

# INFORMANT

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"Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all the nations."—Matt. 28: 19, A.S.V.

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## "This Gospel" Testimony Period

### June to See Marked Expansion of Public Meeting Campaign

#### **"The Meek Inherit the Earth" to Be Featured**

While the nations assemble (as at San Francisco) and seek human remedies for world distress (a 'just and lasting peace' by means of a world security organization), Jehovah calls attention to His remedy by commanding, "THIS GOSPEL of the kingdom shall be preached in the whole inhabited earth for a testimony unto all the nations." (Matt. 24: 14, A.S.V., margin) The carrying out of that command is the most important work that is being done on the earth today.

Jehovah always does his part. By setting his King upon his holy hill of Zion, he created the basis or foundation for "this gospel". He put his spirit upon his people and commissioned them to go forth and preach "this gospel", and by his spirit or active force he sustains them in that work. And so that his servants might press on with joy and zeal and increased faith and appreciation, he provided the special company meetings.

At those meetings the servants of Jehovah were refreshed and edified as to the privilege of presenting their bodies (including all its members and faculties) as living sacrifices. How they might perform their rational divine service was clearly and forcibly brought to their attention. They were thrilled as they heard the graphic portrayal of the part that Jehovah's witnesses play in the great conflict for supremacy as the people for the issue, specially created for that occasion. There they heard with rapt attention the timely and comforting message "The Meek Inherit the Earth", and received it in printed form with enthusiasm for their use in further preaching "this gospel". But above all, those special meetings will be remembered as the occasion on which Jehovah, through his "faithful and wise servant", provided his surprised and delighted evangelists with the new instruction book *Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers*. And what an instrument that is! What an aid in our endeavors to measure up to the exacting terms of our commission! Yes, Jehovah always does his part!

#### **Availing Ourselves of the Theocratic Aid**

Now the issue facing us is that of applying these divinely provided instructions in the field. Throughout the month of June, all of the Lord's servants will make use of its counsel while preaching from house to house (see Lesson 50), offering the bound book *"The Kingdom Is at Hand"* and the new booklet *"The Meek Inherit the Earth"* on a contribution of 25c. An earnest endeavor should be made to place one of these new booklets in each home. Where the new booklet has not yet been received, use the booklet *One World, One Government* until it arrives. (The factory has worked extra time so as to get as many of the new

booklets as possible into the hands of the publishers in time for the June campaign.) This month brings with it warmer weather and longer days, thus providing additional opportunities to preach "this gospel" by engaging in the evening house-to-house work, presenting either the regular offer or the booklet alone.

Not only will the servants of Jehovah do their part by going from house to house with "this gospel", but they will also show their appreciation of his tender compassions by calling back on all such as have shown interest and aiding them to appreciate the issue and the Kingdom. In going from house to house we are merely looking for the meek, the "other sheep". Being meek, they are teachable; and therefore, having found them, we must also teach them. And having started studies with these, we must exercise care if we would have them continue. It is not enough merely to go through a routine procedure of asking the questions and then having the paragraphs read, but we must put our heart into it; teaching with authority and conviction, making the lesson clear and interesting, and at the same time being ever alert to use Theocratic tactfulness in dealing with the many questions and incidents that arise. That is one of the main reasons why the new book *Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers* was provided. Study and apply its lessons, and your back-calls and book studies will increase.

#### **Preaching "This Gospel" Publicly**

Doing our part includes also pushing forward in the public meeting campaign. Improved weather should see a decided "stepping up" in this method of preaching "this gospel". In fact, June is the ideal month for this, being neither too warm nor too cool. Therefore, do not wait any longer, but arrange now for open-air meetings in parks, pavilions, bandstands, ball parks, and wherever suitable places can be found. Bring the lectures to the people, and thus reach many who failed to come to the lectures. At such places it would be well to attract attention by playing musical selections on a transcription machine (if one is available) for ten to fifteen minutes before the assembly begins. During this time the brethren can go around handing out leaflets and personally inviting those in the vicinity to attend the public meeting.

Where the company has no further places available at which to put on the series, it would be well to arrange for a return series at the Kingdom Hall and other places used earlier in the year. At such places the same lectures could again be given, or, especially where the first series was limited to four lectures, the company may use new subjects for the lectures by now putting on lectures numbers 5 to 8 in this manner: "Thy Kingdom Come" When? "The Bible Spotlight on

Religion"; "Religion's Harvest"; "Education for Life." Under these circumstances it is left to each company to decide whether to start again with the first talk and run the entire series or just use the last four mentioned here. Indeed there is still plenty of work for all in the public meeting campaign.

With each and every publisher having clearly in mind what Jehovah has done in connection with the preaching of "this gospel", and seeing the many opportunities that lie before us as co-workers with Him, there is no reason why the June Testimony period should not see a new peak in hours for all ranks of Kingdom publishers. Jehovah always does His part. Will you do your part?

