

# TO THOSE INTERESTED IN MISSIONS

I am requested by the Foreign Mission Board to communicate to all pastors, churches, and friends interested in our missionary enterprise the following:

We are in urgent need of \$6,000 between now and the end of November. With the resources of our missionary fund totally depleted, we have two vitally important commitments pressing us:

(I) Payments of salaries to missionaries for the ensuing Quarter, a sum of more than \$4,000. The Mission Board is not under obligation to make the next Quarter's salary payments until mid-December, but it has been our practice for some years to advance this particular payment early so that our missionaries may have their money in time to plan for Christmas.

(2) Payment of passage for the Morgan family, due to sail for Africa in early December, a \$2,000 demand.

I need not multiply words to enforce the importance of these needs. All will agree readily that they are most vital.

It would be a great disappointment to all of us if the Board was unable to forward the missionaries' salaries according to plan, and as a consequence, leave them without the support they need for Christmas.

It would be most unfortunate if we had to defer the sailing date of the Morgans because of the lack of funds to pay their passage.

But these are the facts as the Board faced them in a special meeting at Saint John, N. B., Tuesday, Oct. 28th. If financial assistance to the extent of a minimum of \$6,000 is not received this month, we shall be forced to make undesireable adjustments.

This situation is due in part to the fact that some churches have been very slow in sending in contributions to foreign missions since the beginning of this church year. We must learn that when we fail to keep monies coming in regularly, funds needed for salaries and other expenses are lacking.

The Mission Board is calling on every missionaryminded pastor, church, and individual, to respond to this challenge and hasten a special offering to our treasurer within the next few weeks. In addition to this message, a letter which we hope will be, or has been, received from our treasurer, a letter which we hope will be read from the pulpits of all our churches.

Our missionaries on the field, and our missionaries now awaiting the day of return to the field, will read this message. It is our earnest prayer and fervent hope that they may be blessed and inspired by the most practical and meaningful answer we can give—the money needed to meet the present urgent challenge!

In behalf of the Foreign Mission Board, Bennett C. Cochrane, President.

#### THEY SHALL BE ANSWERED

"God shapes the world by prayer Prayers are deathless—

The lips which uttered them may be closed in death, the heart that felt them may have ceased to beat, but the prayers live before God, and God's heart is set on them. Prayers outlive the lives of those who utter them; outlive a generation, outlive an age, — outlive a world."—Selected.

### MISSIONARY NEWS ITEMS

Our Foreign Mission Board met in special sessions Oct. 28th., at the Saint John Y.M.C.A. All members of the Board were present and much important business was transacted.

The Superintendent of our Foreign Missionary work, Rev. E. A. M. Kierstead, has accepted a new teaching appointment with the government of South Africa. He becomes principal of St. Augustine's High School, an institution with 250 students enrolled in grades 9 to 13. St. Augustine's (the name of the community as well) is located about 55 miles from Vryheid, where the Kiersteds have been living and where Brother Kierstead has been serving as principal of Evangelical Teachers' Training College. Brother Kierstead will continue to supervise our missionary work in South Africa and Rhodesia, and have week-end meetings as he has been doing while at Vryheid.

Our best wishes follow the Kiersteads to this new area of service. Their new address is Rev. and Mrs. E. A. M. Kierstead, St. Augustine's, via Dundee, Natal, South Africa.

Evangelical Holiness Bible School, our training school at Altona, South Africa, is rapidly expanding under the leadership of Rev. and Mrs.Glendon Kierstead. At present there are 18 day students, 12 evening class students, and 40 correspondence students enrolled. Facilities of the Bible School were enlarged and improved through the Amos Ingraham Memorial Fund, but even these additional facilities are taxed by the rapidly increasing enrollment. Two native teachers assist the Kiersteads in this work.

In every area of activity our missionary work continues to advance. With the expansion comes increasing financial demand, need of workers, etc. We need most earnest prayer if our faith and consecration is to keep pace with the opportunities presenting themselves. You can do nothing more vitally important for our missionary work than to pray!

#### CARDS WANTED BOOM -- BOTTOM

Mary Sanders

The demand for second-hand Christmas cards keeps increasing. In two services on same Sunday in the same Native Township 500 children (and adults) clamour for a card. Beside these two services conducted by us, there are at least three others Reef Sunday Schools which we keep supplied with cards. At this time the supply of cards is dwindling FAST and NONE are coming in. Won't you dear people overseas rally to the cause as you have in the past?

## TRIFLES OF LIFE

Small things, little incidents, trifles, go to make up our lives. Carelessness as to trifles leads to grievous falls; attention to trifles makes us developed men and women.

It is the little things, the minor duties that are constantly occurring, which form our characters and augment our powers. If we despise the small, we shall fall by the small; but if we are faithful in little, we shall be faithful in much. A word fitly spoken may seem a trifle, but it is full of joy and blessing; a trifling handshake may be a benediction; a cup of cold water shall not lose its reward.

Accomplish the little things well. Do your best simply, sweetly, quietly, and quickly; do it not for self, but to the Lord. Strive not after great things; not after that which is harmful nor helpful, not after that which is of self-love and desire of applause, and is not pleasing to God.—Stephen Merritt.