

# THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

“Earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.”—Jude 3.

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## GOD HAS VISITED AFRICA

**“The Blind See, the Lame Walk, the Lepers are Cleansed, the Deaf Hear, the Dead are Raised, to the Poor the Gospel is Preached.”**

**Luke 7:22.**

### JESUS OPENED THE EYES OF A MAN STONE BLIND.

A family of eight natives had come over the mountains to the missionaries to be healed. One of them was an old man that was stone blind and all crippled up and bent with rheumatism. He had been stone blind for ten years. If he looked at the sun at noontime he could not see a glimmer of light. They had tied a rope around his waist, and the grandson had led him along. He also had a great stick to help himself along with.

The missionaries prayed for the old man first. They told him that they could not heal anybody but Jesus can, and that He was going to heal him right now. He stood there aching from head to foot from traveling over the top of the mountains.

One brother laid his hands on his eyes and another on his shoulders, one praying in English and one in Dutch. As soon as the pain left, they prayed for his eyes. When he opened his eyes they all saw that God had given him his sight. His wife came on her hands and knees, so that she could look into his eyes, crying, in Zulu, “O, Kulu, Kulu! (The Great One.) O, Baba, Baba! (O, Father God.) Jesus Kristu (Jesus Christ).”

His son came and stood in front of him, and said “Father.” He did not know his son by sight, but he shut his eyes and said, “O, my son, my son.” He heard his little grandson speak, and he took him in his arms and hugged him. He did not know him by sight, for he had never seen him, but he knew his voice.

The wife and others were healed immediately. They came up weeping and saying, “Kulu, Kulu! Baba, Baba! Jesu, Jesu!” They were healed before they were prayed for.

### A CRIPPLE HEALED, AND A NATION STIRRED.

The missionaries were praying for hundreds of natives one day at Potgieters Rust, Transvaal, South Africa. They were rank heathen and did not know anything about God.

Among them was an old man whose legs and arms were all twisted up. He could not stand, he could just sit. He was brought by a number of natives and set down before the missionaries. (They will bring their sick and lay them at the missionaries’ feet and expect them to be healed.) This old man, as the missionaries found out afterwards, had been picked out by the great chiefs as a test case. They said, “If that man gets healed, we will open our district for them to preach.” There was a district of 32,000 natives that could not be reached by any missionaries, and had not been reached since the time of old Father Moffatt, who translated the Bible into Basuto and originated a hymn book for them.

They had brought this old crippled man and laid him down in front of the missionaries to try them. They were preaching under a tree. Presently one said, "Let's go over and pray for that cripple." They did, but saw no healing manifested. The brother went back to preaching, but found he could not get his soul into it; and they went out and prayed the second time, and went on preaching. Presently the Spirit impelled them to go and pray again; and the man's legs began to straighten out. They prayed again, and he went away somewhat limbered.

A few days afterwards he came back, and his legs and arms were as straight as any man's.

In that district today the mighty power of God is coming down as nowhere else in the world.

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### **A LEPER HEALED.**

A brother writes that there has been a wonderful revival in the Potchefstroom District, South Africa. "Fifty souls were saved. Healings were most wonderful. We were sent to pray for a leper, cut off from the world. We explained God's wonderful power to him, and laid hands on him, and the power of God went through him. In ten minutes after we prayed for him God did a complete work. His face became like mine, and his whole being was changed and restored.

"Two cases of broken arms were immediately set. About 30 to 40 cases of various diseases were all healed, and Jesus received the honor and glory. Hallelujah."

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### **HEARD FOR THE FIRST TIME.**

A boy who was born deaf and dumb was brought to the Apostolic Faith meetings in Africa to be prayed for. That night for the first time he heard music. He sat with his eyes bulging out and entranced. He had never heard music before. That night as they went home through the park, he heard the band playing at a distance, and had them stop and listen. He could not understand why they did not get as excited as he did.

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### **THE RAISING OF THE DEAD.**

The Lord has raised four dead persons to life in Africa, and this has preached more forcibly to thousands of natives than all the preaching that could be done. The power of God has been made known.

A girl who was raised from the dead was the daughter of a noted man in his tribe. He sent for a native preacher, a man in whose soul the mighty power of God had come to live. He came and knelt by the cot on which the dead girl lay, and went away again. At three o'clock in the morning the father of the girl went for him again, and found him on his face. He asked him to pray again. All that were in the hut got down on their knees. The very atmosphere of heaven filled the place. The brother put his hand on the girl's forehead and defied death in the name of Jesus, and commanded her spirit to return. Then the body moved, the eyes opened, and she arose and walked.

One of the missionaries says, "This man is black, but God has purified him, and the Holy Ghost is real to him. I shall never forget the night that Jesus baptized him with the Holy Ghost. We were having a native conference, and a little before the evening service we knelt down and prayed together, and Jesus baptized him. All he spoke in tongues was two words, but the mighty Holy Ghost moved into him and he was satisfied. He was ministering to 200 people, and already God has made him the spiritual father to 30,000.

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**Pretoria, South Africa.** —“The fire has fallen in Doodrecht District, Cape Colony, 80 or 90 having received the baptism of the Holy Ghost with the Bible evidence. Many more have received sanctification, and numbers have been saved.”

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### **THE EVANGELIZATION OF THE WORLD IN OUR DAY.**

In the midst of the great latter day apostasy foretold in II Timothy 4:1-4, God has sent the mightiest revival the world has ever known. Christianity of today has lost its aggressiveness, its vital force in God. Movements that years ago were aggressive and a power for God are today dead, and the Spirit of God apparently has left them in a great degree. And numbers today of splendid organizations stand without the power of God.

Beloved, today the old power that the church lost is being restored through the baptism of the Holy Ghost. The baptism of the Holy Ghost is the power of God that is going to evangelize the world.

There never before was a generation in which the evangelization of the world was possible; but in our day the fire of God is going through the nations.

Since Pentecost fell in Los Angeles, California, in 1906, it has spread rapidly over the world, thousands being baptized with the Holy Ghost in the last three years and a half, in more than 20 lands. And thousands of raw heathen today are pressing their way into the Fountain and getting the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

The baptism of the Holy Ghost is falling over in Africa today in places where they never heard of the Holy Ghost. This is the Latter Rain. This is the work the devil cannot stop, nor the Pharisees either. When the power of God falls on the heathen where no preacher has ever been, what man can stop it? It is God Almighty.

