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"We go to Salute the Children of the King"-II. Kings 10:13

#### Salutation

My dearly beloved friends:

Our sincere prayer to God for you at this time is that "He may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints. 1 Thess. 3:13.

"LET NO MAN DECEIVE YOU." 2 THESS. 2:3

Many of God's people write to us asking various questions on the subject of our Lord's second coming, at the same time leaving the impression that they have received theories incongruous with God's Word. The answers we give either in The Chosen People or personally by writing, must necessarily be very brief. Therefore, we are giving on this page an outline of the Bible teaching on the second coming of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. He foretold us all things, both in the Old and New Testaments. Mark 13:23, "Behold I have foretold you all things." The Church of Christ as early as in the days of Paul was not lacking those that tried to deceive the saints by false teaching concerning His return. Let us, therefore, be guided by His Word only and thus not be deceived.

#### DIFFERENT PHASES

First of all we must consider the varying phases of the second coming of our Lord, but as the predictions concerning His first advent were complex, including several connected events, so is the foretelling of His second coming. He is represented in the Scriptures as coming to meet us in the air. "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1st Thess. 4:17. Then we have the prophetic word, "There shall come out of Zion the redeemer and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob." Isa. 59:20 and Romans 11:26. Again we have God's Word saying, "And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem." Zech. 14:4. Again God told us through the prophet Zech. 14:5, saying, "And the Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee." These passages represent several different aspects of the Lord's return which we must first understand from the Word of God through the enlightenment of the Holy Spirit.

#### HIS OWN PROMISE

The Lord Jesus promised saying, "I will come again and receive you unto myself." John 14:3. To this agree the words of the Holy Spirit through Paul, "For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the Archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air; and so shall we ever be with the Lord." 1 Thess. 4:16, 17. This is the first act of our Lord's second coming and is also referred to by Him saying: "For thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just." Luke 14:14. Only the saints will be raised in this

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scripturally called "first resurrection." After He meets the resurrected and the then-living saints He will take them to a prepared place in heaven keeping them there "to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man." Luke 21:36.

For at that juncture begins the Great Tribulation, the period of dominion and rule of Anti-christ. His awful reign of persecution will involve the whole earth; but it will be especially the time of Jacob's trouble. Jer. 30:7. Its duration will be three and a half years, which is the last half of the seventieth prophetic week of Daniel 9:24-27. This escape of the true Church is not only spoken of in the New Testament, but is also to be found in the Old Testament. "Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast." Isa. 26:20. There are also several symbolical indications to that effect in the Old Testament. First we find that the translation of the saints was prefigured in the translation of Enoch who "walked with God, and he was not, for God took him." Gen. 5:24. Another type is found in Dan. 3. We read there that Nebuchadnezzar made an image of gold and all the people were compelled to worship the golden image. But Daniel was mysteriously missing, for we find only his three companions going through that hour of temptation, but Daniel's whereabouts were not accounted for. That significantly foreshadows the rapture of the saints as taught in 1 Thess. 4th chapter.

#### ANTICHRIST AND THE JEWS

The beast of Rev. 13, who is identical with the little horn of Daniel 7, and the abomination of desolation of Matt. 24:15, will be the Anti-christ. When he will be fully revealed after the Church is caught up, 2 Thess. chap. 2:38, he will oppose and exalt himself above all that is called God, and he as God will sit in the temple of God. It is inferred from this passage in 2 Thess, and from Dan. 9:27, that this beast, the Anti-christ who will be the head of the ten Kingdoms into which the former Roman empire will be formed will need the friendship and influence of the Jews. He will, therefore, make a covenant with them for seven years. The first sign of his friendship to the Jews will be to rebuild their temple on the very locality where the Mosque of Omar now stands. The Jews in turn will present him with a throne in the temple. As Anti-christ embodied by the old serpent, Satan, the devil himself, will be worshipped by all the people, Rev. 13:7-8, the Jews will fall in line and do likewise. But Antichrist will break his covenant in the midst of the prophetic week, the last seven years of Daniel's seventy prophetic weeks. Instead of a friend the beast will turn into the greatest and most powerful enemy the Jews ever had in their long history of persecution. Then he will call the armies of the ten kingdoms to come up to Jerusalem and exterminate and utterly destroy all the Jews, as foretold in Zech. 14:2, "For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle." It will then be that the Jews will turn to God with supplications, Zech. 12:10, fasting and praying to God to send the crucified Messiah Who alone can save them. (This is the battle of Armageddon, Revelation 19:17-19). This most earnest and heart-rending prayer of the Jews will be answered by the sudden coming of the Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints, Zech. 14:5; 1 Thess. 3:13; who will destroy the armies that had gathered at Armageddon and thus save the Jews. Then with confusion and shame the Jews will fulfill the second part of Zech. 12:10, "And they shall look upon me whom they have pierced." They will then as a nation accept the Lord Jesus Christ as their Saviour and King and they will be His subjects. "I will say it is my people, and they shall say the Lord is my God." Zech, 13:9. But all the saints that had been resurrected and caught up to meet Him in the air will be with Him forever, participating in His Great Kingdom.

