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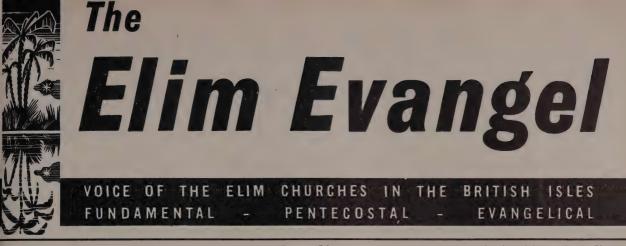
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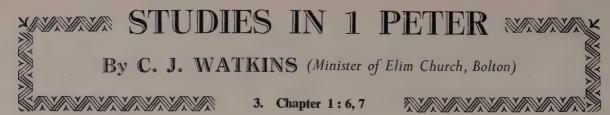
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'' The
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NORWICH CATHEDRAL

A charming photographic study by Charles Bean



LAST time we studied the glorious future that awaits the believer. Though we may not move among the great of this world and our earthly prospects may be few, nevertheless as children of God and joint heirs with Christ a wonderful future lies before us. Our inheritance is unfading in its splendour, eternal in its duration and undefiled by sin. It is reserved in heaven for us. Remember that we also, being kept by God's power, are being preserved for the inheritance.

This week we are to consider Our present temporal experience.

1. OUR HEART IS IN A STATE OF REJOIC-ING AS WE CONTEMPLATE THE FUTURE

"Wherein ye greatly rejoice" (v. 6). The joy here described is not that kind of joy which the world has when it keeps its feast and enjoys a fleeting moment of delight which sometimes leaves the bitter pang of remorse. It is not the joy which comes from possessing things in abundance above those of our neighbours. This joy is the joy of salvation, in which we daily rejoice. We are made joyful by union with Christ. Joy is our portion because our sins are forgiven and we have a right relationship with God. We are full of joy because our future is so certain and is secure in Jesus Christ. Let me encourage your heart with the thought that salvation has brought so much to us that the world could never have given us had we remained in our unconverted state all the days of our lives. Whatever our immediate experience, our eternal salvation is sure, and in this we rejoice exceedingly.

2. OUR PRESENT EXPERIENCE MAY BE THAT OF HEAVINESS OF SPIRIT

"Though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations." There are some people who seem to think that the Christian experience is one of glory all the way. This of course does not work out in practical experience, nor conform to Bible teaching. Let me remind you of the apostles and their great joy in Jesus Christ; yet at the same time they bear record to much suffering and trial which they endured in the cause of Christ. Think of how many suffered torture and imprisonment. Imagine the crack of the whip and the bleeding back. Then remember the hostile, jeering crowds and unsympathetic magistrates or rulers. Consider the sin and wickedness in the midst of which many of them had to live their Christian lives. There is no doubt that the early Christians, who had so much joy and counted it a privilege to suffer for Christ, did indeed know the heaviness of manifold temptations. Their patient endurance is written for our benefit who now suffer for Christ, being perhaps misunderstood in the home, factory or office.

3. THE NATURE OF THESE PRESENT SUFFERINGS IS TEMPORAL

"Though now for a season" (v. 6). The Scriptures have a totally different outlook upon life and things from that of ordinary men and women. We are impressed by what we see. Great things like rivers and mountains impress us mightily. We are astounded by the works of men, the labour of the hands and the brilliance of the mind. We see about us things that appear to be so solid and eternal, things which the Bible describes as temporal. There are so many unseen properties that are eternal. This life, with all its sorrows and trials and many joys too, is but temporal in nature. Peter wanted the poor people to whom he wrote to see that really what they now had in Christ was an eternal salvation, much more to be desired than all the wealth of the rich folk of their day; that the sufferings of this present life were temporal and not to be compared with the eternal and exceeding weight of glory prepared for the child of God (2 Corinthians 4:16-18).

4. THE TRIAL OF OUR FAITH IS PRECIOUS IN THE SIGHT OF GOD

"That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth" (v. 7). This may seem a strange statement at first sight; yet surely tried and proved faith is of more value than mere mental assent to doctrine or teaching. The trials through which those early believers passed did something to them that could have been done in no other way. It helped no doubt to purify their character, it bound them to each other in a common bond of Christian love. By their triumph over all their difficulties they laid up for themselves much praise and honour and glory to be theirs at the appearing of Jesus Christ.

I wonder sometimes if we do not make a mistake in our reaction to trial and difficulty. It would be more praiseworthy if we ceased much of our grumbling and got under our burden and accepted it as a challenge to our faith. By our complaining spirit we miss many opportunities of proving the loving care of God and enjoying the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We also fail to give joy to the heart of God by showing our faith as a real vital factor in our everyday life. The trial of our faith is precious to God, for it proves to Him our reality, and perhaps the more we can trust the more we shall be trusted.

GOSPEL GEMS

"Men of Destiny"

By Hugh Sawyer

TWO men were instrumental in shaping the destiny of mankind. Both were local preachers. Both were craftsmen following the ancient trade of carpentry. Each had a vital message for the world. To accept either meant salvation and life! To reject both meant death and damnation! The lives of both men were living sermons with crystal-clear illustrations. Strange as it may seem, the sermon of one man took 120 years to deliver. The other, which has shaken the world to its foundations, was accomplished in three years.

One persistently preached, "Repent or perish, for the end is nigh!" The other said: "He that believeth on Me shall not perish, but have everlasting life!" One remained to build a God-planned ark, a home upon the rising waters. The other went to prepare an eternal abode, a home in the heavenly kingdom. Both were building for the future a new world; one physical, the other spiritual!

One was the last of a world condemned to die; the other became the first fruits of a reprieved humanity assured of life! One was the patriarch Noah, and the other sheds His glory before Him, the Lord Jesus Christ. Scoffers accused Noah of madness and placed Jesus in the same category.

Scripture tells us that "the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth," and as in the time of Noah so in the troublesome days when our Lord walked the earth, Almighty God, reading the hearts of all men, gazed searchingly down from heaven. He saw that the good earth was fruitful, but mankind whom He had delighted to form in His own image was, alas, wallowing in the cesspool of sin and vice. The evil stench rose up to high heaven and the heart of our heavenly Father was sore grieved. It does not take much imagination to believe that even the watching angels wept. Is not the rain likened unto the teardrops of angels falling? Have the hearts of mankind in this modern age changed over the intervening years? Not so that you would notice! The world still pursues its erratic course; violence and crime appear to be on the increase; racial differences raise their ugly heads; apostasy is rampant.

