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editorial . . .

#### FINAL NIGHT IN MAINE ROAD STADIUM

SSESSMENT of the final result of the Billy Graham North of England Crusade must await the verdict of eternity. Our hearts, however, cannot fail to be thrilled by the grand response to this great evangelistic endeavour. That in these days of general apathy concerning spiritual things tens of thousands of people should gather nightly to hear the proclamation of the simple Gospel message is a heartening sign. That thousands of these should respond to a simple oldfashioned altar call and stream out to the front in the Maine Road stadium is nothing short of a miracle,

It was the writer's privilege to be present for the closing meeting of this crusade on June 17th. Half an hour before the service commenced there was hardly an empty seat in the vast stadium-and still they poured in, until the open terraces too were thronged with a great multitude. Altogether 50,000 people assembled there on the final night, while nightly congregations during the whole crusade averaged 25,000, even though the early meetings took place under typical Manchester skies, with rain and wind to deter all but the bravest hearts.

The service followed the pattern by now quite familiar in these great crusades: the singing of choir and congregation under the leadership of Cliff Barrows, the sweet Gospel songs of George Beverley Shea and then Billy Graham himself. In spite of his recent illness, his voice was loud and clear, as was also his message. He pointed to the changing situation in this country since his visit seven years ago. "Either revival is about to break or else a serious moral decline," he warned. He cited the serious signs of moral decline, but also drew attention to the encouraging evidence of a growing interest among young people in spiritual things. One night at Maine Road stadium there had been 20.000 teenagers present, and indeed there seemed to be a preponderance of young people making their way to the front when the appeal was made. This seemed to bear out Mr. Graham's statement that youth is seeking for reality, realising the emptiness of the materialistic conception of life. Yet, as he so rightly pointed out, it is not turning to the Church-and this, he said, was the Church's fault, for it had not given a straightforward Gospel.

His message stressed not merely the matter of a personal decision, but also the need for a church-based Christian life, for regular meeting at the Lord's table, the focal point of the Christian life, and for true stewardship of our financial resources. "If you do not give a tithe of your income to the Lord's work, you are not truly a Christian," he said.

At the close of the meeting, with thousands around the edge of the turf waiting to be counselled, Billy Graham appealed for others in the audience to stand on their feet in an act of reconsecration. From all over the stands they rose to their feet, thousands of them, in this great rededication of their lives to Christ. What a potential for a true spiritual revival in our land ! "Let it come, O Lord we pray Thee " is our earnest prayer.

THE ELIM CHURCH

Membership of an Elim church does not depend on any rites or knowledge of creeds, but upon a personal experience of salvation. A.1 who have accepted Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord and have been born again are eligible as members and can be received fellowship by the minister at a church ing. There are, however, certain docinto meeting. There are, however, certain doc-trines to which Elim churches subscribe, and certain ordinances which are observed; breaking of bread and drinking of wine in memory of our Lord's death (Holy Com-municol); baptism by total immersion in water; anointing of the sick with oil for the backing of the kecky observed : healing of the body

The Statement of Fundamental Truths ac-cepts the veracity of the Bible as the inspired Word of God. Salvation is through the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is also acknowledged as the Healer of the physical body and the Bap-tiser in the Holy Spirit, a present-day ex-perience for all believers. We believe that the gifts of the Holy Spirit are for the Church today, and that those who are born of the Spirit should manifest the fruit of the Spirit. We also believe in the personal re-turn of Jesus Christ to receive to Himself throne as King. throne as King.

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## \* BEHOLD I LAY IN ZION A CHIEF CORNER STONE ?? By Alexander Tee (Minister of Elim Church, Paisley)

BUILDING new churches is not an easy job ! Bank managers, contractors, quantity surveyors, architects, Dean of Guild courts, solicitors, town and country planning officers and a host of others, not least of which are the actual workmen, all go to give one a few sleepless nights when launching out to build a new Elim church. Methinks that in heaven there must have been a lot of thought put into the building of the great and mighty Church of Christ. Can you hear with me that great committee meeting in eternity when our blessed Lord submitted to the plan laid forth by the Father: "Lo, I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me. I delight to do Thy will, O my God " (Psalm 40:7,8)? Everybody knows that long before the first brick is laid there is a lot of thought and planning put into the building of any church. How much more the great spiritual edifice which is still being erected in the world today. There are three things in the Church which I want to mention to you.

#### A SURE FOUNDATION

One vital thing in any building is to see that the foundations are sure. Here in the new church at Paisley we had to put in a reinforced concrete foundation. God did likewise. We are thrilled to turn our eyes to the Cross, and see on Calvary's tree a foundation so strong and so sure that all hell has utterly failed to shake it. "Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure" (2 Timothy 2:19). Notice who laid the foundation: "I lay in Zion." Calvary was not the engineering of a few bigoted Pharisees ! It was not the fruition of a satanic plot. Calvary was a definite feature in the great foundation of the plan of God to build the Church. Bless God. it is a foundation without a flaw. Solid and steadfast is the rock on which Christ is building His Church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it ! "On Christ, the solid rock, I stand."

Notice in passing that the Divine builder laid this stone. This word in itself speaks of precision, care and thought. There was definite precision and care both as to the time and to the place where this stone was laid. For example: "But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth His Son . . . to redeem them that were under the law" (Galatians 4:4). Now notice the text: "In Zion." It was no mistake that the Saviour of the world came from the seed of Abraham and was born in Palestine. The future will yet reveal much still hidden in the plans of the heavenly Architect. The Jews are just beginning to come into things once again, and although they nailed our Lord's feet to a cross just outside Jerusalem they will yet see those same feet stand upon the Mount of Olives, just outside that self-same city, and they will acclaim



Pastor Alexander Tee beside the foundation stone of the new Paisley church.

Him as their Messiah. God's great prophetic plan is being unrolled before our eyes. How much could be written on this.

#### A SAINTLY FRAMEWORK

Ever since Calvary issued in God's dispensation of grace the great work of building the Christian Church has gone on. The apostle Paul said he had been raised up to be a "wise masterbuilder" (1 Corinthians 3:10). Most of us, however, are just common labourers, but glad to be building in the work of the Lord. God has been cementing "lively stones" into the Church from all over the world and from every generation. "Ye also as lively stones are built up a spiritual house" (1 Peter 2:5). What a marvellous variety of material is going into this Church. Educated and illiterate, rich and poor, black and white, Jew and Gentile, and so on, are all coming to Christ and becoming a part of the great Church of our God. Here, however, is a very wonderful verse; "In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple" (Ephesians 2:21). Sinners are being made into saints of the living God and being fitted into the framework of this mighty temple. Are you not glad that you are in it?

#### A SACRED FUNCTION

Herein lies the purpose of all this thought and work. It is vital to have a sure foundation, it is lovely to have a framework made of living stones; but what good is a lovely church lying empty and derelict? Alas, there are too many empty churches in our land today.

