

## MISSIONARY PAGE

### DO YOU WANT A BETTER MISSIONARY PROGRAMME IN YOUR CHURCH?

With another missionary en route to South Africa, and a series of missionary rallies and conventions being conducted in our churches by four returned missionaries, interest in our foreign mission enterprise is mounting. Rev. Eric Heywood goes to the field with the confidence of our people. He has proven himself as a faithful, diligent, successful student and Christian, and we believe that he will add considerable strength to our missionary army on the field. Already reports from missionary meetings and conventions being conducted by Rev. and Mrs. Charles Sanders, Misses Thelma Rose and Uta Chase, indicate that the vision of our people is broadening and their interest in an expanding missionary effort is deepening. Lofty objectives are being set by many churches in respect to financial support of our foreign mission work, and once again our people are proving what they have again and again, namely, that all we need to do is present the need, and they will rally to the task. For the information of churches and people interested, may we suggest the following:

(1) More effort concentrated on the regular missionary meetings of the churches. If the missionary meeting is in a rut, lift it out. If interest in that important service is low and lagging, stir it up. The missionary meeting should be one of the most stirring and challenging meetings of the month.

(2) Set some financial goals for the monthly meeting or the year's effort. Don't be satisfied with a ten-cent monthly dues payment, or a twenty-five cent monthly offering. Let the missionary offering be special always. God will bless the church which is liberal in support of foreign missions. As a basic plan for monthly missionary giving, I would suggest a tithe of the tithe for missions. That would mean that ten per cent of the total month's tithes would be reserved for the monthly missionary offering. Perhaps that sounds low enough, and it is, but compare it with what you are now giving and the total with what the Society is now raising.

(3) Plan to be a "budget-plus" church in giving. The challenge of new work has been presented by Bro. Kierstead and is being presented by our returned missionaries. A Bible School for the training of native workers, new churches and homes for missionaries, tents and equipment for extension work, are some of the needs to be met by the budget plus giving. And here is a most important thing to consider: The budget goals set for your church are considerably below what is needed for the current expenses related to our missionary programme. If every church paid its budget in full we would still lack some two thousand dollars of the total needed for missionaries salaries and general expenses related to the field work. We must therefore request our churches to take into account that we will need about two thousand dollars beyond what is asked for in the budgets to meet current expenses. The Mission Board is heartily in favour of the support of new projects and ventures and we are pleased that our churches are responding so generously, but we

would appeal to those pastors and people who are interested, that you make allowance for the budget deficit in your giving to the general missionary fund.

(4) Pray regularly and earnestly for our missionaries and missionary work. Every missionary meeting should be a service of intercession for the workers on the field.

(5) Let every church co-operate with Miss Chase in organizing and maintaining an auxiliary group. Great good can be done through these ladies' group. A monthly missionary bulletin will be made available to the auxiliary groups, edited by Mrs. J. A. Moses, and containing material that will be helpful to missionary groups.

(6) Let us seek a world vision. We have missionaries in South Africa and Haiti only, but our missionary interest, while especially directed to these fields, should be world-wide. "Into ALL the world" Jesus said.

B. C. COCHRANE,  
Pres., Foreign Mission Board.

### CONGRATULATIONS . . .

**To Rev. E. A. M. Kierstead, Superintendent of our African work, who was recently honoured by the government of South Africa. At a special ceremony at Pietermaritzburg City Hall, Brother Kierstead was decorated by the Governor General of South Africa, was appointed an assistant chaplain, and invested as a Serving Brother of South Africa.**

**All our Highway readers will be pleased to hear of this recognition of the distinguished service rendered by Brother Kierstead.**

**Sincere and hearty congratulations!!**

### MISSIONARY CONVENTIONS

Our foreign mission work is being represented in our churches by a strong missionary party which is holding conventions and meetings in various places. Rev. and Mrs. Charles Sanders, missionaries on furlough from South Africa, Miss Thelma Rose, on furlough from Haiti, and Miss Uta Chase, Missionary Board representative in organizing and promoting auxiliary work among our churches, have had conventions at Presque Isle, Maine, and Halifax, Nova Scotia. During the next few months they will be very busy conducting these special rallies throughout our denomination. If your church has not yet arranged to have this party, or as many as you would like for a missionary rally or convention, arrangements can be made for such meetings through the secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, Rev. R. H. Parks, Milltown, Maine.

### MISSIONARY CONFERENCE REPORT

Our missionary conference closed on Sunday night with a pledge offering of \$2,788.20 being received. The pledge offering of the previous conference was over subscribed. We expect more pledges to come in yet on this year's pledge. A detailed report of the conference will be sent in later.

Ralph Hobson,  
Pastor of Halifax Church.



### Farewell Service For Rev. Eric Heywood

On Friday, Sept. 17th., twelve of our ordained ministers, representatives of as many of our churches, and interested friends, filled our Fredericton church for a special service of farewell for Rev. Eric Heywood, latest appointee to our mission field in South Africa. It was a most impressive service from beginning to end. Brother Heywood spoke briefly, but effectively, of his conversion, call, and vision. The general reaction to his message was that in him we have another missionary of fine Christian character, qualified for the task to which God has called him, and dedicated to a life of faithful service.

Guest speaker for this service was Rev. E. W. Tokley, pastor of our Moncton church, who brought a stirring, challenging message on "Missionary Vision and Missionary Volunteers." It was a great missionary sermon preached by a man with a true missionary spirit. We who were present not only felt that we should hasten Bro. Heywood and other volunteers to the foreign fields, but that we too should go forth to the missionary task at hand in the homeland. Special singing for the service was provided by Brother Stillman Cameron and Lic. Kenneth Jewett and daughter Lillian.

And so it is farewell and godspeed to another out-going missionary. Let us continue to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth labourers.

—B. C. C.

### REV. ERIC HEYWOOD SAILING FROM ST. JOHN, N. B.

We understand that according to present arrangements, Rev. E. Heywood is to sail from St. John, N. B. at an early date in October.

### WHAT IS A MISSIONARY CALL?

By Henry W. Frost

A missionary call is a providential combination of circumstances which makes possible service in the foreign field in behalf of the Christless multitudes there. It consists, as related to the individual, of an assured salvation through faith in Christ; of a full surrender to Him; of a continued yieldingness to His lordship; of an implicit obedience to His command to preach the Gospel to every creature; of a belief in the lost condition of men and their need of hearing and accepting the Gospel in order that they may be saved; of that degree of secular education as will secure the learning of a foreign language; of such physical, temperamental and spiritual equipment as will make possible living in an adverse climate and in an unfavorable social environment; and finally, of such daily fellowship with God as will produce sanity, earnestness and endurance.

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