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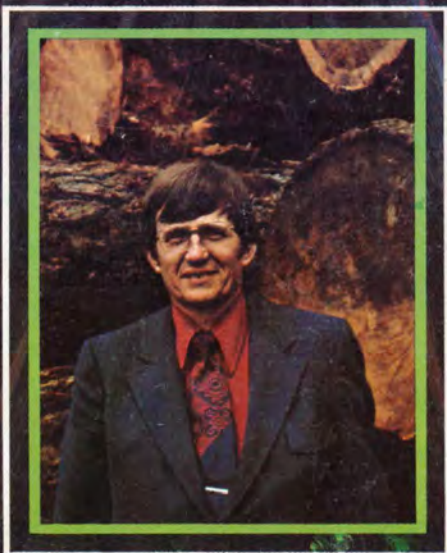
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CHOOSE YOU this day whom ye will serve . . . but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord" (Joshua 24:15).

It wasn't always that way with me. I was born in Portland, Oregon and was adopted by two wonderful people before I could know any other parents. My mother, who loved the Lord, died a few years back. She was Scotch Presbyterian. My father is a wonderful person, a strong businessman and a driving force in the lumber industry.

Growing up in Portland, I was privileged to see the steam age of the lumber industry fade from view. From Portland we went up to Squaw mountain and other areas where logs were felled in the forest and brought in through the mill by steam engine. Those locomotives were gear driven, very powerful, and you could hear

"TIMBER-R-R!"

by **JERRY LAUSMANN**

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them whistling all over the mountains. These are beautiful memories to me. We went from there to the logging camps along the coast of Oregon, during which time I attended school in Portland during the winter but lived and worked in the logging camps during the summer. There we met some of the roughest, toughest men in the world. They work in these logging camps six or seven months at a time, then go into town and hit the skid-rows. They worked hard and played hard, and very few, if any, knew the Lord. I suppose some believed in God but you would never know it by being in their presence because of the cursing and the drinking that went on. This was my background,

and my ambition was to be just as tough and hard as those loggers.

In 1941 we moved to Medford where we still reside. My father built a sawmill, and I finished my schooling. Even then I worked hard at manual labor during the summer-time. "You little punk, if you're going to get anything in life, you're going to get it the way I did." Today I am thankful for Dad's philosophy about work. Too many young people nowadays have the good things of life literally handed to them, and as a result are restless and rootless.

I went to business college, returned and worked as an accountant in the plant and in the mill, and was finally sent by Dad to a small sawmill up in

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Jerry and Donnis Lausmann with Carl Williams.



"of the rough-hewn wood
of my life, God is making
seasoned timber."



the mountains. When I wasn't doing the accounting for the sawmill, I was pulling rough, green, four-by-twelve pieces of wood and stacking them. And once again I was in the companionship of godless, hard men, men who worked hard, played hard, cursed hard and drank hard. And I was gradually picking up their habits. Mother tried to impress me with the fact that God loved me, but she never explained the born-again experience and how I could get to know the Lord. I was told that Jesus lived the only perfect life, but also that the things in the Bible were for those early days only and were neither available or necessary today. So on the one hand I wanted to be more godlike, but on the other hand I didn't know how to do it.

It Nearly Broke Me

During this time I married a woman who was in a worse spiritual condition than I, and thereby entered the most frustrating period of my life. I began to visit psychiatrists, took pills, and joined the Rosicrucians. I was willing to try anything in my search for reality.

That marriage was doomed to failure, and finally did end in divorce. This nearly broke me—mentally, physically and financially. Taking nine months' leave of absence, I returned to Minnesota to go to school again for a year. It was, of all things,

a Catholic men's school. Because of my chasing and drinking, I thought it might help me to attend a Christian brothers school and get straightened out.

It was while in Winona, Minnesota that I met Donnis. We dated, and finally three years later, realizing that she was the woman I really wanted, I asked her to marry me.

I Knew She Was Praying

Although Donnis was a Christian I still was unregenerated, and so the pastor of the church I was attending sat us down for counseling. Well, he blew me right out of the saddle. Addressing Donnis, he said, "Your marriage is going to stand perhaps one chance in a hundred of being a success." He warned her of the dire circumstances of being unequally yoked to an unbeliever, and especially one who smoked as much and drank as heavily as I. But when she seemed determined to go through with the wedding, he reluctantly agreed to marry us.

Being married to such a wonderful girl appeared to have no affect on my sinful life. In fact I drank even more heavily—as much as a fifth of Scotch whiskey every three days—then watered down the empties so Donnis couldn't check to see how much I was drinking. She'd lie in bed every night and hear those ice cubes go in that glass, and I knew she was pray-

ing for me. I smoked upwards of five packages—100 cigarets—a day.

Meanwhile we continued to attend the Presbyterian church. By this time the former pastor had retired and was replaced by a minister who preached a social gospel, and I began to believe it. I was ordained an elder of the church—but I didn't know the Lord Jesus. Thank God for praying wives! In her own sweet way, Donnis

she got home I suppose she thought I was having a heart attack. While reading that magazine something had swelled up inside of me and was hurting so badly. Tears were coming down my face as I asked her, "Where did you say you got this magazine?" She replied, "From the janitor of the church." I said, "We've got to see that man today!"

What I had read in that VOICE

"It's just a magazine the

held me up in prayer and lived the Christian life before me. I was smoking and drinking so heavily that many times I didn't want to get up in the morning and go to church for fear that people could smell the alcohol on my breath. I carried breath deodorant around with me all the time, and would sneak out of church to have a cigaret if I did go. I had taken vows as an elder to serve the church but didn't know the meaning of what I had vowed.

One morning when I had made my usual excuses why I was not going to church, my wife said, "Well, while I'm gone I would like you to read this," and laid a small magazine on the kitchen table. "It's just a magazine the janitor of the church gave me," she explained as she walked out.

That was the first time I had seen a copy of the Full Gospel Business Men's VOICE. I read it, and when

was the testimony of Carl Williams, "The Desert Shall Rejoice" (January 1967). I read that when Carl lay unconscious on his death bed and Demos spoke to him over the telephone, he rose up and was healed. And my heart melted completely.

The janitor was living in a house trailer in Jacksonville, three miles east of Medford. *And who does he turn out to be but Carl's brother-in-law, Jim Drury.* Yes, the Lord has a sense of humor! We prayed together, and I knelt and for the first time in my life asked Jesus to come into my heart. I've never forgotten the sweetness of His presence experienced at that time. I also asked for the baptism in the Holy Spirit, but that wasn't to occur that day. The Lord had one more thing He wanted to accomplish first. That evening when we went home, for some reason I just didn't feel like taking a drink—

and that was the end of that habit, I was still smoking, however—five packs a day and a little more.

About six weeks later, Jim Drury said, "Ruth and I are going to Phoenix, Arizona and we'd like for you and Donnis to go with us." When I hesitated, he said, "I'm not going unless you go." So together the four of us went to the 1968 Regional Convention of the Full Gospel Busi-

ness Men in Phoenix. I knew the answer before asking the question, and into the trash can went my head and into my heart—and I broke out speaking in a heavenly language. It was the most glorious thing that ever touched my life. That night when I went back to the room I pulled a pack of cigarets out of my pocket, got one out to light it, then looked up and said, resignedly, "Lord, I suppose you want these too."

