Our aim

"To give light to them that sit in darkness"

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NEW EVERY MORNING . .

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Yea. "new every moming," though we may awake,
Our hearts with old sorrow beginning to ache;
With old work unfinished when night stayed our hand,
With old care still pressing, to fret and to vex,
With new duties waiting, unknown and unplanned;
In ways long familiar, in paths yet untrod,
With new problems rising, our minds to perplex;
Oh, new every morning the mercies of God!

His faithfulness fails not, it meets each new day With guidance for every new step of the way; New grace for new trials, new trust for old fears, New patience for bearing the wrongs of the years, New strength for new burdens new courage for old, New faith for whatever the day may unfold; As fresh for each need as the dew on the sod; Oh, new every morning the mercies of God!

-Annie Johnson Flint.

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PRAY NOW FOR

THE MAY BIBLE SCHOOL

AT THE BIBLE TRAINING INSTITUTE SINGLETON, MAY 15-22

Theme: "CONQUERING GIANTS"



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THE NEEDS OF THE OLDEST FIELD

In many ways we are facing, as a Mission, a serious problem on some of our oldest centres, in New South Wales, our oldest Field. This may also be true of one or two Queensland stations.

Conditions have changed enormously for the dark people in N.S.W. since the Mission first began in 1905. Material gains have created new privileges but also new problems. Public opinion has suring around to the point "where something must be done for the aborigines". Assimilation is the order of the day, and the thought is being expressed everywhere that the time has come for the dark people to attend the churches of our established denominations in the towns.

As a Mission, we would love to see our people worshipping in the established churches, where there is an evangelical witness. A few are now, for which we praise God. But it is quite obvious to those who stop to take a second look at the picture, that the time has not come to withdraw workers, specially set aside to minister to the dark people spiritually.

On the other hand the need seems greater than ever, especially when you note that a number of our stations in the Eastern States are understaffed, so that we can send every worker we can spare, to the newer Field of the Northern Territory.

All of this is another call for consecrated workers who are willing to bear shame and scoffing, colour-bar and criticism, simply that Christ can be made known to the coloured people of the Eastern States, and thus a true foundation laid in their lives for the accepted policy of assimilation on the social and economic level.

HELP IN OUR CITY

For six years, Miss M. Mackay has voluntarily cared for the many duties of our Sydney office. Now Miss Mackay has felt the need of relinquishing the work.

At its last meeting, the Federal Council passed a special resolution of appreciation to Miss Mackay for all her work so freely given in the Name of the Lord.

We would like to ask the prayers of the Lord's people, that another office secretary may be brought to us in the will and purpose of God. Such a task is not easy, but it can mean a tremendous amount in public relations for the whole of the Mission.

RETTA DIXON HOME REBUILDING

On other pages you will find Mr. Collins' report from Darwin along with an earnest plea for more workmen. Several volunteers have already had to return to their regular employment or have entered further training for the Lord's service.

We would be very glad to hear from young single men who could help in this way. It is tremendous saving to the Mission to have this volunteer help. The Federal Government has advanced the cost of the rebuilding as a loan but eventually the whole cost must be repaid by the A.I.M. Write to us today.

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NEW TRUCK ARRIVES IN DARWIN

"Bedford! Bedford!" was the shrill cry from over a dozen children who had seen the new Bedford truck flash past the Retta Dixon Home on Bagot Road.

Immediately children were converging from all directions to the main entrance, but the truck was now out of sight. Older people tried to suggest those first observant eyes had been mistaken. It was just another of the many trucks which are forever passing by the Home.

Ten minutes later again the cry "Bedford! Bedford! Bedford!" and this time there was no mistaking it. There, retracing its way along Bagot Road was indeed the Bedford—ending its almost 3,000 mile trip from Sydney, through N.S.W., Queensland, and the Northern Territory to Darwin.

Although much had been left at the various A.I.M. Stations en route, it still had every appearance of be-



Mr. E. A. COLLINS, Gen. Sec. of the A.I.M. who has been in Darwin for five weeks. His ministry has been greatly appreciated. The above is part of his story of one weekend, at the Retta Dixon Children's Home.

ing fully loaded, and it has been wonderful to realise that the saving in freight charges alone, has mole than defrayed any cost of bringing the truck through and when the saving of buying at special Sydney prices is added as well, it has meant a considerable economy for the Mission.

It was late Saturday afternoon when the Lord brought the Bedford truck safely through. The volunteer drivers, Mr. McAllister and Mr. McDill, had had a happy time of fellowship with Mr. and Mrs Bridges at Newcastle Waters on the Thursday night and with Mr. Stretton at Katherine on the Friday night.

