

MISSIONARY PAGE

News From Vryheid, Natal

By Mrs. G. M. Kierstead

Dear Highway Friends,

Greetings, from your missionaries from Vryheid, in His dear Name!

We have so much to praise the dear Lord for, this morning. His ways are not our ways but I do know that the Psalmist said truly "His way is perfect." I do thank Him, this morning, for guiding my footsteps into the path of peace and righteousness.

Last Saturday Harold took four of our workers to Stegi, to enter the Nazarene Bible School there. We do thank the Lord and pray that they will be a blessing there, and a great help to their own people, as time goes on. Do remember them when you pray.

Those of you who are interested in the extension work out here, will be glad to know that the Entungwini church is completed and they hope to have the official opening in April.

The church at Mfeni will be the next to go up, so as to fulfil the requirements of the Government. Then the one at Msobotsheni will be started. Do pray that the needed materials will be available to do the work well.

I've been thinking of our children's work, young people's work, the D.V.B.S. sessions, etc. Sister Campbell will soon be here, we trust, and able to devote much of her time to this great work. Already boxes of cards, etc., have arrived to help her. Our Sunday Schools are growing and I believe they will continue to do so. I've been wondering if the ladies at home, would help us. At the end of the year it would be so nice if we could give all our Sunday School children each a bag to take their books to school in and their Bible and hymn book (those who have them) to church.

They do love to have them and to buy material and make them would really be quite an item but if each lady could make one, it would help so very much out here. Perhaps some will say: "We have plenty to do here." Yes, I know you have, I've lived in Canada and I know how busy we can be there, but it's only a little thing I am asking, don't you think? It will be a big help to your missionaries and the children will enjoy it and feel that some one cares for them. Some have already helped a great deal, in this way, and we are most grateful.

We are very thankful for all who sent us cards, gifts and letters at Christmas. I think we had well over two hundred beautiful cards and more letters than I had ever received before. I am truly doing my best to get them answered as soon as possible, but I still have a good many left. I do want you to know that I appreciated them all so much and please be patient with me a little longer, and I shall answer all.

May the dear Lord bless and be with you all, is our daily prayer.

Yours, in His glad service,
G. M. KIERSTEAD.

McCheyne's Preacher.—Some one asked an old Scots woman what she thought of Robert Murray McCheyne's preaching; she hesitated a moment, and replied, "He preaches as if he was a-dying to have you saved." Is that our spirit?—Rev. E. L. Langston, in Keswick Week.

Highlight Field News

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Our Missionaries in South Africa and Haiti

Native girls hostel was opened in January at Altona Mission Station.

Native South African Reformed Baptist Young People's Association was organized, somewhat on the pattern of the one in the homeland. Brother Morgan says, "One could seem to sense a new spirit of enthusiasm among the young people.

The passive attitude which our native young people have had is now changed to an active one. They are entering actively into the work themselves, choosing leaders, planning work, learning how to carry on business meetings, sharing in the responsibilities and in general becoming prepared to step into the places of church leadership intelligently when they are older.

The missionary residence at Hartland Mission Station has been thoroughly renovated and due consideration was given to proper ventilation and high ceilings for comfort in the hot weather conditions. Dwellings suitable for that climate tend to the better health of our missionaries. In comparison the residence at Altona is hot and stuffy, and poorly ventilated.

A push in extra evangelistic meetings is being carried on by Brother Sanders. May revival fires spread all over the great work of our mission field.

Brother Sanders writes, "Bro. Absolum Sibiya's success in taking preacher's training course at the Nazarene School at Stegi has been an inspiration to others of our native boys and men, and we enjoyed having him at the Altona Quarterly Meeting. Also the coming of Harold Kierstead into our missionary staff has answered a great need. We look forward to his Ordination."

Six native young people are taking definite work. Four at the Nazarene Bible School and Preacher Training Center at Stegi, Swaziland and two native girls in training for nursing.

The new church at Entungwini to be dedicated April 26th.

The new church at Mfene to be completed in May.

The proposal of churches needed for Msobotsheni at the promising mission centre of 20 acres, 30 miles north of Piet Retief, also at Prudentia and Kortnek sites.

Lois A. Chantler, secretary-treasurer of Haiti Inland Mission states, "Miss Thelma Rose has already been a great blessing, not only to us of H. I. M., but to the natives, who appreciate her greatly. We thank the Reformed Baptists of Canada for making it possible for her to labor among us."

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Vilis Hayes writes from O. M. S. Headquarters

Dear Friends:

Greetings from sunny California! Praise God too for the sunshine of His love within today. How sweet to be in the centre of the will of God. I am more deeply in love with Jesus the Lover of my soul than ever before. The challenge of the words "How much do you love your Savior" that stirred my heart when I first felt God calling me to some special work for Him, is burning more deeply in my heart today. I am glad that love constrained me to follow His leading and obey His call.

I am happy to have a small part in helping to get the gospel out to the millions who sit in heathen darkness, and I feel that I would like to share a few of my experiences and impressions with you.

The first week or two after coming here, I had quite a battle with myself, feeling I had made quite a sacrifice, in leaving home, loved ones and friends. But just three weeks after I was here, we had a wonderful Missionary Rally and I trust I'll never be the same. I had to ask God to forgive me for thinking I had made a sacrifice, for as I listened to the messages that afternoon I realized I didn't know what sacrifice really meant.

One missionary family with four beautiful children, just leaving for a new field of labour in Brazil, told of some of their experiences in China where they had already served and during the war had to flee to Interior China where they underwent so many hardships even to fleeing to dug-out and caves with a small baby, when warned of the oncoming enemy.

They told something of the Chinese worship of passing babies through fire three times before they were ten years old. What darkness!

At the same service we saw pictured the hungry multitudes in Japan, wending their way to the shrine, coming away with such blank expressions, then later seeing them reached with the gospel and the ready response on their part to hear about Christ, then to notice the contrast in seeing the transformation even in their faces as they find Christ to be the answer to their hungry hearts.

Thank God, something is being done to reach these hungry people who now are being swayed between Communism and Christ. The O. M. S. has launched a great Gospel Crusade in Japan, striving to get the gospel to every creature. Since coming here, I have seen six young men, called of God, go forth to work in this great Crusade. Each of these fellows when they reach the field will be the leader of a Crusade team of six Japanese Christian workers. This team is provided with a Carry-all truck, on the top of which is a P. A. system, also a tent. This team goes into a village where the gospel has not reached, pitch their tent and for a month conduct an evangelistic campaign, in the daytime, visiting every home in the village and conducting an evangelistic service in the evening. By the time they leave, enough souls have been reached for Christ to establish a church and Sunday School and a Japanese pastor is provided to lead this flock, then the team moves on to another village. Before these young men were ready to go to the field, it was required of them that they raise their own transportation and other necessary funds along with pledges

The King's Highway