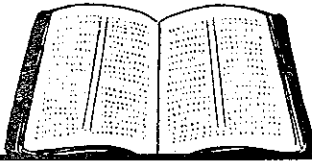


"CHRIST DIED FOR SINNERS"



THE BOOK

"PEACE THROUGH HIS BLOOD"



THE BLOOD

"BEHOLD HE COMETH WITH CLOUDS"



THE BLESSED HOPE

Baptist Bulletin

for
BIBLE-BELIEVING BAPTISTS

A Happy New Year in "The Name That Is Above Every Name."

DR VAN OSDEL WENT HOME TO BE WITH THE LORD, NEW YEAR'S MORNING 1935. BIBLE-BELIEVING BAPTISTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY WILL EVER OWE HIM A LASTING DEBT OF GRATITUDE FOR HIS STAUNCH AND UNWAVERING DEFENSE OF THE FAITH IN THE MIDST OF BITTER OPPOSITION.

REV. O. W. VAN OSDEL,
D.D. I.L.D.

Co-Founder of the G. A. R. B. Builder and Pastor of the Wealthy Street Baptist Temple—1909 to 1935

HE BEING DEAD
YET SPEAKETH'

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"Comforted of God"

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2 Corinthians 1:3,4.  
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A crushing sorrow bore me to the ground,
I felt I ne'er could lift my head again,
It left me with a gaping, jagged wound
Which would not heal; a constant source of
pain

I cried unto my Lord in deep distress,
My heart was broken, I could bear no more:
His voice came quickly, full of tenderness,
"I'm here, my child, you should have come
before."

All spent, He drew me to His loving heart,
I found that blessed peace that naught can
mar;
His healing balm poured o'er the wounded part,
Today I cannot even find the scar.

I loved a friend—how deeply none can know
Save those who have been blest with friend-
ship rare,

When two hearts beat as one, together grow,
And all their burdens with each other share.
But, bitter thought, my friend unfaithful
proved,
Anguish and grief within my heart held
sway;

Then came my Saviour's voice, "O, my beloved,
I'll never fail thee, only near Me stay"
To Him confiding all my joy and grief,
I've found a Friend who'll always faithful
prove;

In all my pain He gives me sweet relief,
And I have lost my sorrow in His love.

A wasting illness came to sap my strength,
Neglected lay my work, I could not see
Just why it should be so. I said at length,
Lord how can this be glorifying Thee?"

"My child," He said; and oh, His voice was
sweet,

"Of that I am the judge, just trust to Me,
It is MY work When testing is complete,
Enriched with rarer fruit thy life shall be.
I do not want thee like the hot-house plant,
But like the storm-tried oak upon the hill."

"Oh, Lord," I said, "whatever thou dost grant,
There's nothing sweeter than Thy blessed
will"

There came into my life another pain,
A rasping, nagging thorn, most hard to
bear,

Which must be borne again, and yet again,
'Til I gave up—in anguish and despair:
But when in agony before His throne,
Worn out with weeping, I His aid besought,
He said, "I have not left you all alone,
Into My likeness you are being wrought.
I give you this in love, to lift you up,
And so that you may more abide in Me,
So do not fear to drink this bitter cup,
'Tis your best training for eternity."

Oh blessed Lord, Who plans my every day,
Smite me as often as it pleaseth Thee;
And when Thou art contented with Thy clay,
Conformed unto Thine image I shall be

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An inspiring and comforting message to begin the un-
known unexplored and unforeseen New Year that lies
ahead 1937.

AUTHORITY ON JUVENILE CRIME DARES TO FACE FACTS

Rev. Robt. James Devine, Lansing, Mich., is doing Pioneer work in much neglected field.



Rev. Robt. J. Devine

Rev. Robt. James Devine, Pastor of the Christian Fellowship Assembly, Lansing, Mich., has been carrying on an intensive campaign of enlightenment among ministers

and laymen concerning the alarming increase and tragic proportion of Juvenile crime in this country.

Some of these statistics are not only staggering, but are well nigh unbelievable. We quote just a few of these:

"Not so long ago—as late as 1855, to be exact, America was recognized as the most law-abiding nation in the world. The American Bar Association recently declared that America is now the most criminal nation on the globe! Let's look at our record. Facts are stubborn things. Every year twelve thousand persons are murdered in the United States. That means one thousand every month; thirty-three every day; an average of one murder every forty-five minutes! Not a record to be proud of. There are twelve times as many murderers in New York as in London, Eng.; one may obtain these figures and many more just as startling from the annual report of The American Bar Association. More than three thousand persons are kidnaped each year in the United States. We hear of only a few of that number, and promptly forget about most of those we do read about.

"America's crime bill for one year is variously estimated at from thirteen billions to twenty-five billions of dollars. The latter figures evidently include the monies stolen and

taken for ransoms. The lower figure includes only the actual cost to the United States government for law enforcement, for police, judges, courts, reformatories, jails, penitentiaries, parole boards, probation officers and such. Thirteen billions is a lot of money. Perhaps we can the more easily understand its magnitude when we realize that it is more than three times the cost of maintaining the whole Federal government for one year.