#### **For the Careful Attention of Prospective Summer Vacation Pioneers**

During the past fall, winter and spring you younger brethren have diligently expended your energies learning and properly preparing yourself for future Kingdom work, and you have engaged regularly in house-to-house, back-call, book-study and magazine work with your parents and others of like precious faith in the week-day evenings and on Saturday and Sunday. Your diligent study of the course in Theocratic ministry has greatly assisted you in performing your covenanted work of preaching "this gospel" to others. You clearly discern the Lord's blessing on your efforts. Now many of you are relieved from school work for the summer months. The question arises, What are you going to do with the time? Are you going to spend it in inactivity, or are you going to "redeem" it by spending it wholly in the Lord's service as a pioneer, a summer vacation pioneer?

David answered a similar question by devoting his entire time to the service of Jehovah while but a youth. As a young man he proved his faith by works, his utter dependence upon the Lord's guiding, active force, when he walked out without fear of man and met the challenge of the Devil's representative, Goliath. Many years later, when he was an old, grayhaired man, David said, "For thou art my hope, O Lord God: thou art my trust from my youth." He had devoted himself to the glorious service of making known Jehovah's judgments, and had been richly blessed and led of the Lord God.

The Lord Jesus preached the truth when but a lad of tender years. In the temple he asked many questions of the "wise men" of his day, "And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers." He not only was seeking after knowledge and understanding of his Father's Word, but was also

#### **Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers Plays Important Part**

To aid all the brethren in becoming more effective witnesses of the Kingdom, the new book *Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers* has been provided by the Lord as another weapon to use against the forces of ignorance. It is not for field distribution, but is a textbook for Kingdom publishers. All publishers should study it carefully, both privately and in the meetings. If an additional copy (or copies) is needed it should be ordered as a 'Cash Item', with remittance of 50c per copy accompanying order.

#### **Re Cost of Cash Items**

A number of companies and pioneers have written the Society, recently, concerning the cost of various cash items shown on their invoices, such as *Douay Bible*, *Watchtower* binder, rubber type set, *The Two Babylons*, and others, the cost of which changes from time to time. When ordering, it should be kept in mind that many of such cash items are not produced in the Society's factory but are obtained from commercial firms; hence the cost of these is always subject to change without notice.

putting to good use what he had already learned. Jephthah's daughter began her full-time service at Shiloh when but a young virgin. Timothy was but a youth when given responsible oversight of the Lord's goods. He had been raised up in the "nurture and admonition of the Lord". The apostle Paul told him to press ahead, and to "let no man despise thy youth". That he did, and, by the grace of the Lord God, performed faithfully his God-given assignment.

Now, when the need is more pressing than ever before, when "THIS GOSPEL" shall be preached in all the world to the meek of the earth, certainly no one can consider himself an exception to the rule that his obligation is in proportion to his opportunity. The call goes forth now for all the young brethren who have the opportunity to enter the ranks of vacation pioneers this summer and prepare the groundwork for a glorious life devoted to full-time service of Jehovah.

Consider prayerfully and seriously your wonderful privilege of 'honoring your Creator in the days of your youth'. Lay up a qualifying record that will assist toward your being called to Gilead for training and foreign service in the "nations afar off" in a few short years, if it be Jehovah's will. Your vacation pioneer application blank is waiting for you, as well as complete instructions on this feature of Kingdom work. Enroll in June, be in full swing in this work during July and August and finish in September when school begins. Do this and contribute toward a peak in hours during July and August. We are anticipating the greatest influx of young boys and girls into the ranks of the vacation pioneer service to date. We have made all preparations and are waiting to hear from you.

# Enlarging Your Privileges Public Meeting Activity Enhanced

## Kingdom Service Expanding

Soon all the meek of the earth will pass through the perils of Armageddon and enter into the cleansed, refreshed new earth ready for unhindered Kingdom service throughout eternity. Before that glorious prospect is realized, however, Satan will employ every means of deception and opposition within his power against us with increasing pressure as his inescapable doom approaches. Parallel with his avalanche of demonic propaganda goes the invincible proclamation of the "Gospel of the Kingdom". Those who are truly meek will not hesitate to separate themselves from the course of the demonized, doomed world and devote their time, energy and resources to advancing the Kingdom interests. Thus they heed the admonition of the apostle Paul to the Corinthians at 1 Corinthians 15:58, *Rotherham*: "So, then, my beloved brethren, become ye steadfast, immovable, superabounding in the work of the Lord at all times."

