Word of God as found in Acts 19:11, 12, "And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: so that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them." If it could be done then, why not now? Elijah was a man of like passions as we, yet he prayed and God heard and answered him. God will hear and answer yet today.

Paul said, "It is no more I, but Christ," We can also say, "It is no more I, but Christ." To Him be the glory. Do you want to add glory to His great name? One way you may be able to do this is to get the poor, sick, and discouraged ones, the devil-ridden ones, to write to us in a brief way, describing their case or situation. We will pray for them and send them the handkerchief, and our paper. We are sure that God will bless you in doing this as you do it in His name.

Please do not fail to read the Gospel tracts that are enclosed in the letters. They are sent for your benefit and better understanding. Read prayerfully Scripture references and we are sure that you will be greatly benefited, for it is the entrance of the Word that giveth light.

Please do not send for handkerchiefs without giving the name of the person, their disease or trouble. We send them out, not only for the healing of the body and casting out demons, but also to take the place of laying on of hands of the elders for special blessing, as well as for power of service when elders are not available.

TESTIMONIES OF HEALING

NOTICE!

In view of the fact that the writers of the testimonies sent to us have sometimes been bothered by those writing to them for help, which they are unable to give in most cases, we have decided to omit their names and addresses.

HEALED OF LEUKEMIA

I wrote you for prayer for my grandson who was very sick. The doctor said he had leukemia. They pinned the cloth on him and he has been healed. The doctor says he can do as other children now. Thanks be to God .- Mrs. Z. D., Sparta,

STOPS SMOKING

I received your blest handkerchief and did as your letter said. Praise God, I was a hard smoker and I stopped. My body feels good. -Mr. C., Joy Land, P. A.

HEARING IMPROVES

Thanks for your prayers. I am comfortable now. Thank God that I can hear on telephone now, wonderful improvement. I can talk to my friends and also work over the telephone. -D. B., St. Elizabeth, Jamaica.

SAVED AND FILLED WITH HOLY GHOST

Since I wrote to you I have been saved and filled with the Holy Ghost. I felt my heart lift into resurrection life and into union with the living God. Hallelujah for ever. -A. L., Regina, Sask., Canada.

LIFE IS BETTER

Some time ago I asked your help in prayers for me to make my life better so I could help my family, and thank God I can truly say it has been answered. M. W., Jamaica, W. I.

HARMONY

My home is not what it was a few months ago, My brothers were always fussing or fighting, but now thank the Lord that is a thing of the past. -Kingston, Jamaica, W. I.

INDEED A MIRACLE

I had a baby boy on the 29th. My dear friends I don't have words enough to praise the God of Heaven and to thank you all for your prayers and blest cloth. It seemed to me like a miracle for after I felt pain I took the blest cloth and there was the child; up to now I can't see how it happened. -Mrs. G. B.

DAUGHTER RETURNS HOME

I asked you a few months ago to pray that my daughter who left home nearly two years, may return home. A week after I got your answer she wrote to me; and now, praise God, she is at home happy and safe .- Mrs. S. B. Jamaica, W. I.

RECEIVES JOB

Thanks for your prayer. I received a job and now am working. I am so happy. R. L., Washington, D. C.

BACKSLIDER RECLAIMED

We wrote you some time ago to pray that my husband who was a back-slider would come back to God. Praise the Lord, two weeks ago he surrendered to the Lord, and is so happy. We do appreciate your prayers so very much and wanted you to know the good news. Also there is a good revival spirit in our church, all praise to our Wonderful Jesus. -Mrs. C. T. K., Cabot, Ark.

HOME REUNITED

Just this past year you helped me pray that my son and his wife would get back together and make a home for their small child, thank God they are back together and seem happier than ever. -Mrs. J. H. M., Atlanta, Ga.

PAIN GONE

I wrote requesting prayer and a blest kerchief for my grandson. When I received it I told him to put it where the misery was, and he wrote me saying he doesn't know when the pain left him .-E. C., Rhone, Ga.

CRUTCHES PUT AWAY

I asked you to pray for my cousin who was using crutches because of a car accident. Thank God, she was able to put them away nearly three weeks ago. -L. G., Kingston, Jamaica.

SLEEPING WELL NOW

I could not sleep at night for over two months-lying awake all night. Now I put your Herald of Hope paper under my pillow and sleep well all night long .- Mrs. A. B., -.

BREAST HEALED

Some months ago I wrote to you and you sent me a handkerchief. At the time, I had a sore spot and pain in my left breast, which was swollen. I prayed earnestly to God for healing, and wore your handkerchief. Gradually the pain and swelling disappeared—the handkerchief has disappeared, too-maybe it dropped out and got lost, maybe it's work finished it vanished. I do not know .- U. J., Barbados, W. I.

QUITS SMOKING

Oh, I'm so happy. I asked you once to pray for my boy to quit smoking. He has quit, and is so wonderfully filled with the love of God-just praising and shouting as he goes. And the one that had the hemorrhoids has been healed also .- Mrs. M., Sour Lake, Texas

HEART PAIN GONE

On receipt of the handkerchief I immediately placed it over my heart. I cannot say exactly when the pain left, but I know it is gone.—S. M., New Montrose, St. Vincent.

BLESSED WITH A SON

I wrote to you sometime ago and asked you to pray for me that I might have a baby, and thanks to your prayers, I have a son who weighed 10 lb., 3 oz. when he was born.—Mrs. L. C., Birch Tree, Mo.

TONSILLITIS GONE

I want to thank you for praying for my husband. He had tonsillitis and since you prayed for him he hasn't had any more trouble.-Mrs. D. B., Ashland, Ohio

HOME REUNITED

I wrote to you around September about my husband and me being separated. Well, he came home about two weeks after I wrote you How I thank God for answering prayer. I found that I was around two months pregnant when we were separated, and now since my husband came back he is so happy about it .-Mrs. V. A., Dover, Pa.

HEALTH ENCOURAGED'

I must tell you the wonderful change which has taken place in my sister's life since two months ago. She feels relieved, happy and joyful. There was a time when she felt as if she did not have one minute left. I kept the wonderful piece of white cloth on her forehead in the name of the Lord, and after a week all the family were greatly surprised on seeing her begging food that she never cared to take. -F. O., Jubilee Road, Ala.

GETS JOB

Our finances were real poor and God opened up a way through the help of the prayer band that my husband could drive a school bus to help out .- Mrs. W. C., Atlanta, Ga.

HEALED OF CANCER

I wrote you a few weeks ago, asking for your paper. I was a cancer patient. He has seen fit to heal me for His glory. My husband is not saved, so he is rather bewildered in what God is doing in my life.-Mrs. S. L., El Monte, Calif.

RECORD OF PASSES

Last year I wrote and asked that you pray for all the children of my school who were taking the Senior Cambridge Examinations. We had a record of passes and both my cousin and myself passed. Truly God is great.-Mrs. A. McK., Jamaica, B. W. I.

RELIEVED OF ASTHMA

I have received your blest cloth and am thanking God for the healing of the asthma. I can do my house work now and sleep at night. I am praising God for the change in my life.-V. I., Mt. Zion P. O., B. W. I.

IMPROVES FROM POLIO

I have written to you previously for my little son. He has improved greatly from polio. Praise be to God on high.-J. N., Trinidad, W. I.

WELL AND BETTER

I want to say that I feel very much different now than when I wrote the last letter to you. I feel as healthy now as I ever was, and better, because the Lord has healed me.-R. S., -.

BURNING ITCHING GONE

I had such a burning and breaking out on face, neck and arms the past two weeks. It got so bad a week ago I called you folks to pray for me, and in a few hours after I called the burning began leaving my face, also the itching left .-

RETURNS SAFELY

Have appreciated your prayers many times and had one definite answer-my husband carried your blest hankie with him all the while he was overseas and came home without a scratch after the war was over. -Mrs. H. R., Golden, Colorado.

VICTORY AND JOY

So many wonderful things have happened since I last wrote and requested prayer for my son in New Jersey, whose mind was not too good, and also my brother for a job. My son's mind has been restored, also he came home for Easter. The Lord wonderfully saved and sanctified him. Oh, I was so happy. My brother is wonderfully blest and gone back in business in New Jersey. Concerning our Church, the Lord has wonderfully blessed us and added to the Church such as faith magazine and some tracts. From should be saved. —Mrs. M. G., Washing- the moment I started to read the magaton, N. C.

BLESSED ANSWERS

I asked for prayers that my son would get a steady job; he did; and that my husband would stop drinking and change I will say there has been a tremendous change in him. Also my ulcer was healed. -Mrs. R. L., St. Louis, Mo.