A band of missionaries went through towns in Africa for 150 miles, leaving behind them Holy Ghost baptized preachers and converted churches. The preacher among the natives is the first to get the baptism of the Holy Ghost. He says, “This is the real thing; if I had this, I would get my people blessed and saved and healed.” One of them stayed on his knees for five days and nights till he got the baptism of the Holy Ghost. Hallelujah!

The fire fell in India soon after it did in Los Angeles, in Paditta Ramabai’s School, at Mukti, India, and hundreds of native girls were baptized. Sometimes as many as 1000 would be praying at the same time, and it was like the roar of Niagara. The Indian girls would say to the missionaries with tears, “Massa, get this power on your life.” Finally, the leaders said they must have it themselves, and tarried and received it. Oh, beloved, this is God. God has raised up workers to evangelize India from the natives themselves.

In Germany the Pentecostal work is growing by leaps and bounds. In the first Pentecostal Conference at Mulheim, Germany, it is reported that 1800 were assembled, and at the second one just ended 2300 were gathered. The dear German pastors, men deeply taught in the Word and yet so humble, are ready to receive the truth. Many have received the baptism in Germany, and God has been healing the sick in a wonderful way.

In Amsterdam, Holland, it is reported that about 150 people are baptized with the Spirit, according to Acts 2:4.

These are the most marvelous days we have ever seen. The Spirit of God is impregnating this old world. And the day is not far distant when the mighty power in men’s and women’s hearts will start a wave of power greater than men have ever seen, and it will break into a mighty conflagration. Praise God.

Beloved, we are seeing the real work of the living God. What has brought all this to pass? Jesus has come to live in His people by the power of the Holy Ghost. The baptism of the Holy Ghost means more than people dream of. God wants us to move on, just as the pillar of fire moves on, all the time. The popular preachers of today came up against the question of the baptism of the Holy Ghost three years ago, and they are still wondering whether it is of God, and the pillar of fire has moved on. When the Holy Ghost commences to move, we must move with Him or be left powerless.

God has called us today to a purer, holier life than ever before; and as we enter into the place of the purity of God, we will see the anointing of God come down on the people, and they will have a new faith in God, new life in God, and new power in God, and mightier works will follow such as we have not seen before.

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In the Apostolic Faith Mission at Johannesburg there are twelve that have been spiritualistic mediums, all saved and six baptized with the Holy Ghost. Numbers of Catholics have been saved and healed. The policemen, instead of taking a man to the lockup will say, "You go down to the Tabernacle, and those fellows will pray for you, and you will not have to go to the lockup."

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One of the best little preachers in the Johannesburg Mission is a little Jew. He used to be the leader of a band that persecuted and tried to tear the work to pieces. Now he stands among the Jews and says, "Jesus is the Messiah." They spit on him and tried to kill him, but he says, "I don't care what they do to me, I am going to tell them He is the Messiah." The Jews come into our meetings by the hundreds. When they see the blind eyes opened, they have to acknowledge that Jesus is the Christ.

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A native who lived a thousand miles in the interior from Johannesburg heard of the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and came and God baptized him. And the first thing that burned in his soul was to get back to his tribe and tell it to them. Off he set, and God has used him in a marvelous manner. Another native boy came and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and spoke in the English language, which was unknown to him. And in five weeks among his people he had 125 converted. Jesus Christ did the work, he simply did the letting.

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God is not saving the Africans by the ministry of Americans, but the Holy Spirit coming in power upon the people, baptizing at each point the native workers themselves, and raising up new ones all the time with a rapidity that is startling. This is the secret of Holy Ghost evangelization. This is not man's work, but the work of the Holy Ghost alone.

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In one visit of the missionaries to the Free State, Jesus baptized the native preachers in five native churches on that one trip. Whole churches were established out of men and women saved in a few days. At one church at Lionbank, the native minister reported 140 conversions. Practically the whole church was saved. Since then the number has increased to 250, showing that the Holy Ghost has continued to work. This is not of man, but God.

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**HEADQUARTERS OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVIVAL.**

The Lord sent two of His missionaries that have been mightily used of God back to the United States for a short visit. Wonderful conventions were held at Los Angeles, Oakland, Portland and other points. They have now returned, and all communications to them should be addressed to THE APOSTOLIC FAITH MISSION, 4 Milbourn Road, Betrams, Johannesburg, South Africa, or may be sent through the Mission in Portland.

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### DOCTRINES.

**Repentance** Toward God—Acts 20:21. Repentance is Godly sorrow for sin. II Cor. 7:10. Mark 1:15.

**Restitution**—The Blood of Jesus will never blot out any sin that we can make right. We must have a conscience void of offence toward God and man. Restitution includes restoring where you have defrauded or stolen, paying back debts and confession. Luke 19:8, 9. Eze. 33:15.

**Justification** is that act of God's free grace by which we receive remission of sins. Acts 10:43. Rom. 5:1. Rom. 3:26. Acts 13:39. John 1:12. John 3:3.

**Sanctification** is that act of God's grace by which He makes us holy. It is a second, definite work wrought by the Blood of Jesus through faith. John 17:15, 17. I Thess. 4:3. Heb 13:12. Heb. 2:11. Heb 12:14. I John 1:7.

**The Baptism of the Holy Ghost** is the gift of power upon the sanctified life, and when we receive it, we have the same sign or Bible evidence as the disciples had on the Day of Pentecost, speaking with tongues as the Spirit gives utterance. Luke 24:49. Matt 3:11. John 7:38, 39. John 14:16, 17, 26. Acts 1:5, 8. Mark 16:17. I Cor. 14: 21, 22. Examples—Acts 2:4. Acts 10:45. Acts 19:6

**Healing of the Body**—Sickness and disease are destroyed through the precious atonement of Jesus. Isa. 53:4, 5. Matt, 8:16. Mark 16:18. Jas. 5:14-16. All sickness is the work of the devil, which Jesus came to destroy. I John 3:8. Luke 13:16. Acts 10:38. Jesus cast out devils and commissioned His disciples to do the same. Mark 16:17. Luke 10:19. Mark 9:25, 26.