DEDICATION SERVICE

Visitors from Darwin and Bagot were able to join with the Retta Dixon Home folk for an impressive dedication service on Sunday morning. A piano had been purchased for use in the Home as well as the new Bedford truck, and these were dedicated to the Lord for use in His Service here.

Adding to the impressiveness of the occasion was not only the fact it was the Communion Service, but Tiny from Borroloola was being farewelled. She was leaving at 6 a.m. the next morning to return home for a few days with her people, and then to leave for training at the Singleton Bible Training Institute.

GIFTS FOR STUDENT

On Saturday when it was known she was definitely leaving immediately after breakfast the children clustered round Miss Shankleton, their Superintendent, asking "How much

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of my pocket money have I got left?"
"Have I got 2/-? I'd like to give it to Tiny to help her." One small mite brought a penny and putting it into Laly's (their name for Miss Shankleton) hand, said "Please give her this for me." In all they were able to give just £3 and this was presented to Tiny by two of the children during the morning service. The staff of the Home were able from their own tithes and gifts to pay her fare from Borroloola to Singleton — an amount just a few shillings short of £50.

WORKERS NEEDED

Reinforcements for the Home and for the Rebuilding project are desperately needed. The present workers are "pressed beyond measure" and yet in each heart there is the consciousness that the Lord is with us. Blessings abound—we can trace His Hand and His provision.

Prayer was signally answered when Mr. Stretton left for Katherine, and has been granted permission to have a regular meeting with the children at Beswick followed by a meeting at night for the adults. He has already held his first meetings which were very well attended,

Again prayer has been answered in enabling Tiny to go forward to Singleton. She had been accepted some time ago as a student at the Institute, but was then drafted to come to Darwin for special training by a branch of the Welfare Department.

In spite of many obstacles the Recreation Hall in the new block is complete except for about 200 bolts, and there are over 11,000 bolts and nuts in this building alone.



TINY KARKARLEN of Borroloola, N.T.

Tiny is mentioned in the left hand column. She was one of the first baptised at Borroloola and is now enrolled at the Singleton B.T.I.

In view of all these blessings it is no wonder all present at the Sunday morning service sang heartily and with deep praise the Doxology—"Praise God from Whom all blessings flow."

For these immediate days ahead work and workers alike are "standing in the need of prayer." Added workers are urgently, desperately needed. Will you join in asking the Lord of the harvest to send those of His choice to fill the gaps and to maintain His work in this place?

-E. A. COLLINS.



MR. and MRS. CADDY WRITE . . .

Deputation is an essential part of the missionary programme. It is necessary that the Lord's people be informed as to the needs of the Field. The most intelligent and effective prayers come from the men and women who know something of the problems facing the missionary.

For over two years we have been engaged in this part of the Mission's activities. We praise the Lord for this opportunity of service.

Using coloured slides, display units, Aboriginal flannelgraph, and illustrations from years of experience on the field, we have been able to present something of the needs of the work. Church services, Fellowships, Sunday Schools and other groups have been addressed. Also opportunities to speak to Christian groups in hospitals, business houses, and schools. have been appreciated.

The last six months of last year were very encouraging. We were offered more meetings than we could handle.

"Why haven't we heard more of this field?" is a question often asked at the meetings. In October and November two new Ladies' Auxiliaries were formed in the outer suburbs. The members mainly consist of young mothers who find it impossible to get into the city meeting. These groups are very keen. The Diamond Valley Auxiliary held in Watsonia, have decided to concentrate all their efforts on the Transport Fund of the Mission. Already they have been able to send £5 toward this needy Fund.

The Ladies of the other Auxiliary (Regent) have taken the missionaries and their families as their special responsibility. Already several parcels have been sent away. They, with other Auxiliaries, have "a refrgerator for mission houses" fund, and have also sent £5 towards this project.

The city Auxiliary goes steadily ahead. Numbers are small, but we were glad to welcome a new member last month. Recently £60 was for-

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warded to Sydney towards the Refrigerator Fund from this meeting. At Christmas time the ladies supplied an article of clothing and a toy for every child on the Delissaville Reserve, N.T. We greatly appreciate being able to use the Mission Office as a meeting place.

Another means of keeping something of the work before the public is the Youth Fellowship. Formed late last year, this meeting is well attended by interested folk. Meeting monthly in the office, the young tolk have tea together, followed by slides and prayer. Plans for the future include the provision of film strips for the missionaries.

Much of our time is now spent in the Melbourne Office of the Mission. This gives us good contact and we feel will eventually help extend the interest in Victoria.

"BRETHREN, PRAY FOR US."
ETHEL M. & WESLEY R. CADDY.