Yours most sincerely,

#### INCIDENTS IN THE WORK

#### Two Baptisms in Atlantic City

Last month we reported a remarkable story of a Jewish inquirer at our Atlantic City Branch. Mrs. Chattaway had gone down to Atlantic City to take the place of Mr. Haberer for a few weeks while he was on a visit in Indiana. It was during this time that the Jewish young man was led into the Mission rooms, with the result that hardly two weeks later he came out in one of the happiest confessions of faith in the Lord Iesus Christ that Mrs. Chattaway had ever witnessed. His name is Ben Kolton and together with another young man by the name of Harry Orenstein who had been for a long time halting between two opinions, he was baptized on Sunday night, January 18th, by Pastor Fuller at the Chelsea Baptist Church.

The next day both young men came here to Brooklyn, reported to us, gave their testimony before our Monday night Believers' gathering, were with us on Tuesday morning at our weekly Workers' Conference, and on Tuesday evening we already had put them on the train for Chicago to enroll as students at the Moody Bible Institute. A few days later we received word that they had arrived in Chicago and that the Moody Bible Institute had very graciously suspended their strict rules as to admitting such young Christians to the School, and both young men had been enrolled as special students. The Superintendent of Men also wrote us that they had already fallen in love with these two young

Before the young men left Brooklyn to go to Chicago, Mr. Kolton brought to us his own written testimony as to how the Lord Jesus Christ found him, and we are going to pass it on to you that you may read it, and rejoice with us, and give thanks to God that there are in these days, many Nathaniels among the children of Israel whom God is calling out, if only we shall

be faithful in giving our testimony. Here is the story as Mr. Kolton himself gave it to us:

On December 29th, I arrived in Atlantic City from New York, looking for work, with funds very low. Walking to Texas Avenue to inquire for the Secretary of the Working Men's Circle and not finding him home, I returned to my room hoping to find him in the next evening.

On December 31st, in the evening, I went again to the Secretary of the W. M. C., only to find I could not see him until Sunday, 1 P. M. Upon leaving the house I went to Pacific and Texas Avenues, and saw the sign, "Messiah of Israel." I thought I would go in and inquire where I could get a more reasonable room than the one I had. Going in and finding a lady there, I asked this information about the room. I found her to be very friendly, as she asked my name, where I came from and what I was doing. We started to talk, I explaining my atheistic views of religion, and attacking everything which she pointed out to me in the Old and New Testaments, and trying to show her how much of a fake everything she told me was. But seeing the pained look in her face, I was interested, yet amused, to find anyone so truthful in the world; because my experience with the men and women of the Socialist Party and the Painters' Union, to which I belonged, and also with the Communists, with whom I sympathized, had been such that, to my sorrow, I mistrusted everyone I met. Therefore, I decided to find out if she were truly sincere; so I asked if I might come again the next day, to study further and see whether she and the things she believed were true or a fake.

So on January 1st, I came in the Mission between 2 and 4 P. M., and was greeted in a very friendly way. We started in to battle about my religion. The lady pointed to the prophe-

cies of Moses and Isaiah regarding the Messiah, which I did not believe in at all, as they were sinful men in my eyes; for I had learned much about the Old Testament while I was young. I pointed out their weak points and where they sinned. But I admitted to her that I once read some passages in the New Testament while stopping in a hotel, and that in my eyes I saw her Lord Jesus Christ (Who is also mine now-Praise the Lord) was the greatest Socialist in the world, and greater than any Old Testament prophet. I recognized this by His unselfishness and by His doctrines which He taught to men. At this, the lady asked me to do her a favor. I consented and she had me promise that I would get down on my knees or stand up (for I am a Jew) and pray honestly from my heart to God that He should reveal to me whether Jesus Christ is the Messiah, the Son of God. It amused me much, but for her sake I felt I must promise, so I did. Before I went she invited me to the Saturday evening meeting, as Mr. Burgen of Philadelphia, would be there. I gladly promised. That evening I prayed the prayer I promised to pray, but I had no direct answer.

Saturday evening, January 3rd, I attended the meeting and met Mr. Burgen and talked with him, telling him my ideas. During the meeting my interest grew in the plain people who attended. By studying them and their faces, I saw in each and every one how they listened and enjoyed the message and were really very happy. When the songs were sung, the question that came to me was, "Why are they so happy?" That night I prayed again, thanking God for the desire I had to read the New Testament, for I really enjoyed it. The next day, the happiness continued and I impatiently waited until 7 P. M., to study more. But as I did not work that day I spent my time reading. I was so sorry I had no one to explain to me some have surely said, "Yes."

things which I wished to know, and wished I could be in the Mission to ask questions. At 7 P. M., I came to the Mission and told Mrs. Chattaway that I had read that day Matthew. Mark, Luke, and had begun in John. After prayer she asked me if we had not better start John's Gospel, which is so wonderful, so I gladly agreed. After reading two or three chapters, she talked to me and asked me honestly if I had found Jesus as the Messiah. and am I not ready to accept Him now. When I did not answer readily. she pleaded with me that I should study more earnestly and she was sure I would see the truth.