The great Church of Christ has a very wonderful function. "Ye also . . . are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God" (1 Peter 2:5). A sacred function indeed ! Beloved brethren, we are to offer up sacrifices of praise, of adoration, of worship to our wonderful Saviour; sacrifices of service, of devotion, of love and of loyalty; living sacrifices, says Romans 12:1. It is following this verse in 1 Peter 2 that our text is found, and it begins with "Wherefore," which obviously means for this very reason "I lay in Zion a chief corner stone." God sent His Son to become the foundation stone of the great Church that both now and in the ages to come He might receive the sweet-smelling savour of spiritual sacrifices from lives redeemed by His grace.

Lastly we read in Ephesians 2:22: "In whom ye also are builded together for an habitation of God through the Spirit." For an habitation of God ! When Solomon finished building the temple the glory of God came down and swept into the building in a very wonderful way. What will it be when all the Christian Church meet their blessed Saviour in the air? Down here we have been in many a meeting which was filled with God, and the blessing of these sacred moments has lingered with us. Services charged with the power and presence of God inspire and thrill our very beings, but what will it be like when the last brick or convert has been added to the Church, and the building is complete and ready for that great and wonderful day? Brothers and sisters, it will not be long now before the trumpet sounds and the completed Church will rise in all its glory to take its place in the vast eternity of God's heaven. There, as never before, shall we offer up the united sacrifices of praise and adoration " unto Him who hath loved us, and loosed us from our sins."



#### THE CHIMNEY SWEEP

THE specialists! This term has been adopted from the medical profession by other professions, trades, industries and manufacturers. And the chimney sweeps are making a mighty sweep by this sweeping statement: "We specialise in cleaning all types of industrial and domestic boilers, etc."

Two men, chimney sweep specialists, came and did

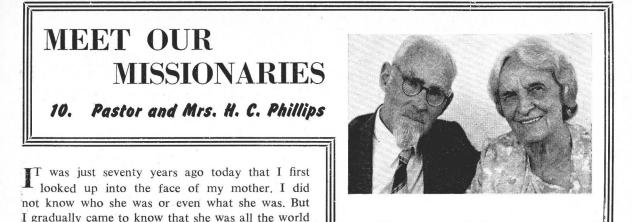
"Would you like a cup of the chimney. "Would you like a cup of tea?" I asked as they were finishing. "Do you take sugar?" I asked as I poured it into the cups. "Yes," they replied. I handed the tea to them as they stepped out into the garden and without thinking handed the biscuit-barrel to one of them. Of course, he couldn't put his sooty hand inside! "Sorry. I wasn't thinking," I smiled as I hurriedly emptied the biscuits on to a plate and handed it back to them. Like a flash an illustration came to my mind.

"This reminds me of a story I once heard," I began, praying inwardly that the Holy Spirit would anoint and bless my witnessing. "It was about a lady who had the sweep. She was very interested in him and wanted him to know God's way of salvation, so she invited him into her 'posh' drawing-room to have tea with her. He didn't know where to sit. 'Sit down,' she said. 'I wanted you to come just as you are.' She handed him thinly sliced bread and butter and poured tea into a cup of delicate bone china. 'Yes, I wanted you to come just as you arc, to show you that is how God wants you to come to Him. You can never better yourself in His sight. Come, just as you are.'

That's very true," the younger man admitted. I wondered whether he was a Christian.

"You must have some awkward and embarrassing experiences," I continued. "In the paper not so long back I read of a sweep who used all his sticks, or whatever you call them, and couldn't make out why the brush couldn't be seen from the top of the chimney. He went out to look. It had gone into the dining-room of the woman next door, made a hole in the ceiling, knocked down china and made an awful mess. Wasn't she mad! She complained to the company for whom the man worked. The reply from the management was: Sorry, madam, it's just one of those things!'" They laughed. The older man had a serious expression, but I detected he had a "dry" sense of humour. "I swept the chimney of a nursing home and couldn't find the brush and discovered it up in an apple tree. It had gone through a trap-door in an attic," he said dryly. "Really!" my husband and I ejaculated, and for a minute or two longer they chatted freely with us. But I had witnessed for the Lord. I hope you see that being natural and "human" is the finest and easiest way to witness. I used to dread to witness to an individual. Many times I've failed to witness; my fears have mastered me. I knew I grieved the Holy Spirit and therefore prayed much about this, but I've learned that if you "wait upon Him for His urge and command" when talking to anybody that witnessing can he accomplished in the most friendly but direct manner. This was Jesus' method.

Texts. "Ye shall be witnesses unto Me" (Acts 1:8); "I will give thee the opening of the mouth" (Ezekiel 29:21).



A few years ago I went to see the hamlet where About that time the Pentecostal League (under I was born; I had not seen it since I was two years the late Reader Harris) held a series of meetings, old. I looked at the winding country road lined with and mother came back to the Lord and father was saved. That was our first revival, and it was very real.

> A few years after that, Cecil Polhill and others witnessed at some prayer meetings to a personal "Pentecost." As a family we had been seeking more of God, and had left the Church of England for the Baptists, then we went to the Strict Baptists, and then we started visiting a Gospel Mission at Costin Street.

> But when we heard of Pentecost we found it was something new, something real, something that the Bible taught, and mother and I began to seek for this anointing of the Spirit. God met me on Sunday evening, January 24th, when I was eighteen years old. On the following Saturday my sister received the gift of the Spirit, and then on the Sunday afternoon my father and two brothers, and the next day mother ! That was our second revival ! From then on we just wanted to live for God, and before long the four children were actively engaged in serving the Lord . . . and through His grace to this very day. Our parents have both gone to live with Christ, which is far better. Both lived to the age of eightyfour years. What shall we render to the Lord for all His benefits?

> I am writing this in Africa where my dear wife and I have been preaching the Gospel for over thirty vears.

> Reader, there is only one life worth living, one life with an eternal reward, one life that knows a deep inward peace-the life lived in Christ. If you do not know this, kneel down and ask God to reveal His Son to you. Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

tall trees where my mother used to push my pram as she looked down on me, thinking I was the most wonderful baby in the world. Sometimes my father would walk by her side-both as proud as could be. A little later on my sister arrived, to be followed in due course by my two brothers.

to me, in fact my whole world.

During those early years I was greatly impressed by the things I saw, and still vividly remember people and events that took place.

School days came, and we four children spent most of our school years at Bedford. Those were happy days. Our different characters began to develop, and at that time we began to think about God. My mother had experienced salvation at the age of thirteen, but had drifted away and eventually married an unbeliever. But God was working.

I had been attending meetings conducted by the Children's Special Service Mission, and on the Friday of Easter week, when I was fourteen years old, the Lord showed me I was a sinner and needed salvation. I went home, and kneeling by my bed accepted Christ as my Saviour. I now lived in a new world. A little later my sister got saved at some meetings that were being held for girls.