**The Second Coming of Jesus**—The return of Jesus is just as literal as His going away. Acts 1:9-11; John 14:3. There will be two appearances under one coming; first, to catch away His waiting bride (Matt. 24:40-44 and I Thess. 4:16, 17); second, to execute judgment upon the ungodly. II Thess. 1:7-10. Jude 14 and 15. Zech. 14:3, 4.

**Ordinances**—First, **Water Baptism** by Immersion—Single. Jesus went down into the water and came up out of the water, giving us an example that we should follow. Matt. 3:16. Acts 8:38, 39. Matt. 28:19. Rom. 6:4, 5. Col. 2:12.

Second, **The Lord's Supper**—Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper that we might "show His death till He comes." I Cor. 11:23-26. Luke 22:17-20. Matt.26:28, 29. It brings healing to our bodies if we discern the Lord's body. I Cor. 11:29, 30.

Third, **Washing the Disciples' Feet**—Jesus said, “If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, ye ought also to wash one another’s feet, for I have given you an example that ye should do as I have done unto you.” John 13:14, 15.

**The Tribulation**—Jesus prophesied a great Tribulation such as was not from the beginning of the world. Matt. 24:21, 22, 29. Rev. 9. Rev. 16. Isa. 26:20, 21. Mal. 4:1.

**Christ’s Millennial Reign** is the 1000 years of the literal reign of Jesus on this earth. It will be ushered in by the coming of Jesus back to earth with ten thousands of His saints. Jude 14, 15. II Thess. 1:7-10. During this time the devil will be bound. Rev. 20:2, 3. It will be a reign of peace and blessing. Isa. 11:6-9. Isa. 65:25. Hos. 2:18. Zech. 14:9, 20. Isa. 2:2-4.

**The Great White Throne Judgment**—God will judge the quick and dead according to their works. Rev. 20:11-14. Dan. 12:2. Acts 10:42.

**New Heavens and New Earth**—The Word teaches that this earth, which has been polluted by sin, shall pass away after the White Throne Judgement, and God will make a new heavens and new earth in which righteousness shall dwell. Matt. 24:35. II Pet. 3:12, 13. Rev. 21:1-3. Isa. 65:17. Isa 66:22.

**Eternal Heaven and Eternal Hell**—The Bible teaches that hell is as eternal as Heaven. Matt. 25:41, 46. The wicked shall be cast into a burning hell, a lake of fire burning with brimstone forever and ever. Rev. 14:10, 11. Luke 16:24. Mark 9:43, 44.

**No Divorce**—The Word teaches that marriage is binding for life. Under the New Testament law, the law of Christ, there is but one cause for separation, fornication, and no right to marry again while the first companion lives. Matt. 5:31, 32. Matt. 19:9. Mark 10:11, 12. Luke 16:18. Rom. 7:2, 3.

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### “THE LORD THAT HEALETH THEE.”

Some say, “If the Lord wills, I want to be healed.” O, brother, you know it is the Lord’s will. Turn over to Exodus 15:26, and you will find: “If thou wilt diligently harken to the voice of the Lord thy God, and wilt do that which is right in His sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all His statutes, I will put none of these diseases upon them which I have brought upon the Egyptians, for I am the Lord that healeth thee.”

Also read Deuteronomy 1:15: “And the Lord will take away from thee all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee.”

If you follow down from the fall of Adam, you will find God never took the healing power from His people. Jesus Christ is the same, yesterday, and today and forever.

We must use the language of Paul, “Sirs, I believe God.” His word is immutable. His word is equivalent to Himself. When God says a thing, believe that word, and it shall take place, it must take place. If that word was from the mouth of a human being, there might be an excuse for failure, but with God, failure is an impossibility. Let us trust Him, hold on with all the power of our being. Go forward, onward, upward. Victory is ours as God sits on the eternal throne. He made a covenant with His people when He led them out of Egypt. “I AM JEHOVAH RAPA, THY HEALER.” Ex. 15:26. (Hebrew)

### CANCER KILLED INSTANTLY.

One evening in Pretoria in a Dutch service in the Apostolic Faith Mission, a message was being given from the book of Mark, “These signs shall follow them that believe: they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover.” When an old Dutch brother arose in the back of the house and came forward, saying, “If that is right, I am a candidate.” He pointed to a lump on his

jaw as large as an egg. They asked, "Is that a cancer?" He said, "Yes, and the doctor tells me it is in my bones and neck and in the jaw, and an operation is useless."

They laid their hands on the cancer, and he winced with pain though the hands were touching it as lightly as possible. The missionary says, "As we prayed, I felt the power of God shoot through my arm, and tightened my grasp on the cancer in a desire to show the man that God was killing it. When we ceased praying the cancer was dead. The next morning word came that the cancer was breaking loose; the skin was breaking around it. And in four days we had it in a bottle of alcohol."

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### **JESUS HEALED A DRUG SLAVE.**

A man in South Africa seventy-three years of age had been for thirty years a slave to drugs. A nervous disease had come upon him, causing him dreadful suffering and the only thing they could do was to fill him with whiskey to make him insensible. Through the continued use of morphine, he became a drug fiend.

At his invitation, one of the Apostolic Faith missionaries visited his home in Potgieters Rust, and agreed to pray with him for victory. They continued in prayer almost incessantly for sixteen hours, until he received perfect deliverance.

Today he has no desire whatever for the drug, and is growing youthful in appearance and is perfectly sound in mind. Many physicians warned the family against giving up the drug, saying that he would die forthwith for want of it. But God not only removed the desire for it but the effects of it.

He comes frequently to Johannesburg and testifies in the Tabernacle of how God delivered him.

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### **THE OLD-TIME POWER.**

When the African missionaries were down in the Free State, the natives would not at first come near them, because they had heard that they bewitched people. The missionaries got to praying that God would do something to open the way to their hearts. Only about eight or ten people would come to hear them.

