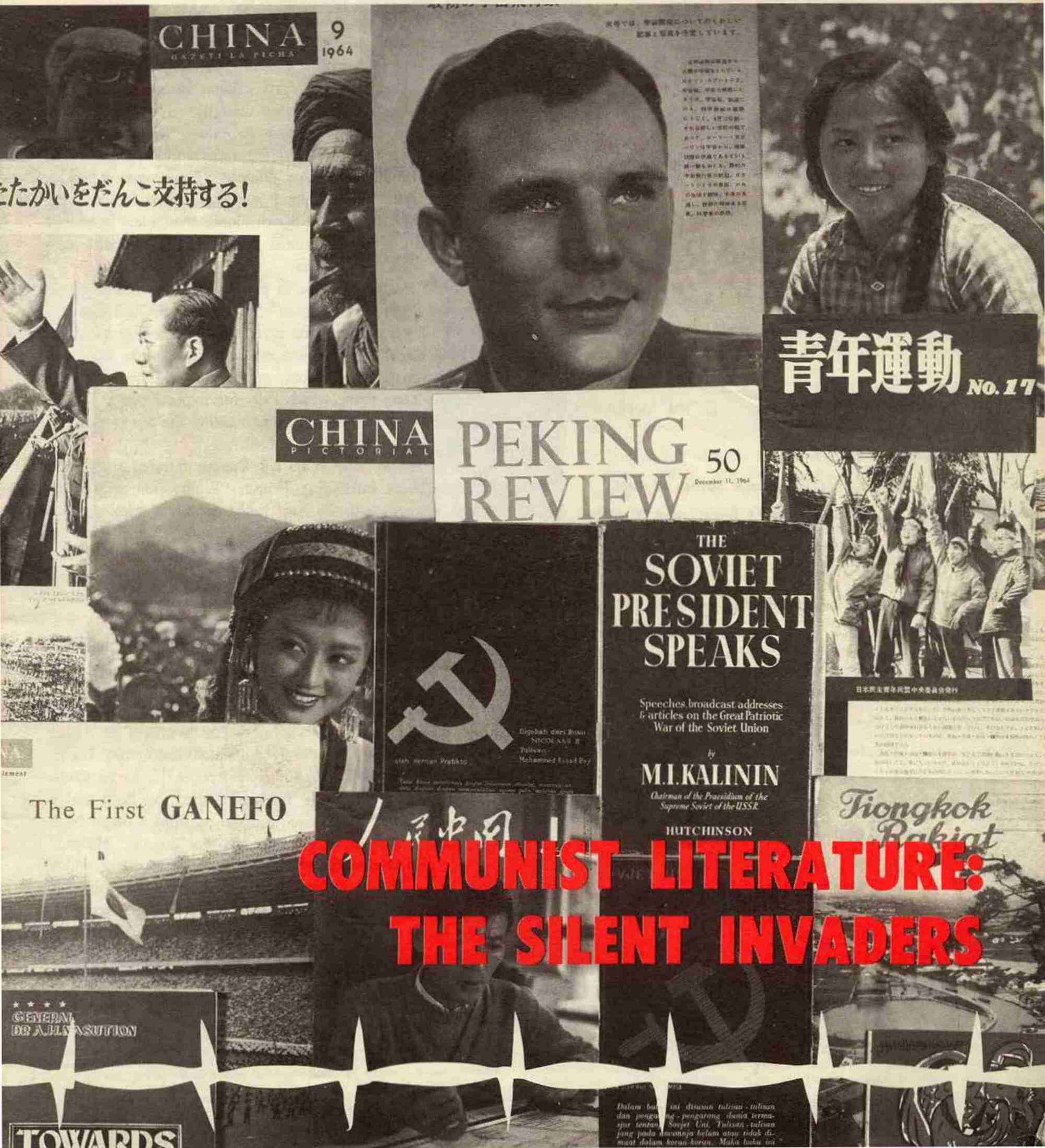


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**COMMUNIST LITERATURE:
THE SILENT INVADERS**



THE RED PROPAGANDA BARRAGE

by
DON WHARTON

On the cover of this issue are some of the Communist books which have been sent to our office by our missionary friends. These represent a part of the flood of Red propaganda literature now going forth like a military offensive with the same deadly purpose. The article on this page, taken from the READERS DIGEST, November, 1961 — "Poison from the Red Printing Presses" — shows the forceful impact of the printed page.

LAST SPRING IN CALCUTTA, two Americans in a taxi were stopped at a traffic light. A hawker ran up offering children's books in English at five for one rupee—21 cents. The books were new, well bound, illustrated in four colors and all printed in Moscow. They are part of the communist bloc's relentless campaign to soften, subvert, and seduce the free world with the printed word.

Never in the history of propaganda has there been anything comparable to the barrage of books, magazines, and pamphlets now laid down by communist countries. Last year the Soviet Union printed forty million books in non-bloc languages — ten million more than the year before; Red China printed nearly a third as many. The communist countries print and ship into the free world 125 different magazines in 400 language editions. Three million copies of Red periodicals are shipped each month into Japan, West Germany, and the United States alone. Pamphlets in untold millions roll off the communist presses, some of them published by Soviet embassies.

In 1955 *Pravda* referred to the Soviet press as the Party's "strongest ideological weapon." Since then the Red bloc has been steadily expanding its printing arsenal. The U.S.S.R. has spent huge sums on new printing facilities for books in foreign languages at Kriukov, near Moscow. This is part of the Seven-Year Plan, which calls for expenditure by 1965 of some 340 million dollars on expanding the Soviet printing and publishing industry.

In East Berlin three years ago the communists established the Seven Seas Publishing House. "Eighty per cent of its output," according to the communist press, "is scheduled for export, mainly to English-speaking countries. India and the Middle East will be the chief buyers." The East Germans also set up a printing plant in North Viet Nam, which can turn out nine million books a year. Printing plants in Poland, North Korea, Rumania, Hungary, and Czechoslovakia likewise produce foreign-language books for export in large quantities.

Communist books are usually sold for about one fifth of the prevailing commercial price. They are treated as bombs, to be delivered on targets without regard to cost. I have seen handsomely bound, beautifully illustrated communist books, such as *Folk Art of New China*, priced at 12 to 15 cents. An American in Djakarta, Indonesia, spent an hour and a half browsing in a bookstore, and did not find a single book that was not printed in a communist-bloc country. He paid nine cents for *Friendship for Peace*, the foreword of which begins: "Since the U. S. invaders landed on Korean soil . . ." For a well-printed, 272-page volume on Lenin's writings, out of Peiping, he paid three cents.

