

I'm sure the Lord helped them and blessed them too. But I did feel sorry for the men, because often native food isn't too well cooked and rather hard on the digestive system.

We were so pleased recently by a young girl giving herself to seek the Lord. Charlie felt definitely impressed to go call on Befa Ndekele. Her daughter-in-law recently lost a child, and her grand-daughter had been ill. Charlie had a short service at the kraal and during the service, this granddaughter, Lillie, gave herself to the Lord. We do want to see her go through in grace. Recently too, a sick man on the farm called Charlie to pray with him. He wants to get rid of the spirits he had a doctor install to cure his illness. We do pray that he may not go back on his convictions but may confess all and let the Lord save him.

We had quite a good service this afternoon with a few more present than usual. One poor chap came who has not been here for quite a long time. His mind does not function quite normally. He had on a very ragged coat and skin pants. Just before service he asked for a shirt, so I gave him the only thing I could think of, a well-worn pyjama coat of Charlie's. He was very happy about it, and then after church asked for a coat. I told him I didn't have one to-day; he would have to get it some other time. The teacher interpreted for me to-day, and the people seemed interested as I tried to preach about Jesus giving us peace through the Blood of His Cross. What a wonderful, loving Saviour we have, who died to bring peace to us all. I desire to love and serve Him better everyday.

There is quite a lot of sickness about now. The weather has been so warm, and then a sudden change of about four cold windy days. How one minds these sudden changes. Both Pam and I have colds and coughs. To-night we are having thunder, lightning and rain. The rain is very acceptable as we've had so little.

The Highways arrived yesterday in the post. It is so interesting to read of all the happenings at home. The property bought for the school in Yarmouth should be ideal. I remember the lovely big field which should make lovely recreation grounds. I am so glad too, because it means the beginning of our work in Yarmouth. May the Lord make it a great success. May the Lord bless you one and all as you stand behind this work. We too are praying for "We are laborers together with Him."

Yours in Christian love,  
MYRA SANDERS.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Altona Mission Station,  
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Dear Highway Friends:

Greetings to you in the name of Jesus of Nazareth! Isn't it wonderful that although we are thousands of miles apart, we still have one God over all, we have the same Jesus Christ and we have the same Holy Spirit. Praise God for ever!

It is two months Monday since I landed at Altona. In many ways it seems much longer than that. Indeed it seems to me as if I had always been here. Our Father does go before us and prepare the way for us. Things that we expected would be so hard to get accustomed to weren't difficult at all. Of course I have

had to adapt myself to things and I'll have to make many more adjustments but I am not afraid of them now, hard though they may be.

The Lord is blessing us on the mission field but we are looking for greater blessings. During our Quarterly Meeting we had a great time in the Lord. His blessing was upon every service. It was wonderful! If you people could only see the shine on the faces of these Christian negroes! It hurts though when we see so many of our young people in a backslidden state and when we see so few men coming to the Lord. Do please join us in prayer for these people.

This past week Eugene has been building a church at one of our outposts. The only way to get there is either on foot or on horseback. In one spot it is rather dangerous on horseback. All the materials have to be gotten there on the backs of mules or on the heads of natives. Think of getting all the cement, door frames, doors, windows, etc., over a trail that is very difficult without any load!

Last Sunday Gladys had charge of both the services, Young People's in the morning and the regular preaching service in the afternoon. In the morning she had a flannel graph lesson and it went over good. Even the older people enjoyed the lesson very much. She repeated it at Class on Thursday morning and again to the little folks at Sunday School Friday afternoon. Sunday afternoon she brought a fine message. Much blessing was upon the service. Tomorrow, since the teacher is here to interpret I am to bring the message. May the Lord undertake. How would you preachers like to preach through an interpreter—say a sentence, pause, then say another sentence. My trust is in the Lord. He has undertaken before and He will undertake again.

Good news arrived in the mail today. My luggage has left Durban enroute for Piet Retief. A week from Monday will be the earliest time that I can get it out from there as the bus comes out only once a week. Were I to mention what the charges are I would shock you so I won't—not in the Highway letter. The charges out here are so much higher than they are in Canada. I will be so glad though, to get the rest of my things. "It is in my other trunk" had almost become a by-word.

Our next excitement will be the school closing and the Christmas for the Sunday School near the end of November. School closes for the summer holidays near the end of November (aren't things backward), so we feel that is the best time to have our Christmas treat for the Sunday School. The Christmas Quarterly is over at Hartland. It won't be until after our Christmas is over. I am looking forward to all these times. No doubt I'll be so busy that I won't have time to miss the snow and ice and the beautiful spruce and fir trees.

This will be my Christmas letter. May God richly bless you every one during this season and all through the year 1948.

Yours for souls,  
MARY CAMPBELL.

## WE MUST SET OUR FACES TO FIND GOD

R. A. Torrey

'And in like manner the Spirit also helpeth our infirmity; for we know not how to pray as we ought; but the Spirit himself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered' (verse 26 R. V.). Rom. 8:26-39.

The earnestness that we work up in the

energy of the flesh is a repulsive thing. The earnestness wrought in us by the Holy Spirit is pleasing to God. . . . If we would pray aright, we must look to the Spirit of God to teach us to pray. It is in this connection that fasting comes. In Daniel 9:3 we read that Daniel set his "face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes." There are those who think that fasting belongs to the old dispensation: but when we look at Acts 14:23, and Acts 13:2-3, we find that it was practised by the earnest men of the apostolic days.

If We Would Pray with Power, We Should Pray with Fasting

This of course does not mean that we should fast every time we pray; but there are times of emergency or special crisis in work or in our individual lives, when men of downright earnestness will withdraw themselves even from the gratification of natural appetites that would be perfectly proper under other circumstances, that they may give themselves up wholly to prayer. Every great crisis in life and work should be met in that way. There is nothing pleasing to God in our giving up in a purely Pharisaic and legal way things which are pleasant, but there is power in that downright earnestness and determination to obtain in prayer the things of which we sorely feel our need, that leads us to put away everything, even things in themselves most right and necessary, that we may set our faces to find God, and obtain blessings from Him.

## RADIANT CHRISTIANS

By Rev. Ralph J. Milton

A minister of one of the larger denominations was discussing some of the problems of the present-day church with a few of his fellow ministers in a mid-west city. He said, "Present-day Christians have lost their radiance." Yes, it was a striking statement, coming from one whom we would consider rather formal and unappreciative of our position and unsympathetic with the doctrine of holiness. And yet he knew of a day when there were "radiant Christians."

Radiant Christians have always been the best advertisements of the Christian religion the world has ever had. Radiant Christians are active; they are happy; they have vision and zeal and faith; they are both inspired and inspiring; they have a passion and are compassionate; they are tireless even in their weariness; they are unafraid in the very midst of danger; and they are cheerful and optimistic and kind. It is to the radiant Christian that the sick will come for comfort; and to him comes the sinner who would find a sympathetic listener and one to pray with him that he might be forgiven. It is the radiant Christian upon whom the pastor will place responsibility; for he will be dependable and trustworthy.

Lord, give us radiant Christians. We have every other kind: those who keep the Discipline; those who know our doctrines and would fight for them; those who are glad to sit on important committees; and those who are ready with suggestions and advice; but we are impotent because we have too little radiance. Our knowledge of law and discipline and doctrine is not catching. Our testimonies are positive but without conviction-producing qualities, because we have lost the glow, the enthusiasm, the radiance. God give us more radiant Christians. —Free Methodist.