



## AFRICAN DISTRICT MEETING

by Rev. G. F. Kierstead

Greetings in the dear Name of the Master! After a very blessed Easter Season we feel that we would like to share with you all a few of the memories that are still so clear in our minds.

Though there has been no report in the Highway for some time from this area, yet we feel that we have very much to keep us encouraged, and on the "Fighting Line". The Devil is very active, but the Lord is still our "Mighty Fortress".

Over the Easter week-end our District No. 5 (Altona-Piet Retief) held its Annual Meeting. Services started on Thursday evening, and continued over Sunday. The various outposts brought good offerings for food, so the Bantu were able to have a whole cow for meat, and plenty of mealie rice, etc., for their meals.

A very profitable Bible study was lead by Rev. Abslom Sibiya, now one of our Bible School teachers. He used a blackboard to illustrate his lessons, speaking on the subject of "Repentance". In the language of the people, he made the doctrine very clear to them.

On Saturday afternoon two fine Christian young people had a public engagement service. It was good to see these two young people with a desire to break from the old way of the Zulus, and to hear them express their desire to be true to Him.

Sunday was a grand climax to a very profitable Conference. The day started very early with the early morning prayer service. After breakfast most all that were on the grounds walked the half mile to a dam where seven were baptised. (The eighth candidate did not arrive in time, as he was forced by his father to herd cattle.)

After arrival back from the baptism, the main service started. The Church was full, and a good spirit prevailed. Rev. Charles Sanders brought the message. Rev. Amos Mbokazi dedicated twelve babies. Rev. A. Sibiya received the seven that were baptised into Church membership, and another woman was restored to membership. After an offering was taken, which amounted to about \$6.00, communion service was held. As near as we could tell there were about 140 who remained for communion.

As soon as dinner was served the people started leaving. As the crowd left we who remained praised God for His presence.

## NEWS FROM LOUWSBURG

Dear Highway Friends:

Greetings in His Name Who ever liveth to make intercession for us!

Our hearts rejoice in Him because of His wonderful love to us and care over us. In these very uncertain days in the world and especially on this vast and troubled continent we are glad to be under His unfailing care.

The passing months have not been wanting in something to do, even though it seems that a good deal of time must be spent in the more or less common tasks of daily administration of the work. But even the routine has a certain amount of glory in it when done for the Master. Recently, however, we have had two very refreshing experiences.

About a month ago we held a week's revival services at the Entsheni outpost with Lic. Shadrack Ndlangamandla as speaker. We were much encouraged by the interest

manifested by the people of that very heathen community even though none sought the Lord during the meeting. We continue to look for the harvest from the Word faithfully sown both in the services and in the kraals during visitation.

During the week preceding Easter and over the Easter week-end we held a second series of evangelistic meetings, this time at the Enhlangwini outpost with Lic. Meshack Mavuso as speaker. Here God dealt especially with the youth and a total of 17 gave themselves to the Lord. Praise His Name! On Easter Sunday 3 candidates converted sometime ago were baptised and taken into membership. This outpost, where Elsie faithfully carried on Sunday School though at one time the attendance was so small that she seriously considered dropping it, now promises to be the strongest outpost in the Louwsburg area. We now have a school building there in which we have 85 pupils enrolled, quite a number of whom gave themselves to the Lord during this recent evangelistic campaign, and one of whom was baptised on Sunday. Still others are Christians and a good number of the parents are showing more and more interest.

We are very anxious to hold special meetings in all the outposts in the area and repeat in these places recently blessed. Some of the outposts are in such dire need of great spiritual help. What a boon it is to the Christians as well as the heathen to have a spiritual feast laid before them occasionally! Do pray with us that the Lord may make it possible. Two outposts especially on our hearts are Gobeni and Kwabanakile. Gobeni is especially hampered because we have no church building in which either to hold the services or feed the converts afterward. The headman of the harem in which we have always held our services has now allowed the Zionists to hold services there also, thus creating an atmosphere that is most awkward. But God is able.

May God keep us faithful in His service is our prayer.

In Him,

Bill, Elsie, Suzanne and Murray Morgan

## THE GREATEST BATTLE

by Joaquin Miller

The Greatest battle that ever was fought—

Shall I tell you where and when?

On the maps of the world you will find it not:

It was fought by the Mothers of Men.

Not with cannon or battle shot,

With sword or nobler pen;

Not with eloquent word or thought

From the wonderful minds of men;

But deep in a walled-up woman's heart;

A woman that would not yield;

But bravely and patiently bore her part;

Lo! there is the battlefield.

No marshalling troops, no bivouac song,

No banner to gleam and wave;

But, oh, these battles they last so long—

From babyhood to the grave!

But faithful still as a bridge of stars

She fights in her walled-up town;

Fights on, and on, in the endless wars;

Then silent, unseen goes down!

Ho! ye with banners and battle shot,

With soldiers to shout and praise,

I tell you the kingliest victories fought

Are fought in these silent ways.