One day while they were in a hut, a woman came in on hands and feet that had had a spirit of infirmity for 23 years. She was stiff and could only walk on hands and feet, moving at hips and shoulders. She had walked that way for 23 years, and the effort to look up had so bent her neck that it was arched backwards and stiffened.

They got around her and asked the Lord to make her straight. And in two minutes, she was standing up by them as straight as anyone.

She is now visiting the sick and telling about Jesus, and how He healed her.

Six weeks after, when the trip was over, they came back to Johannesburg, and one night the Zulu congregation occupied the gallery and a Basuto choir sang. Back in the gallery, sat a man that had been blind for years, and as they were telling of the healing of the cripple woman, instantly his eyes flew open. Nobody prayed for him. He did not even pray for himself. It was simply the operation of the faith of God.

We believe that one of these days we shall see the healing power of God come down from heaven; and we will not have to lay our hands on the sick at all. It will fall like rain. This is the track of conquest of the King of Kings.

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### **JESUS HEALED HIM INSTANTLY.**

A young man came from Middleberg, Transvaal, South Africa, to be operated on at the hospital. He was examined by the doctor. His left limb was drawn up so that the toe barely touched the floor, and there was a lump in the bowels as large as two saucers turned together.

A Dutch lady brought him to the missionary's home in the morning before they were out of bed. He was suffering intensely. The doctors had arranged to operate on him that day, saying, "We cannot promise you any relief; we do not know what is the matter with you, but we will open you up and find out, and if possible will help you, and if not, sew you up again."

The Dutch sister had met him and persuaded him to come to be prayed for. The brother said to him, "My boy, sit down on the cot (the one on which he was then lying). And as he told his story, the missionary said, "Young man, you are not a Christian, and I am not going to ask you to become one, but I am going to pray for you, and Jesus is going to heal you right now. And when he heals you, you will want to give your heart to Him, will you not?" And with tears standing in his eyes, the young man said, "If Jesus heals me I surely will."

The brother reached out and laid his hands on him, front and back. The power of God struck him like a flash of lightning. That lump vanished right on the spot, and the shortened limb shot out straight, and the cords of the leg snapped so that you could hear them all over the room. And in one minute he was just as straight as he ever was in his life.

He is now saved, and working in Robinson Deep Gold Mine as a sample-tester, and his work causes him to walk up and down the ladders 700 feet a day.

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### **SAVED FROM INSANITY.**

A Dutch boy in Africa had suddenly become devil possessed. His feet and hands would keep beating the floor night and day. He was in an exceedingly poor home. His hands and feet had pounded the floor until they were almost pounded into a jelly.

First, they got a lot of grain sacks and padded the floor, and tied his hands and feet up. When the missionaries prayed first, they did not get victory. The doctors said he was insane, and wanted to send him to the asylum. His people were in great distress. The brother that had been called in to pray for the case came to the other missionaries and said, "I have not the dominion over that devil." He did not have enough power in his soul to get the devil out. But when they linked their souls together, they had power enough to cast him out.

Now the boy was beating his hands and feet and head, and had been for a week. They went and prayed for him, and his head stopped going. But his hands and feet went right on. They went back the next day and prayed again, and that time his legs stopped and his hands kept on. They went the third time, and the whole body stopped.

He had been ordered by the physician to be sent to the asylum. But they found that the Pretoria asylum was full, so they sent an order to have him put in prison till they could take him to the asylum. When they came for him, he was out playing marbles with the other boys in the street.

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A woman in South Africa who was a sinner, came into the Apostolic meetings one night. She had had a cancer for 15 years and varicose veins, which were very large. They were about to pray for the sick. As they knelt to pray, the woman said to herself, "I am not worthy to ask these people to pray for me, but, Jesus, I am suffering, and as these people pray for others, let their prayers be answered for me, too." Instantly a warm wave seemed to blow over her; and when she arose to go home, she found herself absolutely well. That was the last bunch that was

on her limbs. It occurred to her next morning she had had a cancer for 15 years, and a great lump on her side. She felt for the cancer and it was gone. God is letting the faith come down from Heaven these days.

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A woman at Vrededorp, South Africa, had an internal cancer. She had been operated on two and a half years before, but the cancer had regrown, and on examination the doctors told her that the roots had penetrated the womb and bladder and an operation was impossible. The brother in charge of the mission prayed for her, and after prayer, she was seized with violent pain in the region of her back, and the entire cancer, four inches in diameter, with roots extending from it each way until the whole was as wide a plate, passed from her body entire. And for several days following, 10 little cancers as large as the sizes of the finger nails, passed from her body. They kept that one in a bottle of alcohol for some time.

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In South Africa, while in a home praying with some friends, the Lord spoke to a brother, saying, "Go down to Natal. Take with you four others." He took the four that the Lord showed him should go, and they went by train several hundred miles, and prayed for a woman that had a cancer. She had been suffering for years. Her breast was entirely gone. She had had five cancers taken out in Michigan. They would not operate on her any more. The physicians say, "Give her six weeks, and that is all she will live." God healed that cancer like a flash of lightning. From that instant she never had a touch of pain. That breast commenced to grow and was put on complete, just as it was before.

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#### **HEALING OF A CHILD COVERED WITH SORES.**

A missionary tells how the Lord healed a child through a simple set of obedience and faith:

In one of the meetings in South Africa, a woman brought a child absolutely covered with sores. His lips and tongue and every part of his body was a mass of putrefaction. The mother had walked miles and miles, carrying the child as long as she could, and putting him down when she could not carry him. The Lord said to me, "Put your hands on him," which I did in the presence of all the people, and the matter oozed out between my fingers. When I took my hands off from his head, they were completely covered with matter. As soon as I put my hands on that child, all the people in the room began to praise God. How glad I was that I obeyed Him. After that the people were healed as soon as they came up.

In three days there was not a mark on that child. When we prayed for him, we did not see a bit of change; but there was something in our soul that knew the child was going to be healed.

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### THE SOUTH AFRICAN REVIVAL.

When we arrived in Africa, in May, 1907, there was a company of natives praying out in a field, and had the burden of the salvation of their people. While they were praying, the Lord told them to go to Johannesburg and they would meet us. When they had come and we had gathered the brethren together at the church, they said, "We want you, brethren, to be our fathers in the Lord. We have churches and all the ministry in the churches, but we have not God."