### "SOMETHING FOR NOTHING"

If you have not seen the above leaflet explaining how income tax payers can increase their giving to the work of the Lord in Elim without cost to themselves, write to the Secretary, 20 Clarence Avenue, Clapham Park, London, S.W.4, for a copy.

## news from the churches ...

#### GREENOCK

Over 700 children and parents of the four local Elim Foursquare Gospel Church Sunday schools left Gourock pier on Saturday for their annual outing, which was held in Dunoon this year.

On arrival at the holiday resort, there was a police escort at the pier to take the large company to the Plack Park behind the town, where everyone enjoyed the many and varied activities organised by the teachers and committee.

When the party returned to Gourock later in the evening, many friends of the church, unable to be present, were at the pier to greet them on their return. Special buses were also waiting to take the tired, but happy, children home after a day of fun and frolics in the sun.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNIVERSARY AT WIGAN

Last Sunday evening we enjoyed great blessing at our Sunday school anniversary. A large choir made up of folk aged up to eighty-eight years marched into place to the tune of "Onward, Christian soldiers." The service continued under the guidance of Pastor Fardell. Mrs. Fardell conducted the choir with Miss Fardell at the piano. They praised the Lord with some rousing choir pieces, among which were "Marching day by day" and "With heavenly armour." Some of our younger members, little girls as well as little boys, recited in front of the microphone.

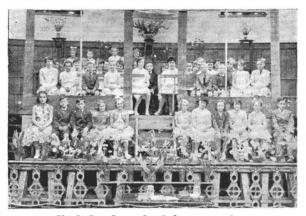
Pastor Quest from Rotherham gave a very interesting little talk to the children which the grown-ups enjoyed as well. He pulled from his "mysterious" bag different cardboard hands and told us how wonderful our hands are, especially when they are put to the Lord's work. His closing message on John 3:14, 15 was illustrated by a cardboard snake and, finally, a cross.

G. A. W. PARTRIDGE.

#### YORK

On Sunday, June 4th, the York Sunday school presented for its anniversary service a song service entitled "Life's shop window."

Pastor Joseph Smith was the guest speaker. Some decisions for Christ were made at the close of the service. We are grateful for the opportunity of preaching the Gospel of Christ in the form of our anniversary, and praise Him for souls saved in these services. The photograph, taken by the superintendent, shows the school on the platform.



York Sunday school demonstration.



The above photograph, by Charles Bean, shows a group of nurses, three of them Elim members, who recently conducted a service in the York church. One was married last month to Pastor G. L. Taylor, of Newquay.

### A new venture . . .

CRUSADER meetings crowded; extra seating needed; scenes of great enthusiasm; thrilling, packed programmes; meetings carrying on well beyond normal time, and no one stirring ! No, we are not quoting from the columns of the ELIM EVANGEL in the 1930s: this is today, in 1961. Where ? you may ask; in the North-West Presbytery. But let us start at the beginning and make our reckoning:

Assets: (1) A dynamic individual for Youth Commissioner in the person of Pastor Bryan Hopkins, a man with a vision, and, what is more, the ability to follow it through until it takes literal shape.

(2) A galaxy of Elim's finest youth speakers, impressed into service (not grudgingly given) to captivate the youth of the district. Included in these "stars" were Pastors Ron Chapman, Wynne Lewis, Tom Walker, Arthur Bull, Ian Moore, Arthur Harries, David Ayling, and, last but not least, our untiring Youth Director, Pastor Jack Davies.

(3) A rapidly mounting enthusiasm, kindled by the first excellent meeting, and kept burning bright by the quick-fire programmes, the rousing singing, the challenging competition of inter-church quizzes, and Mr. Hopkins's own inspiring leadership.

Liabilities: Only the gladly accepted ones of attending the series of united rallies, and (with special mention of the sisters) providing for the voracious appetites of some 120 youngsters who came expecting, and receiving, not only a spiritual feast, but an excellent supper too !

Balance Eight excellent rallies, attended by around 120 Crusaders, one Wednesday evening each month; greatly increased fellowship between the branches; growing interest in the Word of God engendered by the spirit of competition in the inter-church Bible quizzes, and a determination that next season must see another series of these most successful rallies. What about trying it in your district?

A. D. HATHAWAY.

## SUCCESS AGAIN !

#### A report on the recent Sunday school pageant at Rotherham

A NYONE walking past Rotherham Elim Church at 6.15 on Whit-Monday morning would have seen a handful of men with the Sunday school superintendents and their minister, Rev. Leon C. Quest, busily working on a large lorry some twenty feet long. For many weeks the church members and scholars of the four Sunday schools had been waiting for this important day—the day of the Rotherham and District Sunday School Union pageant. Rev. Leon C. Quest has had the privilege of being

Rev. Leon C. Quest has had the privilege of being president of the union for two years. At the beginning of the year he submitted to the committee a subject for each Sunday school entering the pageant. The object of this pageant (1961) was to show the need for a closer relationship between the home, the Sunday school and the day school in the subject of religious education.

Each Sunday school was allocated a subject by the Rotherham and district Sunday school committee, and into Elim's hands came one so vast and great in the contents that one hardly knew where to begin. The title was "God revealed—the Bible." Even though this seemed vast and difficult, Elim's tableau was one with a message. A bridal couple carried a Bible, an elderly couple in their eighties were reading a family Bible, scholars held various large scrolls showing how God revealed Himself in different ways, and the whole lorry was covered in large posters bearing the message of the Bible. The last poster to be seen on the lorry bore the words "There is only one thing left to do with the Bible—read it !"

About 3,000 Rotherham Sunday school children paraded through the town in a mile-long procession, many thousands of people lined the main streets of Rotherham to see this pageant and Elim's testimony stood firm and clear. The pageant ended at Clifton Park, where many thousands of people assembled for an open-air service at which Mr. Quest was chairman. Rev. D. A. Griffith, Rotherham superintendent Methodist minister, addressed the crowds. Here the important announcement was made that Elim had triumphed again, and was once more in possession of the silver cup, which was presented to one of the teenage scholars of Elim's Sunday school by Ald. Walter Wallhead, the mayor-elect. The Elim Sunday school is the only single Sunday school to hold the cup for two years in succession since 1901.

Over the Whitsuntide weekend, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Quest and Mr. and Mrs. Brian Whittaker took the services. Mr. Brian Whittaker, son-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Quest, was baptised in water with three young people of the Rotherham Elim Crusader branch. On Whit-Tuesday the four Sunday schools joined in their annual outing and were taken to Millhouses, Sheffield. ENID DAVIES.

Photos: 1—The winning Elim float at Rotherham. 2—Another view of the Elim tableau. 3—Presentation of the silver cup by the mayor-elect. 4—Some of the crowds at the open-air service.