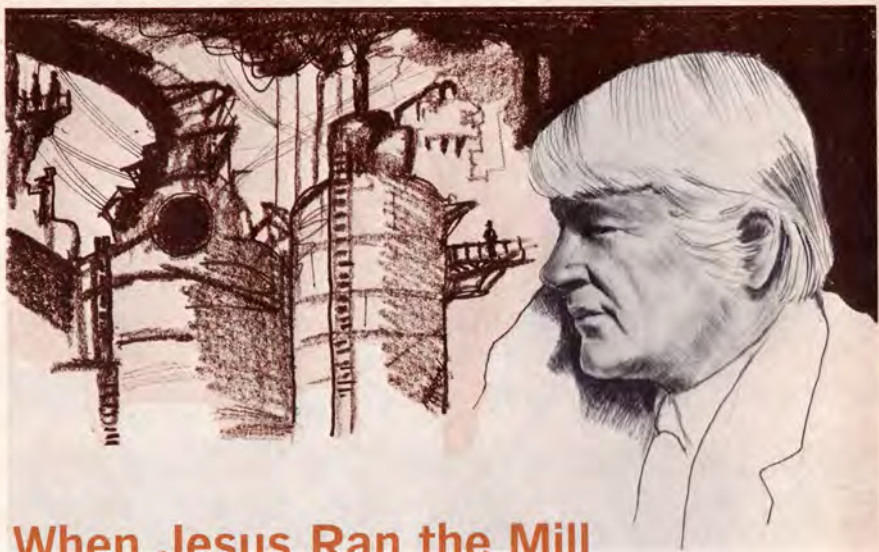
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ness Men in Phoenix.

The first day at a table in the old Ramada Inn East I met Carl. Introducing me, Jim said, "Carl, this man knows the Lord but he wants the baptism in the Holy Spirit." Carl looked at me and said, "Oh . . . is that right?" and I knew that I had had it! As I listened to the businessmen's testimonies, my faith grew increasingly stronger. On Wednesday night I went forward for prayer but nothing happened. On Thursday night I went forward—and thought somebody tripped me, for I hit the floor, slain in the Spirit, but still no Baptism. On Friday night I went forward again. It was about 11:15. There at the altar were Carl, Earl Prickett and several other men with smiles on their faces and hands outstretched. They just barely touched me, and I saw and felt a bolt of blue fire come down through the top of

that pack and two cartons besides—and that was the end of my tobacco habit. No withdrawal pains. Doctor Jesus just simply touched me and took the desire entirely away.

My father, as I mentioned previously, was a good man, better than a lot of professing Christians that I have known. He is eighty-six years old now and not in the best of health. Two years ago I went to where he lives to take some business papers and to see how things were going. I had just barely entered the room when the power of God came on us. I ministered to him, and then we knelt together at his couch and he accepted Jesus Christ as his personal Saviour. Friends, don't ever give up, don't ever stop witnessing to your loved one, for as long as there is life there is hope that they will one day come to know Christ, "whom to know aright is life eternal." ■



When Jesus Ran the Mill

by **FRED BROWN**

Retired Production Engineer, United States Steel Corporation

ALTHOUGH I MAY NOT have been the meanest man in the world, before I found the Lord I was the meanest one I *knew*, and that satisfied me. My wife says that I had a way with words that could strip a person of every vestige of self-respect. This I cannot deny. I had seen grown men, hardened steelworkers and marines, who left my office almost in tears because of a tongue-lashing or chewing-out I had given them. It never bothered me.

I had had a hard life, graduated from the CCC camps at sixteen and began working for U.S. Steel at

eighteen years of age. I started at the bottom, cleaning sewers, then worked and clawed my way up, stepping on many fingers on my way to the top. There never was a time that I didn't want my boss's job—until now, praise the Lord. A hitch in the marines, on Okinawa and in China, didn't do a thing to soften me. It was "dog eat dog"—and I had strong teeth.

There was one person, my wife, Dottie, who never saw that side of me because I loved her so much. And her love for me covered whatever faults I could not hide. She knew

I was strict with the children. I can still hear her say, "That's Daddy's way. He loves you very much and wants to be proud of you." Because I had so little in the way of material things while growing up, I vowed that my children would have everything. As a result of this we were deeply in debt, far beyond our income. But while I tried to give my children everything, I didn't possess the one thing that would have been important to their lives—the knowledge that Jesus Christ died to save us all from sin.

Our oldest son and daughter had both married and left home when Jesus came into our lives. Dottie was the assistant editor of the local paper and had a very popular column. I was "on my way" at U.S. Steel, and was taking several evening courses in engineering at the University of Pittsburgh. We lived well: had a lovely seven-room, split-level house loaded with fancy, French Provincial furniture in the east suburbs; two new convertibles in the driveway; closets full of clothes—and all the bills to prove it! Our youngest son Geoff was a chip off the old rock—a green and bitter apple that hadn't fallen far from the tree. His attitude and size—6'4, 240 lbs.—won him several Big Ten football scholarship offers, and he finally selected the University of Pittsburgh.

It was Dottie who first became a Christian. We had known a Pente-

costal family twenty years before who wanted us to have "this wonderful experience of the baptism in the Holy Spirit," and we promptly ran away from them. She later told me that at that time she had prayed, "Lord, let me have it, but without embarrassing the children." And Jesus didn't embarrass the children. He "let her have it" twenty years later, when the children were out from under our wing!

It was glorious for her when it did happen, but it certainly was miserable for me. All of a sudden there was someone else in her life and I was jealous. I had always been king in our home, and when she looked at me with her big dreamy eyes, I would melt. Now I would frequently catch her looking out into space with a strange smile on her face and I'd be furious! She later told me that all the hate I had kept concealed for 25 years, and that she never knew existed, was suddenly turned on her. I can remember bellowing at her one night as we were driving along in the car, "There's another man in your life and I don't care if it *is* Jesus, I don't like it!" She just wept and said that Jesus only made her love me more.

When his mother changed from a very worldly person to a spiritual one, Geoff liked what he saw. One day in his room at college he stayed on his knees in prayer until Jesus blessed

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Dateline: World Report

OVERSEAS HEADQUARTERS TO RECEIVE STATE RECOGNITION

The FGBMFI offices in Belgium and Singapore will soon be officially recognized as non-profit organizations. The FGBMFI Executive Board met on April 2 in Los Angeles and signed the governmental papers which will give state approval to the FGBMFI offices. This will allow greater freedom of outreach in their countries.

WORLD HEADQUARTERS GROUND BREAKING IN JUNE

International Office Administrator Art Nersasian reports that the working drawing for the new FGBMFI world headquarters in Costa Mesa, California, is in progress. The plans are being drawn up by the architectural firm of Joseph Colombo, Inc., A.I.A. in Santa Ana, California. Ground breaking is tentatively scheduled for the first of June. Art says, "It's exciting to see the plans coming together. Our exact ground breaking date will be announced in **On The Move!**"

PRESIDENT ENLISTS WORLDWIDE OUTREACH "AMBASSADORS"

President Demos Shakarian has appointed six international directors to the task of speaking at FGBMFI conventions, retreats, rallies and other special activities. Tom Ashcraft and Earl Prickett, who are international directors and vice presidents of FGBMFI, and international directors Pete Congelliere, Art Evanson, Ralph Marinacci and Bill Warnock will be explaining to Fellowship members the details and current projects of the FGBMFI worldwide ministries.