"The fight against the illicit nar-

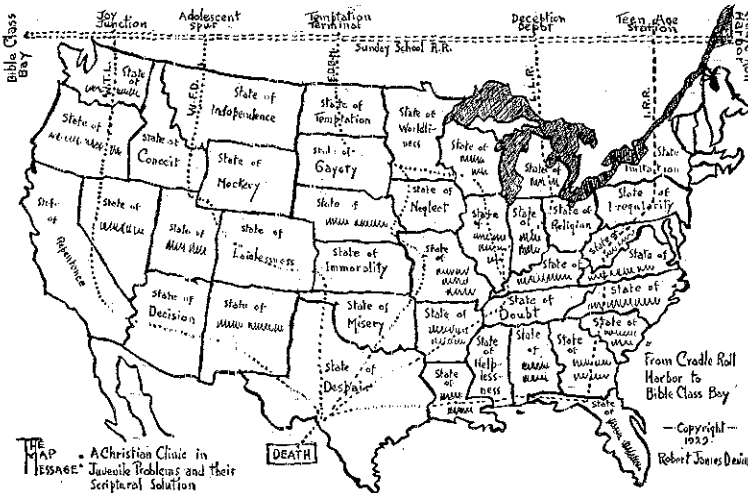
80 per cent of them are less than 25 years of age."

Warden Lewis E. Lawes, of Sing Sing Prison: "The records show the preponderance of criminals from public and high schools. The criminals they contribute are more brazen, more vicious and more desperate than ever before in the history of any civilized community."

These facts and figures speak for themselves, and what are Christians doing about it? We dare say the majority of them are asleep at the

switch. This writer confesses that he has been. Brother Devine has spent more than 25 years of his life as a successful superintendent, Pastor and lecturer on Juvenile Crime Problems. From coast to coast he has conferred with Probate Judges, Juvenile Court Officers, and many others, gathering vital statistics of that which is threatening not only to disrupt but corrupt every fibre of American Society; and what is the chief reason for it? The breakdown in the Protestant Bible Schools

"From Cradle Roll Harbor To Bible Class Bay"



otic traffic alone costs the people of America more in one year than five times the total cost of building the Panama Canal!"

Judge Charles W. Hoffman states: "Of ten million arrests in the United States in one year, 85 per cent of them were under twenty years of age."

New York's Police Commissioner states: "That there is a pernicious growth of criminal activities among the juveniles of the country none can deny. With a few exceptions the crimes are those of adolescents."

Judge James C. Crosby: "Most of the criminals today are boys and young men. To be exact, more than

throughout the country. Rev. Devine quotes no less an authority than General Pershing who said not long ago, "The United States does not need more aeroplanes or more weapons of warfare, but the greatest need today is for an unbroken chain of Sunday Schools across the continent equal to a number of public schools."

At present Rev Devine is holding a series of his famous map messages on the subject, "What Price Juvenile Crime in Grand Rapids" in the Wealthy Street Baptist Temple, with a number of the Fundamental churches of the city cooperating. He is available for these messages, and he goes wherever the Lord leads him

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HOW I BECAME AN INFIDEL

By MARTIN S. CHARLES, Reclaimed Atheist.

A PERSONAL TESTIMONY

Many years of my life were spent as a professional atheist and anti-religious lecturer, debater, organizer and writer. During this time I traveled extensively throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Central and South America, delivering lectures against God, the Bible, Christianity and the Church, organizing anti-religious societies, participating in debates with ministers of various denominations, and doing everything in my power to promote the cause of militant atheism and unbelief. I doubt if there is a city or town in the United States of more than fifty thousand population where I did not appear as a champion of uncompromising atheism and infidelity. I lectured in all the principal cities of the Dominion of Canada, and made two speaking tours of the Republic of Mexico. I made one trip of several months through Central and South America, and visited the Island of Cuba.

During the latter five and a half years of this time I was accompanied on most of my tours by a young atheist lecturer by the name of **Ralph Underwood**, as godless and blasphemous a young man as ever mounted a platform, stage or soap-box in behalf of the warfare of militant atheism against religion. Commencing his career as a professional street speaker when he was not quite fourteen, **Ralph Underwood** was seventeen when I first met him in Chicago, and already a seasoned veteran of the godless crusade. Together we traveled, lectured, debated and organized, distributing tons of infidel propaganda.

We were absolutely honest and sincere in our conviction that we were right, and that we were carrying on a good work in behalf of human liberty, progress and intellectual advancement. We were zealous to the point of fanaticism. So much so that we were quite willing to suffer and make sacrifices on behalf of the "cause" to which our lives were committed. On many occasions we were persecuted, beaten, driven out of

town, arrested and thrown into jail. We gloried in such persecutions, considering ourselves martyrs in the cause of science, freethought and educational progress.

But we were wrong. It is quite possible, to be absolutely honest and thoroughly sincere, and yet be wholly mistaken

A Christian Home

I was not always an infidel, nor did I come from an unbelieving home. My mother was a good Christian woman, who believed in God and in



Martin S. Charles

prayer, and my father, while not a professing Christian, was certainly not an unbeliever. Among my earliest recollections are those of hearing my mother read and relate Bible stories. I cannot remember the time when I did not believe I would grow up to be a preacher. When I was only four or five years of age, whenever I was asked what I intended to become when I grew up, I would reply, "I'm going to be a preacher."

I was converted when I was nine years old, in a Sunday afternoon children's service in the Methodist church of the small town in Texas where I was raised. It was an old-fashioned Methodist revival where there were old-fashioned **shouting** Methodists! Thank God for those old-time hallelujah-amen-praise-the-

Lord shouting Methodists! What a pity that modernism, that cultured, Christ-belittling, Bible-destroying and evolution-championing philosophy, has made such terrific inroads into the grand old Church of John and Charles Wesley! If those two holy men of God could hear what is being preached from the pulpits of many Methodist churches in these apostate days of the Twentieth Century, methinks they would turn over in their graves!