India's children (and newly literate adults) are hit with printed propaganda of every sort imaginable; more than 125 different children's books from communist presses are now distributed free or below cost. ■

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"We Must Put Out the TRUTH!"

"The Communists have excellent booklets and magazines which are freely and carefully distributed. I think there is more Chinese than Russian literature here at present. But that is even more dangerous. None of it is liked by the Nigerian Moslem government. There is a growing underground in this country and many school teachers and literates are being attracted by this subtle propaganda. We must, and will deal with this by putting out the TRUTH. This is a battle for the mind which we can win if we do something about it."

"Daily we receive a large number of requests for booklets on Christian subjects and so your literature plan just fits into the whole pattern of things. We welcome it wholeheartedly and can assure you of our support and cooperation. I believe the Lord will move and enable you to deal with the need for literature as you have so successfully dealt with the Native Church program. It is wonderful."

Missionary S. G. Elton
Nigeria, West Africa

"Praise the Lord! I don't know if this is an answer to prayer, or partly to my vision and reminders for the great need of the heathen. But in all things we are giving thanks for all the goodness of God in our behalf. We trust that we will be given first place in this new literature program, for we have long awaited this step. Books such as these will be taken up by the people of Indonesia quickly."

"Do pray much for this. We would like to get books started on this program at the soonest time possible."

Missionary Howard M. Gering
Indonesia

"I received your letter in which you write about the important plan for distribution of books that contain the Full Gospel message. With gladness we receive this notice and we are sure that it will help sinners to meet Christ in our Brazil, as in other places of the world."

Missionary Paulo Mendes
Brazil, South America

"I think your literature crusade is a very important program and we pray that God may help you to realize it. It's true: the new converts in north Argentina are ignorant about such subjects as salvation, divine healing, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the gifts of the Spirit, tithing . . . and surely it will prove a great help and blessing to be provided with such books. We remain in trustful hope that you will be able to send us of this literature when you have it available."


Missionary Sture Anderson
Argentina, South America

"We are all very interested in your new branch of work: launching a Native Literature Crusade. I will do my utmost in distributing these books."

Missionary Stig Johansson
Brazil, South America

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WINNING THE NATIONS LITERATURE CRUSADE

THE VOICE OF HEALING has now launched a Native Literature Crusade, which is a plan to put millions of Gospel books into the hands of the masses. (For our beginning month we have printed 50,000 books.) This plan is tied in closely with the Native Church Crusade and will be an integral part of it. Many of our friends who have sponsored a church have written asking if there were anything further that they could do for their church. We are glad to be able to answer in the affirmative. We have a plan already tested that will give a tremendous impetus to the evangelization of their lands. This is the Native Literature Crusade.

Just how is this Native Literature Crusade different from other literature programs? Tract programs of the past have accomplished a great deal of good, and *The Voice of Healing* has participated in these in a limited way. But tracts, although they arrest attention because of their brevity, cannot teach the people the great gospel truths. Books are necessary to accomplish this. Yet because of their cost,

books have usually been considered too expensive to distribute in a large way. *The Voice of Healing*, however, has now developed a plan to publish these at low cost and *has launched a program to supply gospel books for the masses.*

On page 2 you have read an excerpt from *Reader's Digest* which gives an idea of the tremendous effort of Communism to capture the minds of the people. The Communists, alas, are succeeding in their ungodly task only too well. Are we going to permit them to communize the world by our own inactivity? God forbid! A carefully prepared mass literature effort can check this trend to godless Communism. How can we do the job? Here are some matters involved in the development of a successful mass literature crusade.

(1) The Communists do not specialize in tracts. They use attractive books or booklets that explain their atheistic philosophy. The message of Communism of course is false, but nevertheless its proponents explain it in such a way as to make a strong appeal. We must print Full Gospel books that are attractive in appearance and which will carry a carefully prepared message.

(2) The Communists subsidize their books. Sometimes they give them away. In many instances they sell them for very small sums. They do this because the people value the literature more if it is sold to them rather than if they receive it for nothing.

The Native Literature Crusade must follow the same plan. We must provide free books for the poorer people. In other areas it is advisable to sell the books for a few cents or even one cent. In such cases the money will be kept in a local fund to put out new editions when the old ones are exhausted.

Such books as are available on the mission field are often unattractive in appearance. Secondly, even though they sell at a lower rate than here in the States, they are usually still beyond the reach of the average person, whose daily wage may be only fifty cents to a dollar a day. (Many areas pay workmen less than this.)

(3) These books should cover the entire Full Gospel message. Most of the books that are available on the mission field do not include Full Gospel subjects. We must provide books on salvation, divine healing, the Baptism of the Holy Ghost, the Second Coming of Christ, how to live a Christian life, etc.

(4) The books must be widely distributed in cooperation with the missionaries and the churches that are already established. To ship them into the country without a definite and well thought-out plan would be to invite waste and failure. The Native Church Crusade with its established missionary operation in forty-five countries has the organization that is necessary for this program. We shall of course use various plans in different countries according to the circumstances there. For example, here is one plan that we are initiating in connection with the Native Church Crusade. The members of the

congregation will distribute through the town a book each month to the families of the community who can read. The books that are chosen for one country might be as follows:

First month: *What Must I Do to be Saved?*

Second month: *How You Can Be Healed*

Third month: *Is Christ the Son of God?*

Fourth month: *Twenty-five Reasons Why the Bible is the Word of God*

Fifth month: *The Second Coming of Christ*

Sixth month: *The Baptism of the Holy Ghost*

Seventh month: *Life After Death*

Eighth month: *Prayer that Moves Mountains*

(5) Much preparation is going into this crusade. A close study of the needs of the field has convinced us that most of these books will have to be specially prepared for the area where they are to be distributed. This will require a great deal of extra effort, but it must be done. Each book is being reviewed by a panel of missionaries and gospel workers to make sure that it is adapted to the particular needs of the people in the lands where it will be sent.

(6) The work of translation is exceedingly important. We have been told again and again that poor translators have greatly hindered the effectiveness of gospel literature that has gone overseas. This can be easily understood. Americans do not like to read a book that has been poorly translated into English. At the present time we have arrangements with half a dozen translators to translate the books into that many languages.

