



FAREWELL TO ANOTHER MISSIONARY!

On Wednesday evening, Feb. 5th., in the R. B. church at Saint John, N. B., we bade farewell to Miss Uta Chase. Scheduled to sail for Africa on Feb. 9th., Miss Chase is now on the high seas realizing answer to a fervent prayer of years—that she might return to the mission field.

Seven years ago this month Miss Chase, in company with Miss Nina Smith (now Mrs. Eric Heywood), sailed for Africa. After two years, Miss Chase was forced to return to the homeland because of ill health, and what doctors described as inability to adjust to tropical climate. But after extensive investigation by competent physicians, surgery and treatment, it was learned that the previous diagnosis had been incorrect. Given a clear bill of health, Miss Chase applied to the Foreign Mission Board for return to the mission field, and was accepted. And now she is happily on her way!

A very important and significant factor in the arrangement for Miss Chase's return to Africa, is that she is being sent out and will be supported by Primitive Baptist Churches of the Tobique Valley area. Miss Chase is a native of that region, her home being in Plaster Rock. These churches, which have developed a fine missionary vision, asked for permission to send Miss Chase out and support her. Since July, they have raised sufficient to pay Miss Chase's passage fund, and their offering for missions for February was \$160.52! Our Foreign Mission Board, our entire Church, and in a very personal way, Miss Chase, deeply appreciated the interest and support of the Primitive Baptist people of Plaster Rock, Lerwick, and Arthurette, and their pastor, Rev. D. E. Pike, also the church at Holmesville, N. B. which has recently joined in support of our missionary programme. It was because of the vision of these people that our Board could arrange for Miss Chase to return to Africa, and a service that we are sure will be blessed of God.

REPORT FROM THE MISSION FIELD

By Charles Sanders

The Boksburg-Daveyton Meetings are now history but the glow of their blessing, and the promise they gave for this new year, still linger with us.

The Missionaries and Natives attending these meetings, travelled by car and by train. For some of the Natives, this was their first experience of visiting this part of the country. They were impressed by the long distance, huge gardens of corn and millet, much traffic on the roads, large cities, and the gold mine dumps which form hills in these cities.

The lovely Daveyton church: built of face brick, with a tile roof, and a built-in baptismal, was sort of a climax to all these new sights. For all were eager to see the new church. The dedication and church opening service took place on Sunday, January 12. Besides many Natives, there were a number of white people and a representative of the Civic Authorities who attended this service. The offering amounted to over \$130.00 which cleared up the remaining indebtedness on the costs of the church, and enough over to buy a nice fence and gates for this new church and parsonage lot. Our church in this Native township of 45,000 inhabitants, compares favourably with the other churches built by much larger denominations.

Besides the church opening, we had important business meetings. We found that the interest in Sunday School work was being followed up. A committee was appointed to lay plans for increased activity in this branch of church work.

Three men, three women and one girl were set up to work for the Lord in spreading the Gospel message. These workers will be actively engaged at the following points, on the South African field: Wattville (another Native township next to Daveyton.) Daveyton, Breyton, Ermelo, Swaziland, Lujowwane and Louwsburg. We rejoice with all who have been praying for more labourers for this harvest field: this fine group will add much to our effort. Naturally they will need much prayer.

The arrival of Harold Kierstead and his family added to our joy: as we learned firsthand news of the progress the work is making in the Rhodesias. Our South African Native church is being encouraged to look upon this work as their Mission Field: to help support by prayer, finance and personnel.

The Field Council conducted business sessions arranging for various matters concerning the advancement of the Missionary effort in South Africa and the Rhodesias.

Serious consideration was given to the need of REVIVAL; during our business meetings. This was another encouraging sign.

Plans were made for our next Field Alliance Meeting, to be held at Paulpietersburg, from July 1 to 6. This is to be followed by the 1958 Youth Camp at Altona, D.V. At Easter time April, 4-6 there will be the Ohlelo church opening. Ohlelo is beyond Piet Retief.

We felt that a definite victory was scored against the forces of darkness, by the fine prayer meeting the Missionaries had at Boksburg, Sunday night; before we parted to return to our various fields. It is inspiring to know that there are many Christians in the homeland who spend time in prayer for this Gospel Message on the foreign fields. And for those who are still sitting in darkness and the shadow of death.

Yours praying for, and expecting great things for 1958.

Charles Sanders.

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