Do not let us despair. Almighty God is still on His throne, unchangeable, unshakable, everlasting! Power despots may rise and crumble, Satan may roar throughout the world, the natural man may fear and tremble for his life, but the children of God, those redeemed by the precious blood of Christ, can with calm assurance say: "Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me," and within their trusting hearts echoes the glorious reassurance of their risen Lord; "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee, for lo, I am with thee, even unto the end."

Most of us live in a little world of our own, and it is possible for us to shape its destiny. We can endeavour to live for self, seeking the riches of this world and rejecting the treasures of the next; or we can live for Christ, rejecting this world's perishable baubles and inheriting the wondrous eternal things which God has prepared in the world to come for those who love Him!

Seriously consider: "The days of our years are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away" (Psalm 90:10).

Surely it is folly to cast away the assured certainty of endless years free from pain and sorrow, of eternal bliss with Christ Jesus, through vainly pursuing the fleeting shadows of material gain, which even if realised can be enjoyed only for a short while.

Remember that while you still have life the choice is yours; after that the opportunity passes—for ever!



UP AND DOWN

GALLUP poll results reveal that church attendance in America rose to the highest on record in 1958, with forty-nine per cent of the adult population attending a place of worship on an average Sunday. This same poll carried out in Great Britain revealed that only fourteen per cent of British adults attend church on the average. Recent statistics from some of the largest denominations reveal a continued drop in attendance. What a contrast!

Many reasons have been given for the decline in church attendance in this country—the war and blackout conditions, the influence of the cinema and television, rising living standards which bring satisfaction with material things, and a multitude more. Yet most of these conditions obtain, and probably on a larger scale, in America.

A study of church history would seem to show that revivals, like seasons, run in cycles. The history of Israel was no exception to this, for we see how religion declined under certain kings, only to revive again under others. Idols were destroyed, groves burned, the temple was cleansed and repaired, and the altars were once more heaped with sacrifices. The usual corollary was that "there were added to them in abundance" from the nations round about when they saw that the Lord was with them.

"It is time for Thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void Thy law," cried the psalmist. Surely the very lethargy and apathy of the present day necessitates a revival. We may take heart in the

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Telephone Nos.: Publishing Dept.: Macaulay 2981. Headquarters and Editorial Offices : Tulse Hill 2227. Elim Woodlands : Tulse Hill 3860. realisation that there is today a growing conviction of our need.

Let us not, however, be complacent about the prospects of revival. While revival is God's work, for we read "Wilt Thou not revive us again?" and "Revive Thy work in the midst of years," there is a part we must play in preparing for it. The rain is essential for the crops, but the land must be prepared for the rain if it is to receive the maximum benefit. So there must be a ploughing, a breaking up of the fallow ground. And how much fallow ground there is, both in our hearts and in our assemblies! Do we love the place of prayer? Does prayer meeting night find us in God's house, or at home with our feet up? If we go to the prayer meeting, do we really go to pray-or is much of the vital, valuable time spent in singing choruses to fill the awkward gaps? When we pray, is our prayer mingled with faith and expectancy?

Shakespeare once said: "There is a tide in the affairs of men, which, taken at the flood, leads on to victory." Is not this so spiritually too? "Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain" cried the prophet Zechariah. The tide is coming in! In many parts of the globe the Church is being revived, and great numbers are being added, as in the days of Israel's revivals. With profound thankfulness to God we note that the Billy Graham crusade in Australia, a land which shares so much with us in temperament and culture, has drawn unprecedented crowds, and resulted in thousands coming to Christ. The flood is rising! May our faithfulness in prayer prepare the way for and hasten the coming of the revival we need. Shall we not cry with Jacob, "I will not let Thee go except Thou bless me." Such an urgency in prayer is God-given, and cannot fail to bring the desired result.

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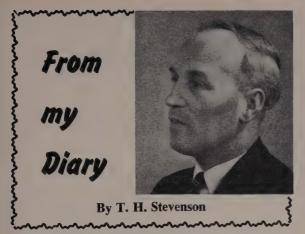
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FROM the top of a bus I had a full view of the Aldermaston marchers' great procession, reaching almost from Trafalgar Square to Hyde Park Corner. Their numbers were impressive, and their purpose was not to be ignored. One banner read "Peace in the world or the world in pieces." But too many only want a peace to enable to continue living ungodly and selfish lives. By their dress, music and demeanour not a few of the marchers seemed to proclaim that God was not at all in their thoughts. A peace without the reign of the Prince of Peace is impossible.

Watching the Aldermaston marchers on their way to Trafalgar Square, I could not help contrasting numbers of them in their weird, almost carnival dress—Teddies, Bohemians, etc.—with the pleasant and neatly dressed appearance of the Elim folk who had just left the great square. I remarked: "Some say we are cranks, but at least by our dress we don't look such. The marchers may not be cranks, but many of them look like cranks by their dress."

The great ship Queen Elizabeth has experienced the roughest voyage in its history, battling with waves sixty feet high. I remember seeing this great ship and the Queen Mary when they were being built. Each was a towering mass of steel, dwarfing Clydebank's houses and buildings. To see the ship afloat on the Firth of Clyde, it now looked much smaller. Out in the Atlantic it becomes very little. Wilfred Pickles of the B.B.C. was sailing on one of the Queens, and it was a bit rough. He remarked to the steward: "It's surprising, a big ship like this being tossed about," to which the steward replied: "It's a big ship, but look through the port-hole and you will see a big sea." There's a human tendency to

feel and look big, but we become frail vessels when we are launched out in life.

Political events move so rapidly in the world today; it becomes difficult to keep informed on all that is happening without even attempting to understand every why and wherefore. When you read this the situation in Tibet may have altered, but I have been thinking of what I may describe as "Delhi's dilemma over the Dalai Lama." A bit of a tonguetwister, but Mr. Nehru must find it difficult also! India stands as the friend of China, and treats as an honoured guest the Tibetan ruler fleeing from the Chinese.

The World Christian Digest quotes the Methodist Times as saying: "In 1787 Gibbon completed his book The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire, in which he listed five reasons for that fall: (1) the rapid increase of divorce, the undermining of the dignity and sanctity of the home, which is the basis of human society; (2) higher and higher taxes and the spending of public money for free bread and circuses for the populace; (3) the mad craze for pleasure, sports becoming every year more exciting and brutal; (4) the building of gigantic armaments when the real enemy was within, the decadence of the people; (5) the decay of religion, faith fading into mere form, losing touch with life and becoming impotent to guide the people. Can any appropriate lessons for our day and generation be learned from the above quotation?