BLAINE AMBURGY COMPLETES SIX-MONTH MISSION

FGBMFI World Ambassador Blaine Amburgy, and his wife Helen, returned on March 30 from their final international circuit of FGBMFI chapters. Blaine is now busily writing an in-depth evaluation of the "international" character of the FGBMFI. Businessmen everywhere are eager to enter the Fellowship. Blaine is deeply concerned that each national group develop its own sense of strength and confidence, to build its own reservoir of teachers and speakers, and know it can spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ without airlifts or American speakers. Blaine recalls, "In Brisbane, Australia, I encouraged the members to endeavor to develop such men as a dentist who just accepted Christ—let him give a testimony at the next meeting and maybe a month later give another testimony. Then as the men



FULL GOSPEL BUSINESS MEN'S FELLOWSHIP INTERNATIONAL

Dateline: Fellowship Highlights

22,767,360 MORE PEOPLE EXPECTED TO HEAR THE GOSPEL

The people of Washington, D. C. responded with great enthusiasm to the GOOD NEWS TONIGHT TV convention broadcast on April 5. During the five hours of song, testimony, and teaching ministry, the phones rang constantly as people called for prayer, counseling, and to contribute to someone else's opportunity to hear about Jesus. It costs \$120.00 to reach 33,000 people with the Gospel; before GOOD NEWS TONIGHT went off the air, enough money was pledged to make possible ministry to 22,767,360 people. On the night following the GOOD NEWS TONIGHT, FGBMFI President Demos Shakarian conducted a Prayer and Praise Rally at the Bethesda Holiday Inn, with Roger McDuff ministering in music. Between 600-800 people attended, many of whom had just discovered the FGBMFI because of the GOOD NEWS TONIGHT program.

"NORTH DAKOTA FGBMFI DOUBLES SIZE IN TEN HOURS"

says Field Representative Ed Glasgow.

On the first weekend in March, Mr. Glasgow "... flew up to Bismarck and Mott, North Dakota to meet with groups ... had a noon luncheon in Bismarck with approximately 40 interested men ... and overwhelming response ... ran completely out of applications ... later in the afternoon, I went to Mott, to a dinner meeting of about 90 persons ... same overwhelming response!"

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begin to witness to what Jesus is doing in their lives, they develop into speakers, just as have hundreds of other men across America." Watch future issues of VOICE for more reports on the "International" aspect of the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship.

Worldwide outreach "Ambassadors," l. to r.: Art Evanson, Ralph Marinacci, Tom Ashcraft, Bill Warnock and Earl Prickett. Pete Congelliore not shown; World Headquarters, rendered by Joseph Colombo, Inc., architects; Art Nersasian.



JESUS RAN THE MILL

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and anointed him. Although our other children have not yet accepted Christ as their personal Saviour, we have committed them into His hands and are claiming them for the kingdom of God as well.

Geoff and his mother and a Spirit-filled friend backed me into a corner one weekend when he was home from school. I can't remember what Geoff said, but I suddenly felt that he had pushed the "Jesus stuff" too far. Rising from my chair, I crossed the room to where he sat, yanked him to his feet, all 240 lbs. of him, and pulled back my fist to pulverize him. When Dottie screamed, I came to my senses and realized I was acting like an animal, not in possession of all my faculties. I also knew in that instant, that "tough-guy" Geoff would not have hit me back because Jesus had brought love into his heart. All he said was, "Dad, why don't you stop fighting and just give up; ask Jesus into your heart." That's when I heard with "opened ears" that Jesus loved me. I sat down on the chair and just wept, something I had never done. Half an hour or more went by, and with the tears went the bitterness, hatred, envy and anger of my forty-seven years. I was washed clean, not by the tears but by the blood of the Lord Jesus. Baptized in the Holy Spirit several months later, I saw

miracles begin to happen!

The most important one to me at the time, was what the Lord accomplished in the 52" mill at U.S. Steel in Homestead, Pennsylvania. I was offered a job that was the open door to big money and position, but it

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don't you
stop fighting
and just give up?”*

contained certain frightening aspects. I would be personally responsible for \$200,000 worth of finished steel bars per day. Better men than myself had been let go from this position because of ulcers, frayed nerves, and even breakdowns. From this job you either went up or out—the pressure was terrific.

I talked it over with Dottie that evening, admitting that the only way I could handle the assignment would be to hand it completely over to the Lord. But she had to understand that if I asked *Him* to do it, I would have to tell everyone that fact—that it was He and not I who was doing the job. This could be dangerous, for if labeled a “religious kook,” I could be asked to leave without recourse. And being a member of management, there would be no union to back me up. She just smiled and said,

"I think it's the only thing to do."

Now, the production performance on that job had never been consistent. Yet in the nineteen months that Jesus ran the mill, it never fell below 100%, went as high as 112% and averaged out at 103%. The men in the down-

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the situation.*

town Pittsburgh "Ivory Tower" office were turning cartwheels over those figures. They didn't even have graphs that went high enough to chart it. I have kept some of the records to show what Jesus can do in a man's business or occupation if He is invited to take charge.

As further proof of this, there also was an area in the mill known as the cobble yard or "bone pile," where steel beams that never made it through the millbars that were jammed together and ruined, were stored. These cobbles, when they occurred, wrecked the mills, created havoc, ruined equipment and caused hours of delay. Frantic attempts were always made to "patch-up" the mills and get them rolling again. In just one hour \$20,000 could be lost. But since *Jesus* was running the mill, we had nothing to fear. When there was a cobble or

any other problem, we would "blow the mill down," gather together to pray about the situation and ask guidance and wisdom. After about five minutes, we would "blow the mill up" again and roll. All things by then would have been corrected by the "Man in Charge," Jesus Christ. Of course, this procedure was quite unorthodox at U.S. Steel.

After a few months, the bone pile had no cobbles and we were able to clean and paint the area. When bosses or visitors from other mills who had been taken out of their way to see the no-cobble yard would comment, I would just say, "Jesus did it" or "Praise the Lord." Their usual reply was, "Yes, Fred, WE know." But it never seemed to matter how many believed or didn't believe, for Jesus was faithful.

After showing everyone, including me, how magnificent everything could be at the mill, the Lord called me out of it. It would be several years before my eligibility for pension, but I began passing the word around that I would be retiring as soon as possible to serve the Lord in some way. Some would laugh and say, "Doing what?" I'd always reply that it didn't make any difference, maybe even sweeping out a church somewhere or cutting the grass around it.

My supervisors humored me, feeling I would soon forget about leaving the mill. There were raises and promises of future positions to insure a

great income. But during a slight recession some months later, when they were asking older men in their 60's to retire so they would not have to lay off younger men with families, I became really excited. I saw this as a way for me to leave the mill with an additional \$105 per month because my leaving would then be "mutual"—I would be part of the cutback.

When I went to my boss, he couldn't believe that I really intended to leave U.S. Steel to serve the Lord full time. When the truth finally became real to him, he said, "All right, if you're really serious I'll see what I can do, but the final decision rests with the Pittsburgh office."

The Ivory Tower men were not unfamiliar with my name. There were times when, unknown to them, I would be on vacation, and they would frantically telephone and say, "Your production level has fallen below 100%! What's happening? What's wrong?" My boss would explain, "It's okay. Fred Brown is on vacation. He'll be back in two weeks." In two weeks, production would soar back up to 102% or 104% and everybody was happy.