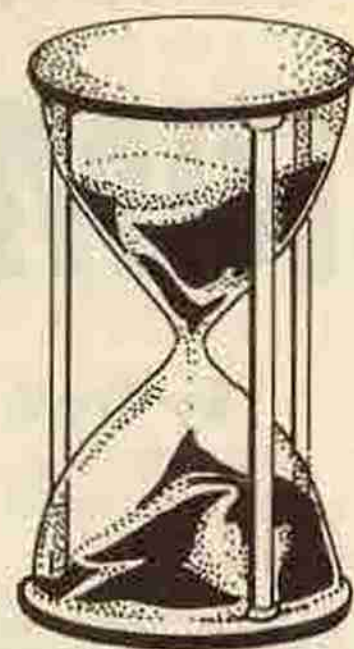
(7) English books: During the past month we have printed approximately 50,000 books in the English language. It is necessary for us to get the overseas editions into the English language first, for two reasons: (1) There are 600 million people in the world who can read English — more than of any other language; (2) We must have the books in English in order to supply copies to the translators who will put them into other languages.

Please pray for us while we are on our trip overseas that God will help us in establishing the various distribution centers. Pray for the Native Literature Crusade that He will enable us to fulfill this great task He has set before us. ■

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ISRAEL has been the most difficult nation to reach with the gospel. Ministers cannot preach to large groups there. *The Voice of Healing* has therefore developed a plan to take Messianic books from door to door throughout the land. As a result, literally thousands of Jews are becoming convinced that Christ is the Messiah. This pilot project has worked so well in this most difficult land that we must initiate it in other countries. Indeed we must, as soon as possible, launch the Native Literature Crusade in all the nations of the world that are open to the gospel.

A generation ago only a small proportion of the population of the world was literate. Now for the first time in history great segments of backward countries have learned to read, thus creating a great new demand for reading material. Communist presses go night and day to supply this demand. By contrast most missionary budgets are unable to meet this urgent need for Christian books. So the people instead read the cheap literature of Marxism.

It often costs up to \$25,000 to train and prepare a missionary family for the

field. Years are spent in learning the language. Missionary societies do not have this kind of money to supply the many additional missionaries that are needed on the field. And in many countries the doors are closed to new missionaries even if they were available. The only practical alternative is to produce books in great quantities that will carry the message of the Full Gospel to the masses. Careful estimates of costs show us that with our present equipment and the overseas facilities that are available, we can put 5,000 books into that many homes for around \$250.00. This not only includes the costs of the books, but translation, distribution, etc. Missionaries tell us that between 2 and 20 people will read a single book.

The Native Church Crusade works in close cooperation with the Native Literature Crusade. Each is essential to the other. Is this your month to sponsor a Winning the Nations literature project or a Native Church? For \$500.00 you can sponsor both projects at the same time. Friends, let us do this *while there is yet time*. ■

"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is that good men do nothing."

— Edmund Burke

A MISSIONARY WRITER PROTESTS IN VEHEMENT WORDS AGAINST THE CRIME OF THE CENTURY

By Fred Jarvis

EDITOR'S NOTE:

This is a blunt, tough article. If you are thin skinned don't read it, for it will hurt. But if you are willing to let God speak to your heart — and do what He tells you to do — we believe this message from the burning heart of a missionary can bring you one of the greatest blessings you have ever experienced.

IT'S THE CRIME of the century. Plainly spoken, it is the murder by neglect of the world's millions; but it is not the murder of lives — much worse — it's the murder of men's souls.

As foreign correspondent for *Christian Life Magazine*, I have written articles from the mission field from the point of reader interest. In this article I write not as a correspondent to inform your mind, but as a missionary to challenge your heart. I write not in terms of facts, but force.

We missionaries find it hard to understand how people at home can sit like Jonahs in their little booths, carefree, contented, and comfortable while millions of earth's modern Ninevehs without Christ sink into an endless, hopeless, Christless eternity. They are sinking into a lost eternity, not because they couldn't be saved, wouldn't be saved, or shouldn't be saved; but because we don't care — or if we do care, we don't care much.

How often we missionaries out on the battle-lines of the world, giving sweat and tears, fasting, sacrificing, praying, weep over the callous indifference of unmoved, unstirred, unsundered, unconcerned, unresponsive souls in soft, stable America.

It's the crime of the century, and it's caused by your guilt, your neglect, and your failure.

To put it in Billy Graham's words, "To date we have failed. After 50 generations, only 35 percent of the people on earth have heard the gospel presented. Many of us have aimed the wrong way.

"I know of one church which spent more than \$500,000 in a building program in four years. During the same time it spent only \$15,000 for foreign missions. Look at the thousand tribes with no missionary and 1,700 languages with nary a single word of Scripture. See the millions upon millions dying without Christ. And around the world those people are crying to us, 'Hurry, hurry we are perishing without the gospel. Come and help us.'"

I have seen them with my own eyes — myriads of miserable men, unloved, unsought, untold, unsaved. The crime is that this condition exists despite the 2,000-year-old command to go with the gospel.

According to official denominational reports, the average American church member gives \$41 yearly to his own church but less than \$1.50 to foreign missions.

THE CHURCH TODAY, whether we realize it or not, is guilty. We dare not excuse our abominations any longer. It is wickedness that we refuse to warn the lost. We have been unfaithful doing 1,000 good, but secondary things that God never told us to do, specializing in the trivial, majoring in minors,



feeding the fat, promoting our puny homeside programs while the perishing world has rushed toward hell.

Far too much effort has been spent edifying the saints, instead of evangelizing the sinners. World-evangelization and not self-edification is what God wants of us. We are debtors to the least, the last, and the lost. Christ is necessary for all or He is not necessary at all.

Jesus depended upon men to do His work; it was to them that He gave His great commission. Yet today it is women and not men who are largely responsible for the evangelization of the world. Do you still wonder why I am protesting? God is still seeking for men. Is it only the women who are to deny themselves?

We men pride ourselves on being the "stronger sex." Yes, we're strong in turning out by the hundreds to fill well-paying pastorates in a good climate; we're strong in defending the faith and deploring modernism; but when God calls for a man for the mission field and finds none, what else can He do but send our sisters? We stress sacrifice abroad, but at home we stress security. If more of us were filled with the Holy Ghost, more of us would be filled with the holy "go." If more of us were abiding in Christ, fewer of us would be abiding in America.

Resist the charge if you will. Become angry if you must. It is better to have some emotion than none. You will be conscience-stricken in heaven, if you aren't soul-stricken now.

While the world is growing more heathen at the rate of millions annually, while more are being born each day than reborn, while at least half of the world's population remains unreached, while God's Book remains undelivered, while the gospel remains bottle-necked in America, we must tremble at the terrible truth that we are hardly attempting the task.

While we know all this in theory, we delay in actuality. We beg for time. God grant us action and unction before our delay dooms the unreached.

