

## AFRICA BOUND?



**Lic. Gene Hudson**

Gene Hudson is a native of Perth, N. B., where he received Elementary and High School training, and was an active member of our Church in that community. He is also a graduate of Teachers' College, Fredericton, N. B., and of our Bethany Bible College. For the past two years Gene has been on the teaching staff of Bethany. Of his missionary call he writes: "Africa!" As clearly as you would hear your own name called, I heard the Spirit of God say this word, when I asked, while kneeling at Riverside Camp Meeting altar, 'What would you have me to do Lord?' The call of that memorable night has been clear and constant ever since. Praise the Lord! I thank God for the great salvation that he has given us to proclaim, a vital, saving, sanctifying, workable experience. As we prepare for the mission field, we ask for your prayers that we may go 'full of faith and the Holy Ghost', that we may as good seed 'fall into the ground and die', that we may bring forth fruit for Christ.

### WE MUST GIVE IF THE WORK IS TO GO ON

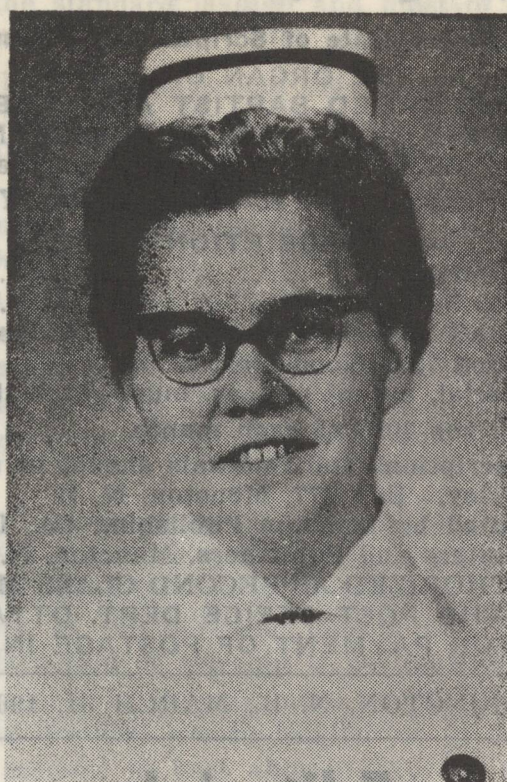
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We cannot promote a missionary programme with dollars, but we cannot do so without them. Prayer is more important than giving, but prayer alone is not enough.

Missionaries must have money to live and work. Mission Boards must have money to operate and promote the missionary enterprise.

If missionaries are to be sent to the fields to which God has called them, plane and boat fares must be provided. For those who answer the call of need in lands afar, homes must be built, cars purchased, living expenses met. To teach and train the natives, schools must be erected and supported. The physical ills of the undernourished, the diseased, and the afflicted of the mission field, call for the building of hospitals, the provision of medical and surgical equipment, the ministry of doctors and nurses. If those who receive the Gospel are to be cared for, churches must be built and kept in repair.

There are unnumbered needs related to missionary work that can only be met as consecrated people give generously of their means. If giving stops, so does the



**Mrs. Gene Hudson, R.N.**

Cheryl McMullin Hudson comes from Hartland, N. B., where she received her early schooling and graduated from High School. She also attended Bethany Bible College, and subsequently trained at Victoria Public Hospital, Fredericton, N. B., graduating in 1960. Cheryl and Gene were united in marriage in Dec. 1960, and they have a fine six-months old son, Kevin. Of her call to the mission field Cheryl testifies: "Seven years ago this past October, God placed His hand upon me and called me into His service. Since that time I have been often tempted to turn aside from the path of obedience, but God has been faithful in keeping me. 2 Timothy 1: 9 has challenged and encouraged me again and again. 'Why do you want to go to Africa?' friends have asked. I must answer that God has put a burning desire in my heart to take the Gospel to those who have never heard, and I cannot be content anywhere else. During these years my prayer has been 'Lord, send me there'. As we prepare, and as we go, we covet your prayers that we may faithfully represent Christ to those 'who having not seen, we love'".

preaching, teaching, and healing ministry. If giving is low, progress is slow.

The question mark of the "Africa Bound" caption over the pictures of Gene and Cheryl McMullen can only be erased as funds are available to send them to the field. That question mark is symbolic—it represents the dependence of the missionary and the missionary cause on the financial support of God's people.

Unparalleled opportunities for the advancement and expansion of our missionary work in South Africa and Rhodesia are now before us. Capable and consecrated workers, European and Native, stand ready to serve; others are waiting to go; still others are preparing and planning to offer themselves for service; and doors are opening in many areas.

Are you and your church in favour of continued advance on the mission field? Do you want our missionaries to have adequate support? Will you support the plans to furlough those who are so much in need of a year in the homeland, and send others out to take their places, to bear the burdens they leave for a while?

A record HIGH Easter offering for foreign missions is the practical and convincing answer to these questions. Will you do your share that the need may be met?