Our meetings commenced in the Tabernacle of the American Zulu Mission first with the natives. Then the white people became interested, until at last on Sunday night we would have first a native congregation from seven to eight; then the white people in the neighborhood would come at from 8 to 9:30 or 10:00. Then we would dismiss them and fill the tabernacle with a third congregation composed of the people who attended other churches, and that meeting would run until midnight or two o'clock in the morning sometimes.

In that native tabernacle, the glory of God came down—wonderful baptisms, wonderful healings, many conversions. In a few weeks, we were invited to preach in the Zion Tabernacle. Following our first service in the Tabernacle, the Zion council, which was composed of large hearted, bright minded Christian men, invited us to come to their Tabernacle, take full charge of the services, conducting them according to our own plan. And for three months, they paid the rent of the Tabernacle while we had charge of the services and the Lord baptized almost the entire Zion Church, as well as many others.

We also worked with the Zion Church in Pretoria, almost the whole church being baptized in the Holy Ghost. The power of God came down in a marvelous way, hundreds and hundreds were saved, sanctified and baptized. The work began to spread rapidly throughout the entire country, particularly among the white people.

The Zion Church had a native Zulu congregation that met at the Tabernacle Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. This congregation was the original nucleus of our native work in Africa. Soon, many of them were baptized, and the work began to spread throughout the country, carrying the Gospel in power. Wonderful healings, a marvelous spirit of faith in God, and real answers to prayer characterized the whole work. This manifestation of God in power took hold of the natives. It was real manifestation of a real God, something that could be seen. Soon calls began to come from every quarter. Soon other bodies of native people who wanted to know this Gospel began to come and beg us to be their pastors and teachers.

At one time, not less than sixty congregations came into our work at once, all hungry to know a real God who could save them from real sin. While ministering among these churches in the Free State with a party of seven missionaries, the Lord saved whole churches. Sometimes as many as 140 were saved in a week, and behind us we left a train of saved churches and baptized ministers, for a distance of about 150 miles.

In each town, there is a native location in which no white people are permitted to live. The minister in charge of the work in the native location, always has from six to twenty local preachers, who on Sundays conduct services all about the countryside for a distance of possibly twenty five miles. The preachers and local preachers are invariably the first to receive their baptism. It is almost impossible to estimate the thousands and ten thousands that this work is now touching.

Since coming to America, our missionaries have opened the work in Basuto Land, a native state of four and a half million people. And already we are assured by the missionaries on the field that by the time we return to Africa, God will have prepared and baptized 200 missionaries right on their own soil. They will be all ready when we land.

The mighty power of this Gospel, with the baptism of the Holy Ghost manifested in speaking in tongues, many miraculous healings, etc., can hardly be realized. The rapidity with which the Gospel travels from hut to hut, location to location, and state to state, is amazing. In one case a native preacher at Frankfort, Orange River Colony, walked 226 miles to get us to visit his place. In the first meeting, while we sang the first hymn, the Spirit of God fell and baptized his wife, and a great revival followed.

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### **PENTECOST IN A CHURCH CHOIR.**

An Apostolic Faith missionary under the anointing of the Holy Ghost was invited to take charge of a series of church services in Johannesburg. He came to the meeting late Sunday evening, and they were having their usual union church services. As he stood up to preach, the spirit of formality in the service and in the people seemed to withstand the Spirit of God, and the conflict was grieving his spirit. He was inwardly praying God to do something to break up the formality. What annoyed him most was the beautiful white-robed choir that occupied the choir platform at his back.

As he preached, the Lord suddenly said to him, "Go on with your service, and I will take care of the choir." At about ten minutes to ten, he stepped off from the platform and commenced to pray at the intersection of the aisles. The Spirit of God fell upon him in mighty intercession. He prayed with great intensity of spirit in English, and the Lord carried him out in other tongues with the interpretation.

As he prayed, he heard a noise at his back like people falling, chairs upsetting, etc. When he opened his eyes and ceased praying, he was astonished to see the audience standing on their feet, many standing on the chairs, eyes and mouth open with surprise.

As he turned around, he observed that the Spirit of God had struck the choir, and they were stretched out in rows on the choir steps. There was no possibility of preaching after that. They sat still and praised God, and listened to those under the power of God confess their sins, get right with God and receive their baptism. Many were baptized with the Holy Ghost right there.

The next night at about quarter of ten he knelt to pray on the same spot where he had prayed the night before. This time the Spirit of God fell on the audience. When he arose from his knees, the house was strewn with people slain of the Lord, saint and sinner alike. The same time of confession of sins that had occurred the night before again occurred throughout the audience. And once more, the Lord saved, sanctified and baptized many as they lay there.

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### **GOD GAVE HOLLAND AN HEIR.**

There is an old lady in South Africa, the mother of one of the Apostolic Faith workers, who was in touch with Queen Wilhelmina of Holland. The queen had been a mother six times, but no child came to the royal household on account of premature birth. The sister in Africa wrote to the Queen of Holland of how her own son had been healed in the hospital when he was dying.

It resulted in a request for prayer being sent to the Tabernacle to pray for the Queen. The people all got down on their faces (about 800 being present on that Sunday evening). And the world knows the answer in the fact that God gave Holland an heir to the throne. The Dutch people had a blessed season of rejoicing. They are very closely united to the people of Holland.

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There was a man that God convicted in the Apostolic Faith meetings in South Africa, who came and confessed that when he was in possession of some trust funds in Finland, he had embezzled three hundred and fifty thousand pounds. Our missionaries prayed about it for days and days. Finally, the man said, "I am going to do what God wants me to, no matter what the cost." He had written a confession of the whole thing, telling his name, and that at such a time he had embezzled that great sum of money, and that he was in Johannesburg and would give himself up if they wanted him to stand trial. The whole assembly prayed for him in the Tabernacle, and in a few weeks a letter came back from the chief banker, saying, "It looks in this letter as if you have really got something that has made you honest, and if that is the case, as far as we are concerned, we wipe the thing out." God will meet an honest soul. He is the living God.

