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# ARE YOU FOR AND WITH?

by

L. J. Johnson,

of *Evangelical Literature Overseas*

*Young people today have a way of saying it very succinctly: "Get with it, man!" It's their way of urging somebody to do more than shout "Hurray, I'm all for you!" That little "with" carries a person from a cheering section to direct involvement.*

*It's quite easy to be FOR any number of things that sound good. It's easy to wave the flag, applaud, sign a petition, throw confetti on a hero and pat a crusader on the back.*

*In Christianity it is likewise no real strain to be FOR missions, orphans, evangelistic crusades, anti-Communist movements, Sunday Schools, prayers in the schools, and what have you?*

*But when the FOR is followed with WITH, something happens. The flag waver, for instance, becomes a flag carrier — and that means direct identification and involvement. The applauder and the petition signer and confetti thrower becomes a marcher — and that means commitment.*

*In like manner, the Christian who is not only FOR but WITH the outreach of the church gets out of that twilight zone of demobilization and becomes a missionary, a giver, a worker, a teacher, a prayer, a crusader — he stops waving his handkerchief at everybody from the bleachers, and puts on his working clothes.*

*It doesn't cost much to be FOR anything; it begins to pinch a little though when we "get WITH it!" There were 5000 people who were FOR Christ when He fed them miraculously with five loaves and two fishes. But when Christ finished His sermon about the true cost of discipleship, He had only 12 left who were WITH Him.*

*I don't think there is one Christian who isn't FOR Christian literature and getting it out to the urbulent areas of the world where people are gobbling up reading matter in fantastic amounts. Thank God we're FOR something anyway when we are so prone to be against so many things.*

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# Evangel

## goes to gaol!

*Christian literature is playing an important part in supplementing my ministry among the Aborigine and other coloured prisoners at the Brisbane Prison and Wacol Prison Farm.*

*by R. M. Living, Brisbane*

A number of copies of the "Evangel" are eagerly received each month — often there is the question, 'Have the Evangels come yet?' The New South Wales "Dawn" is also in much demand and the American "Good News Broadcaster."

Many of the men have completed the Emmaus preparatory Bible Study Correspondence Course of John's Gospel in four lessons. What a joy it is to note that some who have for months been attending my weekly Bible Classes are able to answer in the affirmative the optional questions, "Have you come to Jesus? — When? — Do you believe that He has saved you?"

Over the years the long-term men have been taken through Mark and John's Gospels. Some possess New Testaments requested by them, whilst recently two native men have asked for reference Bibles as well as dictionaries to help them in their studies.

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### Helpless and Hopeless . . .

Do you hear them, O, my brother,  
Weeping, wailing, thro' the night?  
Little children blind and outcast,  
Crying vainly for the light.  
Broken, bruised, their little bodies,  
Sold to live a life of shame;  
Can we, dare we, help refuse them,  
We who know the Saviour's Name.

Countless ones are dying daily,  
Starved and beaten, poisoned, drowned;  
"Feed my lambs," said Christ our Shepherd.  
Break the chains in which they're bound;  
For these children, blind and hopeless,  
Hungering for the earth's love denied,  
Must be sheltered 'neath the shadow  
Of the loving Saviour's side.

Will you help them, O my brother?  
Help these hopeless ones to live?  
Freely has your Father given,  
Freely, then, O freely give,  
When the Master comes, my brother,  
Gathers up His jewels fair,  
Will you have these gems of beauty  
In your crown of joy to wear?

ALICE A. TOWNSEND.

by

Wilfred Douglas

U.A.M. Language Department.

# PAPER talk

*Day by day our lives are influenced in some way or other by the printed word. We are surrounded by advertisements, notices, printed signs and warnings. Bookstands offer us books and magazines on almost any subject. We have the Bible in many printed versions. The reading of its sacred pages often prepares us for the shocking news we may read in the newspapers.*

How difficult it is for us to imagine being without the printed word in any form! Yet there are in Australia many people who cannot imagine the privilege of being able to read.

## **PRINTED PAGE MEANS NOTHING!**

I refer to the Australian Aborigines who are illiterate. To many of these people the printed page means nothing. They have never handled books or paper. They have never tried to handle a pencil. They cannot sign their own names.

No wonder that Aboriginal Christians, in many cases, suffer spiritual weakness, find it difficult to grow, remain in ignorance of the riches which are in Christ Jesus. They do not have any part of the Bible in their own full and adequate languages, nor can they read it in English! They can gain no information from Christian magazines or news-

papers. Even the simplest tract is beyond their reach. As for concordances, Bible dictionaries, aids to Bible study, these are as incomprehensible as the works of Euclid.

## **LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT**

To help such people as these the United Aborigines Mission Language Department was founded. The workers of this department, though, are members only of a far greater team which includes, not only the rest of the UAM, but also MPA (Mission Publications of Australia) and, eventually, the whole Christian Church.

## **LANGUAGE WORK**

In the initial stages of language work it is necessary to sit with the people, to listen to their musical speech, to jot down in phonetic script their polysyllabic utterances, to analyse the grammatical structure of their languages.

Later there is the joy of conversing with the people, of listening to their problems, of explaining the Gospel in their mother tongues. By the gracious work of the Holy Spirit, through the spoken word and the practical witness of the missionaries, small indigenous churches have come into existence.

Today, while there are still many untouched areas where this initial approach is still needed, there is a growing demand from the young churches for the printed Scriptures and for reading classes so that the believers may have access to the Word of God whenever they need it.

## **M.P.A. APPRECIATED!**

So the UAM Language Department engages in Bible translating, is concerned with the production of Christian literature in understandable English, and conducts Literacy and Reading classes. No wonder we

appreciate the work of Mission Publications of Australia. For the first time in their history, some Aborigines are handling, are even able to read, books which contain their own forms of speech and illustrations which are culturally significant to them.