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The Evangelisation of the Aborigines

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DO IT NOW! REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE WORK DAILY.



MR. AND MRS. CHAS. BUTLER, of Melbourne, who have been helping with the building of the new Retta Dixon Home, are leaving Darwin to return south on May 3rd. Mr. Butler has done all the plumbing which could be completed at this stage of erection, assisted by Mr. Ron Pearce. Mrs. Butler has helped greatly with sewing at the Home also. Their contribution to the building project is greatly appreciated and praise God for all they have done since they went to Darwin last September.

MR. RON PEARCE, mentioned in the previous paragraph, has left Darwin to take a short term position at Katherine, N.T. before entering the Emmaus Bible College. His work has also been greatly appreciated and has likewise been done for the Lord's sake.

AN URGENT NEED exists now for further skilled and unskilled labourers at the new Home Project and the prayers of the Lord's people are asked for this.

MR. AND MRS. M. PATTEMORE plan to return north during May and hoped to leave the North Coast of N.S.W. about the second week of the month. The Mission has been able to purchase a Bedford panel van (30cwt.) for them to use in their work, and they hoped also to purchase a boat before leaving.

MR. DICK STRETTON is now at Katherine and will be there until leaving for the Dry Season Itinerary about mid-June. MISS DORIS DOHERTY has completed her linguistics' course and is now undertaking the A.I.M. Candilates' Course at Singleton.

MISS I. ARGERAKIS, plans to go to Melbourne to help Mr. and Mrs. Caddy in the work of the office there, especially while Mr. Caddy is in deputation work in the country and in South Australia.

MR. AND MRS. HOWARD MILES planned to leave U.S.A. by ship on May 14th and arrive in Sydney on June 1st. As soon as possible after landing and collecting some of their things from Singleton, they hope to move into the Mission House at La Perouse, which will be the head-quarters of the newly formed Mission Publications of Australia.

MR. E. A. COLLINS is back in Sydney after five weeks in Darwin and the Northern Territory.

MISS A. CLARK left Sydney for Bagot reserve on April 6th, and planned to arrive in Darwin on April 22nd.

MR. AND MRS. DAVID KIRK visited Boggabilla over the Easter period for special meetings there.

MR. AND MRS. W. BIRD and family have been enjoying a time as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Caddy and other friends in Melbourne. They also attended the Belgrave Heights Easter Convention.

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HERO OF TRAIN DISASTER CALLED HOME

Lawrence Murray,, a native man from Woorabinda, who was one of the heroes of the Midlander disaster, passed away suddenly only a wee's after giving evidence at the Railway Departmental Inquiry. He had been converted about twelve months previously.

Ignoring shattered glass, which gashed his bare feet, Lawrence stood in waist-deep rushing water to help rescue fifteen children from the wrecked carriages.

With his wife and three children he was travelling in the last carriage of the Midlander when the engine and front carriages crashed through a bridge over Medway Creek, near Bogantungan in the early hours of the morning.

Lawrence was among the first to reach the wrecked carriages, and waded into the current to carry the children to the bank as they were handed down to him.

After that he swam across the Creek to the Bogantungan side and helped to hand up tools to the men working on the carriages.

He also helped out four injured men and women to the bank and then went through the carriages searching for people to help them to safety.

The Chairman of the Inquiry Board told Lawrence he was to be highly complimented on his actions.

Only a week after the inquiry, he suffered a heart attack and passed away the same day.

Miss Jean Phillips wrote "It came as a terrible shock to us as

well as to others. One of his weaknesses in his Christian life was Sunday sport. He was consistent while he was here, it was only when he went out working that the Sunday football attracted him.

His wife told me only recently that he was always singing hymns (he had a wonderful singing voice) and wanted to get a transfer on the railway where he worked, to a place where there was a church. He often sang—in the open air as well as in the church.

The funeral service took place in our A.I.M. Church here at Woorabinda, at his wife's request. Miss Fairfax and Pastor Tobane led the service.

His body had been brought from the train and put in our church and three police were on duty as a guard of benour

The little church was pocked. The Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent were both present as well as other offcials. The Station Master and police officers from Duaringa also attended the service.

Lawrence's favourite hymns were sung, the first being "God is calling the prodigal" and then "There's a land that is fairer than day". We were very happy to have the service in our church as he was a member, and we all really loved Lawrence. A memorial service was held later.

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"THE GOOD HAND OF OUR GOD"

Here are the testimonies of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Parish, of Minlaton, South Austalia, recently accepted candidates of the A.I.M. Mr. and Mrs. Parish hope to commence their Candidates Course early in May.