Photos by A. Nurborn



HOW can Elim, as a Pentecostal movement, make a greater impact through the church members? In earlier days we used to say. "We are not a monument, but a movement." Our members need to be reminded of this. Hear now Chambers's Dictionary defines a movement: "To change place or posture, to set in motion, to arouse, to impel, to excite action, to persuade, to instigate, to provoke, to touch the feelings of, a series of incidents moving continuously towards one end, a particular arrangement of moving parts."

Such variety of action is implicit in a movement, in any movement. It follows that the members of a Pentecostal church are set in motion by the Holy Ghost (we used to sing "I've moved"), have resultantly changed the position and posture of their lives, are impelled by the Spirit continually, are excited to action by the same power, are fully persuaded of His movings in their lives, are those in whom the Holy Spirit instigates great purposes, are aroused to feats and accomplishments beyond the natural; are provoked to love and good works, are so touched in their feelings that they make a fullhearted response to Him, and by the continuous activity of their surrendered lives and in the particular arrangement of all their moving parts achieve the desired end of the Lord, the Spirit, the glory of God in His Church and the salvation of men.

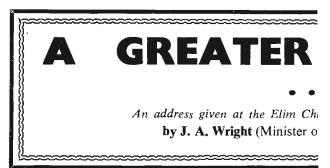
We are a movement; do not forget that! We have made and are making an impact. It is possible that the impact we have already made is out of all proportion to our numbers. Hundreds and thousands of lives and homes have been transformed, here and overseas, by the glorious Foursquare Gospel message we bear. We should guard against gauging our influence by our strength. Numbers and size are rarely true criteria. So let us praise God for that before we go on to ask this vital question, "How can we as members make a greater impact?"

The ministers and evangelists who were addressed this afternoon are, by their very nature, "spearheads" in the battle. The main drive should ever come from our members. The task of the ministers and evangelists is to inspire the members to this, rather than to perspire in the hundred and one odd jobs they are so often found doing. The real advance and impact must be from the body. It would strengthen and inspire our ministers' beyond all measure if they felt and knew that the whole membership was behind them, as a united and anointed priesthood, in prayer and intercession. *There* is a way that all can make impact, by first reaching the throne of God in prayer. The "how" of the question suggests "by what ways and means." You will not want me to enumerate the many new methods available for experiment today along this line. I am sure that first and foremost it is the quality of our lives and witness that tells. People are immunised almost to insensibility by high-pressure advertisement today, "and what we are speaks so loud that the world cannot hear what we say."

The head of a great sewing machine firm in the U.S.A., briefing his travellers in a sales talk, told them: "Your task is to convince a reluctant public." He went on to enumerate four questions that the public always asks, though not always audibly: (i) What is it? (ii) What will it do? (iii) Who says so? (iv) How much is it? We can find help and instruction in these.

#### "WHAT IS IT?"

the reluctant public asks. What is the impact we seek to make? What is it we are trying to put over? Certainly not the whole of the Christian



creed; nor even the traditional message of the Church. What is the essence of our emphasis? We must not be vague here; what have we that is uniquely Pentecostal?

Communication. That is a great word today though much bandied about, but it is so needful that every man hear, in his own tongue wherein he was born, the wonderful works of God. Isaiah the prophet, announcing the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ, puts these words in His lips: "The Lord God hath given me the tongue of the taught, that I might know how to speak a word in season to him that is weary." We need anew a taught membership. I venture to say that our impact is lessened in direct ratio to the degree of the diminished attendance at our weekly Bible studies, prayer meetings and breaking of bread services. Was it not in that floodtide of enthusiasm of which Mr. Brewster spoke this afternoon that our impact of life and witness was most felt? The Lord was wonderfully near: the folk were taught and caught the holy fire of

aggression for God. The souls of our members will never catch fire before the "telly." It is to the shame of many that they can so sit while their brothers and sisters are on their knees before God at the prayer meeting.

"One little hour for watching with the Master, Eternal years to walk with Him in white, One little hour to bravely meet disaster, Eternal years to reign with Him in light."

The second question of this reluctant public is:

#### "WHAT WILL IT DO?"

What is the "brand image," the mental picture that leaps to the mind as we seek to bear our witness to them? Is it of something awfully dull and irrelevant and conventional as everybody knows religion to be ! Or is it something different, something alive, something vivid, something that works? We must be able to say, "Look on us," and, looking, they must see the light in our eye, the radiance

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of Christ on our countenance, His power displayed in our persons. We must be exemplars of that we seek to tell. Do not be misled; reluctant the public may be, but rarely antagonistic to the Christian message. The reaction of the modern man is not a disbelieving or sarcastic "Oh yeah!" but rather a puzzled "So what?" He wants to know the relevance of the message we bring, for so much of our presentation is irrelevant. We must show him something that is right up his street, something indeed that he has been waiting for with subconscious longing, with that deep basic hunger which is in every heart.

"What will it do?" for it must be something practical, something that works. Paul said: "I have delivered unto you that which I have received." Unless we speak with the absolute assurance of experience and with authority, His word will not be heard. Men secretly long for and welcome the voice of authority; let them hear Christ's through you. When those great certainties grip and thrill us as they once did—Jesus the Saviour, Jesus the Healer, Jesus the Baptiser in the Holy Ghost, Jesus the coming King—they will grip and thrill others.

"What will it do?" It will give new meaning and coherence to their lives. For all the disappointment and frustration of the age they can have a "joy unspeakable and full of glory." Their lives can be filled with wonder and beauty. Oh, it is a mighty message we bear. Surcharged by the Spirit's baptism, it could change the world overnight if men would but heed it.

#### "WHO SAYS SO?"

again asks the reluctant public, and the "telly" and the radio and the press shout the great names that say so, from the unreal world of the stage and screen and radio mostly.

"Who says so?" they ask of us, and the taught and transformed and informed members of our churches will be ready to tell them the great names in the Christian Church today who are saying so, and with increasing emphasis and repetition. They are saying that "the Pentecostal church is the fastest growing church in the world today" (vide Rev. Tom Allan, of the Scottish Presbyterian Church). Billy Graham is saying so, adding to the foregoing, "We need to learn over again what it means to be baptised in the Holy Ghost"; and Norman Grubb, successor to C. T. Studd, says of the Pentecostal people: "They are distinctly the most go-ahead group in the country today; they really get down to the problem of breaking in to unevangelised peoples." Our President has told us of his meeting with Dr. Aubrey Vine, of the Congregational Church, who said to him that "the Elim Church is in the van of evangelism in this country today."

"Who says so?" The glorious company of the apostles say so! The noble army of the martyrs say so! "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so!" and may the Lord grant that the churches to which we propose to bring those whom we win shall be warm, loving and friendly centres and characterised by enthusiasm of worship and witness that will hold and keep those as they were held and kept in the early days. Aesthetically and architecturally we lacked much, maybe, but they were held by the glow and warmth of the message we brought.