We have cash, but not for Christ's cause. When it comes to missions, men of means have good intentions and motives, but little money. They aren't against missions in theory, but in practice they are like the fat man who believes in doing everything he can to lose weight except cut down on the caloric intake of his diet; or like the sinner who wants to do everything to get saved but give up his sins. The love of money is still the root of all evil. "There is a sore evil which I have seen under the sun, namely, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt" (Ecclesiastes 5:13).

WHEN ONE OF THE WORLD'S most progressive nations at the flash of an atomic explosion was brought to a harvest, and when we still face the humiliating fact that there are 30 times more heathen babies born each year than the people joining the Christian churches, do you wonder why we protest against this crime of the century?

When our missionaries are sent out to heathen lands and are not even provided with gospel tracts to give to readers who almost fight for them, do you wonder why we beg?

When the city of Hiroshima, which was made an atomic desert, had to wait five years to have its first evangelistic campaign, do you wonder at our concern?

When missionaries have to leave the work on the field to arouse an indifferent church at home in order to provide materials for these neglected souls, do you wonder why we become impatient?

When missionaries in India brave the torrid, steamy, unbearable climate where children die like flies and the average person reaches his death before the age of 27; and then have to turn their attention away from getting the job done, and because of overwork and undersupport return to the homeland

broken in body and burdened in spirit, do you wonder why we cry out?

When war-weary Korea, oppressed and denied literature in their own language for years by Japanese domination, and then by the ravages of war, now begs and pleads for books and tracts for the use of its growing church, but must be content with few tracts and scarcely over a dozen books, do you wonder why we care?

When the missionaries in Africa and India are without support and barest necessities for carrying on the gospel work, some having to get jobs to support their families and children or else go home leaving the heathen to perish, do you wonder why we ache?

When some missions consistently get many times more women than men applicants for the mission field, do you wonder why we blame?

When America, which has one minister for every 514 people and churches with billions of dollars already invested in brick and mortar, plush pews, expensive organs, lavish stained-glass still is foolish enough to spend more than a million dollars a day to construct still more and fancier churches, do you wonder why we think it is not fair?

When you can turn on your radio on Sunday and find nine or ten religious programs all competing with one another and yet realize that the unlimited opportunities on the mission field go unexploited and that some of the programs that already exist are forced to retrench for want of funds, do you wonder why we boil?

THE LOGIC IS INEXORABLE: the guilt is clear and is piling up indictments against us. This selfish withholding of Christ from the nations is nothing less than the grossest form of cruelty and wrong. You still have time to join us in reaching and weeping, praying and repenting if you want to. But to ask for revival and blessing without repenting of this monstrous sin is an insult. There is a time when the Bible says that even our prayers are an abomination.

God give us men — brave men, heroic men, self-sacrificing men with a new sense of their solemn and neglected task, who will shove everything aside and run to the rescue.

If we can't go in person, we can prevail in prayer and provide the financial support. Let us mass millions for the billions who are without Christ by turning our dimes, dollars, and diamonds to working capital for the kingdom of God. Let us lay down our treasures. Don't ask, "What can I do?" Rather determine, "This will I do!" Then do it now.





Native Church Crusade

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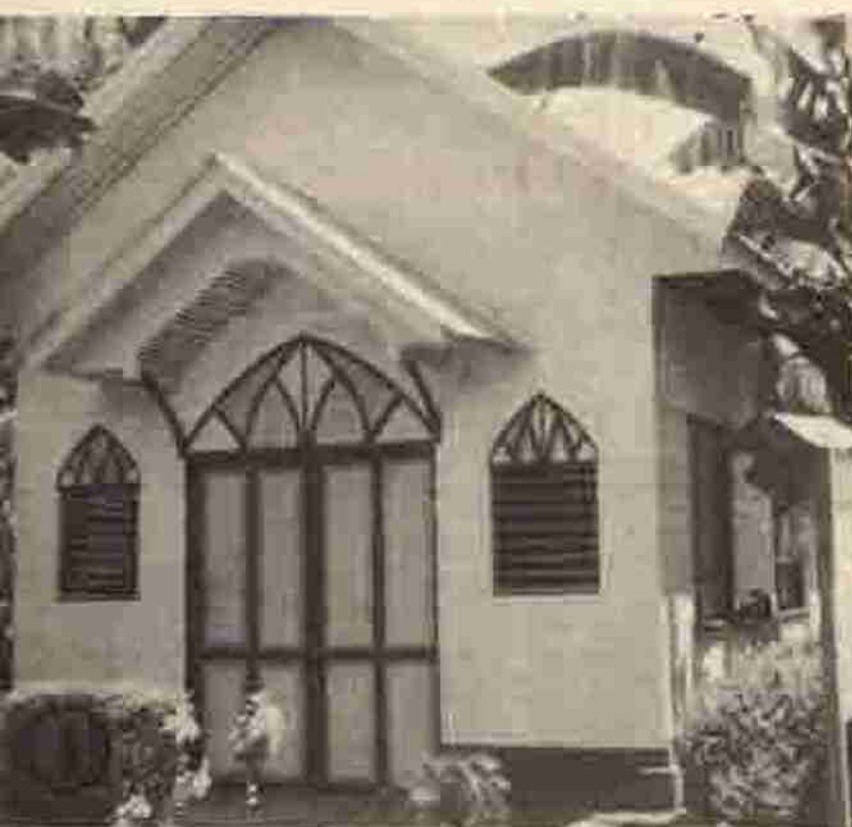
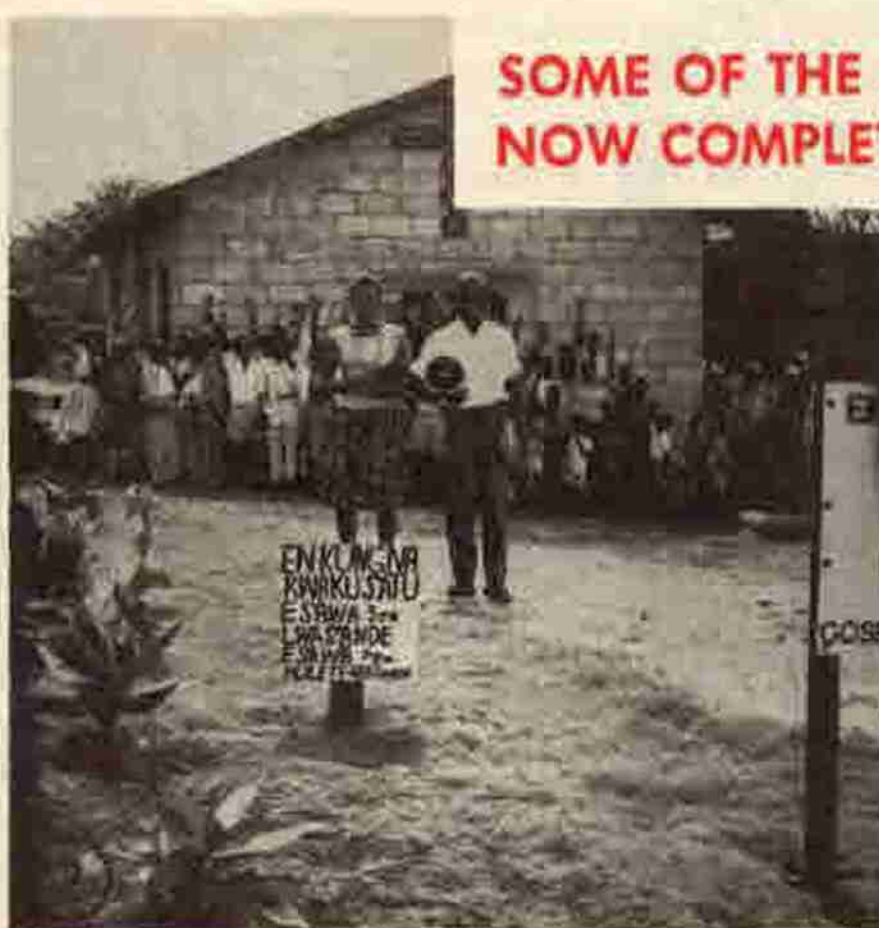
"I have recently begun receiving your paper and am blessed by its message. I have felt directed of the Lord to send you my check for \$250 to sponsor the building of a Native Church in Latin America. This sum has been withdrawn from my savings account. I am a teacher in a Christian elementary school and have quite a few regular monthly commitments to the Lord's work. But I feel the time is short to serve Him and spread His Word, and so I feel led to take my part in this important work."