We heartily agree with the *Methodist Times's* obvious comparison between the past and the present, but one could wish the same paper had included Gibbon's famous five reasons for the phenomenal rise of the early Church when the Roman Empire was becoming decadent. The historian gave reasons which should challenge the Church today. Here they are: (1) the inflexible and, if we may use the expression, intolerant zeal of the Christians; (2) the doctrine of a future life; (3) the miraculous powers ascribed to the early Church; (4) the pure and austere morals of the Christians; (5) the union and discipline of the Christian republic.

The Rev. Charles Mundell was ready to marry a young couple in his church at Los Angeles when instead of saying "I do" the bridegroom said "Hands up." The couple held up the minister with a gun and robbed him of £18. I can imagine the parson, with his hands raised, "blessing" the man and woman, but not in his customary manner.

🚔 STORIES OF OUR GREAT HYMNS AND THEIR TUNES 🚅

By Douglas B. Gray, F.R.S.A. (Director of Music)

GEORGE FREDERIC HANDEL 1685-1759

T is quite fitting that under this review of great hymns and their tunes we should make special mention at this time of George Frederic Handel. April this year commemorated the 200th anniversary of the death (in London on April 14th, 1759) of this master musician.

It has been said that Handel set the Bible to music—and it is certainly true that no other composer wrote so many oratorios.

Handel was a German, born at Halle. His father was a barber who, like most of his profession in the seventeenth century, was doctor and dentist as well. At the early age of six young Handel was lost, and after considerable searching the boy was found carrying the lantern for a group of wandering musicians. He was singing as loudly as any of the men. Handel was fortunate in having a keen musician as his teacher from early years. His Aunt Anna, too, was very fond of him, and for his birthday she gave him a second-hand spinet, which the boy used to play quietly in a corner of an attic room. And so from these early and struggling beginnings Handel rose to higher social circles, even to the palace chapel and on to Berlin to study under the finest teachers. Handel's father's desire was for his son to become a lawyer, but the persistence of his son in finding ways to study music is an indication of the way that genius will out whatever obstacles are put in the way. Handel did us the honour of extending a brief visit to England into a life-long stay, and although native of a country rich in masters of music he can nevertheless be regarded as one of the great names in English music, for it was in his adopted country that the works which are best known were written and performed. Handel's earlier works were mainly for operas, and these were years of great difficulty and set-backs. He had a rival in Buononcini, who was also in London, and great and sometimes cruel rivalry existed between these great men. The King supported Handel and the Prince of Wales Buononcini. The enterprise

proved so expensive that at the age of fifty-two Handel was ruined. This crisis brought about a great change in Handel's thinking and he turned to church music once again, and spent much time listening to church choirs. The result was that Handel wrote many of his most famous works on biblical subjects. The first was Saul, which includes the famous Dead March. Then followed Israel in Egypt, famous for its double choruses in which two choirs sing at the same time (a work too infrequently rendered in our view). Judas Maccabæus quickly followed. Elim friends will need no introduction to one of the great themes and tunes from this work, which we find in Redemption Hymnal (No. 181), Thine be the glory. There are but few of Handel's tunes in our hymn-book, yet those therein certainly enrich its pages. Perhaps of all the great master's works none have compared, or ever will compare, with Messiah. This divinely inspired oratorio is a history in itself and millions have been moved to realms far above musical satisfaction into realms of spiritual bliss. Towards the end of August 1741 we may think of Handel sitting in his room with his harpsichord, his music paper and those great words before him. Then there happened what has been called the most heroic feat in the entire history of musical composition. In twenty-four days the whole of the oratorio called Messiah was written almost uninterruptedly. Handel lived through that time like a man in a trance or dream-as if a vision were an audible thing, and he not seeing, but listening and transcribing. During this amazing period he sat writing, sometimes in strong emotion and tears-always absorbed and concentrated, regardless of the world around him. His comment on the Hallelujah Chorus rings like a Divine utterance, for he said: "I did think I saw all heaven open before me-and the great God Himself!" Incredible as it may appear to us, to whom Messiah is now a national possession, its composer was obliged to withdraw it as a failure after only three London presentations. At one of these the

King was present, from which occasion dates the custom of the entire audience (following probably the action of George II) rising to their feet during the performance of the Hallelujah Chorus. An invitation followed from the Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland to perform some of this great work in Dublin. In such a short review of this great genius it is impossible to describe all the frustrations, the sicknesses, the battles against many so-called contemporaries and their jealousies. The following lines speak (somewhat) for themselves:

> Some say compared to Bononcini That Mynherr Handel's but a ninny; Others aver that he to Handel Is scarcely fit to hold a candle. Strange all this difference should be 'Twix Tweedledum and Tweedledee.

After painful operations Handel went completely blind in 1753. If he had given the world no music he would still have served it well by an example of unswerving fortitude in trial. Handel had only one wish—to die on Good Friday, "in the hope," he said, "of meeting my Saviour on the day of His resurrection." He lived on through the week as if by a last effort of his resolute will. Before noon on Good Friday he bade farewell to his friends, and then waited quietly with something of the power and serenity of his own music for the great change that gently came just after daybreak on Easter Eve. "Handel," said Mozart, "was able to strike like a thunderbolt." Beethoven, pointing in his last illness to the volumes of Handel's work, said, "There is the truth." "Handel is the master of us all!" exclaimed Haydn as he listened in tears of joy and pride in the Abbey to *Messiah*.

A certain Lord Kinnoul once complimented the composer, after a performance of *Messiah*, on the "noble entertainment" he had given the audience.

"I should be sorry, my lord," answered Handel, "if I had only entertained them."



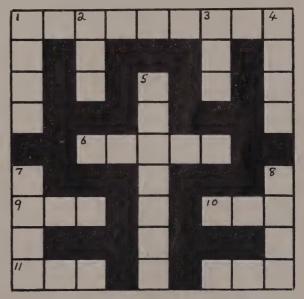
Hello again!

For forty days after Jesus rose from the dead He was seen by His disciples. Jesus spent the time speaking to them about the things concerning the kingdom of God. At last came the time for Jesus to return to heaven, from which He had come thirty-three years before. Just before He ascended to heaven Jesus gave some final orders to His disciples.