Fourthly, the reluctant public asks:

#### "HOW MUCH IS IT?"

"What is the cost?" and it is this that perhaps we find most difficult of all to bring to our reluctant public, for it is the message of the free gift of God that we bring, without money and without price.

He knew his London public well who bet  $\pm 5$  against 2/- that he would offer for sale, in the vicinity of Piccadilly Circus,  $\pm 5$  notes for 2/-. He did, all the day long, and never sold one. A gift in the ordinary sense to some degree is governed by the consideration of the one to whom we propose to make the gift. When I remember to bny my wife a gift, and I do sometimes, it is, of course, measured by my affection for her, to say nothing of my purse, and of course by her tastes and preferences. But

we bring to men the free gift of God, which comes and is offered to the least worthy, indeed to the vilest offender. While we were yet enemies, the kindness and love of God our Saviour appeared "not by works of righteousness that we have done, but according to His mercy." Though of infinite cost to the Son of God, it is gloriously free to all who will believe and accept it.

Let us urge upon them to "make but trial of His love," to "taste and see that the Lord is good," and thus again make our impact, a new impact, a fresh impact, an effective impact for God.

### A SEVEN-YEAR COVENANT By J. J. Way (Minister of Elim Church, Hove)

WE treasure that word "covenant"; it suggests security by sacrifice. Because He gave His all for us, how grand it is to give as unto the Lord.

Many faithful believers can increase their contributions to God's work without giving a ha'penny more ! My word, that sounds good; yes, and it works. If you are paying income tax you will be thrilled to see this seven-year covenant helping to benefit God's work through you. I've mentioned this financial blessing to friends when they've asked how we were faring in Hove; it's their ready response that has prompted me to ask publicity for this seven-year covenant.

"Be not slothful in business" says the apostle. Would you like to meet my hon. treasurer, Mr. L. Northcote, and so make it questions and answers?

Q. I understand that this seven-year covenant concerns one's income tax. Is this so?

A. Yes, Elim is a charity, and is able to recover income tax on your gifts as these are made from your income which has already borne tax.

Q. Does this mean that if I pay income tax the church can recover tax without any extra tax being charged to me?

A. That is so, where tax is paid at the full standard rate.

Q. I am already tithing a fixed amount weekly to the church. Could I enter into a deed of covenant for this amount?

A. Certainly; if you are giving only 10/- weekly, your covenant would be for £26 per year and the church could then recover £16/9/- per year while the standard rate remains at 7/9 in the pound, and provided tax is paid at this rate.

Q. This means, then, that for years the church has not been receiving all the benefit it could have done from my tithes?

A. That is true, unfortunately, and it is a tragedy

that so many people are tithing regularly and are unaware of the fact that by a stroke of a pen the worth of their gifts could be considerably increased. The past cannot be rectified, but the position can be remedied as far as the present and the future are concerned by signing a deed of covenant.

Q. What is the procedure to put this covenant into operation ?

A. You ask your local secretary or treasurer to write to Elim headquarters, who will send a deed of covenant for your signature. The deed is then executed and returned to headquarters. Subsequently, at the end of each fiscal year, you sign a certificate of deduction of tax and headquarters is then able to obtain a tax refund.

Q. Why must Elim headquarters deal with this business?

A. Because one claim is made annually on behalf of all churches.

Q. But I want my church to benefit.

A. Headquarters will give you an undertaking that tax refunds will be dealt with in accordance with your wishes. You could nominate any branch of the Elim work you wish, including, of course, your local church.

Q. In the light of what you have told me, ought I not to sign a deed of covenant as soon as possible?

A. Definitely; you should write to headquarters for a covenant form and arrange for it to be completed without delay so that the church receives henefit as early as possible.

Thank you Mr. Northcote, I'm all for it. If the government of our country has made this gracious "come-back" possible, how ready should we be to put it into effect for Jesus' sake. Just fancy, if I pay tax at 7/9 in the pound my giving is increased by sixty-three per cent !



#### Fishy !

A strong smell of fish has led archaeologists to a new discovery among the ruins of Pompeii, wiped out when Vesuvius erupted in 79 B.C.

B.C. The smell came from a hidden room, now identified as the kitchen of Umbrico Scauro, famous in his time for making fish specialities, including a delicious sauce called garum.

The smell came from vases in which, buried beneath layers of ashes, were found perfect skeletons of herring and salmon. They had retained their odour for 2,000 years.

Scauro's name was on the vases, and nearby were tablets indicating his trade.

A fishy story! But how true it is that the spade of the excavator often unearths unexpected reminders of the past. This is never more true than in the case of the Word of God, which is being confirmed over and over again by such discoveries. Needless to say, the believer daes not depend on these discoveries to establish his faith—that rests on a surer foundation.

#### Glossolalia again !

The *Time* magazine a while ago carried a significant article on "Glossolalia," or speaking in tongues.

George W. Cornell, religious writer for the Associated Press. wrote a three-column article on "Speaking with tongues in the midst of traditional religious bodies." This account, which was printed in dozens of syndicate newspapers, tells of the moving of the Holy Spirit in the Episcopal church. Quoting the Episcapal Weekly, he says: "The living Church comments that widespread re-emergence of the process would 'jar against our aesthetic sense and some of our most strongly entrenched preconceptions,'" but adds: "We know that neither our aesthetic preferences nor our preconceptions control God Almighty. And we know that we are members of a Church that desperately needs jarring. . . .

We know of no more terrifying explosive for Him to use than a reinstitution of apostolic speaking in tongues."

What a heart-warming thing to read in the newspapers of the United States. God is certainly doing something new among the denominations over there. In the city of Minneapolis alone it is reported that there are 150 ministers in the various denominations there, all filled with the Spirit and speaking with other tongues. This is not confined to Minneapolis either.

Someone has said—and said truly —that the Pentecostal movement is entering upon a new phase and is overstepping the bounds of the Pentecostal denominations and sprcading everywhere among people of all denominations. We can only glorify God for this spreading out of His wonderful blessing, which has been such a precious heritage of the Pentecostal people throughout the years since the movement began.

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#### Radio evangelism

The Assemblies of God radio department has announced the release of Revivaltime, weekly radio voice of the denomination, to 13,000,000 Nigerians over station W.N.B.S., Ibadan, Nigeria. The station's three transmitters

The station's three transmitters of 10,000 watts reach all Englishspeaking people in western Nigeria and parts of northern and castern regions. Approximately seventy-five per cent of the population will be able to understand.

Radio coverage is becoming so concentrated that sets are installed virtually everywhere—in hotels, restaurants, department stores, shops and homes. Communal listening facilities in rural areas are being steadily developed.

The old ways and means of spreading the Gospel are rapidly giving way to these newer ways, which are certainly more effective in spreading the fame of the wonderful name of Jesus among these needy people.

#### Behind the "Bamboo curtain"

A report from one of the China Inland Mission's former stations in central China indicates that some of the country churches of that area continue to hold regular services, although the pastor is unable to take any part in the work of worship.

