That ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. — Jude 3

VOLUME 7

SONS OF SATAN

Friday, July 8, an organization self-styled "Sons of Satan" applied for a state charter. The purpose of these sons of the devil is of course the same as their father, to try and damn the souls of boys and girls and pollute and corrupt them by stamping out Christianity. On Saturday the following commendable editorial appeared in The Oklahoma City Times:

"The most useless organization ever chartered in Oklahoma was listed at the office of the secretary of state Friday, the 'Sons of Satan,' a chapter of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism. Just one more organization employing paid promoters, secretaries and managers, living off of membership fees provided by gulls.

"An atheist denies the existence of God.

"The purpose of a national organization to promote atheism is to spread the belief that there is no God, to junk the Bible, to brand the divinely natural ministrations of Jesus of Nazareth as a myth, to rob humanity of the faith that has made civilization, to destroy all churches, to make mankind a carnal vertebrate, with no excuse or reason for his long struggle up the centuries from darkness to light."

"There are two kinds of death, one mental, one physical. A dose of cyanide will induce the one; an embracing of atheism will provide the other. "If you want to deny God, defile the family, destroy church, dabble in a doctrine of destruction and death, take a joy ride with the 'Sons of Satan, Inc.'"

THE CAMP MEETINGS

By the time you receive your copy of The Faith the Kansas Conference Camp Meeting will be going in full blast at Coffeyville. Pray that God will give them a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit and that many will be blessed. The next camp meeting will be the Texas Conference camp meeting to be held at Healdton beginning July 28 and continuing through August 7th. Then follows the East Oklahoma Conference camp meeting to be held at Okmulgee to be held August 12 to 23. The next is the Oklahoma Conference camp meeting to be held at Kingfisher from August 19 to 29, inclusive. This is to be held at the new site of King's College and is to be preceded by a meeting conducted by Evangelist Dave Troutman to begin the 13th. Arrange to attend as many of these camps as possible.

LAKE MYSTIC

CAMP MEETING

Bristol, Fla., July 8.

Sister Emma Taylor of the Oklahoma Conference is with us in the Lake Mystic camp meeting. The Lord is blessing. Many going through.

L. J. OLIVER,
Conference Superintendent.
the sky and rejoice at the marriage of the Lamb.

What would an inward examination of your spiritual condition reveal if taken tonight? Better examine yourself and ask God to search your heart. The King’s daughters are all glorious within.

The Judgment Day will be a terrible revelation to many professing Christians. Jesus said not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in Heaven. Are you doing God’s will. Many preachers will be amazed at that day, for Jesus says, “Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name, and in thy name have cast out devils, and in thy name have cast out many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them I never knew you: Depart from me ye that work iniquity.”

FOREIGN MISSIONS

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Union Grove church 4.00
Mt. View church 3.32
Emmanuel church 1.00
Enid church 7.00
Okahoma City 1st church 36.69

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE

Carthage church 4.5

KANSAS CONFERENCE

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Clayton, Oklahoma.

Greetings in Jesus’ dear name. I want to sound a note of praise this morning finds us still on victory side praising God for the real blessings of real salvation. Dear ones, God gave me a prophecy last night in the night and a message to the lost world. The message was, “I have stretched forth my hand and you would not heed, I have called and you would not answer, I have given you my only Son, you have mocked and scorned Him, you have turned your deaf ear to my Word. I have had mercy and you will not regard; now I will visit you with judgment, oh, such misery and such woe that awaits the ungodly, oh, such destruction and suffering that awaits the soul that neglects salvation, such awful darkness and endless woe that awaits the soul that puts off seeking God. He said that such awful suffering that awaits the rich man that have defrauded the hireling out of his wages.” While He was giving the message such an awful destruction was seen, the awful hail was falling, looked as though they would weigh ninety or one hundred pounds apiece, and then an awful wind arose and uprooted trees, destroyed towns, and then an earthquake followed the wind and it just crumbled the mountains and tore down the great and high things, and then suddenly there came a clap of thunder and the elements were full of fire and brimstone, oh, such suffering as there is in the last days. Everything was consumed by the hail, wind, earthquake and fire and brimstone—souls of men lost to roam the billions and endless hell. They can see what they missed. Such black clouds of sin and unbelieving are sailing the very elements. I feel like God wants this made known to the world, to let them know what is coming on the earth. He told me to write and have it published abroad. Pray much for us.