You can read all about this for yourself in the first two chapters of the Acts of the Apostles. When you have read the two chapters, try to do this crossword.

ACROSS. 1 The place to wait. 6 Baptised with (see 1 down). 9 The last half of 10 across. 10 For forty days He showed Himself . . . 11 When it was fully come. 12 Accord and place were the same.

DOWN. 1 The person who used 6 across. 2 The first part of where they went. 3 Matthias received it. 4 infallible proofs. 5 The power is given to 7 It sounded like 8 1 down and 6 across, but Jesus used



Now I hope this is not too easy, but not too hard. Three readers spoke to me at the Royal Albert Hall on Easter Monday to say the crossword that day was too hard for them—and they were all over 20! (If they were not, I apologise!) Well, I hope you all manage this one, that you enjoy it, and that it will help you to know more of your Bible.

Cheerio for now, and God bless you.

BERNARD.

PS. I'll be at Wood Green this Sunday. Don't forget to tell me what you like most in your column. P.PS. Answers to the crossword next week.

Irish Conference By Gerald L. W. Ladlow (Minister, Ulster Temple,

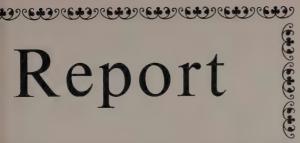
N Wednesday, March 25th, the Irish Conference held its annual meetings in the Elim Church, Melbourne Street, Belfast. The morning session was opened by an inspiring address by the President, Pastor E. J. Phillips. Basing his address on the parable of the unjust steward, he brought very forcibly to our notice ways and means by which we can profitably learn from "the children of this world" in our propagation of the message that God has committed to this Pentecostal movement. We pray that the zeal displayed by so many in the furtherance of their false cults may yet be exceeded by us in our desire to reach the masses with our message. Pastor Joseph Smith, the Irish Superintendent, occupied the chair and commenced the business session with a report on the spiritual and financial progress of the work in Ireland during the past year. It was encouraging to note that there had been an increase in the overall giving in the churches and that a number of successful campaigns had been held in various places. There has always been a strong emphasis on evangelistic work in Ireland since the inception of the Elim Movement in 1915, and it was good to note that this spirit still exists. The report on the missionary work showed that £3,177/15/10 had been contributed to the Elim Missionary Society, a very good amount, but unfortunately a slight decrease on the previous year, during which a legacy had been received. An encouraging report on youth work was given, during which the announcement was received with acclamation that the National Shield in the Scripture Examination had been won once more by the Bangor Sunday school.

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In the elections that followed the reports, Pastor Smith was once again returned as Superintendent with an almost unanimous vote and the following brethren were elected to the Irish Executive Council: Pastors G. L. W. Ladlow, W. J. Martin and T. W. Thomson and Messrs, J. Copeland, C. Coulter and J. J. Henderson. The conference placed on record its appreciation of the services of Pastor G. W. Gilpin both in his capacity as Executive member since the formation of the Executive Council and Missionary Secretary until his recent transfer to the principalship of the Elim Bible College. A telegram of greeting from Pastor Gilpin was read to the conference. Pastor G. Ladlow was again elected as Youth Director and Pastor T. W. Thomson as Missionary Secretary.

The business of the "Elim In Ireland Fund" occupied a good deal of time of the conference. This fund exists for the furtherance of the work both in Northern Ireland and in Eire. During the past year a full-time missionary to Eire has been appointed and fully supported. From the fund a portable hall and all its equipment and a car have been purchased for the Eire work. It was thrilling to hear that in recent campaigns the portable hall had been filled to capacity; in fact on one occasion over ninety people had been crammed into the hall, which has only sixty seats! On a recent Sunday five decisions for Christ had been registered. In this priest-ridden land the Protestant cause is dying, and our missionary, Pastor Gordon Hills, told of the decision of the Church of Ireland to close many of its churches, including ten in the Dublin area. There will soon be Protestant churches for sale in all parts of the republic. This presented the conference with a challenge, and in the discussions it was repeatedly expressed that we must build up our fund so that we shall be able to buy some of these buildings in strategic areas and make them centres for evangelising the surrounding districts. The conference also discussed the question of opening new churches in the north and gave its approval to the purchase of a portable hall for this purpose.

After some animated discussion on the question of united Pentecostal rallies it was resolved to call on the other members of the British Pentecostal Fellowship to join with us in a conference to discuss matters of closer co-operation. The concern of many delegates at the increase of small Pentecostal groups, particularly those teaching false doctrine, made it imperative that the accredited members of the B.P.F. should stand together.

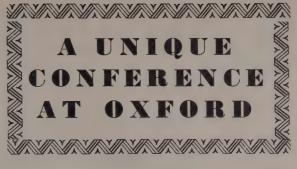


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As a result of a prolonged discussion on the implementing of the conference resolution of 1958 concerning the confirmatory vote of elders every five years, it was finally agreed to take no action on the resolution at the present time. A committee was appointed to examine the whole question of elders in our churches and to submit its findings to the conference of 1960, together with any recommendations it feels are necessary.

The sessions closed with a public rally at which Pastor E. J. Phillips was the speaker. The church was well filled and it was a very inspiring service. The Ulster Crusader Choir, under the leadership of Mr. John Bell, very ably rendered two pieces entitled "March On" and "Secure in His keeping." Pastor Smith surprised Mr. Phillips by presenting to him a cheque on behalf of the Irish churches as an expression of their deep appreciation of all he has done for the movement during the past forty years, and wishing him the blessing of the Lord in his retirement.

In his reply, Mr. Phillips recalled how he was led to Ireland and into the Elim work. It was a very interesting story of an intended cycling tour in the Lake District which, through the chance meeting of an evangelist who was crossing to Ireland, was cancelled. Instead of the cycling tour, Mr. Phillips accepted the invitation of the evangelist to accompany him to Belfast, and as a result he came to be a member of the Elim Evangelistic Band and took over the pastorate of the newly formed church in Armagh in December 1919. God moves in a mysterious way! As we listened to the story and thought of all that Mr. Phillips has meant to the Elim Movement, as for nearly forty years he has been its Secretary General, we could not help but wonder what might have happened if that chance meeting had never taken place. Thank God for His overruling providence. The address on soul-winning given by Mr. Phillips in this service was delivered under a real anointing of the Spirit, and I am sure it will have lasting effects in the lives of those who heard.