Ordained to the Ministry

When I was twelve years old, I joined the Baptist church and was baptized.

A few months before my fifteenth birthday, I went away to a Christian Academy to begin my educational preparation for the ministry. My first, real, honest-to-goodness sermon before an adult congregation was preached the next day after I was fifteen. Then during the whole of my three years in this school, I preached somewhere practically every Sunday, and during the summer vacations I was busy conducting protracted meetings. In this way I helped to finance my way through the Academy.

I was graduated from this preparatory school when I was seventeen, and the same year was ordained to the Baptist ministry.

In the fall of the same year I entered a denominational college, where I continued to finance my education mainly by preaching for various churches on Sundays, and by conducting revival meetings during vacation seasons.

I was not yet twenty-one when I received my A. B. degree. At this time I had no other hope or expectation in life, than that I should always remain an evangelist and a preacher of the Gospel of Christ. The denominational schools, which I attended were good schools, and I came out of both Academy and College with my faith virtually intact. True, I did come in contact with much discussion and debate concerning the theory of evolution, and with

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AFRICA!!



Mr and Mrs Albert TerMeer, members of the Wealthy Street Baptist Temple, Grand Rapids, Michigan, have been accepted by the Sudan Interior Mission of which Dr. R. V. Bingham is the head, and are expecting (D. V) to sail on February 10th for Nigeria, Africa.

Brother TerMeer is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and also of the Moody Bible Institute. He was President of his class at Moody, and graduated with high honors. Mrs. TerMeer also is a graduate of Moody and was chosen to represent the women at the graduation exercises of the Institute, which bespeaks the praise and admiration in which she was held by her fellow students.

Both of these young people have faithfully served their Lord in their home Church, working in the Bible School, Young People's Groups, choirs, etc., and have proven themselves leaders, and most important of all—soul winners for our Blessed Lord.

We ask your prayers for them that the balance of their equipment may be taken care of and their transportation provided.

ABEO MISSIONARY TESTIFIES ENROUTE TO FIELD

The following extract from an article taken from "The Message" official bulletin for the Association of Baptists for Evangelism in the Orient, tells of the calibre and convictions of the missionaries that work under this independent Baptist Association. The article is headed:

SOUL WINNING AT SEA

A True Missionary Does Not Wait Until His Arrival to Begin Work

Personal workers will be interested in studying as object lessons the following account from Mr. Taggart:

An Engineering Student

A few hours after we left the

Golden Gate I made the acquaintance of a young engineering student from Seattle who was enroute to Honolulu. In the course of our self-introduction I told him where I was going and why. Within ten minutes we were talking about the One who is nearest to my own heart. He was in a spiritual fog and frankly confessed the fact. He wanted to know if I had ever experienced any difficulty in my study of philosophy at college. Was there any contradiction between philosophy and Christianity? I told him Yes and No, then explained what I meant: that the whole thinking of the world is opposed to the Christian message. The preaching of the cross has always been "to them who

perish foolishness" (I Cor 1:18). But I added there is no conflict between true philosophy and Christianity. The greatest problem of philosophy is the problem of sin and evil in the world. Christianity offers the only adequate solution to that problem in the cross of Calvary. We had several talks along this and similar lines. He was looking for a satisfactory philosophy of life. I told him he would never find it in human philosophy, but only when he got right with God and accepted the philosophy of Calvary. Before we parted he agreed to correspond with me concerning his spiritual difficulties. I have already written him a long letter explaining
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WE WILL GLADLY MAKE CORRECTION

In the October issue of the Bulletin in writing of the work of the Rev Clayton H. Gray of Lynn, Mass., we made the statement, "This is the only Fundamental testimony to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ in the City of Lynn."

Since then it has come to our attention indirectly that this statement should be corrected as here are other fundamental testimonies in Lynn among Baptists. If such is the case we will be only too glad to make amends in any way we can. But we do feel that a statement concerning the fundamental faith of a church should come from the official board and pastor of the church itself. We believe this is not asking too much.

If there are those Baptist churches in Lynn, Mass who still believe in and preach the fundamentals of the faith, namely the Virgin Birth of our Lord, His Atoning Death on Calvary for sinners, His cleansing Blood as the only atonement for sin, His bodily resurrection, the verbal inspiration of the Scriptures, and if these same Baptist churches will but write in officially and tell us, we will gladly make known this fact in an early issue of the Bulletin.

We do believe however that we can say this without fear of contradiction. The only uncompromising fundamental Baptist church in Lynn, Mass is the one whose pastor is Rev Clayton H Gray. For we have stated before in these columns, and state again, that any Baptist church which is tied up with the NBC in any way is compromising in the most flagrant manner, whether they admit it or not.

CONCERNING MINISTERIAL ETHICS

The charge has been made by modernists that it is unethical for a fundamentalist minister to slowly educate the people of his church to the modernism within the NBC, and thus use his influence and voice in withdrawing his church from the convention.

The whole answer to this question revolves on the definition of the word "ethics" or "ethical". For a modernist to raise the cry of "Unethical!" almost borders on comedy, if it were not so tragic. For it is modernism that we can thank for tearing to shreds every vestige of ethics in the Christian ministry.

