

Our Aim

"To give light to them that sit in darkness"

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YOUR FATHER KNOWETH

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He knoweth the need of my life
For shelter and raiment and food;
In each trifling care of the day
The word of His promise is good,
He knoweth my thoughts from afar
The wish that I never have told;
And every unspoken desire
His wisdom doth grant or withhold.

He knoweth the way that I take,
Each step of that way He hath planned
And, walking through sunshine or storm
I walk in the shade of His hand.
In deserts untrodden and drear,
Where foes in the darkness may hide,
He leaveth me never alone,
He sendeth me light and a guide.

He knoweth the need of my soul
The trial that calls for His grace,
The weakness that leans on His strength
The fear that looks up to His face.
He knoweth what sifting is best
To scatter the chaff from the wheat
And lay all my self-righteous pride
Low down in the dust at His feet.

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Brisbane — September 1st

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THE NORTHERN TERRITORY DRY SEASON ITINERARY

Read this splendid story of a short itinerary on the eastern side of the Katherine area, made by Mr. Stretton and Mr. W. Fejo.

We have had a wonderful time on our itinerary and the Lord certainly was with us. We visited three small groups of natives around Marranboy, and had the joy of seeing some of them confess their belief in Jesus Christ.

We stayed the night at Beswick Settlement and had good meetings there, both with the school children and with the adults at night.

From there we went out to Mainoru on the southern boundary of Arnhem Land and had a wonderful time there. We were able to give the children some reading matter. Mrs. Dodds, the Manager's sister, has done a marvellous job in teaching the children, not only

in reading and writing, but also in the things of God. They have learnt to say the Lord's Prayer, and I was surprised at the hymns they asked for at our meeting.

At the end of the meeting when asked to put up their hands if they believed in the Lord Jesus, there was a real response. All 40 of them professed; some, I know, already love the Lord and are living for Him and telling others.

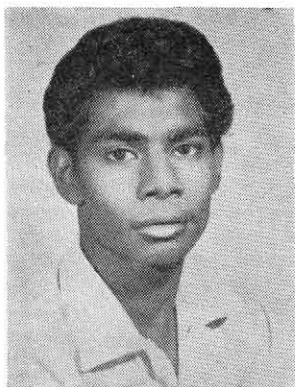
On our return journey we came to Mountain Valley Station where three of the boys who grew up in the Retta Dixon Home are working. Two of them were away, but David Ross was there and was glad to see us. He is going on with the Lord.

At Beswick Cattle Station we found the Manager was away, but his wife gave permission to have a meeting with the people. I went over and talked with two of the native men and told them about the meeting. They replied, "Some people don't believe about the Lord Jesus, but we do."

Then, on the Wednesday of the second week we left Beswick Cattle Station and went across country to Mataranka, and had a good meeting in the town.

Moroak Station was the scene of our next meeting, after having passed through Elsey Station. This was a hard meeting, but there were a couple who made a pro-

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Mr. W. Fejo

IN THE BUFFALO COUNTRY

Here is a brief picture of the area covered by
the second team, Mr. Main and Mr. C. Field.

We stopped to boil the billy at a lovely spot known as Bamboo Pass, the gateway to the buffalo country. That night we camped by a year-round waterhole, where an alligator about 20ft. long evidently lived, judging by the marks found on the bank of the river. The next morning early we saw one of lesser dimensions slipping off the opposite bank into the water.

We have met a number of buffaloes on the track but as we have only a .22 rifle, we judged it wiser to let them find their own way back into the bush, before we drove on. A wounded buffalo can really be dangerous.

At the time of writing, we are only 12 miles from the next camp, where we hope to hold a meeting tonight. We have had a meeting each night for the past four nights.

Just here there is over a square mile of grass as green and as extensive as anything we have seen so far in this unusual country of chain-lagoon, giant trees and dense bush. Away where the green ends, there is the blue of the lagoon's water, and beyond that the fringe of the tropical bush. There is a cloudless sky, the warmth of the sun and the wind's steady breeze on a mid-winter's day. The washing is on the line (bachelor style) and there are four loaves of bread in the camp oven. What more could you want? We haven't any 'modern cons.' but the life of an itinerant missionary is wonderful. Now we must prepare for the meeting tonight when we tell of Christ.



