

## MISSIONARY CORRESPONDENCE.

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Dear Friends:

Just in from evening prayers with our native servants and some other near-by ones. We had a good time.

These evening prayers have been of great help in furthering this revival and we try in every way to forward the blessing. Such confesing! Now we are trying to teach them we must forsake as well as to confess. They are coming on and getting through to victory.

Many have to go to Europeans and confess thefts, lies, etc., etc. This will have such an effect upon them as to make them believe in the genuineness of their salvation.

We are having two revival services or all day of services per week and still expect to keep them on as long as the interest holds.

I was much impressed and made so sorrowful by the testimony of two women who confessed to having been led on to steal for their Dutch land owner. One said, "If a coolie peddler came she was given a shawl to put around her shoulders and took the baay to hold. She would sit quite near the peddler and watch her opportunity to snatch up the wanted article. hide it under her shawl in her arm-pit and then would be told by one of the Dutch family, "Go feed the baby at once." Again and again did she do this, always being told before hand what articles to take and always helped out by some one of them who was watching to see how she made out.

Another told of stealing the sheep or goats for a man (white) who cared for the flock of the Dutch farm owner. He would get this woman, then a girl, to get a fat animal and of course she had a good piece for herself.

My heart aches for these who being heathen and among themselves stealing and lying abounds, to then be led on into sin by Dutch people who know the God of the ten commandments, do you wonder we had to live here years before some would trust us? Were we not also white people and are not all white people alike!

But the Holy Spirit is true and does his work in the hearts of these black people as well as white.

I am afraid we have not reckoned carefully how many have been reclaimed or saved this month but we judge more than thirty and still many are seeking, crying and praying over their sins.

A Dutch Christian woman wrote me about a month ago and told me of the thefts of three girls who live on a farm owned by this lady's husband. The farm is near us and we hold meetings there. We did so want to be able to reach these bad girls and help them. We prayed God would put his convicting hand upon them and save them.

About a week ago one of the three was in an all day meeting. She was under awful conviction, prayed and cried. In confessing she told about lots of things

she did. Stole her mistress' eggs and corn and sold them at a coolie store. Stole meat from the pot, sugar and many things else.

She did not know what the Dutch man would do with her, but she means to go and tell them. Own up to the whole thing if he beats her or puts her in jail. She would rather go to jail than go to hell. Well, God has taken her at her word and saved her.

Another went early last Sunday a. m. and when the Dutch woman saw her wondered if some one was dead or what was coming to bring the girl so early. But the girl soon let her know the trouble and with tears confessed to the like badness and evil doings when in service. When she had gotten through she asked if they wanted her to pay back in money for her stealing their coffee, sugar, meat, etc., etc., they said "No," but were glad she had confessed to them and hoped she would go straight on in the good way. So she came through happy.

Another girl has had a vision of angels. One told her her sins were forgiven. Another took her up to Heaven and washed her heart white.

A heathen woman for whom we have been praying for twenty years is coming forward nicely. She knows she must give up beer and is asking God to deliver her from this and save her from sin.

Her son by her husband's second wife is well saved. In his testimony early in the meetings he spoke of the discouraging things he had in his home. He was the only Christian in the kraal (village). When he wished to have family prayers it was so hard to get them together or when in the hut they would just go to sleep. Now, however, his own mother says she has found Jesus and the father himself was to meeting on Sunday.

The above are only a very few of the many, many cases we have had. It would fill the Highway right up could I tell you all I have heard or learned about whom God has saved. But faith and others know lots more about the majority of them.

Young married men also have been reclaimed and it is beautiful to talk with them or hear them talk. Some are seeking sanctification so earnestly. Such searching of hearts! Such going down before the Lord! One prayed for God to do something to his heart that would take away his love for position, or in other words, his freedom. He is one of our evangelists, earnest fellow, talented, but never able to win souls like his wife can. He never has known the consecration. These Zulus always have been the truly head of these homes and it has been a bitter pill for him to see, as he must have often seen, that his wife was a better soul winner than he. But now he is dying out to all this and we ask your prayers for him and others to get where God can really fill them so as to use them. Now I am sure some have guessed the Devil has been busy too. Indeed he has and only constant prevailing prayer has given us the victory so far.

The Zionists—tongues people—have tried to run things and it looked like they really would in one meeting, but God is

giving us something deeper than surface demonstrations and He has controlled things so instead of noise we have had quiet seeking individual prayers and a chance to help souls to God.

Oh, friends, will you not get together little bands in each church and pray for us now? You promised to "hold the ropes while we go down." Here we are at the ends of the earth standing, as it were, between the living and the dead and we need you—perhaps we need your prevailing prayers more now than ever in our work before. We are doing our best, will you not hold up our hands by the "effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man that availeth much.

Pray these people see sin so exceedingly sinful they will separate from it at any price. That heathen customs, superstitions and habits may no longer hold them captives. Pray this church may be a real holiness Church and be the light here God promised us it should.

Yours in Jesus,

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Dear Highway:

This was our third all-day meeting of fasting and prayer, thus: Last Saturday, last Wednesday and today. Each day saw souls saved and each meeting was better than the one before. Today quite a number came through with definite experience.

One was a young woman, back slidden and wearing the native dress of cow-hide skirt, and having her hair put up in the steeple style, with red ocre and oil. I was impressed that she would yield and then would help some others. She came forward at the first personal invitation, soon received the joy of the Lord, and testified to her restoration. Next she followed our suggestion and invited another to come forward for prayer, an elderly woman, also in heathen dress. She prayed with her and then, at a further suggestion, brought another, a dressed woman, who had lost out in her spiritual life. I mention this instance, as it was unique to see one so dressed in leather garb, leading souls to Christ.

All this time others of our staff were working personally with some who knelt at another bench. These all came through clearly and testified.

Then I had an impression to speak to our Native Worker Lydia. She immediately acted upon the suggestion and brought a promising boy forward for prayer. She instructed him and he soon was testifying to victory.

Miss Alice spoke of her vision of the fountain of cleansing, open for sin. And truly it seemed that souls had to but step in and be cleansed. It was blessed to see the genuine conviction for sin and real soul hunger after God.

We take it that this revival comes in answer to prayer, not ours only but also yours. We see no reason why it should stop, as there is plenty of material. We are surrounded with heathen with only a sprinkling of Christians and seekers. Therefore continue to pray and be not weary, for we shall reap if we faint not.