That night I prayed again. The

next day was more joyful and the evening also. I did not question where it came from, but was more anxious than ever to be at the Mission each night at seven o'clock. The next Saturday, Mrs. Chattaway invited me again to the evening meeting. Mr. Burgen of Philadelphia, was again the speaker. I attended the meeting and the message was accepted by me in a wonderful spirit. It seemed to me that things were clearer, and for the first time it came to me that the Lord was revealing things to me. When Mr. Burgen asked for hands to be raised for all those who believed in Jesus as the Messiah, something in my heart told me to raise my hand. but my Jewish blood in me (or Satan) hindered me. The same evening I was asked if I would like to hear Dr. Barnhouse on Sunday morning in Philadelphia. With all my heart I accepted. Sunday morning we went to Philadelphia, and heard Mr. Barnhouse preach. After hearing his message I was very much impressed. At 4 P. M., we heard him again. At 6 P. M., I attended the Young People's Meeting, where the honest, unselfish prayers so impressed me that if anyone then had asked me, "Do you believe in Jesus the Messiah?" I would

In the evening we attended the service in Mr. Burgen's Mission, but had to leave early for Atlantic City. In the bus, my heart was full of joy and happiness, for I actually had begun to see that this joy in my heart was a gift from the Lord. When Mrs. Chattaway asked me how I enjoyed the day and the sermon, I could hold out no longer and had to say, "Very much: it was wonderful and the sermon impressed me very much." She said, "Do you now accept Jesus as your Messiah?" I said, "Yes." She said, "Right now?" I said, "Yes, with all my heart and all my soul," She said, "You take Him, believing through His blood that you are redeemed?" I said, "Yes, and I am giving my body and soul to serve Him for the rest of my life." Oh, how greatly Mrs. Chattaway rejoiced. She only wished she could sing praises to the Lord there in the bus. As for myself, my heart was so tender and joyful that for the first time I saw why other Christians had that peaceful and joyous look on their faces, for it was the work of the Lord. Thus, the Lord answered my prayer and revealed to me the Truth, for which I thanked Him.

The next day I came to the Mission very joyfully, my heart overflowing with new-found praise. Without thinking. I started to smoke a cigarette, for I had been in the habit of smoking 25 or 30 a day, for twenty years. But Mrs. Chattaway said to me, "The Lord wants clean bodies; why not ask Him to take the desire away?" I said, "Why should I bother the Lord with a little thing like that, for I can give up smoking of myself." "Don't say that," she said. "You must go to the Lord with every little thing." I did so inwardly at that moment, and a miracle happened to me. A short time later I went out and lit a cigarette, inhaled the first puff and got very dizzy. My head swam as if I were drunk-I threw the cigarette away and saw plainly that it was the Lord answering my prayer. I have not smoked a cigarette, nor have I had any desire to, since that day.

That day for the first time we sang praises to the Lord, and my joy is continuing from day to day. I realize that if the Lord would have given me all that joy the first day that I prayed to Him, that I never would have been able to bear it. Therefore, I am hoping and praying that whoever reads this testimony, especially an unbeliever, shall see the wonderful change wrought in me, and if he really searches for happiness, let him come to the Lord with a true heart and ask that it will be given unto him, even as to me; but he must patiently wait for it. Everything will be revealed in time, even as it was to me.

I praise the Lord that through His blood I am redeemed, and the desire of my heart is for no riches, for no worldly things, but that He should give me the wisdom and light of His true Word that I may be able to go out and give it to others who are craving for it as He gave it to me.

On Sunday, January 18th, 1931, I and another son of Israel, were baptized in Chelsea Baptist Church, by Mr. Fuller, the pastor. Afterwards, I asked Mr. Fuller to give me a certificate of baptism, so that I could show it to any unbelieving friends who might say that I had been paid to say I was baptized.

#### One Helps the Other By FRED W. HABERER

More than a year ago a young Jew, Mr. Harry Orenstein, came into our Atlantic City Branch and after searching the Scriptures until late that night, confessed faith in Christ. Since that time he has often witnessed for Christ in private conversations and in public meetings.

Just a few days after Mrs. Chattaway had led Mr. Kolton to the Lord, Mr. Orenstein came into the Reading Room to get information about Moody

Bible Institute. He and Brother and shall consider them as coming Kolton became greatly attached to each other and as Brother Kolton was so zealous to follow the Lord all the way by confessing Him publicly in baptism, it seemed to encourage and influence Brother Orenstein, so that he too requested baptism.