Literacy materials which have been prepared on the field have been reproduced in neatly bound books with bright covers and strong paper. Simple Catechisms, Scripture cards and booklets, hymn books in the native language and in English, printed for us by MPA, have all helped to stir the interest and the reading incentive of people who had almost lost hope.

#### PRAY ON!

We trust that you will assist the field by continuing to support this useful instrument of Christian service, Mission Publications of Australia, La Perouse, N.S.W.

#### EDITORIAL (Continued)

*Everybody's FOR reaching the masses through the printed page; everybody's FOR quality literature to out-pace the Communists; everybody's FOR stepped-up writing and distribution programmes to close the gap between church outreach and population explosion; everybody's FOR getting young people recruited for missionary literature.*

*To all of these I say, thank you! That's a good start!*

*But it's like the young missionary doctor who wanted to put up a hospital on the Nepal border to reach the thousands of Nepalese refugees pouring into India and who approached a Christian oil man in Houston, Texas. After the missionary had outlined his plan and the need, the oil man said, "Son, I'm all FOR you!"*

*"Yes, sir, and thank you," the missionary doctor said, "but I really need you WITH me to the tune of \$100,000!"*

*There was a shocked silence and then out came the cheque book and there followed the beautiful sound of commitment through a pen on a negotiable instrument.*

*Getting WITH the cause of Christ isn't always in terms of money; but it helps. There are many ways to get involved — each Christian must find his way to "get WITH it."*

*God give us a multitude of participants who are FOR and WITH the cause of Christ — only then can we hope to fulfill our task for Christ.*

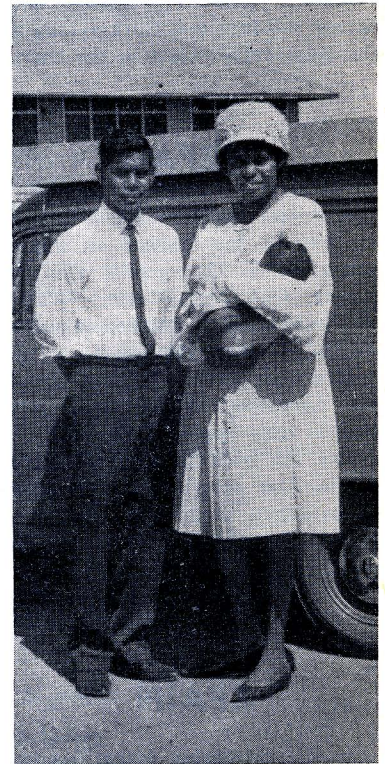
## WHAT?

Millions of adults, for whom a printed page was a "black blotch" a few years ago, are now reading.

Just since you picked up this magazine, 100 new readers have entered the world of printed pages.

Their hands are eagerly reaching out for new experiences.

WHAT WILL THEY BE  
READING TOMORROW??



Pictured above are Pastor W. Fejo and his wife, and son, Daniel. Mr. and Mrs. Fejo are at Newcastle Waters N.T.



## Course on Christian Journalism for Quechua Christians

The first course on Christian journalism in the Quechua language was recently held in Cochabamba, Bolivia. Thirteen Quechua believers, including high school and seminary students, school teachers and a university professor, received certificates for completing the course.

These students have dedicated themselves to writing evangelistic and devotional literature for the Quechuas. Several missions that work among the Quechuas collaborated in the course.

## NEPAL

A writers' conference held in India for Nepalis has sparked an interest among some 35 potential Christian writers. One Nepali said: "Writing and publishing is another important way of spreading the gospel . . . But it should be creative writing, natural and appealing to our people. We Nepalis must begin writing and producing our own Christian literature." A literature programme spearheaded by nationals "could have greater influence than 1,000 new missionaries going to the field."

—Missionary Mandate.

## SPAIN

Spanish censorship authorities have denied a petition from Spanish Protestants to allow Evangelical books to be printed in Spain. Parcels of books from Argentina addressed to persons

in Spain are frequently returned with the notation, "No Admittance." Lacking the imprimatur of Roman Catholic bishops in America, these books are refused entry into Spain.

## EAST PAKISTAN

Literature is the principal key to missionary work. Missionaries distribute tracts and Gospels at fairs and to Muslims who come to visit them. Bible correspondence courses are one of the most important means of evangelism and teaching.

### GOOD NEWS

Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophesy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand. Revelation 1.3.

Preparation of literature must be done with extreme care, however. There is currently a ban on any books or magazines that contain anything which can be interpreted as "intended to outrage the religious feelings of the Muslims of Pakistan." This means that pamphlets that directly expose the errors of Islam are dangerous to distribute at the present time.

Bible correspondence courses in three languages are proving effective. Preparation of other literature is progressing with special emphasis on materials for university students.

## BRISBANE LADIES AUXILIARY ANNUAL MEETING

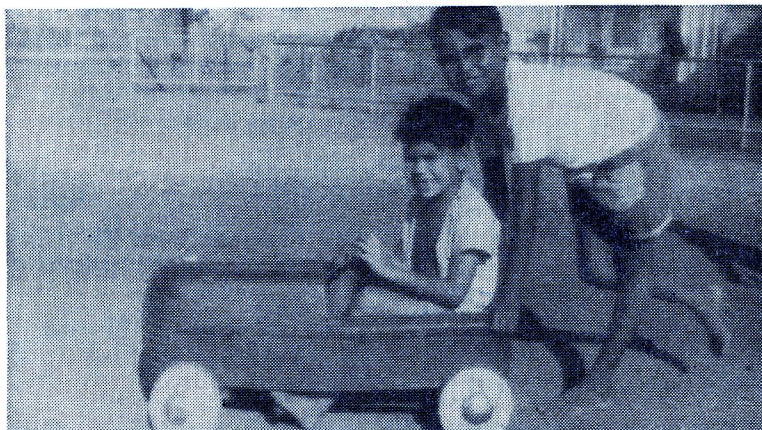
The Brisbane Ladies Auxiliary held their Annual Meeting on Tuesday, 20th July at the Joyful News Mission Hall. In spite of the inclement weather approximately 56 people attended. A very happy time of fellowship was spent and a bright programme had been arranged.