It was a very ordinary occasion when the local Baptist Minister, a missionary on extended furlough, visited the farm where I was working. He invited me to the C.E. meeting, where, in the company of bright Christians, I soon realised my need of the Saviour and received Him with great joy.

Quite soon, through the ministry of visiting missionaries, the Lord placed within me an urge to serve Him in the same way. But which country? Which people? Which Mission? It was not until David Unaipon, an aboriginal preacher, spoke to our C.E. Society that I knew exactly to which country and people God was directing me.

Then began the period of preparation; Sunday School teaching, C.E. work and local preaching, leading to the diploma course at Adelaide Bible Institute. During my final year at A.B.I. I passed through an "Elijah" experience—a time of spiritual depression. Looking back, I praise God for that experience. He Who gave me the victory then, has enabled me on a number of occasions since to prove His Word "Resist the devil and he will flee from you."

After A.B.I. the question remained, which Mission? I applied for service through my own denomination, but they were unable to place me amongst the people to whom I believed I was called. Then the Lord confirmed His call in guiding me to A.I.M. through the medium of His

servants as well as the Mission magazine.

It is seven years since the call came, Right to the eve of departure for Singleton there have been patience-testing delays, but God has never revoked that call, rather He has materially blessed as the time of its fulfilment arrives.

How can I fail to trust Him Who, I have proved, is "able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think?"

-BILL PARISH.

MRS. PARISH WRITES:

At the age of 9 years, during a Sunday School lesson, I first became conscious of any spiritual awakening, when John 14:1 touched my heart, coming back as comfort later during an illness of my mother. A year or so after this I remember the "thrill" of imagining myself a missionary, again whilst in Sunday School.

When I reached the age of 12 years I made my decision and missionary work was at the back of my mind all through High School, but I was not aware of any obligation toward this.

On reaching the age of 17 years, God Himself quickened my desire for a deeper walk, and within a few months I met my future husband, which intensified my desire for spiritual growth.

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During Launceston C.E. Convention in 1953, the missionary appeal enabled me to make public the decision to let God guide me into missionary work. This had been on my



Mr. anl Mrs. W. PARISH

heart several months. After a course at the Adelaide Bible Institute fol-

lowed by pastoral work, my husband and I were constrained to apply to the A.I.M. trusting God to close the door, if this was not in accordance with His will. We were accepted and He has since sent many signs to reassure us that He will provide for us as we go forward.

Through a recent crisis I can testify to the sweetness of God's peace and the reality of His power as His Hand came down upon our babe, Timothy, and myself, to save us in the hour of the baby's birth—"If we believe not, yet He abideth faithful; He cannot deny Himself"—2. Tim. 2.13. I knew then I had been spared to serve in the way in which we have begun to walk.

-Valdene Parish.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED URGENTLY

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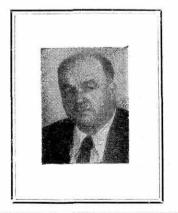


MR. STRETTON WELL RECEIVED AT KATHERINE

Here are several extracts from a recent letter:

My coming to Katherine when Mr. and Mrs. Matthews left has certainly been of the Lord. I have never seen so many native people in Katherine.

I went out to the settlement at Beswick and was well received. I had religious instruction in the school with 37 children. It was sewing day or the girls would have been in too and that would have made 70. I have arranged to go out every second Wednesday so as not to clash with this again. Later on in the evening I had a meeting, after the reading class at the school. It was very well attended, I could not say exactly how many, but there would



be easily seventy or more. The Superintendent and his wife were very good to me, and invited me in to supper and stay the night, which I did.



I have a few children coming along to a meeting every Tuesday evening here at the Mission House after school. Then there is the Hospital to visit and the Farm and Manbulloo. I value your prayers for the work here. We must not let this place be vacant if at all possible.

It am looking forward to the Itinerary this coming Dry Season if the Lord tarries. I must do some work on the Land Rover before I go, it needs new piston rings.

I am hoping Mr. Collins can come down before he goes south.

Please do continue to pray for me

-DICK STRETTON.

Editor's note, Mr. Stretton's address is now A.I.M. of Australia, Second Street, Katherine, N.T.

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ITINERARY IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN QUEENSLAND

They went forth and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the Word with signs following.

Mark 16:20.

It has been our privilege to see the Lord working in a wonderful way. How encouraged all God's people would be if they could see what we have seen.

Some month ago we travelled via Brisbane to Rockhampton along the coast highway, meeting personally with people from all parts of the world

At Bundaberg we were able to hold meetings at the home of some dark people. The Pastor of the Church of Christ is doing a very good work among them there.

