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As the object of the American Board of Missions to the Jews is to reach the entire field of American Jewry, it is our desire and purpose to establish Mission stations in such important Jewish centers as may be in greatest need of a Gospel testimony, consistent with the Lord's will, as evidenced through His provision of workers and funds. This work of national evangelization of the Jews is further being accomplished by our Field Secretaries, who come into personal contact with Jews in their travels; also by means of letters, tracts and Gospels mailed to selected lists of Jewish names in practically every city and many towns of the United States; and finally by our Yiddish-English monthly paper, *The Shepherd of Israel*, which has a large circulation among the Jews in all parts of the world.

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.

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carried on there or were they for personal gain only? I sometime wonder if the church today is suffering the "scourge of small cords" because His house is so often "a house of merchandise."

—EDITH E. DAY.

*Answer.* Evidently there was personal profit and also part of the gain for the temple in consideration for the privilege of using the temple property for their merchandise.

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*Question.* Will you please explain Romans 2:25 and 26.

*Answer.* In the preceding verses the Jews are shown that they only boasted of their knowledge of the law but did not obey the precepts for themselves. In verses 25-26, the Holy Spirit, warned them not to rely on circumcision. They had then and still have strong faith in the power of circumcision as a remedy of escape from hell. The Talmud Erubin 19. a, has the following to say, that when Abraham inspects hell and finds there some circumcised Jews, he immediately lifts them out because of the circumcision. Now the Holy Spirit through Paul is showing plainly that circumcision has not any power of that kind. It only makes a man debtor to the law. It is the entrance into God's covenant to observe all His commandments, as it is written, "and it shall be our righteousness if we observe to do all these com-

mandments before the Lord our God as He hath commanded us." Deut. 6:25. Now if a Jew transgress the law he is immediately excluded from God's covenant into which he entered through circumcision, but if a Gentile experiences a change of heart through the acceptance of the Son of the living God, leading a life according to the righteousness prescribed by the law, though not being circumcised, he is superior to the Jew who does not obey the law.

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*Question.* In Leviticus 23 there are several days mentioned. Which of these days came on Saturday and which on Monday?

—E. A. NICHOLS.

*Answer.* With the exception of the Sabbath day which always falls on the 7th day of the week, there is no set day for any of those holy days enumerated in Lev. 3. For instance the Passover holy day, verse 5, is commanded to be observed on the evening of the 14th day of the first month, which is called Nisan by the Jews. On the 15th day of the same month, is the feast of Unleavened Bread. Whether that falls on Saturday or Monday or Tuesday, the name of the day does not make any difference. It is the 14th and the 15th days of the month. This same method is used in all their other holy days which God commanded His people to observe.

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## Salutation

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

*Dearly Beloved Friends:*

As we are approaching Thanksgiving day, let us echo the praises of Psalm 116:1, "I love the Lord, because he hath heard my voice and my supplications."

"BUT LIFE FROM THE DEAD." Romans 11:15

This text has frequently been illustrated by our converts. One of them who with his wife and daughter was baptized about a year ago, recently said, "I am so thankful to God for having led me and my family to believe in the Messiah Jesus. Wife and I experience now an entirely new life. When we recall our former way of living it seems to us as if we had been senseless and dead. But now we are alive and wide awake. You see my little boy of five years of age? (He always brings him to the meeting). He never goes to bed without praying. Not only does he pray himself, but he also urges the others to pray."

St. Paul was the divinely chosen and specially appointed Apostle to the Gentiles; yet he worked with great zeal and intense interest for the conversion of the Jews, that he might thus bring to pass that miracle, "life from the dead." So strong did the Holy Spirit make the Apostle's desire to convert the Jews, that he found by this a reason for his great zeal to convert the Gentiles, viz., the converted Gentiles would stir up the Jews to emulation. "If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them." (verse 14)

#### CONVERSION OF JEWS ANTIDOTE OF POISON OF MODERNISM

Furthermore, the Holy Spirit's teaching goes on to show that the conversion of Jews not only proves beneficent to themselves but also to the Gentiles. The divine argument is given in verse 15. If the sin of the unbelieving Jews in rejecting the Saviour has been instrumental in reconciling so many Gentiles to God, what will the receiving of them be? Whenever that takes place, there will follow a blessed change, both in them and in the Gentiles, as may well be called a resurrection from death to life. When the Jews are received into divine favor by their acceptance of their Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, the Gentiles will be filled with reverential fear; and then will be fulfilled that wonderful promise spoken by Jehovah before the Incarnation, "Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool." Psa. 110. This will silence modernism forever, for it will usher in His kingdom of righteousness, as foretold, "Rule thou in the midst of thine enemies—in the beauty of holiness."

