

To me, one of the most significant aspects of the World Congress on Evangelism was the emphasis throughout on the Holy Spirit. "Let us first of all observe that it is the Spirit of God alone who establishes the Church," declared Dr. Kyung Chik Han of Korea, pastor of the largest Presbyterian Church in the world. "It was on the Day of Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit came upon those who were in the upper room as a rushing, mighty wind and as cloven tongues of fire, that the Church was born. . . . The Church appeared as a lamb in the midst of wolves," said Dr. Han in his major evening address to the congress.

"Yet the lamb survived," he continued. "And not only did it survive; the Church of Jesus Christ grew and spread until at last it conquered all its foes and changed the course of history with its redemptive truth. How? 'Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.'"

He concluded with this ringing affirmation: "The Church appears once more to many as a lamb in the midst of wolves. But, praise God, we read in the book of Revelation that the Lamb will finally conquer all the cruel forces of heaven and earth. How? 'Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit, saith the Lord of hosts.'"

"So onward Christian soldiers! Let us march forward, for the Spirit of God is with us, ever conquering and to conquer!"

Significantly, the subject of Justification and Sanctification, ably chaired by Dr. Paul S. Rees, was included in the group discussions under "The Basic Theology of Evangelism." "If the Church today is to awake to the full authority and splendor of her evangelizing mission," asserted Dr. Rees, "she must realize that her evangelism consists as truly of what she is as it does of what she says. She is Christ's holy presence in the world of the unholy," he observed, "different from the world because delivered from it, yet all the while redemptively linked with it."

Again and again, the Holy Spirit set His seal upon the congress.

In the final climactic message to the congress, Evangelist Billy Graham directed the thoughts of the congress participants to their personal responsibility. His voice and countenance evidencing the passionate burden of his heart, he pleaded for heart-searching, for confession, for implicit obedience to the will of God. His message, "Is There a Stain On Your Altar?" posed seven penetrating questions: (1) Is there a stain on the altar of your conversion; (2) your call; (3) your devotional life; (4) your message; (5) your social concern; (6) your evangelism; (7) your relationship to your brother?

At the beginning of his sermon he had prayed, "Lord, carry us out of this place

torches . . . and if need be, martyrs for Jesus' sake"; at the conclusion, in a solemn hush that permeated the great Kongresshalle, he bid the 1,200 delegates and observers to go to their knees in humble confession and petition. From everywhere voices were lifted in prayer, tears flowed, hearts were melted. It was a moving, sobering, climactic moment!

As delegates followed the flags of their one hundred nations out of the Kongresshalle to climax the ten-day convocation, they saw for the last time the ticking clock display which had burned into their memories and hearts the frightening fact that the world's population had increased by nearly two million during the nine days and 13 hours since the clock had been started at 11:06 p.m., Tuesday, October 25. It was a forceful reminder that the population gain is ten times faster than converts to Christ are being won.

Out of the Berlin Congress has come an acute awareness that the problems and the titanic task of evangelism are the same the world over. Methods may vary, but the message remains constant. The congress theme substantiates this: "One Race, One Gospel, One Task."

Whatever else may come from the congress, it is certain that many weary workers were revived and their ministry rejuvenated.

The congress has given to evangelicals around the world a new sense of unity, a new awareness of the needs of others, a humble optimism in the power of the gospel, and a heightened sense of the great imperative—the dynamic of the Holy Spirit in all spiritual endeavors, and a fresh understanding of how the Spirit uses the Scriptures to convict men of sin and convince them of the reality of the gospel. Evangelism should become a marching force in today's world.

Christianity Today sounds this challenge editorially: "Thousands sought God's blessing on the World Congress. Thousands should now pray that a new day will dawn for the Church in which it will fulfill its task — 'the evangelization of the world in this generation.'"

To put the tremendous heart-throb of the congress on paper is impossible. To have sensed the moving of the Holy Spirit and the burning passion of great evangelical leaders, to see and sense something of the magnitude of the historic event . . . to hear impassioned pleas and learned discourses from some of the ablest minds of the modern world . . . it all adds up to an experience that never can be forgotten!

HOME MISSIONS BUDGET REPORT

The following is a report of monies received for budget purposes from June 1st to November 30th, 1966.

Amherst	\$ 5.00
Barker's Point	100.00
Beals	435.31
Black's Harbour	200.00
Bristol	60.00
Brazil Lake	25.00
Calais	40.00
Crystal	34.00
Deer Island	10.00
Doaktown	150.00
Fort Fairfield	41.42
Glassville	55.00
Gordonsville	80.00
Grand Harbour	211.00
Hartland	90.00
Havelock	104.00
Houlton	36.00
Jonesport	50.00
Killam's Mills	125.00
Lower Hainsville	30.15
Maple Ridge	50.00
Marysville	825.00
Meductic	11.50
Middle Southampton	5.10
Millville	100.00
Moncton	387.00
North Head	273.85
Old Town	64.00
Perth	175.00
Port Maitland	200.15
Salem	100.00
Sandford	365.00
Seal Cove	500.00
Stacyville	11.30
Sussex	75.00
Saint John	480.00
Truro	100.00
Victoria Corner	25.00
Westchester	30.00
Wood's Harbour (For last year)	68.00
Woodstock	150.00
Woodward's Cove	75.00

Total received in budget offerings
to date\$5952.78

Sincere thanks to you for your prayerful and financial support to date.

Respectively submitted,

Rev. J. F. McElhinney, Treas.

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For some unexplainable reason the envelopes used for cash offerings at Beulah have been lost. Anyone desiring receipts for Beulah Improvement donations should contact me immediately and appropriate receipts will be sent.

N. E. Trafton, Treasurer.