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### FAITH

God took an atheist in Africa and made a mighty man of faith in him, and has since taken him to Glory. He came into the Tabernacle one afternoon at Johannesburg and observed others healed and asked to be prayed for. He was then sick, and God healed him. The Lord saved and sanctified him, and anointed his soul with mighty faith.

He went down to Petersburg, expecting to work at his trade. He was a plumber. Down there he met an old Dutchman, who was inquiring whether it was a fact that people were really healed up at Johannesburg where Brother Duggan came from. He assured him it was true, that he had seen people healed, and he had been healed himself. This old fellow inquired if there was anything about healing in the Bible, and he showed him the 16<sup>th</sup> chapter of Mark: "These signs shall follow them that believe, they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover."

He turned around and said, "Do you believe?" The brother replied evasively, "I have seen people healed." "I don't mean that," said the old man, "I am sick, and if these signs follow them that believe and you believe, you pray for me."

So, with much hesitancy, he finally prayed for him, and the man was instantly healed. Forthwith, when the man was healed, he said, "Why, out where I live, everybody is sick," and took the brother out 50 miles to his farm. Brother Duggan commenced to pray with the sick right then and for two and a half months he did scarcely anything else.

He went down to the fever district, where the African fever epidemic was raging and hundreds of wagons filled with the sick and dying were congregated by the river. When the fever breaks out, the people put the family in an ox cart and go to town, lest the whole family die and nobody know it. At Louis Trichardt, hundreds of wagons were congregated like hospital wagons. The brother prayed through to victory, and God healed them by the hundreds. For months, he never took his clothes off. He would keep at it and pray all night. There never was a human frame that could stand the strain. He stood and prayed for the sick till he actually dropped from exhaustion, and said, "Carry me into the hut, and pray for the rest."

After he was dead, some of the Dutch people came to Johannesburg with a list of 300 people healed of fever, 75 cases of cripples healed, and 13 cases of withered hands and arms. This brother had living faith in the living God. By his life, he lifted up the standard of faith in God so high that we are still pressing up to reach it.

He had a way of marking his Bible by dropping his finger in the ink bottle, and marking the margin. As they examined his Bible, they noticed that there was not a thing that magnified the Blood of Jesus or the sanctifying power of Jesus Christ but had one of those big finger blots

down the margin. He magnified the mighty power of Jesus Christ to get the devil out of a man's heart and life. The real power of a really sanctified life will bring down upon you the real power of God. He was not a baptized man, he was only sanctified, but he was a mighty man of faith, and he left a testimony behind that will stand for eternity.

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### **Paralyzed Arms Healed.**

In Pretoria, South Africa, one night during the service, a woman with paralyzed arms pressed her way through the crowd up to the front, during the preaching. There was a crowd of scoffers in the back of the hall. The woman was brought up and the people saw that her arms were paralyzed and lifeless. She had been dismissed from three hospitals, and her arms had been paralyzed for three years. One of the missionaries said to her, "You will be well in three minutes," and they laughed all over the house. Then he took hold of one of her arms and said, "In the name of Jesus Christ, come up." And it came up. He took hold of the other arm and spoke the same words, and it came up the same way. There is power in the name of Jesus to heal every cripple in the world if we only believe.

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### **HINDUS HEAR IN THEIR OWN TONGUE.**

In Johannesburg, South Africa, one evening while meetings were being held in one of the native tabernacles, a young lady came in. She had cancer under her tongue. The missionary said, "We will pray for that right now, and God will heal that cancer." God withered the cancer in an instant, and she fell under the power over on a bench, and God came and talked to her and sanctified her heart from sin.

A few nights afterward she came back, and just as they were leaving, she came and said, "Brother, when I prayed by my bedside this morning, a Hindu woman called, and I stepped out but could not talk to her. When I went back to pray the Lord said, 'I will send that woman back tomorrow morning, and I will baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and you shall talk with her in her own language.' He said He would baptize me today, and it is two minutes to twelve now, and the day will be passed and God has not baptized me." (She was weeping.) The missionary said to her, "Child, look up, there is plenty of time for Jesus to baptize you before twelve."

He laid his hands on her and the power fell on her, and she began to sing a beautiful song in the Spirit, the most heavenly thing they had ever listened to. She sang for about half an hour, then the song and language changed, and she sang the Doxology.

The next morning, the native woman called, as the Lord said she would, and the sister talked to her in her language, Hindu.

Then a couple of nights afterward, she stood on the platform and the Spirit came on her, and she chanted and sang. A young Hindu back in the audience commenced to show signs of astonishment, and pressed his way to the front. A brother asked him, "Do you understand the lady?" He said, "Oh, yes, she speaks in my language just like my priest." They called him to the platform, and he interpreted to the audience in English what she was singing. The subject was that salvation was not to be had through Mohammed. One man could not save another. Mohammed was a man. He could not save himself, much less other men. But salvation was only to be had through Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

The same thing occurred the second night. The Hindu came after the singing was over, and said, "Pray for me right now." They prayed, and the Spirit of God fell on him and baptized him right then and there, and he spoke in tongues.

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At Louis Trichardt, South Africa, the Lord blest the ministry of some of the Holy Ghost baptized brethren, many natives have been baptized who have spread the glad tidings. The natives came in scores, bringing their sick to be healed, and requesting the brothers to pray and lay their hands on them, as they journeyed. Hundreds were healed. Baptized saints that live there work among the natives, and one brother tells how his daughter spoke the native language in the power of the Holy Ghost to a large gathering that understood no other language, with the result that many repented and some were baptized. She was never able to speak a word of the language before.

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Durban, South Africa, The Oaks, Ridge Road. —“The glorious work has commenced in Durban, and five of us in our family are already baptized, with the signs of tongues. Praise the Lord. We are spreading the glorious news and distributing the literature as fast as we can get hold of it.”

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## THE APOSTOLIC FAITH

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### THE POWER OF GOD AGAINST HYPNOTISM.

In the Johannesburg Tabernacle, at a Sunday evening service about a year ago, God instantly healed a lame girl. She came from Germiston; had been sick for three and a half years from what the doctors said was either an extreme case of rheumatism or the first stages of hip disease. She was not able to get up the steps without assistance, when she came to the platform to be prayed for. They asked her, "How long have you been sick?" She said, "For three and a half years." "Have the doctors treated you?" "Yes, for two and a half years, and then they gave me up." "Who has been treating you for the last year?" "A hypnotist."