HOME SITUATION HEALED

Several weeks ago I asked you to pray for a heartbreaking situation in our home. God has worked a real miracle-greater than I thought of—He has brought peace and love and joy and worked out our problem. -E. B., Los Angeles, Calif.

ALL PAINS GONE

Sometime ago I wrote you about pains that worried my aunt very much, and asked for prayer and a blest cloth. I want to say, all pains are gone. -D., Buff Bay, Jamaica.

WONDERFULLY HEALED

Sometime back I asked you to pray for me and you sent one of your blest handkerchiefs. I want to tell you that Jesus has wonderfully healed me. -Mrs. I. B., St. Michael, Barbados

GOD HEARS

I wrote last August about a cancer on my face, and the next day I went to the clinic and the doctor cut it out. He said that I would have to watch close, that there would be another one come if it was the kind that spreads, but I placed the prayer cloth on my face and carried it in my pocket part of the time. I haven't had another one. -W. C. C.,

GETS GOOD JOB

God opened the way for me to get a job through your prayer and it is a fine job, just what I asked the Lord for. -E. O., Fayetteville, N. C.

REVIVED

I wrote you all to pray for a sister in the Lord who was sick unto death. Your prayers were heard and life came back to her. -Mrs. E. S., Laurel, Miss.

ULCERS GONE

I called your prayer group on Thursday about 3 months ago. My son had bleeding ulcers. On the following Tuesday he had some x-rays taken and they wanted to know what kind of medication he had been taking because his ulcers were gone. Praise God's Holy Name. He had had these ulcers for two years. -H. L. H., Bell Gardens, Calif.

VERY QUICK DELIVERY

I am indeed glad to tell you that my wife had a boy baby. She had a very quick delivery. —I. C., Kingston, Jamaica

HUSBAND IS SAVED

God answered two of my prayers: First, my husband got saved, and now we also have a way to go to Church. -Mrs. B. W., Ward, Ark.

RELIEF FROM ARTHRITIS

Thanks for the blest kerchiefs. By wearing them on both shoulders you would be surprised to know the wonderful change and relief from my arthritis. -E. D., London, England.

RECEIVES SUPPORT

Four months ago I wrote requesting prayer for aid to support my baby daughter. I praise God for answering. Yesterday I received my first check. — Mrs. I. G., Gary, Indiana

ARTHRITIS GONE

I used the blest cloth on my husband who was suffering with a severe pain in his leg; they said it was arthritis. Everyone was surprised at his quick recovery. Your tracts inspired us to apply our faith and we got amazing results, for he is now as strong as before. -L. J., Tobago, W. I.

SONS HOLD JOB

I wrote for prayer for my son and grandson to hold their jobs. They haven't lost a day. —Mrs. D. C., Hillsboro, Illinois

HEALED OF ASTHMA

I suffered with nervous headaches and had asthma so bad that I could hardly breathe, but I got your address from a friend and wrote to you to pray for me and I can say thank the Lord, for I really have been healed through the power of God. -Mr. B. A., Belle Glade, Fla.

SO MUCH BETTER

Sometime ago I wrote for prayer for my healing, and I am so much betterhardly have any arthritis and my stiff leg hardly bothers me at all. -F. S., Patriot, Ohio.

DELIVERED FROM DRINK

I was over-powered by strong drink, and I asked you sincerely to try and help me in this matter. I received your the moment I started to read the magazine and the tracts I experienced a great change. I accepted Jesus Christ into my life from that moment and I have stopped the drinking and smoking. -Mr. S. A., Claremont, Jamaica, W. I.

ASTHMA HEALED

The Lord healed me of asthma. I wrote in to ask prayer for a man with a mental condition, and as I used the tracts and kerchiefs I thought "I should pin one on myself." In all my ministry I have never experienced such a powerful touch of the Holy Spirit on my body. Praise God, I am healed.-Rev. D. L., N. B., Mass.

PAIN IN BACK GONE

We applied the kerchief on a man who was afflicted with a terrible pain in his back, possibly the kidneys, and he is healed now. Thanks to the Lord and your prayers.-Sra. L. S. A., Costa Rica.

HEALING POWER

The anointed kerchiefs you have sent us have accomplished that for which you people intended. Those that have made use of them have been touched with the healing power of Jesus. The Lord is good, Bless His Name!-Sr. O.C., Argentina, S.A.

SAVED

Greetings in His Name. Two couples have been gloriously saved by your tracts which I gave out among the high society here in Mexico City. Those people that were saved have testified about your literature and how God met them regarding their souls. Praise the Lord!—Sra. R. E., Mexico City.

HERNIA GONE

I wrote to you of a case of a rupture on a child. As we were waiting for the kerchief the child began to improve, and as I applied the kerchief in a few days he was completely healed. Praise God for His mercies. It is a great testimony to many unbelievers here.—Sra. J. I. de S., Argentina, S. A.

STOMACH PAINS GONE

I cannot cease praising the good Lord for people like you. I was healed some time ago when I had terrible pains in my stomach and you sent me an anointed cloth that I still wear, praise God for ever more.-Sra. J. I. de S., Buenos Aires.

BODY AND SOUL

Before I got your letter my expectant wife was healed, not only in body, but also her sin sick soul.—A. C., Jamaica, W. I.

HEALED OF ASTHMA

Thanks be to the Lord Jesus Christ for what He has done for me through the medium of your prayers, and the healing kerchief you sent me. I had been suffering from asthma from around the age of 17 up to 1960. I am now 47 years old. I asked you to pray for me and I pinned the kerchief on my chest and asked God to heal me. At that time I was down in bed. I am now able to go about my business. Thanks be to God.-L. E. T., Jamaica, W. I.

NO MORE COMPLAINING

I thank God for His wonderful works and for the prayers that you offered for me. He has healed my daughter of so much complaining of pains in her head and joints.-Mrs. V. C., Jamaica, W. I.

OUT OF THE T.B. HOSPITAL

I was one who was sick in the T. B. Hospital for one year and six months, I wrote to you to pray for me. Thank God Jesus healed me and I am out of the hospital.-L. W., Jamacia, W. I.

HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE GONE

I received the blest kerchief, and glory to God, from the time I put it on my head I am healed. I went to the doctor and he said no more blood pressure .-A. B., Jamacia, W. I.

X-RAYS PROVE HEALING

I wrote you a few weeks ago asking you to pray for me. I had spots on my lungs and was to enter the hospital When I did, they made X-ray pictures of me, and could not find anything wrong.-Mrs. E. T., Long Beach, Calif.

WELL AND HAPPY

I wrote you a few days ago about a problem in my job. God undertook and answered your prayer. He solved the problem in such a wonderful way. I also wrote you that I was married and was on the verge of a nervous breakdown. The Lord healed me in three days after I mailed you the letter, I am very happy.-Mrs. Ines W., Colombus, Ga.

HEALED AND SAVED

I had a lame foot for over twelve years. When your kerchief came I put it on, and thank God it healed up. And I thank God I have Him as my personal Savior. I had wasted my time in sin; I should have gone to Him long before now. — E. G., Jamacia, W. I.

WILLINGNESS

Thank you for your article on willingness. I belong to a society in the church in which I served for two terms as an officer and really did not make up my mind to continue serving any longer, but after reading a paragraph about making excuses I changed my mind and was elected healed. again for the same position.-Mrs. L. F., Havana, Cuba.

NOW WORKING

I must send my gratitude for your prayers concerning my stepson in England. Thank God he is now working after many months of waiting .- Mrs. E. I. S., Pike, P. A.

TOGETHER AGAIN

I must report victory in the precious name of Jesus. Through your prayers my husband and I are now living together .-Mrs. T. G., Kingston, Jamaica.

NOTHING IMPOSSIBLE

I sent a paper and healing cloth to a Mrs. A. B. in St. Petersburg, who was very, very ill; every one just knew she was going to die. After receiving this blessed product she improved so fast until everybody was amazed. She called me long distance and told me if she hadn't got the blessed paper, cloth and tracts, she would have been gone. I give God all the credit. -A. T., Dade City, Fla. time you dear ones prayed for us and

ANSWERED PRAYERS

My prayer request was to pray that I be healed of a pain in my chest and to move back to my old apartment. The Lord answered both. —T. F., New York,

HEALED OF RHEUMATIC FEVER

Several years ago my daughter had rheumatic fever and I sent to you for a E. J. U., Abak Dist., W. A. handkerchief and for your prayers and she was healed and has never had it -Mrs. L. S., Pomeroy, Ohio since.

I moved in November. I am thanking God am feeling just good. -Mr. J. W., King-

OUICK CHILDBIRTH

I asked that you pray that my daughter wonderful? -Mrs. R. R., Galatis, Illinois. -Mrs. B. Y., Barbados, W. I.