At Rockhampton we had a wonderful time, meeting many new and old friends. We held some meetings in the Open Brethren Hall and were really blessed.

Then we headed for the coast, via Yeppoon, and Emu Plains and again received a wonderful welcome. We visted many forms in the back country and met many who uphold our Mission in prayer.

We called at Keppel Sands, where there is a large band of dork people, who are very well housed, some owning their own cars. There is a very nice Gospel Hall and Mission House there.

After returning to Rockhampton, we set our for Perch Creek, where we met the A.I.M. workers, Miss Fairfax, Miss Phillips and Miss Naden and had a wonderful time of fellowship together. At Biloela

and at Gladstone, we found open doors and new Christian friends, also many outside of Christ who were so kind and helpful to us.

At one of our meetings in Gladstone we met the parents of Miss Johnstone, a student at Singleton. During our time there, we camped on a very up-to-date camping ground, privately owned. When we went to settle our account, we discovered it had already been paid by an unknonwn friend. We also were given two much needed tyres as well as many other kind gifts.

Travelling west, we passed through wonderful country, green hills, mountains and lakes, on down to Kingaroy, then over the range to Bell and on to Dalby meeting many old friends.

We returned to Beaudesert, via Toowoomba and Boonah, marvelling at the handiwork of God as we passed.

Shortly after we arrived at Beaudesert, we were able to go to the Tamborine Convention and spoke on Missionary Day telling a little of the Lord's work among our dark people.

There are many bright spots in our labours for Him. Our meetings continue in the open air and in a private home of our sister Miss P. Curry. We also have Bible study in the home of Sister Clarke each

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The Bible Training Institute BECAUSE YOU PRAYED

In the March issue of "Our Aim", we mentioned the difficulty we were having getting in and out on our road and how the condition of the road was getting steadily worse. The March report closed with these words, "Pray that somehow this need will be met. I have no suggestions but our Father knows the answer." He not only KNOWS the answer, He has ANSWERED. Would you like to hear how?

I left the request with the Shire clerk that the engineer examine our road and suggest what could be done to remedy it. The engineer came out as requested and gave me the names of private contractors who could do th job. He also estimated that it would cost upwards of £500. left after telling me what work would be needed and who would do it. He later phoned and asked me to ap nothing until I heard from him again for he would place the matter before the Shire president to see if they could help us out. The president agreed and the engineer arranged for the work to be done on a Friday and Saturday.

We prayed that the Lord would give us good days for the work. It was cloudy and threatening all week but the Lord gave us two beautiful days on Friday and Saturday, the 18th and 19th March. On the Friday the Shire grader and operator worked all day reshaping the road and on the Saturday morning five trucks, one grader, and a loader arrived and worked all day regravelling the worst section of the road.

It was a real joy to see how folks worked together to help us out of the difficulty. You prayed, the engineer arranged the work and workers, the Shire provided the loader and operator, a neighbour provided the bulldozer to push up the gravel that the Army let us have from their

pit. The result is that we have a good road. The total cost to us will be about £40 and this amount came in the week-end the work was carried out.

I might also mention that the engineer remembered taking up a ramp when they resurfaced a section of road near Singleton and he contacted the owner, a Singleton man, and the man agreed to let us have it for our road. It will do away with necessity of getting out and opening and closing the gate every time we travel the road. A neighbour has promised to transport it to our property and to install it for us. This is the "over and above all that we ask or think."

This month pray especially for the May Bible School.

J. M. LLOYD,
Principal.

ARE YOU
USING THE
PRAYER
CALENDAR
DAILY?

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COUNCIL MEMBER'S HOME CALL

Mr. Wilfrid Hufton, one of the most beloved and faithful of our Federal Advisory Council was called into the presence of the King on March 20th.

Mr. Hufton had been in ill-health for some time but his strength went down very quickly in the last few days of his earthly pilgrimage, although he was conscious until the last few moments. Among his last words were quotations from John 17 and also the text "Neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

The service in the Leichhardt Congregational Church was conducted by the Rev. E. C. Long with Mr. C. Price and Rev. K. Matta participating. At the request of the loved ones, everything spoke of the triumph which belongs to those who are in Christ.

Mr. Hufton joined the Federal Advisory Council in February, 1941, but previously had been interested Mrs. Hufton was Treasurer of the Sydney A.I.M. Ladies' Auxiliary for many years. Mr. Hufton was also a Trustee of the Mission and a member of the Credentials Committee which carefully examines the papers of all applicants. He also undertook many carpentering jobs on behalf of the Mission.

Mr. Hufton will be greatly missed by all. May God comfort the hearts of the loved ones with His own matchless balm of peace and love.

