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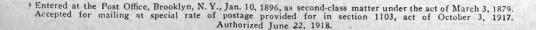
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"We go down to salute the children of the king" - II Kings 10:13

Dearly beloved friends: -

"Crown Him with many crowns," the magnificent organ pealed out in the great auditorium of the Calvary Baptist Church in New York City, and the epoch-making national Congress on Prophecy was in full swing. The church was packed to the doors, with standing room only available, and there was the hush of the Spirit in plain evidence; one might truthfully say that the multitude gathered was on the tip-toe of expectancy, and almost anything might have happened. Many felt as though they were gathering once more as did those first apostles in the upper room on that eventful day of Pentecost some 1900 years ago, and so tense was the interest that it would not have surprised anyone if the experience of Acts 2:2 should once more have become an open reality, "and suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting."

ASKING AND EXPECTING GREAT THINGS

The good pastor of Calvary Church, Dr. William Ward Ayer, together with his faithful people, had invested heavily of their prayers and expectations on this unique "once-in-a-life-time" event. From The Calvary Messenger of November 1st, the official bulletin of the Calvary Church, we quote the paragraphs which announced this great Congress on Prophecy:—

It is difficult to exceed precedence at Calvary Baptist Church. God has so favored us that many outstanding preachers upon many unusual programs have been presented to New York and its environs through the ministry of "New York's Cathedral of Evangelicalism."

However, we can truthfully use some superlatives in speaking of this Prophetic Program, and we can do so because the Congress is not primarily Calvary's but jointly and paramountly the creation of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, whose general secretary is Joseph Hoffman Cohn, D.D. Calvary Baptist Church and its Pastor wish to express gratitude and indebtedness to this nation-wide organization for the galaxy of "mighty men" who are being brought to this platform the next eight days.

Rarely more than "once in a lifetime" is such a program presented, even to as favored a people as we. Once in a lifetime only

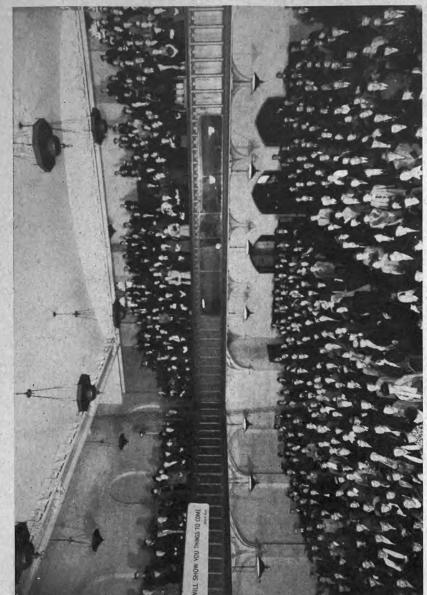
would you hear in one auditorium within the space of one week such God-anointed Expositors of the Word as Bauman, Bradbury, Brownville, Chafer, Edman, Ferrin, Gregg, Hager, Ironside, Johnson, Powell, Robertson, Rogers, Sale-Harrison, Sutcliffe, and Yearby; to mention only a few among the thirty or more leaders and preachers of the faith as it is in Jesus. Added to this we are to have the expert musical leadership of Arthur W. McKee long noted as the "Caruso of Gospel Song."

We welcome these individually and collectively to this historic pulpit of Calvary Baptist Church where a Robert Stuart MacArthur, ministered for more than forty years, as an outstanding leader of this city; where John Roach Straton, ministered for twelve years, as one of America's most ardent and eloquent Fundamentalists and Apologists for the faith; where Dr. Will H. Houghton ministered so mightily before he was called to the Presidency of the Moody Bible Institute—an envious position of influence through the entire evangelical world.

We welcome this Conference believing its presence and ministry is a token of God's continued favor upon our endeavor to be faithful to God in this great Metropolis, where we minister periodically to many of God's people of all the churches. We hope and pray that this Conference may be duplicated in personnel and blessing in every strategic center on this continent, not as some sort of religious show but as a testimony in these dark sad days to the eternal verities of the Gospel and to God's prophesied program for this world and its people.

From our own beloved and faithful friends in all parts of the country, and even from the farthest points in Canada, came such an astonishing avalanche of responses, that we were amazed to realize how closely we had been following in the Lord's will in undertaking this bold Testimony on a scale that has never before been attempted in the history of Christianity, in America at least. As soon as the detailed program began to circulate, the congratulations and commendations began pouring in upon us, and we knew that we were on the highway to accomplish for the Kingdom of God, or rather allowing God to accomplish through us, an historic achievement in this crucial hour of world confusion.

It is difficult to describe in any adequate way, the speakers, the meetings, the people who attended, and best of all, the amazing spirit of unity and brotherly love that was manifest on every side. Dr. Chafer told us that this was the first gathering of this sort he had ever attended where some of those who took part did not pack up their bags in a fit of peeve, and go home. And we thought, how wonderful! In the spirit of Christ there is no controversy, there is no selfishness, but only unanimity and peaceful harmony such as He alone can give; and this was our experience throughout the eight days. It had been thought also that an audience could not be gathered in the metropolis of America on a week day morning at ten o'clock, and that we were foolish to attempt a week's program in which sessions were arranged to begin at 10 A.M. and continue practically every hour until ten at night. This had not been done in the history of Christianity in America, and it would be bound to fail. But imagine the surprise of those who had had their misgivings, when on Monday morning, in New York City, America's Babylon, over 200 of the Lord's people were on hand to hear the first message of the day. It was given by our brother,



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Dr. Charles H. Stevens of Winston-Salem, N. C. By 11 o'clock the audience had grown to over 500, and in the afternoon and evening we were crowded so that at times standing room was at a premium.

which the testimony of the hour needs to be given.

