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A PRAYER.

Lord, speak to me, that I may speak In living echoes of thy tone; As thou hast sought, so let me seek

- Thy erring children, lost, and lone. O lead me, Lord, that I may lead
- The wandering and the wavering feet; O feed me, Lord, that I may feed
- Thy hungry ones with manna sweet.
- O strengthen me, that while I stand Firm on the Rock and strong in Thee, I may stretch out a loving hand
- To wrestlers with the troubled sea, O fill me with thy fullness, Lord,
- Until my very heart o'erflow
- In kindling thought and glowing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show. —Havergal.

GENERAL ARTICLES. THE WEEK OF PRAYER.

Never in all the history of the Seventh-day Adventist people was there a time of such moment as the present; and every year until the close of the very last year the work of this people will be greater and more difficult. And this being true, together with our weakness as a people in numbers and wealth, we should seek strength from him the only source of strength; and when will there be a more favorable time than the time appointed, December 12-19, 1903, when there will be companies and families of our people all over the world with their hearts and eyes turned towards the sanctuary of their God. "For He hath looked down from the height of his sanctuary, from heaven did the Lord behold the earth; to hear the groanings of the prisoners; to loose those that are appointed to death."

The eyes of a kind father are turned towards this earth, and His ears are open to hear the groanings of those who would be delivered. Oh, for deliverance, but who will be delivered? Those who groan because of their sins.

This time appointed for prayer, should be to us as individuals a time of deliverance; and not only so, but a time when our gifts should be brought with gladness, knowing that in this way we may send the blessings of light and life to those who now are in darkness and death. As our Lord hears our groanings, and sends to us deliverance, so we should hear the groanings of those in heathen lands, and send to them the truth that will deliver. Full, complete and eternal deliverance will come to the faithful ones just a little way from this.

Dear brother and sister, the longest part of the road is behind us. But as we near the city at the end of the road, the battle will be more fierce, and the enemy will be more determined. This will make the way seem long, but "Our God will come and will not tarry." The great work of a great God must be accomplished by a people made great by his divine presence. "O come let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord our maker, for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand."

G. F. Watson.

\$50,000 FOR MISSIONS.

ANNUAL OFFERING FOR 1903.

Can we do it? Will we do it? We can, if we will. On our part it means an increase over our offering of last year. But why not? Every year the end is nearer, and the need is greater, and the time for work shorter. Just as much as we expect great things from God, in these closing hours of earth's history, we are to attempt great things for Him.

Commence at once to plan for the offering. Let every individual decide to make 1903 the banner year in his gifts to missions. Then it will be the banner year for every church. It will be the banner year for every conference. And it will be the year that will open the way for the banner of King Emmanuel to penetrate deeper than ever before into earth's dark corners.

Begin to-day to lay aside for your contribution to the 50,000-dollar annual offering. Only a little time is left us to lay up treasure above. Pray as you plan, and he who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, will devise the plans for you.

Fifty thousand dollars, annual offering to missions for 1903 means a message of courage to every lone worker in the field, and new recruits in the many fields now pleading for help. Will we do it? By his grace, we will. Estella Houser.

FIELD REPORTS.

FORT COLLINS.

Sabbath, November 21, was a good day for the church here. Three precious souls were buried with their Lord in baptism, thus covenanting with God their creator, that henceforth he should be their God, and they would harken to the voice of His word. I praise the Lord for His rememberance of us according to His tender mercies.

W. Ziegler.

IN THE FIELD.

We are of good courage in the canvassing work, and feel more and more the solemn responsibility that rests upon us as we go from house to house with the books that contain the precious truth. One thought impresses itself upon us and fills us with a sense of our responsibility; "will this be the only chance they will have of having the truth presented to them?" We have many interesting conversations with different ones, but only a few seem willing to take the Bible and the truths it teaches. Some hearts seem touched with the love of God, and the claims of His word, so we are encouraged to still work and sacrifice if necessary that this truth may be carried to every one. As a soldier in the civil war, we never turned our back, so now we feel like going forward to victory. Pray for us in this work.

> W. H. Brown. L. M. Roberts.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS.

The work here is moving along nicely. The carpenter work on our new church building is all done. The painting is yet to be done. At this time we have no money on hand for the paint or for the necessary furnishings for the building. We are waiting till we secure the money for these things, rather than go in debt. We have instituted a plan by which we hope to secure the necessary funds. You will find the same described elsewhere in this paper. We wish to thank our friends throughout the conference for their donations, and incidentally to remind those who have not helped, that there is still opportunity to do so.