So, when the request for the retirement of this same forty-eight-year-old man went to the Pittsburgh office, thanks to Jesus, they knew exactly who he was. They knew that since his promotion to that position, the mill had shown a profit of \$744,000

above normal. They also knew that if the man lived to be 90, the additional \$105 per month would be peanuts in comparison. When my application papers finally came back, a note was attached which read, "Only because of this man's production record in the past year, is this pension being granted." And it was Jesus' production record all the way. Because of it, I became the youngest man on record at the Homestead Mill ever to retire from U.S. Steel with a mutual pension. Praise the Lord!

But—all the miracles do not date back two or three years. The Lord placed me in a directorial capacity at Prayer House in Tucson which is now in its fifteenth year. He wonderfully sends people in a constant stream to us to receive salvation and be baptized in the Holy Spirit. As many as four persons in one day, in four different rooms, having arrived at four different times, have come into the Baptism within minutes of each other. There have also been miracles of healing and deliverance in this house where the Full Gospel is taught and practiced on varying nights with large numbers of believers.

The Lord has also added special blessings to us personally. One lady feeling directed of the Lord, gave us a check for \$3,000 to send us to Israel. Such a trip was indeed a miracle. "To God be the glory, great things He has done!" ■

Just when revival seemed imminent, the "bomb" fell!

Stand, Don't Waver!

by KATHY LEESE

IF I WERE to name one person who has influenced me the most in my spiritual life, it would be Rev. Ronald Lambert, now minister of the Faith Fellowship church of Sidney, Ohio. Little did I realize when the Lamberts came some three and a half years ago, that his life would have such special meaning, and that some three years later, he would lead some of us into the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

When the Lambert family came, we sensed their uniqueness from the very beginning. Coming to Sidney to minister in the First Church of the Nazarene, with their French-Canadian background and four children—Cindy, Linda, Timmy and James—we believed they were sent to us "Special Delivery."

With their energy and enthusiasm, the church began to grow until it was filled to capacity, and people were being blessed! It was like sitting on a keg of dynamite, waiting for it to

explode in spiritual power and revival—and it was beautiful!

It was normal on Sundays to see the church youth gathered around the altar in prayer. Rev. Lambert and his wife, Jeannie-Marie were always there, caring because we were having problems and struggles. They had a terrific rapport with us as youth.

Then, when revival seemed imminent, the "bomb" fell. It proved, however, to be a blessing in disguise!

Rev. Lambert was asked to leave the church because the officials believed he was getting too involved with the baptism in the Holy Spirit. Although he had not yet received (he would, four days later), he was in their opinion "too close for comfort."

We watched the good work that had been accomplished crumble before our eyes. And though it did, and all of us were hurt and confused, Rev. Lambert stood firmly in Jesus! He pointed out that God has reasons for everything. And when we saw the

KATHY LEESE, one of VOICE magazine's more youthful readers, pays tribute to a pastor who stood true to his conviction that, no matter what the cost, the Holy Spirit baptism was a valid experience for today.

strength God placed in him, and the way God secured a home for him and his family (free of charge until he could pay rent) within twenty-four hours after he received his dismissal notice, and then provided a free building for him to minister in, it was beautiful. Obviously God already had everything planned, even down to finest details and what might be considered the most trivial matters. We received chairs for the church, a pulpit, piano and organ, and songbooks—all free of charge and as the Lord saw fit to give them to us.

Rev. Lambert's faith seemed to grow even stronger and more assured than ever, and soon many people were coming to worship in our store building charismatic church. In

the first three months after services had begun, a good number of people were saved, healed, and filled with the Holy Spirit—all because one man dared to be true to his convictions and step out in faith, believing that God would honor him for it.

It is as Jesus said, "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you!" Isn't that exciting? And we've only just begun!

Since that time, our little church has grown, and several noted guests such as Sigi and Swen, Bill Ashpaugh ("Mr. Indiana") and others have ministered to us. And as for the future, only God knows what great things are in store for us! ■

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The FULL Gospel



by **REV. WILLIAM BRAFFORD**

Associate Pastor of Angelus Temple, Los Angeles, California

WHAT A SAD SIGHT we were—my wife with a cancerous tumor and I with psoriasis! And to make matters worse, as a Pentecostal pastor I was expected to practice divine healing, for that was one of the chief tenets of our faith. We Foursquare ministers preach Jesus Christ as the Saviour, the Baptizer in the Holy Spirit, the Healer, and the soon-coming King. But though I tried desperately to have faith for the healing of my wife and myself, I seemed to get nowhere.

To explain how I came to this unenviable position and what I did to extricate myself from it, requires

a journey back in time to the days prior to my birth—in fact to the time when my father first heard and accepted the Full Gospel message.

I'm what could be called a Classic Pentecostal. Dad was raised in Concord, North Carolina. His parents were members of the First Baptist Church. One night his father decided to attend a revival meeting being held in a local Pentecostal church, and Dad was chosen to drive him there. That night following the message, Dad made a commitment of his life to Christ. As he prayed at the altar some people asked him, "Why don't you seek for the baptism in the Holy

Full Gospel symbols represent Jesus Christ in His role as Saviour, Baptizer in the Holy Spirit, Healer, Coming King. The Wm. Braffords as pastors in Raleigh, N.C.



Spirit?" This term was new to him but he replied, "Well, if it's from God and for me, I'll come back tomorrow night as a candidate to receive." Happy in the Lord all that next day from having accepted Jesus as his Saviour, he was eager to receive more from God. Therefore, at the end of the service that evening in a little prayer room he prayed, "God, I don't know what the Baptism is all about. I do know *salvation* is wonderful, so if the baptism in the Holy Spirit is just as real as salvation, then I want you to fill me."

Immediately he began to speak in a language he had never learned and did not understand. He was so wonderfully blessed to overflowing with the power of the Holy Spirit that for days he could speak only in tongues. However, because of his acceptance of the Baptism, he was forced to

leave his former church. In the new church he met my mother, whose experience was similar to his in that her parents were Methodists and she had also received the Baptism in that same Pentecostal church and had chosen to attend there following this experience.

After my parents were married, God called them into the ministry. Despite the economic depression of that time, Rev. and Mrs. Guy Brafford left to go to college in Florida but returned early when it became known that Mother was expecting a child. After my birth, they felt in their hearts that God wanted them to go to another town and start a church. They began by conducting Bible studies in homes, much like people are doing today. As a result of their efforts, by the time I was six months old a church had been erected in



Rev. and Mrs. Guy Brafford in Kannapolis, N.C. with daughter-in-law, Beverly. Rev. Wm. Brafford in his study in Angelus Temple, Los Angeles.

Kannapolis, N.C. The church had a humble beginning, but as people were saved, healed, and filled with the Holy Spirit, attendance grew to 240 in just two years.

One day my dad came home on foot, explaining that God had told him to build another church so he had traded the car in on a piece of property. It was in that church that at the age of six I accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour and at the age of eleven received the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Burdened for the salvation of the lost, my father continued to build and pastor churches and to conduct a Gospel radio program eight times a week. By 1955 he had built four churches in North Carolina. The first and largest was in Kannapolis, where he and Mother have now pastored for thirty-nine years. Dad ministered

independently of any organization until 1955, at which time four of his churches became affiliated with the International Church of the Four-square Gospel. In 1970 a beautiful new sanctuary was dedicated in Kannapolis and in four years was completely paid for.