It was indeed a great joy to hear the public testimonies of these two dear brethren, who so fearlessly confessed their faith by word of mouth, and to witness their baptism at the Chelsea Baptist Church at the evening service on Sunday, January 18th, 1931.

These two dear brethren then went to Brooklyn, where they boldly witnessed at the Gospel service at the Mission. From there they went to the Moody Bible Institute to prepare themselves for the Lord's service, and by the time our readers see this, they will be enrolled and preparing themselves to serve the Lord Jesus Christ.

Please pray much for these two babes in Christ who are so boldly launching out on faith, trusting the Lord to guide and to provide for them. That they mean business can be seen by the fact that Brother Orenstein was gladly willing to sell his car in order to get funds to go to Moody Bible Institute. How many Gentile Christians of many years experience in the Christian life would do as this babe in Christ, who is a Jew, has done? Pray much for them.

#### If You Would Like to Help

The two Jewish young men mentioned in the articles above have been sent by us to the Moody Bible Institute of Chicago. We have agreed to pay their expenses for the first two or three months, feeling sure that some one or more of our friends who will read these stories will feel led of God to help us to pay these expenses. The amount involved is \$100 a month for a period of not more than three months. If the Lord leads you to undertake this burden, or a part of it, we shall be glad to have your gifts,

from Him as a token of His approval of what we have done in our desire to advance His work. If more than the \$300 maximum requirement shall be received, we will either credit the surplus to our General Fund, or we will refund the money to you, just as you may wish. After the three months' trial period, both young men feel that they will be able to earn sufficient to see themselves through the full course.

#### In Season and Out of Season By HARRY BURGEN Philadelphia Branch

We are often asked by those of the Lord's people from among the Gentiles, who are interested in the salvation of Israel, what means and ways we use in reaching our people with the Glad Tidings of the Son of God.

Our reply is that in addition to others, the following four will give an idea as to methods used in our work among the Jews of Philadelphia and vicinity.

- 1. Through our Mission Hall which is being used as a reading room during the week. Here many poor and needy come in for material aid and advice. On Sunday evening in this same room there is held a Gospel service.
- 2. Through visitation in their homes, places of business, the public markets, etc., the world being the field for the follower of Christ. Matt. 13:38.
- 3. Through the use of the mail, sending out the Gospel message to Jews in near and distant places, throughout this land and in many lands beyond the seas, to many who probably would not be reached otherwise.
- 4. Through the kindness and cooperation of Gentile Christians whose hearts' desire and prayer for Israel is, as that of Paul of old, "that they (the Jews) might be saved." Rom. 10:1.

Time and space makes it impossible to relate all the blessed opportunities we have of publishing the glad tidings of Him, Who is the Light to lighten the Gentiles and the Glory of His people Israel. Luke 2:32. But, to begin with the first:-many of our Christian friends already know that our Philadelphia Branch is located in the heart of a Jewish neighborhood where everything that concerns the Jewish national life is centered.

The window of our Reading Room is large and is well filled with Hebrew, Yiddish and English scripture texts, in sign, tract and book form; there are also announcements, information and invitation to come in and read. This all is in addition to the sixteen foot Hebrew-English gold leaf sign over the door and window with the following inscription:-in Hebrew, "Jesus the Christ, the Redeemer of Israel"; in English, "Jesus, Israel's Messiah." All this in itself being a silent witness for Christ.

The appearance of our reading room has often been taken, by many Jews, for a book store where Jewish books, "religious" articles, etc., could be purchased, with the result that we have had calls for the "Yarmulke" (a cap used by pious men chiefly during prayer and study); for the "Machzur' (prayer book used for holidays and all other occasions); for the "Talis" (prayer shawl used by men and boys over 13, during the prayer hour), and for the "Tchina" (prayer book for Through the latter, we women). have had the blessed privilege of witnessing for Christ to Mrs A., a daughter of Abraham, in whose home we had entrance for continuing the testi-

While at the reading room one day, we saw this lady stop at the window and interestedly look at the literature. One of us attempted to go out and offer her literature, as is our usual custom to those who stop. But, before we got to the door, she came in. and told of her desire to buy a "Tchina." Upon informing her that we did not carry any other books than the Bible and Gospel literature concerning Israel's true and promised Messiah, she seemed disappointed. She had come a great distance in the hope of obtaining this book, but with no success. Although we do not believe in or approve of these man-made prayers and while we endeavor to discourage our poor benighted people from these doctrines and precepts of man, Isa. 29, yet, seeing the opportunity, I directed her to a place where these books can be purchased; but because she could not go there owing to lack of time I offered to get it for her. She gladly accepted the offer, leaving her name and address for the delivery of the book. In a few days, the following was received and is a literal translation from the Yiddish:--Beth Sar Shalom:

First of all I ask you to pardon the liberty of calling you brother. I want to call you thus because you have treated me as though I were a sister and furthermore, my father used to tell me that all Jews are brothers and sisters.