Your brother and sister,
LEE AND LUCY GREEN.

If you enjoy the Pentecostal Holiness Faith, tell your neigh-
Reports From the Field

Evangelist Lewis Sawgalsky has a tent for sale. Size 40x65, 8-foot curtains. Good condition, for $130.00. Address him at Coffeyville, Kansas.

Mother Jones has been engaged in a meeting at Garfield, New Mexico. The Lord is blessing her efforts in New Mexico.

Evangelist G. V. Sheaffer is to begin a meeting at Science Hill, where Rev. H. R. Samples is the pastor.

Barltesville, July 4.
I am in a revival at Dewey. Wonderful prospects for a good revival.

B. R. DEAN.

Delaware, Ark., July 2.
Had meeting last night. Good prospects for a meeting.

W. M. JONES.

Rev. R. B. Beall has been holding a meeting at Douglas, Ga.

Evangelist E. Dodo has been in a meeting at Apache. The Lord blessed and we understand they had a good meeting.

Evangelist Dave Troutman and party left for Kentucky for some meetings, after closing the meeting at Seminole. He is to return the forepart of August and is to begin a meeting at Kingfisher on August 15th. This is to be the meeting leading up to the camp meeting.

Sulphur, Okla.
Pray earnestly for our revival to start July 9th. Brother Bill Dryden, evangelist, in charge. Pray that God will bless him and many souls will be saved.

W. H. HOLLEY, Pastor.

Sister S. M. Weatherford has been in a meeting at Tuxedo, near Bartlesville. Began on the 30th. Sister Weatherford is a faithful soldier of the cross and has been a blessing to thousands.

Seminole, Okla., July 10.
I am writing a few lines about our revival that Rev. Dave Troutman just closed for us, July 3rd. He did some good preaching. Conviction was on lots of people, but just a few came to the Lord. About twenty saved, four or five sanctified and three received the Holy Ghost. Eternity alone will tell the good that was done. Everybody enjoyed the girls' playing on their musical instruments? May God bless them wherever they go. Any church or country will be helped if you can get them.

Your brother for the lost.
C. S. NEUKIRCHER.

Bartlesville, Okla.
We have been having a good meeting here in the church. Bro. Phipps of Oklahoma City Second church did the preaching. The Lord blessed him in giving out the Word. Sister S. M. Weatherford of Pauls Valley was a great help in the meeting. I can truthfully say that she is one of the best altar workers I have ever met. I have known Sister Weatherford about 17 years, and can recommend her to any church, for she will do your church good. Bro. Phipps was a real blessing to the church. We were glad to have Rev. S. E. Stark with us Monday night, the 13th. He gave a wonderful message. The saints shouted for joy. There were several saved and some sanctified and one received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in the meeting. I will be in the evangelistic field this next year. Any one wanting me for a meeting let me hear from you.

O. M. MILLSAP.

Hugo, Okla., June 7.

Dear Brother Muse:
We praise the Lord for the way He is blessing in our revival here. We are trying to get light on every side, and God is certainly rewarding us for it. Up to this time there have been seventeen saved and three sanctified. Among the number were two old men and three elderly women. One old man who had not heard a sermon preached for ten years has been attending the meeting. The other night while here at service he began to suffer intense pain from his arm cramping him. The saints prayed for him and the Lord wonderfully healed him and saved from sin. Praise His name! One dear old lady and her two daughters were gloriously saved. One old lady 52 years of age testified at the beginning of the meeting that she was saved at 16 years old, but when she began to seek for sanctification the Lord showed her that her life was as black as hell itself. She confessed and prayed through shouting the victory. The Lord is making happy homes where before the sin had reigned. There were sixteen in the alter seeking the Lord last night, five of whom were seeking to be saved and they received the experience. One Baptist lady was sanctified and she is very hungry for the baptism. We expect to stay here as long as the Lord leads. We hope to establish a work here that will stand for the full gospel. One crippled man and his wife from Chickasha were passing through here on their way to Hot Springs where he expected to be healed of rheumatism. He had preached for the Salvation Army for four years but was backslidden. They left here, he rejoicing in the fact that his past transgressions were blotted out and she left shouting hallelujah for the sanctifying blood. Please pray that many souls will pray through on all lines.

