



Two views of the great Tommy Hicks meeting in Karlsruhe, Germany. Raymond T. Richey also ministered in the campaign.

TENT FILLED WITH 22,000 PEOPLE, SCENE OF GREAT HICKS CAMPAIGN IN GERMANY

By B. LAUSTER

FOR one week, crews of men worked tirelessly to erect a great gospel tent in Karlsruhe, Germany. This tent accommodated 22,000. On Friday, July 12, the tent filled with people, and a revival started which became a challenge to Satan and his bosom friend, Communism.

From the Russian zone of Germany streamed one thousand people. Germany's government guaranteed them return fare, and the city of Karlsruhe provided beds and gave each one from the East Zone 10 D.Marks (\$2.50) in money. The management of the revival provided free meals and many things were donated to help feed the precious people.

As sure as God's Word is real, those one thousand took something back with them behind the iron curtain that custom officials could not tax—THE POWER OF GOD IN THEIR LIVES!

During the ten days of meetings, approximately 180,000 attended the meeting, representing more than fifteen countries. As many as fifty and sixty huge buses were parked at one time in the parking lot.

Hundreds came from Holland. Most of them camped in tents. Neither dust nor showers could dampen their enthusiasm.

Afternoon meetings were devoted to building the people's faith and seeking the baptism. Hundreds were gloriously baptized with the Holy Ghost. These meetings gave great power to the night meetings.

On one afternoon as a large group stood seeking the Holy Ghost, a small boy, seven years old, began speaking beautifully in other tongues. A mother, interested in getting her son baptized, was asked if she had received it. She looked surprised and answered, "no." She was told to stop trying to help her boy and seek God for herself. Within a few minutes she had been gloriously filled. There were hundreds of like incidents. It was wonderful beyond words!



Tommy Hicks

Night after night, as the altar call was made, hundreds answered the call. They came forward and stood with tears streaming down their faces. What joy filled their faces as they prayed, making their decisions for Christ.

There was a very wonderful thing about the altar calls. God has dealt with Brother Hicks about the pitiful lack of concentrated prayer with the great masses of converts in meetings of this size. Contrary to convention and form (and some people's desires) he requested the entire meeting to go to its knees and pray from their hearts for themselves and each other. They literally knelt in dust and ashes before the Lord, for the floor of the tent was only earth. Walls of convention and pride were crushed and a temple of God erected in those hearts. It is impossible to write the actual impact of these prayers and their effect.

Such masses came to be prayed for that it was almost impossible to handle the crowds. However, night after night,

God's Spirit visited the earth and healed and performed mighty miracles.

There were wonderful testimonies of healing from many who said they had remained in their seats and believed God, in order to give others a chance to get in the prayer line. Such unselfishness did not go unnoticed by God.

Many with blind eyes, not partially, but totally healed. Heart disease was healed many times. One dear lady reported that she raised her hand for her heart and suddenly it dawned on her that she had had no trouble with it at all for the whole week so she kept her hand raised in praise and thanksgiving.

Growths and cancer disappeared, and in some cases one could see improvement from one day to another. Since the close of that meeting, hundreds of testimonies have flowed in telling what God had done.

On the last Sunday morning of the campaign, a very unusual meeting was held—a water baptism service. To be baptized in water, in Germany, is a serious step. The state church, which exercises crushing power over most German citizens, frowns upon water baptism, and when one takes that step, it is an open confession that he is breaking fellowship with the state church. In America, where we enjoy such religious

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Scene from a great baptismal service. Left to right: Rev. Muller, Chairman, Walter Lauster and Rev. Hicks.

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VELMER J. GARDNER
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9-9064.

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February 4, 5, 6—Madison, Illinois—Rev.
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February 7, 8, 9—Granite City, Illinois—
Rev. Kofahl.
February 10, 11, 12—Collinsville, Illinois
—Rev. Wicker.
February 13—Marysville, Illinois—Rev.
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February 14, 15, 16—Alton, Illinois—Rev.
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WILBUR OGILVIE
(Rt. 4, Box 190-A, Turlock, Calif.)
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA, December
—Calvary Temple, 1059 Hope St. Contact Rev.
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LETTERS

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I had my glasses changed and some weeks later I called on the doctor for a check-up. After examining my eyes, he told me I was getting my second sight. On arriving home, I picked up my Bible and found I could read better without my glasses than with them.

Ada R. Bagwell
Sword's Creek, Va.

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Leaving Germany, he was in services in Zurich and Lausanne, Switzerland. In all of these places God so wonderfully manifested His power in the salvation of souls, the marvelous healing of the sick and afflicted, and the baptizing with the Holy Spirit of many hundreds of hungry hearts.

In each city, one evening was given to Brother Richey's testimony of how God wonderfully healed him; first, when eye specialists had said that within six weeks or two months he would be totally, permanently blind, and later, when he had been pronounced hopelessly ill with tuberculosis. Military and civilian physicians said that within a few months he would be dead, but God instantly healed him and sent him out to preach again the Christ who is the same yesterday and today and forever.

At this time Brother Richey is in meetings in Japan. He will go from there to Korea and he earnestly asks the prayers of God's people for these needy countries.

Early in 1958 he plans, God willing to return to Germany and Switzerland.

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freedom, this is hard to understand, but for these people, bound to their church from generation to generation, it is a hard break to make. Yet by the grace of God they do it by the hundreds.

The question of where a baptismal service could be held was quickly answered by the U. S. Army. Chaplains and U. S. soldiers cooperated in setting up a great canvas basin in which the converts were baptized.

On this lovely Sunday morning, two hundred-forty converts followed the Lord in water baptism. Many looked on with great questions in their hearts, but as the glory of the Lord filled the tent, and God put His approval on the meeting every face registered serene, peace and the satisfaction of following God in obedience. Brother Hicks worked tirelessly to baptize these people and has since said that it was one of the greatest privileges of his entire ministry.

The meeting came to a close, the tent was taken down and the dust settled but all over Europe revivals are breaking out. The fire is burning and the flame of Pentecost has never been brighter in Europe.

The meeting is past, but it has changed church history in Germany. As Paul said to Felix, "This thing was not done in a corner." Echoes will be heard from this meeting in eternity, and will reach into all ages as the echoes from the burning bush.

Thank God for putting His plan in Tommy Hicks' hand!

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WHAT IS THE CHRISTMAS SEASON FOR?

What is the Christmas season for? . . .

*Is it a time for mirth and drinking,
A time for sport and festive thinking,
While into sin we're farther sinking?*

*Is it a time in which we gamble,
And in a flivver madly ramble,
Or with a hunting rifle amble,*

*Is it a day we live in shame,
And disregard earth's greatest name?
Oh, may we take a nobler aim!*

What is the Christmas season for? . . .

*Is it time of dissipation
In wrong-directed celebration,
Shared by the bulk of this our nation?*

*A time for mad cross-country dashes,
Unheeded signs and fatal crashes,
With treasured hopes left dust and ashes?*

*Is it a time to cheat and lie,
When gifts are sent, good will to buy
And noble thought within us die?*

What is the Christmas season for? . . .

*A time of sin, without confessing,
A day of turkey meat and dressing,
When folks forget to ask God's blessing?*

*For giving least, but greedy taking;
For singing words, and hearts left aching;
When worship calls, a sad forsaking?*

*No! Through the yuletide holidays,
Our hearts should sing their grateful
praise.*

*This is the season Christ was born;
Oh, praise the Lord, for Christmas morn!*