#### CONFIRMATION OF PSALM 67

How wonderful is God's Word. So many prophecies which the Holy Spirit uttered at sundry times and in divers manners, through divers human characters, are all in complete agreement and in such perfect harmony as to form a connected whole. All the significant words of the Spirit through the Apostle Paul which we find in Romans 11 were foretold in that prophetic 67th Psalm about a thousand years before Paul. There the Holy Spirit represents the Jewish nation as saying, "When God will bless us, and cause His face to shine upon us (conversion) the result will be to make known upon earth, thy salvation among all nations." Then in verse 4, closely connected with the conversion of the Jews, reference is made to God's righteous government. In the last verse there is the clear prophecy that through the conversion of the Jews all the ends of the earth shall fear the Lord, implying world-wide conversion, as implied in Romans 11.

## CONVERSION OF JEWS DIFFERS FROM THAT OF GENTILES

We know that the conversion of any one who has been born again and regenerated so as to become a new creature is a wonderful thing, so that it may be called a miracle. The Swiss philosopher, preacher and historian, Vinet, who died about 90 years ago, once wrote:—"I know of no greater miracle than that of my conversion. I was blind and I see; I was dead and I live; I was an enemy of God and I love him. The Bible, the fellowship of Christians, prayer, these were to me a source of profound ennui, while now the pleasures of the world are a weariness to me and piety is the source of all my joy. Behold a miracle!"

However, it is evident, that the conversion of the Jews is the principal miracle which will astonish the whole world, bringing all peoples to accept and worship the Lord Jesus Christ. We find illustrations in the natural and the material world. The victory in a long standing battle is always considered greater than any other victory. Ever since the time of Christ the Jews have been fighting vehemently against the Lord Jesus Christ. They surrounded themselves with a massive wall of bitter prejudice and superstition, so that it rendered them impervious to and unreachable by the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ. In the 110th Psalm they are called His enemies. Paul tells us, "As concerning the Gospel they are enemies." Romans 11:28. In Isa. 63:10 we read, "But they rebelled, and vexed his Holy Spirit; therefore he was turned to be their enemy, and he fought against them."

Now when these age-old enemies surrender, and will in great remorse confess faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, the world will witness the most wonderful drama and the greatest miracle, for such an act will make manifest the supreme power of the Lord Jesus Christ to whom all people will then bow their knees.

## IN ACCORD WITH PSALM 117

The 117th Psalm is the shortest, but a most interesting one. It says, "O praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise him; all ye people. For his merciful kindness is great toward us; and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever. Praise ye the Lord." It is prophetic of the future conversion of the Jews as a people and it foretells how they will call upon all the nations to praise the Lord. The literal Hebrew for the second verse is as follows: "For his loving kindness and the truth of the Lord has conquered us, therefore praise ye the Lord." In these few words is wrapt up and implied all that we have pointed out above. When the Jews see the Lord Jesus Christ on the Mount of Olives upon His return with His Saints to save them from the battle of Armageddon, they will be amazed over His loving kindness. They will be covered with shame and confusion; so keen will be their sorrow and anguish of soul, that the Bible tells us, "They shall mourn for Him as one mourneth for his only son and shall be in bitterness for him." Zech. 12:10. They will therefore in that condition of grief resolve to go out among the nations, confess before them their long hostility to the Lord Jesus Christ and testify of their acceptance of Him, telling how He overwhelmed them with His love and mercy.

So we see clearly that God is not yet through with the Jews. The Dead Sea which is coming to life again in a material sense is symbolic of the Jews who will rise up from their spiritual graves to new life in the Lord Jesus Christ.

## EFFECT OF THEIR CONVERSION AT PRESENT

While all these wonderful results of Israel's conversion as a nation refer to the future, there is also great blessing attendant upon the present conversion of Jews. The Holy Spirit as recorded in Romans 11 is applying the same principle to the "remnant according to the election of grace." The conversion of a remnant of Jews in every generation has had the same effect of stirring up people to look to Christ just as the conversion of the Jewish nation will have in the future. The difference is only in the extent. We know of the many Jewish converts in every generation who have been the means of converting many and strengthening in the faith large numbers of Christians.

Let us be grateful to God and give Him special thanks for having called us to this Mission which under God has proved to be a source of blessing to many thousands.

Yours very sincerely,

LEOPOLD COHN.

## QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Question 1. *Please explain parable of ten virgins in Matt. 25. I had always believed the wise virgins represented the saved ones and the foolish ones the unsaved. A Bible teacher says that all virgins are pure, and that it was not a question of salvation. If so why does the Lord say, "I know you not" in Ver. 12?*

Question 2. *This same teacher also says that eventually there will be no children in heaven because of growth. What is your opinion?*

Question 3. *Does Malachi 3:10 apply only to the Jews? Like many others in this time of depression we find it impossible to meet all our obligations; in order to prove to my husband that this promise is meant for His children I am striving to prove it true.*

—S. E. C.

Answer 1. The parable of the wise and foolish virgins teaches us the truth set forth in Ezek. 18. The father's righteousness shall not be counted to the wicked son, nor vice versa. Every one must buy wine and milk for himself in order to quench his thirst, Isa. 55:1. The foolish virgins appeal to the wise ones for a Christian kindness. They ask for oil for their lamps. The wise virgins, though inclined to extend help to their neighbors in their distress, answer them, "Not so," meaning, the oil of salvation is not like other things which can be obtained from a neighbor by the exercise of Christian love, it must be secured by every individual for himself directly. Before the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ many will be in a sleepy state. The wise ones who have supplied themselves with the oil, the symbol of the Spirit of Christ, will be taken to meet the Lord in the air, while the foolish ones will be left. Possibly children will appeal to parents and vice versa, but with sorrow the answer will be, "Not so," for the salvation of one

soul is not available for those that have not the Spirit of Christ. All they can do for the foolish virgins is to advise and urge them to get the oil for themselves hoping they may not be too late. If they have not the Spirit of Christ they are none of His. Romans 8:9. Therefore the Bridegroom will say to them, "I know you not."

Answer 2. There is no Scriptural authority for the statement of the teacher to whom you refer. On the other hand we would infer from the story of the rich man as narrated by our Lord and Saviour that we shall know each other in heaven. If little children who proved such a great loss to their parents by death would grow up, then the parents would not know them. But after all, thoughts of this sort are mere speculation.

Answer 3. All the laws were given to the Jews only. However, "they are written for our admonition," I. Cor. 10:11. The paying of tithes means honoring God. Prov. 3:9. Long before the law was given, Abraham, the father of the faithful, paid tithes to Melchizedek, as the lesser unto the greater. This Melchizedek was "made like unto the Son of God," Heb. 7:3, that is, the Lord Jesus Christ, who before He took flesh upon Himself appeared unto Abraham in the person of Melchizedek. It is therefore peculiarly becoming a Christian, a spiritual son of Abraham to follow the father's example, by bringing to the "Righteous King of Peace" "tithes of all." Gen. 14:20.

However, in the light of I. Cor. 6:19, "And ye are not your own, for ye are bought with a price," the question is not as to how much shall the Christian give in honor of his Saviour, but rather how little can he use for himself.

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Question. *In John 2:13-17 we have the story of the first cleansing of the temple by our Saviour. Did the temple profit financially from the businesses*



Book of Job (chapter 1, 6 f) took place, according to the Targum, on New Year's Day, Satan yearly playing the part of accuser before the Divine Judge. In the Talmud (Rosh Hashanah 16 b) it is said that the sounds of the shofar are intended to "confuse" Satan when so employed. In the same passage it is stated that three books are opened on this day, "one for the thoroughly wicked, another for the thoroughly pious, and the third for the large intermediate class. The fate of the thoroughly wicked and the thoroughly pious, is determined on the spot, the destiny of the intermediate class is suspended until the Day of Atonement when the fate of every man is sealed." The following selection from the liturgy of the day brings out this aspect of the season: "We will celebrate the mighty holiness of this day, for it is one of awe and terror. Thereon is Thy dominion exalted and Thy Throne is established in mercy, and Thou sittest thereon in truth. Verily it is Thou alone who art judge and arbiter, who knowest and art witness; Thou writest down and settest the seal, Thou recordest and tellest; yea, Thou rememberest the things forgotten. Thou unfoldest the records, and the deeds therein inscribed proclaim themselves; for lo, the seal of every man's hand is set thereto. The great trumpet is sounded; the still small voice is heard; the angels are dismayed; fear and trembling seize hold of them as they proclaim, Behold the Day of Judgment! The host of heaven is to be arraigned in judgment. For in Thine eyes they are not pure; and all who enter the world dost Thou cause to pass before Thee as a flock of sheep. As a shepherd seeketh out his flock and causeth them to pass beneath his crook, so dost Thou cause to pass, and number, tell and visit every living soul, appointing the measure of every creature's life and decreeing their destiny."

