



OTHER CO-LABORERS

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It seems that there is one class of people who receives little recognition in Christian work, or what recognition they do receive does not credit them as a full time labour for Christ. I am thinking now of our financiers. We pay tribute to our ministers, our missionaries, our musicians and singers who give themselves full time in the Lord's work, and well we should for their great contribution, but I am wondering if these men upon whom God has bestowed the ability to make money are not too often lightly thought of, or if not, we have not considered their calling enough to help them feel the call to "full time" work.

As a result their money lies in banks or is invested in bonds and stock which brings them monetary returns but not the blessing that could be theirs if their money was working for God. Too often these brothers are considered as "misers" and "tight-wads" when they should be co-laborers in Christ.

The greatest investment in the world is when we invest in God's work. Money invested in Church Work pays greater interest, or as much as received from banks and other investments. Why should unsaved men and finance companies have to back our programs when all the returns they get is interest in their investments? Why should our Christian laymen have to invest their money in banks and other monetary ventures which only brings them this world's goods in return, when each dollar invested could bring them equal financial profit and at the same time the assurance that their money was invested in the souls of men.

To carry on our Home Mission program our churches love to borrow money. More and more we are seeking financial backing from those who consider the spiritual value of their investments. We appreciate all those who stand behind us with their money as we get the Gospel out to lost men and women. We, the Home Mission Board, wish to express our appreciation — you are not just a financier, but a Co-laborer in Christ.

PRAYER

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Who is not thrilled to see the waving green fields of grain stretching like a deep carpet over the rolling hills of the country side. The richness of color contrasting with the woodland and other types of crops. But behind the aesthetic is the assuring fact that God again has co-operated with man's labors, a miracle has happened and soon the multitudes will be fed. When the harvest moon pushes solemnly and majestically above the horizon and casts her mellow light across the misty fields, the time will have come. Instead of the green is the gold. The bowing heads of grain quietly throw out their own challenge: "Gather us in quickly or it will be too late!"

It was a similar scene that Jesus saw when He said, "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth labourers into His harvest." Mat. 9:38. Instead of fields of grain Jesus saw the multitudes of humanity, eternal souls waiting to be harvested, and His cry was PRAY. Co-operate with God in prayer and the harvest will be gathered in.

But, you say, we have prayed. Yes, and God has

answered. In the Home Mission Fields the labourers are going forth. Two new fields have been added to the expanding area, Lincoln, Maine, and New Denmark, N. B. Let us continue to pray that a great harvest may be gathered in from these new places.

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A LETTER FROM LONDON, ENGLAND

Dear Friends,

I feel a word of thanks and appreciation is due the people of the Perth area for the wonderful farewell they gave to us in June. Because of the gift of money we received, I was able to fly to England and renew my family ties after an absence of 12 years.

We flew through every type of weather—fog, rain, clouds, sunshine, but arrived safe and sound.

I thought as we flew through the air how like life this is:—never knowing what lies ahead, but faith, hope and love drives us on towards Home.

England has changed so much. Materialism and worldliness seems to rule the day. The people have settled down to a mediocre sort of life. Very little spirituality, churches for the most part empty. No vision and lack of concern.

I looked at the ruins of London today. The scars of war are still very evident—yet a wonderful modern building program is in progress. Massive structures arising in the midst of debris, yet I saw bombed churches still unrepaired and ruined.

Will the church be buried and forsaken in the New London? Unless London sees a Spiritual Revival the church will be lost in the midst of material progress.

London to me is a picture of world conditions.—Change and challenge. A changing and challenging world demands a convicting and converting salvation. May the christian church arise and build a structure in society that will tower above the ruins and over the top of all that is new and declare its God-given message "Not by might, nor by power, but by my spirit saith the Lord."

W. L. Fernley.

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