I wrote you a few weeks ago and asked you to pray for a friend's husband who blest handkerchief, and as I read your cial troubles, and also the disturbed state was a drunkard. You sent a prayer cloth tract I felt better. When I got the let- of my mind on behalf of my family. and we passed it on to her. She pinned ter it seemed like my pain eased, and I Thanks be to God, things in the home it to his pillow and the very next week felt good all the balance of the day; went are much improved and soon after I he repented of his sins, quit his drinking and also his cigarettes, and is seeking for the Holy Ghost. He is the hungriest man I ever saw for God. -Mrs. C. K., Cabot, Ark.

FAMILY BLESSED

Prior to migrating to Canada from Jamaica, our son used to be very delicate and sickly; at one instance we thought he was going to die. Then someone told us about you and we wrote you and after receiving your scripture passages and your blest handkerchiefs, there has been a remarkable change in our entire lives, also our son has been very much stronger and happier ever since. -J. O., Montreal,

HEALED OF ASTHMA

I wanted to send in my testimony for healing of acute asthma, Praise God. As I received the packet, I knew God was in all this, and I also knew that my healing was at hand. As I proceeded to do as I was instructed, I felt that some one was audibly praying for me, and then came invisible something passed my bed and in the morning I was healed, no spasms, no pains, Oh Praise the Lord

MIND RESTORED

I had sent a letter to you with a very difficult case of a man in an insane asylum; hopelessly demon-posseseed. The yellow packet with the anointed cloth & the tracts arrived. The kerchief was pinned on him and now he is home healed, clothed, clean, and in his right mind. Praise the Lord for ever. -L. L. de W., Argentina

RECOVERY

Some time ago I wrote in for an handkerchief and instructions etc. I was so discouraged with a terrible sickness and it seemed like everything was wrong. But praise God, as I did everything that was indicated I literally felt a powerful hand touch me and my body was instantly healed. Now I cannot thank the Lord enough and you dear people that stood praying for me. -Miss N. L. Habana,

BOY HEALED

Because of the answer to your prayers and the miraculous healing of my 9 year old boy that was afflicted with Rheumatic limbs and asthma, this whole community is spell bound. The boy was also afflicted with kidney and liver trouble. As we pinned the kerchief and follow the instructions minutely, The Lord raised him up and he is completely healed.—Sr. P. C. Colombia, S. A.

BOWEL ULCER GONE

About three weeks ago I telephoned to a prayer warrior you had standing by. to help those who desperately need prayer. I sincerely thanked the Lord for her help that morning. My husband had a bleeding ulcer in the lower bowel and was a very sick man. We were to wait about four weeks and they would examine him again and if he wasn't better it could result in an operation. This dear sister sent me a couple of prayer cloths I asked for and I pinned them to his clothing. When he was examined last week they couldn't find any ulcer. He doesn't have to report back or even go on a diet. The doctor said, "You are healed." -Mrs. R. R., Sierra Madre, Calif.

CROPS ARE UP

to pray that it would stop raining so we could make a crop. At that time it was Mrs. T. H., Kingston, Jamaica raining and storming 'most every day: the picture looked so dark for us. At that God has answered our prayers, for our crops are up and so pretty. -Mrs. H. P., Steele, Mo.

SALVATION

I received from one of my friends a Herald of Hope. Immediately upon finishing the reading, having heard the wonderful work of Christ, salvation came into my heart and I repented from sin. -

TUMOR GONE

I thank you for praying to God for me and sending the blest handkerchief. I am healed, Praise the Lord. The heavy load I have got a little home of my own, so in my stomach is gone; I can sit down straight I can bring my right foot up and for your prayers have been heard, and I cut the nails. The doctor said the tumor was in the pelvis. It was so big he didn't know what to say. He told me, "Go back home and tell your husband you can't have a child with that tumor." I went back to the doctor for a checkup. He was have easy and quick childbirth. She went amazed, shook his head, doubled his fist in the hospital at 4 o'clock yesterday and and said, "Well, Mrs. Y., I don't think the baby was born at 5 o'clock. Isn't God I have to send you for that operation."

BLESSED

I received your letter yesterday and the to bed and slept good all night long. I heard from you I got a good job. -M. V. got up this morning to write you just to P., Jamaica, W. I. let you know what a blessing your letter was to me. -E. R., Eagle Spring, N. C.

SALARY ADJUSTED

Thank God for answered prayer. My salary has been adjusted. -V. L., Tobago,

EVERYTHING CHANGED

Sometime ago I asked for prayer for my Mother who had a case in court, my brother who was "impossible", and myself who was facing difficulties in life. Thanks be to God, everything has changed and we are doing fine. -W. F., Bayside, New York

SOULS BLESSED & SAVED

Very glad to let you know many souls blessed Herald of Hope papers and also thru your blest handkerchief ministry. -C. K. H., Wonosobo.

FAITH INCREASED

Through your literature I have gained ains, Oh Praise the Lord much inspiration and invaluable help—Sr. D. Q. Trujillo, Peru. from God.—E. J., Tobago, W. I.

THE HERALDO AN INSPIRATION

I have read an old issue of the Heraldo de Esperanza and was overioved. cause I had not seen one for so long. My grandmother used to get it and I never knew from where. I am glad to have your address. I was raised an Evangelical, but as the time went, I disobeyed and married a fanatic Roman Catholic. I have four children and as I wanted my children in the Evangelical faith, my husband abandoned us. But praise the Lord, He has provided. - Sra. V. N. Z., Texmalucan, Mexico.

GOD IS WORKING

Thank God for the ministry of the Herald of Hope, in Jesus' name. I can say I was dead for four years. I am the age of 59. I was so sick with every complaint in the world; they had to feed me and do everything to me as a baby; all my doctors and friends and family, even my Pastor, gave me over to die. I can say Glory to the Living God, faith never gave me over. God sent a man of faith and his wife to pray in Jesus' name and administered a prayer cloth on my body. Thank God for all you men of faith. I can feed myself now. -B. B., Jamaica,

RECEIVES JESUS

After receiving your letter and articles, great conviction was wrought on me and now I have accepted the Lord Jesus as my personal Saviour. —R. G., Jamaica, B. W. I.

BLESSED WITH RAIN

About a week ago I asked God with all your help to get a nice rain, as it was so needed. God answered fast-we were blessed with a good rain. -A. P., Moul-

SUCCESSFUL IN EXAM

I wrote to you sometime ago asking you to pray for me. Thank God, I am successful in my examination. Tongue cannot express my joy. —J. S., Ghana,

INDIGESTION GONE

Since you are praying for me, my I wrote you some time ago to help me I wrote you short time ago asking you health is greatly improved; the gas and to pray to find a job so that I can supindigestion in my stomach are gone. -

RECOVERS FROM MEASLES

My little four year old girl had been seriously ill with measles and running a high fever. It kept us busy sponging her, trying to keep her temperature down. I had my sister call you and you prayed over the telephone. That very night she started to improve and today she is well. -Greenville, Tenn.

READS WITHOUT GLASSES

I want to thank you for your wonderful paper. Please keep it coming. I wrote you about two years ago in regard to my eyes; want to say God wonderfully touched and healed them. I read now without glasses. —Mr. R. P. B., Hamilton,

SPIRITUAL AND PHYSICAL HEALTH

I must praise the Lord greatly for the many blessings I have received. All my mountains in life seem to be turning level as days flee by. O, praise the Lord. My spiritual and physical health have been restored and I am feeling very happy and strong now, and I can eat all healed, praise God. More than that, I kinds of food at any time without trou- was baptized on Sunday, 30th of April, ble. My sleep at night is sound. -B. W., Jamaica, W. I.

HOME CONDITIONS IMPROVED

I wrote asking for prayer for my finan-

AILMENTS LIFTED

Sometime ago I wrote for prayer for my husband who had been sick and in and out of the hospital for nearly six years. God did answer your prayer on his behalf. Since then he has had no need to go to the hospital; his sugar is gone and other ailments lifted. Praise the Lord, -Seaview Cottage, Jamaica, W. I.

SUCCESSFUL IN EXAM

I am pleased to announce that my first son, has been successful in his H. C. exam through your prayers. -Mrs. C. T., Marabella, Jamaica.

UP AND DOING

I wrote you sometime ago to pray for have been blessed and saved thru the me. I was in the bed-they had to help me in the bed and help me out-but thank the Lord, I am doing my work now and driving the car, and go anywhere I want to, thank the Lord. Also I asked prayer for my brother to be saved, and he gave his heart to the Lord.

SON GETS JOB

I wrote you a few weeks ago about my two boys who are in Florida. Thank the Lord, one got a job and sent me \$5 for the first time. -A. E. W., Ambrose, Ga.