"On the first day of the year it is inscribed, and on the Day of Atonement the decree is sealed, how many shall pass away and how many shall be born, who shall live and who shall die, who at the measure of man's days and who before it; who shall perish by fire and who by water, who by the sword, who by wild beasts, who by hunger and who by thirst, who by

earthquake and who by plague, who by strangling and who by stoning; who shall have rest and who shall go wandering, who shall be tranquil and who shall be harrassed, who shall be at ease and who shall be afflicted; who shall become poor and who shall wax rich; who shall be brought low and who shall be upraised. But Penitence, Prayer and Charity avert the severe decree."

It is too sad to see a rabbi who is supposed to advocate and defend that which is sacred to his people, denying it all. Instead of teaching the people to trust in God he teaches them to trust in themselves. Before the unfortunate slaughter in Palestine a year ago he built the whole of the Jewish Homeland in Palestine on the rock of the promise of the British Government. Now he substitutes the Jewish race itself for Great Britain. It is just like him. About three years ago he preached a sermon about Christ, eulogizing Him above all other men or prophets. That brought on him an avalanche of curses from many Jews, criticism from many more Jews, and epithets and frowns from all Jews. Since then he never uttered another word about Christ, although he had announced that he would deliver another sermon on the subject. If he had done so he would have lost his position of honor. The Lord Jesus said, "How can ye believe which receive honor one of another and seek not the honor that cometh from God only?" John 5:44.

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The Palestine Government has put forth much effort to negotiate an agreement between Arab and Jewish representatives, with regard to giving the Jews the right to worship at the Wailing Wall. But the question had to be left unsettled. The reason for it consisted in the absolute refusal of the Moslem side to recognize the right of Jews to the Wailing Wall which they claim to be Moslem religious property. If the Jew will sign an agreement disclaiming any ownership to the Wailing Wall and promise not to use appertinances when conducting religious services on the site, then the Grand Mufti will sign another agreement recognizing the right of the Jews to make pilgrimages to the Wall and will guarantee freedom from Arab molestations.

## EDITORIAL

**Denying the Power Thereof.** The new Riverside Church in New York City was recently dedicated. The church itself was originally the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church; then it moved and changed its name to the Park Avenue Baptist Church. Now it has once again moved, this time to a commanding position on the heights of Riverside Drive, and there it has erected, largely with Mr. Rockefeller's money, we are told, a magnificent \$4,000,000 structure, and, as a part of the moving program, it appears that the members have once more changed the name, so that now it is to be known as The Riverside Church, with the description "Baptist" omitted entirely.

On the imposing doorway of this magnificent building there have been carved in stone the images of many of the world's great men among scientists, philosophers and religious leaders. And, what will shock every true child of God, our Lord Jesus Christ is dishonored and, shall we say blasphemed, by having a figure of His form set in company with Professor Einstein, Ralph Waldo Emerson, Darwin, Confucius, Buddha, etc., etc.

In other words, Dr. Fosdick, the pastor, wishes to tell us that Einstein, the Jewish scientist who rejects the Lord Jesus Christ, is just as worthy of a place of honor over the door of his church as is the Lord Jesus Himself. And that Emerson, a noted Unitarian, also deserves the respect and honor of a "Christian" church!

We mention all this in detail so that our readers may understand more fully the subtlety of the apostate age in which we live, and that you may more readily see what terrific obstacles such dangerous "Christian" leaders put in the way of true Gospel work in the great world metropolis. Think of the impression the Jew gets when he sees

a church like this, which to his mind is representative of American Christians, giving honor to an Einstein, a Jew whom the Jews themselves are accusing of being irreligious! And think of giving a place to an Emerson, who taught, speciously enough, that all religions, including Christianity, were only the product of man's brain.

Truly, forward goes the apostacy, and there seems no cure. How solemn are the words of II. Timothy 3, telling us of the perilous times in the last days, and giving such a description of these days that the fulfillment is startling. One verse particularly fits the sin of which the Riverside "Church" is guilty: "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof. From such turn away."

Notice the last sentence, a solemn command—"From such *turn away*." And, dear reader, it means just what it says. For, more and more as we near the brink of the precipice that shall toss the nations of this world, their pomp, their tumult, their haughtiness, into an abyss of such destruction as this earth has never yet seen, the child of God must find himself like Enoch of old, who walked with God—alone!