We held the missionary convention

here according to the program, with much interest, and laid plans for the future which we believe will result in winning souls. Pray for the work here. L. A. Spring.

ROCKY FORD.

On Sabbath, November 7, a church of sixteen members was organized at this place. Arrangements had been made to organize on the precious Sabbath, but on account of a severe storm and bad condition of the roads, it was thought best to postpone it for a week.

We had expected Dr. Hills for the occasion, but on account of pressing business matters in Aspen, he could not be present. Brother Wilson came down from Pueblo and attended to all the necessary business.

It was a day of rejoicing to the believers in Rocky Ford, and also we believe to the angels in heaven, for three dear souls, all adults, were buried with their Lord in baptism.

Through the kindness of Elder Mills of the Baptist denomination, we had the use of the Baptist church for the occasion for which our thanks are due.

I am glad to say that this little church is composed of earnest, faithful and zealous believers in the soon coming of Christ, and trust that it may indeed be a vine of our Father's own planting. This is a large field and its needs are great. Pray for us in Rocky Ford.

Geo. M. Alway.

OUR INLAND CHINESE MISSION.

Many will remember Brother E. Pilquist's appeal for help from the province of Honan, China; and the openings he mentioned for consecrated laborers to unite with him in service for the Master in that hitherto almost unentered land.

All will rejoice to know that God has chosen six earnest, consecrated young people, four doctors and two nurses, to answer this call. Two of the doctors are ordained ministers, and all six go into the field, definitely called of the Lord to spend and be spent in giving the last message of mercy to China's millions, using their medical skill as an auxilliary in the far greater work of preaching the Third Angel's Message.

The party consisted of Drs. A. C. and Bertha L. Selmon, H. W. and

Maud T. Miller, and the Misses Carrie Erickson and Charlotte Simpson. They sailed from Vancouver, October 5, on the "Empress of India." They expect to reach their destination, Sin Iang Cheo, Honan, in about six weeks.

Remember these dear young people in prayer, both while enroute and after they reach their field of labor. With our prayers and with our offerings we may enter into their labors and share with them in the glorious work of giving the everlasting gospel to that benighted people.

A recent letter from Brother J. H. Watson, reports progress in our Nyassa, British East Central Africa, Mission. When he wrote there were forty students enrolled in the school with the prospect of more. We have the promise of some illustrated articles for the Review from Brother Watson in the near future.

SELF-SUPPORTING MISSIONARY WORK.

For years the Lord has been calling our attention to the importance of giving this message to the people in the large cities, and also showing us that this work has been sadly neglected. We quote the following from Testimony, Vol. 7, page 40:

"When I think of the cities in which so little has been done, in which there are so many thousands to be warned of the soon-coming Saviour, I feel an intensity of desire to see men and women going forth to the work in the power of the Spirit, filled with Christ's love for perishing souls. Those in our cities-living within the shadow of our doors-have been strangely neglected. Organized effort should now be put forth to give them the message of present truth. We all need to be wide awake, that, as the way opens, we may advance the work in the large cities."

We appreciate the fact that this is a difficult problem to deal with on account of the expense. In many of the large cities tent meetings cannot be held on account of local restrictions, and hall rent is almost prohibitive.

We are convinced that the work of warning the people in these large cities will have to be done largely through our publications, and if taken hold of in the right way, it can be made nearly or quite self-supporting.

ECHOES FROM THE FIELD.

Our "pioneer paper," the Signs of the Times, can be used as an entering wedge. The special number on the subject of Capital and Labor will be a splendid one to begin with. Then let this be followed by the sale of the regular issues, securing subscriptions, and selling small books, tracts and pamphlets. We have these covering almost every phase of the Message.

Brother George A. King has been engaged in this work in New York City for many years. We quote the following from a letter recently received from him:

"I think the time has come when we can work faster with the Message by using the Signs of the Times as a pioneer for the book work as well as for Bible work and ministerial work. I have been working for several years on the difficult problems of reaching the people with books in these large Eastern cities. We have sold many thousands of dollars' worth of books and have done a good work, but I think it is clear now that for the future the Signs or some other paper will have to play an important part in our work here."