The opening of the Congress took place on Lord's Day morning, Dr. Ayer having so graciously merged his own morning service with the Congress, and thus made each a part of the other. He had also in modesty declined to preach Sunday morning, expecting that we would take full control; but we had insisted that he should not only be a part of the program, but that he should fire the opening gun in the united salvo of greetings and testimonies to the world at large, to Jew, to Gentile and to the Church of God. And so he preached a masterly sermon at this morning service, on the subject "What it has cost the Church to neglect Second Coming Truth?" As the week unfolded itself, this sermon proved indeed to have been the key note to the entire Congress sessions, for Dr. Ayer had laid down boldly and clearly the lines along

The Congress was literally bathed in prayer, otherwise it never could have been the success that it has proved to be. As soon as we had made the first announcement of our plans in The Chosen People, thousands of our friends began to pray that God would honor and bless the undertaking upon which He so evidently had led us to embark; from all over the country came the letters telling that once, and twice, and three times a day, our friends were pleading with God that He would honor His Word; that, just as in the days of Elijah, when he showed to the false prophets of Baal that God can answer by fire. so might it be now that God would put His seal of such unmistakable approval and blessing upon this Testimony that the world would marvel and give forth the testimony of those heathen in the days of Ahab, "The Lord, he is the God; the Lord, he is the God." 1st Kings 18:39. Then came also the assurances of prayer from the preachers and staff and membership of the Calvary Baptist Church itself, and in addition many words of encouragement and assurance of prayer from the speakers and sponsors of the program. Besides all this, the speakers who were present met every morning at 9 o'clock, for earnest, pleading and believing prayer that God would indeed manifest Himself, that He would unify our hearts and spirits, that He would use each speaker and the whole of the Congress for such a witness that should reach around the world. During these hours of prayer fellowship came also the deliberations day by day, the searching of God's Word, the exchange of opinions and interpretations, the friendly and brotherly discussions of differing viewpoints, so that repeatedly the session had to continue on beyond the hour set for the opening of the pubhe program at 10 o'clock. We then would release from our midst in the upper room at Calvary Church the speaker assigned for the ten o'clock hour, while the rest of us would go on with the discussion and the deliberations. On one occasion it was well nigh 12 o'clock noon before we could dismiss. Several times these gatherings were resumed after the meetings had closed, at 10 o'clock at night; one session specially is indelibly fixed in my mind, for it lasted until close to 1 o'clock in the morning.

But, out of all this crucible of melting thought and opinion, there was fused by God Himself, we verily believe, an AFFIRMATION OF FAITH which some of the brethren described later as being one of the most potent and incisive declarations that ever has been put out by any group of Christian leaders. We are printing it in full on pages 12 and 13 of this issue, and have so arranged

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the setting, that you can remove it from the paper itself, and frame it. The beauty of this Document is that it was unanimously agreed upon, and it is intended that it shall be a stabilizing anchor to every child of God, whether in the pulpit or the pew, who has been disturbed by recent perversions and misinterpretations of brethren who no doubt are well intentioned, but have failed to understand the whole counsel of God. Amidst the hush of expectancy, Dr. Ironside on Friday night read the AFFIRMATION to an audience that again filled every nook and cranny of the Calvary Church auditorium, and from every corner of the church came shouts of Amen; on all sides we saw the people moving their lips in evident gratitude for this plain gathering up and orderly statement of the unanimous thinking of every pastor and preacher on the program. Many a brother will rise to call us blessed for having given to him this profound and yet simple declaration that he can lean on; especially is this true for the preacher who must present sound Bible truth to his people week after week.

Another notable feature of the Congress was that every time we took a census on the floor of the Congress we found not less than 100 preachers present; they came from many parts of the country; they came with their Bibles, with their note books, with their pencils; and they came with hearts hungry and minds wide open to receive God's truth. And receive it they did, with such looks in their eyes, as we watched them, that reminded one of a man in the desert, famished for thirst, who suddenly has come upon an oasis, to drink eagerly of the life-giving water.

And so the days passed all too quickly, and before we knew it, Sunday night had come, of November 8th, and Dr. Albert Johnson gave the closing address, "Christ, the Eternal King." And the audience, with the hush of the Holy Spirit, was dismissed, and the Congress was ended.

BLESSING TO ISRAEL ALSO

Our Jewish friends were present in abundance and we know that the testimony has produced already much good in their hearts and from them has rippled on to other Jewish circles. All over the country the newspapers carried announcements and reports of the sessions, and we have no doubt but that the wide testimony will bear fruit in the days and years to come.