A refugee recently brought word from Communist China that one pastor was called up for questioning again and again to force him to admit secret dealing with Americans. But the pastor refused to yield. His final inquisition lasted for seven days, until finally he dropped dead.

"Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life" (Revelation 2:10).

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#### Bible city reveals its secrets

Discoveries ranging from 4000 to 100 B.C. have been made at the site of the Biblical city of Schechem, in Jordan. A thirty-member team from the U.S., Europe and Jordan has this year found camp stores, houses, city fortifications, temples and palaces.

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#### Temple and bloodstained altar found in ancient Bethel

Dr. Awni Dajani, director of Jordan's Department of Antiquities, has announced that a 4,500-year-old Canaanite temple, with sacrificial animals' bloodstains on a white limestone altar, has been discovered at the Biblical city of Bethel by American archæologists.

The modern village of Beitin now stands on the site of ancient Bethel, home of Abraham and his grandson Jacob, eight miles north of Jerusalem. It was there Abraham pitched his tent and built his first Palestinian altar.

Here again the spade of the excavator uncovers evidence of the Scriptural record.

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#### Spanish church still closed

The Baptist Church of Seville, Spain, closed since November 10, 1958, has been refused its request for reopening. As their reason, government authorities say that another Baptist group already serves the city (which has almost 500,000 people).

The church building in Seville had been occupied less than two years when its doors were sealed by order of the Spanish police.

Time Franco opened his eyes to the real need of Spain, which is the proclamation of the Gospel message and not the prolongation of Catholic domination.



An original and provocative article by J. J. WAY, energetic pastor of Elim Church, Hove **YOUTH? — OH YOU!** 

Conducted by T. W. Walker, member of Elim Youth Committee

A WORD must have a vowel. This word "Youth" has two vowels which give us an exclamation so often used towards youth: "O.U."! Print cannot give tone, but this exclamation can cause delight or dismay. Never has there been so much concern over youth; speeches, reports and news articles seem endless. Why should this be? Youth and ex-youths can surely explain!

Christ is the great Creator, the only Saviour, who offers the greatest thrills for all youth. Do not stop reading now and write it off as did a young man whom I approached. His reply to our Lord's offer of a full, free, powerful, life-changing and life-giving

## Introducing E.Y.M.'s Holiday Hosts





Rev. G. L. Taylor

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Rev. F. J. Taylor

Our two brethren will (D.V.) be at Porthpean Youth Camp August 19th to September 2nd. Rev. F. J. Taylor, after long and valued Christian service in other spheres, has been in charge of Elim Church, Old Hill, Birmingham, and is now at Whitehaven. Both he and his son are members of the Elim Conference Male Voice Choir. Rev. G. L. Taylor entered Elim Bible College in 1956 and has been at Sheffield and Holyhead. He has been pastor of Newquay Elim Church since 1958 and has served as youth commissioner of his presbytery. How nice to see a family team in action in the cause of youth !

Gospel was, "What! At my age! Give me a chance, I'm only eighteen; I haven't had my fling yet. I want to see life first." That's a typical reaction, and it was just like me in my teens. It had to be kick the ball or punch the nose, beat the bookie or beat my breast in despair, conform to the more mature habits and ways of popular living, cost what it may.

What is my regret now? It is that the "Oh you" of dismay in my teens was not turned to the "Oh you" of delight which took place in my twenties. Religion (as Christianity is wrongly called) never appealed to me because we had the idea that it was sad. sombre, best received with our pension papers. The Lord Jesus promised abundant life, yet He was not of this world. Does the "Ah! No! Naughty!" idea of life put you in a religious strait-jacket and wipe the smile from your face? This is not life more abundant, as Jesus promised, is it? Would a great and glorious Saviour pay such a price on Calvary to save your soul and then give you an apology for a life? Was Calvary as cheap as that? A thousand times no! The greatest thrill that a youth can experience is to take Jesus Christ as Saviour and be made a new creature. This is life. Christ is the answer for youth. For years I attended a church to qualify to play in their football team. It was playing football on Saturdays and playing the fool on Sundays, because I did not know Jesus as Saviour, Experience gives authority, especially when you have experienced life without Jesus and then you take Him as Saviour. Youth wonders, "What have I to give up?" Forget it! You will receive the Spirit of Christ to fill and thrill your life. We have Crusaders, youth efforts, youth for Christ movements consisting of youth. There are Bible colleges filled with youth who have forsaken their vocations to go into the ministry, to go the pace for the Lord. The answer to all the speeches and articles written and the efforts made concerning youth is in a Person-the Lord Jesus Christ. All the true elements of youth are in and through Him-joy unspeakable and full of glory, rejoice and again I say, rejoice. Life comes from the Life-giver. Here is the answer to the youth problem:

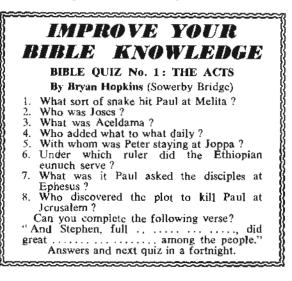
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"Christ for you." Amend laws to hurt the lawbreakers, or give offenders better treatment to help them out of their failures-you can go from one extreme to the other to meet the challenge, but the extremity is of the Lord! He changes hearts, makes men like Himself. Man can get at youth-Jesus can get into youth. So let all youth stand before the loving Saviour and hear His response. Will it be " Oh you" of dismay? If so, your reply will be " Oh my " of disgrace. Then Jesus comes quickly and says. "Come unto Me! I can meet your disgrace through My grace. I died for you on Calvary to break the power of sin and to set you free. Repent now and I will cleanse you and indwell your life." Then it will be your turn to make the exclamation "Oh Lord" as your penitent soul seeks the Saviour. From the loving Lord of life will come the exclamation of delight "Oh you!" Youth seeks to be up to datethen note that Jesus is returning soon for His own. The Word of God says that all who are His will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air. Only those who are His will be up to date on that date! Christ is the answer and we can sing: "All that thrills my soul is Jesus."

#### **IDEAS! IDEAS! IDEAS!**

Protoplan, by Peter J. Rammell, was recommended by our National Youth Director at the Conference. Here is a review by Rev. L. W. Green, himself a well-known worker among young people:

"Protoplan, the new booklet of ideas for youth programmes, is excellent. The wealth of material condensed into 150 suggestions is extremely helpful. Protoplan will put a fresh sparkle of life into your youth meetings. Peter Rammell, with his wide ex-



perience in youth work, has produced just the thing we have needed for so long. The cost is remarkably low. Every youth worker should have a copy."

For details write to Mr. Peter J. Rammell, Top Flat, 84 Bristol Street, Birmingham 5. There are considerable reductions for quantities.



Hello Sunbeams.

A little girl called Angela was having a lovely time Playing in the garden with her friends one morning. Presently she decided she would go indoors and see what Mummy was doing. Mummy usually gave them a biscuit or a sweet during the morning, but this morning she seemed to have forgotten.