PAIN GONE

I had written to you while I was suffering with a pain in my side. You sent me one of your blest handkerchiefs and after placing it on my chest for a few days I found that all my troubles were over. -Mrs. L. A., London, England.

JESUS HEALED

I am writing to tell you my dear son for whom I asked you to pray is much better. -Mrs. E. J., Canada

GOD IS GOOD

I do see the good that has come from your prayers. My daughter who married in U. S. A. is very happy, and my husband who suffered with his chest is a lot better. -Mrs. F. S., Kent, England.

KIDNEYS HEALED

The doctor said I had bad, bad kidneys. I used to have severe back pains, sick feelings, getting up nights and general depression over my body. I can now report victory in Jesus' name. All the symptoms of my illness have left me I am healed. -M. B., Coventry, England

UP AND DOING

Thank you so much for praying for me. I am up and doing my work again. -J. M., Detroit, Mich.

NERVES HEALED

I want to thank God for my son's healing. I put one of your prayer cloths on him and he is healed of his nerves and kidney trouble. -Mrs. A. G., Hamilton, Ohio.

HEART MUCH IMPROVED

I received the blessed cloth for any heart. I placed it over my heart and, thank God, I could feel the precious healing power all over my body. I'm much improved and can again do my daily routine work and walk without having to rest. -G. E., Hunter, Mo.

FINDS JOB

port my mother. Thank you, our prayers have been granted. -Mrs. T. R., Bayambang, Pangasinan.

SOUL WINNING

Brother, Jesus is now doing wonderful things through the papers. I distributed 20 papers in a town and it won 10 souls to Jesus. —Evang. J. K., Ghana, W. A.

SAFE DELIVERY

Praise and thanks to God and you all. I had a safe delivery and a baby boy. _B. F., Point Fortin.

QUITS DRINKING

I wrote to you about my son; when he was drinking, and you sent a blest cloth and we put it in his bed and the Lord delivered him and he does not even take a social drink and has not for several years. —Mrs. J. D., Eldred, Pa.

HEALED AND SAVED

I am writing from a heart full of joy. I received a book of healing a friend in Ireland lent to me and it has done me good. I had bronchitis and I stopped taking medicine, and believed, and am so I am become a new creature in Christ. -F. B., Leeds, Engl.

When God Visited the Mennonites

The same God who manifested Himself supernaturally to Moses and the Children of Israel in the Old Testament and through Jesus Christ to those of His day in the New Testament, moved through the Holy Spirit among the Mennonites in these times. The Book of the Acts of the Apostles records no greater supernatural manifestation of God than this record of His visitation to the Mennonites, first in the School, next in the Church, and then in the Home.

By GERALD DERSTINE

The day after Christmas in Northern Minnesota in 1954, 73 pupils were enrolled to participate in a week of Bible training in a church known as Loman Mennonite Church. There were eight ministers called as instructors in this one week Bible school. I was the moderator of this school and taught the subject, "The Second Coming of Christ.'

This was the third year a school of this type was conducted at this same place. The first year there were four young people saved on the last day of the school week. The following year ther were seven young people brought to Christ on the final day of the school week. This year we noticed that athe enrolled pupils we had fourmong teen unsaved pupils. Amongst these were unsaved were several Inthat dians of the Chippewa Indian Reservation. This brought great concern to us as faculty, and one of the teachers suggested to me that an effort be made to these young unsaved pupils to come to Christ in the first part of the school week. This would make it possible for the pupils to enjoy the remainder of the Bible school as Christians. The suggestion of fasting and prayer was accepted by the one minister and approved and accepted by another minister and myself. We were willing to give up eating food until we would see these fourteen young people find Jesus Christ as their Saviour.

The school began according to schedule on Monday morning and Monday was an ordinary school day. On Tues-day, being the second day of the classthis was the first rewarding day of our effort in fasting and prayer to the unsaved become Christians. One young student gave his heart to Jesus Christ after the final class on the subject, "Prayer", led by one of the ministers of the school. This boy found Jesus Christ as His Saviour and was very happy with the joy and peace he had in his heart.

Classes were started on Wednesday in the morning as usual and by noontime there was an unusual moving of the Spirit of God, with conviction upon the young people, and at the close of the period on Wednesday at noontime, there were thirteen other young people who had given their hearts to Jesus Christ, thereby making fourteen young people having been saved. We were all very happy to see our prayers answered this quickly.

the morning and I suggested to others be well if we could conduct a street afternoon period. This period was ordinarily given over to recreation and free a social manner. However, the other ones. However, as I judged it and dissuggestion, and we asked for a show of proper, we allowed him to remain and but he began to smile with a heavenly testify to us that they would not know hands as to how many would enjoy going pray. Then a second individual came glow on his face, and one could tell what they said, did not know they were to International Falls to participate in forward, crying and praying in the same that he was seeing something and enjoy- saying anything to us, the young people in school raised their Indian descent. This boy was weeping not see. Just then his lips began to move of Jesus Christ, or a vision of the glory in this street meeting. Necessary arrangements were made to carry the young ble was. He also wanted his mother to and spoke, as it were, in an ecstatic man- in the faces of the students as they Store street corner. Permission was Lord. granted by the Chief of Police of International Falls for the use of the sidewalk and also permission was granted by the J. C. Penney Department Store management for the use of the front of their show window to stand the young people as they sang gospel songs. We were thrilled when the manager of the J. C. Penney Store invited us to come inside. up onto the balcony to have a meeting for those that were inside the store.

We recruited four of the oldest of the students to go into all of the beer joints and pass out gospel tracts at every opportunity in these places. Also there were six of the oldest girls appointed to go into the department stores and pass out gospel tracts and four others passing out tracts to everyone they met. This system proved very effective. The remainder of us went into the J. C. Penney Store up onto the balcony where front end of the church, to my right, and grateful because this was the first nomena took place again on Friday the manager said we could stand and went off of her chair onto the floor, intelligible and scriptural thing which was which disrupted all of our classes for

as, "Power in the Blood", Jesus". audience in the store. Office workers gave their testimony with great sincerity and enthusiasm in their hearts. The young people that had just found Jesus as their Saviour the day before, or two days prior, gave testimonies with great sincerity from the depth of their heart.

From here we went on home to the school headquarters at Loman. That evening, when it was time for the class period, I felt it was proper to give the young people a chance to give expression as to the joy they experienced in their street meeting witnessing during the afternoon. I asked for a show of hands as to how many would desire to give a testimony in this service, but since we only had ten minutes of time to do this, we would be limited to only a few testimonies. To my amazement, all the young people that were on the street meeting had a desire to give a testimony.

As the moderator, I knew this would take too much time. Therefore, I had to think of something to cause them not to all give testimony in order that might have our classes according we to schedule. I asked the second time those that were very sincere and for felt very desperately that it was of the Lord that they should stand to their feet and wait their turn to give their testimony they would speak. They all stood to feet! I did not know what to do, their as I did not want to slight them or be respector of persons and allow some to testify and others not.

As a third thought struck my mind, I suggested that those that were very sincere and earnestly feeling that what they had to say would be a great beneone by one to come up behind the rostrum on the platform where I was standing and face the whole congregation and give their testimony from this particular place. The remainder of the students were to be seated.

None of the students sat down. All remained standing as they all desired testimony to the whole congregation. I did not know what to do, as we were gues. limited in time, and to listen to 50 or more testimonies would take too much time. One of the teachers suggested that he give up the time for his class and allow the young people to testify This being on a Thursday evening, we allowed the young people to begin to testify at our regular normal time of starting classes. This was the begining of the unusual phenomena of supernatural effect which took place. Testimonies were very interesting and proved to be a blessing to all the young people. Then the strange happenings began to take place.

One of the young boys who had given his heart to Christ two days pre-Thursday we had classes as usual in knelt down. I came by his side and asked him what his trouble was. of the faculty members that it would said he wanted his mother and father He to know Jesus Christ as their Saviour meeting at International Falls in the the same as he had found Christ as his Saviour. This was quite unusual and strange to take place in our church. period for the students to enjoy them- for a young person to be weeping out selves in whatever they would desire in loud, praying for some of his loved ministers agreed, thinking it was a good cerned that this would be all right and my amazement all fashion, this being an older boy of ing something of reality which we did having a vision of Heaven, or a vision hands showing a desire to participate out loud, and knelt down in the front. I came to his side, asking what his troupeople to the J. C. Penney Department find Jesus Christ as he had found the

By this time, strange feelings were beginning to be felt within us as faculty members and leaders for we noticed others of the young people were beginning to receive an unusual outpouring and conviction. The next strange thing that took place was that these two that were in the front were beginning to shake and tremble in a violent manner. This was very unusual, but what was to follow was even more unusual. These boys crumpled to the floor, lying on the floor, shaking violently and acting very peculiar and strange. Immediately our minds told us that the Devil had entered into these individuals.