Yours in his service,
RALPH and MINNIE ROBINSON.

Ada, Okla.

Dear Brother Muse: We are back home again, and in a good meeting here at the Ada church. Brother Bill Dryden is doing the preaching. Having good crowds and the altar was full last night and several got through to victory on different lines. It seems so good to be back home where they have good services. Our meeting at Maud closed the 30th. A few got to the Lord, but we had lots of opposition. Just across the street was a big tent show and other opposition beside the show. Pray for the work here at Ada that a great work will be done for the Lord.

DOLLIE YORK.
GOOD WORK IN AFRICA.

A letter from D. D. Freeman, Krugersdorp, Africa, says: "I am glad to say everything is moving along nicely. We are opening up new stations all along, and our membership is increasing, for which we praise the Lord."

TENT PARTLY BURNED.

Evangelist Lewis Sawgalsky closed a revival meeting at Oklahoma City Sunday night last. The meeting was a good one, hard fought on many lines. Some prayed through and souls were blessed. Brother Sawgalsky preaches good. His sermon on the 14th chapter of 1 Corinthians was the best we have ever heard. About half of the tent was burned one night. As to who set it afire no one seems to know.

Brother Sawgalsky would be a blessing to any church. From here he went to Coffeyville to assist in the camp meeting there.

THE SURE WORD OF PROPHECY.

"For when they shall say, peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape."—1 Thes. 5:3.

There is widespread, deep-seated conviction among thoughtful people everywhere, that we are on the verge of another world war, so tremendous in its devastating power as to totally eclipse the great conflict of a few years ago.

The late war, instead of stabilizing the nations of Europe, and bringing them to terms of mutual understanding and peace, has only fanned the flames of jealousy and hatred, and the various countries are working with feverish energy to train and equip their armies for the inevitable death-dealing conflict.

Field Marshal Foch of France, the great military leader, said recently, "Every one would like to believe another great war is a remote contingency, but the fact cannot be ignored that one may come at any time unexpectedly from any quarter. It may involve the whole world. If another war comes, it will be more terrible than the last."

Oswald J. Smith, a prominent Bible teacher, says: "If there was nothing else to convince us of the imminence of another great war, we would surely have sufficient evidence in the deadly inventions of the last decade, which without question, are being prepared for the next world conflagration. Machines we are told have been invented which will spit forth a fan-shaped tail of 6,000 bullets a minute. Aeroplanes at a height of several miles can now drop bombs weighing 300 pounds, and thus create destruction over a radius of a mile. Guns have recently been constructed with a range of 150 miles, and tanks which, concealed in their own smoke, can outrun the fastest hound.

All these things are here now. In the United States there has been invented a gas which when dropped on a city, will kill everything, men, animals and vegetation—thus blotting out the entire population in a very short time. One whiff of this gas, we are told, means almost instant death. There is 'nothing,' says Thomas Edison, 'to prevent fifty aeroplanes flying tomorrow over London's millions with a gas which can suffocate those millions in three hours.'"

No human power can avert these calamities. All the efforts of peace congresses or league of nations cannot avail. According to the sure word of prophecy, this fearful conflict is impending and will mark the closing of the present age.

It is not pessimism to recognize and declare these tremendous facts, but it is folly to ignore them and declare a peace and security which every thoughtful person realizes does not exist.

Thank God, there is a place of refuge for His people; he has promised to hide us under the shadow of the Almighty.—Sel.

Notice to the Members of the East Oklahoma-Conference.

