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Psalm 121:4.



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Detailed programs are now ready. We hope you will be able to make your plans so as to attend at least one of these conferences with us. Write for programs of whatever conferences you may wish to consider.

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Extra copies of March and April issues of THE CHOSEN PEOPLE are available to you, free. State definitely how many you desire. If you could only see how many letters we get, saying, "A friend gave me a copy of your paper!" Perhaps the Lord will bless you too, in making a new friend for your beloved Jewish Mission. The hour of Israel's destiny is striking, and "the King's business requires haste." So, publish, cry aloud, rebuke, exhort! Shall we hear from you?

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## Salutation

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

*Dearly beloved friends:—*

Swiftly the days go by as I make preparations for what may prove to be the most important and historic undertaking in all of the epochal accomplishments that the Lord has allowed your Mission to achieve. As we look back over the long, long trail of fifty-two years of intrepid warfare, of undaunted engagements on the front line of battle, the milestones stand out with stark clearness and in bold relief. In the planting of flags of conquest on new fields of battle, always your Mission has attained new heights of glory and victory for the Lord Jesus Christ. What can we say now, but cry out with Samuel of old, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us!" I Samuel 7:12.

As we look forward to this new undertaking, once more we realize that it is another bold adventure. We are going to tread on dangerous ground, of that we are well aware. But, the adventure is taken in His Name, and for His honor, and to bring cheer and help in the tragic hour of Israel's history, an hour that may well be the portal to that greatest period of agony that this old earth will yet have to go through, known as the Time of the Great Tribulation, the Time of Jacob's Trouble.

"WHOM SHALL I SEND?"

Because our dear friends have been so stirred by the news of my contemplated errand of Gospel distribution to souls in despair, and physical relief to hungry stomachs and naked bodies, we feel that we ought to give some extended space in this issue to putting before you just the problems that are involved, and just what it is my hope to accomplish in the Lord's Name and in His strength, as I go across. If I can set before you this program and a reasonably full picture, I know that you will be thankful for the detailed information, and you will know the more definitely how to pray for God's watch-care and guidance in every step that I shall be taking.

With that thought in mind, I will impart to you the plans as they have been formulated thus far, and I hope you will keep them before you, and pray faithfully that the Lord will not only bring me back in safety and in peace, and with health unimpaired, and that He will not only keep from danger and from harm, but what is most important of all, that He will grant good judgment, genuine sympathy, and true brotherly affection, as I meet with Jewish missionary brethren across the water, and try to be of help to



them. I shall need also wisdom and patience as I come face to face with the devastation caused by the cruelties of the War, as I meet with embittered Jewish men and women, many of whom will no doubt be as living skeletons, haggard and gaunt, and with a hardness that takes miracles to overcome. I shall need wisdom as we plan yonder for the pouring out of thousands and thousands of dollars that will bring immediate help to at least some of those in the deepest of miseries. We will need to spend much money on certain constructive and far-reaching programs of rehabilitation that our workers will undoubtedly urge upon us.

#### OUR ERRAND UNIQUE

Let us say now, so that you may understand our policies as I go abroad, that the Christian Jew, the believer on the Lord Jesus Christ, will have first claim upon what funds we will have available for relief work. These are they who have suffered the most, who have been neglected the most. These have been disowned, and this we say with shame, by the very churches to which they had attached themselves as members, in those better days; and these are the churches which betrayed them at the behest of the Hitler satellites. They were cast adrift: the Jewish Committees disowned them as "apostates" and "traitors" to the people of Israel. The Christian Church, so-called, took no account of these forsaken and desperately-driven derelicts of a collapsed civilization. It is because of this catastrophic situation that our undertaking takes on its unique character. Our entire program of intensive effort, will be concentrated on this supreme objective, the bringing of relief in His Name, to Christian Jews who have suffered for His sake and this uniqueness finds further accentuation in the fact that we are going over as Christian Jews, to bring money from true Gentile as well as Jewish followers of the Lord Jesus Christ in America, as a testimony that in Christ there is neither Jew nor Gentile, but only a deep, abiding, and divine love for all "of the household of faith." This is a tie that binds us together as no earthly tie can ever do. We believe we are pre-eminently correct when we remark that there is no other such enterprise in the world today. We stand in singular and solitary isolation. The unique character of our undertaking is further accentuated by the fact that the funds will be administered directly by your own missionaries, with no organizational clogs; and, further, with practically no overhead — our workers are already on the field as missionaries!

I shall go to these poor people with the simple message, "These funds that I am able to give you, I give you in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the money comes from *real* Christians, who have in their hearts a burning love for the people of Israel because their Lord and Saviour came from the stock of Abraham, and from the seed of David." Such a ministry at such a time — who can tell its final cumulative value before God?

Perhaps some of our dear readers, reading these lines, will shed tears as they think upon the awful conditions across the water, conditions which have not been experienced before in the history of mankind. It is the old cry of Jeremiah, "See if there be any sorrow like unto my sorrow, which is done unto me?" But, dear brother and dear sister, it will only be as your hearts are moved to tears of compassion for this forsaken and tragic people, the people "still beloved for the fathers' sakes," that you will find yourself sharing with the Lord Himself in that poignant day when He stood with melancholy and breaking heart and wept over Jerusalem. So when you weep,

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**Object** — To reach the entire field of world Jewry. Mission stations are being established 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.

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**Evangelization by Mail.** A work of growing importance and one in which we have been the pioneers for many years past, is the use of letters, tracts, Gospels and Testaments mailed to selected lists of Jews in practically every city and many towns of the United States. *The Shepherd of Israel*, published monthly in Yiddish and English, has a circulation among Jews in all parts of the world.

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**Budget.** Under God's leading and blessing, the needs of the Mission have grown to over \$400,000 annually. The Lord has never failed us. We have no guaranteed support from any human source; nor are worldly methods of raising funds resorted to. The Mission exists as a testimony to the God of Israel Who has never failed to move the hearts of His children to come to our help.

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

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## "OH MOTHER DEAR JERUSALEM!"

I think of those urgent instructions that God gives to us as His children, in Isaiah 40, "Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak to the heart (literal) of Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the Lord's hand double for all her sins." Isaiah 40:1, 2.

