



GLADYS KIERSTEAD WRITES

Dear Highway Friends,

Just a few lines from this part of God's vineyard. At the moment we are staying in Vryheid, or at least I am. The Government has appointed a vice Principal to help Eugene and the men go back and forth each day.

I have a christian native woman to stay with me and Jessina, our school girl, is here, going to school. A nurse comes in to look after me, two days a week.

How little I realized, when I was at home, and felt so sorry for my friends who had arthritis, how soon the dread disease would attack me! It seems to be all over my body and it is very hard for me to write. Do please remember me with a letter and especially with a prayer, once in awhile, even if I cannot write much. I shall still continue to do my best.

I fear I shall have to take this way to thank you for our Christmas gifts. We did appreciate every gift and do pray God's richest blessing upon you all. Thanks so very much.

The work seems to be going well. My husband, Bro. Gorman and several others were at one of our new outposts on Sunday and felt it was very encouraging.

For some time we have been having Sunday morning services for the white people of Vryheid. Bro. Gorman has agreed to give us every Sunday evening to see if we can attract others. We are renting a Hall for this purpose. So far we have had two services there and have made some good contacts that we trust will be lasting.

We have so much to be grateful for. God is good and I intend to keep right on trusting Him. He never fails, praise His Name.

Yours, in Christian love,
Gladys Kierstead.

VRYHEID, NATAL, SERVICES

For several years the need for establishing a Holiness Work among the Europeans in the general area where our Mission is located has been felt. More specifically, individual missionaries and families have felt the need for a Church of our own, in our mother tongue, where we could attend occasionally for personal spiritual benefit and help.

As a result, Sunday Afternoon Services were held for a time in the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Titlestad in Vryheid, with Rev. Eugene Kierstead in charge, and various missionaries participating as their Bantu schedules allowed. There were a few interested people, but the Services had to be dropped before a permanent work was established.

In recent months, Bro. Kierstead has revived the effort, holding Morning Services in his home, with several different christians showing an interest. It was observed that a wider appeal and possibly greater interest could be made if the Services were held in a Public Building of some kind, with one of the missionaries given full responsibility for conducting them, though all would participate as circumstances allowed.

It was decided that Rev. Karl Gorman be asked to assume this added responsibility, (he is not leaving either his Mission Station or Bantu Work) and a suitable Hall was rented for 8 consecutive Sunday Evenings. The hall rented was at one time the Full Gospel Church, with a Membership of nearly 300. It seems providential that this building, now used as a War Memorial Hall, is available

at a very low rent per service, for the preaching of the message of Full Salvation.

To date, only two Sunday Evening Services have been held, with just a fair attendance, but God has blessed, people are talking, advertising is being distributed, and prayer is ascending to the Throne of Grace. We are believing God, and asking you to join in Special Prayer for this Work.

This is NOT a plea for money. Our attendance and offerings are sufficient to meet present needs, and IF GOD BLESSES THIS MINISTRY, the future is already provided for. We are grateful to the Presbyterian Minister for the loan of a folding Organ, (temporarily) as the piano in the Hall leaves much to be desired, and we are using Missionary Conference Hymn Books donated in 1959 by the Barker's Point Church. Mr. David Titleshead is acting as Usher, and Treasurer. Rev. Karl Gorman

WHY WE NEED A RECORD HIGH EASTER OFFERING FOR MISSIONS

by B. C. Cochrane*

The Easter offering for Foreign Missions has become an annual feature of our Church year. More and more of our churches have adopted the custom, to the financial benefit of our missionary work and the spiritual benefit of the churches themselves.

There are very important reasons why we need record high offerings for Missions this year. For the information of pastors and people with a heart interest in missions we list some of them:

First, our Mission Board, with the approval of the Alliance, has set up a new plan for the financing of our missionary work which increases the financial demand upon us. In particular, the plan calls for added financial support for our missionaries in the nature of travel allowance, children's allowances, etc., increases that are urgently needed by our missionaries who are still underpaid.

Second, increased financial support has been requested for native workers, and, by faith, increases have been granted. Here again, the native worker, a key man in the field work of our missionary enterprise, is still underpaid, even with the increases granted at the request of those who have supervision over our field work.

Third, the Mission Board has already made preliminary arrangements for the furlough, this year, of the Haywood family. Eric and Nina Haywood have rendered a great missionary service for our Church and the Kingdom, and their furlough is already overdue. Only the Lord and those who have been near the scene of operations, know what a tremendous contribution this couple has made to our Rhodesian work, and the heavy load they have carried. It is the plan of the Mission Board to bring Eric and Nina home in June.

Fourth, in response to urgent appeals from Rev. Harold Kierstead, Regional Superintendent in charge of our Rhodesian work, and Dr. Emmett, in charge of our hospital in Rhodesia, efforts are being made to arrange for Gene and Cheryl Hudson to go to Rhodesia this Summer or Fall. They are urgently needed to replace the Haywoods and add to the hospital and teaching staff of that area. There are good prospects that government grants will assist greatly in caring for the salaries of these workers, but between \$1,000 and \$1,500 must be raised for the passage and related expenses.

There is only one way to reach a record high in total missionary giving this Easter Sunday, and that is by the local church setting this as a goal, and, by the help of God, reaching it. Can we have the generous and enthusiastic support of all missionary-minded pastors and people in a supreme effort to reach this goal?

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