**Thanksgiving Needs.** The Lord willing, we hope to have again this year our usual Thanksgiving Dinner, both for the children and for the adults. This is always a time of wonderful fellowship and testimony, and to many it marks the high tide of the spiritual life of the year. Also, poverty is more abundantly with us now than it has been in possibly ten years. We shall probably face a very hard winter. If, therefore, the Lord lays it on your heart, and gives you the means to help in the Thanksgiving Expense and in our Poor Fund relief, we shall be grateful for your fellowship.

## INCIDENTS IN THE WORK

## Publish It In Judah!

That has been literally the task of *The Shepherd of Israel*. More than any one department of the many-sided ministries of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, the Lord seems to have used this little Yiddish monthly in a world-wide testimony that is most encouraging. And one's soul can only say, "What marvelous things the Lord has wrought!" Just a glimpse at some of the results achieved through the use the Holy Spirit has made of the printed pages of *The Shepherd of Israel*, will give you a revelation of the way God is working in these latter days to gather out from the four corners of the earth the last bit of the remnant that will complete His Church for the crowning day.

## LET ANOTHER PRAISE THEE

Last spring we had our annual revision of the mailing list of *The Shepherd of Israel*. And, to avoid waste in circulation, as well as to get word direct from all the Jewish fields in which the paper was circulating, we sent out a letter to all Christian workers who were distributing the papers each month, asking if they wished *The Shepherd of Israel* continued, and what kind of a reception the paper was receiving on the part of the Jew.

The responses rejoiced us. And we felt we must share them with our readers, that you too might know how far-reaching has been your testimony to the Jews of the world.

So we picked here and we picked there, and finally we were able to get the gist of the more important letters down to about 6 pages of reading matter. And this month we will print the first half, and shall hope to give you the second half next month. So here they are, and as you read, give thanks to God with us:—

FROM ST. LOUIS, MO.

I am indeed very grateful for *The Shepherd of Israel* which you send to me every month. They are a source of great blessing in the work and often lead to discussions concerning the claims of Christ. My next door neighbor, Mr. Chapnik, comes in and asks for his copy if I don't see him to give it to him. The Jews not only accept the "Shepherds," but read them and it is a very rare thing for one to be torn up or for a man to refuse to take one.

Mrs. D. joins me in Christian love to yourself, Englander, Schatkin, Miss Sussdorff and all the other dear ones who love His people Israel.

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FROM BALTIMORE, MD.

I have your letter of a few days ago asking what we do with *The Shepherd of Israel* which you have sent us for some time.

Permit me to inform you that every copy is placed in the hands of a Jew either at the time when our Jewish friends assemble at our regular services, or as we meet them in the streets. At all times we are careful in placing reading matter with Jews who are willing and glad to read "What the other side has to say."

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FROM NASHVILLE TENN.

Your letter was received in due time, and I am answering at once. I thank my God for you, and your efforts to preach Christ, to the House of Israel.

Your paper, I believe, is an instrument in the hands of the True God to bring Israel to the feet of His Son, and our Saviour. My friend, I believe we Jewish missionaries ought to co-operate in preaching the GOSPEL, TO DYING ISRAEL.

Praying God's richest blessings upon you and yours, and may He crown the efforts of His Servants with success in winning souls to the Lamb of God, that taketh away the sins of the world.

## JEWISH NOTES

The Vatican is beginning to come to the fore. Much papal interest in Palestine has of late been manifested there. A Papal Communique has been published in which the Pope voices the hope that the League of Nations' favorable action on the Mandates Commission report on Palestine will also lead to a solution of the problem of the Holy Places. Previous to that the Vatican made a proposal to Great Britain to appoint a permanent supervisory Commission for such places, which proposal was rejected by Great Britain. Now the British Government has addressed a note of protest to the Holy See against the political activities of the Latin patriarch in Jerusalem, Mons. Luigi Barlassina. The complaint from the British Government was that the Latin patriarch exerts powers in Palestine which trespass on the prerogatives of the Mandatory Trustee. The center of Roman Catholic activity in Palestine and Syria is located in a large building of ancient days which in part still serves as a monastery. The Latin patriarch is a diplomat of unusual ability. It is said that there have been many cases of friction between Great Britain and himself. It has been reported that the policies of the Papal See and the projects of Mussolini run in parallel lines. Large purchases of land have been made by the Latin patriarch and by agents of the Mussolini Government. The object of all this activity is the substitution of Italy in place of Great Britain as the Mandatory power of the League of Nations in Palestine and possibly in Syria as successor of France. The Catholic Church has penetrated Asia Minor and Palestine with great success. Through Italian missionaries the Catholic Church has carried on religious work unceasingly and has made great strides.