The hour when Israel will have received double for her sins will come, correctly enough, in another day when the terrors of the monstrous anti-Christ will have spent their forces, and the people of Israel will lie prostrate as they see the breaking of the clouds in the skies overhead, and the visible coming of the Bright and Morning Star to accomplish their deliverance yonder on the Mount of Olives. That will indeed be the most dramatic climacteric of history. But shall we not also now anticipate that other event that will come at the close of this age, and give to the people of Israel a foretaste of what true comfort can mean when it is brought in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ, and in His strength?

Of the 8,000,000 Jews that were living in Central Europe before the Nazi cyclones burst upon an unsuspecting world, only 1,500,000 now survive! And even of these, many are now dying from starvation, from the aftermath of the tortures of the Nazi concentration camps, from diseases growing out of malnutrition, dysentery, tuberculosis, and a thousand other excruciating agonies that can torture these bodies of ours. The figures given do not take into account what may be a total of 3,000,000 Jews now in Russia. I am not sure that I will be allowed entry into Russia; it may be that what Winston Churchill called "the iron curtain" will also serve to keep me out and to keep out any Gospel testimony. But even here I shall do my best, and shall surely knock upon the doors of Russia's citadels.

## PARIS WILL BE HEADQUARTERS

The center of our work in Europe will still be in France. In addition to our original headquarters there at 123 Avenue du Maine, with Pastor Henri Vincent as Honorary Director, and Pastor Andre Frankl as Head Missionary, our brethren have also rented quarters on Rue de Liancon. It may be that when I am there, we shall have to confer not only with our own staff in Paris, but also with other Jewish Christian workers who have promised to come to Paris for such a meeting, some from Holland, some I hope will come from Norway, perhaps one or two from Sweden, perhaps some from Poland, from Roumania, and Hungary. We will then make our plans for a program of rehabilitation that will be more far-reaching and more constructive than just the immediate succouring of the hungry and the sick. You will remember that before the War we did have a home in the south of France that was used as an orphan asylum; that home was blown up by the Nazis, and we never did hear what happened to those poor children and to that beloved and consecrated matron. We may want to establish again some sort of a home where we can take in these children and bring them up in the fear of God, and establish them in the sound faith of the Lord Jesus Christ.



## MULTIPLIED SHAME

You see, when the Nazis swooped down upon France, with their might and fury, they did a most demoniacal piece of business, for which I imagine the Lord will judge them when they have to give an account for their deeds. They sundered, with satanic lust and cruelty, these thousands of helpless Jewish families; the shrieks of crazed mothers and the cry of bewildered children meant nothing to them. The men they sent, packed like cattle, in freight cars to the south and to the east, where those that arrived alive were put to work as slave laborers in the munition factories that were turning out the bullets and the guns and the torpedoes for the battlefronts. The older Jews that could not work, were given free "Turkish baths" in the lethal gas chambers where they were subjected to such fiendish horrors as never human mind had before devised. At least they were put out of existence and thus much suffering was ended.

The women, including even little girls of twelve and fourteen, were shipped north to the battle lines, there to live lives of unspeakable shame and agony, as victims of the brutal lusts and passions of the Nazi soldiers. Most of these probably died from sheer exhaustion or were killed finally in the concentration camps or in the crematories.

The children were let loose, to shift for themselves; they roamed the fields of southern France, where they went through almost the same experience that Nebuchadnezzar "enjoyed" when for seven years he was turned out to grass and become a beast of the field. Now, after five years of the war horrors, after five years of loose wanderings through the south of France, these children are coming back to Paris in droves; but what a terrible picture they present! They have no recollection as to who may have been their mothers; they cannot recall ever having had a father; they do not even know their own names. They have become what the psychologists call amoral; that is, they do not know right from wrong. If someone has a loaf of bread in his hands, and one of these children wants that loaf, he will snatch it from the owner, and if the owner protests, the youngster will whip out a dagger and without compunction stab the poor man or woman! This is the sort of thing we face as we start to reconstruct our Gospel testimony on the other side.

## DESOLATION COMPOUNDED

The Jews themselves have lost practically all knowledge of God; the Synagogue is gone, the Rabbis have for the most part been done to death, there are no more of the sacred Scrolls of the Law, the Torah; it just seems even as though there were no more a God to those poor crushed and ravaged souls. That is why it will be even more important for us to arrange for the dissemination of Bible truth, Gospel truth, in unlimited intensity and extensiveness.

So, one of the most important tasks that I shall have will be to locate a printing plant somewhere on the European Continent, through which we may be able to arrange for the printing, by offset process, of the New Testament in Yiddish. My plan is to take with me a few copies of the Yiddish New Testament, and then have the printing companies in Europe, possibly in Switzerland, photograph each page and print from photo plates, which is the offset process. We are already negotiating by correspondence both in Switzerland and in Holland, to see if we cannot make a beginning now; we have inquired if they will have ample supplies of paper, and if they will

## FROM OUR BOOK ROOM

## TRACTS FOR JEWS

We have them. They are brief, to the point, and attractively titled. They are written from a background of fifty years of experience in reaching the Jew with the gospel. The subjects grip the Jew with curiosity. For the most part they are written by Jews for Jews, and with a God-given native understanding of the Jewish mind. They treat with the difficulties the Jew finds by way of the stumbling block mentioned in 1st Cor. 1:23, such as the Trinity, The Virgin Birth, the Atonement. Here is the list:

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If you could just know what a blessing you and your messages over the radio every Sunday mean to us. We are situated in a "hollow" off the public road by three-quarters of a mile, and this three-quarters is so muddy most of the time, that we can't get out anywhere in the car. We don't have preaching every Sunday, although we do have Sunday school in the afternoon. That is why we never miss one of your messages unless we absolutely have to.

How we love God's chosen people! The Lord opened our eyes and hearts over eight years ago to them, their need, and the great Bible prophecies concerning their ultimate destiny. We consider it our greatest responsibility as well as privilege to give the Gospel of Christ to them and to comfort them with God's Word as it is fulfilled in Christ.