Growing up in the home of a Pentecostal minister, I spent much of my time in church. When I became a teenager, however, being accepted by other people was very important to me. Thus, whenever I would bring a friend to church I was fearful that someone might lift his hand and praise the Lord or do something else I felt might embarrass me. Therefore, trying to be like the rest of the kids in school, I eventually lost the fellowship with Christ I once knew. It was only by an act of God that in 1955, having

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HIS LIMITLESS WAYS! His unsearchable riches! His majesty! On and on we could magnify our heavenly Father as to how He directs His children. The words "His ability through me" keep ringing in my heart. These words came from a speaker at the Full Gospel Business Men's Regional Convention held at the Lodge of the Four Seasons, Lake Ozark, Missouri.

This all began in October 1975, when a brochure came in the mail announcing the meeting for November 20-22. "Dear Lord, if I am to go, make it possible by letting me have those four days off without dis-

turbing anyone's work schedule," I prayed. The request was put into the office. A few days later a former employee who is away in college wrote that she would be home for the Thanksgiving holidays and wondered if she could work for a few days—the very days of my request! Thus did the Lord grant the desires of all concerned.

Three of us traveled to the Lodge expecting great things. The many and varied ministries brought us into new realms with our Lord Jesus. The windows of heaven were opened to us and we basked in His love for three days—a love that extended from per-

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son to person, like a chain reaction!

During the Saturday morning prayer meeting the leader asked for those who had financial needs, or knew of others who did, to come to the front for prayer. He gave me permission to make public the need God had laid on my heart—for the Lord to send the finances to our church so that our pastor could resign his job and be in full time service for the Lord Jesus—and we all joined our hearts in that prayer. Later, a gentleman walked up to me and said, "I want to shake your hand," and slipped a one hundred dollar bill into my palm. God was already answering! Immediately the Lord reminded me that I had just two days before given some money to a friend and here it was being returned triple-plus. You cannot outgive God!

As soon as I shared with the pastor

these things and gave him the one hundred dollar bill, a young ministerial student shared the following with us. While he and the pastor were praying in their room Friday night after the service, God gave him a vision of people placing one hundred dollar bills in the pastor's hand to build the work already begun. The first bill was given the very next morning!

Later, after the morning session, the gentleman who had contributed the money shared this with me. He said he always took cashier's checks on a trip of this nature, but this time the Lord impressed upon him to carry cash and to be sure to have a one hundred dollar bill, not for his own use but for someone else's. The moment I had named my request he knew where that bill was to go. God is so good! ■



"We are to win people TO Christ, then send them out FOR Him."

Our Obligation: "Occupy"

by JOHN CONLAN

United States Congressman from Arizona

Given at the Full Gospel Business Men's International Regional Convention in Phoenix, January 23, 1976

IT IS A PLEASURE to be here and to share with you this morning. I was here a couple of years ago, and at that time as well as now it was a real delight to fellowship with you.

These are exciting times. There are currently two philosophies of life competing with each other for the minds and allegiances of men and women. The one on the left has as its basic premise that there is no God, or if He does exist, He is irrelevant to our day. And if God is irrelevant, then the minor premise is that man is doing fine by himself and doesn't need God.

The philosophy on the right says there is a God who is perfect power, perfect love and perfect justice. Its minor premise is that man is imper-

fect. The Bible calls it the sin factor. "All have sinned and come short of the glory of God; there is none righteous, no not one" (Romans 3:23). This is the philosophy that desires to decentralize our political, social, economic and theological institutions, to break them down so that if something goes wrong it could be cut out like a cancer and the rest of the body will survive. Two hundred years ago our founding fathers said that if we do not look to the state for our salvation but keep the government decentralized, we can look to the *Lord* for our salvation. What this world needs is not an external conformation from those who would restructure and reform man from the outside, to conform him to man's nature. What is

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needed is to keep government small so that men might rise to the full measure of their potential, and as they get their vertical relationship with God and Christ straightened out, their horizontal relationship with their fellow men will fall into place.

I am a child of God, and although I am not what I want to be, I thank Him that I am not what I used to be. I just praise the Lord every day that there were some faithful young fellows twenty years ago in my college days that had a spring in their step and a smile on their faces. They had a glow about them, something that the rest didn't have. Unashamed of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, they knew it was the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believed. They introduced me to His Word and to Jesus Christ Himself. Then, a few years ago, some other people taught me how to walk in the Spirit.

The Holy Spirit is beginning to work in our country in many ways. I have attended meetings in Washington, D.C. with strong fundamentalist ministers, one of them being Ralph Wilkerson of Melodyland Christian Center in Anaheim, California, who sat around the table praying together for America. It is exciting to see many of the clergy who in the past have had differences now beginning to find out that if they don't pray together and hang together, they may hang separately. Our country and our society is in mortal danger, both from



1. **Jim Brown**, Presbyterian pastor: "Eighteen years ago the Fellowship drew a circle large enough to take me in, and shared with me the life in the Spirit."
2. **Bill Weaver**, Oklahoma City oilman (Devon Corp.): "God healed my eyes three years ago and I've not worn glasses since. I have 20-20 vision."
3. **Dr. William Reed**, Tampa surgeon: "Seventeen years ago I saw that the missing dimension in my life and in the practice of medicine was that we were leaving God out."
4. **Howard Alexander**, Fairbanks businessman and FGBMFI director: "We have a truck driver who drops bundles of VOICE in camps along the Alaskan oil pipeline."
5. **Clem Dixon**, real estate and mortgage finance businessman, and FGBMFI director, Albuquerque: "The Lord would say unto His people, 'I am putting the finishing touch upon my Church.'"
6. **Charles Duncombe**, Tulsa Bible teacher: "It is the most inspiring convention with FGBMFI I have ever been in. I feel ten feet tall!"



1. Leis, brought to Phoenix by Hawaiian FGBMFI director **Ike Akamine**, were presented to directors' wives.

2. **Joe James Begay**, left, president of new all-Navajo FGBMFI chapter, points to location in Chinle, Arizona. It is on the largest Indian reservation in the U.S. With him is **Bill Pyatt**, secretary of the Phoenix chapter.

3. **Robert Ashcroft**, right, initial director of FGBMFI Prayer and Teaching Ministries, congratulates successor **Louis Sheldon**. In resigning, Dr. Ashcroft said, "God has given my wife and me a world-wide compassion for the lost and called us into foreign missionary service. Doors are opening unto us in Europe, India, the South Pacific and elsewhere." In accepting a copy of Dr. Ashcroft's book, 'Sequence of the Supernatural,' Rev. Sheldon said, "I am looking forward to continuing upon the foundation you have built under the Spirit of God."

external encirclement and internal demoralization. The root of it is a spiritual problem and only the Christians can pull this country out of her dilemma and provide the moral leadership and the integrity that she needs.

It is an exciting thing to see Christians not only realizing that we're looking for the second coming of Christ and that we're on our way to heaven and ready to go at any time, but also that we have an obligation to "occupy" until He comes, and to win men and women *to Him* and then

to send them out *for Him*. We are not only to reach out to men to win their souls, but we are also to do our best to put good men into public office on the local, state and national level, in order that the doors will be open for the proclamation of the Gospel. With the wrong people in the Federal Communications Commission, for instance, Christian broadcasting could be eliminated very easily. With the wrong people in the city council, churches could be for-

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THE "FULL" GOSPEL

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received a scholarship, I decided to attend LIFE Bible College in Los Angeles. Entering the ministry was the furthest thing from my mind. I simply wanted to learn more about the Bible. God, as He so expertly does, dealt with my rebellious heart while there, however, and gave me a definite call into the ministry.