Just then, someone half-way back in to go up and down the streets off of their chair onto the floor, causing shaking very strangely and acting very unusual. Then a girl sitting at the those verses. It made me feel very happy ice. And we had all the young people, shake. She just lay very still, with her seriously and made all of us think very

boys and girls, to sing gospel songs such eyes closed. Two of her girl friends seriously since what had taken place was ower in the Blood", "Victory in looked at her, and when I came over scriptural. and other spiritual songs. Also to investigate, the two girls asked me several of the young people volunteered whether this girl might be dead. I looked to give their testimony to those in the at the girl who was lying prostrate on the floor and told the girls I was certain came out to listen as the young people that she would be all right. However, in my mind, I was not too certain as to why she was in this condition.

The atomsphere of the Bible school at this moment was charged to such a degree that fear began to enter into our heart. We began to pray for these that were lying on the floor, calling on God to the best of our ability and laying hands on the individuals. We pleaded the blood and sang, "Power in the Blood." We did everything we knew how, asking God to set them free.

It looked as though the Devil was controlling their bodies, as they would shake on the floor and go through strange demonstrations. There were still others that fell off their chairs onto the floor. There were as many as eight, lying on the floor, shaking and acting very strange, while the others were praying and calling on God to help us in this time of great need.

My mind recalled the times when we would pray and ask God to pour out His Spirit upon us. I would pray. asking God to let happen what happened on the day of Pentecost if it was His will that the world today might see the mighty hand and supernatural workings of His Holy Spirit. As I thought of my former prayers I wondered, "Could this be something of that nature?" Howand remain standing until ever, I couldn't understand why the strangeness and why the fear which seemed to strike us was hovering in our lives.

Just then I noticed that they began to quake with their mouth, and their jaws would go up and down and they would utter strange sounds. It was, as it were, stammering lips, and the question came to our mind. "Was this what fit to the whole congregation, I asked the Bible called speaking with other them to remain standing and take turns tongues?" This, to us, was an unusual phenomenon, for we never had experienced these things in our services before. We have never taught these things and do not sanction the gifts of the Spirit, such as the supernatural, to be for our day. But we were seeing this taking place at this moment and the best we could think of was that this must be what and were willing to give an earnest the Bible teaches in First Corinthians 12 and 14, the speaking with other ton-

The principal and founder of the school picked up one of the young girls while she was in the state of trembling and speaking with tongues and took her back into the cloakroom. He knew that to speak with other tongues with no one interpreting was out of order for a church service. For everyone that he took back, one or two others fell down in their place, so he gave up trying to keep the meeting in order.

It seemed that every time we tried to bring things under control in some manner, instead of it getting under control, it seemed as though others went down under the power of the Spirit.

These were very strange moments, and vious came to the front weeping and I went out through the side door to get a breath of fresh air and asked God, silently, to please help us in this hour of desperation. But, rather, it grew worse and worse. It was a bedlam in the service, as the students were crying and praying, calling on God to deliver those that were lying on the floor in seemingly a dire condition. This went on for approximately two hours or more before one boy seemed to come to a place where he was in a peaceful attitude. He was still in a trance, and his voice was heard as he spoke world. We could not help but believe it in audible words which were intelligible as we saw the sincerity and earnestness ner, one word at a time, saying: "Turn would testify to what they had seen and in your Bibles to Acts 2:17 and 18 and you shall understand."

We did not know what these verses but very eagerly immediately were. turned to these verses in the Bible pass in the last days, saith God I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall At a quarter of six I was able to leave see visions, and your old men shall the building and go to bed and sleep dream dreams, and on my servants and until eight o' clock that same morning. on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy." This was altogether a new text for us as we have never preached from these verses in our sermon material, being that this has been a scripthe congregation to my right crumpled ture which has been already fulfilled in the early church New Testament my mind I believed that this was not disturbance, and they also were days. We quickly told everyone else that was available to turn in their Bibles to

Just then the others, all in order, began to come out of the violent condition and began to speak in intelligible words and quote certain scripture passages and speak things of future effect. saying that the time was short, Jesus was coming back quickly. We should put our whole heart and soul into the work of the Lord. We should study the scriptures earnestly and pray earn-- pray without ceasing. estly Many words of exhortation came from the lips of these young people who were lying on the floor in a trance. I had never seen anything of this nature before and no one else in the school, including the faculty members, had ever seen things of this effect take place before. It seemed like everything was under control of the same Spirit that caused it to happen in the beginning.

This service went on into the late hours of the night and into the early hours of the morning. There were those of the students lying on the floor in a trance, for as long as three hours, singing, and quoting scripture passages, while some were singing songs with words that were poetical and would rhyme, praising God and praising Jesus Christ. There were others that saw visions of Jesus Christ. Some saw visions of Heaven; others heard the angelic host singing continually. There was a great time of rejoicing. My own heart welled up with great joy at times as we would hear what was coming forth from the lips of these young people which let us know very definitely that this was being ordered directly from God. It caused others to confess their sins and to weep with conviction. It caused us to search our hearts, asking God to forgive us of our wrong attitudes and other things which might not have been right in the sight of God. Many were weeping and confessing and others were making restitutions one with another. This was true revival as we would read about in the Bible. There were as many as eight to ten lying on the floor giving forth different songs which were beautiful and there were different groups of young people assembled around each one, listening to what was coming from their lips while in a trance on the floor.

This was altogether something and strange, but we could not deny the fact that it was happening that it was real and that it caused our hearts to fear and to tremble as we were hearing true things concerning the facts of the last days of our world. It was hard for me to reconcile the fact that God was possibly answering our prayers. We had prayed earnestly for many, many months, praying for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. I recalled the time when we asked our congregation which I was pastoring in Mennonite Church at Strawberry the Lake, Minnesota, to set aside every Wednesday and Friday to pray and fast over breakfast and lunch time, praying for revival, for the moving of God's Holy Spirit in our generation.

We prayed in this manner for nearly year, but seemingly no outstanding visible results took place until this particular time. My heart was thrilled and at the same time was filled with great trembling and fear wondering was going to happen next and what also wondering if the young people would become normal again, or if they would be this way all their lifetime.

At different times they would come out of this condition and would tell us what they had seen. They would heard. It caused great conviction to come upon our hearts. There were others that were fearful to such an extent that they angrily went out of the school believing that this was an emotional uprising which which read, "And it shall come to stemmed from the works of the flesh and of the Devil.

This particular Thursday night service lasted until 5:30 in the morning. the building and go to bed and sleep At eight o' clock, we came back to the school building to prepare for our Friday morning classes. To my amazement, I entered into the building and noticed there were two young people on the floor again as it happened the night previous. In my heart and in going to happen on Friday. I figured that it would all be over after they would get rest. But the strange phesing and do as we pleased in this serv- prostrate. However, this girl did not taking place. It made me think very Friday. All day there were individuals (Continued on Page Seven)

When God Visited . . .

(Continued from Page Six)

that would prophesy as they lay on the floor, going through strange visions experiences which convinced us that we were living in a strange and an unusual time, a time which was great searching of the scriptures!

From the School, this visitation of God to the Mennonites moved into a Church two hundred miles away, and then into a Home.

Since God was moving so greatly among the young people, it was impossible to have classes, so some of the teachers took the young people home. There were students from several different Mennonite churches in Northern Minnesota, Wisconsin, and North Dakota. I gathered my students together and started home with them in my car.

On the way home, two of the students at different occasions went into spiritual trances nad began to prophesy and speak about things that were to happen in our community where my church was at Strawberry Lake, Minnesota. This was very strange and unusual the way these things took place even in our automobile. However, we took them to their respective

The following evening, we had a meeting in my church and were going to have a prayer meeting in which I was going to allow our young people to tell the people of my community what took place in the Bible school that week. My church was located 200 miles South of the place where the Bible school is located. Therefore none of the people of our community and of my congregation would know what took place in the Bible school and we were going to allow testimony that night for those young people to tell our people at the church about the Bible school re-

To my amazement, when we were about to begin the service in my own congregation on this prayer meeting night, I heard a peculiar thud and bump onto the floor and there was one of the young people again on the floor as it took place during the week at the Bible school. I did not expect this to happen in our church since the young people had been to bed and with their own families and out of the atmosphere of the 'Bible school. I thought we would have a meeting as spirit in my own congregation.

we had to take care of this one individshake and act strange and then began stances in the Book of Acts in Bible days. to speak and prophesy things which were to take place in the community as well as in world affairs.

