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THE MEETING OF SYNOD

The meeting of the Synod of 1925 at Darlington, Pa., has just closed, and the Church enters upon another year of service with renewed hopes and resolutions.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Thomas Whyte, of the Third Church, Philadelphia.

On Thursday morning the roll of Synod was completed and Rev. D. H. Hammond, pastor of the Fairview Congregation, was elected Moderator, and Revs. L. A. Benson and R. W. Chesnut were re-elected Stated and Assistant Clerks, respectively.

As from the start there was perfect unanimity of action. Synod got down to business immediately. There was no unnecessary delay and it was soon evident that this would be a short meeting of Synod. It was generally conceded that there was more business done on Friday than in any one day in Synod for many years. By Saturday noon all the bulk of the work was done. In the afternoon, without any hurry or confusion, Synod adjourned to meet in Cedarville, O., on the third Wednesday of May, 1926.

On the following Sabbath, Rev. P. W. Duncan preached in the Brick Church in the morning, and Rev. Thomas Whyte in the evening.

At three o'clock in the afternoon the new church building at Fairview was dedicated, Rev. W. R. McChesney, D. D., preaching the dedicatory sermon. This congregation is to be

congratulated on their successful efforts in securing a new house of worship.

During the meeting of Synod the delegates were entertained in the homes of the Darlington Congregation, and dinners were served in the hall by the ladies. For all these favors we express our thanks.

The pastor, Rev. Alex. Savage, D. D., is entering on the fiftieth year as pastor. He is still strong and able for his work and the congregation is in good condition. May the Lord spare us all in His service for the year to come.

FIFTH CHURCH, PHILADELPHIA

The Fifth Reformed Presbyterian Church held their Communion service on Sabbath evening, April 19. It was a delightful service in which we were conscious of the Presence of Him Who said, "Do this in remembrance of Me." After an appropriate message from the pastor 319 sat down at the Lord's Table. It was a beautiful sight and everyone seemed happy in the Lord.

The congregation gave that day to the cause of Missions \$1005.25, and surely the Spirit of the Lord God was upon us. Thirty-three were received into the Church; twenty-five of these were men, for which we thank God. Our attendance at the services are very good. Our Wednesday evening Prayer meetings are an inspiration, running from 75 to over 100 in attendance. Here and there men and women are being saved. Seventy-five of our people have increased their subscriptions to the church since the first of the year, so God is blessing us in every way, praise His Name.

Our Sabbath School is doing good work. We have faithful teachers, and our attendance is keeping up well.

We have a Junior Church which meets at 7 o'clock Sabbath evening. Also at the same hour a Young People's Bible Class, which are doing a grand work for God. The leaders of

these young people are doing a real work, and many of these are giving themselves to Jesus Christ. We are going forward to greater things, depending only on our Lord and Saviour. We believe the promise "If I be lifted up will draw all men unto Me."

LETTERS FROM INDIA

Rurki, U. P. India, April 7, 1925.

Dear Friends:

Death has claimed one of our workers. Mihi Lal, our best evangelist, has this morning gone home to meet his Master. He was never happier than when he was working for the master, and the more he had to do the better he liked it. About five years ago we worked the villages up near the foot of the Mountains, a district which belongs to us and we ought to be working, but since Mr. Waide has gone home we have had to leave practically untouched for the last few years. But at that time Mr. Waide was working the villages near Rurki and we took this particular district. We had a wonderful camping season and Mihi Lal was greatly used of God that winter. Our work was strenuous, the people were so eager to hear our message and we felt we could not let the opportunity go by. So Mihi Lal worked very hard, walking to several villages each day and giving several fifteen to twenty-minute addresses in each of these villages, and after a hard day's work he would preach to a big audience at night. He reached the high caste as well as the lower castes, even though he was a low grade man and did not have much of an education. He loved his Bible and was always studying it. Whenever he had a moment to spare you would see Mihi Lal walking up and down, with his Bible in hand, studying for his next meeting. He preached a straight Gospel message and that is why he reached so many people. We think the strenuous work of that winter was partly responsible for the heart lesion he had, which eventually caused his death. For several months now there were other complications and he suffered a great deal. For days we

thought he might pass away any time. He always looked forward to Dr. Taylor's visit every night to give him a treatment and then to kneel down and pray with him. Two nights before he died Dr. Taylor and I went over and after Dr. Taylor prayed Mihi Lal prayed beautifully, resigning himself completely to God's will. He prayed that if it had been wrong for him to have prayed all these days for renewed health, that he might be forgiven, and now he did not ask for anything, but to be taken to His Saviour, to see His face and to be with Him. We came away from that sick room with a spiritual blessing. He died 6 o'clock this morning and, as is the custom in India, will be buried this evening.