Mrs. Snow gave a very beautiful elocutionary item, whilst Mr. and Mrs. Hoeppe delighted everyone with their novelty musical item.

Miss J. Phillips gave a commentary on the work of the city and Mr. R. M. Living spoke of the work among the prisoners at Boggo Road and Wacol Gaols.

Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read followed by our guest speakers, Mr. and Mrs. R. Stretton from the Territory.

A bounteous luncheon followed as a finale to a very pleasant meeting.



IT'S NOT THE LATEST MODEL—but it's fun! two of the boys in the Retta Dixon Homes are caught by our camera-man!

## **Why Every Church Should Include Evangelical Literature in its Missionary Budget**

Sinister ideologies have sensed the effectiveness and have leaped to grasp the opportunity afforded by a new day in world literacy. They have poured tons of literature into vast areas, swaying multitudes with the power of the pen, unwittingly furnishing the church with a most convincing object lesson. The way to reach the most in the shortest time is with the printed page.

Here's our problem. Let's face it. Missionaries on the field are comparatively few, and are striving vainly to minister areas involving millions. Volunteers are few and preparation so long and expensive, spent years in preparation, months, if not years, in a deputation ministry and in learning the language, in order to reach every tribe and nation? No, that would only mean another lost generation.

The increasing costs of putting a missionary family on the field make it imperative that we turn to faster, more economical means. The missionary is not outmoded, but we must multiply the effectiveness of his ministry.

Up to 2,000,000 pieces of literature can be produced for the cost of training and sending out one missionary family. Evangelical literature makes him a missionary the day he arrives on the field, even before he has learned the language.

Literature seeps into closed areas. The literate national hungrily reads everything he gets over and over, giving the gospel, by its oft-repeated message, a better chance to penetrate the sin-darkened mind. Though it can be burned, it cannot be martyred. It overcomes the foreign devil stigma, and is not stopped by disease. It needs no furlough, and it will remain when political upheaval has forced the missionaries' departure.

Often a soul is won by a tract or Gospel costing only a few cents to print. This is not a plea to lower mission spending but rather a means by which our money will reach more.

### **WORLD LITERATURE SUNDAY**

**OCTOBER 17th**

**Remember this powerful messenger of the Gospel in prayer on this day. Ask your pastor, Sunday School Superintendent to feature this need on October 17th.**

# HEY! Mr. Bookseller!

by Pastor B. Clarke,  
Fingal N.S.W.

**"HEY! MR. BOOKSELLER! . . . Have you any more stories about Danny Orlis?"**

**"Can you get me some Christmas cards with a real Scriptural message?"**

**"I have two sons who are passing through a stage where they need real help concerning the facts of life, can you suggest some helpful literature?"**

These are some of the many and varied questions at a bookstall dealing in Christian literature. Supplying the answers becomes a very real ministry for the Lord, especially in these days when so much poor quality and even sordid literature finds its way into the hands of our youth. It is a real source of satisfaction to visit the home of a family who have not professed to follow the Lord and to see a wooden plaque with the words "Only one life, 'twill soon be past, only what's done for Jesus will last", hanging on the wall in the dining room. Surely, the Holy Spirit must bring conviction to those who read it! There are numerous homes in the Tweed River district with such words and Scriptural verses hanging on the walls, thanks to the ministry of the Christian bookstall. Normally, these would not come under the notice of folk because they are not obtainable in local shops.

Youth meetings, such as Youth For Christ, and in fact most week night meetings, provide an opportunity to bring Christian literature before our people. Even the Mission house is becoming an agency for such literature! This is a ministry which if supported by the prayers of God's people, could

bring untold blessing to many.

**The Nazis, the Communists, and false cults have proved the effectiveness of literature — should the Lord's people be slow to use this method for Him?**

**PRAY FOR, AND SHARE WITH US IN THIS MINISTRY.**

## WHAT DO YOU READ?

by Pastor S. Eldridge,  
Darwin, N.T.

Every Pastor has his surprises. Maybe it comes during hospital visitation; instead of finding a copy of God's Word or Christian Books at the bedside there are other books, hence the surprise!

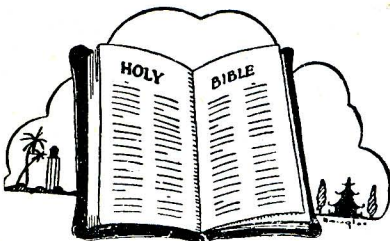
Or the surprise might come in visiting a Christian home; we find a lack of good Christian literature, yet plenty of other paperbacks and magazines.

Our Lord challenged His followers "TO SEEK FIRST THE KINGDOM OF GOD". The secret of joyous vital living is to put first things first. Are we putting God first in every area

of our lives? Are we giving God first place when it comes to our reading matter?

No christian need be ignorant today on any difficult Bible passage, doctrine or subject, because a multitude of consecrated gifted writers are supplying us with thousands of wonderful books and helps. No shortage at all.

But there is a shortage (not of good books) but of christian men and women, and young people thirsting and hungering to learn more of God's Word, longing to put God first in





this area of life.

**So it is that we believe the setting up of the DARWIN CHRISTIAN BOOK CENTRE is an important part of our work. The Centre is housed in an extra room built on to the Mission House with easy access to the public, and of course convenient to operate, being at home.**

Through Radio advertising and Signboards we are becoming known not only in Darwin but on the Islands where our Methodist friends are serving Christ. They do appreciate being able to buy Sunday School books and Christian Literature in the north, and save sending south for their requirements.