As the people began to see what was taking place, great conviction fell upon congregation. Individuals' would be called out and they would be told things about their life and also sins which they harbored of which they were admonished to ask God to forgive them and confess their sins. Great fear fell upon our congregation at this time, and almost a complete duplication took place in my congregation as what had taken place at the Bible school.

Many of the people fell under conviction, weeping and confessing took place, individuals had visions and unusual dreams, and a spiritual revival and shaking was taking place in the community. As far as I was concerned, it was a definite answer to our previous prayers.

I didn't understand why it should continue in this manner, but the following Sunday morning, our Sunday morning service went through as ordinary until after the morning service, when young people desired to pray instead of going experiences, with prophecies and the gifts of the Spirit. We did not know how to stop it without offending and causing the young people to lose the experience which they had received and their devotion and love to God. So we allowed them to pray. It was on Sunday evening, which was the beginning of the most unusual things which took place out of all these things which had transpired

pleaded with him to take him home. He been willing for these things to continue. said, "No, I am to come to your home and pray. There are three people there. Your was not expecting anybody to be there, but I obeyed what he said as he said it in a strange, spiritual manner.

We drove home, approximately four miles, arriving about 2:30 in the morn-

the lights were lit, and when we entered, there were three young men, exactly as the Spirit spoke through the lips of this boy.

No sooner did we enter the house until the boy fell to the kitchen floor, where that three young men had had on their way to my house. This was very amazing to the three young men as well as to myself. These three young men were from another state and I had met them before but had not been expecting them.

This was the beginning of some of the most unusual and strange manifestations, which lasted for seven days and nights in our home. There were approximately ten to fifteen people led into our home from various parts of the community as well as other parts of the country which were of the Mennonite faith. They were led to come and have fellowship with us at this time. I did not make any special invitations for these people to come to my house, but when they came they would stay until the Spirit of the Lord told them to leave. Many of them came not expecting to stay longer than just a short period. But when they came into the house and discovered the strange things that were taking place by means of supernatural effect, they would become a part of what was taking place.

Had it not been for the fact that everything that was being said was coming to pass, fearfully true, I would have questioned all these things. During these seven days and nights in our home, many unusual prophecies and demonstrations took place. Two brethren were given an unusual spiritual gift from God which caused them to be able to see the spiritual world. They would see Satan and the demoniac forces and also see Jesus and the angelic forces. Constantly, during this period of seven days and seven nights in our house. Satan was seen as the archenemy and the cause of everything which caused confusion, but the Lord was also seen telling us exactly what to do and how to do it!

These two brethren were able to see things in the spiritual which were happening in the natural, miles away. There were times when there were people on their way to our house and these brethren were able to see them coming as though it were television. They saw them when they were yet miles away and inusual, but instead there came a revival formed us that these individuals were coming and that we should be prepared. I could not continue the service, since Then the Spirit of God would tell us how to be prepared. This was stranger ual that fell onto the floor. Just then a than anything I had ever experienced second individual fell down and began to or even read of except for simialr in-

> When I went to another mission church, 65 miles away from my home, the living room of my house was seeing all my actions and informing those names in my house where I was and what I was doing. The stops I made and the has thus far gone only as far as one and individuals I spoke to were recorded. I didn't know this was taking place until I came home and began to tell them about my experiences on this trip, and to my amazement they already knew all about it. It was too perfect to question!

There were periods of time when individuals came with a wrong attitude strange manifestations and warfares, between the Satanical forces and the Spirit strength or in his own might. of God. At these times, it was very fearful until a definite victory was experi-

Things in the home during these seven they also went into visions and unusual and recalled without any doubts in our to look up, if we would have any quesminds. If we were to relate any previous tion. experience, we were admonished to only say it if we were sure we could say it us, and there were times when we knew exactly as it took place.

> There were many strange experiences which we had, and at times Satan made personal appearances into the house, one of the brethren would have a conversation with Satan, and things would happen exactly as said.

If somebody were to tell me about Lord! Sunday night I was told by one of it, it would be hard for me to believe, the young people as he was in the Spirit but since it took place in my own home that when I would go home, there would and since I saw every move as it took be three people in my house, and the place from the beginning all the way lights of my house would be lit. He said, through, I know that it occurred. Had "I must not go home but must come to your house and pray, and pray all night." I not judged these things very seriously your house and pray, and pray all night." I thought this was quite strange and I previous knowledge, I would never have

God allowed us to go through strange experiences which caused us to have a lights are lit in your house." I didn't different opinion concerning some dogknow why my lights should be lit as I matic and traditional ideas that we had upheld through past training and teaching. God caused us to realize that what met him at the door, and I told him that we know is only in part, that we have many more things yet to learn and that that everything was under Divine conwe need to learn to love all people and trol and that all would be well. He said all brethren regardless of affiliation or many rumors were going around that

keep our mind and heart centered on the Word of God!

There were times, after a strange experience, that the Lord would allow us to rejoice and He would put a spirit of rejoicing upon us which caused a he began to speak and describe the trip lightness to come upon our hearts which would bring great joy and we would praise the Lord in a manner we had never experienced before. There were times when the Spirit of the Lord came in such a spirit of rejoicing that the Holy Spirit allowed us to literally dance, a strange experience which we had never believed before, this being far from our thinking! Many men and women from very conservative backgrounds, during this time in our home, experienced this glorious rejoicing spirit as the Spirit of God fell upon us and caused us to dance in the Spirit, as others sang gospel songs of victory.

There were tremendous times of rejoicing which caused me to tell individuals that if Heaven is going to be anything like this, it is certainly worth all the trials and sufferings that any man would ever have to encounter. There were other times, however, when we would experience battles with Satan and with demonic forces that caused fear to come house, causing confusion. upon us which forced me to make the statement that if I would have known this was going to take place, I would have driven 5,000 miles away from this house, because of such fearful effect!

The reason the enemy received a foothold on this revival and caused confusion was because there were individuals that did not obey the instructions of the Holy Spirit. When they left the house, they began to tell others, and those people caused them to question the events, and to turn their back on the things of the Lord. This happened in the very beginning of the unusual seven days and nights during the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

One of the brethren, while in my kitchen, went into a peculiar super-natural condition. His body became very rigid, and very erect, standing as a marble statue, with his right hand straight up toward Heaven and his left pointing straight out. As he was in this condition, his voice was used to thunder out, in a tremendous manner, these words: sword of the Spirit is the Word of the Lord! There shall be revival taking place like man never witnessed in the history of the world even greater than what took place on the Day of Pentecost! There shall be no man receiving any glory in this revival, neither any organization, but the Lord Thy God!" When these words were spoken, they were spoken with terrific accent and forceful manner. words further went on saying: "If it were the Lord's will, He could have used a mule or an animal to time I was there someone in bring this revival, but since He made man in His own image, He shall use man to bring this revival upon the earth!" He spoke further saying: "This revival one-half drops in a ten quart pail in comparison as to what shall take place!" As he was speaking these words, his body trembled and vibrated up and down off the floor, approximately six inches or more, which caused our whole house to shake and tremble, causing all of us to be very frightened as we looked on in awe, wondering what this all meant. We brother did not do this in his own

It was supernatural and very fearful. enced and then peace and calm prevailed. with great reverence, and during this week the Bible was open continually, days and nights had to be absolutely with all the individuals that were in our sure were going to be perfectly quoted Spirit would tell us exactly what scripture

> We were certain that God was with Holy Spirit. that something unusual was going to get us prepared for something. The Lord be victory as long as we would be faithful and would not fear but trust and have confidence with great courage unto the

The strange happenings in our home became alarmed. They insisted that the sheriff investigate. He replied that he direct our lives into all fullness! could not intervene unless there was bloodshed. The people insisted so much, however, that a deputy sheriff decided to look into the matter. Before he arrived. the Holy Spirit told me he was coming and directed that I was to meet him at the door and that I would be given the words that I was to speak to him.

Everything occurred exactly as the Spirit had revealed to us. He came, I very unusual things were happening but As we came near my house, I saw appearance. The Spirit admonished us to furniture was being smashed, people were

Just Get Behind and Pray

What matter if you cannot go To distant lands and preach? What matter if some how you fail With eloquence to teach? What matter if you cannot sing Or lead in any way? There is a place which you can fill-Just get behind and pray.

The missionaries need your prayers, The pastor needs them too; Without the help of praying saints There's not much they can do. The teachers could not teach the Word, They need help day by day. So hold them up before the Throne, And get behind and pray.

What matter if you cannot give? Let not your heart be sad The beggar gave his heart and life For that was all he had. You too can give your heart to Him To use in His own way And may He help us always To get behind and pray. -Selected

being hurt, and strangers were in our

He left, satisfied that he had nothing to worry about, and rumors ceased.