We consider it not only ethical, but the solemn duty under God for every Bible-believing minister to warn the members of his church against the apostates and modernist "wolves in sheep's clothing" which flood the pulpits and seminaries of our land. And when the members have become sufficiently aroused to the danger and see the issues at stake, they should not hesitate to take action against that which is in league with "the rulers of the darkness of this world" who eagerly carry on their commerce in "spiritual wickedness in high places".

MORE DONATIONS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS NEEDED

The response has been fine from many quarters, but many more subscriptions are needed, plus individual and group donations. The October meeting at Gary did much in the way of cementing our fellowship, but YOU as an individual subscriber and reader of the Bulletin are the one who can help as much as anyone else.

There is no greater need that we face today than to acquaint men and women with the plain and simple Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ, and cause them to see the difference between the false and the true. Every artifice of the adversary, cunningly devised, is being used to deceive "even the very elect" if it were possible.

It is YOUR MISSIONARY OPPORTUNITY, to get the Bulletin before those who ought to know.

"20,000 ATTEND AS 'STREAMLINE REVIVAL' STARTS"

"Gear Teachings to 20th Century"

So ran some of the headlines in the daily press as the National Preaching Mission, sponsored and backed by the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, toured the country. All the speakers of national or international reputation with eloquence and oratory told of a "modern" Christianity for a "modern" world.

Every born again Christian agrees, "We need a revival and need it badly". A prosperity with no returning to God and repentance of sin, is the deadliest poison we know of to inject in the veins of society. Mark you well, IF prosperity comes like the days of '28 and '29 and God is forgotten and Christ continues to be rejected, woe be unto this nation! We tremble for the future humanly speaking.

The whole tenor of this National Preaching Mission is as foreign to the Gospel and true revival from a Biblical standpoint as day is removed from night. Never once does any speaker mention the Blood of Christ as that which cleanses from sin, regeneration through the Holy Spirit, the mighty and soul-thrilling doctrines of the Person of Christ. Who He is and what He came to do—die for sinners.

One speaker released to the press this statement "This is a 'streamlined' revival. There never has been anything like it. It heralds a new kind of ministry for Protestantism in this country. We have taken evangelism out of the hands of the 'queer' folks and have given it back into the hands of solid leadership in local churches."

And numbered among those "queer folks" who would be looked upon by the modernistic church leaders of our day as old fashioned and antiquated, would be D. L. Moody, R. A. Torrey, Chapman and Alexander and a host of other men of God who traveled up and down this land preaching Salvation through the Blood, and the Cross of Christ the only hope for a sinful world.

THAT is the only revival that will

ever count for God. You can gather crowds by the tens of thousands and present a brilliant array of speakers that dazzle their audiences with superb rhetoric and glowing oratory but such 20th century methods will never in this wide world bring soul convicting, heaven-sent, Holy Ghost revival to the hungry and guiltburdened hearts of men.

Oh that God—if He tarries—would give us in His Grace, a taste of His mighty power in the hearts and lives of men! We need Thee O God! We need Thy Holy Spirit. We have sinned and Thou alone can check the floodtide of awful apostasy that threatens to engulf us!



REV. C. ELMER GARVIN,
Pres. Ohio Assn. of Independent
Baptists

OVER 800 REGISTER AT OIB FELLOWSHIP

A Record Attendance and Great Blessing as Baptists Meet in Elyria, Ohio.

Over eight hundred registered guests and delegates! This was the record of the annual fellowship of the Independent Baptists who met in the First Baptist Church, Elyria, Ohio, on October 20, 21 and 22.

This eighth annual meeting of the Independent Baptists of Ohio by far surpassed any previous such meeting in enthusiasm, spirituality and attendance. There were over four hundred and twenty-five young people who attended the young people's

banquet held on Thursday night of the convention, to hear Miss Ruth Hege, their own missionary to the Africans of the Belgian Congo.

Fellowship marked every session of the conference. Many able speakers of the Ohio Independent Baptists brought heartsearching, spiritual messages that sent delegates and guests home to their churches with new vision and renewed zeal. Every Bible message was matched with a missionary message. Missionaries were present from all over the world bringing their messages of good tidings. In addition there was an hour given to missionary flashes from all the missionaries present.

Each night the local choir and orchestra presented some unusual musical number, such as "The Hallelujah Chorus from the 'Messiah'", selections from "The Elijah" and other great compositions.

The climax of the entire convention was the message of **Dr. Howard Fulton** of the Belden Avenue Baptist Church of Chicago. **Dr. Fulton** came as a messenger representing the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches. His message on "The Bible, The Word Of God" gripped hearts, convicted and convinced doubters. He held spellbound an audience of over eight hundred people as he majestically unravelled the marvels of the Book of books.

AUTHORITY ON JUVENILE CRIME DARES TO FACE FACTS

(Continued from page 3) without mention of finances. His heart is in the work and he is on fire for the lost souls of the youth of this land. May God arouse Christians to their duty these days. Far too often have we adopted the slogan of that self contented Pharisee of old who took for his life motto, "Let men starve on, while prudent I, Snug in my nest shall live, And snug shall die."

Our prayer is that every Bible believing Baptist connected with the G. A. R. B. and others who are independent of any entangling alliance with "Machine" domination and control, may set to work and do everything in their power to reach the unreached, save the unsaved, and preach to those without preachers, and thus hasten the coming of our glorious Lord.