We are limited in strength, health and income, but thank God we can pray and we do. It is our greatest weapon. Our hearts are melted and bleeding for our Lord's brethren according to the flesh, on account of the treatment they are receiving now

from Britain. We know by our own experience that God's Word is true when He says, "I will bless them that bless thee." It requires all our tithes and offerings and more to mail our literature to our mailing list of 425 Jews right here in our State and neighboring towns.

Please remember us as prayer-warriors, intercessors that "give Him no rest, till He establish, and till He make Jerusalem a praise in the earth." May our Lord's richest and most gracious blessings rest upon you and your work.

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I thank God for the work you are doing among His chosen people. I pray for you, and the work of your Mission, and all its branches throughout the world every day. May God continue to bless your work to His own glory and to the salvation of precious souls in Israel, as He has done in the past—and even more, as time goes by. How I do wish that the Church as a whole, could realize more fully its obligations to Israel. How careless and indifferent they seem to be. I hope I am mistaken, but they seem to put so much more stress on other people, when we have the express command—"to the Jew first." I'm thankful that we can help to give the Gospel to them through you, one of their own people. I pray for them, but do not know how to approach them. May God's blessings abide upon you and your fellow workers, may you be the instruments in His Hands, of bringing multitudes of His chosen people back to the knowledge of the God of their Fathers, and of Jesus Christ, His Son, their Messiah and Kinsman Redeemer.

be prepared to give us efficient and speedy service; also what may be the approximate costs. If it should prove that the work can be done here in New York more efficiently and economically, we will be undertaking it right here and then ship the supplies across even before I start out. This is something else for our friends to pray about.

### WE GET PALESTINE VISA

To my great pleasure, the British Government has already granted me a visa for Palestine. But it is understood as a matter of course, that if, when I am ready to leave Europe for Palestine, that country should continue under martial law or under a reign of terror, or in any other state of confusion, my visa will not be valid; at least my own life will be safeguarded, as I will be spared the open dangers of terrorist warfare. However, we shall hope and trust that the door will be open and that I will have full access not only to see for myself what is going on in that bitterly contested land, but that I may inaugurate a worthwhile program of help for the thousands who have been smuggled in, and who find themselves disillusioned and stranded. We may want to establish somewhere in Palestine a home which will care for these hapless creatures on a transient basis, so that many shall pass through our doors, and be helped on to something better both in material comfort and in spiritual blessings.

I hold my breath as I see how long this letter has gotten to be; it had been my hope to write something having to do with the prophetic picture, the distress of the nations, the making ready of the world armies for the final onslaught on Palestine, the rise of the anti-Christ, etc. But now we must leave these matters, and I hope to deal with them at some length in the May issue, which I will prepare on the eve of my departure for Europe.

### CHANGE OF SAILING DATE

My sailing date has been moved from April 2 to April 24th, three weeks later. This will give me more time to arrange many details here in the States before my going, without the rush and helter-skelter of last moment activities. Our usual Midsummer Letter, however, I am planning to write either while I am in Paris, or over in Palestine; and if possible, I shall try to include two or three interesting snapshots. And so the Midsummer Letter will have the flavor of the oriental background, in which it may well be steeped, in view of what experiences I may have. I will be taking with me a moving-picture camera, and also a still-life camera, so that I can accumulate a supply of first-hand pictures which we can use later on here in the States.

The work, in all its far-flung ramifications, we leave in the Lord's hands during our absence; He has always cared for it; He has always watched over it; He has always provided funds in abundance for it. Upon you, our good, faithful and generous fellow-laborers, we count for unstinted "stand-by" during these months of my absence from our own America. And you have never failed us in the days gone by, so also now you will not fail us in this, one of the most important outreaches that this Mission has undertaken for the Lord.

### AS McCHEYNE MOVED OUT, GOD MOVED IN

In the year 1843, the newly-organized Free Church of Scotland, having broken away from the Established Church, put itself on record at the open-



ing session of its delegates, with the declaration that, "To the Jew first" would be an inviolate plank in the creed of the Free Church of Scotland. A committee was appointed to go abroad through Europe and to Palestine, for the purpose of establishing pioneer stations for reaching the Jews with the Gospel. On that committee was a young man by the name of Robert Murray McCheyne, who, although just starting out in his first pastorate, was even at that early age one of the godliest and saintliest preachers that ever trod the soil of Scotland. To him God had given such a deeply centered love for Israel that it fairly burned within him like an incandescent light. Many are the fervid, impassioned pleas that he made to the Church both in song and in sermon, for a love for the people of Israel. It was common experience, in his preaching, for people to be overcome right in their pews and to be carried out of the Church. Well, having received this call to visit the Continent and Palestine in behalf of the Jewish mission testimony, he was in serious doubts and had many misgivings, as to what would happen to his struggling church while he was gone. But finally the Lord gave him assurance that all would be well, and he secured a young man, a student, to supply while he was gone. Imagine his astonishment when many months later he returned to find the church in the full-flood tide of revival blessings, crowds flocking to the doors, and the Spirit of God being poured out on thousands of people! Thus it was that God rewarded Robert Murray McCheyne for his faith. Shall we not with like faith look to Him for watch-care and oversight and overruling providence, that every department in this Mission shall experience a new generating power of the Holy Spirit, so that the testimony of the Mission shall be even more blessed than ever it has been in the years gone by?

And now may the God of peace watch over each of us, as we prepare to part one from the other for a season, and keep us always in the sure protection of the hollow of His hand.

Ever faithfully yours,

*J. Hoffman Collier*

the sun to cease shining in the heavens. Just as the Lord speaks to the nations in verse 12, so He commands His agents of judgment. The judgment is described under the double figure of the harvest and the vintage. The harvest is ripe and the winepress and vats are full to overflowing. What this means is stated in literal language: "for their wickedness is great." This judgment is referred to in Isaiah 63:1 ff. and prominently in Revelation 14:14-20. Terrific will be the impact when God's mighty ones meet the mighty ones of the nations in mortal and final combat. The issue will not hang in doubt; it is all clearly stated beforehand. The life-blood of the nations will drench the soil of the earth. How unspeakably sad that the nations will not learn the lesson regarding God's people, the Jews, before it is too late! Oh, Lord, open Thou the eyes of many of them to see aright and their ears to hear aright! Remember that this is not a caprice with God, for the wickedness of the nations is insufferably great.