Well, I thank you heartily for your effort to secure a "Tchina" which is very precious to me. Please excuse for not enclosing the price just now. I am expecting to be at your place next week, then I will pay you thankfully. I remain,

#### Your devoted friend,

A number of weeks passed without either seeing Mrs. A. or hearing anything, although we were anxiously waiting to hear from her. One day after reading-room hours, I had not gone very far from the Mission when a voung Jewess, Miss J. by name, called after me, asking if I was from the store, pointing to the Reading Room. "Yes," I replied. Then she told me that Mrs. A. had requested her to stop in and pay for the book as she herself could not come on account of prolonged illness in the home.

Miss J. is employed in the office of Mr. A's clothing factory. Here again, I had a good opportunity of witnessing for Christ to another soul. We went back to the Mission and Miss J. received a portion of the New Testament and promised to return for a complete Bible.

Having the home address of Mrs. A., I thought I ought to call for further testimony, so one morning being well fortified with a supply of Gospel literature including an English Bible and a Yiddish New Testament, I met Mrs. A. and her grown daughter. After a short time, Mrs. A. recalled the whole incident and again expressed her appreciation for the kindness shown her. Thereupon, I took the opportunity for showing her the Yiddish New Testament and encouraged her to buy this Book, which she was persuaded to do, saving that she was preparing to go on her vacation and would now have "something to read."

I then showed them the English Bible. Miss A., the daughter, seemed interested, and inquired as to the

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price of same. When told the price, she decided to buy the Bible at once.

We have been following them up since then, sending the "Shepherd of Israel," our Yiddish-English monthly Gospel paper, to them regularly.

We praise the Lord of the harvest for this opportunity and open door where the Word of God was placed in the home, and pray He may give the increase to His glory and to the saving of these precious souls.

#### Our Privileges in Europe

In response to a number of inquiries may we explain clearly to our friends what we are doing with regard to the needs in Russia and other European fields with which we have been privileged to associate.

7 Russia, we are unable to do any dir ct Gospel work. The Soviet Government is even stricter than ever before in its determination to destroy. root and branch, all testimony concerni: g the Lord Jesus Christ. For this, of course, the Soviet leaders will have a frightful day of judgment, on that great day of final accountings. For God does not close His ledgers every week, or every month, nor even every year. God is patient and long suffering, but when the ledgers are finally balanced, the words of Pilate will come true with a terrific denouement, "What I have written, I have written." So we must content ourselves in Russia with sending, as we have been doing, from \$100 to \$150 a month, which is used for the actual sustenance of starving Jewish Christians. Owing to the over-efficient system of espionage on the part of the Soviets in this country, we find it best not to report in this public way the names of our workers in Russia, nor their addresses. But our friends will know and will trust us when we tell them that every month we are keeping from ten to twenty Jewish Christian families in Soviet Russia from actual starvation. Such a work in itself does not make sensational reading, nor does it enable us to give to our readers glowing reports; but we are persuaded that in the present crisis in Russia, this is just as important for us to do as is the direct promulgation of the Gospel in other departments of our activities.

In Riga, Latvia, we are fellowshiping with our dear brother, Rev. Peter

Smoljar. A letter received from him recently tells of indescribable conditions of poverty and starvation; he also tells us that he is able to purchase food in Riga at about one-fourth of what the same food costs in Russia, and after having so purchased it, he can put the food in packages of about 30 lbs. each and send these packages by Parcel Post to Jewish Christian families in Russia. Each package costs \$5 in our money and for that amount of money he can buy as much food as \$20 would buy in Russia itself. Accordingly, we counted it a privilege to send him recently \$75, with instructions to make up fifteen packages of food and ship them to fifteen Iewish Christian families in Russia.

In Warsaw, Poland, we have been privileged to forward some gifts to Moses Gitlin, a convert of this Mission, who is now engaged in a heroic work of faith at Radost, about seventeen miles away from Warsaw itself. Mr. Gitlin writes us that he has been recently on a missionary journey lasting several months, and in that period he visited over 40 separate villages and towns, preaching the Gospel as he went, amid varied experiences of blessing and trials.

Will not our friends continue to pray for these fields in Europe, and pray especially that the day shall soon come when Russia shall be opened wide for the Gospel message, and that the Jewish Christians whom we have been maintaining there during the present hours of darkness, shall then shine with the brightness of the midday sun and give forth a testimony that shall bring literally thousands of those poor soul-darkened hearts in that land of blasphemy and shamelessness, to the brightness of the glory of God as manifested in the blessed face of His only begotten Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### And Now - Detroit

We announce to our friends another new Branch Mission Station, this time in Detroit, Michigan. A brief word was given last month concerning this new undertaking and now we are able to make a more complete statement. The Lord has definitely been leading us for the last four or five months in this important step, and now finally He has allowed us to see the fruitage of His leadings during

these months of investigation, planning, and arrangement of details.

