

## A LETTER ABOUT "THE DREARY MISSIONARY MEETING"

## Dear Charity:

It was so nice to receive your good letter. We are always happy to hear from you, and to know how you are faring.

One of your statements has made me do some thinking; that is what you say about "dreary missionary meetings". Personally, I always look forward to our missionary meeting. I think it is just the high-light of the whole month.

We did not always have a missionary program in our church. Our present pastor, Mr. World Vision, is really interested in missions, and has a burden for the people in every land, not only those places where we as a denomination have missionaries. And I will say that his enthusiasm is catching. He feels that the church with a passion to see the unreached reached is the wide-awake church and should have an all-out program. He stresses putting missions, home and foreign, first and do you know that although we give more to missions each year, yet we pay all our home expenses! It seems no hardship to meet our budgets. I guess it is a case of "Freely ye have received, freely give", or "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver". We seem to have very few financial troubles. However it was not always that way. I will say that some people just do not seem to care about the perishing multitudes. While Mr. Self Interest-Only was with us, we did very little spiritually or financially as a church. I do not believe that I remember him preaching a sermon on foreign missions.

We were just a wee bit afraid of Mr. World Vision's ideas and enthusiasm at first. It almost seemed as if he were over-emphasising things After a few good sermons and some real Bible study on the subject, we began to see light, that is, that we should be sending the Light, and not keeping the Gospel at home. We even agreed to hearing a missionary who was passing through the city. We were cautious, mind you; did'nt want to go too fast. Anyway, in a very short time, we had organized our own Society and were even planning our own programs.

Next to the pastor, I think that the president of the missionary society is about the most important personthat is in having a vision. When we elected Mrs Living Sacrifice, we really did something. She and Brother World Vision surely co-operate on the programs, which is very important. I know for certain that as soon as she was elected, Mrs. L. Sacrifice immediately made out her program for the whole year, subject to alternation of course. And she made them very interesting too. It was not easy for her, for she is a rather retiring personality and is not fond of being in the lime-light, so to speak. She told me that she really prayed about it and asked the Lord to help her make the meetings so interesting that people would not be able to stay away. Yes, there is something there too. Depend on the Lord for inspiration. He will

its needs. I will never forget it! One never knows what can be accomplished until one tries. It is so hard to say, "Yes, I'll do it", but if one has just that much back bone it does seem as if the Lord starches it stiff as soon as one gets on their feet. Those three received so much blessing that they even testify in prayer-meeting now, which leads me to say that a well-rounded missionary-Program builds up every department of the church!

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## E. H. B. S. AND EVANGELISM

Our last report "E. H. B. S. OPENS" told of our opening day at E. H. B. S., and then went on to define our work, and needs. Today we would like to tell our Highway Friends of our evangelistic outreach, which is supplementary to our book work.

Last Sunday brought to a close the eighth Evangelistic campaign that the school has sponsored during the past eight months. Over the Easter season I was out with the students for a full month, when we helped in three campaigns at Grootspruit, Hartland, and Entungweni. Because of no accommodation in most places Betty stayed in Vryheid where she took a three week course in Afrigaans, (A language spoken by many of the white people in this country) and I used our Volkswagen Panel Van as my living quarters.

We found a very fine response to the Word of God in all the places we visited. The presence of the Lord was in the services, and Holy Ghost conviction was felt as the word was preached. A good number of Africans received definite Spiritual help, and twelve gave themselves to the Lord for the first time. We will ever be thankful for the many blessings we brought with us as we returned to our books.

Beside this work, each of our students conduct a weekly Sunday service at some outpost. One of our students has re-opened an outpost. Ntuvane, that had been closed for more than five years. Each Sunday brings the report that some new ones have been to the service. Another of our students followed up some of our people that moved from an area, and in their new home had established a new outpost. One Sunday seven of our students (men) together covered 185 miles on their bicycles conducting services. (This is by no means a record).

We are praying the Lord will help us, and that many precious souls will be won to Him by these means.

As we look over the "ripened harvest field", and analyze its needs we feel that EVANGELISM is an UR-GENT need. There is an urgency as we realize that many of this land's population are yet non-Christian. The answer to this urgency is EVANGELISM—For this purpose stands E. H. B. S., to prepare Evangelists to Evangelize their own.

Your prayer support is requested as we carry on at the Bible School this term.

Glendon & Betty Kierstead, Altona Mission Station, P. O. Delfkom, via Piet Retief, Transvaal, South Africa. **REV. PAUL SANDERS IS SERIOUSLY ILL** We have just received word that on Sunday, August 31, Rev. Paul Sanders had a very serious heart seizure and was taken to hospital. Prayer is requested. Let us all pray much for Brother Sanders and his wife in this time of special need.

give you the ideas that will help the interest to mount. After all, the Lord is not going to let a person down when He sees her planning her programs for a whole year.

From then on, we began to get acquainted with the various mission fields of the world. Of course, Madam President did not do all the work herself. She enlisted others to help her carry out the plans that she had made. It was not easy to get some of the ladies to speak. Men do not seem to mind public speaking so much. Mrs. Nervous Tension, Mrs. Shyin Public and Miss Iva Date gave us one of the best studies on India, its peoples, and

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