Just then a well-known hypnotist arose in the audience and moved forward and took the front seat. The leader said, "Never mind about the hypnotist, Jesus is going to heal you right now. In two minutes you will be well." They laid hands on her and prayed, and instantly the Lord delivered her, and she walked up and down the platform several times to demonstrate to herself and to the audience that she was well.

The leader says, "I stepped back and looked at her, my heart going out in praise to God for His mercy; when suddenly the Spirit of the Lord descended upon me in power, not in any gentle influence but with a mighty, intense power, a spirit of revulsion against the spirit in that hypnotist. I stepped up on the platform directly in front of him and said, 'Are you the man who has been hypnotizing this woman?' He replied, 'Yes, sir, I am'; and he rose to his feet and looked toward me in a challenging attitude. I said to him, 'In the name of Jesus Christ, you will never hypnotize anybody again.' And before I realized what I was doing, I reached over the front of the platform, grasped his collar with my left hand, while with my right I slapped him on the shoulder, saying, 'In the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, you come out of him.' 'Now', I said, 'go and hypnotize anybody if you can.' He laughed at me and said, 'Do you mean to tell me that I cannot hypnotize anybody?' I said, 'Yes, sir, that is the end of that thing.' The devil that caused you to hypnotize people is out."

"He worked all night in an endeavor to hypnotize some subjects, and in the morning at six came to my house saying, 'This is a mighty serious business, mister; this is my bread and butter.' And wanted me to give him back the power to hypnotize. I explained to him that it was not I but Jesus who had cast the devil out, and said to him, 'Brother, it looks to me as if the Lord wanted you to earn an honest living.'"

"He cancelled his engagements at the theatre where he was billed to give exhibitions, and last heard of, he was working in the mines and earning an honest living. That demonstrated that there is a mighty manifestation of the Spirit of God that has dominion over every power."

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A lady who was a spiritualist came to the home of one of the missionaries in South Africa and said, "I am haunted day and night by the spirit of a vile man. He appears to me as I walk on the street, as I work in the kitchen, and everywhere. I used to weigh 175 pounds—now I am only a skeleton—I am sick and dying." They said, "Sister, we will kneel down right now, and Jesus will bind that devil and he will never appear to you again." They knelt down and prayed, and bound that demon in the name of Jesus. She came to the Tabernacle and was saved and healed. That was the last she ever saw of that demon spirit.

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A lady came from Middleburg, Transvaal, with two cancers in the side of her face. The missionaries laid hands on her, and four days later both cancers fell out.

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### **A HYPNOTIST SAVED.**

A professional hypnotist came to the Apostolic Faith meetings. He had offices in Johannesburg and treated people who were sick, charging them sometimes as much as \$75 for treatments. He got under conviction for sin. Then he was sanctified.

One night he came to a cottage meeting at the home of one of the brothers, where some were being baptized with the Holy Ghost. The power of God was slaying them right and left. He came and said, "Oh brother, my unyielding spirit stands out in opposition to God. What would I not give if the Lord would smash me up like that? (pointing to one of the brothers who had just fallen under the power on the floor.) Pray for me that the Lord will do that for me." The missionary laid hands on him and prayed, and the power of God struck him and he fell on the floor. He had the desire of his heart.

After his baptism, he went around and hunted up many of the people he had formerly treated hypnotically and said to them, "I took your money and tried to make you believe you would be well, but you are not. Now I have found Jesus, and He has baptized me with the Holy Ghost; and if you will forgive me, I will pray for you now, and Jesus will heal you." And Jesus did heal them too, dozens of them.

Now here is an important truth. This man said, "Hypnotism is a psychical effect. There is no healing power in hypnotism; it is only an effect that for the time being makes one believe they are healed. It is the same thing as in the medical world when morphine is administered; the nerves become quiet, and because of absence of feeling in the nerves, people believe themselves to be well. But they are not; the disease is there just the same, only the effect of the morphine keeps them from suffering. But healing from God kills the root and seed of the disease, and casts out the power that caused it, and the individual is really healed."

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### **"THEY SHALL CAST OUT DEVILS."**

The Lord got hold of a hypnotist in Johannesburg, South Africa, took the devil out, and saved him. He had never looked within the lids of a Bible till God saved him, sanctified him and baptized him with the Holy Ghost. The Bible was not to him what it was to us who have questioned it all our lives. He looked at it as the Word of God that had to be fulfilled, equal and powerful as God.

This young man opened up the Word for the first time. We went out on the hills with the Word, and for some days scarcely ate or slept. One day he came on his bicycle in a great rush and said, "Brother, did you ever see this?" He turned to the 16<sup>th</sup> of Mark and said, "Just listen to this: IN MY NAME SHALL THEY CAST OUT DEVILS." (That soul was in dead earnest.) He said, "I wish I knew somebody that had a devil." The brother said, "No doubt you will find somebody, I hear there is a devil-possessed boy up in your neighborhood."

He was gone three-quarters of an hour, and came back, saying, "Brother, get your hat and come on, I have found him. He has been insane ever since he was born. He eats just like a dog. They cannot even give him a dish to eat from, but they have a clean stone in the yard, and he comes and eats his food from off the stone like a dog. They have a bed made for him without any sharp angles. He wears no clothes."

We went and found him. Presently he began to jump up the walls like an animal. When we tried to get near him, he would spring over the bed like a leopard. We got on opposite sides of

the bed, and pretty soon he vaulted, and the missionary grasped him by the head. Immediately the other brother had his hands on his head, and was praying at the same time. When he got his hands on that fellow that devil went out as quick as lightning, and he was perfectly sane.

The missionary says, 'I knew I did not have the faith in God for the casting out of that devil, but I saw that God had anointed that man with the living faith in the Word of God. I said, 'Young man, the Lord has anointed you with faith to do this, and I will go with you and do all I can to help.' This is a lesson I want all to learn right here: When you see that God has put more faith in another soul than he has in yours, don't try to pull them down, but say, 'Go on, young man, young woman, and I will stand with you and go, and as fast as I can.'