As stated last month, Miss Eunice M. Perkins, 8616 Second Boulevard, Detroit, is our honorary Secretary in looking after the Detroit work, and it was through her faithful love for Israel, that the plans for the Detroit work were finally consummated.

The new mission is located at 7709 Oakland Avenue, at Clay, in the heart of the Jewish district. By the time you will be reading this report we are hoping to have held Dedication Services, and we are asking you to pray earnestly that the Lord will bless this venture of faith and give us a wonderful harvest of souls in that great city.

Mrs. Chattaway has been in Detroit now almost a month, and already she reports remarkable experiences of open doors in many of the Jewish nomes, where she finds the sound of the Gospel has never been heard.

A direct word from Miss Perkins will give even a closer and better insight into the situation in Detroit:

### About Detroit By EUNICE M. PERKINS

"Except the Lord build the house they labor in vain that build it." Psa. 127:1. Unto Thee lift 1 up mine eyes, O Thou that dwellest in the heavens. Psa. 123:1.

Fully conscious are we that in the splendid work of Hebrew evangelization, prayer and more prayer—until every move made is first steeped in prayer and no detail may be considered inconsequential—is the greatest essential to the blessing of God and the assured success of all effort.

Therefore, we are asking our friends to pray with true earnest desire for us and to ask our Father not to let us who are locally responsible for this new Branch ever forget in the midst of our busy activities to recognize collectively as well as individually our dependence upon Him. Will you definitely ask this for us? We thank you!

Mrs. Chattaway, our Missionary, arrived January 24, all enthusiasm for the opportunities of this new field, and before night of this first day had seen and approved the Rooms at 7709 Oakland Avenue, which we have finally succeeded in securing for the work; she located also her home quarters. She has just completed her third week with us and has made ninety-five calls in Jewish homes where she had encour-

aging access and gave a clear Gospel testimony leaving always literature in English or Yiddish. She made also ninety-seven calls at doors which she was not invited to enter. In these cases she left literature. Nearly two hundred visits in all—all of which have been made west of Woodward Avenue in the district north of West Grand Boulevard to Clairmount and west to 12th St. We give these facts especially for the Detroit and vicinity readers who may wish to know.

Both of us felt that until we knew definitely the location of our Mission Hall, possession of which it took some days to negotiate and which is east of Woodward Avenue, it might be better, for reasons which we discussed, to confine visiting to the west side. Now the east side visiting can be started, Please ask God's blessing upon it.

Mrs. Chattaway has also accompanied me in my several interviews with the owners of the property we have rented, as I wished her to approve and to witness to all that was done.

In one Jewish home, Mrs. Chattaway found a woman whose Jewish brother-in-law in Chicago is a Christian believer who had taken her to a Mission in Chicago, who maintained family worship in his home, and because of whose faithful testimony, the mind and heart of this sister-in-law was, and is, open to the Gospel. We trust she may be one of the first sheaves to be gathered. One elderly Jewish man listened with tears in his eyes to Mrs. Chattaway's story of Mr. Kolton's conversion in Atlantic City.

A lovely piano has been donated us—also a platform; we do not know at this writing where are the needed chairs and tables and hymn books, etc., but by the time this article is in your hands we shall have, we doubt not, all needs supplied and be settled in the—our—Beth Sar Shalom. We like that name.

A very dear invalid lady—victim of arthritis—who has not walked for seven years—was the primary instrument in securing the piano for us and how happy she was because she had helped!

Another dear friend knew a man who had the platform which was not in use and only in the way in his garage. It is a nice one, too.

Next month we hope to tell you (D. V.) about our Conference and our Dedication, and more news of the work.

#### Two Home-Goings

As we go to press we have sad news telling of the passing away of Mrs. M. G. McCorkle in Atlantic City. and of Mrs. Almira L. Ogden of Brooklyn. Mrs. McCorkle has been the guiding star and the center of a remarkable group of consecrated Christian women who have, under her leadership, been meeting regularly each week for over fifteen years, in a Prayer Meeting for Israel. It was this group that opened the door for us to establish the Branch in Atlantic City. From her name, few people realized that Mrs. McCorkle was a Jewess; she had been brought to the Lord Jesus Christ, in her early days, had married a Christian gentleman, and they had made their home for many years in Atlantic City. A number of years ago Mr. McCorkle passed away, and the widow spent her life in maintaining a wonderful testimony for the Lord Jesus Christ, and in helping the Lord's work in every part of the world. She was past 70 years of age, and served the Lord faithfully. Her home going is a severe loss to us and a loss to those who knew her and loved her.