REV. W. G. HATHAWAY presided at a special conference of ministers and church officers of the Oxford Presbytery on Saturday, March 21st, 1959. During this conference discussion took place on the following theme: "The importance of a good and amicable relationship between the minister and church officers, how to produce such, and the beneficial influence this would have in the whole church."

In his opening remarks Pastor Hathaway said: "I believe there are three things which are vital if we are to attain, maintain and foster a good relationship between a minister and the officers of his church:

"1. Contact. It is important and vital for the minister and officers to be in constant contact—a spiritual affinity which brings us together and gives a complete understanding. There has to be between us that constant contact so that things move into place and you are at one with each other. Above all there must be prayer.

"2. Confidence. A minister, to establish confidence with his officers. should make it his business to know more about them and their family life, so that he may have a better understanding of their problems; in that way he will establish confidence. If there is this confidence between minister and church officers it will spread to all the church members—there will be the same spirit of affection.

"3. **Co-operation.** Every minister who has a body of officers in his church who are prepared to back him has a wonderful body. We must be ready to adapt ourselves in all things and co-operate in every way. In some cases deacons only appear at the Sunday services. Every officer must take his share and co-operate with the minister and then God's blessing will be with you."

Following Pastor Hathaway's remarks time was given for general discussion, which proved of considerable value and helped to dispel some of the problems which faced ministers and officers alike. I wonder if a get-together like this, on a larger scale, and held more frequently, within the movement, would help to healthier churches and congregations.





This is the place where you can enjoy moments of relaxation with your friends ; where your children can romp on golden sands to their hearts' delight ; where plenty of opportunity exists for young people to enjoy safe bathing.

But what am I to do with my evenings? many people ask. This is where Llandudno can be of special value to you this year. It is the venue for the 1959 Elim Annual Conference, which is to be held from May 25th to 29th. Four great evening meetings will be conducted by leading Elim ministers at 7.30 nightly from Monday to Thursday. On Wednesday is the communion service open to everyone, when you can join with hundreds of Elim ministers and delegates in open worship.

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Church News Flash

BARNSLEY ANNUAL MEETING

At our recent fellowship meeting it was gratifying to note the progress and stability of the local church. God has blessed us so abundantly—to Him be all the glory.

A particularly pleasing feature is the manner in which the Crusaders and the young people have laboured to extend God's kingdom, in the distribution of tracts and in visitation. We can stand upon the words of the apostle Paul to the Philippians: "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me."

May the Saviour lead us to greater endeavours to win others for His kingdom.

H. BENFELL.

IPSWICH CAMPAIGN

The tide of blessing still flows at Ipswich. We have just finished a revival campaign by Pastor A. J. Chuter. At the commencement of the campaign we enjoyed the ministry of the London Crusader Choir under its gifted conductor, Pastor D. B. Gray, with the Secretary General (Pastor H. W. Greenway) as guest speaker, when four souls surrendered to the Lord. Although the campaign was for one week only, it was a time of rich blessing. Ten souls found



Pastor Chuter praying for the sick.



West Indians who attended the campaign at Ipswich. the Saviour and many received a touch of the healing power of the Lord.

Another feature was the Sunshine Corner for the

children, when night by night over 100 children watched Uncle Alfred and his conjuring with the message of Jesus sandwiched in between, with the result that five boys gave their hearts to the Lord.

And so the Elim witness continues in this part of East Anglia under the able ministry of our esteemed pastor, Rev. J. H. Sainsbury, and his wife.

A. C. ELVIN.

RUGBY

Mrs. Gilbert, who was one of the oldest members of the Elim Church at Rugby since its inauguration, passed into the presence of her Lord just recently. Our sister was at breaking of bread on Sunday and the following Thursday she had gone to be with the Lord she loved. "Absent from the body, but present with the Lord."



Women's Column

By Gladys Gorton

THE RIGHT NICHE

WE took our seats in the back of the car. I turned to put my flowers on the ledge behind while L—— looked around and said, "I must find a niche for this bunch of parsley." Laughing, I said, "That's an idea for the Women's Column." (Previously we had been talking about finding the right niche in one's life.)

A niche actually is a place in a wall, a corner, to hold a vase, statue or ornament. Isn't it thrilling when one is furnishing a room to find the right niche for certain ornaments—or even spring-cleaning when one has rearranged things? Different things are put in the niche and we stand back to look and consider. No, it doesn't look right, so we go on *until* "it" is put there and instinctively we know that it is in the most admirable setting.

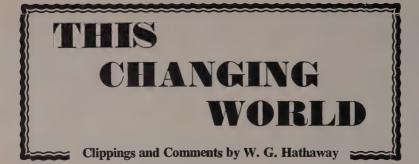
Nobody can be absolutely contented until he or she occupies the right niche in life. There are young women I know who, before they entered the nursing profession, were restless and dissatisfied. They intensely disliked serving behind a counter or sitting typing in an office. Their whole being longed to fulfil that *something* within them, and now their entire attitude to life has changed. They have a spring in their step, a light in their eye and dignity and confidence in their deportment. Nurse Thomas, when dressing my wound, confided, "I used to be a school teacher, but I wasn't happy; now I've found my niche in becoming a nurse. I love it."

One's profession or career may periodically necessitate a move.

"Do you like it here?" is asked; or "Do you think it suits you or you suit it?" The answer can be, "Yes, it's my niche all right."

If you are not happy where you are it may be that you are not in the place of God's appointment. Remember. He has the right niche which only you can grace and fulfil. The magnificent temple which Solomon built for the glory of God typifies the true Church of Christ (1 Corinthians 3:16; Ephesians 2:20-22). Light entered through narrow windows; each, I imagine, was like a niche. This reminds me that these dear people with whom we stayed had quite a "character" house. The study on the top floor and bedroom beneath it each had a very small window set in the thick wall-they were niches really, just the size to hold a candlestick. The harbour could be clearly seen through these apertures. Perhaps years ago the lady of the house lit a candle and placed it there so that away out at sea her man would see the brave, flickering light beckoning, guiding and welcoming him home. Jesus bids us shine, like a little candle burning in its niche, you in yours and I in mine.

TEXT: "And God hath set some in the church ... helps" (1 Corinthians 12:28).