As to the value of our periodicals, and especially the Signs of the Times, in this work, the following extracts from the Testimonies are right to the point:

"Our missionary paper, the Signs of the Times, is doing its work everywhere, and is opening the way for the truth to be more fully presented."

"Our brethren do not all see and realize the importance of this paper; if they did, they would feel greater personal interest to make it intensely interesting, and then to circulate it everywhere."

"This silent preacher, the Signs, enriched with precious matter, should go forth on the wings of prayer, mingled with faith, that it may do its appointed work in shedding the light of truth upon those who are in the darkness of error."

"It is a fact that the circulation of our papers is doing even a greater work than the living preacher can do."

It is the purpose of the publishers to make the Signs of the Times all that its name implies by calling attention to current events and showing what they mean in the light of prophecy. The subject of Capital and Labor cannot be exhausted in one number, and this question will be discussed in future issues. Then there will be articles covering every phase of the message, presented in such a way as not to create prejudice, thus making the **Signs** truly a "Pioneer Paper."

The harvest truly is great, but the laborers are few. Are there not those who will volunteer to take hold of this work in the large cities?

There is no excuse for our existence as a people, if we do not push this grand truth to the front in all parts of the world.

NOTES AND ITEMS.

Brother W. F. Hills and wife have moved to Boulder for the winter. They are planning to take the special nurse's course at the sanitarium.

Beginning with Sunday evening, November 29, a series of special meetings will be held in the Denver church by Elder Anglebarger.

Miss Mabel Knudson has returned to her home in Denver from Battle Creek, where she had gone to take the nurse's course. Her health would not permit her to remain there.

Elder Watson has spent the past two Sabbaths with the Ft. Morgan and Wray churches. He will probably give us a report of these meetings later.

Sister S. C. Meehan, one of the old members of the Denver church, will leave for California this week to make her home in that State. May the blessing of God go with her.

Brother G. Phillips spent a few days at Ft. Collins last week in the interest of the canvassing work. Prospects are good for some new recruits from that church in the near future.

"At the Door," a booklet containing 45 impressive engravings, illustrating the fulfillment of the prophecy in Matt. 24 Mark 13, and Luke 21. Each picture is accompanied by the versa of scripture which it illustrates. Pa per binding. Price 15 and 25 cents.

Elder H. M. J. Richards passed through the city on Friday last to join his family at Loveland, for a few days. Sister Richards is caring for her mother, Sister Sylvester, who has been quite feeble for the past few weeks. Brother Richards will assist them for a time at least.

Brother Fulton writes encouragingly of the work. There have been a number of accessions during the year, and others are awaiting baptism. He is looking forward to the time when they will be able to again take up permanent work among these people for whom they have labored so long.

It is encouraging, indeed, to note the progress that the gospel is making, for it is only an evidence of what the Lord will do when we take hold heartily to complete his work with him. We trust that the week of prayer may be a season of a special blessing. We must begin to pray and plan for it now, if this is true.

Has your subscription to Echoes expired, or it about to expire? If so please send in your renewal at once that you may continue to keep in close touch with all the work of our conference. Watch for the "blue' cross." Send in your own name and the name of some one else who is not taking it. Price 25 cents per year.

Brother J. E. Fulton, after spending a year in Australia, where he has taught in the Avondale school, has returend to Fiji to spend the vacation. Although the health of Mrs. Fulton and himself does not yet warrant their remaining on the islands indefinitely, their short stay will be a means of strength to the work there.

Now is the time to push the sale of "Christ's Object Lessons." Many people will want good books to present to their friends for holiday presents, and there is no better book to place before them than "Object Lessons." We have not yet sold our quota, and this is the best time of the year to finish this work. Shall we not do it now?

The past two Sabbaths have been pleasant and profitable ones for the Denver church. November 14 was given to the Ingathering service, at which time the children gave a very interesting program. A good supply of fruit and vegetables, and a liberal cash offering, as well as other useful things were donated. Sabbath, November 21, the whole day was given

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to the missionary program, and we trust that it will prove a lasting benefit to the Denver church. Many helpful thoughts were presented in connection with the readings, and some, we are sure, were inspired with a greater determination to improve the opportunities for usefulness as they come.

Elder Mackintosh writes that Monte Vista is having an epidemic of small pox, and other contagious diseases. All public meetings have been stopped and this hedges up the way for any special missionary rally at this time. The special effort for the **Signs** will have to wait until later. May the Lord have a care for his people and work at this place.