Mrs. Ogden was for over twenty-five years an honored helper with us here in the Sewing Classes for girls. At the age of eighty, she has passed on to the Better Land; up to a few weeks before her death she was as vigorous and as active in the Lord's work as many a woman of 50; so much so that people were astonished to learn that she was 80 years of age. Many girls in our Sewing Classes have grown up under Mrs. Ogden's teaching, and

her memory will go with them for many, many days to come; so that she, while dead, still lives in the splendid Christian characters she has helped to build in the girls whom she has taught so patiently week after week, concerning the Lord Jesus Christ.

#### Please

A word of caution again. As far as possible, please register all cash that you send us. Checks, money orders, bank drafts, these are the best forms in which to send remittances, but if you cannot send your gifts in any of these ways, and you feel you must send cash, please do try to register the cash.

Again, please if you do not receive from us a prompt acknowledgment of your gift, drop us even a post card at once. The Post Office Department is bending every energy to catch the thieves who are stealing our mail and if you will do these things that we have asked, it will help greatly. Please be patient with us and help us to clear up this most perplexing situation, which we believe is certainly a part of the Evil One's efforts to hinder our work and to do us damage. Since the notice of last month, we are grateful to report that already there has been a marked decrease in our mail losses, and if we keep reminding you from month to month of this situation so that you can give us prompt notice. we feel that in a few more weeks, or a few months at the most, all of this matter will be properly rectified.

So, bear with us, pray for us, and keep on writing us until you get a

# SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 1st to JANUARY 31st, 1931 Covering Receipt Numbers 53 016 to 54 040 Inclusive

Covering Receipt Numbers 55,010 to 54,040 Inclusive	
For General Fund	_\$8,035.94
For Relief to the Poor	_ 311.70
For Literature Fund (Bibles and Tracts)	_ 166.59
"The Chosen People" (Subscriptions)	_ 372.80
Dispensary Income Account	_ 96.88
For "The Shepherd of Israel"	_ 154.25
For Jewish Christian Home	62.00
For Philadelphia Branch	_ 74.50
For Pittsburgh Branch	_ 374.77
For Atlantic City Branch	_ 80.00
For Work in Europe	_ 8.00
For Atlantic City First Mortgage Fund	_ 15.00
For Work Among the Children	_ 55.00
Plaza Branch Account	

#### Total for All Purposes\_\_\_\_\_\$9,842.43

#### JEWISH NOTES

A Jewish rabbi by the name of Israel Goldstein a few days ago spoke at the Brooklyn Jewish Center, which is the largest one in the city. His subject was, "The Christian Mission to the Iews." He deplored the Christian missionaries in this city. He decried the losses which Judaism had suffered. He said, "Let the Christian missionaries go among the untutored savages. The Jews can find enough inspiration in the faith of their fathers." It seems that the rabbi has a poor memory. If the Jews find enough inspiration in their own religion, how does he account for their loss of faith in Judaism?

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For the last fifteen years the Jews in this large city have endeavored to enlist the interest of the youth in the synagogue services. They have tried all sorts of worldly attractions to bring the Hebrew youth back to Judaism which they have sadly forsaken. Now they have come to realize that their attempts in this line have been futile. At an open forum of the East New York Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the President said, "A semijazz atmosphere in Brooklyn synagogues, designed to attract Hebrew youths to Judaism, is defeating its own end." He attacked the methods to modernize the synagogue as pathetic. He called for a return to the idealistic teachings of the prophets.

We hope that the modernized churches and all the community centers will sooner or later arrive at the same conclusion that such methods are simply destroying the confidence of thinking youths and adults.

It is not known generally that a Jew at one time held a deed to Labrador, but Dr. Joshua Block, chief of the Jewish Division of the New York Public Library gives a very interesting story concerning this fact, which is as follows:—

"It is reported that on November 1, 1697, King William the Third issued an official document to Joseph de la Penja of Rotterdam, granting him and his heirs full territorial rights over the Peninsula of Labrador. Joseph de la Penja belonged to a family of wealthy Spanish Crypto-Jews who fled from the Inquisition and settled in Holland, where they openly returned to Judaism. He was a prominent sea merchant and it was his vessel which discovered Labrador. The land was proclaimed as the possession of England, over which William the Third, alsoknown as William the Dutchman, was ruler. Twenty years after the discovery of Labrador, William the Third and a few of his companions found themselves in a small boat at sea when a storm arose. When it seemed impossible to save themselves from imminent death, the outline of a vessel appeared on the horizon. The vessel belonged to Joseph de la Penja and it approached in time to save the kingand his party. When the king recovered from the first effects of his. harrowing experience, he asked his rescuer what he could do to repay him. Not being in need of any gifts, Joseph replied that he was quite content with the knowledge that he had saved the king's life. It then occurred to the king that the presentation of Labrador to its discoverer would in a measure compensate for the rescue. The king presented to Joseph a certificate deeding Labrador to him and to his heirs. The original certificate, once in the hands of Dr. George Alexander Kohut, is rumored to be no longer extant, though authentic copies of it are supposed to be in existence. Joseph de la Penja, a great-grandson of the discoverer of Labrador, a chazan (cantor) in the Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, and three of his sisters are now endeavoring to reestablish legally their claim to the Peninsula of Labrador as an ancient heritage from that Joseph, who in a moment of danger saved the life of King William the Third."

