

# Canadian Pastors Tell of After-Effects of Valdez Revival

The following report comes from . . .

Rev. Theodore E. Ness, Pastor of Calvary Temple, Winnipeg, one of the largest Pentecostal churches. Seating capacity 1,600.



Pastor Ness



Evang. Valdez

## Rev. John M. Watts Pastor of Pentecostal Tabernacle of Calgary, Alberta

... It is a great blessing to hear almost every day of some healing that took place during the recent Valdez meeting here. One woman received no healing for three weeks, because she was sure that God wouldn't get around to it for three weeks. Well, God obliged her—took His time, but did a good job of it. He took all her arthritic pains. I wish I had time to tell you in full of Bro. McKinnon, the man who lay on the cot in the Al Azher Temple. He is well and putting on weight now. A month ago he was dying of cancer; or there is Bro. Blair who lost his cataract from his eye and is now driving about in his car. Oh, there are so many of them! We, too, are having healings now in our services, thanks be to God."

### Choice Lines from Testimonies Submitted to Bro. Valdez:

"... After being on crutches several years with multiple sclerosis, I was given almost instant relief when Rev. Valdez prayed for me; my afflicted eye was also healed."... WALTER KEPLER, 822 DOMINION ST., KAMLOOPS, B. C.

"... Since birth I have suffered with a hole in the top of my head which had no bone, only a covering of skin. As soon as Bro. Valdez touched my head, the bone was restored and it was made whole."... REV. DAVID DYCK, 815 8TH AVE. WEST, CALGARY, ALBERTA.

"... My little boy had a T. B. spot on his lung. Three days after prayer he was x-rayed and the trouble had cleared up. His heart, which had been displaced, was now in normal position also."... MRS. FLORENCE BACKMAN, NORTH KAMLOOPS, B. C.

"... For twenty-three years I had arthritis in the form of a peeling of the skin about the face. I also suffered from a dislocated backbone. I was healed when Bro. Valdez prayed for me."... MR. ALAN FERGUSON, 1616 10TH AVE. WEST, CALGARY, ALTA.

"... I was deaf in my right ear for fifteen years; doctors were unable to help me. Since Bro. Valdez prayed for me I can hear even a watch tick. Also I had broken my wrist and two fingers would sometimes fall useless and I could not completely close my hand. I can now close my hand tightly and have full control of the two injured fingers."... MRS. M. H. NICSON, 558 NICOLA ST., KAMLOOPS, B. C.

**THE LARGE CROWD PICTURED AT RIGHT FILLED THE SPACIOUS CIVIC AUDITORIUM IN WINNIPEG TO HEAR A. C. VALDEZ, JR.**

From January 6-20, 1952, A. C. Valdez, Jr. revival and healing campaign was conducted in our city with three co-operating churches. Winnipeg was stirred tremendously, and a conservative estimate of the combined attendance throughout the campaign reached approximately 71,000 people. During the week days, the services were conducted in the Winnipeg Roller Rink with a seating capacity of 3,500 with many being turned away. On Sunday evenings the services were held in the Civic Auditorium. On the final Sunday evening two great services were held at 6:30 and 9:00 p. m. with a total attendance of approximately 7,200 people. It was stated by some that this campaign was perhaps the largest Winnipeg has ever witnessed.

At the close of the campaign 3,500 decision cards were turned in, for which we give God all the glory. One of the outstanding features of this campaign was the tremendous response to the altar call at each service. The emphasis placed on the salvation of souls throughout the campaign was most gratifying. Many expressed their deep appreciation for the ministry of Rev. Valdez Sr., in the afternoon instruction services.

In spite of strong opposition from the newspapers and some of the unsympathetic clergymen of our city, interest in the campaign continued to grow.

Hundreds of people testified to definite healings. Space would not allow us to go into

detail regarding each specific healing. A number of those healed were from out of town, and, no doubt, testimonies will be coming in continually. God graciously used our good Bro. A. C. Valdez, Jr., in his healing ministry. One young man testified that one leg was shorter than the other by 3/4 of an inch and his one shoe was especially built up to assist him in walking. He testified to complete healing and is now wearing ordinary shoes on both feet and is praising God for what He has done. Many testified to the fact that deaf ears were unstopped, and others said that after being prayed for they were delivered from arthritis, rheumatism, lung trouble, hernias and other ailments. A mother said her baby was healed of club feet. To God be all the glory. Hundreds came to be prayed for each evening.

One of the amazing results of the campaign was that nearly fifty per cent of all the decision cards were signed by Roman Catholics. We can definitely state that our city has been stirred by this campaign, and that the pastors who have fought us from their pulpit are the losers in more ways than one. Many fine-thinking people in our city will never be satisfied with a negative Gospel. We feel that God's blessing on the ministry of A. C. Valdez, Jr. in our city proves to us that there are thousands of people here who are hungry for the positive truth of the Pentecostal message. We are thanking God for the visit of our brother Valdez to our city.