#### "MULTITUDES IN THE VALLEY OF DECISION"

But the story is so ponderous that it must be told out further. The prophet sees the nations assembled in innumerable hosts in the valley where God (not they) will make His decision. The repetition of the word "multitudes" is meant to show how innumerable they are. As far as the eye can possibly see, the hosts of the peoples of the earth are drawn up in array — a great sea of surging humanity. The valley of decision defines more clearly the Valley of Jehoshaphat. There the words of decision: "Come, ye blessed of my Father" and "Depart, ye cursed" (learn here the literalness of the words of Genesis 12:1-3), will be uttered with the voice of the mighty Son of God, voice as the sound of

many waters. Heaven and earth will feel the force of this judgment, and the Lord Himself will be roused up as a lion. Indeed, the Lion of the tribe of Judah will utter His voice from Zion and Jerusalem. Creation will resound at the voice of Him who in that hour will be the refuge of His people (blessed King of Israel that He is) and a stronghold to the children of Israel. The Lord will dwell in Zion and all will be holiness for God's people. Compare Psalm 132:13, 14. No strangers will pass through her any more to plunder, to destroy, or to pollute. When they do come, it will be to worship the Lord of hosts. Zechariah 8:20-23.

#### BLESSINGS ON JUDAH

The judgment on the nations, however, is never meant to be an end in itself. Through it God means to bring blessing to His people Israel. Joel concludes now with words of promise for God's downtrodden ones. Even the mountains and hills (ordinarily the least productive of all soil) will flourish abundantly. Water will be present in great supply; a perennial fountain will furnish all the water needed. The Valley of Shittim, on the border between Moab and Israel beyond Jordan, known for its dryness, will be well-watered. Egypt and Edom, representative of all Israel's enemies (that such is the case can be readily seen from the "all" of verses 2, 11 and 12), will be made a desolation forever. But Judah and Jerusalem shall abide eternally. God's people will remain, and by judging the nations the Lord will wipe away the blood-guiltiness of the nations in their persecution of God's people. Note verses 19, 21.

#### HOW FAR AWAY?

As we meditate on this marvellous disclosure in God's Word, we are driven to the question, How far off can it be? Not very far, beloved in Christ. Then evangelize Israel!



## Studies In Joel

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### INSTALMENT 5

#### Chapter III (Cont.) The Judgment of the Nations

##### DIVINE RETRIBUTION



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THE Lord through His prophet now addresses Tyre and Sidon as representative of all the land of Phoenicia. Do they think they can fare differently from all the rest? Do they not realize that they injure God in the person of His people? All the grievances committed upon God's people, He considers as done to Himself. If men think they can strike at God, He will show them that swiftly and speedily divine retribution will overtake and overwhelm them. God will not keep His silence for ever. The prophet recalls the plundering of Judah and Jerusalem by the Philistines and the Arabians in the time of Jehoram (2 Chronicles 21:16, 17). The very ones sold afar off will God use to bring about His judgment upon His and their foes. Instead of the children of Judah being sold for sport or profit, the sons and daughters of their enemies will be sold into the hand of the people of Israel who in turn will sell the enemy into the hand of a nation afar off. The fate which they planned for Israel will rebound upon the head of Israel's godless adversaries.

##### THE ARMIES MUSTERED

God calls upon the nations to prepare for war: this is the method whereby He brings the nations to their deserved judgment. The word "prepare" is literally "sanctify";

that is, by sacrifices and appropriate rites and ceremonies. See I Samuel 7:8, 9 and Jeremiah 6:4. This is to be war to the finish. To that end let all the nations muster and mobilize their manpower to the very hilt. Let them come fully equipped and accoutered. In order that no man lack proper weapons let every tool used for peaceful pursuits, the plowshares and the pruning-hooks, be beaten into swords and spears. (Who of us will soon forget the preview of this in World War II when we had our "scrap drives"?) So great will be the desire to destroy God's people that even the weak will fancy himself to be strong. What an assemblage that will be! The nations will be banded together and confederate as never before (see Psalm 2:1-3). In the midst of the scene which passes before the prophet's vision he prays that God's mighty ones (His hosts) may come down, in contradistinction to the supposed "mighty ones" of verse 9. Now the whole theme is summarized for us in verse 12. The nations are seen as bestirring themselves, arousing themselves to the white heat of wrath against Israel; their objective is the Valley of Jehoshaphat (how appropriately is it thus named: "Jehovah judges"); and there they (the nations) will meet the blessed King of Israel, their Protector through all ages, and their Champion in their darkest and blackest hour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will sit ready to judge once and for all the accumulated sins of the nations against Israel. Fearful day that will be, and the nations will as easily escape it as they can cause

## Incidents In The Work

### AFTER EIGHT YEARS, A DRAMATIC REUNION

THE *Hamilton (Ontario) Spectator* printed in its issue of February 15, 1947, a dramatic story of the happy reunion of our good brother, Josef Herschkowitz, and his wife. The newspaper used the heading, "Parted by Nazi Terrorists, Husband, Wife meet at Last." As Mr. Herschkowitz is one of our missionaries, and is known and beloved by many of our readers, we think that everyone will be interested in reading the account as it appeared in the *Spectator*. We need only say that Mr. Herschkowitz came down to New York and waited patiently for the little ship to arrive bearing his beloved wife whom he had not seen for eight years. Owing to terrific storms at

sea, the boat was considerably tossed about and damaged, and was three days late in landing. With supreme joy, Mr. Herschkowitz went to the docks and there met the wife who had been so faithful to him through the years. That night they took a train for Erie, Pennsylvania, and went to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Blair, the Blairs having been as foster parents to Mr. Herschkowitz ever since his arrival in America eight years ago; their home had been his home through all these years. From Erie, he went back to Hamilton, where he has been doing some work in behalf of the Mission under the direction of our Honorary Treasurer, Mr. William Jones. Here is the story as it appeared in the *Spectator*:

"Shortly before the Nazis marched on Poland, opening the Second World War, a Viennese nurse bought her Jewish husband's release from the Nazis with a one-way ticket to Shanghai. After the husband left Austria, the Gentile wife was pestered by Germans to divorce him, persistently refused, and finally was thrown out of work. In Hamilton yesterday, after eight years' separation, faith and perseverance won out for the couple, and Mr. and Mrs. Josef I. Herschkowitz, now Christian missionaries, sat down to their first Canadian meal.