Begin at once to plan for your annual offering. Let us make it the largest annual gift to missions that has ever gone from this conference. Arrange for the children to earn some money, so that they may have a part in it. Let us give until we feel it. With such giving our message would soon reach the ends of the earth, and the calls for gifts would be at an end.

Sister Ellen M. Towne in sending her tithe, writes us a cheering letter, from which we take the following: "I am entirely alone, and have not seen an Adventist for more than a year, but the dear **Review** comes with its precious truth every week, and the **Echoes** tells me what you are doing, so I can pray, and trust and wait till I can see some of like precious faith."

The Berrien Springs Training School has opened a correspondence course for the study of the Word of God, by those who are unable to attend any of our regular Bible schools. The lessons will be under the direction of a competant Bible teacher, and we are sure it will be a blessing to those who may avail themselves of the opportunity it affords. Send to them for full descriptive circular.

We are much cheered at the present outlook for the circulation of the Capital and Labor number of the Signs. Nine thousand and five hundred copies have been ordered, and yet there are several churches from whom we have not heard. Surely not a church will let this opportunity go by. A few scattered ones have sent in orders for from five to one hundred copies. This is good, but we believe that every one should assist in the distribution of this paper as it contains truth for this time, and in a manner to reach the reading public. Shall we not hear from many more?

A very encouraging report has been received from Sumatra. Brother Munson writes that their attendance on the Sabbath now is from thirty to thirty-five. Among these are several Chinese men. A native woman has recently asked for baptism, and another who for a time had given up her hold on the Lord has repented, and is conscientiously keeping the Sabbath and all the other commandments.

"Thought Its Origin and Power," will be ready in a few days. This book goes deep into the subject and lays a broad foundation that fortifies the individual against the deceptive teachings of Hypnotism, Christian Science, and all forms of mind power; as well as giving valuable instructions in regard to the training of the mind. An excellent holiday present. Neatly bound in red cloth ,250 pages. Price \$1.00.

Are you taking the **Review and Her**ald? In this time of important crises, when the great forces of humanity are arraying themselves against each other, and are constantly clashing, and when federations are being formed for the last great conflict not one among us should be without the **Review**, which stands as a sentinel to this people. The librarians should canvass the churches for our church paper, and make an earnest effort to place it in every home.

Those who are engaged in churchschool work, or in teaching their own children at home, will find a great help in Bible Reader No. 1. This has been revised and new illustrations added, and will be ready for use in a few weeks. The first few lessons are bound separately for the use of those who are now needing them. Send thirty-five cents for complete book, and the advance lessons will be sent you also. Bible Reader No. 2 is in preparation and will soon follow.

Are you going to make a Christmas present? If so you want to make a good one. Would you like to place a good book in the hands of those who are to make presents? The following new books are most excellent for this purpose. "Our Paradise Home," by Elder S. H. Lane, most beautifully presents the home of the saved with it's attractions, and the preparation necessary to enjoy it. Old and young will enjoy reading it, and it cannot but give all a desire to spend eternity there. Price, cloth, 50 cents. Board, 25 cents.

Special features of the Youth's Instructor for 1904: "Travel Sketches," by E. R. Palmer, in which with him we will visit Switzerland, Germany and Italy. St. Peters and the Vatican will be studied. "The Work Table," by Edison Driver, will teach the boys how to "make things." "Stories of Misisons," by Miss Estella Houser, will interest us in missionary work. "In and Around Washington," the new location of the Instructor office, will furnish material for a series of arti cles, in which the especial points of interest will be visited. The Instructor for 1904 will be the best ever published. 75 cents now will pay for it till January 1, 1905.

Brother B. R. Nordyke, who has been for nine years manager of the Kansas City branch of the Pacific Press Publishring Company, left for Oakland, California, November 9. This has been made necessary by the sickness of the manager of one of the important departments in the Oakland office, whose place Brother Nordyke will fill. Jas. Cochran, who has been secretary of the Missouri Tract Society for ten years, takes the place thus made vacant in Kansas City. Brother Hall who is manager of the Book and Periodical Department of the Oakland office, and Brother Beatty, who works in the same department, will spend several weeks in helping Brother Cochran get acquainted with his new work, and in looking after the interests of the Capital and Labor number of the Signs of the Times .-- Central Advance.

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