We went through experiences where we would have to pray for a certain period of time pray with all our heart. The Holy Spirit would tell us to weep and pray unto the Lord for a particular purpose. At the end of this period, because of our faithfulness, the Holy Spirit would cause us to rejoice in a tremendous manner.

This was a supernatural joy and rejoicing. It was not of any ordinary effect. It was from the Lord, and He caused us to do unusual things. were as victims of circumstances. We did not want to be battling the Powers of Darkness through prayer, but we yielded completely to the Lord, took part as He directed us, and great victories were won through our prayer.

In the midst of all the most unusual and supernatural visitations from God. we did not question the fact that it was God because of the peace and joy and glory and perfection being manifested and because Satan was our constant adversary against whom we were battling in prayer.

The Lord showed me that I would be relieved of my pastorate, but that I would have a much greater ministry and that I would go from city to city and minister to multitudes, teaching them things of the Spirit that He would have them to understand. I asked the Lord about my Mennonite people and He said that at that time they would not understand His ways but that later they would understand.

The prophecies and the promises the Lord gave me have come to pass exactly as they were given me, and He is continuing to move greatly at this very hour. Now I can give forth this testimony as transpired facts, substantiating the supernatural events in the School and in the Church and in the Home as truly a visitation of God among the Mennonites!

A great awe comes to my heart as I realize that the Lord is working in my and an unbelieving spirit and there were beheld and listened, knowing that this life and in the lives of multitudes of Christians all over the earth, with supernatural experiences and manifestations. I have worked with and among groups It caused our hearts to look up to God of Episcopalians, Lutherans, Presbyter-Methodists, Baptists, Pentecostals, ians, and Independents, all being moved similarly and tremendously by the will of perfect. There was not allowed to be any home. We would constantly look up God. I have had the privilege of minidle talk. We were admonished to speak scriptures to confirm anything that was istering in many communities of my own only things which we were absolutely of unusual effect. Many times the Holy Mennonite people whom I love very dearly blessings to great numbers of them who were hungering for the realities of the

This is the hour when God is pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh. He happen, as the Lord, by His Spirit, would wants to give his children the desires of their hearts. If they desire nothing would tell us beforehand that there would but to please Him, He will give them all good things. If they are willing to lose their life, they will find their life. Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone; but if it die, it shall bring forth fruit. We must was noised about the community. People be so possessed by and so filled with the Holy Spirit that God will be able to

Please

When writing to the HERALD of HOPE ALWAYS write your name and address clearly on the outside of the envelope.

All Herald of Hope mail should be addressed to:

> Herald of Hope Box 68 Highland Park Station Los Angeles 42, California

What God Is Doing In A Christian Church!

By IVAN CORRELL Minister, Park Road Christian Church, Spokane, Washington

So many things have happened during the past few months, it is hard to know where to start this testimony, for God is blessing Park Road Christian Church in a mighty way!

It had its beginning last year when I was invited to attend a breakfast at the Davenport Hotel in Spokane, Washington, sponsored by the Spokane Chapter of Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International. James Brown, a Presbyterian minister of a church at Parkersburg, Pennsylvania, was the guest speaker. He told of his experience in the filling of the Holy Spirit. His testimony touched me very deeply. Had it come from a Pentecostal preacher, I would have expected it, but coming from a Presbyterian—that was another story!

Then again, during the month of September, Jack Robins, formerly Jacob Rabinowitz, gave his testimony. He had come from seventeen generations of Jewish Rabbis. He had been trained from his childhood to become a Rabbi. He was converted to Christianity in an Assembly of God Church and later was filled by the Holy Spirit. He is now a teacher of one of the largest men's Bible classes in the Methodist Church. His story is extremely interesting. Both of these men had a profound influence upon me and although I didn't know it then, I was headed for a most blessed experience myself!

There had been a feeling of a lack of power in my ministry for a long time. I was never quite satisfied with my delivery. I was a slave to notes. I felt I wasn't getting the message of Christ across. I had always preached a positive Gospel and God had blessed the messages with conversions. Yet something was lacking. The attendance at Park Road was not too bad, but not gaining as it should. Interest was nominal. Folks came to church but seemed little interested in whether they worked at the job of Christianity or not. The harder I worked, the slower things seemed to move along. Only a few of our people were exerting any energy in the program. Because of the financial arrangement, I work nearly full time. I can't spend much time calling and, in fact, it isn't very often I get to sit down to meditate and study. I, along with the people of Park Road, was willing to let such a condition exist because "I had to work full time.

On a Tuesday of last December, while making some calls, I stopped at the establishment of a business friend, Byron Klaue, to congratulate him on his new building. Bryon had installed a very nice executive office on the second floor. This office proved to be a very important place to me. In the course of conversation, Klaue mentioned that I could receive the filling of the Holy Spirit right then. He stated that he had had a lock put on the door of his office for the purpose of privacy. I told him to lock the door!

I knew nothing of what would follow. My opinion of such things was lots of noise, agonizing—the sort of thing we have seen or heard about during Pentecostal meetings. He asked me to sit in a reclining chair. I had expected to get on my knees. Then he went around behind me and asked me to hold up my arms. He took hold of them to aid me when they tired. He began to pray, asking the Lord to fill me. He told me what to do. Finally, when I was ready to give up and admit such an experience was not for me, hold of my voice and out tumbled a language I had never heard before! I did not know what I was saying: I had never before heard that language. I listened as I spoke trying to figure out what language I was speaking. I was not in a trance nor was I out of my mind. I could hear every word I was saying. How I wished I could understand what it was that came from my mouth. One thing I do know: I was praising the Lord in a language He understood! I saw millions of people before me. Perhaps I was speaking their language. This talking in tongues went on for about an hour.

The following day, with my entire being tingling, I had difficulty speaking the English language fluently. It is not hard for me to speak. In fact, I talk too rapidly at times. However, that day I had to slow up greatly in order to be understood. I was actually afraid tongues would come out again. In making my sales presentation, I had to correct myself many times. God had certainly filled me. It is as easy now to praise God in an unknown tongue as it is in English.

On the following Sunday morning. I announced at the close of the service ALWAYS write your name and address that I had a personal testimony to give clearly on the outside of the envelope.

that evening. Fifty-five people came to hear what I had to say. I was trembling from head to foot as the sermon began, A spirit of quietness fell over the congregation that I have never felt in any Christian Church before! Generally, there is so much commotion and noise, one has to fight for attention and worship. When the invitation was given for those who would like a similar experience, three came forward: an elder and two young people. Before the night was over, the two young people had been filled by God and praised Him in a heavenly lanuguage. One of those was my son Ward, the other one of our teen-age girls.

I received my Bachelor of Theology degree from Northwest Christian College, Eugene, Oregon, in 1943. I then went to Oregon State College, Corvallis, Oregon, and completed my Bachelor of Science degree. During that time, I was Associate Pastor of the First Christian Church in Albany, Oregon. Later I returned to Oregon State College and did work on my Master's Degree in Family Life. I have been preaching eighteen years in the Christian Churches of Washington and Oregon. Every time my brother, Bernard Correll, Minister of the Assembly of God Church in South Sioux City, Nebraska, and I got together, we clashed over the teaching concerning the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Yet the experience which previously I had said was not true, and was not for this age, happened to me. The Lord flooded my soul and I became a different person.

I feel a release and power I have not previously experienced. Whereas I would take a full set of notes into the pulpit and follow them closely, now I may have only a few scriptures on a piece of paper. My greatest burden now is to gently lead my congregation into a deeper experience with Christ. I try to visualize the Church blessed with the spiritual gifts listed in the 12th chapter of I Corinthians. What service it could render to such a needy world. What a power the church could become if it would only receive that which God has for it. Unbelief has kept the gifts back.

I am convinced of this: in the words of Dr. John H. Osteen, Pastor of the Lakewood Baptist Church, Houston, Tex-"Pentecost is not a Denomination: it is an experience." One of the great tragedies of the age is that Christianity as a whole has been very slow to accept it. the Scripturality of the filling and its import. There have been many opinions and attitudes built up concerning it by reports or observation by those who did not understand what they heard or saw.