#### HUSBAND WAS IN DACHAU

"Mr. Herschkowitz, a Christian missionary working among the Jews, is well known here for his public address entitled 'I Was in Dachau.' He was re-united with his wife in New York last week and brought her to Hamilton after permission had been granted by immigration authorities in Ottawa.



Couple re-united — After eight long years of separation, Mr. and Mrs. Josef I. Herschkowitz sat down to their first Canadian meal. Mr. Herschkowitz brought his wife to Hamilton from New York after receiving permission by immigration authorities in Ottawa. In the many years of separation, Mrs. Herschkowitz was alone in Vienna enduring the brutalities of the Nazis during the war. — *The Hamilton Spectator*.

"Raised in an orthodox Jewish family, he lost his faith during the first World War, was an atheist for twenty-five years and became a Christian in Vienna when his wife introduced him to a minister of the American Board of Missions to the Jews. Because his wife doesn't speak English yet, he acted as interpreter during an interview yesterday.

"In 1938 the Nazis banished him to Dachau where he saw thousands of Jewish people tortured and murdered. His devoted wife won his freedom by buying him passage to the other side of the world. He got finally to America, where he began to study under the American Board of Missions to the Jews and was assigned as missionary in the United States where thousands of Jews have already been converted to Christianity.

"In all those years, Mrs. Herschkowitz was alone in Vienna, enduring the brutalities of the Nazis during the war and those of the Russians at the hour of liberation. When Vienna was zoned for occupation troops, she found herself in the American zone and was started for America by the Mission Board. If she had lived in the Russian or French zones, she'd still be in Vienna. They don't allow emigration.

#### CRIED AT WASTE

"Summing up the stories of cold and hunger in Vienna, Mr. Herschkowitz said he was opening his wife's suitcase on arrival in New York and threw away a rotten orange. His wife burst into tears, but recovered quickly when she remembered where she was. Later she told him: 'We had to eat worse than that in Vienna.'

"According to Mr. Herschkowitz, 'she is grateful for the warm welcome and Christian kindness of members of the Mission Board and she is amazed at the stocks of food and so many other things you can buy in the stores.'

"She is happy at the evidences of peace, the absence of guns at the border, and the fact that Canadian immigration officers don't bristle with weapons like those you see in Europe.'

"After a stormy 14-day crossing in which two anchors were ripped from the American Liberty ship, 'Marine Perch,' she travelled with her husband to Erie, Pa., where her shoddy wardrobe was replaced by Mrs. Thelma Blair, of the Mission Board in that city. In Hamilton, last evening, the happy couple were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, 624 Main Street East. Mr. Jones is Canadian director of the American Board of Missions to the Jews.

"Explaining to her husband in Austrian that it is difficult for her to understand such kindness, Mrs. Herschkowitz asked, 'Am I dreaming or am I in heaven?'

"Before concluding her report on the wonders of the new world she found, she took one look back at Austria. When the Russians came in, she said, they did not molest her when she showed a document which had the words, 'United States,' printed on it. After producing it for Russian authorities, she was thereafter pointed out as 'Americansky' and left alone."

#### A PAGE OUT OF EGYPT

A CABLEGRAM has just come to us from Palestine. Conditions there evidently are in a state of urgent emergency. The missionary brother through whom we distribute substantial sums among many of the smuggled-in Jewish refugees, has been faithful in the trust committed to him. Many a starving son of Abraham has come to him, not only starving but practically naked, and in a state of emaciation which the word, starving, cannot begin to describe. From such our brother has

the guidance of the Holy Spirit, will prove to be valid and sufficient for all the needs of the Church. There have been times, during great apostasies, that God did use women for giving forth His testimony; such was the case with the Prophetess Deborah. In these last days of the age, it may be indeed that because of the growing and appalling apostasy, God will raise up women again to give testimony in the last hectic struggle of the dying age. We may rest assured that Paul could have no objection to exceptional cases where there is a need, and in which the Holy Spirit guides.

Question: *I cannot sufficiently explain to my conscience the Lord's words in Mark 10:14, "For of such (the little children) is the kingdom of God" and John 3:3, "Except a man be born again he cannot see the kingdom of God." Does Mark 10:14 mean that little children are saved already because they are little children, consequently they would not need regeneration? I consulted other books, but without satisfactory results. What is your opinion?*

Answer: It is, of course, a well-known fact that the commentaries almost invariably side step or ignore the very difficulties which have driven the child of God to consult their pages. We have experienced this disappointment many times. Is not much of our difficulty in understanding the Word due to the fact that we forget at times that the Bible is an oriental book, that it is written in what we may call picture language, that the oriental mind, like that of Abraham, or Moses, or Isaiah, thought in picture forms? The practice of codifying sayings or precepts into paradigms of syllogistic processes of logic or mathematics was never Hebraic, but crept in many years later through Greek or Roman influences. And thus grew up the

method of our modern theologians, who try to classify everything into categories of almost geometric exactness.

Now as to the question you have brought up, we would simply say that the thought implied by our Lord's words is that children are innocent; they are pure; they are spontaneous; and they possess all those qualities that make for a perfect citizenship in heaven, let us say. It is only as we get older that we retrograde into the slimy depths of intrigue, temper, and selfishness. One cannot look into the eyes of a baby, for instance, without sensing a touch of heaven. So what our Lord was telling His disciples was simply that in heaven there will be no sin, no selfishness, no intrigue, no hidden motives; in short, heaven will be a place of perfection. No child can ever be lost unless and until it has reached the age of moral responsibility, so that it knows right from wrong. Among the Jews, that age has been fixed for many years at thirteen, at which time the Jewish boy becomes a "son of the Law," which means that from that time forward he is responsible for sin. Yes, I would say that little children are saved because they are little children, and if there is any regeneration needed, a new birth required, we can surely and safely trust a just God to attend to that. Any action of ours, such as the sprinkling of infants, cannot have the slightest value, if we believe fundamentally in the Lord as a God of justice and mercy. An infant is too young to have understanding of right and wrong. What could be more illuminating than Stoddard's beautiful verse in "The Children's Prayer," which reads:—

If there is anything that will endure  
The eye of God because it still is pure,  
It is the spirit of a little child,  
Fresh from His hand and therefore  
undefiled.