Left:
Mr. Stretton
making bread
"out on the
track" on a
dry season
itinerary.

Along the Track

We are glad that the columns of this magazine 'Our Aim' provide the means of sharing with all who follow us in prayer, some of the Lord's goodness. This verse often comes to me 'I know that Thou art God and doest all things well.'

The first two gatherings on this trip were at places visited regularly by our Darwin missionaries. It was clear that the people there had a good understanding of the Word of God.

Along the track, we often meet people and stop to say a word. One man was riding out to muster cattle. Although he didn't say much, his few words spoke volumes. A little further on, there came a wave of a hand from a house where we had spoken to the husband the previous day. These little incidents are all significant in God's sight and are an encouragement to us, as we move along the track.

"Verily, verily I say unto you, he that receiveth whosoever I send, receiveth Me," comes as a word to strengthen our faith as we move about. We don't always see how God does His work, but His grace finds a way, even as He did for ourselves. We come to see that no circumstance is too small for God to be glorified in, when His will is being done.

We haven't told of the meeting held, in this report. We will do so on another occasion. Yet is it ever possible to tell how God works in hearts? We are assured however that His Word is always blessed and 'all His works are done in truth.'

MAX FIELD and CHARLES MAIN.

DRY SEASON ITINERARY REPORT

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fession. I believe the Lord sent us there, however.

On our way back we had a meeting at Elsey Station and praise the Lord, it was the crowning night of the itinerary. One hundred and five people were present. The people sang the hymns heartily as some of them had been at the C.M.S. Station at Roper River. When I made the appeal every hand went up. I would like to pay a tribute here to the good work being done on the Roper by C.M.S.

We arrived home on the Saturday and went out to the Beswick Settlement on Wednesday and had very good meetings at the School

in the evening. Sister Elliott has been very helpful, and we have enjoyed having fellowship with her, and, incidentally a cup of coffee after the meeting! This was very much appreciated. When we go to Beswick we stay the night at the single men's quarters.

Thursday night found us at Manbulloo and we had a very good meeting there.

Prayer is needed for the work around Katherine and future trips during the present dry season.

We do praise Him for His daily guidance and for the many opportunities He has put before us.

D. STRETTON,
W. FEJO.

DELISSAVILLE and DARWIN AREA

"Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, neither is His ear heavy, that it cannot hear." Isaiah 59:1.

STUART PARK

Sunday School

We rejoice that the good attendance has been maintained, there being 56 scholars present last Sunday. Also we are thankful to Mr. and Mrs. Bailes and Miss Balke for their help as teachers. It is a joy and privilege to teach these dear children from the Word of God. As some of the families have been moved from Stuart Park, approximately 20 miles is travelled each Sunday morning collecting and returning the children to their homes.

Evening Service

We long to see more of the local people coming to the Sunday Evening Service, and we do ask your prayers for this. However, between 30-50 gather from week to week, this including some of the older children from the Retta Dixon Home with the Missionaries and also some from Bagot Reserve come over with Miss Clark. Several white folk also join us in this service. We have been very pleased to have six native girls from settlements in the Centre coming to our service. They are in Darwin doing a six weeks' training course.

EAST ARM LEPROSARIUM

It is always a joy to go out to the Leprosarium each Sunday afternoon and have fellowship with the fine group of Christians there. We hold a Communion Service once a month and usually about 30 partake of the emblems.

Each Wednesday a dozen or so gather for the reading and writing class at 6 p.m. Some are learning to write quite neatly when copying from the blackboard.

The prayer meeting which follows at 7 p.m. is a time of spiritual refreshment to our own souls, and we trust to those of the folk there. Several join in the prayer session and the prayers of the dear people—some badly maimed—both inspire and humble us.

They are to leave shortly for their annual holiday 'out bush', about 67 miles away. This is on the way to Delissaville, so we trust to be able to have meetings with them on our way to or from Delissaville. They will probably be away for about three weeks.

DELISSAVILLE

We are thankful for the opportunity of being able to go to this rather remote, though lovely place each Tuesday. The School Teacher graciously allows us the last school period, so we do not need to leave home until 11 a.m.

We travel 35 miles down the main highway, then turn on to bush road for about 50 miles. This road is quite good in places, and in others—not so good. There are six creek crossings which makes the road impassable in the "Wet Season". Water is still just flowing in three of the creeks and we stop at the last one nine miles from Delissaville and have lunch.