H.P. Christian Fellowship

The Houses of Parliament Christian Fel-lowship has been adding to its numbers during 1958, and it now has 150 members. Fact and Faith films have helped in intro-ducing newcommer to the Lord. Becut ract and Faith hims have helped in intro-ducing newcomers to the Lord. Recent speakers have included Rev. Ben Peake, Rev. John Savage and Mr. Lindsay Glegg. Mr. Horace Holmes, who is chairman of the fellowship, believes there will be a greater influence from the mother of Par-lements if there are there with the inliaments if there are those within its borders "who seek to keep alive the deep spiritual and moral values.

It is good to remember there is always a daily prayer meeting in the Commons before the commencement of the business of the day. We thank God for this winess for Him in our British Parliament.

Psychiatrist analysed

A psychiatrist analysed A psychiatrist attended five meetings of one of Billy Graham's crusades in an attempt to analyse the power present in the meetings so that he could "explain" it. Then the Spirit of God analysed him and he, too, joined the thousands who streamed out to the front to find a new life in Coriet life in Christ.

That was superb ! I only wish all psychiatrists would get a similar experience. *

Mounting church membership

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In 1958 church membership in the U.S.A. continued to mount. Sixty-one per cent of the estimated 170,500,000 people were reported to be members of churches and synagogues. Membership now stands at 104,189,778 for all faiths—59,823,777 Protestants.

Protestants. Many of these people, however, have only a superficial religious faith. Moral losses in America during the year were tremendous. F.B.I. figures again showed staggering increases in crime and juvenile delinquency. Government investigations dis-closed unprecedented dishonesty, corrup-tion, fraud and villainy in public affairs. Racketeering in unions reached a new high. Alcoholism became an increasing problem in business and industry.

Alcoholism became an increasing problem in business and industry. Mental illness rose to alarming propor-tions. While the Congress strengthened laws dealing with commercialised obscenity, pandering to the prurient interest remained eccenticity unequely from the churcher essentially uncurbed. Even the churches reflected the moral sag in lowered stan-dards of personal righteousness and emas-culated gospel of holiness.

Increasing membership with their already Increasing memoership with their already high church attendance is a matter of great interest and, as far as our country is concerned, possibly one of envy; but the alarming growth of crime shows clearly that church attendance does not always indicate a change of heart, which is the only answer to the increase of godlessness.

Archæologists racing against time

In an unprecedented archæological "moratorium" the Egyptian Antiquities Department has suspended for the next three to five years all excavations else-where, and will mobilise international scientific forces in ancient Nubia before the

scientific forces in ancient Nubia before the area is flooded by storage waters of the proposed high dam at Aswan. Though the construction of the dam is held up by a political wrangle with Sudan and Ethiopia over who who gets how much Nile water, Egyptian engineers are confident that the huge hydro-electric and irrigation project will be started soon. To archaelogists, that means the temples and cemeteries of bistoric Nubia will be doomed to a watery grave after withstanding time, tempest and tourists for fifty centuries. How to save the monuments of the ancient Pharaobs, with their unrevealed secrets of

How to save the monuments of the ancient Pharaobs, with their unrevealed secrets of a civilisation dating back to the time of Moses, has become a burning issue. Of course, it is impossible to remove all the monuments. Those that cannot be moved will be photographed. Archaeologi-cal societies all over the world have been invited to join in the effort to save as many of the Nubian treasures as possible.

A most interesting race against time and the flood-tide of modern necessity. We wish there was as much concern over the other "buried treasure" in the Word of God, first publicised to the world also by the hand of Moses from Sinai. It is but a short time before all modern interest in the ancient world will be overwhelmed by the cataclysmic coming of a "greater than Moses"—Him whose right it is to reign.

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Liberation !

There is a new list of twenty-six names of pastors, categoriet of pastors, catchists, presbyters, deaconesses and church officials now held in East German jails. Some of them have been in captivity since 1952.

This is where we see the fleece fall off to reveal the true character of the Communists.

Wandering Jews !

Immigrants into the U.S.A. from Cukurcha, Turkey, claim to be descendants of Jews who settled in that area at the time of the Babylonian exile some 2,000 years ago. They speak the Aramaic lan-guage of ancient Palestine and observe all Jewish laws.

Part of the "lost" ten tribes? Well, it's good to know they've found a home now.

Tibet in the news

For the past six months or more trade between India and Tibet has been languish-ing. It has now stopped, as there appears to be a full-scale revolt in Tibet. The days when Chou En-lai and Mr. Nehru were

parading like brothers are long past: India is more than disillusioned with China's part in restraining Mr. Khruschchev from taking the path of reason and is deeply suspicious of China's activities in Asia.

It takes time to see through these people, but the light breaks through eventually. We hope Mr. Nehru is watching his step, too, in regard to Kashmir.

The new evangelism

A quarter of a million portions of the Bible, translated into six languages, are being carried into Russia and its satellite countries by hydrogen-gas-filled balloons launched by the Christian Echoes National Ministry.

Well, that's one way of getting over the Iron Curtain with the Gospel. *

* New tribe discovered

New tribe discovered British paratroopers, on the trail of Communist terrorists, have discovered a tribe in the Malayan jungle that has never had contact with white men. The tribes-men, Jahai Negrito aborigines, have been known to exist for many years, but con-tact had never been made with them until the paratroopers stumbled on their tracks. The tribesmen were reported to be very frightened of the soldiers, but the troops calmed them down by giving them food.

Another tribe discovered that needs the Gospel, and another tribal language into which the Word of God must now be translated. Big job ahead for someone !

Utopian dreams Utopian dreams The modern world is still yearning for a Utopia, but is gripped by a growing pessi-mism as to whether this generation will live to see it. Russia's educational and scientific achievements and Communism's encroachments on the traditional preserves of the west cause men to sense that they are living in a fools' paradise which momentarily could be reduced to atomic wasteland

Evangelicals need to evaluate their rich opportunities in these crucial times and boldly lay hold of the promises of God. Great things can be done in His strength. The situation calls for humility, self-search-ing, a restudy of God's Word, a more effective prayer life, all-out commitment to Christ and the presentation of the Gospel les the jull and final answer to the prob-lem of mankind.

Belgian Congo

wasteland.

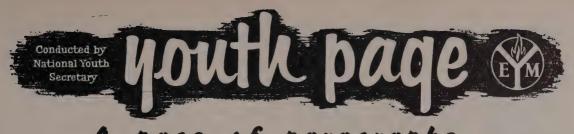
About ninety per cent of the population of all the major towns in the Belgian Congo can be reached by one or more Congo can be reached by one or more of the five monthly evangelistic publications now appearing. These five are *Enval* ("flight") in French, *Sankai* ("rejoice") in Tshiluba, *Oyebi* ("do you know?") in Lingala, *Sikama* ("awake!") in Kikongo, and *Neno la Imani* in Kiswahili, Combined circulation: about 500,000.