CALIFORNIA SECTION

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CHEERING NEWS FROM OUR BROTHER ON THE WEST COAST

CALIFORNIA GREET'S NATION



Dr. C. Elmer
Gottschalk

Greetings to the Brethren of our National Association:

We, the Baptists of California thank God for those of like faith with us "who are contending for that which was once and for all delivered to the saints." We rejoice,

in these days of apostasy, that all over our land the Lord is calling our Baptist brethren to take their stand against the system of unbelief.

A few years ago the writer (now moderator of the Association of Regular Baptists in California) organized, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, an Independent Baptist church in South Los Angeles, but was not aware of a similar movement throughout the nation. God blessed the work abundantly, many souls were saved, and those from the convention churches of the vicinity came to us.

We were informed, by some who had joined our ranks, that an old fashioned association of Baptist churches existed in Southern California. After investigation we joined the group, and thank God for the fellowship they have afforded us.

At our last meeting, held in May at the Seminary church in Los Angeles, it was revealed that every church had made great progress during the past year. We look forward to our fall meeting in San Diego, Nov. 6-8 with Rev. Jones. We have great expectations. I am hoping and planning to attend the next annual general assembly in Johnson City, New York.

Since our annual meeting in May the ministers have met together twice

for prayer and council and shall continue to meet each month.

We believe the assembly made a wise choice in selecting **Dr. Elmer Gottschalk** as editor for California, knowing him to be capable and dependable.

Any of the brethren desiring to fellowship with us in our Semi-annual meeting in San Diego, will receive a hearty welcome from our association.

May grace, mercy, and peace from Father, Son, and Holy Ghost be on all our churches.

G. Sherman Lemmon,
Moderator
166 San Dimas Ave.,
San Dimas, Calif.

Resolutions passed by the Association of Regular Baptist Churches of California Nov. 7, 1936.

We, THE ASSOCIATION OF REGULAR BAPTIST CHURCHES OF CALIFORNIA, assembled in San Diego Nov. 7, 1936 wish to go on record as favoring the retention of the name "Regular Baptist Churches" without change. We also commend this our preference to the G. A. R. B. C. meeting in Johnson City in May, 1937.

Signed by **Sherman Lemmon,**
Moderator
Robert M. Wright,
Secretary.

Be it resolved that, while this Association does not presume to make any decisions for the Churches, we do feel at liberty to advise all the Churches of the Association, and all other Regular Baptist Churches, to enter into the fellowship of the National organization known at the General Association of Regular Baptist Churches. We urge this course because that by doing so the Churches can gain thereby a measure of safety and usefulness not otherwise obtainable.

Resolved that we hereby send greetings to the Central Baptist Church of Gary, Ind. and in view of the great need for visitation and conference amongst the churches which only **Dr. Ketcham** as President of the G. A. R. B. could render, we therefore respectfully join with others in the request that, if possible, the Central Church of Gary release their Pastor for a period of about three months in order that he may carry out this visitation.

INTERSTATE SECTION

Edited by
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Ithaca, New York
**RATHER DIG DITCH THAN
COMPROMISE**



Rev. J. Irving Reese

"I'll dig ditches before I'll compromise," declared a pastor of a little Baptist Church in eastern New York a couple years ago. The words came back to him when a few months later, because he refused

to bow the knee to Baal in the person of the State Convention secretary, he found himself actually engaged as a ditch digger on a relief project.

"**Charlie**" Parson was no empty boaster, although every door of ministry was closed to him, thanks to the same State secretary, he kept the faith and walked with God. In marvelous ways God met the need of himself and family, consisting of wife and four children. During the extended period he labored as a relief worker, Brother Parson never forgot the work of the Lord and each pay his tithe was set apart and a proportion of it sent in to the office of the IEA to help carry on the fight **Engaged as Caretaker**

When the new Bible center of the IEA on Lake Canandaigua, New York State, became sufficiently developed as to require a year round caretaker, the thoughts of **Dr. Strathearn** turned to this faithful servant of the Lord, who had rejoiced to dig ditches for Jesus Christ Funds were far from plentiful and a large salary could not be offered, but willing as ever to serve where God seemed to call, the Parson family came on and took up their abode in the house at Tabernacle on the Lake, early in the summer of this year.

Testing Times Not Over

More trials were in store for these servants of the Lord, however. Soon after locating at the Lake an old physical trouble came back upon **Mrs. Parson**, believed at first to be

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LETTERS OF INFORMATION - WARNING - ENCOURAGEMENT

ENCOURAGING NEWS FROM A TRUE MAN OF GOD

Dear Bro. Fuller:

I am way down south in Indiana, and don't have much fellowship with other Baptist preachers, for the reason that most of them are still in the convention. **Bro. Ford Porter** and I are about the only ones, and we are 40 miles apart.

We are having a happy struggle with our church, just two and a half years ago I resigned as pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city, a church of 250 members in a County Seat of 5,000 people. I pastored them for five and a half years, taking my stand against the Convention group, and their program, until the animosity of that crowd was so aroused that they started proceedings to skid me out of town, but I didn't skid. I called for a showdown, and 130 voted for me to remain as pastor of the church, and not one voted against me, in fact only three of their crowd showed up that night. After the vote was taken I gave them the challenge to come to the altar and get right with God and go to work for him, and I would meet them more than half way, but they said they did not need to come to the altar. I said, "All right, I take it for granted that that is the attitude of the group that stayed away tonight, therefore I resign as pastor of this church, for I will not pastor it with that group in it, but I am going to organize a new church tonight and all that wish to come with me are welcome to do so, or if you prefer to stay here you are welcome to do that," and 66 of them arose and immediately severed their connection with that church. We organized that night, and began worship in an abandoned lodge hall the next Sunday morning with 135 in Bible School the first morning. Within the next month 31 more came to us from the old church, making a total of 97. Some have left to join other churches, four left because they had not counted the price, one death, and we now have 126 members. We are building a new brick building 50x78 with a full basement, and expect to get into it in the spring. We are happy in His service, but we do crave a little fellowship with kindred

minds. Pray for us that we might continue to witness down here in this end of the woods.