We are delighted for opportunities to help our coloured and native folk to choose reading matter and picture books, for instance.

One man needed help in obtaining a family daily reading book to interest the children, we suggested "Happy Moments With God" by Margaret Anderson. A few weeks later he re-

turned and said that his children wouldn't miss family worship for anything.

A woman bought the complete set of Jungle Doctor Books, she was determined to provide her children with their own library of good books.

Tony (Warrabri) who works at the Army Barracks in Darwin is a regular customer, one day he buys Gospel Records, another day he requires a strongly bound Bible; the last visit, Tony purchased a number of Bible Story Picture Books for his sisters who live on the Government Settlement at Warrabri.

When time permits the Book Centre becomes mobile. Some weeks ago we loaded the station waggon and drove 60 miles to Batchelor, a Uranium mining town. It was pay day, so we set up our Bookstall outside the Canteen.

Occasionally we do the same on the Bagot Aboriginal Reserve. Bible Picture books are very popular with the Native people.

## God's Word for a New Age

Sometimes we conduct a Bookstall during our Wednesday night visit to the East Arm Leprosarium; the people look forward to this and keenly buy Pictures and Books to send away to their relatives.

**Recently the annual Darwin Show afforded us another opportunity of Witness and to display copies of the Scriptures and all kinds of Christian Literature.**

We cannot estimate the value of the printed page.

See to it that you read more Christian Literature, give good books to your friends.

**Pray for the spread of Christian Books today.**

### EVANGEL—GAOL (Continued)

Recently I issued little booklets containing Scripture texts and suggested that at least one verse should be memorised to be recited at each meeting. How encouraging it was to hear not one, but three or four texts given out by memory at subsequent classes!

I am grateful to God for this ministry over the past seven years which enables one to get close to the prisoners and win their confidence. Letter writing, visiting relatives and securing small requisites from time to time are all helpful means of showing men that "the love of Christ constraineth us".

A warder once remarked to me, "Isn't it strange that men have to come to jail to find Christ?" God's ways are past finding out and it is a matter of praise that some men do find their Saviour while in Prison.



**PASTOR AT WORK!** Pastor S. Eldridge, of the Community Church, Darwin, has been responsible for the building of the new church. Here he stands near the partly finished structure.

# Missionary

## Moments



by

*E. M. Walker*

### *Native Missionary*

"How long have you known the Lord?" I asked of an old friend.

"Fifty years now, and if I was young again I would give God my life once more".

"Why do you wish you were young again, Grandpops. Because the world is not getting any better you know," I reminded him. "It is confused, people don't trust each other any more, in fact everything seems to be speeding up!"

"That's it," he said to me, "the world is speeding up its services, but Christian young people are lagging

far behind." Do you know what Paul said about David?" He said "David served his own generation by the Will of God" (Acts 13.36). "You young people today have a tremendous responsibility of service for God." "Let me tell you this, that this generation is in such a desperate need, and I see no signs of the devil's evil forces going to sleep."

"Yes," he continued, "the only hope for this age is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. The angels would love to come and spread the Gospel story of Him Whom they praise all day long, but they cannot".

"Why?" "Simply because they don't know the meaning of sin and they don't know what it is to be saved from it! **But we know the redemption story!**"

**As I left I can hear his last words still — "Remember that contact means opportunity, opportunity means responsibility, and let me add, responsibility is our response to God's ability!"**

### INTEREST IS BEING CREATED

The Churches Guidance Committee exists for the purpose of assisting and guiding our churches.

Therefore, it is visualised that every A.I.M. Church will give the Committee their full support by accepting the invitation to become a member of the "Union of Churches" sponsored by the C.G.C.

We give thanks for the Narrandera, Griffith and Fingal Churches who have become the foundation members of this new movement. The Committee is looking forward to hearing from the other churches in the near future.

If any of our Churches desire any further information regarding the C.G.C. then please do not hesitate to contact the Secretary, Mr. C. Grant, 16 Tristania Avenue, Leeton, N.S.W.

## A HOUSE NEEDED IN WALGETT, N.S.W.

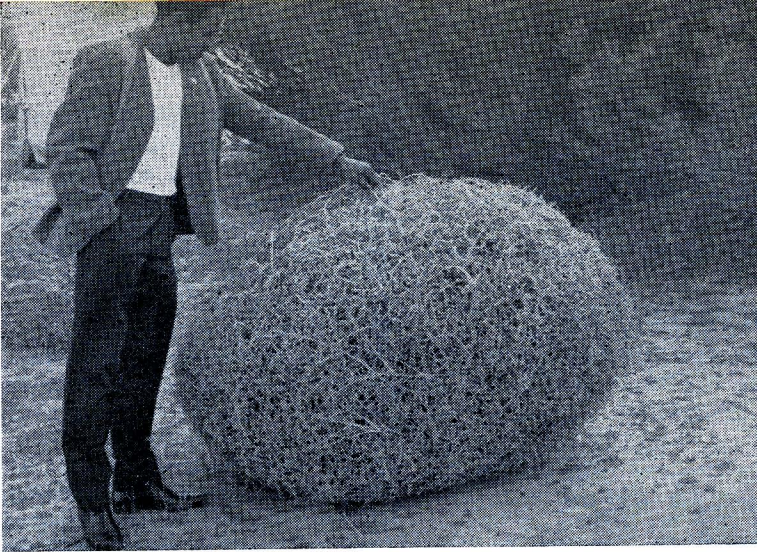
Mr. and Mrs. R. Hallett, who have been on furlough and deputation work expect to take over the work in Walgett, N.S.W., early this month.