It is too soon after the close of the Congress (I am writing this just two days after the last meeting) to gather together the opinions, reactions and results; but, we began with the anticipatory announcement given by Dr. Ayer in the Calvary Church Bulletin on Sunday, November 1st, and now we think a fitting close to this brief report will be to quote again from the Calvary Church Bulletin; this time it is of the closing Sunday, November 8th. This quotation certainly will speak for itself. Here it is:

This has been a great week at Calvary Baptist Church. Great because God's great servants have come and ministered to us, preaching the great prophetic message of the Word of God. Great because God's spirit has been with us in power and a blessed sense of unity of mind, heart and purpose has encompassed us. Great because in a world dark with sin and bloody with war, we have seen a great light and our faith has been strengthened and encouraged as we have realized that God is not overcome by the tragedy of the hour. Knowing what would come to pass upon the earth, God has prepared those who will believe His Word for this tragic hour.

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AN UNEXPECTED DIVIDEND WHICH WARMED OUR HEARTS

ON Thursday, November 5th, a special lunch was arranged at the Great Northern Hotel, across the street from the Calvary Baptist Church, in honor of Dr. Harry A. Ironside, a friend and brother beloved not only to the American Board of Missions to the Jews, but to many a child of God over the country.

There were about 75 of the leading participants and attendants of the Congress gathered about the tables. Dr. Albert Johnson in his usual gracious manner and beautifully chosen words arose to offer the following Resolution:—

AN APPRECIATION

We desire to make vocal our deep and sincere appreciation of the very evident spiritual insight on the part of the American Board of Missions to the Jews in calling this Congress on Prophecy in this crucial hour of world crisis, which we believe has had the leading of God's Holy Spirit.

We too praise God for the very evident spiritual unity that has characterized our councils, and in the public meetings.

We also take this opportunity to express our joy over the high standard of work now being carried on by the American Board of Missions to the Jews, and we assure you of our prayerful support and commendation.

We further desire to express our thanks for your thoughtful care of our comforts during our stay in your midst, which has definitely enhanced the value of our humble ministry with you.

With a rising vote of approval, the Resolution was unanimously adopted; and down in our hearts we thanked God for this new token of His care for us. Dr. Johnson explained somewhat of the vast amount of work that had been involved and the unbounded courage that had been required, to undertake such a far-reaching and statesman-like testimony for the Lord Jesus Christ.

So we wish to record publicly our gratitude, and to pass on the information to our dear friends, for you too must share in this vote of appreciation and confidence, because your faith and your labors have also been cast in with us and have become a part of all the doings of your beloved Mission.

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The Times of the Gentiles

Under this title, an attractive little chart has come to our hands from our friend and brother, Rev. Charles H. Huber. Beginning with the image of Daniel 2, Dr. Huber goes through the various Gentile empires, through the destruction of Jerusalem under Titus, and then carries us on to the Rapture which takes place before the beginning of Daniel's 70th week.

With some of the implications of the chart we do not fully agree, but that is to be expected with any chart that might be produced. The Lord has so made us that we each have our own individualities and our own viewpoints. Especially are we not in agreement with Brother Huber as regards the Ezekiel 38-39 position. But the chart is so clear and so simple otherwise, that we feel it will be a blessing to many of our readers, and we recommend it on that basis. The price is only ten cents. You may order directly from us, or from Rev. Charles H. Huber, 5722 Greene Street, Germantown, Phila., Penna.

We have come out of this Conference with a new hope. We are concerned of course but not alarmed. We are saddened by conditions but not overcome by them. We are resolved to continue our study and to carry on our evangelistic work at home and to the ends of the earth—till Jesus comes.

The pastor has been undecided as to what the Lord would have him give as the new series of studies in our Popular Midweek Service. Temporarily he has been teaching truth concerning "Misunderstood Scripture Messages" but as a result of this Prophetic Conference he feels led to begin next Wednesday night a series of studies in the whole prophetic message of God's Word, and trust that the marvelous interest created by this conference may continue in our midweek services. The first lecture will be, "How Fulfilled Prophecies Prove the Divinity of the Scriptures."

Need more be said? When both pastor and people can go with us through a week of the most gruelling succession of meeting after meeting, with the most trying experience of having to be on trigger service almost 24 hours a day for eight days, and then come through with such a testimony, surely the meetings bear their own witness of blessing and service.

But this is only a beginning, and from here we must carry on; as one of the speakers told us at the Congress, "You have come here to light your torches from our own feeble lamps; now go back to the far reaches from where you have come, and lift high those torches, and let there be a light kindled over this country that shall cast a glory upon the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and that shall light up this dark world with such an illumination as has not been seen since the days when the angels sang their songs over the quiet hills of the Judean pastures." Already movements are on foot to organize teams that will go over this country to bring to the important centers of America the echoes of the New York Congress on Prophecy. Dr. Rogers is intensely eager that this shall be done and the speakers agreed that they will be available for such calls in different parts of the country which may be situated nearest to themselves. Then we are going to print the AFFIRMATION shortly in circular form, and it will be available to you in any quantity you may wish. They should be distributed far and wide for they will do much to stabilize present confusion as to prophetic events in God's program. All gifts that friends may still be led to send for the special follow up programs of the New York Congress on Prophecy will be used to further in every way possible the testimony that was given at these meetings.