The Christian steadfastly and immovably seeks ways and means of enlarging his privileges in Kingdom service at the sacrifice of personal selfish interests. He carefully considers how he spends every moment of his time, every bit of energy, and how his mind is being occupied, and strives diligently to divert those resources now being used for other purposes to advancing the Kingdom service. During the month of July each one will have the opportunity of enlarging his privileges by engaging in evening witnessing, in addition to the usual time spent in the service. The offer in July will be a continuation of the June combination of *"The Kingdom Is at Hand"* and *"The Meek Inherit the Earth"*, on a 25c contribution. This booklet should be left in every home, wherever possible. Make sure every person whose name is on the back-call file gets a copy immediately, then distribute them far and wide throughout your entire territory.

## Increasing Public Meeting Activity

As the gospel preaching steadily and surely expands toward the ends of the earth our privileges and opportunities in connection therewith must similarly be enlarged to keep pace with it. We believe that nearly every company has, by this time, had at least one series of public lectures. However, this is only the beginning. These public lectures will continue to be held on a greater scale in the future. All companies, as soon as one series of public lectures is ended, should be prepared to begin another series in a different section of territory. When all the territory has been covered with the series once, then it will be time to begin covering it again.

It appears that some of the publishers still fail to appreciate the great privileges they have of advertising these public lectures. The apostles, who accompanied Jesus in His public meeting campaign throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria always faithfully supported him in every way possible. They entered public squares and streets and made known the way of gaining life to all who desired to hear. They spread the good news far and wide and gained the attention of all who would listen and receive the invitation. The faithful publisher today will not try to do differently. He will willingly deprive himself of everything else in order to give full, 100-percent support to the present-day public meeting campaigns.

Handbills should be distributed on the streets, at back-calls, from

store to store and house to house, as explained in the May *Informant*. The territory should be thoroughly covered with handbills, every person available doing the work and using every form of distribution possible. There are many other means of advertising as previously suggested that can and should be used in advertising these public lectures.

Not only can the publishers enlarge their privileges in advertising the public lectures during July, but the speakers also have a great responsibility in this regard. Every brother enrolled in the course in Theocratic ministry and qualified to deliver a public lecture should be given one of the hour talks to prepare. As soon as he gives evidence of being able to deliver it satisfactorily, he may be assigned to deliver it publicly. There are four essential features which every speaker should keep in mind to be successful in delivering an interesting public lecture. First, it requires a sincere desire with a humble spirit and willingness to be used by the Lord in any way he may direct. Secondly, much effort must be spent in studying the new book *Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers* and other instructions on delivering the Kingdom message effectively. Third, it requires time to work out carefully every detail in the outline of the talk and make the finished speech coherent and easy to follow. Fourth, in order to be able to present the talk forcefully and effectively, the speaker must practice it for delivery, using emphasis, gestures, expression, etc., doing this several times before giving it publicly. No speaker should be assigned to give a public talk unless he will prepare properly in advance.

If all speakers and publishers realize their privileges and earnestly seek to enlarge and expand them during July, that month is bound to be a month full of Kingdom activity, which will undoubtedly cause Satan and his crowd much discomfort, and at the same time bring rejoicing to the hearts of many sincere meek ones who will eventually inherit the earth.

## 'The Meek Inherit the Earth'

The tremendous enthusiasm with which the Lord's people received the recent public proclamation of the subject, "The Meek Inherit the Earth," testified as to its timeliness, need, and effectiveness. Now that the time is here for its distribution in booklet form, the brethren everywhere will delight to carry its consoling message to all the meek of the earth who are groaning under the lash of the oppressor.

As if to accentuate the forcefulness of the truths as therein contained, on the very same day that the message was released one of the world's leading proponents of violence, aggression, and evil doing was proclaimed by press dispatches as having been mobbed and killed, and trampled into the very mud and filth of a city square. To many, at least, it is very apparent that, 'Yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be.' The paths that proud and evil men picture as leading to glory actually lead but to the grave. Now the Lord's people stand forth as the bearers of the only message that will show meek men the way to abundant life.

## Take Jehovah's Side of the Issue

All men of good-will and meekness will naturally turn to the assuring and comforting truths contained in

# "Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers"

## Disciplers Now Advance to More Intensive Training

"An efficient presentation of the Kingdom message is the need of the hour." Why? Because the commission to teach or disciple all the nations devolves upon every one of Jehovah's devoted servants. None can excuse himself, saying, 'I am unable or exempt,' because all necessary provision is being made by the great Teachers to thoroughly equip every commissioned one to faithfully obey and carry out its terms. This favored people, this elect race and their companions, are a people for a purpose—the discipling of all the nations and the proclamation of the Kingdom gospel.