Which is heartening news for all who are concerned with the race to get home the Word of God to these hungry hearts before communistic literature floods in on them.

Charity in action

German religious leaders skipped a meal recently and gave the money to feed the hungry in Asia and Africa. Protestant, Catholic and Jewish leaders in Germany collected £18,000 in this way to aid starv-ing people in these needy areas.

Charity in action, needing no comment, only hearty endorsement.



A page of paragraphs

No. 1 comes from "Auntie Sunny" Blundell

A little while ago a letter reached the Youth Headquarters from "somewhere at sea" between Southampton and Cape Town. From the freezing coasts of England Auntie Sunny journeyed to South Africa, via the romantic port of Madeira.

Here's an extract: "Almost as I stepped on board on Thursday I got permission to hold a Sunday school, which I did yesterday though the parsons had no interest in same! It was so funny, if it had not been so tragic, that on Friday at tea time I saw one of the two parsons looking for a place to sit for his tea. You see, tea is just an informal sort of meal, and we sit anywhere more or less. I called him over to my table, and no sooner had he got seated than I went on with a conversation I had broken into. We had been talking about "being saved," and I continued, taking him into it all as a matter of course, ranging him on my side of the argument as it were.

"'Yes, we must be born again to be a child of God, isn't that true, sir?' I said. To which he replied, 'Oh yes. Will you please excuse me? I really must go.' From that moment he has studiously avoided me—bless his heart."

There is no one just like the E.Y.M.'s travelling ambassador, Auntie Sunny, whom many Elim youth remember in their prayers.

No. 2 is about books

I have been reading recently of the attempts made by Communists, anti-Communists and all shades of opinion between, in the entertainment world, on all social levels, for a multitude of reasons—the attempts of men to win others over to their way of thinking. It is a battle for man's mind.

Do Christians fully realise the value of print? A word spoken is soon lost in the ether, and until that machine is invented to recapture those words they are lost for ever. But this is not so with the printed word. It is impossible to calculate the full extent of the value of the printed word. Words printed on a sheet of paper, on many sheets of paper, on millions of pieces of paper, move around the world for all to read and be influenced thereby. So let us give our support to every effort to put anything about our Saviour into print, which is just the place to say this: Give your full weight of support to the ELIM EVANGEL, *Elim Missionary Evangel*, *EYM Youth Challenge*, *Young Folk's Evangel*, and all the publications so well produced by our Publishing Company. Every book turned out by the Elim Publishing Company is a representative of the Elim Church as well as the kingdom of God, and firstclass representatives they are in content and appearance.

Here are two new issues of reward books read by the Youth Committee, whose opinions are also appended:

Standing Into Danger, by B. Warden.

For boys and girls twelve to fifteen years. Price 5/-.

Committee opinion: Excellent, strongly recommended.

The Holiday at Merryfields, by Eileen Davis.

For boys and girls nine to twelve years.

Price 5/-.

Committee opinion: Very good, strongly recommended.





Scripture Union Portiens. Notes by L. P. Cowdery (Minister of Elim Church, Blackheath)

Monday, May 11th. Ezekiel 9:1-11.

Here we have another grand, yet solemn, picture of things. Six executioners, each carrying a battle-axe, are seen, accompanied by another man carrying an ink-horn. They stand at the altar of the temple. The Lord commands the man with the ink-horn to go through the city and mark in their foreheads all those who bemoan the wickedness of the city. The executioners are to follow and slay all who have not the mark. One wonders what the situation would be today if an angel went forth marking out those who are the Lord's.

Tuesday, May 12th. Ezekiel 11 : 14-25.

"Yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come" (v. 16).

Wherever the scattered people of Israel were, God promised to be as a sanctuary for them. In exile they were to be for a while till God should gather them together. Scattered throughout the world are millions of God's spiritual Israel, the Church; wherever they are and in whatsoever circumstances, the Lord is as a sanctuary to them, a place of refuge, a place of blessing. The day is coming, the Bible says, when God is going to gather them together, at the coming of the Lord, from every tribe and nation to meet the Christ in the air at His appearing.

Wednesday, May 13th. Ezekiel 18: 20-32.

"The soul that sinneth, it shall die."

"Soul" here means "person." This text does not show that the soul dies in the sense of being made to cease to exist. Sin brings death; physical death has passed upon all men, for all have sinned. Spiritual death is the result of sin—the non-Christian man is "dead in trespasses and sins." Eternal death is the result of sin. Eternal death ! Two more dreadful words were never joined together. It is separation from God, the source of life, from virtue, from happiness, from heaven for ever. It is to be in hell for ever, where there is no hope and from whence no one is ever saved.

Thursday, May 14th. Ezekiel 34 : 1-19.

Here we have a picture of the false shepherds and the true Shepherd. The Lord says: "I myself will search for My flock, and look for them." We thank God that He is a seeking God. A God who sought us when we did not want Him, who with tender care pursued us when we insulted and abused Him, who at great expense to Himself reclaimed us, is our God. We are now His sheep, ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who hear His voice and follow Him. And, bless His name, He gives to us eternal life and we shall never perish.

Friday, May 15th. Ezekiel 34 : 20-31.

"There shall be showers of blessing" (v. 26).

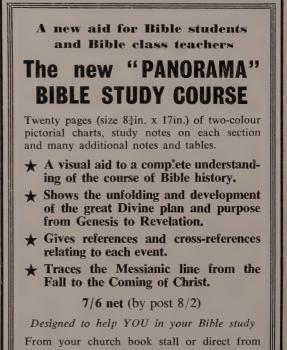
God is good ! All His thoughts towards us are of love only. He has fed us, clothed us, sent His Son to die for our sins, sent the Holy Spirit to bring us to Himself, showered blessings of many kinds upon us. Well said the apostle that the goodness of God should lead us to repentance. Hardened and impenitent hearts despise the riches of God's goodness and treasure up for themselves damnation, but the contrite in heart see the blessings of God and come to repentance and salvation and the open door of further blessings.

Saturday, May 16th. Ezekiel 36 : 21-38.