Perhaps the most important of all sequences will be the publishing of the book which will give the addresses, although some of them may have to be slightly shortened. The present idea is to have the book contain 224 pages, and sell for \$1.50. We have not yet decided on what title to give the book; at the moment it seems to us that "The Sure Word of Prophecy" might be a good title; but we are still waiting for definite guidance, and are submitting the inquiry to a number of friends, realizing that in the multitude of counsellors there is safety. Whatever title we choose, we will also follow it with a subtitle indicating that the book contains the reports and addresses given at the Congress on Prophecy. Dr. John W. Bradbury, editor of the Watchman-Examiner, a brother beloved in the Lord, to whom He has given a large measure of literary ability and a fineness of literary taste, has assumed the editorship of the book; so we are assured of the literary quality of that which will represent this Congress on Prophecy. It may be that it will be necessary to

extend the limits of the book to about 300 pages. If this should prove to be the case, we shall have to ask \$2.00 for the book, a price which we believe our friends will gladly pay; but all who have given pre-orders for the book at the \$1.50 price, will receive the book just the same, and we will bear the loss of the difference. We want also that this book shall be given nation wide and world wide circulation. At the Congress Sessions, pastors were already asking us when the book would be out; they asked for ten, fifty, a hundred copies, to distribute to their members; book-dealers also requested that we put them down as agents to handle the book when it comes out. We want to place the book in the hands of thousands of preachers who may be unable, out of slender salaries, to buy many new books. The book also should be sent to every seminary, every library, even to every Jewish rabbi. All of this of course requires that we shall be able to present the book to these people without charge; but we are sure that many friends will want to have a part in so important a piece of missionary work, especially in these last days when it is imperative that our spiritual leaders shall have the truth put into their hands.

A BELATED BIRTHDAY PARTY

A luncheon was given on Thursday noon to Dr. Ironside; he had had a birthday back in October, and last year when he was with us in our Buffalo anniversary meetings, it so happened that the actual birthday came around at that time, and some of the local pastors in Buffalo gathered together at a lunch to do him honor. And so while it was a little late, we wanted to do honor in New York to this valiant servant of Christ whose love for the Christian brethren is so wide and so overflowing that it takes in almost the whole world of men who are laboring in the Lord's vineyard. At that luncheon Dr. Albert Johnson moved a Resolution thanking the American Board of Missions to the Jews for this epochal achievement of the Congress on Prophecy in this crucial hour of world history. This Resolution we also have felt we ought to print in The Chosen People so as to make it a part of the permanent record of the proceedings of the Congress; and you will find it on page 18. I think of those dear friends of ours who rallied to our support when we first announced the Congress, and poured their gifts into our Treasury to enable us to go ahead at full steam: they assured us so earnestly of their faith and prayers in this great undertaking; to these precious friends belongs the gratification of this Resolution; it is another dividend on your investment of prayer and money. So, read it, and rejoice with us that we have come to such an hour as this, and that your beloved Iewish Mission has been used of God in the hour of crisis to lift up a lighted torch to a world of darkness, and to say to that world, "This is the way, walk ye in it!"

ADDENDA

Much, very much, we have had to leave out by way of detail from this report, but at the last moment I am trying to crowd in a few more pertinent observations, and perhaps the best way to do it will be to set them down in categorical order:—

1—Tribute must be paid to the high order and fresh vigor that characterized the addresses that were given. We had rather brusquely written to the nationally-known brethren on the program that we did not want, please God,

A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT FROM GREAT BRITAIN

Encomiums still are showered upon us, for the achievement with which God honored us as His servants, the producing of the first American Translation of the New Testament in Yiddish. Even with the dislocations and disasters of the World War, this great work is finding its way around the world, and grateful hearts continue to pour in their tributes of praise and thanksgiving. Our friends surely will rejoice with us, for yours too is the glory and the reward. Here is a clipping from The Harvester, an important Christian publication of London:—

The American Translation of the Yiddish New Testament, by Henry Einspruch, D. D. Hitherto, no American press has ever printed a Yiddish New Testament. Workers among the 4,500,000 Jews in America have been dependent for supplies upon London and Berlin.

The present war and the disastrous destruction of stereotype plates in London air-raids reduced supplies to a minimum, and the American Board of Missions to the Jews accordingly came to the rescue. Dr. Einspruch, of Baltimore, was probably one of the most capable of Hebrew Christians to undertake the task of making a new translation. The result is a volume which is a masterpiece of the printer's art. Excellent and clear in type, extremely well bound, and printed on first-class paper, it is a credit to the producers. We are credibly informed by those capable of judging that, apart from a few blemishes, the translation is exceptionally good. The book should prove of the greatest possible value to workers among Jews. Such may receive free grants on application to Marshall, Morgan & Scott, Ltd., 7, Milford Lane. London,, W. C. 2.

SUMMARY OF CONTRIBUTIONS FROM OCTOBER 1st TO OCTOBER 31st, 1942

Covering Receipt Numbers A83837 to A85688; B88344 to B90063
General Fund ______\$18,289.29

(Of which \$2,977.43 is for N. Y. Congress on Prophecy expense)

on Prophecy expense)	
"The Chosen People"	321.20
"The Shepherd of Israel"	77.60
Children	35.00
Dispensary	17.50
Poor Fund	379.00
Philadelphia Branch	384.60
Pittsburgh Branch	224.88
Columbus Branch	325.24
Buffalo Branch	87.00
Los Angeles Branch	957.58
Seattle Branch	28.50
Hewes Street Account	
European and Refugees	498.76
Literature Fund	123.88
Education Fund	10.00
American Translation of Yiddish New Testament	30.00
Total	_\$21,835.03

THE CHOSEN PEOPLE

We are still distributing Bibles and New Testaments. The Yiddish New Testaments already are quite popular. A local Yiddish-speaking missionary came to see me last week and thanks you so very much for your New Testaments and for the Yiddish copies of Shepherd of Israel.