Now I want to tell you about a Mohammedan young man. I think I wrote something about the opposition we had in Sak-rauda the latter part of January. The Maulvi interfered with Dr. Taylor's meetings and one day while he was holding a meeting the Maulvi brought his singing boys up to the place and began to sing songs in order to drown out Dr. Taylor's meeting. He finally told Dr. Taylor to leave the Mohammedan quarters and to go to the Chamars, who are low caste Hindus, and from which most of our Christians have come. Dr. Taylor told him "all right," and that very evening he took his magic lantern outfit and went to the Chamars, but immediately after he arrived at the Chamar quarters the Mulvi, too, appeared on the scene with his boys and they began to sing to get the attention of the people, and then the Maulvi called very loudly, "All you who are Mohammedans come over here, the rest can stay there." There were a lot of Mohammedans who had followed Dr. Taylor into the Chamar quarters. The Mohammedans went over to the Maulvi when he called, all but a young man who has some medical training and has been running a medical shop in the village. He stayed and all during the meeting he stood right beside Dr. Taylor. The Maulvi yelled as loud as he could in order to drown out Dr. Taylor's meeting. He ran down our religion and scolded the Mohammedans for having anything to do with us and for letting the Memsahib and her Bible woman go into their Zenanas and tell their women about Christ. Ever since that time they have been persecuting this

young man. The Maulvi gave an order out in the village, a written edict, that no one was to associate with this young man; he has prohibited any Mohammedans to smoke the pipe with him, which is the conclusive sign that he has been thrown out by his Mohammedan brothers; he has forbidden anyone to buy any medicines from him. The young man had recently bought a big lot of medicines from Bombay and borrowed the money from the landowner out there with the understanding that everything he sold on the rupee the landowner would get 10 annas (20 cents), he would get 5 annas and one anna would cover expenses. (There are 16 annas in a rupee.) So now the poor fellow is in great distress. He has these medicines on hand and for that reason they will not let him leave the village and he can't do any business because the Maulvi has prohibited the people to buy any medicines from him. They call him a Christian because he stayed with Dr. Taylor that night when the Maulvi called the Mohammedans away. They have beaten him unmercifully for it and treat him like a dog. He has come to Dr. Taylor and wants help. He wants us to buy the medicines so he can leave the village and get another job somewhere else. We haven't the money to buy all the medicines he has and we are not in need of them just now. Of course, in time we could make use of them and it would not be wasted but we do not have the money for it. We went over the list and said we would be able to take 60 rupees' worth out of the 200 rupees' worth he has on hand. Dr. Taylor gave him 10 rupees to buy his daily food for his wife and himself, for which he brought Dr. Taylor his wife's jewelry, 20 bracelets worth a rupee each, to keep until he has another position and is able to pay back the 10 rupees. This is as far as I can report on the case, but we want you to pray for us that we may deal wisely with the situation.

Yours sincerely,

ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

April 15.

We have written about Masih Charen, one of our village Christians, who has been held in jail on a charge of robbery. Dr. Taylor has gone into the case thoroughly and is quite convinced that he is innocent. This poor man, along with three non-Christians, have been in jail for four months while the trial has been going on and all this time his poor wife has been trying to hold things together out in the village home. Just recently she has had to sell two oxen in order to meet expenses. One child is in our boarding and there are two small boys at home with the mother. She brought her jewelry to Dr. Taylor as security with the request that he do all he can for her husband. Dr. Taylor has done everything he could. It was hard sometimes when we were away out in camp somewhere to come in for the Court but he has not missed one session. They finally sent the case from this court to the higher court in Saharanpur and Dr. Taylor spent several days over there and had to go on the witness stand to testify as to his character. The decision was to be given today so Dr. Taylor went on the morning train to Saharanpur and from there he was going on to Patiala, so will be gone again for a few days. I have just received a telegram from Dr. Taylor saying Masih Charen has been released but the three non-Christians have been sentenced.

Dr. Taylor went to Hardwar last Thursday to work at the big Mela, which is held every year at this time and thousands of pilgrims come from all parts of India to bathe in the "sacred Ganges" in this "holy place." He came back for Padri Edwin Fiske's wedding on Monday, was home two days and is off again to Saharanpur and Patials. The children are having fever off and on and are beginning to feel the heat and in about two weeks I shall have to take them to the hills. We close all the doors and windows about 9.30 every morning and keep them closed until 5 in the evening, which keeps the bungalow nice

and cool and the children are allowed to play out of doors only in the morning and evening.