Angela found Mummy in the house looking very sad indeed. "What's the matter, Mummy?" Angela asked. "Oh, dear," said Mummy, "I've lost my ring, my dia-mond ring that Daddy gave mc when we were engaged, and I've looked all over the place, but it isn't anywhere to be seen." "Well, never mind, Mummy," said Angela, "I'll help you to look for it." "Well, you can try," said Mummy, "but I've looked just about everywhere and I'm sure you won't be able to see it—and it's so tiny too."

Angela joined Mummy in the search and they looked and looked but they couldn't find it anywhere. Then Angela had an idea. "Mummy," said Angela, "we must do what the lady did in the Bible story we had at Sun-day school. We must get a light and a broom and we must sweep and sweep and look and look." They didn't use a candle like the lady in the Bible did because they were able to use Daddy's electric torch—the one he used when the electric light fuses needed to he mended. They took up all the carpets and looked under all the cupboards and pieces of furniture and all the time Angela was quietly asking the Lord Jesus to help them to see where it was. Just when they were about to give up Angela saw something glittering in a corner. It might have been just a blazer button or a piece of silver paper, but she thought she had better look—just in case—and there it was! Oh how happy Mummy was to see it again. She hugged Angela and then said, "I must ring up Daddy on the phone and tell him I've found it. I'm ever so pleased. I thought I'd lost it for ever." "I'm glad I went to Sunday school, Mummy," said Angela. "I'm sure I wouldn't have found it if it had not been for that story. Teacher told us that lesus never, never gives up look-ing. She said He loves us so much He can't bear to think of us lost, so He goes on looking and looking until He finds us and then He's so glad that everybody in heaven is happy and all the angels sing." "Well, I am glad my ring is found." said Mummy, "but it's not so precious as a soul. I think we would do well to thank the Lord Jesus for finding both the ring and us, don't you, dear?" Angela thought so too, so they did. I do hope the Lord Jesus has found you sunbeams

and your Mummies and Daddies too.

Goodbye until next week and God bless you. Lots and lots of love to you all,

AUNTY DOROTHY.



Scripture Union Portions. Notes by William J. Patterson (Minister of Elim Church, Halifax)

Monday, July 10th. Isaiah 11 : 1-16.

"The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him" (v. 2).

No fuller conception could be given of the Spiritempowered coming Ruler. In Him the energy of the Divine Spirit will be identified with the stern rigour of an understanding advocate. The Spirit of God, perfectly indwelling His sacred humanity, can alone impart those elements of authority essential to the ruling mind. Three sets of twin qualifications -wisdom and understanding, counsel and might, knowledge and love-will endow Him with a sharpness of mind, a ripcness of mental and moral decision and a beroic energy and purity unparalleled in anything else but the deep resources of the will of God.

Tuesday, July 11th. Isaiah 12 : 1-6. "The wells of salvation" (v. 3).

Set amid the sombre prophecies and sad visions of Israel's threatened captivity in Babylon, this refreshing psalm of jubilant praise views the captivity from another angle-the return from cxile. This introduction of the promise of a "day of gladness" is a typical example of the procedure God usually adopts. The certainty that God's people would survive the Babylonish captivity is augmented by a rich promise of deep joyful draughts from salvation's wells. Any promise of God is a prophecy of what might be and can be when, according to the Gospel of the reasonableness of God, faith turns His promises into performances.

#### Wednesday, July 12th. Isaiah 25 : 1-12.

"The strong people shall glorify Thee" (v. 3).

Yet another psalm of Isaiah, in which the songs of Israel's deliverance mingle with the sounds of the forthright destruction of citadel, castle, town and city, as they fall in heaps of ruins around those who proudly oppressed her, like the blast of a terrible wind against the wall (v. 4). A grand promise is given here; "The strong people shall glorify Thee "-they shall be built up at a time and age when empires are falling; a grand promise for today-the end time of world history, the darkening century. Amid the tumbling heaps of world empires, we have an abiding kingdom.

Thursday, July 13th. Isaiah 26 ; 1-15.

"Keep him in perfect peace" (v. 3).

The expression is unparalleled and unique. In the Hebrew text the words "Shalem Shalom" are almost identical, and being basically similar at root level could be translated "peace, peace," a twice-emphasised tranquillity for the trusting mind; the peace that perfect trust brings. A similar double emphasis in verse 4 indicates that the graduation from anxiety to tranquillity is based on the name of the Lord. "For in the Lord Jehovah (in Jah Yahweh) is everlasting strength." The hand that ordains peace for today and for tomorrow is the everlasting hand of Jehovah. He gives the tranquil quietness of conscious security.

#### Friday, July 14th. Isaiah 27 ; 1-13.

"Fill . . . the world with fruit " (v. 6).

This metaphor of the vineyard, borrowed from the realm of horticulture (for the second time), emphasises the difference between the vineyard of the sour grapes in chapter 5 and the vineyard of red wine in chapter 27. God was prepared to abandon the chapter 5 vineyard because of an

internal condition-the sourcess was in itself. But here the picture is entirely different-the vineyard of red wine was internally good but the encircling briers of Egypt and the rampant thorns of Assyria threatened by external oppression to choke the productive fruitfulness of Israel. In spile of this, and with God's help (v. 4), Israel would fill the face of the world with fruit.

Saturday, July 15th. Isaiah 28 : 1-13.

"A fading flower" (v. 4).

The sun-bathed hill at the head of a fat, fruitful valley is suddenly hit by a destructive and vicious hailstorm, and a devastating torrent rages down the valley. The lolling drunkards of Ephraim, stunned with wine, are taken unawares by the sudden storm, as they lie in the flowerfilled gardens, now reduced to the hail-shattered condition of "a faded flower." They had erred through drink—the errors of vision and judgment rendered them totally incapable of receiving intelligently the Divine communications. Drunkenness is a crime against reason, an insult against family life, an evil example to others, a crime against society; but as an agent of self-will and self-indulgence, it is a sin against God.

#### Sunday, July 16th. Isaiah 28 : 14-29.

"He that believeth shall not make haste" (v. 16).

This choice verse, taken from Isaiah's grandest prophecy. has a far wider application than registering merely the disapproval of God at Israel's bargain with hell and her covenant with death. The prophet demands loyalty to Divine Providence, a patience of faith that would believe so implicitly in the will and purpose of God that there would be no hurry to seek elsewhere for the help that can come only from God. Belief in God, like an anchor of the soul, imparts to spiritual nature a support that is adequate to its deepest needs. Think of the foundation, then " he still, and know that I am God."

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#### PRAYER AND PRAISE FELLOWSHIP Conducted by F. H. Coleman

#### Preaching with unction

The Gospel preached in our churches needs to be preached with the unction of the Holy Spirit. This unction can only come by prayer. Dear reader, your pastor needs your prayers so that next Sunday he might preach the Gospel with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven.