Then we leave in time to arrive at school at 2.30 p.m. to spend an hour with the delightful children, 46 of them.

We are using our A.I.M. Sunday School Lessons, with the work books which the children enjoy doing. The tiny tots are especially keen on their colouring-in.

After school we visit the folk on the camp, taking them the *Evangels* or other magazines, etc. Later, the children gather for us to have games with them until dusk, when we have the evening meeting. Between 60-80 folk come into their community dining room, eager to hear the Word of God and how they love to sing favourite hymns and choruses!

We arrive home at 10.30 p.m. tired, yes, but glad to be used in our Master's service.

S. & C. ELDRIDGE.



Morgan, the reporter for "The Evangel" at the East Arm Leprosarium.

MISS K. DAVIS AND MISS D. DOHERTY have been conducting children's meetings in Redfern, in association with Miss Acland's work there.

MR. W. CADDY has been visiting stations in Northern N.S.W. and Southern Queensland, at the request of the Director. This fellowship has been greatly blessed to all who have met and talked with Mr. Caddy.

MR. AND MRS. DAVID KIRK recently visited Cherbourg, to attend the funeral of Mr. Kirk's mother. Mr. E. WALKER conducted a very beautiful service in the A.I.M. Church, Cherbourg.

SISTER R. CLUTTERBUCK has had a short holiday at Newcastle Waters with Mr. and Mrs. JOHN BRIDGES.

MR. HOWARD MILES will be the special speaker at the Brisbane annual meeting on September 1st, and will remain in Brisbane for a few days for special meetings arranged by Mr. Living.

A former missionary of the A.I.M., REV. E. A. McQUAID was called suddenly into the Lord's presence recently at Belleville, Michigan, U.S.A. The sympathy of their many friends in Australia goes lovingly to Mrs. McQuaid and the family at this time.

MRS. SARAH BELL, who has been helping with the cooking at the Retta Dixon Homes, spent some time in hospital recently receiving treatment for high blood pressure. Mrs. Bell has now returned to her work at the Home and enjoys the work and fellowship in every way.

REBUILDING OF QUEENSLAND MISSION HOUSES

Our Mission Houses at Murgon, Palm Island and Woorabinda (Perch Creek) are all to be rebuilt or extended in the next few months.

We have been asking the Lord for the carpenters to do this work and we praise God for several who are volunteering. However, we still do not have a builder for the new Church and renovations needed at Woorabinda.

Mr. Bruce McAlister, of Concord, N.S.W., planned to leave Sydney on August 28th en route to Palm Island to undertake the erection of the new Mission House there. Mr. Trezise has been accumulating materials for some time and together with Mr. Treloar has been doing some of the preparatory work for this project. Mr. McAlister, who is a carpenter and builder, plans to be on the Island about a month. Earlier in the year, Mr. McAllister drove a truck through to Darwin for the Retta Dixon Home.

Mr. C. B. Mottram, of Warrongga, N.S.W., has offered to go to Murgon to commence the rebuilding of the house there. The first section to be built will be the garage and laundry, then later the house will be enlarged. Two carpenters from Sydney have volunteered to give their Christmas holidays to the completion of the house.

At present this leaves the Woorabinda needs without the promise of help. But Our God is able and we believe He will raise up the right carpenter to undertake the proposed extensions to the house and also the erection of a new Church.

The Church members at Woorabinda have been giving and praying and already have over £150 towards their new Church. The site has been chosen, the plans are being prepared and we are waiting on the Lord for the man to lead the people in this splendid project.

MISS ARGERAKIS WRITES FROM VICTORIA

"I being in the way, the Lord led me."

It was a surprise and a joy to me, when I knew I was coming over to Melbourne again, to help in our office here and I am thankful to the Lord for the way He has undertaken for me in everything.

It was a joy to meet Mr. and Mrs. Caddy again and to work with them. I have been happy also to meet with the Ladies of the different auxiliaries here and our Council members too. It has been good to meet old friends once more and to make new ones, who will help by prayer.

I have been able to visit one of our girls from the Darwin Home, who is living in Melbourne now and we had a nice time together.

My throat is much better and I am looking to the Lord to heal it completely and believe Our God is Able. Please join me in prayer for the future, that the Lord's will may be done.

