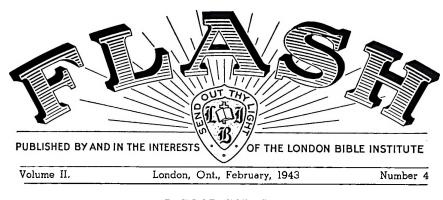


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A GOOD SOLDIER

By Rev. H. C. Slade, Pastor of Briscoe St. Baptist Church.

"Be strong and of good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance this land . . . that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law . . . turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest." Joshua 1:6-7.

After a God-given watchword "Be strong and of good courage," and encouraged by the presence of the Captain of the Lord's Host, Joshua's fear vanished. From that time on he went forward, to conquer Jericho and other cities of the promised land.

The term 'warfare'' is a very familiar one with us today, but we are thinking just now of another kind of fighting, not physical but spiritual, in which we, as Christians, are all engaged.

The name of every believer is enrolled in the book of the Church, which is accurately called "The Church Militant" here on earth. This means in plain language that we belong to the church on the battlefield of the world.

Since Christians are God's army, everyone should try to show that he is a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

Gcd clearly stated to Joshua what was required of a good soldier.

First, he must be BRAVE. It has been said that the word "coward" does not go well with the name of a British soldier or sailor. He never seems to know when he is beaten.

We are convinced that "Christian courage" is a courage which excels the courage of a fighting soldier. It enables a man or woman to stand for truth and righteousness at any cost. He or she will not hesitate to bear sorrow, insult and loss for Jesus Christ's sake.

God is looking for men today who will unfalteringly stand for the truth as it is in Jesus. Will you aim, in both your Christian life and service, to be the kind of hero with whom He is well pleased; whose names are written on His honour roll?

Stand up, stand up for Jesus— Stand in His strength alone; The arm of flesh will fail you— Ye dare not trust your own; Put on the gospel armour, And watching unto prayer, Where duty calls, or danger, Be never wanting there.

What else makes a good soldier? OBEDIENCE. Joshua's prosperity depended upon his strict obedience to the law of God. He must not turn to the right hand or the left.

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TIME TELLS TALE --- INSTITUTE INCREASE INSPIRING



Fall, 1935—Dr. J. W. Mahood, formerly of the Extension Department of the Moody Bible Institute, opened evening classes in the London Gospel Tabernacle. Thus the birth of London Bible Institute.

Sept., 1936—Day school opened with an enrollment of 12 students, meeting in rooms at the Tabernacle. The Day and Evening schools were conducted on these premises through 1937 and early 1938.

Sept., 1938—School occupied the new premises at 517 Queens Ave. At this time the school was chartered by the Provincial Government and a corporation membership established for control of the school.

1942-1943—Twelve students met in the Tabernacle in 1936, but in 1943 there are 39 students who meet daily in the equipped class rooms, with a faculty of 9 teachers.

In 1938 there was a corporation membership, but today the administration of the school is controlled first, by a Board of Governors, composed of 5 members, then the Executive Committee of 7 members, and finally by the Advisory Council of 12 members. These are Christian business men and ministers of the Gospel, representing several denominations. They assure the Institute not only of good administration, but also of adherence to the Evangelical and Interdenominational principles of the school.

Since 1935, various subjects have been taught in the Evening School. Last summer we made application for an associate membership in the Evangelical Teachers' Training Association. In the Fall of 1942, we were accepted in this Association, which represents 120 Bible Institutes and Seminaries on this Continent. Now we are teaching on Tuesday Evenings, the standard course of the E. T. T. A. Every student graduating in this course will receive the Teachers' Certificate granted by the Association.

This brief account of the Institute history indicates the blessing of God upon this work, and should be of great encouragement to each Member and Supporter of the School. The Faculty rejoices in evident blessing, and is thankful to our Lord and God. Also we wish to express our appreciation for the prayerful and practical support given by the friends of the Institute. Truly our God hath done great things for us.

J. D. H. Å.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK-James D. H. Annan.

All will be glad to hear that although Doctor stayed in California longer than anticipated, he is now back on the job at the Institute and an inspiration to all.

The Dean reports that the students are still active in the Master's service as the following record shows:—

Total for the Past Month

Messages—18.	Musical Programs—24.
S. S. Taught—34.	Visits—16.
Tracts1085.	Personal Work done-44.
	Conversions—18.