## Questions and Answers

*Question: I am a subscriber to your magazine, THE CHOSEN PEOPLE. I know you must be a terribly busy man, but I am bothered with questions, and I am in great hopes that you are able to answer them for me. To begin with, I am a Jewish girl, married to a Catholic boy. About two and one-half years ago I became a Christian, the happiest and best thing I ever did, and some time ago my husband joined the church of my choice, the K—United Presbyterian Church. The church has had no pastor for the last three months, and so I have no one to go to with my questions, not even the elders, because they do not seem well enough versed in their Bible or religious training to answer them. First of all, how about women in church affairs? The only passages I have found are in I Corinthians 14:34, 35, and I Timothy 2:11. This brings to my mind women ordained as ministers, women teachers in Sunday schools, women missionaries who give lectures in churches or other public places, deaconesses in churches, and so on. I cannot settle my mind on these points. I cannot believe that a woman who does speak publicly about her salvation and her work, is committing a sin. I've even gone so far as to start a study with a member of Jehovah's Witnesses, but their teachings confused me more than ever; they seem to twist things so. I'm of the opinion that your work is so very important and so very worthwhile, you and your workers must truly be touched with the Holy Spirit, and I am praying that through you God will answer my questions as He always has. It is my desire to have the truth in all respects of the Bible and in every day living. I trust that you will find time to answer my request for kindness' sake alone.*

*Answer:* It is true that according to I Timothy 2:12, Paul did not suffer a woman to preach, or to usurp authority over man. But this did not exclude women from teaching altogether, for we find that Aquila and Priscilla expounded unto Apollos "the way of God more perfectly." See Acts 18:26. Then again we read that young Timothy had been taught by his mother and by his grandmother. See Second Timothy 1:5. But Paul's injunction against women's teaching refers to public teaching, such, for instance, as preaching on a platform, taking the place of a pastor, or a minister of a church. The women mentioned in the New Testament as doing the teaching, did all of this privately, and not publicly. Think of the vast, immeasurable ministry of godly women, in the Sunday schools, in Bible classes, in the home. Many a pastor would be helpless and powerless without the services of the devoted and humble women in the church. And we suspect that many thousands of saved men today could give eager testimony to the fact that they are on the way to glory now because some devoted, Christ-like woman showed them the way to God; it may have been a noble God-fearing mother in the home, or a simple young girl who taught that Sunday school class of unruly boys. We have found from many years of experience that if the child of God really wants to follow God's Word in matters of this kind, she will gladly take a humble position as God's servant, and teach wherever opportunity comes, but not in a way to usurp public leadership. In this sort of teaching there is much blessing, both for those who listen and for the women who serve. We think that in the long run Paul's instructions, certainly given under

never turned away. When the record is finally written many a Jewish soul will be able to testify to saving grace because of the warm-hearted kindness of this brother, who stands as it were, between them and actual death.

But it seems that at this moment the conditions had become unusually desperate, to such an extent that the cablegram was rushed to us as an SOS. It read as follows:

"Emergency imminent. Prayerfully request substantial advance relief grant. Thanks. Blessings. Genesis 41:55."

The remarkable feature about all of this experience was that just a few hours before the cablegram reached us, our bank had cabled \$500.00 to the sender. We felt like sending back the reply, "Before they call, I will answer." Isaiah 65:24. But we were intrigued with the reference to Genesis 41:55 given in the cablegram, and so we turned to the Scripture and could not help smiling when we read:

"And when all the land of Egypt was famished, the people cried to Pharaoh for bread; and Pharaoh said unto all the Egyptians, Go unto Joseph; what he saith you, do."

This experience we felt was too good to keep from THE CHOSEN PEOPLE family. It reminded us also of those other days, before the Vienna paper-hanger came to world notoriety, when it was our privilege to bring help and inspiration and counsel year after year, to our missionaries who were then established in the leading capital cities of Europe, like Warsaw, Vienna, Brussels, Paris, and others. Through the open-handed generosity of our dear friends here in America, we were always able to be likewise generous with our missionaries and those whom they succored, the wandering victims of the then rapidly-rising Nazi hate. We were therefore quite amused on one

occasion when we met some of our workers in Budapest, to have one of them tell us, "Among the missionaries in Europe, whenever they find themselves in extreme financial need, their slogan has come to be, 'Ask the Lord, and tell Joseph Cohn.'" This may, of course, be an unhappy reflection on our too-generous giving. But, on the other hand, we rather rejoiced in it, and we knew that our precious friends on this side of the water would never condemn us for being over-generous to the scattered people of God's ancient covenant, who were down to the last bitter dregs of starvation, with agony of soul and body. Thus it was that in us was fulfilled the experience of Paul as explained in 2 Corinthians 1:4, "That we may be able to comfort them that are in any trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God."

## A TRIP BY GUAGUA AND GUAGUITA

By Rev. Paul Wilson, Havana, Cuba

I HAVE just returned from a missionary trip of more than 1300 miles through the eastern provinces, by guagua (Cuban omnibus), guaguita (little bus), bicycle, horseback, train, Pan-American Clippers, and afoot through some dense mountain and jungle terrain. I have found Jews in all of the places visited. I found several Sephardic Jews in Baracoa, the first settlement in Cuba, a little town at the extreme eastern end of the Island, which may only be reached by ship or by airplane. There is a little landing field hidden away among the mountains; there are residents here who have never seen a streetcar or a railroad train, yet have airplane service.

This survey has given me a good knowledge of the distribution of Jews in the provinces, and I have brought

back with me the names and addresses of a good number of Jews who desire to have the New Testament in Yiddish or Spanish. I met only three Jews who were antagonistic, and had opportunity for a rather lengthy conversation with two of them.

