



### A FAITHFUL PIONEER PASSES

Thousands of Christians of all denominations throughout the world will miss the well-known evangelist, author, and Bible teacher, Fred Francis Bosworth, who went to be with his Lord on January 23, following a heart attack in his home at Miami, Florida.

Born in Utica, Nebraska, the son of Burton and Amelia Bosworth, he moved with his family to Fitzgerald, Georgia. In the southern city he became a talented musician as a young man and also served as city clerk.

Shortly after the turn of the century when the late Dr. John Alexander Dowie, the "dynamic little Scotsman" who was a pioneer in divine healing ministry late in the 19th century, founded the religious community of Zion City, Illinois, he moved with his parents to that city and became one of the first directors of the famous Zion City concert band.

When about 30 years of age, Fred felt the call to the ministry and he pastored a large church in Dallas, Texas, for more than eight years prior to entering the evangelistic field. As a member of the International Evangelistic Association and the Christian and Missionary Alliance, he and his brother, Bert B. Bosworth, then a pastor in Houston, Texas, teamed up in a united effort. In the 1920's one of the largest Bosworth campaigns was conducted in Ottawa, Canada, where the large civic auditorium seating 11,000 persons was filled nightly to capacity. During this Ottawa revival many miracles of healing took place in answer to the prayer of faith. Many vehicles were employed, automobiles, ambulances, and even hearses, to bring the sick and afflicted on stretchers to the services. Further large and successful campaigns included New York, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Chicago, and other cities. In Chicago Gospel Tabernacle where Evangelist Paul Rader was pastor, Fred Bosworth received a lot of publicity in the Chicago Daily News and other metropolitan newspapers when a large number of students who were attending a school for the deaf were miraculously healed, their healings causing the school to close.

In 1952 at the age of 75, Evangelist Bosworth accompanied Evangelist Branham, of Jeffersonville, Indiana, to Africa, preaching to vast audiences there, the largest meeting being held on the Greyville Race Course in Durban, South Africa, where one service alone drew an estimated 75,000 people with more than 25,000 being turned away. He later conducted campaigns in Cuba, Germany, Switzerland, and Japan.

His wife and four children were at his bedside when the end came, and the aged minister, who was 81 on January 17, recognized and greeted them all before his passing. During his more than 50 years of ministry, it is estimated that over a million souls made decisions for Christ.

"Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them" (Rev. 14:13)