Miss Ellen F. Keller
Flushing, N.Y.

"We received such a blessing from sponsoring a Native Church in 1964, we feel led to help build another church in 1965. We are praying for you daily."

W. H. Caldwell
Rose Bud, California

SOME OF THE 680 NATIVE CHURCHES NOW COMPLETED



(1) Buguias, Philippines. Here the gospel is freeing many in the community from superstitions, such as the offering of animals to dead relatives believing that their dead relatives would bring them wealth if they were pleased with the offering. (2) Bulwa, Uganda. Local building regulations required that a first-class building be erected, and with NCC help this was made possible. (3) Amiquet, Haiti. These Christians, converted from Voodooism, were worshipping under a brush arbor before NCC helped them to have this church. (4) Guindulman, Philippines. Three converts and two Bible School students were the first in this congregation. Street meetings were held and now there is a fine group. (5) Agala, Nigeria. This

church is the only Christian witness for many, many miles in this Moslem area. (6) Kalsal-Dang, Korea. This congregation is the result of loud-speaker evangelism. Church was built in time to save congregation from severe weather. (7) Mani, Mexico, in the distant state of Yucatan, is strictly a farming section. The Christians, who often eat only one or two light meals a day, sacrificed far beyond most of the Americans' ability to define the word. (8) Phu-Hoa, Viet Nam. This church stands as a witness for the Lord in war-torn Viet Nam. (9) Hatfield, Jamaica. This church began in a small hut with canvas walls and a tin roof.

"I had been quite depressed since God called my dear husband home in a terrible heart attack nearly six years ago, which left me almost absolutely alone. But when God made it possible for me to sponsor a Native Church last year, I have felt very much happier and seemed to have more strength to go on, so that life seems worth living again. I thank the Lord for letting me know about the Native Church Crusade through your magazine."

**Mrs. Helen W. Hillis,
Glen Falls, N.Y.**

"Thank you for my certificate for the church in Korea, and also for the pictures of the church and congregation. I will be faithful in praying daily for this little church and their pastor, and I am asking that many will be added to the church and that many miracles will take place. I feel it a privilege that I could sponsor this church. I think it is a wonderful work and a way to win souls. I am a widow and may not have another privilege such as this. I pray daily for you."

**Gertrude M. Stephenson
London, Ont., Canada**

"I have been wanting to help sponsor a church in the Philippines for a long time so I asked the Lord if He really wanted me to do it to quicken my spirit into action soon. Today He did just that! So I am enclosing \$250 to help finish a church so someone will have a church to worship in."

**Mrs. Maud M. McKim
Bowen, Ill.**

"We recently received a quarterly report from the the church we are sponsoring. It was such a blessing to see the progress they had made. We do appreciate the good work you are doing in this field of service. I believe it is one of the best missionary efforts in spreading the gospel in our time."

**H. J. Brashear
De Soto, Texas**

"It was with real joy I received my assignment of a church in Nigeria. The picture showing the eager and bright faces of the natives is an encouragement for me to be faithful in giving and praying."

**Thelma B. Miller
Portland, Oregon**



What Is the Native Church Crusade?

The Native Church Crusade assists the building of churches by sending between \$250 and \$500 per project to be spent on materials. The congregation must do the actual labor or hire workers with their own money. In many cases very little additional funds are needed by the congregation. Yet when finished the church is worth perhaps ten times as much as the sum sent by the sponsor. (Several sponsors have assisted over one dozen churches each.) Thus N.C.C. not only helps the church to completion, it also teaches the nationals to work together, and to be responsible. It is the most effective way of rapid yet *permanent* evangelization. For once the church is built the congregation grows strong, and its members branch out into surrounding villages and towns. The program is made possible through the sponsorship of each church by an individual who contributes \$250.00. A sponsor may pledge \$250 and send monthly payments of whatever he is able. In this way, almost any family can help build a church if they so desire, in the same way they purchase a television set or refrigerator. The congregation is given 12 months in which to build the church. When completed the sponsor is sent a picture of the congregation and the finished building, with a brief report from the church. Since its inception almost three years ago, N.C.C. has sent \$250.00 per day for the building of Native Churches (not including the many other phases of The Voice of Healing missions).

With My Gift I Bring Hope to the Heathen

I want to see a lighthouse built so that the hopeless may know the Saviour of the world has come.

I wish to sponsor a Native Church in ☐ AFRICA, ☐ ASIA,
☐ LATIN AMERICA.

I enclose the full amount.

I am enclosing \$_____ and will send \$_____ each month until the pledge is paid.

I cannot at this time sponsor a Native Church, but am enclosing \$_____ to be used where needed most.

