

## MAY 1962 — PRAYER CALENDAR

- 1. Teachers of the nine Sunday Schools being conducted in the Louwsburg area; the effectiveness of these schools.
- 2. Zululand outpost workers who are hindered by distance from enjoying the benefits of monthly workers meetings in Louwsburg.
- 3. Jennifer Kierstead—Birthday.
- 4. Young People at Enhlangwini outpost, Louwsburg Dist., who became seekers in 1961, some of whom are not getting on well spiritually.
- 5. Esther Sanders—Birthday.
- 6. Big Sunday at Emondlo, Paulpietersburg Dist., Rev. J. Nkosi and Rev. Karl Gorman.
- 7. Teachers of our day schools in Louwsburg Area: in spiritual teaching of the children as well as the curriculum.
- 8. Ordained Ministers' Meeting—Paulpietersburg May 8-11.
- 9. Andrew Mtetwa, now attending Bible School from the Hartland area, a former preacher.
- 10. Native Christians in the Republic as they prepare for the Annual Umhlangano (general meeting) in July.
- 11. Meshach Mavuso, preacher at Lujojwani, Paulpietersburg Dist., asked to assume chieftainship of the area —that he may decide for Christ.
- 12. Saturday afternoon services held at Daveyton, Reef.
- 13. Big Sunday at Belgrade, Altona Dist., Rev. Am. Mbolazi.
- 14. That funds may be quickly available to send the Hudsons to the field soon after Beulah.
- 15. Continued prayer in consideration of possible opening of new work in Bechuanaland,
- 16. Prayer of thanks for increased interest being shown by the natives in the work at Wattville, Reef.
- 17. Need for permanent worker at Kalfontein, Reef—over 350 in open air Sunday School.
- 18. That church construction at Natal Spruit, Reef, may soon be started.
- 19. Prayer of thanks for two good Daily Vacation Bible Schools at Daveyton, Reef, held over Christmas and for subsequent increase in Sunday School attendance.
- Big Sunday at Msobotsheni, Ermelo Dist., Rev. C. D. M. Sanders.
- 21. Need to gain permission from near-by farmer to cross his lands in order to have a good road to Calvary mission station.
- 22. Ministry of Correspondence Dept. of Altona Bible School now 130 students enrolled.
- 23. Wednesday Bible Study conducted at Daveyton, Reef.
- 24. Students attending our Bible School for the first time this year; for establishing faith and development spiritually.
- 25. For the health of Rev. Amos Mbokazi, Altona Dist.
- 26. The ministry among our native people of the monthly church paper, the Ikhwezi.
- 27. Shirley Kierstead-Birthday.
- 28. Betty Kierstead teaching class in domestic science to girls attending Evangelical Holiness Bible School.
- 29. Twenty of our native workers who have taken a two week refresher course at our Bible School.
- 30. The Haywoods that they may bring a new challenge and blessing to our churches as they go home on furlough.
- 31. Prayer for the Altona Church as they make effort to assume more of their own financial obligations this year.

## MRS. GLADYS KIERSTEAD

Funeral Services for the late Mrs. Gladys (Rodney) Kierstead were held from the Full Gospel Church, Vryheid, Natal, on Tuesday afternoon, Mar. 13th at 3 o'clock. Rev. Karl Gorman officiated.

Sister Kierstead was well known throughout our Churches at home, and in Missionary circles in South Africa, having spent nearly 23 yrs. in Foreign Mission Work. Of those 23 years, 9 were spent at Altona Mission Station, where health broke, and the remainder, (except for a short Furlough in Canada,) in Vryheid, where Rev. Kierstead was associated with the Evangelical Teacher Training College. The floral tributes, from family, friends, and other Missions spoke eloquently of the esteem with which she was regarded.

Favourite hymns of the deceased were sung, "My Faith Looks Up To Thee" and "Jesus Lover Of My Soul". Mrs. William Morgan and Mrs. Karl Gorman sang "He'll Understand And Say Well Done". The Scripture Lesson, from 1 Cor. 15, was read by Rev. Paul Sanders, and the Sermon was based on John 11:28 "... The Master is come, and calleth for thee . . ." The Rev. Harmes, pastor of the Church pronounced the Benediction. Interment was in the Vryheid Cemetery, where Rev. William Morgan led in Prayer. Assisting the 3 sons as Pall-Bearers were: Rev. Charles Sanders, Rev. William Morgan, and Mr. David Titlestad.

Surviving, in addition to her husband, Rev. E. A. M. Kierstead, are 4 sons; Rev. Harold Kierstead, Livingstone, N. Rhodesia; Rev. Glendon Kierstead, Altona Mission, Transvaal; Reginald Kierstead, Vryheid, Natal; and Lic. Kenneth Kierstead, Yarmouth, N. S. Her mother, Mrs. Martha Rodney, a sister, Kathleen, and a brother Hugh, reside in Sandford, N. S.

To the sorrowing hearts, we extend sincere Christian sympathy.

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Dear Friends,

When the Kiersteads decided on furlough we wondered if Sister Gladys would be physically able to stand the trip. On their return we were surprised to learn that her health was better here in South Africa than in Canada. It was a shock to see how she had lost weight during her overseas visit, but we hoped that she would soon return to her former health. As we observed that she was weakening we were troubled and cried unto God for her recovery.

At a time when we were uniting in prayer for sister Gladys' recovery, God took her home to be with Him for all eternity. Knowing of her sufferings we have bowed to the will of our God. It is with gratitude that we recall her desire to see her four sons on their own and able to care for themselves, before she left this life. And how proud these parents can be to know that all of them are actively engaged in the work of the Lord.

The home going of Sister Gladys Kierstead has come at the end of a life of active participation in this Missionary work, and one that kept up a vital contact with the Homeland. The many friends with whom she kept up a faithful correspondence will miss her letters. Though she has been a sufferer for 15 or more years, she has borne her sufferings cheerfully and in a Christian spirit. No doubt she spent much time in prayer.

This wife, Missionary and friend leaves many in whose memory she will continue to live. The Native church will not be absent from that great company. We extend to the family our sincere, Christian, sympathy and to our fellow Christians, both black and white, our mutual feeling of