Pray . . . The Lord

THAT HE WILL SEND FORTH

IS YOUR NAME ON THIS

Here are some of the present personnel needs of th A.I.M.

General Missionaries (Field, Pioneer and Itinerations).

3 Office Secretaries

Houseparents for Children's Home

Housemothers for the Children's Home

Nursing sister for the Children's Home

Carpenters and builders for Mission Houses in Queensland

Skilled and unskilled labour for the new Retta Dixon Home.

Youth Workers.

Part-time Workers needed

Photographer

Typistes

Writer and Journalist

Artists

Voluntary help in Literature
Dept. (Mission Publications
of Australia).

Associate workers in various country towns.

WHO WILL GO? CAN YOU?

Write or phone us today.

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Monday and a meeting at Hillview. We also plan to visit Woodenbong regularly.

Our house is slowly coming into shape. It is lovely to have the help of some of the dark people here. They are willing assistants.

As we look back on our trips and all the blessings received, we praised God. We long to see more souls saved, and Christians goin on in the faith.

We would like to express our sincere thanks to all who have prayed for us, written to us, and helped us with their gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pickett.

Later News: Mr. and Mrs. Pickett and family have all been very sick with successive bouts of 'flu. Let us remember them in prayer.—

Editor.



"We really enjoy the session "Miracles and Melodies" on our radio station 2AD Armidale."

"We are glad to be able to support the wonderful work that is being done among the real Australians."

"I am using the Daily Prayer Calendar and find it very informative of the work that is being done. May God bless the good work among our neglected brethren.'

"The Prayer Calendar is the best thing the A.I.M. has done for its Prayer Partners."

"The verse on the cover of each issue of "Our Aim" is always lovely. I sometimes have them typed and then send to friends whom I feel they will help."

PRAY NOW FOR THE 1960 DRY SEASON ITINERARY IN THE N.T.

TWO TEAMS WILL BE OPERATING IN LANDROVERS,
LORD WILLING.

Mr. D. Stretton and Mr. W. Fejo will seek to cover the area between Katherine and Darwin.
Mr. C. Main and Mr. Max Field will seek to cover the cattle stations east and west of Katherine.

Pray now for the preparatory work on the Landrovers, the spiritual and physical preparation of the men, and the supply of every need.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST

In a brochure given out at the Royal Sydney Show, the lives of 12 outstanding Australians were briefly described. It is significant that high up on the list was Harold Blair, the aboriginal singer.

The Aborigines Welfare Committee, Kempsey, is doing much to break down local barriers. The first aborignal marching team has also been started in Kempsey.

National Aborigines' Day will be celebrated on Friday, July 8th, this year, and the following Sunday will also be observed as Aborigines' Sunday in many churches.

Dr. William Culbertson, President of Moody Bible Institute will visit Austraia, October 4 to 10. The Alumni Association of Moody has asked the Director of the A.I.M., Rev. E. C. Long, to make arrangements for meetings during this brief stay. Dr. Culbertson will be on a tour of the Mission Fields of the South Pacific.

This year the Northern Territory Centenary of Exploration Celebrations will be held. The Centenary is based on the fact that John McDougall Stuart entered the Northern Territory in 1860. Every town in the Territory will join in the celebrations which commenced in Alice Springs on April 22nd, exactly 100 years after Stuart's party reached "Central Mount Stuart."

A native Welfare Council has been set up at a Reservation near Cairns, by the native people themselves. Its aims are to obtain housing, education and recreational facilities. The first project, a playground for children, has already been partly financed by funds collected by the Council.

Seven members of the Aranda group in Central Australia submitted entries for an art exhibition being conducted in Adelaide as part of the Festival of Arts. The Governor-General, Lord Dunrossil, opened the Festival. Included among the exhibitors were three of the late Albert Namatjira's sons.

Clipping service—we would be glad to receive from friends anywhere in Australia, clippings from their local newspapers in any way connected with the activities or interests of our aboriginal people.

HERO CALLED HOME-

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Mr. W. Bird said "Lawrence came to Christ about tweve months or more ago while in hospital on one ocasion while we were there. He was very sick and called for Pastor Tobane and said he wanted to accept Christ as Saviour. He was a wonderful Christian and really on fire for the Lord. He used to sing beautifully and everyone like him."