Some said, "Why did you not stay with the church and put the others out?" I could have done that; if I had just said the word that night they would have been voted out so quickly that they would have been surprised, but I would not allow it. I knew what they would do, and that is take it to court, and I knew the court would decide in their favor, so rather than be in a tangle of litigation all the time, I let them have their property and vamoosed. Today, they have no pastor, and no services, except a small S. S., and there is a for sale sign on their parsonage. May the Lord have mercy on their souls.

I don't know whether you really cared to take the time to read this ramble or not, but at least I have it off my chest again, and I feel good. Hallelujah! Don't forget to pray for us, and keep sending the Bulletin.

Yours and His,

H E Ketcham,
Boonville, Ind



**Pastor Clarence M Keen and
Mrs Harriet Bolles**

My dear **Brother Fuller**:

It is always with interest and joy that I read in the Baptist Bulletin the accounts of Church History concerning the brethren that I know. I pray for, and thank God for the many successes over the country. Truly we are on the Lord's side and that means ultimate success.

The following is a bit of news item concerning the blessing of the Lord that has been ours.

Last month we had **Dr. Albert Hughes** of Toronto with us for a two weeks evangelistic effort. The services were well attended and the in-

terest was fine. On the last night of the campaign we had a real heaven sent revival. A time of refreshing such as many present had not witnessed before. Between fifteen and twenty had confessed Christ up until that service. Then a number of our wandering sheep returned home. Some that had been estranged from the church for two years or more and indulging their carnal desires came out and confessed their sins and returned to fellowship and joy. Some came to confess the Lord as Saviour. Then there was a general breaking and yielding and witnessing on the part of many. Many who had been finding fault and criticizing confessed it publicly and wept their way to peace and liberty. The reviving continued and it was 11:30 p. m. when we finally found a chance to stop and go home. It was the end of a perfect day. Hallelujah! The influence of that time has been felt in the church ever since the special meetings closed. For all this we praise our heavenly Father.

Then here is another bit of news that will not often be repeated. Last Lord's day morning I had the joy of having present in the service, listening to her testimony and then receiving into the membership of our Church a woman past 102 years of age. She was 102 last September 24th. **Mrs. Harriet Bolles**. She is well and active, joyous and with a keen sense of humor. She came to us on her confession of faith having received Christ and having been baptized early in life.

The Lord is blessing the work here for which we truly thank him. I am having the joy of ministering to a Bible Marking Class in Buffalo each Monday evening in the Hotel Statler with an attendance of about 300 per week. And on the same evening at a later hour we have a similar class in the home church with a fine attendance and interest. Brethren pray for us.

With thanksgiving for your fellowship in the Gospel from the first and assuring you of my prayers and best Christian wishes I remain,

Sincerely yours in His service,

Clarence M Keen

Rom. 8:31, **Williamsville, N. Y.**

INTERSTATE SECTION

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diabetes, the illness was later diagnosed as tuberculosis. She has now been for several weeks in a state sanatorium and while she is gaining will have to remain away from her family many months more

While the mother is away the work of the home is being taken care of by the two little daughters, Mary aged 10, and Naomi, 12

Not a Burden But a Precious Responsibility

While it is comparatively easy to finance the work at the Tabernacle



Mary and Naomi Parsons

on the Lake in the summer when successful conferences are being held, the reverse is true in the winter. Out of sight is out of mind with many of God's dear children. Yet a caretaker is as badly needed in winter as in summer if the property is to be protected and developed; besides it would be unfair and unchristian to employ a man with a family during the summer and turn him out with no job in the fall. For any family the winter increases the expense and for brother Parson this is doubly true because of the forced absence of his wife.

To the personal knowledge of this correspondent the salary of brother Parson, besides some much needed clothes for the little girls, has been paid out of brother Strathearn's own pocket. This ought not be allowed to become necessary.

Surely there are enough churches and pastors in sympathy with the IEA and whose hearts must be stirred by the need of this noble man of God and his little family, so that every need may generously be met.

Why not write to the INTERSTATE EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION, Temple Building, Rochester, N. Y. and ask for a supply of the special envelopes that have been prepared for those desiring to give to this phase of the work. Or if you do not want to wait for the envelopes, take an offering and forward it to the office of the IEA specifying that it is for the support of the Parsons.

NEW ENGLAND SECTION

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GOD HELP OUR CHURCHES

By Rev. Otis B. Read

The Boston East association convened its permanent council to consider the ordination of Myron J. Hertel of the last graduating class of Andover Newton Theological School. Pastors and delegates were present from most of the thirty-five churches of that Association. This is the association in which the great Tremont Temple church, Dr. C. Gordon Brownville pastor, is located.