I already told you about the man who distributes the Bibles. Until now he gave away five Yiddish Testaments. I now send to those addresses who received those copies, the last number of Shepherd of Israel, in a closed envelope. That copy contains the article about Jewish New Year. We now put together a list of people who are interested in receiving the English copy of Shepherd of Israel. There are some English speaking people amongst our friends who as I think would like such reading and will be impressed by it.

To Translate Our Tracts

I will prepare the printing of the Spanish and German tracts with all necessary carefulness and circumspection. As you asked for it, I later on will send you the estimate of the printing. But I'm so taken up by the increasing work that I can't hasten this matter as I should like to do, but I think our first publication ought to be prepared very carefully. We already possess many addresses for this matter.

We are also going on with our intention to find possibilities for employment. Once a week sometimes even more often we are able to procure work; besides of that we contacted with Harreds, the biggest English department - store, Mrs. Lichtenstein brought from Europe a new kind of knitting-work that means not known here until now. Seeing the samples, a lady one of our friends from Vienna made, the house of Harreds asked for some more samples. So we hope to tact in constant harmony.

procure work to some women who may earn not only the very low local wages for homework, but have a daily income of about 3-5 pesos. We shall continue in informing you about that action.

I already reported in a special letter about the family Schaefer who had come here from Paris by your help and who heard of us by the advertisements. I'm looking forward to your answer with interest.

One of these days we received the "Summer-letter" of Rev. Doctor Cohn. We were deeply interested in reading it and we are eagerly waiting for the October edition of "The Chosen People." I thank you very much for the heart-warming words you said about our work here.

Perhaps you will remember my already telling you of a protestant couple whom we could save from hard distress by - following an idea of Pastor Armbruster - charging them with the upkeep and cleaning of our rooms. We rented them a room in the house of our Mission home, so they can always look after our rooms, and by their mediation people needing urgent help can contact with me even late in the evening.

We also began to organize our medical consultation. A clinical hospital in the centre with eight specialists will assist our friends, if there are no means, even gratis.

We have now spring here, and though there are still some cool days soon will come the heat, we European people are not accustomed to. For the contrary, in that part of the earth where you live summer is finished, and you soon will feel the cold of winter. We always admire how wisely God has arranged everything. But in spite of that apparent disharmony in the two American countries we are able to con-

to have just another "conference." We did not want that the speakers shall dig down in their sermon barrels and bring up something that they might think would fit the situation. We had assigned to each speaker the subject which we felt he was best able to treat, and as events proved, the Lord guided us in every such assignment. To show how these addresses fitted the needs of the people who attended, there was, for instance, the dear sister who had come all the way from Oregon, at an expense undoubtedly of several hundred dollars. At the close of the first address, the Sunday morning sermon by Dr. Ayer, she said to me, "This morning's sermon has paid my coming all the way from Portland to New York and back." And I replied, "Then from now on all that you will receive for the rest of the eight days will be clear profit!" To which she gave assent.

2-Financially; the Lord met our needs to the full. We have not vet a complete report of all the figures, but with what you, our faithful and generous family of Chosen People readers sent, so quickly and so abundantly, together with the offerings taken at the meetings, there will be more than enough to pay every dollar of expense. And so once more the Lord has vindicated our faith in Him, and once more He has met the need just exactly as the sums needed became due; and we say, Praise be to His Name!

3-The brethren who took part, how can we ever thank them enough! They came at sacrifice of time and strength, and inconvenience of travel, with no promise of financial return beyond the actual railroad fare from their starting point to New York and back. They suffered hardship in railroad accommodations; Dr. Yearby started out by airplane from El Paso, his own faithful congregation having insisted that he go that way, and having themselves provided the expenses. At Memphis he was taken off the plane and told that others waiting in Memphis had priorities and he would have to go by train. Our audiences were amazed and solemnly impressed with the unanimity of the messages; never before had they witnessed so many speakers coming from so many places, with so many different personalities, yet striking the chimes in perfect harmony and unity; diversity, and yet blessed and harmonious agreement throughout. Each was determined upon one thing only-that the Lord Jesus Christ shall be glorified, magnified and given preeminence.

4-Aside from publishing the Book, we plan to give month by month at least a brief summary of some of the addresses that were delivered at the Congress. We will have to do a lot of cutting down, but perhaps we can keep within the limits of three pages of the Chosen People each month.

5-Always it seemed as though each message had been designed of the Lord for some one or more particular member of the audience. For over and over again friends would come to me with the eager declaration, "That man's message was intended for me. He talked straight to my heart and solved my problems. That alone was worth all my effort to come."

6-Last, but not least, it begins to dawn on us that the Jewish Mission cause itself is going to benefit profoundly from these meetings, although we had never given that possibility the slightest thought in our original plans. But, lo and behold, the Lord used this Congress to stir up such renewed and far-reaching interest in giving the Gospel to the Jews, that it is going to exert its influences for years to come. Many a pastor asked us for more information concerning the work of the American Board of Missions to the Jews, and told us that he intends, when he gets home, to put his church solidly behind this blessed undertaking which is so pivotal in God's program for the end-days. And so how grateful have been our hearts ever since, and how we have realized that God does work in mysterious ways His wonders to perform.