I. ARGERAKIS.

VOLUNTEERS FOR RETTA DIXON HOME

We praise God for several volunteers who are helping in various ways at the Retta Dixon Home. Two trained nurses, Sister Barbara Baddeley and Sister Ruth Munro, from Victoria, have taken over the care of the Nursery at the Home, for six months. Both are accepted students of the Melbourne Bible Institute and plan to enrol next February.

The help of these two sisters has met a very real need at the Home and is enabling each of the lady workers to have a short holiday, in turn. Miss South, Sister Clutterbuck and Miss Webb have all had a brief period of rest away from the Home and they will be followed by Miss Spohn and Miss Shankelton.

Sister Archibold of Newcastle is spending a month at the Home, on her annual vacation and this also is proving a wonderful help

and encouragement to the workers.

The rebuilding

Mr. Norman Barker of Melbourne arrived at Darwin some weeks ago as a volunteer on the rebuilding project. His help is greatly appreciated but there is still need of additional single men for this work.

It has been an encouragement to all, that the two latest volunteers for the work are two graduates of our Bible Training Institute at Singleton, Mr. Ben Mason and Mr. Fred Pegus. They have gone north for three months and travelled across in Mr. Mason's panel van. Mr. Pegus plans to apply as a missionary later, to the work of the A.I.M.

All inquiries regarding work at the Home or on the rebuilding should be addressed to the Director, 58 Margaret Street, Sydney.

DUBBO

The work has been going along quietly, but steadily since our last report. In spite of cold weather the numbers at Sunday School and Young People's Meetings have kept up. Miss McAulay's Bible Class of 13 is an inspiration. The young folk are now asking questions on the Bible studies. Over 20 tinies enjoy their Sunday School and are learning texts each Sunday.

I was telling the story of "The Storm at Sea" and said that Jesus was asleep in the boat and the disciples were afraid, as the wind blew and the little boat rocked. One little girl looked up with big

eyes wide open and said, "They ought to have got out of the boat." When I expained the sea was too rough, another little lass said, "Well they could have hung on to the bottom of the boat." By these remarks I could see the little ones were really taking in the story. A little girlie of three years came to me yesterday and said, "I lub Jedus." Yes it IS worth while to tell even the tinies about the Lord Jesus.

Wednesday night in our Dubbo Church is enjoyed by all the young people. We commence with a couple of games, then choruses, Bible Quizzes a story then close in prayer.

D. M. EVANS.

DIRECTOR VISITS GRIFFITH AREA

It was a very great pleasure to have our Director, Rev. E. C. Long, pay us a visit.

Mr. Long arrived in Griffith on July 7th and was given hospitality by our friends Mr. and Mrs. Ron Kubank. The afternoon of his arrival was spent at the Mission House, where we were joined by Miss Davis and Miss Herron.

At night the Director and Miss Phillips spoke briefly at the first anniversary meeting of the Griffith Aborigines Assimilation Organisation.

The following day Mr. Long went with us by car to Leeton where we visited some of our dark people. There we enjoyed a mid-day meal and fellowship with Mrs. Lindsay Grant, and later went to meet Mrs. Amey (Associate worker) en route for Narrandera. At this Centre, we visited, and had good and timely fellowship with some of our people discussing the needs and problems of the Lord's work. Our Christian women were particularly interested and concerned about the spiritual need.

At Narrandera we have a nice Church building, newly painted by our Missionary, Mr. Sawyer. Here, in the early evening, the people began to gather. We were

joined by Mr. Colin Warren and the Salvation Army Officer of Leeton, and later by Mr. Lindsay Grant.

It was a lovely meeting. The singing was led by Mr. Warren, who is kindly conducting Sunday School and an afternoon meeting each Lord's Day in the absence of a Missionary, Mr. Sawyer having left for furlough. Mr. Long's message was helpful and refreshing and did us good.

After this meeting we returned to Leeton to the home of Mrs. Cecil Grant Jun., where a fine company of our people had come together to enjoy the fellowship and to hear the message of the Lord through his servant and to see the slides of the work being done on our stations. At this meeting, Paul, adopted baby son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Grant was presented to the Lord. It was a wonderful time of fellowship throughout, and the message of the Lord refreshing to our souls.

We returned to Griffith late that night.