For many years our faithful Associate Workers, Mr. and Mrs. F. Whitehouse have maintained a witness in this area. In later years, the witness has been strengthened by Mr. and Mrs. P. Dupen who have given of their time and strength so that Christ will be known to the large population of Aborigines in Walgett.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Whitehouse and Mr. and Mrs. Dupen have felt the need of younger full-time workers for this area and we were glad to appoint Mr. and Mrs. Hallett some months ago.

At the time of going to print, no accommodation is available for our workers and we would ask your prayer for this need. It may be that Mr. Hallett will need to go alone until he can arrange suitable accommodation for his family.

Walgett will not be an easy work. The Aborigine population of almost 1,500 have a very real need! That need is Christ! **WILL YOU BE A PRAYER-PARTNER IN THIS FORWARD STEP?**



by

Phil. Wilding,

Associate Worker,

Lake Cargelligo, N.S.W.

## WE VISIT THE FAR WEST OF N.S.W.

*“Eh! mate! Are you a blackfella?” This question, asked by a little fellow during our visiting at the settlement at Menindee, caused Laurie Trimmer, Charlie Powell and myself many a chuckle as we travelled on to Wilcannia and Cobar.*

We chuckled because the question was asked of Charlie, coloured deacon of the People's Church at Condobolin, N.S.W., and not of Laurie or myself, who are “gubbas” (white).

While we chuckled, I wondered if perhaps the little fellow who asked the question could see that there was something different about Charlie, and this was his way of expressing it? Could he sense, in his own way, the difference that Christ is making in Charlie's life? It was a pleasure for us to work with Charlie, and to hear him speak of Christ by his life as much as by his words.

Our patrol took us 840 miles from Condobolin, through Lake Cargelligo to Trida, Conoble, Ivanhoe, Menin-

dee, Wilcannia and Cobar.

In all about 60 families were visited and given literature, including **Evangelists**, **Lettersticks**, tracts from M.P.A., and Young Ambassadors.

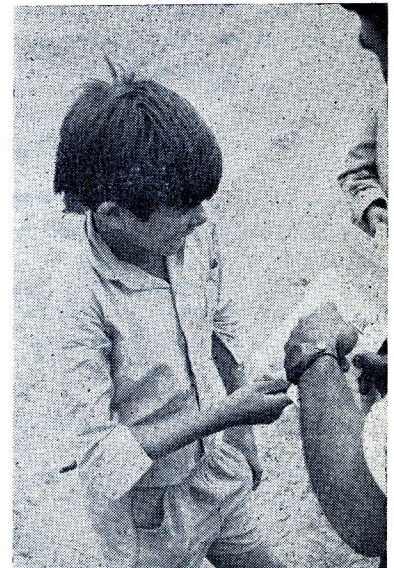
Four open air meetings, and one cottage meeting were held. Approximately 65 adults and 112 children were counted at these meetings, and many more folk were listening from verandahs, etc.

About seven Bibles, 54 Gospels and 10 New Testaments were given to folk who indicated a desire to read them.

During our trip we had fellowship with the Methodist Deaconess and  
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**Above: Mr. Charlie Powell, mentioned in accompanying article, examines a huge “rolly-polly”**

**Below: LETTERSTICK and other literature was freely distributed.**



## VICTORIA RIVER DOWNS, N.T.

Time and again through scripture we see that God does not work in haste, time is taken, much preparation is made. This is exactly what we feel that we should do here in this corner of His vineyard.

It takes time to befriend people particularly our native people and gain their confidence. Slowly we are getting to know them and hope to start learning their language, which is so important to these folk.

The King of the tribe exercises quite an authority along with the elders and things of importance are brought to their folk by them. Thus our aim is to reach the people through this avenue with the gospel. The cooperation of the king and elders would count much.

### Creating good relationships

A wallaby was caught the other day and off we went to the compound to give it to the people.

There has been a change in house girls temporarily. Lily, whom we had, has gone to Darwin for eye treatment and so Janet now helps. This gives an opportunity to get to know her. She has a little son. The other day she enjoyed her first taste of ice cream and jelly!

While south we purchased a returning boomerang from La Perouse and it has created interest. Mick, a native man, had a go at throwing it, others enjoyed watching and chuckling for it is a new type to them.

These are just beginnings as the Lord leads and we know will continue to lead and work here.

**M. and D. FIELD.**

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## BORROLOOLA, N.T.

The greater number of Borroloola Church Members are widely scattered on the various cattle stations at present. This last weekend four regular attenders at Church — Punch, Norma, Pluto and Juliet, all departed to Anthony's Lagoon.

Some of the scattered Christians can read and write, but others cannot. They all need to be upheld in prayer.

Many folk come and go. Sometimes we have the joy of seeing Chris-

tian native people for a short time, and see them going on with the Lord. A word of encouragement, a word of prayer, and off they go again!

The wet season, when these folk all come in on holidays, provides the greatest opportunity for further teaching and strengthening of all. Thus we need much prayer for the opportunities of the Christmas season.

The local Christians who are going all the way with the Lord are, as can be expected, experiencing severe

testing, but Praise God, they are rejoicing in the victory Christ provides.

Others are gripped in sin, and God's Spirit is moving the Christians to greater depths of prayer for their salvation or restoration.

By prayer we need to bind Satan, so that we can claim souls from his clutches.

After having been in Darwin several weeks under medical care Mrs. Higgins has had her illness diagnosed as hepatitis, and it appears as if she will have to return home to Victoria for a period of convalescence.

Jerry and I took three boys, Mervyn, Danny and Silas camping for a night at Batten Creek, 15 miles away. Jerry taught me to cook turtles, and I enjoyed eating roast turtle and goanna for the first time! Jerry led the boys in prayer in the evening. We enjoyed our time out there.

It is good to hear Jerry and his family singing hymns of praise in their hut every night.