Mr. Hertel's reply to some of the questions put to him confirms the belief of many Defenders of the Faith that young ministers, fresh from our seminaries, are ignorant of the Bible and have no positive convictions concerning it. In answering a question about the cross, he said, "The death of Christ on the cross is only an example of a man dying for his convictions." When questioned about the blood of Jesus, he said, "The blood of Jesus was of no more value in saving a soul than the water in which Pilate washed his hands." One of Mr. Hertel's classmates spoke in his behalf and said, "Mr. Hertel is a fine fellow. I have been to dances with him and he has never lost his purity. We have attended card parties and he has never been dishonest or lost his temper."

At the close of the examination, Dr. Herrick, president of Andover

Newton, pled with the council to ordain Mr. Hertel, saying that he was only a young man and that in time he would come to a more definite understanding regarding these things. Dr. Eugene D. Dolloff of West Medford and Rev. William T. Murphy of Reading led the opposition and stood before the council and pleaded passionately for a negative vote. "This I was compelled to do," wrote Dr. Dolloff, "both for Mr. Hertel and for those to whom he might minister. In my judgment he has not gotten a message. While the members of the council were sharply divided, not more than a third voted against ordaining Mr. Hertel." Thus we witness the overlordship of the Baptist hierarchy. There were pastors in that meeting that are standing true to God's Word, but when the roll was called and they were forced to take their stand, they were afraid to stand loyal to God and they voted with those who are Deniers of the Faith. It is no wonder that older ministers with a one-time spiritual fire and power have lost their convictions and are drifting. A minister of the Gospel of the Son of God can't both be for God and against Him.

After his ordination by this so-called permanent council of the Convention, instead of the local church in accordance with New Testament teaching and old-time Baptist polity, Mr. Hertel was taken under the protecting wing of the machine and given a position with the Boston Baptist Bethel City Mission Society, whose operating budget last year was \$27,940.96 provided largely by funds given for "missions" by Bible believing Baptists who know not the facts and who are still in the Conventions. A gospel team of laymen from the Immanuel church in Cambridge was asked by Mr. Hertel to put on a meeting at the Bethel City Mission. Soon after arriving for the meeting Mr. Hertel said to the visiting laymen, "Don't preach the gospel to these men. That isn't what they need. What they need is cheering up. Don't tell them they are sinners. Just cheer them up."

God help our churches! Is it any wonder that our Baptist churches are sick and that souls are not being saved. Is it any wonder flocks are scattered and church membership means little more than joining a club

THE JEW IN THE ARGENTINE



Rev. Arthur E. Glass

For almost half a century Jews have immigrated to the Argentine from different parts of Eastern Europe and there are 500,000 of God's Covenant Nation in this great South American country.

For five years a group of Bible loving Christians living in Buenos Aires prayed that God would send a Hebrew Christian witness to this great company of unconverted Jews with the message of Jesus Christ. As far as this band of praying folks could determine no one had ever gone to this great mass of Jewry with a Christian testimony. Then "The Hebrew Christian Alliance Of America" heard of this momentous opportunity and in June 1933 called **Rev. and Mrs. Arthur Glass** to assume this important task. Great joy came to this faithful band of prayer warriors when they learned that God had answered their cry. On November 1st, 1934 these two dear young people with their 1½ year old baby girl sailed for Buenos Aires where they have labored for the past two years with great blessing. **Mr. Glass** is an ordained Baptist Minister, they are members of the Christie Street Baptist Church in Toronto Ontario, and also graduates of the Moody Bible Institute.

The record of their conquest in the Argentine is a real romance of thrilling missionary adventure with a story that should be told to a waiting world; that God has been preparing Jewish men and women by the work of the Holy Spirit and **Mr and Mrs. Glass** in their contacts have found Jew after Jew whose hearts have been mellowed and melted by the Holy Spirit of God.

The work has been in cooperation with several of the local Spanish Baptist Churches. For a mission station they have only had their small three room apartment where as **Mr Glass** has written, the Jews are literally trampling upon each other when they come to our home to hear the

word of God. Already there are over 20 Jews who have been banded together as a Jewish Christian fellowship to testify to their unsaved brethren. These are the hungry hearted ones that God has saved and satisfied.

The imperative need now is a Mission Hall where they can reach a larger number of Jews at each service. This is a remarkable precedent for a true Baptist testimony among these 500,000 Jews without Christ and without God.

The prayer objective: one thousand dollars to equip and pay one year rent for a suitable Mission Hall. The Missionary Committee of the General Ass'n of Regular Baptist Churches have endorsed the work of our **Bro. Glass** and suggest your prayers and ask your support for this pioneer field now open to the Gospel.

The Argentine Mission To The Jews.

American Headquarters: **Rev. Joseph R. Lewek**, Treasurer, 3508 Ogden Ave., Chicago, Illinois.

ABEO MISSIONARY TESTIFIES

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what the Gospel is and giving him some of the evidences on which our faith rests. Pray with me that the Lord will open his heart to receive the truth of the Gospel.

The rest of this fascinating experience as told by **Mr Taggart** includes a conversation and definite personal work with a Jewish woman and a Shanghai broker. If you wish the rest of this thrilling information, and much more like it, we would strongly suggest that you get in touch with **Rev. Harold Commons** who is the President of this Association and can be reached by writing him, 1300 Schaff Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa.

I think it is well before every action to breathe a prayer, and during every action to breathe a prayer and after every action to breathe a prayer.—Spurgeon

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PRAY FOR BROTHER METZLER AND HIS FAMILY



Rev. and Mrs. Paul F. Metzler and family.

