

MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

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via Paulpietersburg,
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Dear Highway:

In spite of the dangerous fullness of the Pongola, which was higher than it has ever been (but once when he had to swim) when he has crossed it before, Papa went to hold the "Big Sunday" services at Entungwini, on the 28th. Jona Myeni, who is doing good work in this field, and generally supports himself as a native doctor, though he sometimes comes for help, which is given him out of the common mission fund, brought his little daughter to be presented to the Lord. She was given the name of Losaya.

A young man who has been a "seeker" for two years, came forward for baptism, and was taken into the church. This fellow worked here at the Mission Station for a time, and while here attended evening school, class, prayers, etc., and was very materially helped in his Christian experience. He has a good flow of language, and pleasing personality, and I expect will aspire to be a native evangelist. He will need your prayers that he may go deep enough for the Lord to be able to fit and fill Him for His work.

Joeli Mhlaba, who was with us for some months, and gives promise, by his rapid progress, of making a good helper, is reported very ill.

Josefa Msibi, St. John Church, is serving his six months at his landlord's, but this does not prevent his filling his usual Sunday appointments. Simone Msibi, L. C. Watt, was present at the service, and reported things going on as usual.

Thomas Ngomezulu is a young fellow, just beginning to help in the work of the Lord. He goes with Jona Myeni, and they have a number of preaching places, at which new seekers are coming forward. I have a list of fourteen, who have "Nikela'd" (given themselves to seek a Lord) within the year ending September, 1919. This includes an old man of about 60 years—a class we seldom reach. I expect a more recent account would give many added names.

On March 25, Johan Sukazi, who was once supported by Messrs. Gordon York and Ziba Orser, was promoted to higher service. We shall miss him sorely in this needy field, as he used to be one of our best workers. The whole church feels his loss.

I wish you could have heard the testimony of Samuel Mavimbelo in class last Wednesday. He told of how he had been watching at the side of his dying comrade in this warfare, by prayer and promise, strengthening him in his approach to the dark river, night and day. Often while there he was called away to pray with some other sick one. A baby which he found "wanting to die" was restored in direct answer to his earnest prayer. He says that if he had failed to respond to that call, he does not believe that baby would be alive today. Leaving Johan at last, he went down to pray with and strengthen the new converts which have been won at Mhlahlandhlela. There are twenty names on my list from this place, some of whom have already been baptised and joined the church, while others are

still "seekers." Making a tour of the whole field, praying with the sick, strengthening the weak, warning the backslider, he at last returned home, "But," he says, "I cannot take my ease at home like other men. The call is always with me. I must return and be among my flock. Every day, each sick one is remembered in my prayers, and even when I wake in the night I pray for them. My spirit is hot! I am in the Lord's harness, and His service is sweet to my heart. I find it good to work for the Lord, and deny myself, and carry His yoke." Sister Mary H. Frizzle has in Samueli a faithful representative and can rest assured that the money she gives for his support could not be more profitably invested.

The 21st was "Big Sunday" at the Mission Station, and in spite of it being "Watching Time" (the season when birds have to be watched from the Kaffir Corn, we had a good congregation, and a day of blessing. We had no baptismal service, which is rather unusual, as seldom one of these occasions pass without one or more coming for baptism.

A special feature of this day was an offering on behalf of the starving children in Europe. It was splendid to see how these people, none of whom have much, offered of their crops, etc., till the sum of three pounds, or about \$15.00, was subscribed.

The workers on this side of the river report to me regularly, and I hope in a later letter to tell you about them.

The work across the Pongola is not going as well as this, and I hope you will join in earnest prayers on its behalf with Your sister in the Master's blessed service,
FAITH A. SANDERS.

Hartland P. O.,
Paulpietersburg,
Natal, April 5th, 1920

Dear Friends:

Sunday morning, bright and clear, Dr. Sanders and I went to a kraal about three miles away, to hold a meeting. The horses were in good trim and the day not too warm so the ride was enjoyable as they cantered along. Only native paths, narrow as a goat track and grass so tall in places that it stood far above our heads, and we on horseback, but these horses are used to such tracks so never mind it as a rule. No bridges, so we must ford the river, but this the horses enjoy as it cools off their legs and feet. Rather a stiff climb up a mountainous hill, but we take it easy, letting our mounts nibble the grass now and then to give them a breathing spell. The scenery is a bit beautiful if only it had not been burned black in places, so as to have fresh green grass for the thousands of sheep that the high veldt farmers will soon be bringing down here for the winter. Broken country, with great mountainous hills here and there and the valleys do not broaden out into much of plains. In fact some of these farms in here are so hilly there is scarcely any land for gardens. Only small patches on the tops and at the foot of the hills. Balmoral is blessed with more ploughable land than most any other farm in this part of the district.

Passing through Amatele gardens we find people watching away the birds. Some of these we call to come with us, as we

climb up to the meeting place. It is a small kraal and the head man has been ill for three years. Not lying down all the time but no longer able to hoe in his garden and some of the time in his bed.

He welcomed us heartily as did his family and I learned all were now seeking Jesus.

It was 12.30 before all had gathered as the birds bother till noon, then go and sit in the shade a while.

About twenty were present, counting babies and children, and we had a good time. One woman gave herself up to seek the Lord and several spoke who had lately done the same. Among these was the head man. All seemed earnest and spoke rather intelligently of the way. One related much of her trials in losses of children, etc. Johanisi Bekitshwayo, who is sort of a Christian worker, and most earnest, spoke of learning all to follow Jesus and how the Lord blessed him in it. His young wife with her three children, also spoke of her desire to be a Christian, and asked us to pray for her. Some young children got up and spoke of their hearts desire to serve the Lord and three or four older girls are also anxious to leave heathen ways. The whole meeting gave one such a breath of encouragement as was good to realize. Here is a man with three wives and his children all seeking to follow Jesus.

Everywhere the work is going forward and encouraging and we rejoice to tell you God is blessing our efforts continually.

You can see from the various reports we give you, it is progressing and you are having answers to prayer continually.

Every effort to produce a school teacher for our children has proven unavailing so I continue to fill the position—and I love it. We get on with the studies very well indeed but I am rather hampered in getting my fall work done up as I should. However, there is a Dutch woman whom I can get to do sewing for my boys, which greatly helps me out.

Malaria is cropping out here and there among the people and some cases are quite bad. Filita Hadebe, one of our Biblewomen, is quite ill with it now, but we hope she will soon be well again. She is a faithful worker and has a large field with many new seekers.

Believing you are continually praying for us to be still further used I remain,
Yours in Jesus,

MRS. H. C. SANDERS.

PRAYER FOR ALLIANCE AND CAMP MEETINGS.

There should be earnest and united prayer by all who have an interest in the progress of Holiness, that God may give wisdom and abundant blessing to all the business of the Alliance and Camp Meetings.

Beloved, we ought to come "prayed up" and ready for every good word and work. The time is short; the need is great. **It is very important that we should be fully prepared. Let us pray, pray, pray!**

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Prayer that gets no results from heaven has no importance whatever as a prayer.—Sel.