Sincerely,

ELIZABETH TAYLOR.

Rurki, India, April 26, 1925.

Dear Friends:

Owing to the deliberate and unhurried ways of the Oriental, I am writing this in the public rest house in Patiala, having missed the 10.30 A. M. train by only a few minutes, due to the delays caused by any one of a half dozen different State officials, bankers and clerks. But you are wondering what I am doing in Patiala. It was only a few days ago we received the long-looked-for notice from the Patiala State officials that they were prepared to pay us for the old Mission property which was seized by the State some twelve or fifteen years ago. As soon as I could leave Rurki I came after it, taking with me my power of attorney from the Mission Board, which was quite enough to satisfy the English engineer who is in charge of all the State roads, buildings, etc., and I soon had his instruction for the check Rs. 7117 to be paid but after that it took three and one-half hours to get the cash in hand. And now I have to wait for the 6.45 train and arrive in Rurki about 12 P. M., when I should have been there at 7 P. M.

We are praising God today especially for having yesterday wonderfully answered the prayers which have been poured out in the last four months for one of our village Christians, Masih Charen, who had been taken up by the police on a charge of dacoity (robbery). He was declared "not guilty" yesterday and the three men, who are non-Christians, who were arrested at the same time, were found "guilty" and sentenced to five

years each. We firmly believe it was in answer to prayer. Personally, from all I have heard, I do not believe the others are guilty, either. I have spent considerable time on the case but I am glad I did.

Mihi Lal has passed to his reward and we have a new man in his place in Hardwar. We have also put on an experienced colporteur. This makes our work in Hardwar take on a different aspect. Then I myself went up there last Thursday and worked three and one-half days selling 302 books, Testament portions, Gospel songs, etc., and the men together sold about as many. It was the time of the annual spring Mela. I had to be back in Rurki for Rev. Edwin Fiske's wedding on the 13th or I would have stayed another day or two but as it was, I feel our trip to Hardwar was quite worth while. We had some wonderful talks with a number of Faquirs and Pandits, teachers of Vedas. One man, whose son I treated, some nine years ago, when he was still a preacher in the M. E. Mission, and who has been back in his old Hindu Faqir life for some six or more years, was a pitiful character. This is not the first time I have gotten hold of him. Just before going home on furlough I found him in Jagadhri and spent several hours talking and praying with him. Now in Hardwar I read to him, at one sitting Sabbath A. M., almost the whole of the book of Hebrews. Will you not again, dear reader, read the Book of Hebrews with this thought in mind, how appropriate it is for one who has not been living up to what he knows is right. I can assure you it cut deep in those ulcers of sin in old Sain Das. Please pray for him. He is not bad at heart, he is only lazy and weak. He says, "I'll sing the praises of him who feeds me." He cried more than once that morning while I was reading to him.

Another extremely interesting case is that of a scholarly young man who, about 1914, began to make an exhaustive

study of various religions. His analysis are very, very interesting and instructive. He has a very dogmatic idea in his own belief that "justice is merciful." His stumbling block therefore in accepting Christianity is the Blood Atonement. He very definitely believes that the standards of Christianity are above all others. He put the question to me, "Can a man by knowledge find out God?" and "Can a man convert himself?" "Can the new birth or regeneration be obtained by personal endeavor or must it be the Gift of God?" He said he had tried for years and had been driven to the conclusion that he had nothing to do with it; it would come if God willed it. We tried to show him he needed only to repent and believe on Christ as the one who has borne for us that which was justly due to us but he did not seem to be satisfied. I am sending him a small tract which has just come into my hands on "Sacrifices" with the prayer that God may use it to bring him to Himself. Please pray for him, too. You will be interested to know that old Sain Das told me that if we would start an orphanage in Hardwar he could get fifty boys in a few days and the young scholar I have just told you about told me most dreadful stories and urged the desperate need of a girl's rescue home in Hardwar, where so many thousands of innocent child widows go into the hands of those priests and faqirs.

What are you going to do about it? God's Spirit is working here. We have just received a nice amount from the old Patiala property. Just now, it seems to us that there could be no better use for this money than to put it into some property for one or two of the above lines. And now the news just received in the last mail encourages us all the more. "A Miss Sahib has volunteered for India." It would seem that this volunteer was being sent by God for one of these two important needs. Will you not come to the rescue with a few

thousand more rupees per year with which to carry on the work?

Another thing, the number of boys budgeted for this year in our boarding has been reached; three more want admittance, what can we do? We turned two boys away last fall which caused us many a heartache and now we do not know what to do about these three fine-looking, bright-eyed boys. I have put them off until school opens in July. God grant that a way may open for them by that time. One hundred dollars would see these three boys through one year's schooling.