On Sunday morning Mr. Long preached at the Griffith Baptist Church and was with us in our own Church both afternoon and evening giving messages at Sun-

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NEWS OF BLESSING AT NEWCASTLE WATERS

Last Sunday we had another lovely baptismal service down at the Creek. This was for the married couple we mentioned, Bandy and Biddy. It was to have been next Sunday, but as Biddy starts work at the Station tomorrow, we brought it forward a week. These two have gone on wonderfully well these last months and we feel will be a real influence on the camp.

We have been greatly encouraged by the good spirit among the Christians here and at Elliott, 16 miles away. Last Sunday night while we were at the Station camp, one of the women gathered a group together at the Top Camp and they sang, prayed and then she gave them 'a few words.'

At Elliott, one of the old men who used to live here, has been gathering the people together and telling them Bible stories, and singing and praying. All this has been on their own initiative and we think it speaks volumes.

A hunt with the women

Last Wednesday eight of the Christian women took me out on a goanna hunt. We went out about six miles on the Beetaloo road, on the plain. It was a great experience and also a successful hunt—7 large goannas and 1 large lizard being caught. The largest goanna was three and a-half feet long and must have weighed between ten and 12 pounds. As the goannas were caught the babies were taken out of their coolamins and carried, while the goanna goes into the coolamin!

But the closer contact with the women was the best part of the day, and I really enjoyed it all.

You wouldn't recognise our kitchen now. It looks really good as John has just finished putting the new windows in. There are three big ones, about 50 inches by 40. It is so much lighter in the kitchen now and so much cosier too. Next job is to paint it.

All this has not been without its tests. We are finding ourselves restricted as regards our out-station work, but rejoice in the overruling faithfulness of God. Please continue to pray for us.

JOCELYN BRIDGES.

GRIFFITH (Continued)

day School and the evening service. Both messages were helpful and challenging, particularly the gospel message at night. Prior to this forceful message, Mr. Long spoke about the House of the Lord, and the humble little building in which we were gathered to worship Him, and then the congregation stood in solemn silence while by prayer His servant dedicated our little Church.

We praise God for every moment of the fellowship we were able to have with His servant. We were greatly blessed and enriched by his visit.

M. CAMPBELL,
J. PHILLIPS.

FINGAL

It is good to be back at Fingal after over three months of furlough. The Lord opened many doors of opportunity for us to tell of the work among our people. Our hearts are full of praise for all His goodness shown towards us in many ways. It was lovely to meet so many of our praying friends whom we had only known through correspondence.

Since returning to Fingal, Bill had the pleasure of performing a marriage — two of our young

A wonderful spirit in the hearts of the relatives proved that they trusted in Christ and knew that this dear one had the "blessed hope." What a difference it makes when we know the "absent from the body but present with the Lord."

Auntie Ethel — as she was known to everyone was the perfect example of a Christian woman. She was devoted to her Lord whom she loved dearly and to her husband and relatives.

During our 12 months here at



Some of our native missionaries. Mr. Bird is on the left and Mrs. Bird in the centre.

people, Norma Paulson and Arthur Williams. It was a very happy occasion and many relatives and friends were crowded into the little A.I.M. Church.

Home Call of Mrs. Browning

The following week all hearts were saddened at the sudden death of one of our dear Christians, Mrs. Ethel Browning. The Church was full to overflowing for the funeral service, which Bill conducted as well as the service at the grave-side.

Fingal, we had really come to love this dear soul—her happy smiling face and the life she lived in her home will always be remembered.

Visiting Brisbane

On Sunday, 17th, we were invited to Toowoomba to be the speakers at the Baptist C.E. Anniversary. We are grateful for the many interested friends there and pray the Lord will bless His Word and the witness there during that week-end.

Following our time in Toowoomba we were speakers at the Brisbane A.I.M. Ladies Annual Meeting. We were deeply impressed by the small band of devoted women there and the keen interest they show in the work of the A.I.M. Mr. and Mrs. Living, and Mr. Sawyer were present too and took part in the meeting.

July has been a busy month for us, but it is wonderful to prove the Lord and to know that His Grace is sufficient.

JOAN and BILL BIRD.