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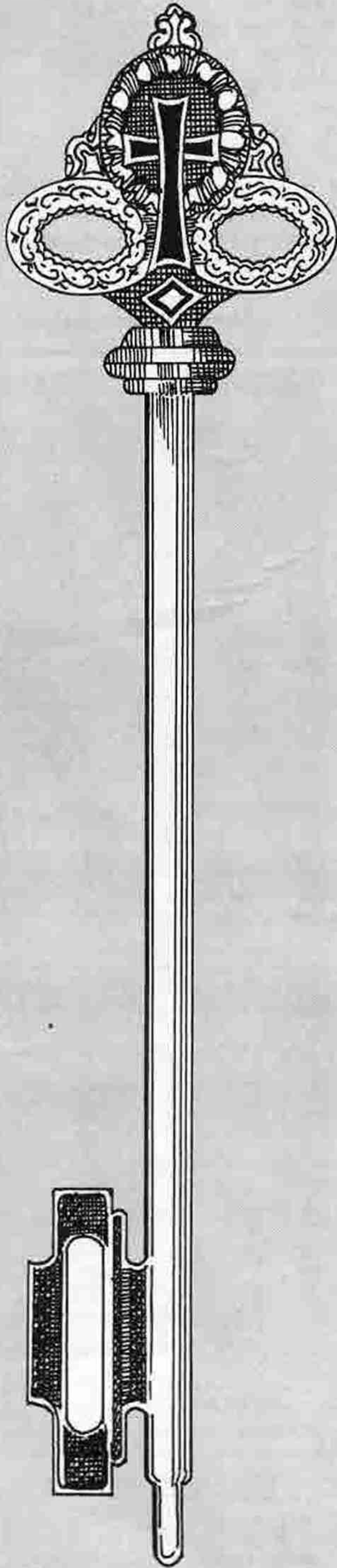
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THE MASTER KEY TO OMNIPOTENCE

By Gordon Lindsay



As we read the words of Jesus, we are struck by the fact that He apparently placed omnipotence into the hands of His followers. It was upon the basis of this extraordinary transfer of power to His disciples that He gave them the Great Commission, saying, "All power is given unto me in heaven and earth. Go ye therefore and teach all nations" (Matthew 28:18-19). This omnipotence was given through His Name. His disciples were to heal the sick and cast out devils. How? By the power of His Name. *The use of the Name is the master key to omnipotence.*

Let us note the seven promises that Jesus gave in connection with the use of His Name.

- "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it" (John 14:13-14).
- "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you" (John 15:16).
- "And in that day ye shall ask me nothing, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask the father in my name, he will give it you. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name: ask, and ye shall receive, that your joy may be full" (John 16:23-24).
- "At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you: For the Father himself loveth you, because ye have loved me, and have believed that I came out from God" (John 16:26-27).
- "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover" (Mark 16:17-18).

The above verses clearly carry the implication of the tremendous power represented in the Name. It was the Name that gave power to the credentials of the apostles. And that power they used with an abandonment that is absolutely thrilling.

Why is the name of Jesus so powerful in the hands of His disciples? Dr. E. W. Kenyon relates an incident that took place where he was holding a meeting in Tennessee some years ago. One day while he was giving an address on "The Name of Jesus," a lawyer interrupted him asking, "Do you mean to tell us that Jesus gave to us the power of attorney, the legal right to use His name?"

Dr. Kenyon replied, "Brother, you are a lawyer, and I am a layman. Tell me, did Jesus give us the 'power of attorney'?"

The lawyer replied, "If language means anything, then Jesus gave to the church the power of attorney."

Dr. Kenyon then inquired, "What is the value of this power of attorney?"

The lawyer replied, "It depends upon how much there is back of it, how much authority, how much power this Name represents."

Jesus taught that His name represents omnipotence. "All power in heaven and earth is delivered unto me." This means that no power in the universe can thwart or prevent the believer who uses this Name from having the answer to His prayer, assuming of course that he is asking in the will of God. "If ye abide in me and my words abide in you, ye shall ask what ye will and it shall be done unto you" (John 15:7). All of us are convinced that Christ entered into the realm of omnipotence, but most of us do not realize that the Lord intended His followers to do likewise. Yet that is what He meant when He said, "As my Father hath sent me, even so send I you" (John 20:21).

One of the seven promises involving the Name is "Hitherto ye have asked nothing in my name. Ask and ye shall receive that your joy may be full." The promise is staggering in its implications. Here Christ gives us the use of the Name of Omnipotence. All that Christ could do locally when He was on earth now can be done locally by a believer. That is the reason why Jesus said that we would do the works that He did, and even greater works:

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father" (John 14:12).

Some of us at times have experienced the authority invested in the name of Jesus. We have witnessed the blind made to see, the deaf to hear, the lame to walk. Even death has yielded to the power of the Name. A few times the writer has seen death give way before the authority of the Name. Nevertheless, the Church to a great extent has not taken a permanent place in the privileges of the Name to abide and enjoy the fullness of its mighty power.

Yet there is a growing conviction among many that before Christ returns there will be an army of believers who will learn the full secret of abiding in the power of the Name and reigning with Christ in victorious resurrection life.

Men are only slowly grasping the full impact of the truth that Satan is paralyzed, stripped of his armor, and is a fallen foe before the power of the Name.

Dr. E. W. Kenyon relates the story of his personal discovery of the power in that Name. He says in his book *The Wonderful Name*:

"In my own ministry for years, I found a great deal of trouble that perhaps every preacher or evangelist finds with certain types of people who were always trying and never seemed to get settled with God. They were always standing up for prayers but never seemed to get any further.

"Another class seemed to get the light, but were held by some unseen powers. These people naturally caused me a great deal of trouble — I wondered how I could help them, and one day I was strangely led beyond myself to command that unseen power broken over a person whom it was holding.

"I prayed in the name of Jesus. I cried: 'In the Name of Jesus, I command your power broken over this life.'

"Instantly, the person was delivered, and I stood amazed at the effect. A strange fear came over me that I had been able to exercise, by this simple command in Jesus' Name, this mar-

velous power, and since that time, I have seen many startling results in revival services through using the Name of Jesus.

"I found that the reason many men did not accept Jesus as their Saviour was because they were held by the power of demons. The people are hungry; they want deliverance from sin; they crave eternal life, but they are unable, many of them, to break loose from the bonds that are holding them.

"Hundreds of people have said to me, 'I cannot become a Christian. I want to, but something holds me.' I have simply laid my hand on their shoulder and said, 'In the name of Jesus of Nazareth, I command the power that holds you broken. Now, in His mighty Name, get on your feet.'

"With tears of joy they have obeyed.

"I have prayed with men who were held by habits — tobacco, liquor, lusts, and in the same mighty Name, I have seen them delivered, usually instantaneously. I have found Christians who were unable to testify or lead in prayer, in public meetings, who felt their mouths closed while their hearts cried for liberty. I have scarcely met a case, for whom I have prayed in the Name, and over whom I have commanded the power broken, but what they have had immediate deliverance.