Our camp meeting will soon be in session and there will have to be quite a lot of labor and expense in making the arrangements. I trust that all of you will help to make this camp meeting and conference a success and blessing to every one, by your remembering and responding with your tithes to the storehouse plan. Please, brethren, don't neglect but come on at once with your tithes into the treasury. Up to this date just a few have shown that good spirit of co-operation and interest by sending in their tithes. Also we are having some signs painted to go on the back of cars to help advertise the camp meeting. Those desiring one of these banners drop me a line and I will mail you one to go on your car. It would also be a great favor if those who think you will want a tent or cot to let me know as we are only ordering 40 tents and 45 cots. Drop us a card and let us know if you want a tent or cot, if you do not want to be left out. It will only cost one cent to let us know and we will try and have your tent up. Tents will be priced as follows: 10x12, $4.50, and 12x14 at $5.50 for the entire camp.

ARTHUR SMITH, Sec., Box 143, Westville, Okla.

QUARTERLY CONFERENCE

The Fourth Quarterly Conference for the Ada district will be held with the Troy Church July 22-24. Troy is the first station south of Mill Creek on the Frisco. For information write Pastor J. W. Brock, Troy, Okla. Send reports to me there in time.

The Fourth Quarterly Conference for the Caddo district will be held with the Durant H. P. church. For information write Ola Keithley, 519 N. E. Second avenue, Durant, Okla. Send reports to me at Durant, general delivery.

Inasmuch as this is our last round before the Annual Conference all should plan to be at their respective quarterly conferences. And if you just can't come please send in your reports as above requested. All churches should get in the habit of sending quarterly reports in each quarter, and they are not likely to come to the annual conference with no report.

Yours faithfully,
DAN W. EVANS.

Don't leave that thing that bothers you covered up, for God says to "follow peace with all men, and holiness without which no man shall see the Lord."
THE PENICTCOSTAL HOLINESS FAITH

THE BIBLE THROUGH CHINESE EYES.


The Bible is a unique book, although it is translated into many hundreds of languages—translations which are apparently different, still each translation brings out some new shades of meaning which are both interesting and helpful, all keeping to the original. The Chinese do not read our English Bible, but read the Chinese translation.

Mark 1:4. The English reads, "John did baptise in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of us liberty, stand firm and do not let the slave yoke pinch you into submission again." The Chinese reads, "John baptised in the wilderness, and preached the washing ceremony of sorrow and change." Galatians 3:27. The English reads, "For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. The Chinese reads, "You who have received the washing ceremony into Christ have all put on Christ."

In the Chinese the words mean the putting on of clothes, dressing yourself, and indicate the entire dress. From the head to the heels is clothed upon. And not only does it mean "dress," but it means "best dress," fine garments. So, to the Chinese mind, it means "You who have received the washing ceremony ought to be dressed up with Christ." People looking at you ought to see the Christlike nature manifest in you. This word for "put on" is a compound word and one of the words in Chinese for putting on of jewelry. It does not only mean to be "dressed up," but to be made beautiful. Christ should be so manifest in us that we will be made beautiful to the world so as to attract many to the Gospel.

Galatians 5:1. The English reads, "Stand fast therefore in the liberty wherewith Christ hath made us free, and be not entangled again with the yoke of bondage. The Chinese reads, "Since Christ hath set us free and given us liberty, stand firm and do not let the slave yoke pinch you into submission again."

The words "made free" are the words used in China in speaking of liberating a prisoner. In Kwangsi soldiers do police duty, and when they make an arrest they tie the prisoner with chains. So here these words indicate the taking off of chains. Paul says, "You have been chains by the devil, but now Christ hath set you free. Stand firm, and do not let the slave yoke pinch you into submission again."

"The yoke of sin rubs and irritates, and when the slave thinks he will try to get free, the yoke presses down on his neck and he is literally pinched into submission. Avoid the possibility of getting the yoke of Satan pressed upon your shoulders again."—The Alliance Weekly.

OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE CAMP MEETING

The Nineteenth Annual Camp Meeting and Conference of the Oklahoma Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church is to be held this year on the new site of King's College, recently purchased at Kingfisher, Okla. The location of this land and college buildings purchased for King's College is one mile east of Kingfisher, Okla., in a beautiful location. The big camp meeting tent will be spread on this ground. The date of the camp meeting and conference is to be August 1 until August 29, inclusive.