AROUND THE CITY OF BRISBANE

We were very pleased to have Mr. and Mrs. Bird with us overnight recently, on the occasion of the Brisbane Ladies Auxiliary Annual Meeting, at which Mr. and Mrs. Bird were speaking. I went with them to the meeting and gave a word on our work here. It was a very happy and blessed time and was enjoyed by all.

We regret very much that we have decided to give up the Sunday night meetings in town as the people have not been attending them. Unfortunately those who would come, have now moved miles away. However, we will still keep in touch with them as we intend visiting them in their home for meetings.

NEW MEETING PLACE

Last week we went to Acacia Ridge and held a meeting—we are now going there every Sunday morning for Sunday School. We first went out there to look for a young man and his wife. This lad's mother (a Christian) was

worried about him. We found them living in very poor conditions in the bush. When we drove along the track we came right into a big gambling ring. My husband went over with the "Evangels" which the folk accepted

We contacted the family we had come to see, and the wife was interested and is quite willing for us to have Sunday School there. Her home is beautifully kept, although she has to carry water a quarter of a mile. The children are also well looked after. We do ask for special prayer for this young woman and her husband and family.

Before we go to Acacia, we visit the Children's Hospital on Sunday mornings and have Sunday School in the wards. We usually have 23 or four coloured children in our group and we value this opportunity very much as we meet up with quite a few folk there.

We are very happy to be able to report that most of the coloured Christians we have met are going on well with the Lord.

Mrs. H. CLISSOLD.

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REDFERN AREA

"And therefore will the Lord wait, that He may be gracious unto you... blessed are all they that wait for Him." Isa. 30: 8.

In connection with this verse I read these words "Waiting in the sunshine of His love is what will ripen the soul for His blessing. Waiting under the cloud of trial which breaks into showers of blessing is just as needful."

We are looking forward to a visit from Miss K. Davis who is to be with us for a fortnight to conduct special meetings amongst the children. We also pray that she will have an opportunity amongst the older folk. Please remember these meetings in prayer.

The visitation of the homes still continues. Mrs. Dolly Darcy is very weak and unable to get out, but she always gives me a warm welcome. Mrs. Lizzie Ping went Home to be with the Lord some weeks ago, after a long illness. Mr. E. A. Collins was a help to the family and conducted the funeral service. Quite a number of her relatives from the Newcastle district were present. We offer our prayers and sympathy to the family.

Hospital Visitation

This week Randwick Hospital was visited and I met a couple of our people from the country. Yesterday I went to Camperdown Children's Hospital. I spent a happy time with Dallas Carbery aged eight years and his sister Grace, six years of age. The chorus Dallas chose was "Do you want a Pilot" and he sang it quite nicely. Their father is in the Randwick Chest Hospital, and is

doing well. These folk come from Nowra.

Then yesterday afternoon I visited Mrs. Jessie Johnson of Bourke at St. Vincent's Hospital—she was pleased to see me and is happy in knowing the Lord Jesus.

Ken Gurney is still helping at the Redfern Sunday School, also Miss Cavanagh and I am thankful for their help.

I thank the Lord for all His favours and the kind friends He has given. M. ACLAND.

OPENING DOORS

How glad I was for the time spent at Condobolin recently. I was enabled to catch a few glimpses of the work to which God has called me. It was a most challenging and helpful time during which the Lord faithfully supplied all my needs.

I was particularly impressed with the open door at the open air meetings in the main street of Condobolin. Mr. Clarke's new loud speaker system really sounded out the gospel message with a new force. People in cars listened while others stopped for a few moments. Many of the coloured people heard it all as they passed by.

That night a dark man came to the door of the Mission House in real need. Mr. Clarke took him home. He came to the service later on in the week. How we long that this man's heart might open as the Lord knocks on his heart, and that he and others might say 'Come in and take control and help me live for Thee.'

I would be very glad of your prayers in these next few weeks when I am travelling in children's meetings with Miss K. Davis, first to Redfern, then Lord willing, Condobolin and the Griffith area.

DORIS DOHERTY.

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ANOTHER COUNCIL MEMBER CALLED HOME

The Federal Council has suffered another real loss with the Home Call of Mr. W. Waters, a member for over ten years. Mr. Waters' prayer interest and counsel has been a great help in the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Waters became very active in the work at Palm Island while Mr. Waters was pastor of the Baptist Church at Townsville, although their interest was also with the work for many years previously. Then on their return to Sydney Mr. Waters came on to the Federal Advisory Council and their home at Ryde became almost a 'hostel' for A.I.M. workers and students and other friends. Mrs. Waters has always been active too in the Sydney Ladies Auxiliary.