This seems to be a beginning of a fulfillment in the near future of Zech. 12:2, "Behold I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling," and also Zech. 14:1-6.

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The last campaign of the Reichstag Elections gave the victory to the Anti-Semitic national Socialists. Out of a total of 36,000,000 votes, 6,400,000 were cast for the anti-Semites, led by Adolf Hitler who is endeavoring to

aspire to the high position of Dictator of Germany. He will now have 107 deputies which will make them the strongest controlling party in the Reichstag. And as the Hitler program aims the hardest blow against the Jews the result of the election has sent terror into the hearts of German Jewry. The Hitler party intends to legislate the most vicious laws imaginable against the Jews. According to Hitler's desire Jews will be banned in the German army and navy, paying instead a special tax. Furthermore, all Jews who have settled in Germany since August 2, 1914, will be expelled. Jews shall not be placed in any responsible posts in public life. They shall be excluded from universities, and from newspapers. The sale of lands to Jews will be prohibited, etc., etc.

There were also Jewish Candidates but they all suffered defeat. "The Lord shall send upon thee cursing, vexation, and rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me." Deut. 28:20.

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Rabbi Wise made a speech in his Free Synagogue in New York last Jewish New Year's Day which fell this year on the 23rd of September. On that day which is regarded by the vast majority of the Jews of the world as the most holy day, he preached contrary to the spirit of Jewish sacred tradition. He declared that the success of the Palestine Home for the Jews depends only on the Jews themselves. He urged the Jews to speak with courage and resolution such as characterize the British, if the Jewish national home is to be realized. He did not mention God's name in this connection with reference to His help; all he thought necessary to make that Palestine Jewish home a success was the Jews themselves without any aid from above. This is diametrically opposed not only to the Scriptures but also to the Jewish tradition so sacredly regarded and so devoutly repeated in the synagogue on that day. According to Jewish tradition, the great books of judgment are opened on the first day of Tishri and closed ten days afterwards on the Day of Atonement. The scene in heaven described in the



While there have been very few adults who have definitely confessed Christ this summer as a result of our work, yet God has been working among the children. A number of them have been coming to the Reading Room in the evenings and singing songs and listening to the Gospel. A number are old enough to read and have Gospels and some have taken New Testaments. Some of them have confessed faith in Christ. Be much in prayer for these babes; that they may grow in grace and be instruments to bring their own families to Christ.

One very fine High School boy from Brooklyn with whom Brother Burgen and the writer dealt, made a definite confession of faith in Christ after some personal conversation, and asked for a New Testament. He is only one of many whom we have been able to reach with the Gospel through the Reading Room. Among others reached, and who seemed interested was a young student, Mr. C., from Philadelphia. He is a Hebraist and took a New Testament. He promised to read it and if convinced to accept Christ. Please pray for him.

Please pray that we may be kept in the center of His will as we seek to serve Him; knowing that He "is able to do exceeding abundantly above all we can ask or think."

#### Report of Boys' Summer Work

By M. M. HANENKRAT

"Do all things decently and in order."

This was the motto kept before the boys during the Bible School and we wish you could have seen how every boy attempted to carry it out. Discipline was maintained and deeper interest obtained by its use. This year the average attendance was much better than either of the years I have had charge of the boy's work, which, of course, helped greatly in carrying through a complete evangelical presentation of the Lord Jesus Christ from the Old Testament to the New. Numerous incidents, happening each day made our hearts rejoice and gave us encouragement in praying for definite manifestations of the Holy Spirit. Some believers in the class

were of much assistance to me and were particularly used of the Lord.

One day a minister visited the School and before leaving stated that the way the full counsel of God was declared was quite exceptional. While in the boys' class he listened to the members answering questions by way of review in preparation for the day's lesson. They fully disclosed in their answers an understanding knowledge of the Person and Work of the Son of God in the Old Testament.

Predictive Prophecy was an interesting study to them from the youngest to the oldest. The Coming of the Messiah in Glory as well as His crushing His enemies, drew many of them to accept Him as their all sufficient Saviour and Lord. In giving a reason for the faith within we found their testimonies not only satisfactory, but also showing evidence of sincere thinking on the part of every acceptant. One said he accepted Christ because He was the only one who could forgive sins. Another because the Old Testament told about Him and His Coming was the fulfillment of the Law and the Offerings. Still another stated that he believed Christ could give him everything he needed. He not only accepted Him early in the School period but told me one morning he had been praying God to permit him to go to camp. This of course surely showed his desire to trust God for necessities and enjoyments. We could mention many more incidents but we feel that what we have written will prove beyond a shadow of a doubt that work among our Jewish boys is very fruitful. To hear them testify of His saving grace is entirely sufficient. Those of us who have been particularly called to work among His Chosen People have seen the "sown-Seed" bearing fruit. We have witnessed God's answer to prayer in behalf of His People. So we say searchingly and emphatically, are you as interested in preaching the Gospel to His Ancient People as you ought to be? We cannot answer the question for you; only God the Holy Spirit can. May you soon know His answer and then do His bidding.