The camp meeting preachers will be Rev. Paul F. Beacham, president of Holness Bible and Missionary Institute of C., and Rev. J. H. King, general superintendent of the Pentecostal Holiness Church of Franklin Springs, Ga. Many of the local ministry will also take part in the services and probably a missionary. We are expecting a great outpouring of the Holy Spirit and that many souls will be blessed. We are expecting a large attendance. Pray now for the blessing of hundreds at this camp.

Rev. Marvin E. Oden, who has been dwelling in Florida for nearly two years, and Joe Oden, leader of the Oklahoma City Orchestra and Choir, will lead the singing, and Miss Russie Hughes will be the pianist.

Those desiring tents can secure them. We would be glad if you would write Rev. N. T. Morgan, Box 168, Capitol of Oklahoma City, and make reservations. Meals will be served family style at a reasonable price. We are expecting good music. Begin making preparations now to attend the camp meeting, and also look over the new location of King's College. All the improvements are expected to be nearing completion by the time of the camp meeting and you can see it as it is. Remember the date, August 19 to 29, and the place, the new site of King's College, one mile east of Kingfisher, Okla.

DAN T. MUSE, President; CHAS. J. PHIPPS, Vice-President; N. T. MORGAN, Secretary-Treasurer. Camp Meeting Association.

EAST OKLAHOMA CONFERENCE CAMP MEETING

Location
The Third Camp Meeting and Annual Conference of the East Oklahoma Conference of the Pentecostal Holiness Church will convene at the City Park, Okmulgee, Okla., August 12 to 25, 1927.

Accommodations
This park is the one where the camp was held two years ago, with plenty of shade for campers. The main gospel tabernacle will be large and roomy, about 60 feet. We are fortunate in securing this of the pastor-evangelist, Rev. E. F. Adams and wife of St. Joseph, Mo., and also their wonderful musical instrument of bells.

The prices of the dwelling tents will be announced later and those desiring tents should notify the secretary, Rev. Arthur Smith, Westville, Okla., soon, as we do not wish to order more than are used. Cots and bedsteads can be secured at reasonable figures. All should bring their own bedding and toilet articles. A dining-tent will be on the ground as usual with good meals at reasonable prices.

Speakers
Rev. Joseph H. King, general superintendent of Franklin Springs, Ga., will be the main speaker. We are expecting evangelists Rev. E. F. Adams and wife and other able preachers to assist.

Song Leaders and Music
Rev. J. D. Mahaffey and Rev. J. F. Hively will have charge of the song leading. Also we are expecting Rev. C. R. Lynch to be in charge of the King's College orchestra to assist in the music. Mrs. T. R. Robinson in charge of piano.

Please do not forget the date. Plan to be there. We are anticipating a great time in the Lord for soul-saving and blessing, great preaching and good singing. Come and bring some others with you.

Yours faithfully, DAN W. EVANS, Conference Superintendent; ARTHUR SMITH, Vice-President.

"But if ye have bitter envying and strife in your hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth. This wisdom descendeth not from above but is earthly, sensual, devilish. For where envying and strife is, there is confusion and every evil work."—Jas. 3:14-16.
REPORTS FROM THE FIELDS

Well, praise the Lord for His wonderful love to all. The Checotah, Onepa and Shady Grove churches all came together at a school house (Soda Springs) east of here three miles the night of the 26th and had a wonderful time with the Lord. Our main purpose was to take the Sacrament, which we did. Our song service was wonderful. The Spirit came by waves after which we had a praise service when many told of how they loved God. We read the chapter of the day, Luke 22:10-20 and a brief talk the sacrament was taken. The house and yard were full of people. We were heartily invited back by the people of that community. I praised God for the good people here. They are so kind and generous. I love them all.

B. M. JONES.

Mother Jones, who is in New Mexico holding some meetings writes in part: We closed out at Mountainair the 13th. Did not have much visible results but God did so wonderfully bless me in giving out the message. One was saved and she got a sky blue case too. Several were healed and some held up their hands for prayer. The people are in an awful strait, the drought has been on for four or five years. The community out some 3 miles from Mountainair had us go out and hold a prayer meeting one morning at ten o'clock where they had not had any preaching nor Sunday school for five years, and after a wonderful service they requested that we pray for rain. The rain came the next day and rained for three or four days almost constantly. The next Sunday they had services and organized a School and are arranging for a revival. Pray much for Mexico. I began a meeting at Garfield June 25th. God is blessing. The altar was full last night, and God is sending conviction on the hearts of the people.