Accepting that call, but still fighting God's will for my life, I determined that if I was going to preach (which I said I never would do) mine would be primarily the message of salvation. I determined to ignore the subject of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit or Divine Healing. It seemed that those subjects only engendered arguments.

Despite my rebelliousness, it was always my wish to marry a Pentecostal girl, and in LIFE Bible College I met and married such a girl. After graduating from college, Beverly and I accepted a pastorate in North Carolina. Although at times I discussed the Baptism, I did not preach this experience from the pulpit. In a way I didn't really know how to. I was so afraid of emotionalism and fanaticism which I had heard about and seen in many circles—although not in my father's church.

One morning, while transacting some business at the local bank, one of my friends, an employee, asked, "What in the world is wrong with

your face?" I hadn't paid much attention to it that morning, but overnight my face had become covered with red splotches. From then on it became progressively worse, covering more and more of my body. I went to doctor after doctor for treatments, receiving diets and all sorts of medications, all of which did nothing to prevent deterioration of my condition. Finally, it was determined that I had psoriasis.

Here I was, a sick Pentecostal pastor, with little if any real faith for healing. This bothered me so much and I suffered so greatly that at times when my wife wasn't home, I actually would lie on the floor, weeping and sobbing, begging God to deliver me from this affliction. Then I would run to a mirror to see if He had. Other preachers also prayed for me, but without success. Covering the red blotches with my wife's makeup, I continued to preach during this time, for despite my physical condition, God was moving in my life and ministry.

About this time, Bev and I accepted a pastorate at another church. Before our move, my wife decided to have a physical checkup. To our dismay, the doctor discovered she had a malignant tumor in her throat wrapped around the larynx and on the voice box. They recommended surgery right away. What a sad sight we now were—my wife with a cancerous tumor and I with psoriasis!

During this time, while seeking Him for physical healing, God admonished me about my ministry. "You don't *have* to have fanaticism or formalism, either one," He said.

My wife was scheduled for surgery, but prior to that I brought her before our congregation and asked Dad to come and pray for her. We all agreed in prayer and as we did, Beverly felt a slight drainage in her throat. After surgery, the doctor, who had previously expressed serious doubt that she would ever talk again, ran up to me and said, "Your wife is going to be able to talk. I don't understand it." We understood it to be the divine intervention of the Lord. Today my wife is completely healed and not only talks, but sings beautifully.

One day at our new pastorate a lady asked me during a service if I would pray for her hand that was crippled with arthritis. This was right in front of the congregation! I reluctantly consented and prayed a simple prayer for her—and God performed a miracle right before our eyes! She was instantly able to move her hand—yet there I stood suffering with psoriasis. I wept all the way home, "God, what is wrong with me? What is wrong?"

A few days later, when I was thinking more clearly, it dawned on me that I needed to take the promises in God's Word entirely by faith. "If I can have *salvation faith* for others, why can't I have *healing faith* for

myself?" I went to my study and began to search for every scripture that I could find on healing. I read in Isaiah 53:5: ". . . and with his stripes we *are healed*," but in I Peter 2:24: ". . . by whose stripes ye *were healed*." Then I read III John 2 where it says, "Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and *be in health* even as thy soul prospereth."

A few days later when I could accept divine healing for myself, I walked out of my study with tears of rejoicing over what God had revealed to me. My little boy who was then about five said, "Daddy, why are you crying?" My answer was, "Jesus has healed me." My symptoms were just as bad as they had ever been but the Lord had helped me to see that although a miracle is instantaneous, healing is often progressive.

"Then Daddy, if Jesus has healed you, you've got to throw your medicine away." That hit me like a ton of bricks. It was God speaking through my son urging me to really begin to *exercise* faith. Impulsively I told him to take all of my medication outside and throw it away—and from that moment on as I rejoiced in the Lord and involved myself in His Word, my symptoms began to disappear. Not long thereafter I went to Duke University Hospital to be examined by their top dermatologist. After giving me a thorough checkup, he said, "There is no indication what-

soever that you have psoriasis." In my heart I wept for joy.

From that time on I have experientially preached "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). My Lord can do anything.

My wife and I have now held six

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pastorates, and I am currently serving as Associate Pastor of Angelus Temple in Los Angeles.* By God's grace, people have been saved, healed and filled with the Holy Spirit in every church we have pastored, and each has grown numerically and prospered financially. Besides attributing this to the Lord and hard work, I believe much of this success is due to my working closely with the Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship. I'm so appreciative of these men because they have taken the Holy Spirit into the office buildings, into the hospitals, and into the business world. People everywhere now talk unashamedly about the Holy Spirit because of them. I read their VOICE magazine and appreciate its witness to those of various denominations. Years ago it was inconceivable that Catholics, Lutherans,

Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists and others would worship together, but now through the working of the Fellowship, which I consider to be spearheading this charismatic renewal, many are coming together in one faith in Christ Jesus.

In my previous pastorate, when attending Fellowship chapter meetings I not only was able to minister to others to receive the Baptism, but was at the same time ministered to by such men as Glenn O. Randall, Ogborn Yates, Jr. and others.

When I opened our church to charismatic conferences, the pastor of another church in the area who was opposed to the baptism in the Holy Spirit came knocking on my door late one night. He had heard me speak at a Full Gospel Business Men's convention and asked if I would come to his church to conduct a conference on the Holy Spirit. God has since opened door after door for me to speak to members of various denominations on the charismatic experience in churches, on campuses and in many other places.

Today we can have all of God that we want or we can reject Him and remain as we are. I had to learn the hard way to have faith to accept the FULL Gospel openly in my life. ■

*At press time word was received that Rev. Brafford had just assumed the pastorate of the San Gabriel Valley Community Church of the Foursquare Gospel.

"GOOD NEWS" TV SCHEDULE

ALABAMA:

Birmingham, WBMG, Ch. 42, Sun. 6:30 a.m.
Dothan, WTVY, Ch. 4, Sun. 3:00 p.m.
Dothan, WDHN, Ch. 18, Wed. 10:00 p.m.
Montgomery, WKAB, Ch. 32, Sun. 8:00 a.m.

ALASKA:

Ketchikan, KATV, Ch. 2, Tue. 7:30 p.m.
Juneau, KINY, Ch. 8, Sat. 6:00 p.m.

ARIZONA:

Phoenix, KPAZ, Ch. 21, Thurs. 8:00 p.m.

ARKANSAS:

Little Rock, KATV, Ch. 7, Sun. 8:00 a.m.

CALIFORNIA:

Chico, KHSL, Ch. 12, Sun. 7:00 a.m.
Eureka, KIEM, Ch. 3, Sun. 7:00 a.m.
Modesto, KLOC, Ch. 19, Sun. 7:00 a.m.
Los Angeles, KLXA, Ch. 40, Tue. 8:30 p.m.
Sacramento, KTXL, Ch. 40, Sun. 11:30 p.m.
San Francisco, KVOF, Ch. 38, Mon. 10:30 p.m.
Santa Barbara, Cable, Ch. 2, Thurs. 9:00 p.m.

COLORADO:

Colorado Springs, Cable, Ch. 3, Fri. 7:00 p.m.
Pueblo, KOAA, Ch. 5, Sun. 11:00 p.m.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA:

Washington, D.C., WDCA, Ch. 20, Sat. 8:30 a.m.