Mr. Waters, who was 83, was called Home suddenly one morning, and many have been praying

for sustaining grace for Mrs. Waters since the news became known.

Mr. G. Blacket, Mrs. E. A. Collins and Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Long were present at the funeral service in the Eastwood Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. D. C. Mill. The Director also shared in the service and spoke briefly of Mr. Waters' long and valued association with the work of the Mission.

The Federal Council will always remember Mr. Waters reading the opening portion of Scripture at each meeting and then his prayers were always like a gentle benediction, and the Lord's presence was very real as he led us to the throne of Grace.

To Mrs. Waters and the members of the family, the A.I.M. extends its loving sympathy and prayerful support.

As Dr. H. Grattan Guinness said on the passing of an early C.I.M. missionary, 'Friends of the Mission, a precious helper has been removed from our midst, let us close our ranks and seek to fill the gap. The Mission needs our help now more than ever, let us prove ourselves worthy of the occasion. And help Thou, O Lord. Bless this Mission, and let the little ones become a thousand for Thy glory's sake.'

MR. AND MRS. BERT CLARKE have been blessed and encouraged since their return to Condobolin from a short leave. They were kept safe in the recent floods although almost all the dark people were evacuated from their homes.

MR. and MRS. W. PARISH have arrived at Bagot, Darwin. Mr. Parish drove through in a panel van which he was able to purchase before leaving Adelaide. This was made possible partly through a grant from the Mission, and the balance through the gifts of interested friends and supporters. Mrs. Parish and the baby few to Darwin a few days later.

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native Christians at this centre. Three women have professed Christ recently.

22nd. Th. **GENERAL FUND.** Shall we earnestly ask the Lord to meet the needs in this fund in the closing days of this month. The needs of today are double those of twelve months ago.

23rd. Fr. **RETTA DIXON HOME.** Remember to pray for the health of the workers in this heavy and responsible task. Pray for the children too, that they may respond to the love showered upon them in the name of Christ. Pray for all the needs of the Home and the Rebuilding.

24th. Sa. **BEAUDESERT, Qld.** Mr. and Mrs. Pickett continue their work among the coloured people of that area. Shall we ask God to bless them and to meet their every need as they seek to serve the Lord.

25th. Sun. **WOORABINDA, Qld.** The Christians are earnestly praying for a new church, but at the same time are being tested in their own personal lives. Let us pray for them and for the Missionaries, Misses Fairfax and Naden. Remember the need of a missionary carpenter for here also.

26th. M. We are earnestly praying for twenty new workers in 1960. Will you join us in asking God to bring forward those whom the Holy Spirit has called. Let us pray also for those workers who have already gone to the Field this year.

27th. Tu. On the fourth Tuesday of each month, Koolpinyah, an outstation of Darwin is visited by the workers from Bagot. Other outstations are Delissaville and Humpy Doo. Let us ask the Lord to bless these regular times of seed sowing for His glory.

28th. W. **STUART PARK, DARWIN.** Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge ask prayer for their work and also for the repair and replacement of their present utility. Let us join them in intercession for these needs. In Sydney the Ladies' Auxilliary are holding their annual gift day.

29th. Th. From **BORROLOOLA, N.T.** Mr. and Mrs. Pattemore report continued blessing among the people, but there is every possibility of an early transfer of the Settlement to another site. This prospect is having an unsettling effect on the work and on the people and we ask you to pray for God's overruling in it all.

30th. Fr. This is the closing day of our Mission Financial Year. Let us give thanks to God for His faithfulness and His supply through another twelve months and ask Him to supply during the days ahead.

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DAILY PRAYER CALENDAR

1st Th. **THE BRISBANE ANNUAL MEETING** is to be held tonight. Mr. Howard Miles is the special speaker. Let us specially pray for this meeting.

2nd. Fr. **THE SEPTEMBER EVANGEL** is now in the hands of its readers. Shall we ask God to bless this issue and remember the series on the Holy Spirit being continued from month to month.

3rd. Sa. Praise God for several volunteers to help with building on our Queensland Stations. The urgent need at Woorabinda still continues and we ask you to specially pray for this.