Tushkahoma, Okla.

I want to praise God this beautiful morning for still keeping us saved, sanctified and healed and the Comforter abides, for which we are praising God. We are entering a battle against sin and Satan here on June 28th. Looking for a real landslide from Heaven. Its a new field for real true Pentecost, but by the help of our King to direct the real messages here the people will know what real Pentecost stands for. I feel more determined to go on with Jesus and preach it straight, and clean than ever before. There's so many theories preached nowadays. It behoves us to put on the whole armour of God that we may be able to withstand in the evil time. We have been in Texas and Arkansas since the last conference. Had some real battles, but I promised God when I entered the ministry that if He would furnish the grace I would furnish the man. Thank His name He has furnished the grace and I am doing my best to furnish the man. I want to be found at my post of duty when He comes or calls. Pray for us.

Yours for Jesus and the loss of Adam's race.

T. W. VAUGHAN AND WIFE.

Mooreland, Okla., July 9.

We are at home again, Wife is not well: I ask all the prayers of the saints for her healing. Praise the dear Lord, we are still saved, sanctified and baptized in the blessed Holy Ghost. I am in a deal for a tent; if I can raise the price I will buy. I have a call for West Kansas and one close to Freedom. But these are new fields. Wouldn't have any help. I don't feel able just now. I have call back to South Texas. One of the new converts there will preach his first sermon tomorrow. Pray for the Lord. We have some new converts that are on fire for God. Pray that God will send me where He can use me. I am sending $5.00 to be used where most needed and one for camp meeting at Kingfisher.

Your brother in Christ.

R. S. ROBERTS.

Walters, Okla.

Am in Walters helping Brother and Sister Goldie Wilson with the work here. Last Wednesday night the Lord helped me to give out the message and afterward the altar was filled with seekers. The building was full and attention and interest good. The people seemed appetite Pentecost at this place. Brother Wilson is certainly a splendid young Spirit filled preacher and gives out the word straight and clean. The little church is on fire for God and they are praising the Lord for sending Brother Wilson this way with the Gospel truth. Several more have united with the church. Pray for Brother and Sister Wilson's baby. It recently got its head injured. I praise God for salvation just now. Am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost, and fighting sin all I can by His grace, and healed in body and looking for the soon coming of the Lord Jesus.

RUTH CHRISTY.

Joy Bells of Glory

Joy Bells of Glory is the name of Winsett's latest song book. We have some on hand. To those desiring this latest song book. The price is 25 cents each or $2.75 per dozen. Order from Dan T. Muse, Box 762, Oklahoma City, Okla.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Arrangements have been made whereby Rev. Dave Troutman and family and Misses Ruth Chapman and Lena Anderton with their musical instruments are to begin a meeting at Kingfisher, Okla., on Saturday night, August 13. This meeting is to precede the annual camp meeting and help to work up interest at this place. Kingfisher is a new field and all workers that can arrange to get there early and assist in this meeting do so, and help to pray and shout down the victory. Brother Dave is a splendid, straight from the shoulder preacher. By all means arrange to be at the camp meeting to be held at Kingfisher and see the new home of King's College. Kingfisher is located about 28 miles north of El Reno on U. S. Highway 81 (the Meridian Highway or State Highway No. 2). It is located on the Rock Island railroad. Come and come praying.

DAN T. MUSE, President Camp Meeting Association.

The world is rapidly preparing the way for the Anti-Christ. Christian friend, are you preparing yourself for the soon coming of Christ.
THE "WITCH DOCTOR."

—D. D. FREEMAN

Krugersdorp, Transvaal.
South Africa, May 18, 1927.