The Carpentaria Exploration Company are very busy here lately. They have quite a big camp out at McArthur River Station. Survey planes come and go as well as vehicles. We have been pleased to meet a Christian couple from out at McArthur River. The company plan to put in a new "beef road" to Anthony's Lagoon. As the search for minerals proceeds we live in changing times in the Northern Territory. "Amidst the changing scenes of life" let us press on together with Christ.

**G. M. Higgins.**

## BRISBANE, Q.

It's hard to realise that Brisbane, the Capital of the Sunshine State is also a mission field! Yet one is so often reminded that where there are unsaved people that is a mission field.

In the metropolitan area of this great City we have about 2,000 of our Aborigine folk. Sad to say that only a few profess Christ as their Saviour. Therefore we are greatly challenged with the need of these folk.

Visitation plays a great part in our programme. The people live in the various suburbs and we are involved in a lot of travelling. We do praise God for this personal contact and the fact we are accepted by the people. We are always given a warm welcome and with this is an invitation to have a cup of tea or maybe a meal.

Like on so many of our stations the EVANGEL is always looked forward to. LETTER STICK is fast becoming another favourite.

Besides visiting the homes, we visit the women's prison twice a month and also do chaplaincy work for the Mission in two of the big Brisbane hospitals.

We also help with an open air meeting in South Brisbane, where so many of our people assemble.

A youth meeting has been commenced in the home of Miss Iris Kirk. This will be a monthly event. An A.I.M. prayer meeting is also held each week at this home.

We praise God for these openings and would value your prayer support for the work in this City.

In spite of all that the city life offers with its vice and sin and our people are caught up with these, God is all powerful and it is "Him Who breaks the power of cancelled sin and sets the prisoner free", if we are faithful and fervent in our prayers.

(Miss) J. H. Phillips.

## WOORABINDA, Q.

Throughout recent weeks we have enjoyed many visitors here at Perch Creek and we have enjoyed fellowship with the Lord's people.

Some weeks ago Mr. and Mrs. Smith from O.A.C. visited us prior to a trip up north. Miss Spohn then came and had a few days with us on her way to Palm Island. Miss Spohn showed slides one night and the "Woor." folk enjoyed these, especially as we were able to learn more of the work of the Retta Dixon Homes.

Just after Miss Spohn left us we made a trip further out west to Cloncurry, Boulia and Dajarra where we found many of the coloured folk living. It was good to visit them and distribute quite a lot of literature among them.

As we drove out of the town at Cloncurry we noticed some of the women eagerly scanning the pages of "LETTER-STICK" and we realized afresh the value of this magazine.

Some of the stretches of road were real horror stretches but we proved the Lord with us all along the way and felt the trip to be ordered of Him. Shortly after our return we were glad to welcome Mr. A. Davidson from the W.E.C. in Sydney, we enjoyed fellowship with this brother in the Lord too. Miss Evelyn Walker came shortly after and conducted meetings with the children after school. It was good to see the way they entered in to the meetings and sang the choruses lustily that they learned. Mr. and Mrs. Bowen were present at this meeting also, it was good to welcome them again to "Woorabinda" after many years since they laboured here.

We contemplate a trip to Theodore this week and hope to take some of the Christians along too.

Several families live in this area,

including Mr. and Mrs. Bill Tobane who recently visited us and invited us to come along. Also the Smith family from Woorabinda. We trust this will lead to regular meetings from this centre.

C. A. and S. Knight.

## FINGAL, N.S.W.

We have recently had our first experience of a cyclone! Winds of over 70 miles per hour swept in from the sea and made the mission house feel as if it were made of rubber!!

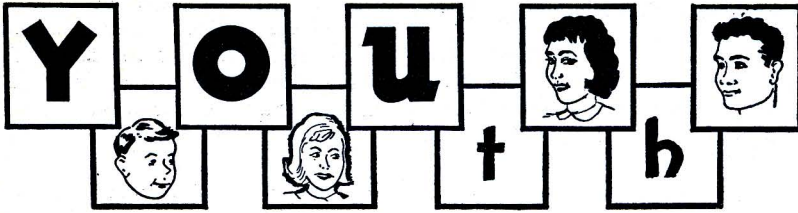
With over 13 inches of rain, we began to wonder if we would end up sailing the Pacific ocean in the house!! We praise the Lord that no real damage was done.

I was invited to speak to the I.S.C.F. at Tweed River, so I took our musical group with me. Their rendition of "In the Sweet Bye and Bye", was very definitely modern style, and was instrumental in bringing in a far greater number of young people than the teacher in charge dreamed of! In fact the room became too small . . . 90 in the room and over 30 out in the corridor. WHAT AN OPPORTUNITY! We have been invited back again for regular visits. Please PRAY FOR US. Melta is now working on two of our teenage Christian girls to act as vocalists in the youth group.

Cottage meetings are held every Wednesday night. Another home has been opened to us so we now meet in a different home each week. In all of these we are reaching folk who do not attend Church.

All these cottage meetings are a real challenge — will you share it with us by your prayers?

B. and M. Clarke.



## "IS THERE ANYTHING TOO HARD . . . "

by

G. M. Higgins.

My Aborigine friend Jerry came hobbling up with the aid of his walking stick.

You see he has an artificial leg, as he had to have a leg removed when he was at East Arm leprosarium some time ago.

We greeted each other and sat down under the mango tree for a chat.

"Well my seeds just won't come up this year," I said. "Oh, the same thing happened to the missionary at Roper River!" replied Jerry. "He told us his story when we were at East Arm."

Jerry continued, "He planted the seeds and waited many days. Then he dug down to see what had happened. He found that the seeds had gone rotten!"

His wife told him to pray next time and ask the Lord to help the seeds grow. When he planted some more they came up in four days!"

"Oh," I said, "I will have to pray,

too, next time!"