We praise God for this life and for the glorious privilege of serving God among the native people of Australia. Only the Lamb's Book of Life will reveal how many have been won for Him

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NAMES OF SYDNEY SUBURBS AND THEIR ABORIGINAL MEANINGS

ALLAWAH Rest or stay here, sit down. BUNNERONG Swamp; sleeping lizard. CABARITA By the water. CABRAMATTA Home of the cobra grub. CAMMERAY Name of local tribe on north side, Port Jackson. COOGEE Bad generally; a bad smell caused by decayed seaweed washed ashare. COWAN Big water, uncle. CRONULLA Small pink sea shell. Hollow tree, on fire at bottom. DURAL GIRRAWEEN Place of flowers. GUNNAMATTA Beach and sondhills. Giant Iily; a small bird. GYMEA ILLAWARRA High place near sea. JANNALI Moon. Always there. KILLARA Place of the wild carrot; name of Kurnell, Botany KUNIDUL Bay, landing place of Captain Cook. Home or hunting ground of the Kuring-gai tribe. KURING-GAI LILLI PILLI Myrtle tree. MAROUBRA Name of the beach and the tribe which lived there: PARRAMATTA Place where the eels lie down; dark jungle; head of a river. Place near the water. TOONGABBIE TURRAMURRA High land, small watercourse. WAHROONGA Our home. WARRAWEE Come here. WOOLOOWARE Muddy flat.

Newcastle Ladies' A.I.M. Auxiliary

We were very privileged in having Mr. Pattemore attend our March meeting bringing with him beautiful coloured slides depicting the area in which he is working, and showing photos of some of the trophies of grace won for the Lord through the faithful ministry of some of His saints.

There were 14 ladies present including two new members both of whom we were happy to walcome into our fellowship. Plans are already being made for our Annual Luncheon and Display night which the members are all busy working for.

-G. FRASER.



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'MIRCLES AND MELODIES'

The A.I.M. Radio Program is now being heard as follows:

- 4 SB, Kingaroy, Qld., Sunday, 3.45 p.m.
- 2 AD Armidale, N.S.W. Wednesdays, 4.30 p.m.
- 4 VL Charleville, Qld. Thursdays, 9.30 a.m.

If you have heard this program please write and tell us.



We do not recommend a truth unless we are obedient to it.

Note the progress of sin—first it deceives, then it defiles then it deadens.

God will accept a broken heart, but He wants all the pieces.

Jesus alone is sufficient, but yet insufficient when He is not Lord of all.

Death is only the porter at the King's Lodge, appointed to open the gate to let the King's guests into the realm of eternal day.

The glory of Christianity is that it never views life as being completed in this world.

-G. CAMPBELL MORGAN.

Every heart without Christ is a mission field. Every heart with Christ is a missionary.

No man ever repented of being a Christian on his death bed.

The serent silent beauty of a holy life is the most powerful influence in the world, next to the might of the Spirit of God.—Spurgeon.

The Lord sometimes washes His children's eyes with tears in order that they may read aright His providence and His commandments.

You are, I are apt to talk about "big" and "little" sins. There is an Indian proverb which says, "There is no distinction between big and little when talking about snakes." They are all alike—snakes.

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22nd. This is the last day of the MAY BIBLE SCHOOL, which began last weekend. Pray that today might be a time of crowning blessing and that not one will go away without coming to a knowledge of the Saviour.

23rd. THE GENERAL FUND is the mainstay of the work, yet so often so little is received for it. Will you ask God to meet this need to-day?

24th. Pray today for Mr. Stretton at KATH-ERINE as he gets ready for the Dry Season Itinerary with Mr. W. Fejo. They will leave later in June but just now are making ready for the big journey ahead.

25th. THE SYDNEY LADIES AUXILIARY ANNUAL will be held today and Mr. and Mrs. David Kirk will be the speakers. Let us ask God to use them mightily at this well attended gathering.

26th. CONDOBOLIN, N.S.W. is a growing work, with a large number of small centres at which meetings are held as well as at Murrin

Bridge sixty miles away. Let us pray for Mr. and Mrs. Bert Clarke and family and Miss Evelyn Walker our missionaries there today that God may use them and bless them and supply their every need.

27th. MR. MAIN AND MR. FIELD are also getting ready for the Dry Season Itinerary across the Territory from East to West, especially for physical strength in this arduous undertaking.

28th. AT PALM ISLAND, Miss Maureen Stevenson will shortly be joining Mr. and Mrs. Trexize to help in the work there. Let us pray for these three workers and for the rebuilding of the Mission House, materials for which Mr. Trezise has been gathering for some time.

29th. IN THE ARMIDALE-GUYRA DISTRICT today, our associate workers will be holding Sunday School and other meetings. We thank God for those splendid helpers and ask you to pray that God will bless and encourage them today.

30th. MOREE, N.S.W. has a large coloured population which Mr. and Mrs. Kleinschmidt and Mr. Hallett are seeking to touch for Christ. Let us pray for them and for the active company of the Girls Life Brigade at this centre, today.