We received a few days ago a letter from **Rev. Paul F. Metzler**, a missionary to Africa under the General Council of Cooperating Baptist Churches of North America. We have heard much of the great work this servant of the Lord is doing. He tells us, **Mrs Metzler** and their six children are sailing this month for France. **Brother Metzler** asks our

prayers that the means might be provided for them to go on to Africa. The amount needed is over \$1,000. May every reader of the Bulletin be in definite prayer for this need. Anyone wishing to help, write to **Dr. M. E. Hawkins**, First Baptist Church, Mishawaka, Indiana, who is President of this Council.

HOW I BECAME AN INFIDEL (Continued from page 4)

some phases of Biblical criticism. But these had left little or no impression upon my mind, and I had no other thought than that I should continue in the ministry as my life's vocation.

Seminary Influence

Shortly after this I came under the influence of a highly intellectual pastor of "liberal" and "modernistic" tendencies. He was a graduate of a certain interdenominational theological seminary, committed to the so-called "historical criticism" method of Biblical interpretation. Despite his definite modernistic leanings, he was by no means as "advanced" as most liberal preachers are today, and I was invited to conduct an evangelistic campaign in his church. During the two weeks I was a guest in his home, I read a number of the books in his library, and we had many serious discussions. He was a most amiable and lovable man, personally, and I soon came to feel a deep affection, respect and admiration for him. It was upon his advice that I ultimately decided to enter a certain theological seminary, to complete my preparation for the ministry.

There is no need that I should state the particular name or location of the theological seminary where my spiritual eyes were put out, because after all, this particular seminary is only typical of perhaps the majority of our theological training schools today; viz, a hot-bed of higher criticism, modernism and infidelity. Nor do I wish to imply that all theological seminaries are like the one I attended. I thank God that this is not true. There are still a number of regular theological training schools of various denominations, and several Bible Institutes, which have remained true and loyal to the doctrines and beliefs of historic Christianity. Nevertheless, I do believe that God has raised up the Bible Institutes as His answer to the insidious spread of heresy, modernism and infidelity in so many of our nominally orthodox and evangelical theological seminaries.

Rationalist—Modernist—Evolutionist

Well, the particular seminary to which I refer, and which I attended,

turned out to be a veritable slaughter-house of traditional Christian doctrine and faith. Within six months after my matriculation in this school, the foundation stones of my evangelical faith had been so thoroughly undermined, that when I came out of the school at the end of my three year term, I was an infidel with a Reverend in front of my name! All that was vital, living, fundamental and essential in my faith was gone! I was a rationalist, a modernist, an evolutionist and a freethinker!

As a "modernistic" preacher I discovered soon after my graduation from the seminary that I hadn't anything left to preach. No authoritative, Infallible Bible, no "Thus Saith the Lord," no Crucified, Risen Savior, no born again experience, no atonement for sin, no salvation, no heaven to gain, no hell to shun, Nothing supernatural. All I had left was "The Sermon on the Mount", the "Ethics of Jesus", the "New Social Order", "Jesus the Great Exemplar", and such poor substitutes for the Old Time Gospel of Salvation from sin through the atoning blood of Jesus Christ on the cross.

I left the Baptist denomination before my first year in the seminary was over. I joined a more liberal communion. And then after less than three years in the "liberal" ministry, I gave up preaching altogether and became an out-and-out rationalist, freethinker and infidel. After this came the gradual process which led to militant atheism.

My career as a professional propagandist of materialism and unbelief came in the early part of the year 1931, when I became general secretary of the International League of Militant Godless, and editor of the notorious infidel monthly magazine, The Godless World.

Note to pastors and churches: The author of this article is available for lectures, series of meetings, revivals and evangelistic campaigns in Fundamental churches of all denominations. Address Martin S. Charles, P. O. Box 805, Station H, Los Angeles, California.

D. L. Moody, asked by a new convert if he would have to give up the world, replied: "Just you give a clear testimony and the world will soon give you up." "If—of the world, the world would love its own" (John 15:19).

Minutes of the Annual Business Meeting of the ASS'N OF REGULAR BAPTISTS of Tioga, Yates, Steuben Co., Held at Galeton, Pa., Nov. 20, 1936.

The business session was called to order by the Pres. Rev. Lee Ohrum. After the roll call of the churches, reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting, and the treasurers report, officers were elected for the ensuing year.

The officers were elected as follows: Pres. Rev. R. Wetherbee; Vice Pres. for New York, Rev. R. A. Fargo, Sec'y, Mrs. Alexander Perry; Vice Pres for Pa., Rev. Ohrum, Sec'y, Mrs. Ohrum; Treas. Mr. Butler.

It was voted not to have a missionary committee for the ensuing year, but that the entertaining Church be responsible for the missionary program. It was also voted to send the afternoon offering to Dr. Fuller, Editor of the Baptist Bulletin, to help in carrying on that work. After this, Church letters were read, and the meeting was dismissed.

Mrs. Lee Ohrum, Sec'y

THE CHRISTIAN'S QUESTIONNAIRE

1. Do you love to hear others praised when God has worked through them?
2. Do you ever speak of the faults and the failings of others when really there is no need to mention them at all?
3. Do you give hard judgment on sins to which you have never been tempted, while you are ready with all kinds of excuses for your own?
4. Can you recollect six times in your life that you ever denied yourself to the extent of real inconvenience out of love to God?
5. Do you get real pleasure from your prayers, your reading of the Word, and your worship in your Father's sanctuary; and is the result of these things seen in a warm heart, a helping hand, and a four-square life that reveals you to other people as a citizen of a better country?

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