"Yes, the Lord can do anything for us," said Jerry; "I was trying and trying to get the diesel engine going to pump the water. I tried from daylight till 11 o'clock, but it wouldn't go! My wife Bella called out and told me to pray to the Lord about it."

"I didn't think God could help to make an engine go, so I said to her, 'What, can you pray about anything, even a pump?'"

"Yes," she said, "and so we prayed to God. Then I tried the engine and it went straight away."

Well, I thought to myself when Jerry had gone, "Fancy one of the native Church members having to remind the missionary to trust God!"

We often trust God for big things, but not for little things.

I opened my Bible, and there in Genesis 18:14 I read, "IS ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR THE LORD?"

### WE VISIT N.S.W. (Continued)

Nursing Sister at Menindee, Methodist ministers at Wilcannia and Cobar and the Baptist pastor at Cobar, all of whom showed a very sympathetic interest in the needs of our dark people.

And what are the needs of our dark people? Many that we met said they wanted better housing, there is a need for more employment opportunities, others said they would like more frequent visits such as ours.

**But the greatest need of the people is surely the need for each to come to a personal knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ, which will lead to a change of direction in his life, a new purpose for living and a real desire to live a life of love and usefulness to God and men.**

Then opportunities for improved housing and employment must be provided, from some direction, for those whose new life in Christ has led them to a desire for improvement.

But to come to this knowledge of Christ, they need to hear of Him—and "how can they hear except they have a preacher?" They need people, their own people, who will preach Christ by life as well as by word.

**People in whose life Christ has made such a difference as to prompt a question such as, "Eh mate, are you a blackfella?"**



## NEWS OF WORKERS

Mr. E. A. Collins, General Secretary of the A.I.M., and Pastor W. Fejo of Newcastle Waters, N.T., were official delegates at the Administration-Missions Conference held in Darwin early in September. Mr. Collins flew from Sydney on September 3 and while in the Territory visited Katherine and Delissaville before returning south, via Adelaide.

Mrs. W. Bird, of Moree, was in Sydney recently. She accompanied several of the girls from the A.I.M. Girls' Life Brigade for the special meetings held in honour of the 25th Anniversary of this movement. Mrs. Bird is a qualified officer of the Brigade.

Miss B. Jackson, who has been on furlough since leaving her station at Wellington, N.S.W. in May, has now applied for 12 months leave. Miss Jackson will be living with her mother in Brisbane during this period.

Miss E. Walker, who has been conducting children's meetings at La Perouse, has since gone to Moree. While in this area, Miss Walker will visit Walgett and several other centres for special meetings arranged by Pastor Bird.

Mr. and Mrs. E. McGuire, house-parents of the Retta Dixon Homes, Darwin, N.T., are in Sydney on leave following Mrs. McGuire's recent illness. They plan to return to Darwin later in the year.

During the last week of September and for several days early in October Messrs. E. A. Collins and W. R. Caddy will be in Victoria for special meetings in connection with the Jubilee celebrations of the Mission. Following these meetings Mr. Collins, and his wife, will go across to Tasmania for a series of deputation meetings. They will also address the Annual Meeting of the Mission which

will be held in Hobart on October 18. On their return trip, Mrs. Collins will address the Annual Meeting of the Melbourne Ladies Auxiliary on October 28th.

## NARRANDERA, N.S.W.

"Ye also helping together by prayer for us." (2 Cor. 1:11).

Much prayer is needed for the work in this centre. Pray that as the Holy Spirit continues His ministry in the hearts of the people barriers of resistance will be broken down and many may receive Christ.

Our work has been made difficult over recent months owing to sickness and transport difficulties.

However, we are grateful to Mr. W. Turner of Leeton who has made his car available each Sunday over these past three months, to take us to Narrandera.

Mr. Lindsay Grant is still convalescing after a long illness. Please continue to remember him in prayer.

C. Grant.



## CAROONA, N.S.W.

As I write this report I'm looking out at the lovely scenery, the stately pines and the little birds twittering among the branches.

My thoughts go to God's Word — "The Heavens declare the Glory of God . . ." and "He cares for the little sparrows." We also can say "Underneath are the ever-lasting arms."

In our sad loss of our dear son I can truly say the Lord can uphold all those who trust in Him. He has been very near to me at this time of bereavement.



● The printed page never flinches, is never tempted to compromise, never tires or grows disheartened; it travels cheaply; it works while we sleep and long after we are dead.

● The real war today is the paper war. The battle is not with atom bombs, but with pen and ink; it is the battle for the souls of men!

● Throughout history, the evidence is piled high that books, rather than being futile, harmless, and innocent, are frequently dynamic, vital things, capable of changing the entire direction of events — sometimes for good, sometimes for evil.

● Evangelical literature can extend the outreach of the missionary and make more permanent his ministry.

### BIRTH

To Mr. and Mrs. R. Hallett, on August 10th, at Newcastle, N.S.W., a son, Paul James.

The weather is very dry and cold here. Our Sunday School is well attended. The children are very happy and they love the pictures and Bible stories.

Beverly Hill is very happy in the Lord and she takes some children to Sunday School. She has to take them five miles.

(Mrs.) F. Munro.

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Sa. 23rd. MISS EVELYN WALKER is speaking at special meetings and Children's Missions in N.S.W. Pray that she will be sustained and that many will be led to Christ. Pray for Children and Young People throughout the A.I.M. field.

Su. 24th. Pray for the Associate Workers and Christians at DUBBO, WELLINGTON and GILGANDRA asking that strong churches will be established at each of these centres.

Mo. 25th. TRANSPORT. Seek God's provision for those needing new vehicles and ask for safety in travelling. Pray that work needing to be completed on Mission buildings will be finished.