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#### **OUESTIONS AND ANSWERS**

Question 1. Please give the definition of Baptism in Hebrew, and where did Baptists get their name?

Question 2. How many Jewish Christians are there in the world?

Question 3. When our blessed Lord returns will He dwell on this earth a thousand years or do you think this earth will be burned up?

Question 4. Do you think there are yet other prophecies to be fulfilled before Jesus returns? If so, what are they?

Question 5. Just how many Jews do you think the Bible teaches will be saved?

Question 6. Where will the last war, or Bible War, be fought, spoken of in Revelation? Who are the Spirits in prison? —W. D. R.

Answer 1. To dip or immerse. Because of their strictly adhering to baptism by immersion they are called Baptists.

Answer 2. We have no authentic statistics and therefore no way of knowing the exact number. However, it is roughly estimated that there are about two hundred thousand Jewish Christians in the world.

Answer 3. According to Luke 1:32-33, He will occupy the throne of His earthly father David. Dan. 7:27. He is to be the king under the whole heaven. Psa. 2, teaches that He is to be the King upon the holy hill Zion, which is upon the earth.

Answer 4. No. Some scholars think that the delay of His coming is on account of the great mercy of God who is waiting for sinners to repent and accept the Lord Jesus Christ. Others surmise that the "falling away" spoken of in 2 Thess. 2:3 has not yet reached the full measure.

However, though we know not just when our Lord will come, yet, knowing that He will come, without any other warning than what He has given in His word, it should be our deepest concern to watch and look for His appearing at any time. He may come at such an hour as we think not. Matt. 24:44.

Answer 5. Outside of the 144 thousand in Rev. 7, during the tribulation, the Scripture does not give numbers.

Answer 6. "Armageddon." Rev. 16: in Him all 13-16; Rev. 19:17. All the wicked ones, among them also those who perished in the flood, who disobeyed the warning His power."

and preaching of the Spirit of Christ, through Noah. In the prison house, Hades, all the wicked ones are shut until the judgment day.

Question. Is not the abomination of desolation the Catholic Church? She boasts to be the only true church of Christ and so stands in the Holy place. Rev. 18:7 says, "I sit a queen and am no widow and shall see no sorrow." Thus, she is represented as the only bride of Christ? —R. B.

Answer. The abomination of desolation refers to Anti-christ, who will sit in the rebuilt temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. 2 Thess. 2:4. Rev. 18:7, speaks about rebuilt Babylon, which will become the great centre of commerce under Anti-christ. Restored Babylon will have dominion over the kingdoms on account of her great commercial power.

Question 1. Can a sinner give his heart to the Lord? I have read that this cannot be done. I can't quite understand how a sinner can surrender himself to the Lord by faith without surrendering the whole man.

Question 2. Acts 21:4:11-14. When Paul was warned of the Holy Spirit not to go into Jerusalem, did he do wrong by going? I have heard it claimed that he did, and that he did very little good after that for a while. —J. H. R.

Answer 1. If a man is regenerated, he certainly surrenders his entire being to the Lord.

Answer 2. The Spirit revealed to those disciples Paul's great danger in going to Jerusalem and they tried to keep him back. But the Spirit did not command Paul to desist from going to Jerusalem. It is poor business to judge any Christian especially Paul.

Question 1. Please explain 11 Cor. 11:25, the last part of the verse.

Question 2. Also Col. 1:17. The last part of that verse. —K. B.

Answer 1. Paul refers to some of his narrow escapes from shipwreck, floating, for a night and day, on some lumber of the wrecked vessel.

Answer 2. The original reads: "And in Him all things have held together." This is in harmony with Heb. 1:3. "And upholding all things by the word of His power."

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In addition to the several Branch Mission Stations, (for full list see page 2) the Board also maintains a Home for Jewish Christians. The plan of work for all stations calls for the maintenance of Gospel meetings for adults and children; a medical department to assist poor Jews; a Poor Fund, to enable us to relieve the distress of deserving Jews and to give a practical demonstration of Christian love; a Literature Fund for the purchase of Hebrew Bibles and Testaments and to print tracts in Jewish. Mr. Cohn has written eight Jewish tracts which God has used to the conversion of many.

We covet your prayers and your sympathy, and we invite fellow believers to cast in their lot with us, taking fellowship in the great task He has committed to us.

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