These verses bring to us the message of the new covenant, cleansing from filthiness, a new heart, a right spirit, the power to walk in the will of God and prosperity. Verse 37 says: "I will yet be inquired of by the house of Israel, to do it for them." God does these things in answer to prayer. Prayer is God's appointed way of obtaining the blessings of God. If we want the fulness of the new covenant to be ours, we must give ourselves over to God in prayer, and in prayer our hearts will be changed so that we get into a place where God can bless us fully.

Sunday, May 17th. Ezekiel 37 : 1-14.

A valley of dry bones, transformed into an exceeding great army of warriors by the power of God, speaks to us of the whole house of Israel and its restoration. This is one of the great prophetic passages of the Bible. Today, as we think of this tremendous miracle which is to be wrought in Israel, let us think of our own spiritual resurrection from the deadness of sins to the newness of life in Christ Jesus. Let us also think of the great change that is to be wrought when Christ comes again: living Christians will be changed and put on immortality, and those who have died in the Lord will be raised from the dead and put on incorruption.



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== Coming events =

(Please pray for these services)

FINCHLEY. May 9, 10. Elim Church, King Street (off Church Lane), East Finchley. Visit of Elisha Thompson (Kenley). Saturday only, Kenley Bible College Students (A O.G.), 7, Sunday 11 and 6.30.

GLOSSOP. May 9-11. Elim Church, Ellison Street. Annual Youth Weekend and Sunday School Anniversary. Visiting speaker: T. W. Walker. Mon. and Sat. 7.30, Sun. 10.45, 2 and 6.30.

HULL. May 9—12. City Temple, Hessle Road. Sisterhood Anniversary. Guest speaker: Miss G. Garton (Ingatestone). Sat. 7, Service of Song, Sun. 10.45 and 6.30, Tues. 2.45 and 7.30.

ILFORD. May 10-13. Elim Church, Scrafton Road. Visit of Miss Florence Munday. Sun. 11 and 6.30, Mon., Tues., 7.30, Wed., Sisterhood Anniversary, 2.45 and 7.30.

KINGSTANDING. May 9. Elim Church, Warren Road. Presbytery Rallies, Speaker: Wesley Gilpin (Dean of Elim Bible College). Convener: R. J. Morrison. 3.30 and 7 (cups of tea provided). Also May 10, 11 and 6.30.

SALISBURY. May 10. Elim Church, Scots Lane. Special visit of F. Shadlock (Hastings). 11 and 6.30.

SOUTHAMPTON. May 30. Methodist Central Hall. Festival of Music, 7. Taking part: London Crusader Choir, Portsmouth Male Voice Choir, Southampton Elim Choir and Sholing Salvation Army Songsters. Conductor-in-chief, Douglas B. Gray. Chairman, Charles H. Brookes.

SOUTHAMPTON. May 31. Elim Church, Park Road. London Crusader Choir, 11 and 6.

WESTCLIFF-ON-SEA. May 9, 10. Elim Church, Westborough Road. Third Choir Anniversary. Full musical programme, including Ronald Cooper (organist) and Harold Johnson (cornet). Guest speaker: J. J. Morgan. 7. Special ministry continuing Sunday 11 and 6.30.

WHITSUN CONVENTIONS

BATH. May 16-18. Elim Church, Charlotte Street. Speakers: A. V. Gorton (Bournemouth) and L. W. Green (Caerphilly). Convener: Edward J. Jarvis. Sat. 7.30, Sun. 11 and 6.30, Whit-Monday 3 and 6.30.

BIRMINGHAM. May 16-18. Annual Midlands Whitsun Convention. Speakers include W. J. Maybin and John Woodhead. Opportunity for those seeking Divine Healing and the Pentecostal Baptism. Sat. 7 in the Elim Church, Graham Street. Whit-Monday 3 and 6.30 in the Carrs Lane Church.

COULSDON. May 18. Elim Church, Chipstead Valley Road. Whit-Monday evening convention conducted by Guildford Elim assembly. Speaker: G. M. Porter. 7.

HASTINGS. May 16-19. Elim Church, Central Hall, Bank Buildings. Guest speaker: T. H. Stevenson. Convener: Frank Shadlock. Sat. 7, Sun. 11 and 6.30, Whit-Monday 3 and 6.30, Tues. 7.30. Cups of tea provided on Monday.

HOVE. May 16-18. Elim Church, Portland Road. Speaker: J. McBurney, supported by Worthing and Ealing choirs. Sat. 7.30, Sun. 11 and 6.30, Whit-Monday 3 and 6.30.

LEIGH-ON-SEA. May 16-18. Élim Church, Glendale Gardens. Whitsun Convention and 38th Church Anniversary. Speakers: H. Burton-Haynes (President-elect), G. Wesley Gilpin (Dean of Elim Bible College) and Miss Ruby Grimwade (Elim missionary just home from Congo). Sat. 7, Sun. 11 and 6.30, Whit-Monday 3.30 and 6.30 in the Wesley Church, Elm Road (kindly lent). Cups of tea between services on Monday.

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for a sister suffering from a nervous breakdown, and for her son's salvation.

MALTON. May 16-18. Elim Church, Greengate. Special speakers: A. R. Boston (Scunthorpe) and G. Rutherford (Durham). Sat. 7, Sun. 10.45 and 6, Mon. 3 and 6.30. Cups of tea between meetings on Monday.

SALISBURY. May 16-18. Elim Church, Scots Lane. Annual Whitsuntide Convention. Speakers: E. Cole (Swansea), J. C. Smyth (London). Convener: W. J. Patterson. Sat. 6.30, Sun. 11 and 6.30, Whit-Mon. 3 and 6.30.

SOUTHAMPTON. May 16-20. Elim Church, Park Road. Speakers: H. Shaw, G. N. Backhouse and Russell Richardson (Canada and U.S.A. international evangelist). Accommodation available. Write Rev. C. Brookes, Elim Church, Southampton. Sat. 7.30, Great Missionary Demonstration. All nations represented. Come and help clear the missionary deficit. Special offering. Sunday 11 and 6.30, Monday 3 and 6.30 (tea provided between meetings), Tues. and Wed. 7.30, Holy Ghost meetings.

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R. A. GULL'S MISSIONARY ITINERARY

May 9, 10 (Sun. 11 a.m.), Southport; 10 (Sun. 6.30 p.m.), 11, Blackpool; 12, Accrington; 13, Blackburn; 14, Burnley; 15, Nelson; 16, 17, Warrington.

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