4th. Sun. **AT FINGAL, N.S.W.**, the young men students from the Bible Training Institute are finishing a week of meetings, and vacation. Let us ask God to pour out His blessing on them today.

5th. M. Tonight the **FEDERAL COUNCIL** will be meeting in Sydney. Remember the Council and its responsibilities and decisions. Please uphold in prayer those at Headquarters and also the various State Councils and Representatives.

6th. Tu. **MISS K. DAVIS** and **MISS D. DOHERTY** are now engaged in Children's Meetings at Murrin Bridge in Western N.S.W. This outstation of Condobolin is regularly visited by Mr. and Mrs. Clarke. Ask the Lord to provide a house for workers in this area.

7th. W. The rebuilding of the Mission House at Palm Island, Qld., is under way. We thank God for the help of Mr. Bruce McAllister, a carpenter from Sydney. Let us ask the Lord to meet the every need for this rebuilding.

8th. Th. **THE A.I.M. RADIO PROGRAM**, "Miracles and Melodies" will be heard this morning at 9.30 over 4VL Charleville, Qld. Pray for its message and for the session heard on Sunday at 3.45 p.m. over 4SB Kingaroy, Qld., and on Wednesdays at 4.30 p.m. over 2AD Armidale, N.S.W.

9th. Fr. **MOREE**, N.S.W. God is blessing at this centre, but one urgent need is for better transport. This is a necessity if the outstations are to be reached. Pray for this and for Mr. and Mrs. Kleinschmidt and family and Mr. R. Hallett.

10th. Sa. We praise God for additional volunteers for the rebuilding of the **RETTA DIXON CHILDREN'S HOME**, but three or four more are still urgently needed if the

work is to be completed within a reasonable time.

11th Sun. **BAGOT**, N.T. Miss Clark and Mr. and Mrs. Parish would value your prayers for their meetings and Sunday School today. There is also an open air meeting before the evening service. Let us pray for these workers and for the people and for the weekly visitation of the natives in hospital. These come from all over the Northern Territory.

12th. M. **MISS K. DAVIS** plans to commence Children's Meetings in the Griffith area today. Let us pray for her and for Misses Campbell, Phillips and Doherty as together these workers seek to win boys and girls for Christ.

13th. Tu. **THE BIBLE TRAINING INSTITUTE**, SINGLETON, N.S.W. has now commenced the final term of the year. Let us pray for the students in their days of training and for the staff that the Holy Spirit might use them in this work.

14th. W. **THE MELBOURNE LADIES' AUXILIARY** will hold their Annual Meeting today. The speaker is Mrs. Robert Stokes and the film of the Retta Dixon Home will be shown. Pray for the ladies at this meeting.

15th. Th. The Sunday School Lessons for the next quarter will be mailed this week. Over 9,000 books are sent out each quarter. Pray that God will bless these lessons to the Teachers and the Scholars both to win souls and to build the spiritual life of all who use them.

16th. Fr. **MR. AND MRS. J. BRIDGES** at Newcastle Waters, N.T., report real blessing among their people, but several hindrances at various centres have been almost discouraging. Let us pray for the new converts and for the seed sown on the camp at Newcastle Waters and at the outstation at Elliott.

17th. Sa. **MISSION PUBLICATIONS OF AUSTRALIA**. The house at La Perouse is still being renovated to house the printing press. A tremendous amount remains to be done and we ask you to pray that God will lay this work on the hearts of volunteers in the Sydney area. Nothing can be printed until this work is completed.

18th. Sun. Let us pray today for all our **ASSOCIATE WORKERS** who, Sunday by Sunday, visit the camps and groups of coloured people in their areas. Many are doing an outstanding work, particularly in New South Wales and Queensland.

19th. M. **THE 1960 DRY SEASON ITINERARY** is still going on. Let us pray particularly for Mr. Main and Mr. Stretton who are undertaking the big western section of the Northern Territory.

20th. Tu. **CAROONA**, N.S.W., is not an easy centre. Mr. Reynold Ketchup reports that there is a tremendous opportunity to win the teenagers and young people. Let us pray for Mr. and Mrs. Kirk and their help in this work also.

21st. W. Let us pray for **MR. and MRS. WALKER** at Cherbourg, Qld., and for the