My experience was in no way fanatical I laid on a reclining chair, my eyes were closed, and I relaxed in the presence of Christ. I am convinced this is the power the Church needs today to meet the challenges. With Communism on the march, delinquency mounting in every state of the Union, with materialism raising its ugly head even in the midst of the Church, there is need of a greater power in the Body of Christ. I am convinced the greatest power the Church can have today is spiritual power and that power comes through "the unity of the Spirit." (Ephesians 4:3). When the Church awakens to the spiritual power God has to bestow, then there will be a revival sweep over this land in a mighty wave. Programs, organizations or education alone will never do it. Remember the Lord said, "Not by might, nor by power, but by MY SPIRIT, saith the Lord of Hosts." (Zech. 4:6). Christians, heed the admonition of the Lord; seek Him; let His Spirit fill you genuinely and from within you shall flow rivers of living water" (John 7:38).

already the Lord has blessed in hea The Lord is pouring His Spirit out upon Park Road Church. Along with those mentioned, eight more have been filled. No longer have the young people been alone in responding, for five adults now have come into this experience. I feel there is yet much to do in helping others of my people at Park Road to receive the filling of the Holy Spirit. There are multitudes of others everywhere who will listen to the message and desire God's richest blessing. I am finding spiritually-starved people all around.

The Spirit of the Lord is sweeping over the land. Many ministers and lay people in a number of Communions are receiving this blessing. The hour is late. the coming of the Lord is fast approaching: the Church must be ready. May our wonderful God be patient with us who doubted so long, that we may join with the thousands of others in taking a message of power and blessing to a thirsty land!-Full Gospel Men's Voice.

Please

When writing to the HERALD of HOPE,

Pentecost Is Not .

(Continued from Page Two)

idea of praying for the sick. Divine healers and Divine healing services were things a professional preacher dare not touch because he might lose his prestige and good-standing. But, when it is your child it is different! When it is your child you want to know what God promised. I was determined to find out. I was amazed to find that God's first promise to a redeemed people was, Jehovah-Rapha, am the Lord that healeth thee." As I read, I heard David say, Bless the Lord, O my soul and forget not all His benefits, Who forgiveth all thine iniquities, Who healeth all thy diseases." I discovered that much of the ministry of our Beloved Lord Jesus Christ was spent in healing the sick and casting out devils. I found to my amazement that Matt. 8:17 said that Jesus not only died for our sins, but for our sicknesses and pains. I heard the Lord say, "They shall recover." I found it was an ordinance of the church to call for the Elders of the tonight and I'll lay these hands on her.' church and let them pray over the sick and anoint him with oil that he might weeping, and my wife asked, "What's be healed by the Lord. So we began to the matter?" I said, "I don't understand pray and ask God to heal our baby. We took her back to the specialist in a few weeks and she said "I have not treated touched by God since I had been a your baby. I have prayed for it along with you. God has healed her.

God was moving things out of the way. How good and patient He is! About this time, Hibbard Memorial Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, extended a call to me to be their pastor. I decided to accept. I decided to set my face toward God to find His power! I said to myself, and to God. "The hour is too late, Hell is too horrible, sin is too black, Heaven is too real, eternity too long, and time is too short for me to fail you!" I preached to the church on the text, "I baptize you with water, but He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and Fire." My subject was in the form of a question. "When did Jesus baptize you in the Holy Ghost and Fire?" If we know when we are baptized in water, we would certainly know when and if we had been baptized in FIRE. I confessed to them that I had not had this experience, but was setting my heart and soul toward God to have it!

I closed my library. I was determined to have only the Bible. I had listened Even today, there are those who question to man-to denominations-to traditions -long enough. In this dark hour I had to know what God had to say

I was alone in my office in downtown Houston, I read and studied day and night. I read of Moses, Elijah, Elisha, Jesus, the early church and disciples. I read carefully the commands and desires of our Lord, Jesus Christ. I began to see that we are sent to face and help a Hell-bound, darkened. demon-ridden world, but we were not to do it in our own power. It was God's plan that His people have a Supernatural ministry. It was and is His plan that the Power of God be for our day in this twentieth century. The supernatural was God's plan to destroy the works of the Devil and set men free. When it suddenly came to me and I knew it was true, I wept. I got in my car and drove 16 miles to my home. I shouted and cried all the way home, "My God, it's true! No wonder I have been confused and defeated!"

I discovered that even though Jesus was the Son of God, nothing was ever heard of His supernatural ministry on earth until the Holy Ghost came upon Him. The Spirit drove Him into the wilderness and when He came out there went out a fame of Him throughout all the land. I found the disciples were saved, and their names were written in the want to praise and serve God! This is My testimony has not ended yet, for Lamb's Book of Life, but nothing much what all of our churches must have! taking place except arguing bickering over the first place until that experience! blessed day, in Acts 2, when it says, "And suddenly, there came a sound from Hea- in the Republic of Mexico. The goal of ven!" I found out that when the Spirit our church is to have one hundred of God took over their tongues, they began to speak in other languages.

the Book of Acts, that under the preaching of that great Evangelist, Philip, Samaria had turned to God and they believed on the Lord Jesus Christ and were baptized in water. But here came Peter and John, and I wanted to wave them away. What are you coming down here for? Don't you know the Spirit has regenerated them? Don't you know, their names are entered in the Lamb's Book of Life? The Word of God says they came to pray for them that they might receive the Holy Ghost. I didn't say it-God said it! Tradition began to crumble!

As I studied the Bible I saw more. That devout man of God, Cornelius, as come to earth! he heard the Word, had the Holy Ghost to fall upon him. It came like thunder words! Oh that everyone would believe! to my soul, and lightning to my spirit God is on the move. My prayer is, "Oh -when Paul saw those Elders of Ephesus, God, I want to move as You move and and asked them as he watched their bring deliverance to our generation!" Oh, powerless, praiseless lives, "Have you re- Brethren, let's join hands to claim the ceived the Holy Ghost since you be-lieved?" He laid his hands on them and Men's Voice.

they spake in tongues and prophesied. Than began my desperate search:

One night, I wanted people to be saved and healed-I wanted the power of the supernatural and I wanted to pray for the sick. I never in my life had such a powerful desire!

I never knew what a touch from God was. As I waited before God, I had my hands up, just waiting and yearning. Directly there came into my hands a strange feeling, and it came on down to the middle of my arms and began to surge! It was like a thousand-like ten thousand—then a million volts of electricity. It began to shake my hands and to pull my hands. I could hear, as it were, a zooming sound of the power. It pulled my hands higher and held them there as though God took them in His. There came a voice in my soul that said, 'Lay these hands on the sick and I will heal them!"

I began to think about a little blind girl in our church that the doctor said lay hands on the sick and they shall would never see or walk, and I began to cry and say, Oh, God heal her! I'll go I went home and burst into the house what God is trying to do with me!" This was the first time I had ever been Christian.

So I went in the middle of the night to pray for the girl, but she and her parents were gone, so I came back and told my wife, "Let's pray for her right now and believe God!"

Two days later, the mother phoned me, weeping with joy. She said, "I took my child to the doctor, and he said, 'What's happened to your child? I see evidence her little limbs are beginning to develop. Her little eyes show signs development. I believe she is going of to walk. I believe she is going to see! She has seen—and we have seen her walk under the power of the living God-because Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever!

But I didn't have the baptism. I packed my suitcase and told my wife "Goodbye." She asked, "Where are you going?" I said, "I don't know, but I'm not coming back until I hear from Heaven!" I went downtown Houston and rented a hotel room, and I shut myself up with God. I said, "Oh, God, Thou who didst save me and call me and Thou whose call is upon my soul, Thou knowest my heart. I want to be used. I want to serve you!"

He asked, "Are you willing to lose the prestige of your denominational standing? Are you willing to be fired from your church and have your salary cut off? Are you willing to have doors shut against you and not be invited to preach in their churches? To all these and many more questions, I answered, "Lord, I am! I am! I am!"

In an air-conditioned room, with my hands lifted up to Heaven and my heart reaching up for my God, there came the hot, molten lava of 'His love. It poured in like a stream from Heaven and I was lifted up out of myself. I spoke in a language I could not understand, for about two hours. My body perspired as though I was in a steambath: the Baptism of Fire!

This was about two years ago. Between seventy and eighty of our people have received this glorious experience. Men and women who wearily trudged to prayer meeting and drove themselves to be faithful have become flaming evangels for Jesus. They are in the missions witnessing. They are on the streets in meetings urging people to be reconciled to God! They pray all night! and Pentecost is not a denomination, it is an

We are opening up twelve churches churches in this needy country. We are constantly seeing the power of the super-I discovered in the 8th chapter of natural. One of our thirteen-year-old girls had a crippled foot. She had to wear a built-up shoe. God healed her instantly! A man deaf for over ten years, who had been dismissed by Veterans' Hospital as incurable was healed instantly! Three tumors disappeared from the body of a deacon's wife! We prayed for an infected growth on the body of one of our members. The infection went awayand so did the growth! Under the power of the Spirit, one young lady spoke Spanish even though she knew none! One deacon spoke Danish, even though he knew none! Jesus is present in power! The lost are being saved! Heaven has

The Glory of it all is too much for