I was entertained in the homes of Baptist ministers and the Cuban Christians and shown such love and courtesy and Christian fellowship that I marvelled at the grace of God in these dear people. For three days I stayed in the home of a Cuban believer far back in the mountains, in a place inaccessible except by horse or foot, over narrow trails from which one false step would have plunged both horse and rider to certain death hundreds of feet below.

There are other provinces to be

visited, and work to be done in each of them, in which are about 25 cities of from 10,000 to 50,000 inhabitants. Three other trips of this nature would give me a comprehensive knowledge of the greatest concentration of Jewish residents and a greater opportunity for personal contacts, especially in the western provinces. Cuba is much larger than one realizes, being more than 700 miles in length, and an area of more than 44,000 square miles.

In Santiago de Cuba, the second largest city, I spoke in the Baptist church. There was great interest and many questions were asked concerning our work. The people had never before heard of such a curiosity as a missionary to the Jews. The pastor encouraged them to do personal witnessing to the Jews of the City.

## Our Radio Ministry

### "THE CHOSEN PEOPLE BROADCAST"

KARK,	Little Rock, Arkansas	Sunday	10:15 a.m.	920 K. C.
WMBR,	Jacksonville, Fla.	Sunday	8:15 a.m.	1400 K. C.
WFOY,	St. Augustine, Fla.	Sunday	8:15 a.m.	1240 K. C.
WKAT,	Miami, Fla.	Sunday	7:45 a.m.	1360 K. C.
WRNL,	Richmond, Va.	Sunday	7:45 a.m.	910 K. C.
KARM,	Fresno, Calif.	Sunday	8:15 a.m.	1430 K. C.
KFOR,	Lincoln, Nebr.	Sunday	7:45 a.m.	1340 K. C.
KOIL,	Omaha, Nebr.	Sunday	7:45 a.m.	1290 K. C.
WHIO,	Dayton, Ohio	Sunday	11:15 p.m.	1290 K. C.
WTOL,	Toledo, Ohio	Sunday	10:00 a.m.	1230 K. C.
KGLO,	Mason City, Iowa	Sunday	8:15 a.m.	1300 K. C.
WSOY,	Decatur, Illinois	Sunday	9:45 a.m.	1340 K. C.
WERC,	Erie, Pa.	Sunday	8:30 a.m.	1230 K. C.
CKTB,	St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada	Sunday	8:30 a.m.	1550 K. C.
CKPC,	Brantford, Canada	Sunday	8:45 a.m.	1380 K. C.
WINS,	New York City	Sunday	8:45 a.m.	1010 K. C.
WHBU,	Anderson, Ind.	Sunday	10:00 a.m.	1240 K. C.
KRKO,	Everett, Wash.	Sunday	9:00 a.m.	1400 K. C.
WKST,	Newcastle, Pa.	Sunday	9:30 a.m.	1280 K. C.
KOCY,	Oklahoma City, Okla.	Sunday	7:30 a.m.	1340 K. C.

### "MESSAGE OF THE CHRISTIAN JEW"

CMCQ,	Havana, Cuba, "Voice of Cuba"	Sunday	9:00 p.m.	1460 K. C.
COBQ,	Havana, Cuba	Sunday	9:00 p.m.	9235 K. C.
HCJB,	Quito, Ecuador—"Voice of the Andes." Short Wave	Saturday	2:30 p.m. and	12,455 K. C. and 9,958 K. C.

## Jewish Notes

IT is not to be assumed that the teachings of Hitlerism are confined to Germany; for never since the days of the Crusaders has Anti-Semitism been so widespread. We have some evidence of its growth even in liberty-loving America, when we have now so many American Jewish students in our Scottish Universities, since American institutions of learning discriminate against them.

The Jew has become bewildered by his new environment. He has seen that his old anchorage is gone and that he must adapt himself or perish. In many parts he is perishing because there is lack of moral and spiritual vision. As already indicated, whole masses have left the Synagogue. Of them, a very large proportion has sunk into agnosticism or seeks to follow a purely materialistic aim in life. But Jewish religious sense is not dead, and an entirely new attitude towards Jesus Christ is also seen. A spirit of inquiry is abroad, and wherever there is live missionary activity and evangelical teaching, the Gospel is having such an opportunity among the Jews as it has not had since the days of the Apostle Paul.

Is it questioned whether the Gospel can win the Jew? That is an astonishing question for any believing Christian to put, or dally with. The Christian message had its power over "Jerusalem sinners" in a by-gone day, and it has shown power in our time. The amazing thing is that, despite ill-will, Jew-baiting, and active persecution, so many have been won for so little effort on the part of the Church as a whole. Last century over 220,000 Jews entered the Christian Church; at the present moment there are computed to be 300,000 living Jewish Christians and nearly half of these have been

won in the past fifteen years. Suppose they had married only among themselves, and then count their children and children's children: Would any mission field show a greater Christian community won from a non-Christian people in so short a time and with so small a missionary force? Apart from those mentioned, there are tens of thousands of "Christ-believing" Jews, who because of the coldness and apathy of certain Churches, will not yet accept membership in the Church, and at least another 100,000 who, severed from the Synagogue, but finding no brotherly welcome in the Churches of the Reformation, have turned to Christian Science. —*The now sainted Scottish divine, Dr. J. MacDonald Webster, in an article which appeared in "The Evangelical Christian" several years ago.*

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When Streicher, arch-persecutor of the Jews under Adolf Hitler, shouted "Purim Fest, 1946" as he stood on the hangman's scaffold, he uttered a peculiarly appropriate remark. Purim, which is observed in the early spring of the year, celebrates the deliverance of the Jews from an extermination plot in the reign of King Ahasuerus in ancient Persia.

The king's prime minister, Haman, was the prime mover in the plot, but in the end he was frustrated, and in retribution he and his ten sons were hanged by the king's order (Esther 7:10; 9:10)—a retribution that was grimly paralleled today by the hanging of the ten Nazis. Had Goering not committed suicide, indeed, there would again have been eleven to hang. As it was, eleven did die. —*The N. Y. Sun.*



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pleasant social time and hear a message from the Word of God. They accepted the invitation and came one Thursday night and since then have seldom missed a meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Neumann proved to be sincere seekers after the truth. They were happy to find a place where they felt at home and where they could sing the praises of the Lord and study His holy Word. After a short attendance of a few months God powerfully worked in their hearts, and they accepted the Lord Jesus as their Messiah and personal Savior from sin. On Sunday, January 8, 1946, they confessed their faith in the Lord Jesus by baptism. It was the happiest day of their lives. These truly born again Christians have been a blessing in our meetings.