"I cannot conceive how successful work can be done today, or how believers can be in a place of continual victory, unless they know that the source of their danger lies in demoniacal power, and that the power to conquer it is in the Name of Jesus of Nazareth, the Son of God."

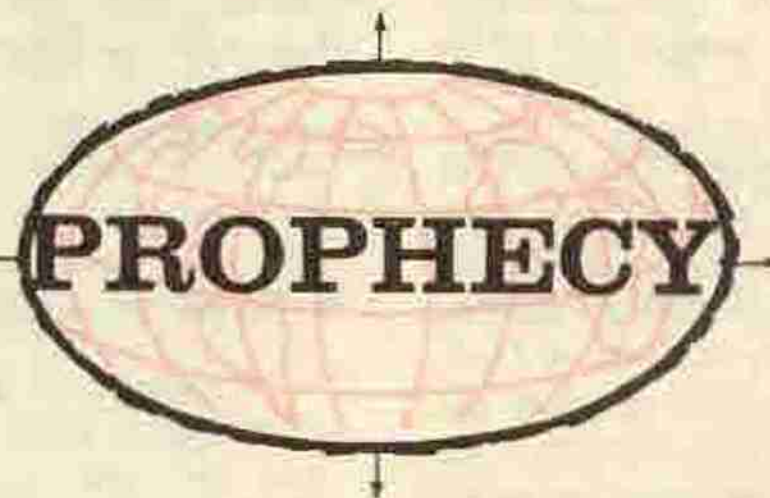
In praying in the Name of Jesus we are acting as His representative. We are taking the place of the absent Christ, using His name and authority to fulfill His will on earth. *We are acting on the power of attorney that He gave us to carry out His will on earth. This is the master key to divine omnipotence.*

What is our need? Is it the salvation of an unsaved son or daughter? Is our prayer for the healing of a sick one at a distance? Or is it deliverance for ourselves from some chronic affliction? Perhaps it is a serious financial problem. Whatever our need is, we can take the place of Christ as we use His Name just as if He were present in person.

When Peter told the lame man to rise in the Name of Jesus he did not even pause to pray for him. He just recognized the authority that Christ had given him and said, "In the Name of Jesus of Nazareth, rise and walk."

I recall the case of a demented man whom it took several men to hold. He broke loose and came fighting with his hands flailing wildly and his eyes gleaming like those of a demon. I had no time to do anything but throw my hands up protectively before my face. As he came toward me, I commanded him in the Name of Jesus not to touch me. He struck at me a number of times with all his maniacal strength; each swing could have been a stunning blow had it landed. But an amazing thing happened. It was as if his hands struck a solid one-inch thickness of glass! Not a single blow could get through. At that moment two policemen appeared on the scene and the man wildly turned on them. He knocked them down and they rolled back and forth on the grass for several minutes before they could subdue him. The Name of Jesus brought forth omnipotence, and the demon in the man was powerless to harm the one who used the Name. Moreover, the man was completely delivered from his dementia by the power of the Name of Jesus. *The use of the Name of Jesus is the master key to divine omnipotence. Start using that key today!* ■

THE MARCH OF PROPHECY



WHY THE CRISIS GROWS IN VIET NAM

North Viet Nam has been attacked by American planes. A number of targets have been hit and destroyed. The Chinese dragon roars its anger and declares that she is ready to wreak vengeance on the U. S. France and the U. N. call for negotiation. What is the significance of this situation? Why is the U. S. risking a big war by her attacks on North Viet Nam?

Here are some of the reasons:

1. The Communists signed an agreement in 1954 that in return for taking over North Viet Nam, they would respect the integrity of South Viet Nam. Their infiltration and invasion of that country has violated that agreement. If they succeed in taking over South Viet Nam, the Communist appetite for conquest will be whetted all over the world.

2. The U. S. fought the Pacific war at heavy cost to keep Japan out of southeast Asia. Now the lawless Reds plan to take it over. In that case, Americans who fought and died in World War II will have died in vain.

3. The Korean war was fought to save Asia from Communism. If the U. S. pulls out of Viet Nam, those who fought in the Korean war will have fought in vain. A U. S. withdrawal would in fact reward Communist aggression.

Thus, the U. S. dares not give in to the Communists, even if it means escalating the war into one of major size. If South Viet Nam cannot be held, all the nations of southeast Asia will fall one after another like dominoes. Laos and Cambodia would soon capitulate, and after that, Thailand. If that happens, then India, Japan, the

Philippines, and Formosa would come under attack.

The terrible truth is that all these nations are in extreme danger of falling before Communism. In fact, unless Christians take this matter seriously and pray as never before, the fires of Communism will sweep over all Asia. Christianity has a large stake in the outcome, since wherever Communism gets control, the door to the preaching of the gospel is eternally closed.

HAS AMERICAN YOUTH GONE SOFT?

Hansom Baldwin, a distinguished military analyst, writing in the *Saturday Evening Post* declares that America has gone soft. In the navy alone there are between forty and fifty thousand court-martials a year, with a navy prison population of 20,000. There is a notable increase in promiscuity, venereal disease, and black marketing.

In Eugene Kinkead's book, *In Every War But One*, he pictures the deplorable conduct of Americans taken prisoner in Korea. He states that "almost one out of every three were guilty of some kind of collaboration with the enemy."

In the draft the rejection rate is frightening — a total of 38 per cent by the draft board. Then the army rejects nearly 7 per cent of these draftees, so the real rejection rate is 45 per cent or nearly half of all candidates.

Among the teen-agers, the VD rate is increasing with at least 50,000 cases annually. With crime on a startling increase, it is estimated that one out of every five young men will have a police record in the near future. This seems to be a dark picture for the world. But for the believer these signs only indicate the closeness of Christ's return.

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND THE "NEW FREEDOM"

In the article "How Much Freedom Should College Students Have?" by Neal Ashby in March 7, 1965, *Parade*, he says that a wave of "freedom demands" is shaking the whole college system. Students demand that they have the right to drink in their rooms and have coeds visit them in their dormitories. At Yale University students gained permission to have girls in their dormitories every night of the week. When liquor was banned at Trinity College, 300 students marched by the president's home chanting, "We want booze."

The pace of history does not satisfy the student today. There should be no curfew, he says. He is pressing to sweep away all the rules.

Administrators state the cause of this student "new morality" is a by-product of a permissive society. Youngsters at home are allowed to do what they please, and when they go to college, they collide with the rules.