FLORIDA:

Ft. Lauderdale, WFCB, Ch. 45, Thurs. 8:00 p.m.
Ft. Meyers, WEVU, Ch. 26, Sun. 10:00 a.m.
Jacksonville, WTLV, Ch. 12, Sun. 12 midnight
Stewart, Cable, Ch. 3, Mon. 7:00 p.m.

GEORGIA:

Atlanta, WHAE, Ch. 46, Mon. 10:30 p.m.
Columbus, WTVM, Ch. 9, Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Macon, WMAZ, Ch. 13, Sun. 9:30 a.m.

IDAHO:

Boise, KIVI, Ch. 6, Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Pocatello, KPVI, Ch. 6, Sun. 7:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

ILLINOIS:

Champaign, WICD, Ch. 15, Sun. 8:00 a.m.
Chicago, WCIU, Ch. 26, Sun. 10:00 p.m.
Decatur, WAND, Ch. 17, Sun. 10:30 a.m.

INDIANA:

Ft. Wayne, WKJG, Ch. 33, Sun. 9:00 a.m.
Evansville, WEHT, Ch. 25, Sun. 9:00 a.m.

IOWA:

Davenport, WQAD, Ch. 8, Sun. 8:30 a.m.
Ft. Dodge, KVFD, Ch. 25, Sun. 10:00 a.m.

KANSAS:

Pittsburg (Joplin), KOAM, Ch. 7, Sun. 10:30 a.m.

KENTUCKY:

Louisville, WLKY, Ch. 32, Sun. 8:00 a.m.
Madisonville, Madisonville Cable, Thurs. 7:30 p.m.

LOUISIANA:

Shreveport, KTAL, Ch. 6, Sun. 10:00 a.m.

MARYLAND:

Salisbury, WBOC, Ch. 16, Sun. 10:30 a.m.

MICHIGAN:

Lansing, WJIM, Ch. 6, Saturday (following sports event)

MINNESOTA:

Duluth, WDIO, Ch. 10, Sat. 12:30 p.m.
Hibbing, WIRT, Ch. 13, Sat. 1:30 p.m.

MISSISSIPPI:

Meridian, WTOK, Ch. 11, Sun. 11:30 p.m.

MISSOURI:

Cape Girardeau, KFVS, Ch. 12, Sat. 1:00 p.m.
Kansas City, KMBC, Ch. 9, Sun. 7:00 a.m.
St. Louis, KDNL, Ch. 30, Sun. 3:00 p.m.
Springfield, KMTC, Ch. 27, Sun. 2:00 p.m.

NEW MEXICO:

Albuquerque, KGGM, Ch. 13, Sun. 10:00 a.m.
Clovis, KFDW, Ch. 12, Sun. 9:00 a.m.

NEW JERSEY:

Atlantic City, Cable, Ch. 2 & 13, Fri. 7:00 p.m.

NEW YORK:

New York City, WPIX, Ch. 11, Fri. 12:50 a.m.
Oneonta (Binghamton), WICZ, Ch. 40, Sat. 11:00 p.m. (1st Sat. of each month)
Rochester, WOKR, Ch. 13, Varied Times
Syracuse, WSYR, Ch. 3, Sun. 7:30 a.m.
Syracuse, WNYs, Ch. 9, Wed. 1:00 a.m.
Utica, WUTR, Ch. 20, Fri. 11:30 p.m.

NORTH CAROLINA:

Charlotte, WCCB, Ch. 18, Sun. 11:30 p.m.
Greensboro, WFMY, Ch. 2, Sun. 8:30 a.m.
Washington, WITN, Ch. 7, Sun. 11:00 p.m.
Wilmington, WECT, Ch. 6, Sun. 10:00 a.m.
Raleigh, WRAL, Ch. 5, Sun. 9:30 a.m.

NORTH DAKOTA:

Bismarck, KFYP, Ch. 5, Sat. 4:30 p.m.
Minot, KMOT, Ch. 10, Sat. 4:30 p.m.
Williston, KUMV, Ch. 8, Sat. 3:30 p.m.
Dickinson, KDIX, Ch. 7, Sat. 4:30 p.m.

OHIO:

Findlay (Kirby), Cable, Ch. 3, Mon. 8:30 p.m.
Steubenville, WSTV, Ch. 9, Sun. 12:30 p.m.
Lima, WLIO, Ch. 35, Sun. 6:00 p.m.
Youngstown, WFMJ, Ch. 21, Sun. 11:30 a.m.

OKLAHOMA:

Oklahoma City, KOCO, Ch. 5, Sun. 10:30 a.m.
Sayre, KFDO, Ch. 8, Sun. 10:00 a.m.
Tulsa, KTUL, Ch. 8, Sun. 8:00 a.m.

OREGON:

Portland, KPTV, Ch. 12, Sun. 11:30 a.m.

PENNSYLVANIA:

Lebanon, WLYH, Ch. 15, Sat. 1:30 p.m.
York, WSBA, Ch. 43, Sat. 1:30 p.m.

SOUTH CAROLINA:

Charleston, WCBD, Ch. 2, Sun. 9:30 a.m.
Charleston, Cable Video Comm., Fri. 8:00 p.m.

TENNESSEE:

Chattanooga, WRCB, Ch. 3, Sun. 11:00 p.m.
 Kingsport, Warner Cable Co., Mon. 10:30 p.m.
 Nashville, WTVF, Ch. 5, Sun. 9:00 a.m.

TEXAS:

Amarillo, KFDA, Ch. 10, Sun. 10:00 a.m.
 Dallas, KXTX, Ch. 39, Thurs. 9:30 p.m.
 El Paso, Cable, Ch. 8, Fri. 7:00 p.m.
 Houston, KHTV, Ch. 39, Sun. 10:30 p.m.
 Laredo, KBLE, Ch. 5, Tue. 7:30 p.m.
 Sherman, KXII, Ch. 12, Sun. 8:00 a.m.
 Wichita Falls, KAUZ, Ch. 6, Sun. 9:00 a.m.
 Midland, KMID, Ch. 2, Sun. 9:30 a.m.

VIRGINIA:

Harrisonburg, WSVA, Ch. 3, Sun. 12:30 p.m.
 Norfolk, WYAH, Ch. 27, Sun. 2:30 p.m.

WASHINGTON:

Spokane, KHQ, Ch. 6, Varied Times
 Yakima, KIMA, Ch. 29, Sat. (between sports)

WEST VIRGINIA:

Clarksburg, WBOY, Ch. 12, Sat. 1:00 p.m.
 Huntington, WHTN, Ch. 13, Mon. 6:30 a.m.
 Morgantown, Teleprompter, Ch. 10, Sun.
 5:30 p.m.

WISCONSIN:

Green Bay, WBAV, Ch. 2, Sun. 8:00 a.m.
 Milwaukee, WVTM, Ch. 18, Wed. 11:00 p.m.

CANADA:**ALBERTA:**

Edmonton, CITV, Ch. 13, Sun. 9:00 a.m.

BRITISH COLUMBIA:

CHAN-TV, Ch. 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12,
 13, Sun. 12 noon on 41 stations. (Check
 for channel featuring program in your area.)

NEW BRUNSWICK:

St. John, Cable, Ch. 3, Sun. 2:00 p.m.