#### MR. NEUMANN'S TESTIMONY

On the first anniversary of their baptism, Mr. Neumann asked permission to give a testimony at our meeting, and this is what he said:

"Upon this, the first anniversary of our baptism it is the desire of my heart to express my innermost feelings. We have received the most wonderful gift of our lives, the cleansing of our souls from sin. We are now new-born creatures, and we are happy to be members of the family of our Lord Jesus Christ.

"The second marvelous gift that we received is the Holy Bible, the source of strength, comfort, love and life. We heartily thank our dear Dr. Cohn for baptizing us. God bless him with health and strengthen him spiritually and physically that he may be able to help many more of our Jewish brethren and sisters in our blessed Beth Sar Shalom, the House of the Prince of Peace. We also heartily thank our dear brother and pastor, Mr. Singer, who in plain and convincing words led us into the treasures of the Holy Bible. May the

Lord bless him and grant him many more years of ministry and may he lead many Jews to our Messiah and Savior in the years to come.

"With gratitude I am thinking also of my dear friend, Mr. P., who called my attention to Beth Sar Shalom where my dear wife and I found our happiness. May God bless him for his invitation. Let me conclude our testimony with a brief prayer:

"Our Father in Heaven, we thank Thee from the bottom of our hearts for Thy mercy, and that Thou hast enlightened our way which led us to our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. Praise be to the Lord Jesus in all eternity. Amen!"

#### A BROTHER MISSIONARY SENDS A WORD OF CHEER

DEAR BROTHER JOSEPH:

I thought you might be interested to know that at the first evening meeting of a certain Bible Conference one of the speakers (I believe he is the Pastor of the Gospel Tabernacle) in the course of his address of welcome told of his traveling one day in the subway going uptown. A young Jewish man sat next to him and he noticed that he was reading a pamphlet, "Was Abraham a Jew?" When he finished, he placed it in his pocket and then drew out another pamphlet — *The Shepherd of Israel* in Yiddish. As he watched the young man he could see that he was intensely interested in what he read.

The other day I was walking on Surf Avenue, Coney Island, and I saw one of your men distributing *The Shepherd of Israel* to the passers-by, and the thought came to my mind of the passage in the Bible, "Cast thy bread upon the waters and it shall return to you after many days." I know you often receive letters of criticism; I thought you might be glad to get this one. — H. G. G.

#### BROOKLYN IS NOT A STEP-CHILD!

By Miss Augusta E. Sussdorff, our veteran missionary, with nearly 50 years of service with your Mission.



Miss A. Sussdorff

WHILE we are praising God for the great work on 72nd Street, New York City, let us not forget our Brooklyn Mission. Work there is going on; preaching services, Friday, and Sunday evenings; Bible Class for men and women, Young Ladies and Junior Boys, on Tuesday evening; Mothers' Class on Wednesday afternoon, for those that work during the day; and Junior Girls on Thursday evening. Also, our Dispensary work goes on.

#### A DISPENSARY SEQUENCE

May I tell you of one case and how the Lord did bless our Dispensary, and of how we follow up cases that seem worthwhile? Mrs. R. came to the Dispensary for treatment. As we get the name and address of every patient, I visited this woman and found her family very needy. We were able to supply the children with much needed garments. I invited the mother, Mrs. R., to the Mothers' Class; she came, and later her three children, two girls and a boy, came to our classes. Then Mrs. R. asked for a Bible, and I gave her one and visited her many times. We read the Bible and I explained the Scriptures to her. She came to our evening meetings, and finally accepted the Lord Jesus Christ as her Redeemer, and was baptized. After a time, the family moved to another section of the city. I followed up my visitation. The children went to Sunday School in the section where they were living. The boy later loved to go to a little

mission near his home, and he too found the Saviour. My, how he loved and believed his Bible! He was baptized and as he grew older and went to business he said to me one Sunday morning, "I would like to go to Bible School some day. Do you know," he said, "you were the first one that told me to pray in the name of Jesus, and He answers, too." He is seventeen years old now and last summer he was ready to go to Bible School, but he had no money, and his parents could not supply the amount needed. His father was very much against his going, but he prayed, "Lord, if you want me to go, send the money." He didn't even have a suitcase to carry his small wardrobe, but he told me later that he was willing to go on faith. He started to get ready and the Lord sent him a suitcase. As he prepared to go, he got his train fare and more besides. It was all a surprise when we learned he was in Bible School, so we wrote him to tell us what he needed, and we helped him further.

This was a family that was brought to us through the Dispensary. More is to be done in that family.

And may I remind you of our babies? We do not receive enough of the precious garments for the new additions that come. Our supply is very low. Pray for our Brooklyn Mission.

#### TWO REFUGEES CELEBRATE BAPTISMAL ANNIVERSARY

By Rev. Herbert Singer

SOME years ago, Mr. P., one of the regular visitors at our refugee meetings, told his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Neumann, refugees from Hungary, about our gatherings, and urged them to attend. He told them they would probably meet friends, have a

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# The Horns of the Gentiles. "These are the horns which have scattered Judah, Israel, and Jerusalem." "They helped forward the Affliction."

Zechariah 1:15, 19.

## EXILES OF THE WORLD

Only faith in the Lord Jesus, Israel's Messiah and Savior, can bring courage and hope to these hapless creatures now wandering about the fields of Europe—gaunt, hollow-eyed, and desperate. How sorely do they need our prayers and material help!



Upper left: A Slovakian Jewish farmer and his wife struggling in their old age to ward off poverty and want. Lower left: Slovakian Jews, young and old, listen to a news broadcast. Center: Jew at right describes his experiences in a recent pogrom in Poland. Upper right: Refugee Jews in Prague form a queue before a government relief bureau. Lower right: Polish refugee Jews en route to Bratislava and thence to UNRRA camps in U. S. Zone of Austria.

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