Africa has so many curses I cannot tell which is the worst. Sometimes I think the various languages are the greatest hindrance to getting the Gospel to the natives, and it is true that this is one of the greatest obstacles that we have to face. I have been in services when there were only four of us, and what was said had to be spoken in three languages. For some time it was a little hard on me to sit and hear the same thing go through three interpreters. It was also all too hard to preach, when I would say a sentence then wait for two or three more to say the same thing, only in different languages. My trouble here was that I had a tendency to say one sentence about one thing and the next sentence about something else. Now I have become accustomed to speaking through an interpreter and I rather like it as it gives me time to think so I can put what I am going to say in the simplest form possible. The only thing I have not quite accustomed to is to sit on a bench for about one hour and a half, and understand only a part of what is said. Of course, we have one advantage here, we can stretch, gape, slide or do any other thing to help pass away the time. As all the rest do this we do not feel embarrassed. Well, so much for the language.

One of the greatest, or I might say THE GREATEST obstacle that stands in the way of the black people of Africa is superstition; and of course the "witch doctor" is included. It is the native's business to keep all of this he possibly can from the white man, but carry it on behind his back. You can never get a native to say at once what he wants to say. He must talk about something else for awhile and gradually lead up to what he wants to tell you. He had rather not tell you a thing than have to tell you at once. In fact, most of the time he will not tell you what he wants to say if you do not give him time to lead up to what he wants to say.

The devil uses the same methods with them to try to destroy and pull down the work of God. They are very brave in their devilment, and we have to keep our eyes open all the time watching our playground. To give you an instance of how they work I will give you an instance or two. A few days ago I took a minister from one of my churches to visit another church at a distance. Something happened that I did not get to go, so I sent my minister in my place. I had a strong impression that I must go to the church from where I sent my minister. When I arrived, sure enough I found a big native man dressed up in white clothes, with different colored cords tied about his body. He had taken off his shoes and socks and set them up beside the pulpit preaching. I asked him for his certificate and he gave it to me. I have never seen anything like it before. It gave him authority as an ordained minister, then gave details of their "foolishness." I will mention a few of them. "All our ministers they carry sticks," and gave scripture. "All our ministers they do not shave," and gave scripture. "All our ministers they do not shave," and gave scripture. "All our ministers they have their shoes off at the church door," and gave scripture. "All our members keep the Sabbath (Saturday) for Holy Day," and give scripture. It also mentioned other things too foolish to mention. I let him know I wanted him to humbug (go) and he grabbed his shoes and left. I have had several cases just like this one. They watch our churches very close, and if they can catch a time when I or the minister is gone they slip in and do their best to tear up and split the congregation. Another time my children were leaving Sunday School and a white woman came up near the church door and began to beg the children to not come back to the Sunday School again.

"Since I have been in Africa I have only found two things a native will give money freely for. One is to the "witch doctor" and the other is for "beer." When a native gets sick or loses something or something is stolen from him he cares no more for giving two months' wages to get the witch doctor to tell him a lie about it than I would to give a six-pence for sweets (candy). The native's mind is rooted and grounded in the "witch doctor." He believes in it from the top of his kinky scalp to the bottom of his rusty feet. Sometimes he can see a cure for every ailment or trouble in the man with his body decorated with all kind of bones. Without exception almost every time the "witch doctor" is the ugliest man of the "craw," But of course he has the most power.

Some time ago I met one who happened to know English well and I had a long talk with him. He was on a commission to see one of the "queens" where I was staying. He had with him one of his wives and one of his daughters, who looked to be about sixteen years old. He told me that he was trying to sell this girl to get money to buy another wife. I began to tell him about Jesus and his power to save from such. Before I had said very much he spoke up and said "Yes, I know all of witch craft is of the devil," and I know I am devil possessed." He went on to say he did not like to be in his position, but could not quite as the devil would not let him. He also said he had, had ministers to try to cast this devil out of him but could not. Brother Brooks was with me at this time and he asked us to cast him out. This was the first time I had ever had a challenge like this. Then the thought came to me to make inquiries to see if he was willing to let us cast him out. To our disappointment we found he was not willing to give up all his sins, and turn wholly to God. We asked him to come to our services, he said he would, but he never turned up for any of them. While we were talking with him he opened up his remedies and showed them to us. At least he came to a small board with something like syrup in it. He tried to get us to taste it, but of course all of us refused. Then he ate some of it and told us it was nothing but strained honey. Anyway I did not feel slighted in the least by refusing at the beginning as well as the last.