Jehovah's invisible power or holy spirit will guarantee the complete success of that purpose, and his people will not fail to perform their part therein; but the point each individual publisher must bear in mind is that EVERY servant of Jehovah is affected. In order to faithfully measure up to the requirements of Jehovah's determination or purpose to disciple all the nations, there is not one of God's people that can do without the training now provided through the Theocratic ministry course, with its latest blessed instrument, *Theocratic Aid to Kingdom Publishers*.

## Advanced Course in Training

This new aid brings us from the first course, with all its manifest blessings, to the point where we may now enter into a more extensive training as teachers and ministers. From the time when the church in its infancy rejoiced and gave praise to Jehovah for the revelations wrought by the outpouring of the holy spirit, there certainly have been few greater causes for praise and gratitude on the part of God's people than the inception of the course in Theocratic ministry and all its attendant blessings.

Contemplation of all that has developed as a result causes the heart to swell with emotion, and now Jehovah causes the cup of blessing to overflow in bringing forth that which will still further equip his people for their teaching role. It is now plainly manifest that every servant of God vitally needs this complete training, because the issue of life or death revolves around the faithful execution of the terms of his commission.

The new *Theocratic Aid* has that which will train and prepare God's people for efficient action in every feature of Kingdom activity. Door-to-door work, with appropriate methods for handling all obstacles and hindrances, is fully discussed. Ample training also for back-call and book-study work will be obtained by those who regularly study its weekly lessons. Magazine publishers will likewise become more proficient, and the public meeting activity can be entered into to the fullest extent by all those who make application of the knowledge and instructions set forth in this valuable new publication.

From every angle, therefore, God's people now stand in a most favored

this new booklet, and, in combination with the new book *"The Kingdom Is at Hand"*, it presents a message of striking appeal to all who wish to live in a condition of peace and harmony with the great King Christ Jesus. It becomes more and more apparent that the nations are unable to convince men that they hold the remedy for earth's troubles, and, as Jehovah's witnesses in this vital issue, all who now love Him will rejoice to hold forth his testimony, that the meek are the only ones who shall inherit the earth.

position. Their scope of action broadens to lengths once undreamed of, and, in keeping therewith, Jehovah in his great goodness makes provision to thoroughly equip his servants to fulfill their assigned part in his announced purpose. In sheer gratitude, therefore, let every eligible brother not enrolled in the Theocratic ministry course now enroll. Attend all sessions regularly, and carefully prepare each lesson and whatever assignments are given to you, determined to improve your ability for greatest possible use.

## Notice

The United States Post Office has set forth the arrangements that will now govern their acceptance in the mails of newspapers and other periodical publications addressed to the personnel of the Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard overseas.

Individual copies, addressed via the fleet post offices at New York, N. Y., or San Francisco, Calif., shall be accepted only when they are being sent in fulfillment of written requests sent or initiated by the addressees for subscriptions or renewals. Relatives and friends may pay for the subscription or renewals provided the addressees have made requests therefor.

This means, therefore, that each subscription or renewal for magazines from this office must be accompanied by a written request by the service man for whom it is intended.

This same ruling applies to Army subscribers also.

## New Publications

*Freedom in the New World* Russian  
*"The Truth Shall Make You Free"*  
Question booklet ..... Spanish

## April Report

PREVIOUS ALL-TIME PEAKS					
	Publishers	Av. Hrs.	Av. B-C		
Sp'l Pios.	1,580 2/43	178.0 3/42	67.7 3/42		
Gen. Pios.	5,322 8/43	151.3 5/44	39.4 1/45		
Co. Pios.	66,079 4/43	20.3 6/40	4.6 10/40		
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	Pubs.	Av. Hrs.	Av. B-C	Av. Hrs.	Av. B-C
Sp'l Pios.	1,330	167.2	57.1	163.1	57.1
Gen. Pios.	3,087	142.7	36.0	144.6	37.0
Co. Pios.	62,253	15.8	3.7	15.9	4.2

## PUBLIC MEETING CAMPAIGN

Number of meetings	2,540
Total attendance	129,568

## "WATCHTOWER" CAMPAIGN

195,000 New Subscriptions to date  
and the end is not yet!

The greatest Watchtower Campaign to date! 195,000 new subscriptions, and not all entered yet! By Jehovah's grace, we shall have a total well in excess of the 1944 Watchtower Campaign final result of 182,385 new subscriptions. Certainly the rich blessing of the Lord God is evident, and the "meek of the earth" have a rich portion for a year to come through this channel of truth. Indeed, "the blessing of the Lord, it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it." All of the Lord's people are cheered by these results.

More publishers reported in April, 1945, than at any other time since April, 1943, a period of two years! Now that an increase has appeared, the Lord's people everywhere will wish to maintain and even improve on this situation. The times now are most fitting for increased Kingdom activity and every restraining influence will be pushed aside by the zeal of Jehovah's witnesses. Every indication points to more and more increase. Let every servant rejoice and increase also.