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ANSWERS FROM THE WORD

QUESTION: *How did we get the New Testament?*

ANSWER: All the books now accepted in the New Testament canon were written either by the apostles of Christ or by their companions who were intimately associated with their work. Most of the New Testament books were written during the comparatively brief period between 50 and 65 A.D. (the exception being the epistles of John and the Book of Revelation).

Many copies were made of these writings, and most of the larger churches had a number of manuscripts in their possession. These were highly prized and zealously guarded.

For some strange reason the first century produced very few written records, except the writings that were to make up the New Testament. Shortly after the beginning of the second century, there was a flood of spurious writings, commonly called the Apocrypha, which appeared under the names of the apostles. These were outright forgeries. The New Testament Apocrypha by reason of its own internal evidence has been rejected by every branch of the Church. The most casual examination of its contents shows that it is only chaff. Many of the incidents recorded represent the crudest attempt at fiction. For example, one of the apocryphal writings depicts the Boy Jesus as making birds out of clay. At His command the clay birds supposedly took wings and flew away. In another instance Jesus was accused of killing a youth. He then raised him from the dead to prove His innocence.

There are other writings of the second century, however, that have real merit. These were written to defend the teachings of Christ against the heretical doctrines that were being propagated by

Marcion and others. These writings made no claim to inspiration but drew their proof from the apostles' writings.

As time went on the great superiority of the apostles writings to anything else became increasingly apparent. The Early Fathers saw that these priceless legacies to the Church must not only be protected against adulteration, but they must be preserved for all generations to come. Therefore, after much deliberation, the Church made the decision that the New Testament canon should include only the apostolic writings.

The apostles had been eye-witnesses to the ministry of Christ. They had received His teaching first hand and could speak with authority. Moreover, they recognized their own authority. Paul urged

Timothy to pass his teachings on to others. "And the things that thou hast heard of me . . . commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also" (II Tim. 2:2).

Paul also taught that the Scriptures were divinely inspired. In his second letter to Timothy, he said, "All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine and for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect and thoroughly furnished unto all good works" (II Timothy 3:16-17).

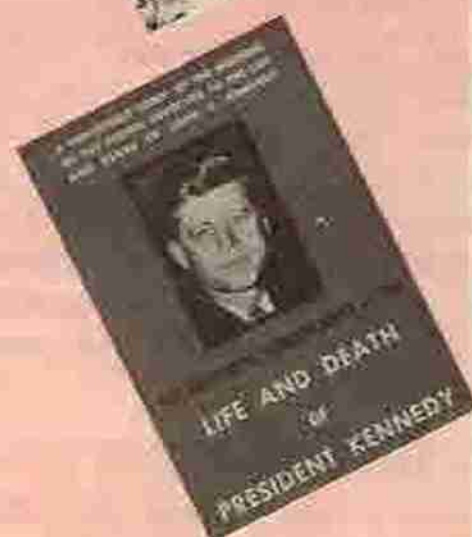
Concerning the inspiration of the Scriptures, Christ made two especially significant remarks. First, He declared that men who did not believe the Old Testament record were fools.

"Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken. Ought not Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself" (Luke 24:25-27).

Then in the Great Commission Jesus authorized the disciples to convey to the Church the same truths that He had given them.

"Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world" (Matthew 28:20).

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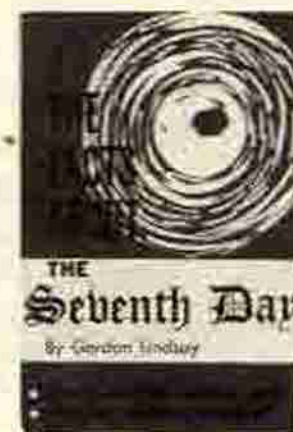
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A NEW CRISIS IN THE MID-EAST

The Middle East is never quiet for very long, and it is now dangerously close to another war. Egypt's dictator, Gamel Abdel Nasser, now violently anti-Western, is in the center of the storm. There are an increasing number of border skirmishes.

The crisis began early last year when Nasser sponsored a resolution by the Arab states warning Israel that if she used any water from the Sea of Galilee, they would cut off all rivers that run from Arab territory into Israel. The Israeli of course ignored the threat, and in May, 1964, began pumping water out of the Sea of Galilee for their own irrigation purposes. The Arab governments then voted to go ahead with plans to cut off the water. This project may take four or five years to complete. The question is, will Israel sit idly by and see the water necessary to its future diverted?

Nasser has made another hostile move against Israel by forcing Germany to cease sending arms to that country. Since Egypt is securing Soviet arms and steadily building up its own military strength, this leaves the Israeli in a dangerous position. Will Israel allow the build-up to proceed indefinitely? Obviously the situation in the Bible lands is dangerously close to an explosion.

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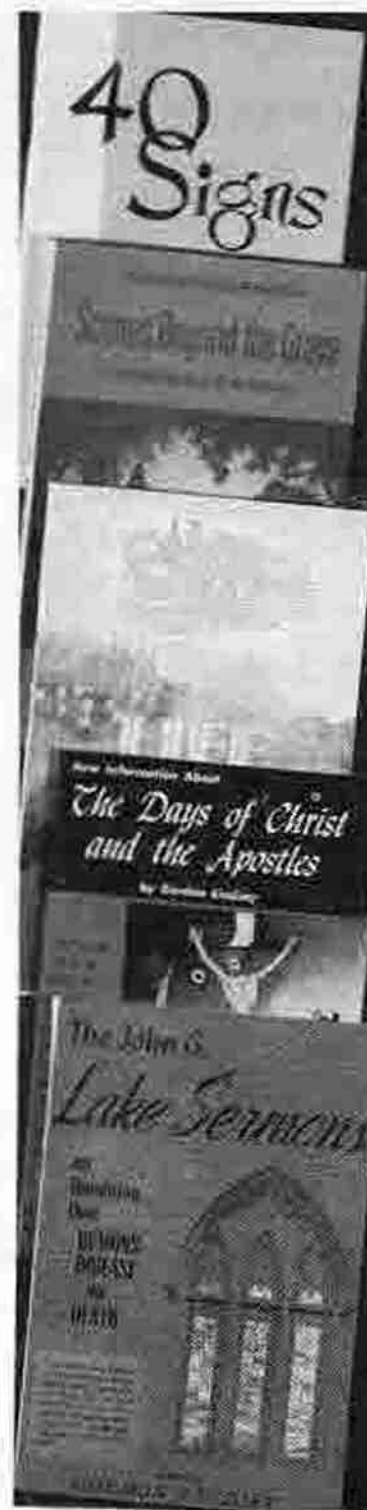
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