Our front page article this issue is by our friend, Rev. H. C. Slade;

whose helpfulness as teacher of our Greek class has been of so much value. Brother Slade is resigning from his charge at Briscoe Street Baptist Church for larger spheres of usefulness, and thus leaves our Institute also. Our short acquaintanceship has been one of happy fellowship in the things of God and students and faculty alike sincerely wish Mr. Slade abundant success and blessing in His service for the Master. We trust his successor in our Greek department will be of like character, as we believe he will.

Early in January the editor had the great privilege of visiting five Bible Institutes in the United States and is grateful indeed for the hospitality and very valuable information extended to him by members of the following schools. Their helpfulness will be a real contribution to the future of our Institute:

Baptist Bible Seminary—Johnston City, N. Y.

National Bible Institute-New York, N. Y.

Philadelphia School of the Bible—Philadelphia, Pa.

Baltimore School of the Bible—Baltimore, Md.

Moody Bible Institute—Chicago, Illinois.

The Lancaster School of the Bible was on our schedule but an outbreak of smallpox in that city interfered with our plans. A letter lies before me extending a kind invitation to visit there at some future date.

Brethren, in this dark day, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.

THE 1943 YEAR BOOK

We Would Remind You that the

- RB, the publication of the Senior Class, is soon to be sent to press. This achievement is made possible financially by two groups—the Business advertisers and Friends whose names appear on our Friendship Page. These names identify those who have contributed not less than 25 cents toward this publication.
- Series Sponse in previous years has brought honour to the Lord and we are assured that the attractive presentation of our message and testimony will again bring a blessing to every reader.
- BE one of the many who will fellowship with us in this endeavour. The time before publication is brief. Send us your reservation for a year book and your contribution as a friend. The books are only 50 cents. Address all letters and enquiries to Business Manager of the Orb, 517 Queens Ave., London, Ont.

NEWS OF ALUMNI

By Olive Martin, '39

Marjorie Holborn, '39, is taking the Evangelical Teacher Training Course at L. B. I. Evening School.

Marian Pittaway, '42, is Corresponding Secretary of the Bible Club Movement in London, and is also teaching one of the clubs.

The Alumni week-end will be held in conjunction with the School Banquet, the time of which depends upon the appearance of "THE ORB." Probably early in May, instead of April. All students are looking for "Ads";—friendship ones too.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

For Period Jan. 15, 1943, to Feb. 15, 1943.

Total RECEIPTS from Gifts and Registrations	\$557.48
Salaries\$432.	
Telephone, Light and Heat 34.	
Flash	
Supplies 19.	
Taxes	
Sundry Expenses	41
Total EXPENDITURES.	529.05

Balance on hand as at February 15, 1943.....\$ 28.43

Our School operates today entirely on a faith basis and depends for its maintainence on the free-will gifts of interested friends. All gifts are carefully listed under the name of the donor and a receipt mailed at once. Our books are open for inspection by any of our financial supporters on application to the treasurer. "Them that honour Me, I will honour," saith the Lord, and our policy of faith is encouraging in that since the opening of this present school year, Sept. 2nd, all bills have been promptly paid, there are none outstanding, and the **needs**, not wants, of the faculty have been met. Thanks be unto God; thank you for your part in this great work. THE TREASURER.

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A good soldier must not do as he wishes, but as he is ordered. King Saul was a very tall, powerful and brave soldier, yet he was not in the truest sense a good soldier because he was disobedient.

God told him to do a certain thing, but he did not do it, so God dis-charged him as a soldier saying, "Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice." Disobedience on the battlefield can only result in confusion and defeat. The obedient life is the victorious life. "He gives the Holy Spirit to them

that obey Him."

The very moment Joshua crossed over Jordan, he was face to face with enemies of the bitterest sort. Great giants dwelt in certain parts of Canaan.

As Christian soldiers and workers, we are passing through the enemy's country, where the devil and his angels constantly fight against us. We are compelled to contend for every inch of ground we possess. Be not afraid.

Be strong and brave, and go forward in the "name of the Lord of hosts." Follow Jesus your captain who says, "Fear not for I am with you; be not dismayed for I am thy God; I will strengthen thee; yea, I will help thee; yea I will uphold thee with the right hand of my righteousness."

In the end we shall celebrate the victory together, shouting "Thanks be unto God who giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."