31st. MISS M. ACLAND, our missionary with the longest years of service, still faithfully labours in the Redforn area although there is so little to encourage her at times. Shall we ask God to anoint His servant for the task, that even her very presence shall bring conviction of sin, through the Holy Ghost?

MAY, 1960

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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.

1st. MR. AND MRS. VERN PAGE, Associate workers will visit Moonah Cullah today for Sunday School and services. This weekly visit has brought great blessing into the lives of the people. Let us pray for the workers and the native Christians there today.

2nd. THE FEDERAL COUNCIL meets in Sydney tonight to dieuss many important matters. In Melbourne, the HALF-YEARLY RALLY will be held. Let us pray for both these meetings tonight.

3rd. MISS HEATHER HITCHCOCK starts her service at the Retta Dixon Home, this week. Shall we particularly remember this new worker and the other workers there in prayer today?

4th. Two new workers, Mr. R. Treloar and Miss D. Doherty are at Singleton B.T.I. doing their Candidates' Course and Mr. and Mrs. W. Parish hope to join them soon. Pray for the Holy Spirit's anointing on these new missionaries and ask God to supply their outfit and to raise up prayer partners for them.

5th. MIRACLES AND MELODIES, the A.I.M. Radio Programme will be heard on Thursdays now from 4 VL, Charleville, instead of Mondays. Pray that God will use this session, and that it will be accepted by other stations also.

6th. The April Evangel is now in the hands of its dark readers. Will you ask God to bless its ministry to their hearts and lives? Pray for the financial side too — printing costs have risen £10 per month.

7th. BUILDERS are urgently needed for the erection of the cottages at the new Retta Dixon Children's Home. Ask God to lay this work on the hearts of single young men, who would be willing to volunteer.

Eth. AT CHERBOURG today Mr. and Mrs. Walker will be leading the people in worship and service. Remember to pray for the Sunday School and open air also. And pray for the mothers on our stations today that they be a Christian example and influence in their home.

9th. MISSION PUBLICATIONS OF AUST-RALIA is the name of our Joint Literature and Publications Department of the A.I.M. and the U.A.M. Pray as we plan now for its establishment early in June at La Perouse.

10th. We ask you to pray today for the magazine OUR AIM. Printing costs have risen by £12 per month, along with everything else. Pray for more subscribers and for wide spread blessing through its ministry, as it brings a burden of prayer to many hearts.

11th. WOORABINDA, Qld. Miss Fairfax and Miss Naden are the two workers at this centre. God is blessing but so much more needs to be done to reach the young people especially. Pray for the very real material need of a new Church and Mission House.

12th. STUART PARK Darwin is not an easy centre. Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge and family hold Sunday School and evening service in the main room of their house. A large suitable Church building is a need here and is the next building job to be tackled in the N.T. Pray for this and for the work at Stuart Park today.

13th. MR. WALTER FEJO leaves Palm Island today en route to the N.T. in preparation for itinerating work with Mr. Stretton in June. Pray for him, for the supply of every need, and also for the work at Palm Island, especially the Youth Group.

14th. MR. AND MRS. HOWARD MILES leave San Francisco today en route to Australia, arriving on June 1. Pray for them and for every detail of the voyage, their arrival and their settling into their new work in the Missions Publications of Australia at La Perouse.

15th. MR. W. CADDY begins deputation work this week in the country areas of Victoria, then

later over into South Australia. Pray much for him, for his health, and for the family left behind in Melbourne.

16th. MAY BIBLE SCHOOL begins at Singleton today. Theme is "Conquering Giants." Pray for the leaders of the groups, especially the adult studies, and also for souls to be saved and the Christians to be strengthened. About 150 usually attend Bible School.

17th. MISS CLARK has returned to BAGOT RESERVE, Darwin but the house is not yet completed This is now an urgent request for prayer, about £500 is needed to line the house and to pay for electricity to be installed and other items. Pray for Mr. Eldridge the Missionary builder too.

18th. Will you pray today for the HEALTH OF OUR MISSIONARIES? So often in physical weariness, sickness will come and they need the daily grace of Christ to keep them strong. Pray too for the thirty-seven children of our missionaries in various places, about half of whom are School Children.

19th. MISS JEAN PHILLIPS joins Miss Campbell at Griffith this week in an effort to reach more of the people there for Christ. Remember Miss Campbell's health particularly, especially with winter coming. Pray earnestly for these two lady workers in this big area today.

20th. MR. AND MRS. BRIDGES at Newcastle Waters, N.T. are rejoicing in God's goodness seen in so many ways, but long to see "greater things." Pray for their transport and for their