IT IS CHRISTMAS AGAIN

So fully have we been occupied with the moving drama of the hour, that we had almost crowded out the recognition that this is the month in which we are to celebrate the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ to earth. We had planned to write in these pages a Christmas message to you. But after all, could any one - that is, any one who has been really born again - ask for a better Christmas present than the reports we have given now? Can we not read these reports and then from the bottom of our hearts give thanks to our Lord Jesus Christ and tell Him that this indeed has been a Christmas present that has filled our hearts to the full, even to running over? And while it may seem that we have neglected the regular work of the Mission in our far flung labors. this has not been so, excepting that we have not had room to mention all the reports in The Chosen People; these for the moment more urgent matters have made that impossible. But our friends know that the work goes on, ever more earnestly, ever more industriously, ever more pervasively, ever more devotedly, and our workers report the manifest free course that the Gospel is having through our ministrations. In later issues we shall have more room to give you detailed reports from our many fields of labor. Your continued prayers in our behalf, your faithful sacrificial giving, these will continue, we know; and if you keep on at the present rate in your generosity of financial help, we shall close the year once more as the largest in our history, a thing which we know will give joy to the angels in heaven, and will please our Heavenly Father. We will need to have a large carry over of funds so that we can go full speed ahead with regard to publishing the new book and giving it swift and wide distribution over the country. We will need also some additional funds for some new building operations that we have in mind to take care of our growing work. Then there are always the new missionaries to appoint, the new fields to occupy, larger printings of our Gospel literature, a new reprint of the Gospel of Matthew in English, for the Jewish soldier boys, all of these things over and above the regular budget for the Mission, which of itself is increasingly large. We have a great God and we have learned to ask great things of Him and to receive His abundant answers.

A "WEINACHT" OF MEMORIES

Of course for our poor folks we shall do everything possible to show them the spirit of Christ love in this hour of hate and war and gloom. For our children we want to do something that will make them happy, because they are in America and they are in a land where Christian life still is allowed to have full play. For our refugees we want to have once more the German celebration of Christmas, "Weinacht", to which some of them have been accustomed for years in the old country, a Weinacht which will bring back memories of happy days that once used to be, and which will remind them of the blessed promise

to interest still more people in our work. She also intends to make possible courses of conversion, regular care for children, intensifying the practical care and so on. Endeavoring all this she will go to see some people. Pastor Armbruster too offered his help concerning this matter to Miss Reinke. Miss Reinke wants also me to visit some people as to inform them about aims and purposes of our work.

Invited by Miss Reinke and Pastor Armbruster, Reverend Emanuel Galland, Pastor of the local French colony, came to our Bible-lesson. He is also president of the society of the protestant reverends in Buenos Aires, as well as president of that aid-committee carrying out the collection for people interned in France.

Swedish and Danish Reverends too were already visiting our Bible study even if they themselves didn't take a speech.

That evening when Pastor Galland and Mrs. Galland came to see us. altogether 99 people attended to the Bible-lesson. We always write down the name of every visitor. On this evening between Bible study and luncheon we tried to present some cultural performances. Pastor Armbruster with hearty words introduced this new arrangement. The organist of his church then played on our organ, and one of our friends, a lady, recited some German and Spanish poems. She had a big success by telling a legend of Christ, written by Selma Lagerloef. There is told how a little bird called "robin" extracts a thorn with his bill out of the crown of thorns of our crucified Saviour. In my following short Spanish speech I pointed out the contrast between that nice action of the bird in the legend, and how men with nearly all their actions are putting another nail into the cross of Christ,

This evening Pastor Hammer made a speech about Luke 16:19-25. Afterwards we showed some films; Palestine and New York.

Increasing Numbers

During the month of September the number of visitors for our Bible study and the following luncheon was: Sept. 5th 73 people, Sept. 12th 62 people, Sept. 19th 58 people, Sept. 26th 99 people. May be we shall not al-

ways have that last high number of visitors but we already announced special performances for October hoping to have then perhaps a hundred visitors too.

Pastor Armbruster and I are paying special attention to that unexpectedly high number of visitors at our Saturday meetings. We know fairly well that not all those people can suddenly feel essentially religious feelings, but we are most grateful to our Lord, to be able to tell His word to so many people, so different by mind, Jews, Christians, and even without any confession. We are also thankful to our Lord that by the offerings of the American Board we at least once a week can grant these people a home in our rooms, some humble entertainment. We are so glad to have still more opportunity of contacting with people who searching the truth, want to fasten their relation to God and who, inspired by our work, will approach our Saviour more and more. So I'm also able to see some of our friends in their houses, or in the hospital, if they are ill; I can assist them in the solution of important problems, and I can tell them about Jesus the Messiah of the Jews not only publicly but also confidentially within their homes. I know quite well everything I do is only imperfect work, but our Lord may show mercy to our work and may grant us to comfort many unhappy people in His Holy name.

Each In His Own Tongue

There are many visitors not only at the Bible study but also at the services held in our mission home in various languages. With the help of God they seem to be a blessed institution. In September altogether 200 people attended to the Spanish, Slovak, German and Hungarian services. At the Spanish service there are always about 8-10 of our friends. For the German and Hungarian service there are now about 12 people, but we hope that this number will increase in the future.

