



FROM PAUL AND MARY SANDERS

Dear Highway Readers,

You will no doubt have had reports of the Rhodesian Conferences. We had decided not to go, feeling we really could not afford cost; Finally however we took the plunge and went. We feel it is of great benefit for your Missionaries to get together and consult each other regarding the work, to know what the others are doing, to be able to pray intelligently for each other! We had tried to arrange to go with others and share expenses, in this we were not successful;

The old VAN went like a bird, and we would have had little to complain about (though it is very heavy on Petrol and oil) if we had not had mis-fortunes with tires—we had to buy three with tubes on this trip, and the '48 Ford Van takes a large expensive size. How we do praise the Lord for deliverance from accidents when these tires went to pieces.

It was good to be there, we did enjoy the Christian fellowship, and spiritual messages, and the spirit of oneness in the business sessions and to renew our Christian contacts.

You have a fine work in the Rhodesias, in which we are personally very keenly interested. The way it has grown and developed, all the fine buildings which have been erected in these few years all go to show the hard working devotion of your Missionaries there.

We were very happy to get acquainted with the Native Christians and to find that most of them understood Zulu, so that one could speak to them with confidence that they understood. They are an earnest group, with promising young leaders among them. May the Lord continue to bless the Rhodesian work; and our prayers for them shall be with more understanding.

We went out of our way on the return trip, to see the great KARIBA DAM and Lake — the largest man-made lake in the world!! When this is finally full it is to cover 2000 square miles. Surely this great expanse of water, evaporating under the scorching sun in that hot area, will make some difference with the climate.

The dam itself is of course a triumph of engineering skill. The wonder of it all is that God should have laid out so great a valley with only the one outlet — between those two steep hills, which stand so close together.

When I think of the conglomerate formations the walls of this great dam rest against, I shudder; to think of what can happen — and why are they building great blocks of concrete against the southern foundations?? Of course we must trust the geological knowledge of the great Engineers! Still the thought persists — I am glad our salvation does not rest on a mixture of strong and soft rock, on alternating layers of hard rock and crumbling stone, thrown into uncertain waves by volcanic action this is what the walls of Karaba rest against!!!

Praise God, our "hope of eternal life, which God that cannot lie, promised before the world began"; (Titus 1:2) "which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil" (Heb. 6:19) "other foundation can no man lay, than that is laid which is Jesus Christ", (I Cor. 3:11).

Back on the REEF we were glad to be in Natalspruit the first Sunday and to introduce a new worker to the large number that gathered for the open-air service. This was Dora, a fine young woman recently back from our Bible School. She is working at an Old Peoples Home near

there and will be helping Rev. Malaza and wife for the present. We are very pleased for a large number of young people and children, in that neighbourhood who have given themselves to follow the Lord, and need help and teaching.

Our second Sunday home we went to Wattville first and had a service in Malia's Home. She is bravely carrying on the good work. Do pray that she may be kept true. Her backslidden husband is a terrible trial. Do join us in praying that he, Elias, may be restored!

Next we went to Kalfontein, 350 gathered to the open-air service; they listened well but were more difficult to keep in order — they are always when we have not been there for some time. It seems there is real hope of a Preacher being sent up to live and work in this great Location. How we do rejoice at the prospect. There are 30000 Natives living there now; twice as many as there were a year ago. Do pray for the work in Kalfontein.

The time to establish work there is while the people are moving in!! Did we tell of the fine donation, by a young European man, of 200 Rand, for building in Kalfontein; how we do praise the Lord. Now we have another item for praise. As you know we have been invited to apply for a stand to build a Church and Pastor's home on. On the 31st Jan. the Officials pointed out a stand, and assured me we could have it.

Prayer changes things, Oh do pray that the Lord may open the doors that we may take advantage of this great opportunity. The Reef has the greatest concentration of population of any place in Africa — and Kalfontein is to house 125,000. Electric trains are running already. There will be three stations finally; the Township will be five miles long.

Please accept our belated, though heartfelt thanks, all those who sent Christmas presents, cards and money to us, we are really grateful. Please do not send used Christmas Cards, for Sunday School use, for a time as we have a quantity on hand: we'll let you know when more are needed; they are a real draw. In closing I would like to thank those who are bearing us up before the throne; we need your prayer support physically as well as spiritually. With kindest Christian greetings, yours for precious souls,

Paul and Mary.

BEDS FOR RHODESIA HOSPITAL

The first seven beds for the new wing of our missionary hospital have been paid for, but we need thirteen more beds to complete the wing. Has your Sunday School done anything yet to help purchase a bed?

One little girl in Marysville saved all the money she received for Christmas and other occasions to put in her mite box. When it was opened, the content was over twenty dollars for missions. Can others of our boys and girls fill "mite-boxes", or "Joash chests", or "hospital banks" to help get beds for the patients in Africa?

The following contributions were received through March 5:

Seal Cove	\$26.50
Millville (a friend)	\$50.00
Marysville	\$75.54
North Head	\$31.50
Houlton	\$16.30
Total	\$199.84

Remember, only twenty-five dollars buys a bed for our hospital. Are you ready to do something for this worthwhile need?

Ruth Black

All that is Divine in man comes from God. All that tends toward God in man is God's voice in the human heart.—Alexander MacLaren.