

Missionary Page

REVIVAL MEETINGS AND CLOSING OF E. H. B. S.

They have gone and we are left with the sense of something missing, something empty. That is how we feel after having shared together the joys and burdens of life for close to a year together. But they have gone, we trust, with a light that shines more brightly and a character that will stand more firmly when right must be upheld under pressure.

There were many battles fought against the powers of darkness during the year. It was not an uncommon thing to spend whole periods in prayer or praise when under special difficulties or when God came to us in gracious answer to prayer. There were times during the year when the battle went hard. But so it is in every war. So it is grand to feel that in the end we came off more than conquerors through Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us. The short revival campaign (Wednesday to Sunday) at the close of the year gave us all a new spiritual uplift. Our brother, Rev. A. Sebiya, under the leading and anointing of the Spirit brought timely and extremely helpful messages both in the public evening services and in the morning meditations when we were by ourselves.

We enjoyed a good attendance right from the beginning service, especially of young people. For the closing service on Sunday our superintendent was with us bringing three of our young people who are preparing for the teaching profession to Evangelical Teacher Training College where Brother Kierstead is principal. These fine young people brought us several messages in song as well as each giving his testimony. For this year and for the special and bountiful blessings received during those last few days before we separated we praise God.

A New Work

Filling in a gap in our work for which several have for some time felt a need will (D.V.) be accomplished for the first time during this Christmas season. God has opened an opportunity for us to have our first Denominational Youth Camp in Africa. It will only be for a few days—Jan. 2 - 5 inclusive. We are praying that God may use this effort to greatly strengthen our youth and also to reach others who are outside the safety of the fold. We covet your prayer support for this new work amongst our youth.

The Coming Year

Our hearts are anxious about the New Year as far as the Bible School is concerned. Of its necessity and of its potential value to the spreading of the gospel we have no doubt. But we ask you to pray with us for a greater number of students. Too few realize how much they need a grounding in the Word of God. Too few really hunger for the Truth.

A few have made application for the New Year. Nearly all who were here last year are returning. But there are so many more who need the training. Some don't see their need. Others feel they have too many ties. We are confident that God will answer prayer and give us a rich and profitable year in 1956.

Bill and Elsie Morgan

MORE ABOUT RHODESIA

To carry on from where I left off, seeing some of the displaced people, and hearing from them personally of their need, was very convincing indeed.

The town of Livingstone, only a few miles from Victoria Falls, would be a very convenient place to live, if one were working among the displaced peoples mentioned. Accordingly we spent most of the following day there, making enquiries about building stands and so on.

We were cordially received by the Town Clerk, Mr. Morgan. He used to be Town Clerk of Boksburg, where I had known him as a nodding acquaintance for quite a number of years. He showed a keen interest in our project, and hoped Harold would decide to settle in Livingstone.

After doing all he could for us, he promised all assistance possible as matters progress. Mr. Morgan told of building stands which were available, and if we wanted to start work in the new Native Township, a church site could be had right away, free of charge. He contacted the Superintendent, making an appointment for us to see him.

The Native Township confirmed what Mr. Morgan had told us and showed us a fine big church site, in a very good situation.

Harold filed an application for this before we left Livingstone.

You can imagine how encouraged we all felt as we left Livingstone, heading South for Wanki, where the District Commissioner, in charge of the displaced Natives, live. We saw him the next morning, a very severe appearing man, however he unbent after a while and gave us a lot of information regarding the Natives in his District. Mary and I had heard that some 20,000 displaced Natives would be moved in. He assured us, however, that there would not be more than about 600 families. Anyway it was his Chief we had spoken to on our trip, the Commissioner for the whole of Southern Rhodesia, and no doubt he was better informed.

From Wankie we set out for home. The whole trip went off very nicely. We saw a great stretch of country, most of which is dotted thickly with "BUSH"; this means thorn trees, useless and crooked and seldom reaching to 20 feet high. Much of the part of South Africa we traversed, and Bechuana Land in particular, has a very scant rain fall and is therefore unproductive. In fact there are many hundreds of square miles of country without permanent surface water.

We were very happily welcomed at my home, where our wives had been left. They had expected us to be away longer, and were rejoiced to see us safe and sound. We do praise our Heavenly Father for a safe journey!

Last Sunday Eric, Nina and Harold went with me to the Benoni Locations where we had a really good time. The Public Address outfit is surely a great asset. Please do express our gratitude to all who have contributed for this need, and assure them that the GOSPEL is now being heard by some who would not otherwise have been reached.

The Benoni Municipality has approved of our application for a Church Site in that great new Native Township "Daviton;" and sug-

Eric Heywood

Being petrified is to be in an intimate state where neither movement or life is in existence.

Being sanctified is to become fully alive, that is spiritually alive, to all possibilities—so full of life and vitality are we that the Gospel of Redeeming Love compels and drives us to go with the message.

Are we as a Church and Mission carrying out God's specific commands, "Go ye into all the world"?

This not only means Canada, U. S. A., South Africa, Haiti, but Rhodesia—Stop—look—listen.

Stop our idling and get busy. Our time is God's time. God's time is now, not next year. Next year may be too late.

Look at what we found.

Livingstone—White population 4,000. No evangelical church, a church without a pastor, one Catholic church in town.

Livingstone—Native population from 20,000 to 25,000 not adequately served.

Livingstone—Large urban population and no work that we know of among them.

Victoria Falls—Area south. New native area; no schools, no churches. These people desire us to come and minister to them. In fact they begged us to stay. They wanted some one to lead them in things of God. Think of it—they begged us!

Listen! We have the message. What are we going to do about these things? We have volunteers for this work. What are we going to do? God's blessing is upon those of His people who launch out.

Let us expand. God is going to be with us and give us souls!

Eric and Nina

REV. CHARLES SANDERS DISCHARGED FROM HOSPITAL

Dear Highway Friends:

Thank God for His healing hand upon me, and for the many, many Christian friends who know how to believe when they pray. I am to be discharged from hospital in a few days. It will be about eight months before I am back to normal activity. I trust that these months will serve to further prepare me for the glorious task of seeking to win more lost heathen to our Saviour.

It has been a great source of comfort to see how God has cared for Myra and the children. It seems most like a dream to think of being home with them once again.

The many letters and cards received in the past months have been a rich source of encouragement and inspiration.

Wishing you a new consciousness of the wonderful love of God at this Christmas season, and His presence and blessing throughout the new year.

Yours in Him,

Charles Sanders

gest that we prepare plans for building. Do join us in praying for funds to come in, for this strategic position, where such a vast number of Natives are rapidly moving in. The Municipality is building them houses at a great rate. I wish the funds were in hand now so I could start with brick as they are in short supply.

H. Paul Sanders

The King's Highway