

"Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth."

—ECCLES. 12:1

YOUNG PEOPLE'S PAGE

Voice of the Reformed Baptist Y. P. A.

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LETTER FROM AFRICA

Altona M. S.,
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Dear Young People:

Today I am going to write something for our Young People's Page for a change.

It is just after the Quarterly Meeting at Hartland which started Dec. 31, 1947. The meeting began on Wednesday. We had Bible Class that morning with service in the afternoon. In the evening we watched the old year pass by and the New Year enter. At twelve o'clock we rang the Church bell. There was a good altar service after this meeting with about all the people going up to pray.

On Thursday we had Christmas for the natives. They had a nice looking tree for them, it was a cedar tree. On Friday we had an all night service. Saturday we had Bible Class in the morning and Young People's Meeting in the afternoon. There were three who preached at that service, Reginald being one of them. He read from Sam. 3:1. We had a Communion service Sunday afternoon. It was a good Quarterly.

Monday morning the people left. Daddy, Reginald and I went to Paulpietersburg and when we got there we found some things for the "Kwabanakile Church". We took them to the top of the Pevaan River and from here the church members will carry them on their heads to the place where the church is being built. We got back to Paulpietersburg at twelve o'clock; we had left Reginald there with our baggage as the car was full and I had to help Daddy.

Yesterday, Jan. 11th, was Young People's service at Altona. Two boys from Hartland were here and quite a number from near by—nearly forty were present all told. Harold gave a good talk from Joel and Monacia, Rev. J. Nkosi's daughter also brought a good message. Miss Campbell had a flannel graph lesson and a song that she sang in Zulu and the young people like that. We took our New Year's collection which amounted to nearly \$10.00 which we are using to buy windows for the new church at Altona. We have more than \$25.00 saved for them now.

We pray that the Lord will bless you all and help you during the year 1948. Harold, Reginald and I leave for Piet Retief boarding school next Monday. Please pray for us that we may keep true to the Lord and do well in our school work. We wish we were near enough to go to our Bible School, but we pray that God will bless all the students who are attending.

Yours in Him,

GLENDON KIERSTEAD.

It has given great pleasure to print this letter, the first I believe, from our youthful companions in the Lord in South Africa. We trust that this will not be the last of our contacts but only the beginning of a correspondence which, I believe, will be of interest to our readers.—Editor.

PRAYER REMINDERS

It is not too early to begin making plans to attend our Denominational Y. P. Rally. Although announcement has not been made as to date, location, speaker, etc, we do know that the rally will need a mighty outpouring of the Holy Spirit to be a success. Therefore, as societies and individuals, let us pray earnestly that God will meet with us and give us an old fashioned time of revival and blessing.

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As young people we should have a genuine interest in the welfare of Bethany Bible College. Pray much for it these days. Its needs are great especially along the financial line. We must expand. Pray diligently that God will lay it on the hearts of some who may be able to give generously to this worthy enterprise.

Each Sunday the students of Bethany Bible College go out in teams and preach the gospel in eight different centres. Several of these have had no previous holiness teaching but God is blessing in each place. Please remember these young people in prayer as they go out from week to week that God will give them the desire of their hearts in the salvation of precious souls. He has been faithful but we believe that with the added power of your prayers great things will be done.

We say, "Praise the Lord" when we read the column on the last page entitled, "Our Radio Ministry". Young people, this phase of our work also needs constant and fervent prayer. Oh that we could catch the vision of the numerous needy souls that are hearing the gospel from these few broadcasts! Ask God to help you comprehend this multitude and then PRAY.

Pray without ceasing. I Thes. 5:17.

CHILDREN'S MISSIONARY LETTER

Dear Children:

This letter I am writing especially for the children who attended the Children's Meeting at Beulah.

Sometime before Christmas I received a letter from Ruth Harding telling me that on the way was a flannel board and blackboard combined and a flannel graph lesson on the Philippian jailer. She told me that the money for these things came from the collections of the Children's Meetings at Beulah. Oh, I was so pleased! And I was even more pleased when the articles actually did arrive! They got here just in time to be a Christmas present. Thank you a thousand times over! Next Sunday morning we are having a Young People's Meeting here when I hope to give this flannel graph story of Paul and Silas.

Few of the children out here can go to school and few of them are even allowed to go to Church. Thanks to the faithfulness and prayers of our missionaries here and of the faithful warriors of the Cross in the homeland, we do have a good Sunday School and a good Young People's Society here at Altona. That doesn't mean that the enemy has stopped his attacks, oh no! His attacks are furious and only prayer—persistent prayer will defeat him. Please keep praying. Children—I mean you too. God hears your prayers and He answers your prayers if your heart is right. Pray for our children out here. Pray that their parents will let them come to Sunday School and that we may be able to lead them to Jesus.

My interest in children's work both at home and over here is unabated. Our children of today will be our men and women of tomorrow.

row. May the Lord continue to raise up young people whose task it is to lead little children to the Master.

God grant that many and rich blessings may be yours during the year 1948.

Yours for souls,

MARY CAMPBELL.

THE GREATEST OF BOOKS

A noted orator once asked Charles Dickens to name the most pathetic story in literature, and he said it was that of the Prodigal Son.

Mr. Coleridge was asked for the richest passage in literature, and he said that it was the first sixteen verses in the fifth chapter of Matthew.

Daniel Webster was asked concerning the greatest legal digest, and he replied that it was the Sermon on the Mount.

No one has equalled Moses for law, or David for poetry, or Isaiah for visions, or Jesus for ethics, or Peter for holy zeal, or Paul for logic, or John for statements of sanctified love.

God's Word is the very greatest of all books. We do well to stay close to its pages.

—The War Cry.

YOUTH CAMP NEWS

Evangelist and Bible Teacher for Youth Camp of 1948 is Rev. Richard Traver. Young people attending last year's Camp, cottagers and ministers who attended the classes and evening evangelistic services, acclaimed Brother Traver as an ideal Youth Camp evangelist. Many approached the supervisor of Youth Camp of '47 requesting that Brother Traver be engaged for '48. The Youth Camp Committee unanimously agreed with this suggestion and we are pleased to announce that Rev. Mr. Traver has accepted our invitation.

Next news item: Youth Camp Expenses.

BETHANY BIBLE COLLEGE

Mrs. Orin Chandler	\$ 10.00
Rev. H. S. Dow	25.00
Rev. L. T. Sabine	25.00
Mrs. V. Stephenson	10.00
Rev. H. S. Wilson	25.00
Forest Williamson	5.00
William Morgan Jr.	100.00
Herbert Clark	19.00
Chester Cochrane	25.00
Julia True	15.00
Norman Churchill	100.00
Elwood Cogswell	25.00
Harry Bain	25.00
Mrs. Donald Tompkins	10.00
Norman Sharpe	35.00
Port Maitland Y.P.S.	5.00
Miss M. Sherwood	10.00
Mrs. Kirkbride	5.00
Mrs. Tom Morgan	5.00
Mrs. Glenn Harvey	10.00
Preston Smith	5.00
Hazel Cronk	20.00
Mr. Butler	10.00
Mrs. A. Perry	10.00
Ina Cann	5.00

We are behind in our acknowledgements. However, your name will appear in due time. Please be patient with us.

H. R. INGERSOLL,

Treasurer.