Incidents In The Work

THE GOSPEL AGLOW IN THE ARGENTINE

(A further report from Mr. Emanuel Lichtenstein, our indefatigable and resourceful missionary among the 200,000 Jews of Buenos Aires. Your heart will warm with new enthusiasm. and you may find yourself exclaiming, "Praise the Lord!" as you read. Perhaps the eye may get a bit misty, too; but let the tear-drops fall, even that will be a blessing to you. We have kept as far as possible the exact language and spelling of the letter, otherwise its beauty and quaintness would be spoiled. So, read on, and give thanks to God with us, that He has led us "hitherto").

THOUGH having elapsed not even three months since the official opening and the solemn inauguration of our first Mission home in South America, vet we can look back to a nice sum of work, done with the help of our Lord and Saviour. In one of his preceding letters to Reverend Doctor Cohn, Pastor Armbruster appropriately said: "It all goes to show that our faith is all too weak. We should expect greater things from God and perhaps the work all over the world would go ahead faster." Once more God has done miracles. The same as in Vienna - of course after twenty years work - every Jew knew of the existence of the "Schwedische Gesellschaft fuer Israel," so also in this city of millions of inhabitants, where there live two hundred thousand of Jews, our Mission station is already well known nearly everywhere. But here the work is done under our own name "American Board of Missions to the Jews" whose close mutual work together with the Iglesia Luterana Unida now is generally known and approved from all parts. Nearly every day there are people coming to see us telling their various requests: One of them should like to hear about his relatives in Europe, the other wants to send money or food to his friends or relations in Poland, a third one now is without any job, the fourth by our help would like to learn the Spanish language, the

fifth comes to use our sewing-machine for mending his clothes and underwear, the sixth writes a letter or some other thing on one of our typewriters, the seventh spends some free time at our rooms, the eighth uses our telephone here in the centre, or we receive information or parcels for him. Other people suddenly without gains ask for our assistance and we grant them lodging and food. But generally distress here by far doesn't reach the same measure as in Europe. There are also people asking our advice for the education of their children, others who urgently want to discuss the problems of soul with Pastor Armbruster or with me, or others having still for a longer or shorter time the ardent desire to meet Jesus and to confess to Him by the Holy baptism, and still those asking to consecrate in the name of Jesus Christ the marriage they just now or even some time contracted, and to invite Him to live with them in their homes.

All Things To All Men

I can't even by far describe those problems always renewed. I only want to mention one case: Pastor Armbruster is interested lovingly and patiently in an elderly Jewish man suffering of persecution mania and affirming that the wrong done two thousands of years ago was by far not so bad than this one done to him. Pastor Armbruster for hours listens to the narrations of that unhappy Jew, he also goes to see him in his house and as he asks so even speaks to other people concerning his affairs, as to put an end to his persecution. Amongs those visits Pastor Armbruster will confer also with a rabbi, who some time ago published an article in which amongst others is said that the Jews themselves are to blame for their pres-

Pace by pace we have to complete our work still in development. We hope God will show us the right way to carry out social care together with collaborators apt for this matter. Miss Isabel Reinke showing so much help and sacrifice to our work endeavours of redemption and deliverance. Then they shall have a Weinacht that never will have an end, for it will reach through enternity.

And now a word of fellowship to our beloved friends. You too need the comfort of the Lord Jesus Christ, for you too have to bear the burden and the heat of the day. We do not forget you, and we shall pray for you especially at this time that He will indeed comfort your hearts, give you the faith, the grace and the courage to know that He is holding on to you until that last day shall dawn when He shall present you blameless before His Father, and our Father; and in that hour He shall not be ashamed of us. It is not lighter burdens that we would ask, but stronger backs; it is not more harness we need, but a stronger horse. And so may He teach us to bear patiently what for the moment may seem to be an unbearable burden, and may He teach us that the trappings and the machinery and the organizations, these things count for nothing, it is the power behind the trappings, the urge behind the organization, these thing are what count. That boy in the army, perhaps in the hot deserts of Libya, perhaps in the cold winds of Iceland, that boy may have a lonely Christmas, but our prayers will support him in the disconsolate hour. Soon may he be home again, and thank God for the experiences that have hardened him and have taught him the issues of life. The news from across the waters is now much more encouraging and Hitler's doom is approaching with the rapidity of a cataract; it is as we have many times presented to our readers, out of the Book, that there will be a lull in the storm, to give such nations as Russia time to arm again for that final onslaught in which Armageddon will become a stark reality, but from which the Lord has promised to deliver us, Rommel is on the run, the Axis Egyptian campaign has collapsed, the second front is in the making, and who knows what a day may bring forth? And so from the bottom of our hearts we say, "Even so come Lord Jesus" and with patient possessing of our souls, we wait eagerly for that shout from the heavens which shall translate us in the twinkling of an eye, to the heavenly abode where we shall be forever with the Lord. Amen and amen.

Ever gratefully and faithfully yours in Israel's behalf,

Stoffmanlohn

P.S.—The Affirmation on the next two pages will be printed immediately by us as a separate document and will be available to all, for wide distribution, by the hundreds of thousands. We hope to have the signatures in photostatic form, and to have a supplementary list of pastors and Bible teachers who were unable to be with us at the meetings but who have already told us, "Count me in."