FROM CHICAGO, ILL.

We have your letter of February 21st inquiring as to whether *The Shepherd of Israel*, which you have been sending us, is being distributed faithfully among the Jews and whether it is appreciated. I am very glad to say that both are true. They are immediately distributed upon receipt and I have made inquiry of our workers and find that wherever they are distributed they are appreciated.

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FROM NEW ORLEANS, LA.

Your kind letter of February 21st, came this morning and in answer will say that we have been receiving regularly *The Shepherd of Israel* and they have been appreciated, and while all of them have not been distributed, we are doing so as they are needed.

Thank you so much.

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FROM CHICAGO, ILL.

Regarding your letter of February 21st, the paper *The Shepherd of Israel* has been mailed out every month since I've been privileged to do the mailing and it will be—now—although under another's care. Inquiries have been made of those to whom it has been sent—and people (Jews) have said they were eager to get it. The copies have been backed up by prayer so I know that God has used it in His own way even though all do not receive it so kindly.

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FROM TOLEDO, OHIO

Some time ago I wrote to you telling you that our treasurer will mail you a check every six months instead of every month as he used to do. You will get the check as six months will soon be over. Please, do not stop to send the "Shepherd" each month as you used to. We get each month 50 copies that means one dollar a month.

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FROM DETROIT, MICH.

Your letter of the 21st came to hand,

and haste to reply, that your paper *The Shepherd of Israel* is reaching me every month. I can say that it is a most welcomed Guest in my Mission. I could use three or four times as many to good advantage among our Jewish people. I am very thankful to you and to your Mission for the same.

Wishing you God's blessing in your Mission for the Master.

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IN NEW YORK CITY

Your letter inquiring about the work accomplished through your paper *The Shepherd of Israel*, just arrived.

The package you send us monthly we place on the tract table and our folk carry them away. A lame, colored woman is always waiting for them to come. She tells us that the Hebrews ask her for them and when she fails to bring them they want to know what is the matter? This colored woman lives by faith and she says the Jews sometimes give as much as a quarter for the paper. Some give her nothing. Mrs. and myself pass them on whenever we meet the children of Israel in our daily rounds.

May our Heavenly father bless you in your great work. Surely the field is white unto reaping and we, who are in the work, know that the laborers are few but He is able to make you abound unto every good work. Yours in the BLESSED HOPE of the soon coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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FROM MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

In reply to your inquiry of 21st instant, I am happy to inform you that your paper *The Shepherd of Israel*, which you have kindly been forwarding to my address for several years is being used by the workers very profitably. In fact, we are always looking forward with anticipation towards the package from Throop Avenue.

Thanking you most heartily on my own behalf as well as on behalf of

the staff, and wishing you God's choicest blessings in your noble work.

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FROM RICHMOND HILL, N. Y.

Answering your letter of February 21st. Would say that *The Shepherd of Israel* papers, which you have been sending me for a number of years, have been and still are being faithfully distributed by me among Jewish people only. These papers have been distributed from Broadway, East New York to Jamaica, Long Island (along Jamaica Avenue past 168th Street) and on the Broadway Elevated trains each Sunday on my way to New York to distribute Christian tracts in the Washington Square Section—weather permitting.

I find in giving out the Jewish papers and the Christian tracts that while some gladly receive and read them—that some show a very wicked spirit toward them. Sometimes I meet Jews who tell me heartily "We are coming to the Mission soon"; very few Jews show real hatred toward the papers. The greater majority receive them gladly.

If there is any section around the vicinity of Richmond Hill where you would especially like to have the papers distributed I will be glad to do what I can.

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FROM COATESVILLE, PA.

I surely have tried to distribute the paper faithfully. I send some of the papers to hospitals and receive very nice letters from the matron telling me that they are given to the patients; I also send the little gospels of Matthew in Yiddish. I try to do my part and must leave results with God. Thank you so much.

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IN CAMDEN, N. J.