ONTARIO:

Thunder Bay, CHFD-TV, Ch. 4, Sun. 2:00 p.m.
 Bancroft, VHF, Ch. 2, Sun. 2:00 p.m.
 Cottam (Windsor), UHF, Ch. 22, Sun. 2:00 p.m.
 Oil Springs, UHF, Ch. 6, Sun. 2:00 p.m.
 Ottawa, VHF, Ch. 6, Sun. 2:00 p.m.
 Paris (Hamilton), VHF, Ch. 6, Sun. 2:00 p.m.
 Uxbridge, UHF, Ch. 22, Sun. 2:00 p.m.

JAPAN:

Tokyo, JCTV, Thurs. 8:30 p.m.

FGBMFI RADIO LOG

North Pole, AK, KJNP, 4:30 p.m., Sat.
 Little Rock, AR, KGMR-FM, 6:00 p.m., Sun.
 Los Angeles, CA, KFSG, 96.3, 9:00 p.m., Sat.
 Los Angeles, CA, KGER, 1390, 8:30 a.m., Sat.
 Chico, CA, KPAY, 1060 AM, 95.1 FM, 9:30
 p.m., Sun.

Ventura, CA, KDAR-FM, 98.0, 9:30 a.m./8:00
 p.m., Sat.

Denver, CO, KBRN, 800, 10:00 p.m., Sat.
 Greeley, CO, KFKZ, 96.1, 6:00 p.m., Mon.
 Bartow, FL, WTWB, 1570, 4:00 p.m., Sat.
 Bartow, FL, WBAR, 1460, 2:00 p.m., Sun.
 Orlando, FL, WDIJ-FM, 100.0, 8:30 a.m., Sun.
 Miami, FL, WGLY-FM, 48, Sat.
 Orlando, FL, WWFL, 1340, 1:00 p.m., Sun.
 Orlando, FL, WFIV, 1080, 4:00 p.m. Sat.
 Pensacola, FL, WBIX, 610, 8:30 a.m., Sat.
 Americus, GA, WISK, 1390, 2:30 p.m., Sat.
 Americus, GA, WPUR, 97.6, 2:30 p.m., Sat.
 Eastman, GA, WVMG-FM, 96.7, 10:30 p.m., Wed.
 Belleville, IL, WIBV, 1260, 10:00 a.m., Sun.
 Charleston, IL, WEIC-FM, 92.1, 11:00 a.m., Sat.
 Rockford, IL, WQFL-FM, 100.9, 11:00 a.m., Sat.
 Cedar Rapids, IA, KTOF, 104.5, 1:30 p.m., Sat.
 Alexandria, MN, KXRA, Fri.
 Alexandria, MN, KMBO, 1290, 1:00 p.m., Sun.
 Jackson, MS, WJXN, 1450, 5:00 p.m., Sun.
 Scobey, MT, KCGM-FM, 95.7, Sun.
 Lincoln, NB, KBHL, 95.3, 8:30 p.m., Thurs.
 Loup City, NB (Ord), KNLV, 1060, 1:30 p.m.,
 Sun.
 Buffalo, NY, WBIV, 107.7, 8:30 a.m., Sat.
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Prayer and Teaching Correspondents: Rebecca Malki; Director of Prayer and Teaching, Lou Sheldon; and Robyn Carter; Lewis J. Marcon.





Dateline: Fellowship Highlights

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Carlin Nash

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2. **REPENT:** "Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish" (Luke 13:3). "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19).

3. **CONFESS:** "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

4. **FORSAKE:** "Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord . . . for he will abundantly pardon" (Isaiah 55:7).

5. **BELIEVE:** "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). "He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned" (Mark 16:16).

6. **RECEIVE:** "He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name" (John 1:11,12).

Why not make your eternal decision right now: "I am convinced by God's Word that I am a lost sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died for sinners and shed His blood to put away my sins. I NOW receive Him as my personal Lord and Saviour and will by His help, confess Him before men."

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The basic program had been taped a week earlier in a local auditorium with over 500 people participating. But what was really exciting were the live, on-stage "performances" of a group of local Spirit-filled pastors (plus a Roman Catholic nun and several young people) manning fifteen phones to counsel with people calling into the studio during the show. For over three hours, 230 phone calls were received. Among these, thirty-five persons accepted Christ, seven were baptized in the Holy Spirit with the manifestation of tongues, a deaf person was healed, and a girl who was going to have an abortion the next day agreed to cancel it and was put in touch with a Spirit-filled counselor.

These were only the *immediate* results. A great majority of the calls involved people who had physical needs. Each call was recorded and referred to a participating Spirit-filled church in the area.

The program was a vision of Larry Love, pastor of Orion Miracle Center, Orion, Illinois. He assembled a group of local Spirit-filled pastors and businessmen to help him in planning and putting on this TV special. The total project took over three months to plan and arrange for, with a realistic budget of \$10,000. The goal of the program was to show the general public the love of Jesus and the current outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Quad-City area. The format of the program included interviews with local Spirit-filled pastors, Gospel music, a short but very powerful message and invitation given by Tommy Barnett, pastor of the large Westside Assembly of God Church of Davenport, and scenes of the fifteen phones being manned by local spiritual leaders.

John W. Wigger, president of the Red Jacket Division (pump mfg.) of Weil McLain Co., Inc. and vice president of the Quint-Cities FGBMFI chapter in Davenport, was in charge of the committee that put on the TV special. ■

VOICE ECHOES

I am a business executive from Seoul, Korea traveling U.S.A. and other countries for sales promotion. As I sat in my Los Angeles branch office, I saw a copy of VOICE, July/August 1974. As I read the story of Bob Engle, tears flowed from my eyes. It was such an experience that I never had in my life. I felt the Holy Spirit moving into my heart and this occasion made me think about my way of life very seriously.

I want to thank you for this wonderful ministry and pray that your endeavors will help many people who are wondering about the worth of life in this confused age.

H.S., Seoul, Korea

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sonal Lord and Saviour and will by His help confess Him before men.

Miss T.G., Atlantic City, New Jersey

As a minister I often have the opportunity to speak for Christ at gatherings. I have no difficulty then, as I can always depend on the Holy Spirit for guidance. But to personally witness to an individual, I have more difficulty; especially to close relations and old friends who knew me when I lived in sin. Your magazine, VOICE, has so often been a blessing to me because you glorify God for all the good He has done in peoples' lives. And I appreciate you gentlemen not being afraid to print the Full Gospel message despite the skepticism of today's society. Enclosed is a list of names and addresses, for which I would like you to send VOICE, praying that it will lead them to a rich relationship with Jesus and the Holy Spirit, as it has led me. I enclose an extra dollar to help with the postage.

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OUR OBLIGATION

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bidden such a seemingly insignificant thing as the enlargement of their parking facilities, thereby hindering their ability to expand in their ministry. With the wrong people in local government, a brothel, bar or porno establishment could be allowed to operate in your neighborhood.

When the Lord said, "Go into all the world," He meant into the home, the shop, the factory, the office, the farm. He meant into journalism and into art and into music. He meant into government and into every area of life. This Bible is the greatest operations manual and handbook for living the world has ever seen. It is

applicable in all areas of life—and we ought to get on with the business of living!

I thank God for the influence of the Full Gospel Business Men across the nation. I receive the VOICE magazine every month. It is beautiful, and I think it provides probably more inspiration than anything I've seen in a long time. I don't know who started sending it to me about two years ago, but God bless them for it. You just can't read *everything* there is to read in the world—but some things are better than others, and VOICE is one of them!

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