You will be freely supplied with as many copies as you will wish. Only please state in each case exactly the number we shall send. If you wish to share in the cost, you may calculate on the basis of approximately \$12 a thousand.

NEW YORK CONGRESS ON PROPHECY – AFFIRMATION

THE following affirmation was adopted unanimously, and signed, by every speaker who took part in the deliberations and public addresses of the NEW YORK CONGRESS ON PROPHECY which was held in Calvary Baptist Church, 123 West Fifty-seventh Street, New York City, for eight days beginning Sunday, November 1st, and ending Sunday, November 8th, 1942. Before a vast audience which crowded every available space in the auditorium of the Calvary Baptist Church on Friday night, November 6th, Dr. Harry A. Ironside, Pastor of the Moody Memorial Church of Chicago, reported the deliberations and conclusions of the members of the Congress on Prophecy, and read this affirmation:

A LARMING catastrophe has overtaken the world. Nations are in confusion. The age-old hatred against the Jews has again been revived, and has shocked civilization with its revolting manifestations overseas; even in our own land of historic freedom and tolerance it has been given encouragement to the extent that some elements of the Chrstian Church have been disturbed thereby. Within the Church of the Lord Jesus Christ there has seemed an indifference to God's prophetic Word for these days; and in places where such prophetic Word is being presented to the people, it is too often used ignorantly, or for exploitation.

It has seemed good, therefore, and indeed imperative, in this critical world situation, that a gathering of trusted Bible teachers, pastors and other Christian workers should be called together to consider these matters. Accordingly, in the Lord's providence, the American Board of Missions to the Jews undertook to assemble a national Congress on Prophecy, which met in Calvary Baptist Church in New York City, from November 1st to 8th, 1942.

As a result of these days of heart searching and the earnest seeking of God's mind, we are led now humbly to affirm and declare to the Church of God, and to all the saints before whom these writings will come, the following solemn convictions:—

- 1. As to the Church: We believe that the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments are the Word of God, verbally inspired, infallible and inerrant in the original writings; that God's final and complete revelation of Himself is in His Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, Who by His substitutionary death on Calvary, purchased our redemption, as attested by His bodily resurrection; that the Church is the elect body of all re-generated believers, and is the herald of divine Truth. We re-affirm our belief that the true hope of the Church is to meet the Lord in the air at His coming for His saints, and that this coming is imminent, and will occur before the beginning of the 70th week of Daniel's prophecy of the seventy weeks; that the return of the Lord Jesus Christ (Israel's Messiah) with His saints, to establish His kingdom on the earth, will occur immediately after the fulfillment of the events included in the above-mentioned 70th week. We believe that this 70th week is identical with the seven years known as the Tribulation. Concerning anti-Christ, we believe that he will not be revealed until after the Rapture of the Church.
- 2. As to the World: We believe that the Kingdom reign of Christ on earth will be a period of a thousand years of righteous government during which period Jerusalem will be the governmental center of the earth; that after the Rapture of the Church there will arise, within the 70th week of Daniel, the ten-kingdom Confed-

eracy of Gentile powers; that this Confederacy will gain control of Palestine in a combined political and ecclesiastical domination; and that this Confederacy will then be destroyed by the return of the Lord Jesus Christ to establish the Kingdom reign. We believe that the invasion of Palestine by Gog and Magog (Ezekiel 38 and 39) which is commonly designated as the great Northern Confederacy, will take place before the Millennium; and that the Gog and Magog battle of Revelation 20 is distinctly an event following the millennial age. The Gog and Magog of Ezekiel 38 and 39, being names of territories and peoples, are limited by geographical boundaries, while the Gog and Magog of Revelation 20 are descriptive names which designate the world-wide extent of Satan's final rebellion against God, and warfare against His chosen people.

- 3. As to Israel: We believe, as stated by the sainted Bishop Ryle, "that the Jews shall ultimately be gathered again as a separate nation, restored to their own land, and converted to the faith of Christ." We believe that God has used Israel as His channel of revelation, and that He purposes in the age to come that redeemed Israel shall be His agency through whom will flow plenary blessings of the Messiah's reign to the nations of the world. We believe that even though Israel nationally rejected the Lord Jesus Christ as Messiah, she is still bound to God nationally by covenant ties, but that individually, any Jew has the same right and privilege now as does any Gentile, to salvation through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and that the Church has a supreme obligation to press upon the hearts of individual Jews the message of the Gospel. We regard the need for such ministry as imperative because of Israel's special suffering.
- 4. As to Anti-Semitism: We believe that anti-Semitism in its present vicious world-wide manifestation is incompatible with both the letter and the spirit of the Gospel, and is to be shunned and guarded against by all who sincerely love our Lord Jesus Christ; and that to do kindness and to show mercy to the seed of Abraham is a direct Christian obligation.

NOW, THEREFORE, we, in solemn gathering assembled, express our united adoration for the Saviour Whose testimony is the Spirit of Prophecy. "Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honor, and glory, and blessing." We also exhort our fellow believers in Christ to holy living and consecrated Christian service, holding both to be obligatory to the faith we here affirm, and believing that the teaching of prophetic truth is valueless unless it produces in the lives of the Lord's people new and increasing devotion to Him and to His cause.

"Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen."

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