Your letter received in regards to the paper you send me, *The Shepherd of Israel*. I receive it and I put those out among the Jews; some love it and

others do not want it at all. Kindly send me a Yiddish New Testament, I promised a young Jewish girl; I gave her a New Testament in English and she has read it through; and send me some Yiddish tracts as soon as possible. Enclose 50 cents in stamps.

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IN PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Yours of February 21st received. In reply would say we are sending through the mail, and handing personally more than fifty copies of *The Shepherd of Israel* each week among the Jews, and also send the magazine to those who are interested in the Jewish people.

We believe we have inquirers at our Mission in response to this Ministry. Some accept tracts and Gospels, promising to read them. Occasionally we receive threatening letters. The other day our mail carrier handed in a letter which was returned to us by Mr. A. R. On the face of the envelope he had written that he would prosecute us if we sent any more of these magazines to him. The Carrier requested the letter for filing at the office, explaining that the man could be prosecuted for writing on the outside of the envelope.

We mailed 100 copies of *The Shepherd of Israel* today inclosing a copy of the circular advertising your special meeting, at 535 Spruce Street.

Thanking you for sending us the magazine to distribute, with the prayer that it may be used for the advancement of Christ's kingdom, we remain.

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IN BROOKLYN, N. Y.

Yours of February 28th, and in reply beg to say, that the Lord has given grace to circulate the two thousand of "Shepherds" sent us.

Enabled by God, we have noticed, generally speaking, that, if carefully distributed, the paper will be read and of course, is being thus appreciated, as a whole.

We know, His word will not return unto him void, Isa. 55:10, 11. He sees,

He knows, He rewards, especially if it is followed up by prayer, on the part of the lovers of Israel. Ps. 122: 5, 6.

We are also whole-heartedly thankful to the Lord for permitting us to evangelize the Lost Sheep of the House of Israel by the printed page.

### Brethren, Pray For Us

By F. W. HABERER, Atlantic City

Our summer's activities in preaching the Gospel on the Beach were terminated rather early this year, as the opponents succeeded in stopping the meetings in July. We had been working with the Ministerial Union, in whose name the permit was given, and rather than cause a complete cessation of the meetings we dropped out; and they continued the services without our help.

We were able to distribute many copies of *The Shepherd of Israel* in stores, homes and apartment houses during the summer season. We were greatly helped by two Christian brethren, Mr. Peters and Mr. Godfrey who distributed much literature and did some personal work.

Because we had no Literature Stand this year we spent more time in visitation than last year. Many Jews were dealt with personally and some purchased Scriptures; and many copies of Gospels and some New Testaments were given away free. Please pray that God will bless His word to the salvation of many precious souls.

We also desire earnest prayer on behalf of one old Jew, Mr C., whom we have known for a long time and who reads the New Testament. He admitted to the writer that if it were not for the risks he would have been converted long ago.

One of the believers, Mr. K., who lost his wife some time ago, is undergoing a time of great trial. He will appreciate our prayers on his behalf. We are glad to report that he is standing true to the Lord Jesus Christ and is witnessing for Him.

Our readers will remember the article in the May issue of *THE CHOSEN PEOPLE* concerning a believer, Mr. C. The Lord is wonderfully blessing our Brother C. and is using his testimony among other Jews. Occasionally Jews will talk with us about Mr. C. showing that his influence is being felt. God has used Brother C. to lead two other Jews, Mr. B. and Mr. Y. to make definite confessions of faith. This Mr. Y. is the one for whom we requested prayer in the above mentioned article. This is a cause for praise and thanksgiving to God for answered prayer.

There are a number of secret believers here who need definite prayer that they may come out boldly for the Lord and witness to their own people.

This summer a Jewess took a definite stand for Christ in the Mission. It happened on this wise. She lives in Philadelphia and last year (1929) after a serious illness, Brother Burgen had suggested sending her to Atlantic City to recuperate. It was finally arranged, but it all seemed like a great loss of time and effort. There had been also considerable expense attached to this, but the Lord had provided the funds in such wonderful ways and often so unexpectedly that we felt at the time it was His will. However, as time went on and we heard nothing from her we began to wonder if it were all a waste of effort. But on June 7, 1930, she came to the Mission Gospel Service quite unexpectedly and after the meeting made a definite stand for Christ. We rejoiced to see how God had brought it all about, for it was truly "His doing." We had no idea that she was in Atlantic City at all and she surprised us by coming to the meeting and even more so, by accepting Christ.

Please pray for a Jewish believer who claims to be willing to enter the Lord's service if He opens the way. Pray that His will may be done in this life which is so full of possibilities for His service among Israel.