Tu. 26th. Commit to God in prayer the ministry of Miss M. Spohn and Miss K. Naden at PALM ISLAND (Q.) asking for a definite growth in the Church. Seek God's blessing on the A.I.M. witness at this settlement.

We. 27th. Continue to pray for the financial commitments and needs of the Mission, asking God to supply all that is required for the GENERAL FUNDS this month. Bring before Him also the personal needs of the missionaries also.

Th. 28th. Prayerfully support MR. AND MRS. R. M. LIVING, MISSES P. PHILLIPS and P. NADEN serving in Brisbane. Ask for definite results from every means used in presenting the Gospel message in this city.

Fr. 29th. Mr. and Mrs. C. Knight value prayer for the work at WOORABINDA settlement in Queensland. Pray for the establishment and growth of a live witnessing Church amongst these people.

Sa. 30th. CHERBOURG (Q.). Uphold the ministry of Mr. and Mrs. K. O. Bowen serving temporarily in this Church. Pray that backsliders will be converted and Christians strengthened.

Su. 31st. Give praise and glory to God Who is ever faithful. Thank Him for every answered prayer, for every work of grace and for His never failing goodness.

## Aborigines' Inland Mission of Australia

### DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR

Place this Prayer Calendar in your Bible and use it every day. Start with the day you receive it, and continue until the next Calendar arrives.

OCTOBER, 1965

Fri. 1st. DIRECTOR AND HEADQUARTER'S STAFF. Pray for all who hold positions of responsibility in the Mission that they may have health and be endowed with wisdom and patience to fulfil their important tasks.

Sa. 2nd. Remember MR. E. A. COLLINS and MR. W. R. CADDY in Victoria as they speak at meetings and services, pray for all contacts that many more will prayerfully support the work of the A.I.M.

Su. 3rd. MR. GEORGE SMITH AND HELPERS AT REDFERN (N.S.W.) will value prayer today as they conduct meetings and contact the many people living in the Inner suburbs of Sydney. Ask the Lord to undertake as they seek to win souls for Him.

Mo. 4th. SINGLETON BIBLE TRAINING INSTITUTE (N.S.W.). The Principal, staff and students appreciate prayer as they teach and study. Pray for those graduating this year, also for new students for 1966.

Tu. 5th. Pray for MISS E. WEBB AND HELPERS seeking to lead the people living at Murrin Bridge Settlement (N.S.W.) into a vital faith in Christ. Pray that there will be Christians standing steadfast for Him at this centre.

We. 6th. FINGAL (N.S.W.). Uphold Pastor B. Clarke and family, asking God to give physical health and strength. Pray that the Church will prosper and grow under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

Th. 7th. A.I.M. DAY OF PRAYER. Seek to remember each centre and each worker before the Lord today. Pray earnestly for the increase and strengthening of Native Christians.

Fr. 8th. Prayerfully support MR. AND MRS. R. HALLETT as they seek to help develop work at Walgett in Northern N.S.W. Pray that they may have wisdom and patience and that they will see people being converted as they witness, preach and teach.

Sa. 9th. Pray for Missionaries seeking to reach those in the OUTLYING AREAS. Ask God to direct each one in their desire to contact as many as possible with the Gospel.

Su. 10th. Remember in prayer PASTOR AND MRS. B. BIRD AT MOREE and Mrs. Knox at Boggabilla (N.S.W.) as they minister today. Pray for the Native Christians and remember the Sunday Schools and Open Air Meetings.

Mo. 11th. Continue in prayer for the health of Missionaries, particularly Miss K. Davis in the U.S.A. and Mrs. R. Bye, on leave. Uphold those in the north with the approach of the difficult humid Wet Season.

Tu. 12th. The LITERATURE outreach of the Mission continues to give encouragement. Prayerfully uphold Mr. H. R. Miles, and Mr. W. R. Caddy and all associated with Mission Publications of Australia, **Letter Stick and The Evangel**.

We. 13th. GRIFFITH, NARRANDERRA AND LEETON (N.S.W.) claim our prayers today. Pray for Church leaders and members, seek God's hand of blessing on these Centres particularly remembering the children and young people.

Th. 14th. Pray for ARMIDALE, WALCHA AND GUYRA in the New England district of N.S.W. asking God to strengthen the work and the Christians in this area.

Fr. 15th. CONDOBOLIN AND DUBBO (N.S.W.). Prayerfully commit the Associate workers and Christians to God asking for His strength and guidance. Pray that backsliders will be convicted and restored to fellowship with Christ.

Sa. 16th. MIRACLES AND MELODIES the A.I.M. Broadcast is being heard by many people each week. Seek God's blessing on this programme and pray that He will draw many to Himself.

Su. 17th. WORLD LITERATURE SUNDAY. Remember today, the Literature crusades throughout the world. Pray His blessing on the preparation, production and distribution of Christian literature.

Mo. 18th. HOBART A.I.M. ANNUAL MEETING. Remember Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Collins and the Tasmanian Council in their meeting tonight. Pray that there will be increased support for the work of the Mission in this State.

Tu. 19th. Remember Ladies Auxiliaries and others preparing gifts for the Christmas parties on the Mission stations. Also pray for preparations for Christmas Conventions and other special functions.

We. 20th. Prayerfully remember the work of associate Missionaries at DENILQUIN, MOULAMEIN, BALRANALD and DARETON (N.S.W.) also meetings at ROBINVALE and DROUIN (V.). Ask that there will be a definite response in these Southern towns as God's Word is preached regularly.

Th. 21st. CHURCH GUIDANCE COMMITTEE. Support by prayer each Native Pastor and all concerned with the C.G.C. in the establishment and growth of Churches associated with the Mission.

Fr. 22nd. HOSPITAL AND GAOL VISITATION. Pray for Missionaries presenting the Gospel message and Christian comfort to those sick or in prison. Ask for wisdom and love for all concerned in this ministry.