

meeting, they had no time for food, and began the service. About thirty were present, and everybody testified, giving them no chance to sing a hymn in between even. Everybody spoke of the hunger and longing of their souls to go forward and get salvation. The headman spoke especially well, and wants nothing left to hold him from God. He realizes he has many sins and has great sorrow of heart because of them, and asks prayer for strength to forsake all else. When everybody had spoken, they prayed. While praying two of his wives removed their snuff boxes from their persons and gave them up before the Lord, praying Him for strength never to take it again.

During the meeting the headman cried and cried, and seemed all broken up. He rushed off as soon as the meeting closed.

The two girls started home, still without food, as the day was nearly ended and there was no time to wait for some to be cooked. When reaching the kraal where they stayed the night before asking for some amabele and ground it, making a sort of gruel. Paulina said before they reached this kraal they hunted on the veldt for different roots, etc., that are edible, but still they were so hungry they did not know they would ever reach the huts.

But you should have seen her face as she told of the joy she had over this work and the interest in these people.

Beloved, pray for this part of the work. The section is large, many heathen, and God is working. I judge the distance from here to be sixteen to eighteen miles and over very high mountains and the Pongola river. I have heard of another group of people among these mountains who have no one to teach them about God. I am asking Him to give us these heathen also, and help us to have someone to send there soon.

Yours in Jesus,  
MRS. H. C. SANDERS.

THE CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATED  
WITH OFFERINGS—PRESENTATIONS ALSO MADE.

The Christmas and Missionary entertainment of the Reformed Baptist Church last evening was very successful. The entertainment took place in the Church on King street where a large and appreciative audience enjoyed the excellent programme. The chief objective of the entertainment was the promotion of foreign missions.

A unique feature of the evening was the trimming of the Christmas tree by the children of the Sunday School, who placed their gifts of money on the tree, emphasizing the truth that it is better to give than to receive. A generous offering was taken for missions, many placing their gifts on the table, amounting to \$32.00.

Immediately following the benediction, Rev. I. F. Kierstead, the pastor, on behalf of the Sunday School, presented E. A. Morrell, the superintendent, with a gold pencil. Mrs. W. B. Wiggins was also presented with a beautiful box of stationery from her class and Miss Lois Goodspeed, organist, was honored by the congregation with a beautiful silk umbrella. A generous treat was also provided for each child and the young people of the church and congregation.

The programme was commenced with

the singing of Joy to the World, followed by the reading of the 2nd Psalm by Rev. Mrs. Kierstead, the president, and prayer by the pastor, Rev. Mr. Kierstead. The following was the programme:

- Anthem—Rejoice and Sing—Choir
- Recitation—Welcome.
- Reading—Helen Jamieson.
- Exercise—Edith, Phyllis and Evelyn Lawson.
- Violin Solo—Thomas Loft.
- Reading—Jennie DeLong.
- Recitation—Harold Hayward.
- Dialogue—Helen Jamieson and Edna Cruley.
- Recitation—Ruth Morrell.
- Anthem—We have seen His Star.—Choir.
- Recitation—Edith Lawson.
- Reading—Isa McFarlane.
- Solo—The First Noel.
- Recitation—Phyllis Lawson.
- Solo and Chorus—Children's Hosanna.
- Exercise—Christ's Command.
- Reading—A Letter from Mrs. Dr. Sanders, Missionary in Africa.
- Chorus—It came upon a Midnight clear.—Daily Gleaner, Fredericton, N. B.

CHRISTMAS AND MISSIONARY PROGRAMME.

Our Missionary meeting on Dec. 28th opened with singing, 'Joy to the World.' The new president, Mrs. B. W. Brown, read the Scripture lesson from St Luke 2, and Mr. Peters offered prayer. After singing "Hark the Herald Angels sing;" reading of the minutes of the last meeting; roll call and payment of dues, the following very fine Christmas and missionary program was rendered:

- Song—By school.
- Recitation by Willis Brown.
- Recitation by Alice Tedlie.
- Anthem by choir.
- Recitation by Ruth Brown.
- Exercise by eight girls.
- Duet by Margaret Barker and Alice Tedlie.
- Recitation by Robert Brown.
- Recitation by Mabel London.
- Exercise by Primary Class.
- Song by choir.
- Recitation by Mildred Brown.
- Recitation by Inez London.
- Singing by choir.
- Exercise by twelve girls and boys.
- Recitation by Ada Dickinson.
- Duet by Myrtle and Constance Lester.
- Recitation by Alice Dickinson.
- Song by Bluebird Class.
- Duet by Eula and Constance Lester.
- Recitation by Melvin Peters.
- Singing by choir.

Our pastor, Rev. E. W. Lester, made some remarks, commented favorably upon the program and moved a vote of thanks to those who had made the meeting helpful and entertaining

Closing song—Christmas through the year.

Amount in dues and collection \$11.10.  
ALICE E. TEDLIE, Secy.

"The greatest reward God ever bestows upon a man for service in this world is greater opportunity for service."

SUNDAY SCHOOL EXERCISES AT ST. JOHN.

The Annual Sunday School exercises and treat took place in the St. John Reformed Baptist Church, Thursday evening, Dec. 31st, 1925. The Superintendent, H. K. Ingersoll, occupied the chair. The following programme was nicely rendered:

- Opening Chorus—By school.
- Scripture Reading and Prayer—Pastor P. J. Trafton.
- Opening Address—Frederick Parlee.
- Solo—Emery Cosman.
- Recitation—Muriel McLeod.
- Recitation—Ruth Nickerson.
- Solo—Mayes Cosman.
- Recitation—Greta Steele.
- Recitation—Winifred Nickerson.
- Duet—The Misses Trafton.
- Recitation—Bertha Nickerson.
- Recitation—Laura Parks.
- Duet—Wm. Trafton and Thelma Parlee.
- Recitation—Percy Foley.
- Recitation—Grace Lawlor.
- Solo—Norman Trafton.
- Recitation—Raymond Parks.
- Solo—Alfred Foley.
- Recitation—Dorothy Perry.
- Solo—Wm. Trafton.
- Recitation—Norman Trafton.
- Recitation—Reta Cosman.
- Solo—Thelma Parlee.
- Recitation—Miss Emma Trafton.
- Reading—Miss E. McCarthy.
- Solo—Rev. P. J. Trafton
- Reading—Mrs Bubar.
- Solo—Dorothy Perry.

Closing remarks by the pastor after which each one received the usual remembrance.

CHRISTMAS SURPRISES.

The Reformed Baptist parsonage at Fredericton was the scene of many surprises during the holiday season.

We had many Christmas gifts from dear friends far and near, but the greatest surprise was quietly slipped in the door Christmas morning. On opening this pretty Christmas box we found a card with greetings from the church and congregation, and the box was full of paper money to the amount of forty dollars.

We scarcely know how to express our grateful thanks and appreciation for all this kindness, and can only pray that the Lord will richly bless these dear ones as well as every one who so kindly remembered us at this glad season.

And we pray that we may be more efficient workers for the Master and a greater blessing to the people with whom we labor in the coming days. May this prove to be the best and most joyous and victorious year we all have ever known in the Lord. Let us pray and work to this end. And Jesus will be glorified.

I. M. K.

Impressions "from above" are those that can meet the following four tests; those "from below" cannot meet them. Here are the tests:

1. Is it Scriptural?
2. Is it Providential?
3. Is it Reasonable
4. Is it Right?