The days in which we live are days of indifference to spiritual things by the men and women who are outside our churches. Burning in our hearts is a desire to reach them for Christ. They will only hear and respond to the Gospel message when that message is preached in the power of the Holy Ghost, Only God can give this unction. It cannot be produced by study and various means of human ingenuity. It comes from God, and it comes by prayer. Will you covenant to be a prayer partner with your pastor so that when he stands up to preach the great Gospel message next Sunday he will do so with power because you prayed? Lionel Fletcher, the evangelist, tells of the success he had in a certain church in Australia. One day he made the remarkable discovery that it was because of the prayers of the caretaker that God blessed the preacher and kept that church in constant revival. Will you pray for revival and pray for your pastor?

#### Prayer is requested for

Revival throughout Britain.

All Elim ministers, that God will use them in the preaching of the Gospel.

A man with a serious heart condition.

An unsaved man, that he might be saved.

Backsliders, that they may be restored to Christ.

#### Thought for the week

God may not give us an easy journey to the promised land, but He will give us a safe one.

#### (Please pray for these services)

==== COMING EVENTS ==

BANGOR, Co. Down. July 15-17. E im Church, Southwell Road, Annual July Convention, Speakers include W. Gamble, pastor and evangelist of the Pentecostal Churches of Canada, Sat. 3 and 7 p.m. (cups of tea between services) ; Sun. 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m., Mon. 7.45 p.m.

BECONTREE. July 16. Elim Church, Green Lane. Visit of Pastor Charles Kingston and party, 6.30 p.m.

BOSTON. Now in progress, Revival and Divine Healing Crusade conducted by David Ayling and party. The Assembly Rooms, Boston, Lincs. Pray and plan to attend.

BRADFORD. July 2 and 9, in the Mechanics Institute, Bridge Street, Youth Crusade conducted by Brian Hopkins. Sundays 8 p.m.

COULSDON, July 15. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road, Monthly United Pentecostal Rally, Speaker: L. N. Knipe, Leader: R. W. Down (A.O.G.), Soloist: W. Plowright, 7 p.m.

NEWCASILE. Now in progress. Elim Church, Heaton Road, Special Deepening of Spiritual Life Campaign. Speakers: L Wigglesworth, G. Creighton, R. Hughes and A. Harries.

THORNTON HEATH, July 8 and 9. Elim Church, Mersham Road, Third Anniversary of New Building, Special visit of Charles Brookes and the Southampton Choir. Sat. 7 p.m.; Sun, 11 a.m. and 6.30 p.m. Your support welcomed.

#### PRESIDENT'S TOUR

July 4-18, Channel Islands.

#### LONDON CRUSADER CHOIR

(Director of Music: Douglas B. Gray, F.R.S.A.) July 9, Holloway Prison and Clapton (Methodist Church).

#### WHAT THEN?

When the choir has sung its last anthem, And the preacher has made his last prayer; When the people have heard their last sermon And the sound has died on the air;

- When the Bible lies closed on the altar
- And the pews are all empty of men, And each one stands facing his record— And the great Book is opened -What then?

When the actors have played their last drama, And the mimic has made his last fun,

When the film has flashed its last picture, And the billboard displayed its last run;

When the crowds seeking pleasure have gone Vanishing out in the darkness again—

When the trumpet of ages is sounded, And we stand up before Him -What then?

When the bugle's call sinks into silence And the long marching column stands still, When the captain repeats his last orders,

And they've captured the last fort and hill, And the flag has been hauled from the masthead, And the wounded afield are checked in,

And a world that rejected its Sayiour

Is asked for a reason—What then?

#### "A MAN NAMED JOHN WESLEY CAME TO THESE PARTS"

A young nobleman found himself in a little village in Cornwall where he sought in vain for a place where something stronger than water could be procured. Impatiently he inquired of an old peasant who was on his way home after a day of toil, "How is it that I cannot get a glass of liquor anywhere in this wretched village of yours?"

The old man, recognizing the questioner as a man of noble rank, pulled off his cap and bowed humbly, but nevertheless there was a proud flash in his eyes as he answered quietly: "My lord, something over 100 years ago a man named John Wesley came to these parts," and with that the old peasant walked on.

What a testimony to the preaching of John Wesley ! For more than a century the word that he had spoken for his Master had kept the curse of drunkenness out of the village.

#### **EVANGELISE !**

- "Give us a watchword for the hour, A thrilling word, a word of power -A hattle-cry, a flaming breath, That calls to conquest, or to death.
- "A word to rouse the Church from rest, To heed the Master's high behest. The call is given: Ye hosts arise-Our watchword is Evangelise !
- "The glad evangel now proclaim Thro' all the carth, in Jesus' name. The word is ringing thro' the skies: Evangelise ! Evangelise ! "
- "To dying men, a fallen race, Make known the gift of Gospel grace. The world that now in darkness lies, Evangelise ! Evangelise ! "

SELECTED.

It is much easier to be critical than to be correct. DISRAELI.

I know, as my life grows older, And mine eyes have clearer sight,

That under each rank wrong somewhere There lies the root of right ;

That each sorrow has its purpose, By the sorrowing oft unguessed ;

But as sure as the sun brings morning, Whatever is is best.

I know that each sinful action, As sure as the night brings shade,

- Is somewhere, sometime punished,
- Though the hour be long delayed. I know that the soul is aided
- Sometimes by the heart's unrest, And to grow means often to suffer-But whatever is-is best.

I know there are no errors

- In the great eternal plan,
- And all things work together For the final good of man.
- And I know when my soul speeds onward
- In its grand eternal quest,
- I shall say as I look back earthward, Whatever is—is best.

ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

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#### BIRTH

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#### MARRIAGE

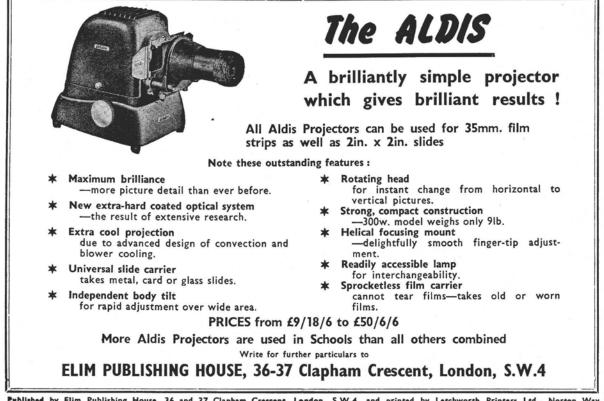
TAYLOR-MACDONALD. On June 10th, at Elim Church, York ; Pastor Glyn Lawrence Taylor, of Newquay, to Stephanie Alwyn Macdonald (York Crusader). Officiating minister: J. Woodhead, assisted by F. J. Taylor, of Whitehaven (father of the bridegroom).

#### WITH CHRIST

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