



We have missionaries of our own and other denominations speak to us. Just as soon as we know that a missionary is available, he is contacted. I don't think that I need to go into that. You know it gives you more money to pay your budgets, etc; if you get him while he is travelling about; then you do not have to bring him to the same district twice. If you are slow in contacting him, it may even mean that he will have to give up that little time that he had reserved for a visit to friends or relatives whom he has not seen for years. He will come quite willingly, but it does seem too bad as he needs a bit of a vacation in order to go back to the field in a fit condition. But of course most missionaries do not look on furlough as a vacation. It is a time to enlist new supporters and prayer-warriors in a cause that is very dear to the heart. It must be a disappointment when people and churches do not respond.

Well, where was I! Oh yes! when we know that the missionary is coming, we advertise the services as far ahead of time as possible. Then try to build up interest. And Pray! Never forget this. Our Prayer Warrior group meets weekly and how they pray. Some other time I must tell you some of the wonderful answers.

When your missionary arrives, make him feel at home. Many things have changed since he has been away. Let him feel the accumulated interest that his visit has aroused. Give him a rousing introduction, not a luke-warm," we are glad to have our brother with us to-night and will listen with interest to what he has to say." This does little to give your speaker the added push he may need to get his message across. After the service, introduce him to the people. He may be shy too! Perhaps he does not even know all the people in his home church. Time marches on, you know, and brings many changes and new faces. It will be a bit embarrassing for him, if the people collect in little groups and start discussing the crops or lobster prices, and he is left standing in the aisle. That's when he will wish that he were back in the jungle with some of his native friends.

Now Charity, I don't know if all of this is going to help you or not, but I do hope it will be of interest in getting your society on a firmer footing and make your meetings more interesting. Oh yes, do not overlook the excellent missionary films that can be rented at such reasonable cost. Also slides and curios. And last but not least, do have a Missionary Convention at least once a year. It is a must! If you can get him (he has been kept very busy) Mr. Speed Away, is one missionary that you should hear. Address him, Mission of Light, Master's Command.

And that missionary couple that you mentioned who are coming home on furlough-treat them just like people. They are you know, even though they will be more interested in raising money for a church in an overcrowded location than in the new chimes that have just been installed in the belfry or the new maroon choir robes. They are necessary, but they may possibly feel that a church in a location is more necessary. Those are the things they break their hearts over.

There is so much more that I could tell you but it must wait for another time. And do write me about the improvement in those dreary missionary meetings!

Yours for missions (home and abroad)

Ann Teek.

UTA CHASE WRITES:

Dear Highway Friends:

I wrote to you last in May when I planned to enter the Queen Victoria Maternity Hospital to take an eighteen months course in midwifery.

However, it later seemed inadvisable for me to take that course and my plans have undergone a change.

During the past three months I have been in Vryheid doing language study. I am now at Victoria Falls with Rev. and Mrs. Harold Kierstead. I have purchased a small Land Rover 4 wheel drive and the Kiersteads are teaching me to drive. When that great feat is accomplished I will be stationed at Bethesda Mission. I am looking forward to that day when I will once again be engaged in active mission work.

Yours in Christ,

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Northern Rhodesia.

RE SECOND-HAND CHRISTMAS CARDS

Mrs. Paul H. Sanders asks that no more second-hand Christmas cards be sent to her until further word is received.

FINNEY'S RULES FOR THE SOUL WINNER

Rev. Charles G. Finney, the noted evangelist of a century ago, proposed the following rules by which his students in training for the ministry in Oberlin College might make their way into useful centers as soul winners. He said:

"See that you have a heart call, and not merely a head call, to undertake the preaching of the Gospel. By this I mean, be heartily and most intensely inclined to seek the salvation of souls as the great work of life, and do not undertake what you have no heart to do.

"Being called of God to the work, make your calling your constant argument with God for all that you need for the accomplishment of the work.

"Believe the assertion of Christ that He is with you and this work always and everywhere, to give you all the help you need.

"Make the Bible your Book of books. Study it much upon your knees, waiting for Divine light.

"Beware of leaning on commentaries. Consult them when convenient, but judge for yourself in the light of the Holy Ghost.

"Give your most intense thought to the study of ways and means by which you may save men. Make this the great and intense study of your life.

"Beware of the error that there are no means of regeneration, and consequently no connection of means and ends in the regeneration of souls.

"See that you have the special endowment of power from on high, by the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

"Spend much time every day and night in prayer and direct communion with God. This will make you a power for salvation. No amount of learning and study can compensate for the loss of this communion. If you fail to maintain communion with God, you are 'weak * * as another man'.

"Watch for souls as one who must give account to God.

"Be diligent and laborious, 'in season, out of season' (II Tim. 4:2).

"Contemplate much the guilt and danger of sinners, that your zeal for their salvation may be intensified."—Unknown.

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