MISSIONARY PAGE

VRYHEID, NATAL

Dear Highway Friends,

Some of you may remember me writing about building a new church building at Lujojwane, about eight miles east of Hartland Mission Station. Well, this building has finally been completed enough to be opened and dedicated. The dedication service was conducted last Sunday at the close of our July Hartland Quarterly.

Our African friends left for Lujojwane by lorry (truck) and on foot Saturday after dinner. The evening and a good part of the night was spent in preaching and testimonies.

Sunday morning and early afternoon saw missionaries and native Christians gathering from far and near until the church was filled to the over-flowing and nearly as many were outside as were inside.

The order of service was somewhat as follows:

- 1. March around the new building with singing.
- 2. Prayer outside the church door—Rev. Alfred Metula.
- 3. Unlocking the church door—Rev. E. A. M. Keirstead.
- 4. Prayers of Dedication—Rev. William Morgan and Rev. Johanisi Nkosi.
- 5. Sermons—Licentiate Absolom Ngwenya and Rev. C. D. M. Saunders.
- 6. Right hand of fellowship to four new members.
- 7. Announcement of a new Bible woman.
- 8. Communion.
- 9. Offering—about \$180.00 at present rate of exchange.

At a cost of about \$666.00 we were able to build a nice church-school building, which is built of burned brick, cement, and steel, which should be very durable and capable of seating about 150 persons.

Gifts from Canada and the dedication offering of \$180.00 made it possible for us to open the church free of debt. Praise the Lord.

E. A. M. KIERSTEAD.

LOWSBURG P. O., NATAL

Dear Highway Friends,

Greetings in Jesus' name.

We thank the Lord for the good meetings we enjoyed at the Hartland Quarterly. We are looking forward to news of the victories and blessings of Beulah and Riverside.

As you will see by the address, I am now at Lowsburg, having arrived on the 15th with Bro. Kierstead and Glendon. These good brothers stayed till almost darkness overtook them, helping to put some of the finishings to this mission house so we can move in. Their work was much appreciated. They also connected the pipe, and led it up to the house, so there is now a water tap just outside the kitchen door.

I have come here to complete most of the painting of walls, laying of carpet, etc., before the family come.

Saturday I plan to go by horse to our Kuabanakile outpost for the meeting there. Our good worker, Daniel Mtetwa is ill again, so Lowsburg and Kuabanakile are once again without a man for the work of this area. We are praying for his early recovery and restoration to the work. His wife was here today and is trusting God for his and her own needs. They need our prayers.

We are still praying for a man to come to live either at Kwabanakile or Lowsburg permanently as Daniel Mtetwa planned to move to the Transvaal soon. This area needs a native preacher besides the missionary.

I enjoyed visiting the Hartland area outposts with brother Morgan, helping to introduce him to the work there. We praise God for these fine young people who have come to work for Him there. We pray that they will be a great blessing and used to lead many souls to God.

We are praying for the many, many natives who live on, and around Lowsburg Mountain. I understand that there are many kraals in the valleys on all sides of us.

Myra is home with the children doing what she can to help at Hartland till this house is ready to move into. The local boarding house is full, and booked up for the rest of July and all of August.

Since this mission house has had a new room added, and the roof given a little pitch, and ceilings put in, also steel windows, it has greatly improved its appearance and usefulness. We thank the Lord for these changes, also for the water supply.

Yours for His glory and the salvation of souls.

C. D. M. SANDERS.

VRYHEID, NATAL

Dear Highway Friends,

The wise king said, "There is a time for every thing under the sun." How very true this is about mission work as well as any type of Christian work in fact. The last few days and weeks have been busy ones for our Studebaker ¾ ton truck as it has been in almost daily use hauling brick, sand, and earth from near Altona to Eutungwini, and in hauling cement and other building material, first to Eutungwini, then to Hartland, and then to Louwsburg in preparation for new building, for re-building, and for re-modelling.

Some may wonder . . . why all this activity at one time? The answer for Eutungwini is that the old stone building we had there was tumbling down, hence a new building. The answers for Hartland and Louwsburg are that we must prepare suitable living quarters for the Morgans at Hartland and the Sanders at Louwsburg. Missionaries must have houses as well as other people!

Within the next few days our plans and efforts to build up and man our third main mission station should be a reality! Most of the Charles Sanders family furniture and goods have already been moved from Hartland to Louwsburg and their temporary house is just about ready for them. Possibly before this letter reaches Canada you will have a mission-

ary family stationed on the outskirts of our present work but in an area where there are still many, many heathen to be reached and saved. Pray that God will be with the Sanders as they push farther on in the interests of the Gospel.

We, as a family, are rejoicing over the fact that Gladys is so much better and is able to be around the house a good part of each day. Pray that she may continue to improve.

Yours for Africa,

E. A. M. KIERSTEAD.

HAVE YOU CAUGHT THE VISION?

"Have you caught the vision God would have you see?

Millions now are dying far across the sea.

Who will bring redemption to the shackled slave?

Will you go and tell them Jesus Christ can save?

"Have you caught the vision of a world that's lost?

Have you counted, brother, what redemption cost?

This old world is drifting down to endless night—

Will you go and tell them Jesus is the light?

"Have you caught the vision what a soul is worth?

It is far more precious than the things of earth

It is far more precious than the things of earth.

Seek to know, my brother, what you need the most—

Will you let Him fill you with the Holy Ghost?

"We must keep the vision, counting not the cost;

Have a holy passion for a world that's lost.

Seek His re-anointing, lying at His feet—

Bringing souls to Jesus made in Him complete.

"O, to catch the vision of a world that's lost!
O, that men would tarry for the Holy Ghost!
O, for holy passion in the human breast—
Bringing souls to Jesus here to find sweet rest."

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND MISSIONS

"Missions are especially the work of the Holy Spirit. No one can expect to be filled with the Spirit if he is not willing to be used in missions. No one who wishes to work or pray for missions need fear his feebleness or poverty: the Holy Spirit is the power that can fit him to take his divinely appointed place in the work. Let every one who prays for missions, and longs for more missionary spirit in the church, pray first and most that in every believer personally, and in the church and all its work and worship the power of the Indwelling Spirit may have full sway."

-Andrew Murray.

FAITH FOR DARK HOURS

A missionary to China, from her prison cell, witnessed the martyrdom of a group of Chinese Christians. They were lined up in a grave made with a bull-dozer. Then as the bull-dozer was pushing the ground back into the grave—burying them alive—these Chinese Christians were singing: "My Jesus I love Thee . . . If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."

-Evangelical Visitor.

Have you prayed for Africa today?