"To Be Concluded Next Issue"

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THE GLORY OF THE LORD
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We need to depend more upon our prayer life for strength, than to trust so much in our own scientific knowledge or what higher critics, skeptics or agnostics may try to tell us concerning the powers of God. We should realize that God is our strength and without Him, no matter what our height of learning might be, or how great our supply of wealth or magnificent our sanctuaries, we can never conquer.

Oh, I fear that the Glory has departed from the Church of Christ to a very alarming extent, and may we as God's children, especially God's watchmen, never cease to lift up the blood-stained banner of Christ Jesus above the world and put our trust more in the power of God's deliverance. A people, or a church or a nation, without the mighty power of God's Glory overshadowing them are like a mighty vessel adrift upon the bosom of the great deep without a rudder or helm to guide it, tossed about by the mighty waves of destruction. She soon goes to pieces and sinks into the heaving bosom of the mighty deep.

We need the Glory of God in our lives as a tender plant needs the sunshine; for without the sunshine the plant cannot survive, so also with us, without God's power in our lives we will eventually perish. But we cannot expect this great blessing of God's love in us unless we are willing to suffer with Christ. Most of God's people today are anxious to be partakers of His Glory, but are not willing to suffer with Him.

Paul says in Romans 8: 17-18, "And if children then heirs; heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with Him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the Glory which shall be revealed in us."

If we desire the Glory of God in our lives to its greatest measure, we must enter into the sufferings of Christ with our whole soul and strength and be willing also to bear the reproach and to become a gazing stock to the world. It takes the grace of God in our hearts to be able to endure with meekness the scoff and scorn from a Christ-rejecting people; to be willing if necessary, as some of the blessed martyrs of the dark ages, to give our lives, to be burned or tortured or whatever punishment the enemies of God might inflict upon us. Looking at these things in the natural, it would be hard indeed to bear, but Paul says, "We look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal." We know that temporal things will soon end and pass away, as the grass of the field, but eternal things will endure forever. Our sufferings for Christ are temporal, but the Glory He gives us because of our willingness to suffer for His sake are eternal and fadeth not away.

Paul says, "There are celestial bodies and bodies terrestrial, but the Glory of the celestial is one and the Glory of the terrestrial is another. There is one Glory of the sun and another glory of the moon and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory. So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption; it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in Glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power."

If we only knew the Glory awaiting the resurrected Saints, raised in the likeness of the blessed Son of God, to enjoy throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity the blessings of God's eternal Glory; how it would inspire our souls and fill us with that determination to go through with God; to plunge deeper and deeper into His suffering and climb higher and higher in His infinite wisdom and knowledge until we come to know the fullness of God.

Remember the occasion in the life of Christ when He took Peter, James and John up in the mount and was transfigured before them: what a halo of eternal Glory shone upon Him and His face did shine as the brightness of the sun and His raiment was exceeding white and Moses and Elias appeared with Him. How the hearts of these human beings of the clay must have felt as they beheld this marvelous expression of Glory; no wonder they said, "It is good for us to be here." I wonder what will be felt in the hearts of the resurrected Saints when we are ushered into the presence of God's eternal Glory. Then we, too, can say, "It is good for us to be here."

On another occasion, as the two disciples walked on the way, Emmaus and Christ joined Himself with them as they walked and talked about the risen Lord, how their hearts did burn within them. The Glory of the Risen Lord was overshadowing them and they knew it not.

Stephen, that faithful martyr of Christ, as he was being stoned to death, saw the heavens opened, and beheld the Glory of the Heavenly throne. It was such a wonderful sight and held him in such inspired rapture that he did not seem to feel the sting and pangs of the death-dealing bruises of those stones as they crushed out the natural life.

Many other instances could be sighted of the manifestation of God's Glory to us that we will not mention here. These should be enough to inspire us to seek more of God and so conduct our lives here below that we may be able to receive our portion of His Glory in this life and in all the life to come. May it never be said of us, "The Glory is departed from thee." But may we all with open face beholding as in a glass the Glory of the Lord, be changed into the same image from Glory to Glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord, until all the earth shall be filled with the Glory of God—To whom be praise and Glory forever—Amen.

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