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### **FALLEN GIRLS SAVED.**

In South Africa, a young woman who had been a fallen girl was at her father's home one evening, when the missionaries were invited by the family to go upstairs to the parlor to pray. She was a sinner, but as they prayed she said, "Brother, what would I not give to know I was saved?" He replied, "You can know right now, Jesus will tell you."

As they prayed, the Spirit of God came upon her, and she reclined on the floor under the power of God in a sitting posture, her eyes transfixed as if gazing into the heavens. After a little while, when they ceased praying, she kept repeating, "Oh, isn't it beautiful, wonderful, praise God," etc.

After a little while, they said, "Tell us about it, sister." "Oh," she said, "as you prayed it was all black before me. I could see nothing but blackness; when presently a little angel boy came and threw back a curtain each way, and behind that curtain was the most beautiful light. And from away in the distance an angel choir sang, 'It is well with thy soul.' Presently Jesus stepped into the foreground, and raising His hands, said, 'Peace be to thy soul.'" Her face was radiant with the glory of God. Surely she had been in the presence of Jesus.

This young woman's sister was also a fallen girl, and had become diseased in her body. The family asked prayers for her, while she was yet a sinner. They knelt by the bedside with the father and mother, and God instantly touched and perfectly healed her. She arose from her bed and dressed, and the following evening came down to visit the missionaries in their own home, and gave her heart to God.

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### **BAPTIZED WITH WATER AND WITH THE HOLY GHOST.**

One of the superintendents of the native work in South Africa held a baptismal service for Zulu natives near Wakkerstroom in which 17 candidates were baptized. They were all saved and sanctified, and inquired, "When will we receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost?" He showed them Acts 2:38, "Repent and be baptized everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost," and told them God would baptize them with the Holy Ghost when they were baptized in water.

The Spirit of the Lord was manifestly present in power as the candidates entered the water. After the first four had been baptized, the Spirit of the Lord fell on all that came out of the water. Thirteen came out of the water baptized with the Holy Ghost and speaking in tongues. At another time, this same brother baptized 350 candidates in the river. The whole town turned out to the baptism.

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### **"THE PLACE WAS SHAKEN."**

**(Acts 4:31.)**

We do not realize our privileges in God. Over in Africa, an instance occurred that has just reached us by letter. Three white missionaries and one native preacher went into a native hut to pray. The power of God came down upon them to such an extent that the walls of the hut began to vibrate. Presently it extended so that the native church near by began to shake, and the native people from all around came to see what was going on.

It will not be long until vital faith in God will concentrate such a power of God in this old world that many places will be shaken. The devil knows that this is coming, and is doing everything he can to keep us from getting into oneness and soul concentration in God to bring this thing to pass.

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**ANGELS APPEARED.**

One night a meeting for children was being held in a mud hut in Potgieters Rust, Africa. It was as full of native children as it could be packed. Many of the children had been saved and baptized, and an extremely beautiful spirit of loving fellowship was manifested. As the service progressed, while they were in prayer, a choir of angel children appeared outside the hut, visible to all. They filed into the hut and sang in English, "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." When the song was finished, the angel choir faded from view. The native children had never heard of such a song as that.

Two missionaries were praying alone one night out in the bush not far from this same location, a white missionary and a native Basuto preacher. As they prayed, an angel stepped between them, with a sword in his left hand. He put his right arm over the white missionary and his left arm with the sword over the native preacher. This preacher is the one that God used to raise the dead.

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**A DRINK DEMON CAST OUT.**

A sister in the work in Johannesburg had a drunken husband. He had left her and was living in the saloons and existing just like an animal. One night she and her friends were praying that the Lord would find him and He spoke to them and said, "If you go down the street you will find him." The wife had not seen him for ten years, and they walked right down and met him.

They brought him to the altar, and the Lord took the drink demon out in a moment, but he did not get saved. He went on fighting and opposing his wife for a whole year, yet the drink demon was out.

Finally the wife wanted to receive Christian baptism, and he said, "If you get baptized, I will leave and get drunk." So right in the midst of the service, he walked up to the platform and said, "Are you going to baptize my wife tonight?" The leader replied, "Yes, sir, I am, and if you were a Christian and a gentleman you would be baptized too." He said, "I will go out and get drunk." The brother said, "You will do nothing of the kind. If you try to drink, it will make you sick."

They asked God that the stuff would make him vomit. He said to the bartender, "Give me brandy." And he did not like it, and asked for gin. And when he got it to his nose, it made him sick, and he went out and threw up.

He came back to the tabernacle, and arrived just in time to stand at the end of the tank and see his wife baptized. He had a hatred against the natives, but there he stood right in the midst of

the natives. As they were coming away, he put his arms around the leader and said, "I want to tell you before you go away I have found God."

It is our place to believe in God. We may not understand what He is doing, but it is our place to believe Him.

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### **A DRUNKEN HUSBAND SAVED.**

A man that had been once prominent in the Dutch Church in South Africa and associated with the Cape Town University, became a drunkard right down in the gutter. The wife came and said, "The time has come when I must choose between my husband and children. He has become abusive since they have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost." The missionaries told her there was nothing in the New Testament; but this is what the Word does say, "If two of you shall agree on earth as touching anything that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of My Father which is in heaven." That is something to encourage a wife who has a drunken husband. Get somebody to agree with you in prayer; and if you cannot do that, come to the assembly and get the whole church to agree with you.

They all knelt down together. As they prayed, the Spirit of God came upon the wife, and she fell upon the floor in a trance, and lay there for about half an hour. Then she arose, her face shining, and said, "While I lay there on the floor, Jesus came and talked to me, and He said he would save my husband and save him today."

In a little while, she returned home. As she entered the house, she heard a great noise out in the kitchen, and she said, "There he is; he has come home drunk again and making a great noise." She went in and laid down on the bed, and cried herself to sleep. She was awakened by a noise in the room, and to her amazement she saw her husband on his knees at the foot of the bed with his hands up, crying to God to save his soul. That was the noise she heard in the kitchen. The very instant the power of God fell on her in the missionaries' home, it fell on him in the kitchen.