I must tell you about Rev. Fiske's wedding. There had been many hitches in the arrangements for this particular couple until it had become quite chronic and we are surely relieved now the knot is tied. The ceremony was in the S. P. G. Church here and was the regular Church of England ceremony, which is very long, so we hope it has been made so tight that there will be no slips. We are extremely happy about this marriage and ask you to pray for the new couple and that Padri Sahib may be used even more than he has been in the past in the Master's work.

Sincerely,

JOHN C. TAYLOR.

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THY KINGDOM COME

Listen, awake, inquire:

What doth the watchman cry?
Is he who proves the earth by fire
Descending nigh?

What doth the watchman say,
Whose call the slumberers awakes?
"The night hath nearly passed away
The morning breaks."

Priests! statesmen! be not dumb
Seer! Peoples! shout aloud,
"Lord, let Thy kingdom quickly come
O'erthrow the proud!"

Princes and nobles all!
Hark to the solemn cry:
Beneath your Judge oppressions fall
Your time draws nigh

Tremble, ye men of ease,
Who worship self for God:
Wide sweeps the sword of His decrees:
Severe His rod!

Stand up and brace the heart;
Take courage brethren brave!
Prepare to act a noble part:
God smites to save.

In war He is our peace;
 Men's thunder is His voice:
 Through sufferings sharp He brings release:
 Believe! Rejoice!

The hours with steady flight
 Haste on the glorious year,
 The triumph of Eternal right
 Shall soon appear.

In those more blessed days
 The children of mankind
 Beneath their God's benignant gaze
 Mild Peace shall find.

THE UNSEARCHABLE

O height that doth all excel,
 Where the Almighty doth abide!
 O awful deep unsearchable,
 Wherein the Eternal One doth hide!

O dreadful glory that doth make
 Thick darkness round the Heavenly Throne
 Through which no angel eye may break,
 Wherein the Lord doth dwell alone!

Our fainting soul the quest give o'er
Their weary wings no longer try;
His dwelling we may not explore
We may not on his glory pry.

What secret place, what distant star,
Is like, dread Lord, to Thine abode!
Why dwellest Thou from us so far!
We yearn for Thee, Thou hidden God!

Vain searchers! but we need not mourn,
We need not stretch our weary wing;
Thou meetest us, where'er we turn,
Thou beamest, Lord, from all bright things.

The glory no man may abide
Doth visit us, a gracious guest.
Thou, whom 'excess of light' doth hide,
Shinest sweetly manifest.

But sweetest dost Thou, Lord, appear
In the dear Saviour's smiling face;
The Heavenly Majesty draws near
And offers us its soft embrace.

To us, vain searchers after God,
To us the Holy Ghost doth come:
From us Thou hidest Thine abode,
But Thou wilt make our souls Thy home.

O Glory that no eye may bear!—
O presence Bright, our soul's sweet Guest!
O farthest off, O ever near!
Most Hidden and Most Manifest!

LETTER FROM KENTUCKY

Houston, Ky., May 11, 1925. .

Dear Friends:

Soon another church year will be gone. Time surely flies, for it does not seem a year since Synod met in Coulterville. Lots of changes have taken place during the year among other churches as well as here.

We indeed had a delightful communion season. Mr. Harriman came to us on Wednesday, April 22, and we were surely glad to see him and enjoyed his stay with us very much. He was able to open the Word of God to the people in a way that they had not seen it before. They seemed to be brought very close to the realization of their lost condition without Christ. The one thing we regret is that the people did not attend as they might have. Everyone was anxious to get their corn planted that they sacrificed the good of their spiritual lives for the interest in the material world. There were much larger crowds on Saturday and Sabbath than on the other days and yet a great many were kept away these two days on account of heavy rains. We were somewhat disappointed in that some failed to heed the pleadings of the Holy Spirit and accept Christ as their Saviour but thanks be to God there was one who believed and accept Christ as his Saviour. Let him have your prayers that he may be strengthened in the faith and that he may be able to resist temptation from day to day. We want your prayers also that we may be able to guide others to see the Glory of God. Rev. Harriman preached for us Sabbath eve, at which time twenty-two were present. More would have been out but there was a death on the creek that afternoon and

also two children ran off and got married. The boy was 16 and the girl 14. These two things kept a good many away that would have been here otherwise. Nevertheless we were glad to have Rev. Harriman preach for us again.

Our attendance at Sabbath School and church has been real good for the past while, there being eighty-five out yesterday.

Mr. Stewart leaves tomorrow for the meeting of the Western Presbytery, and to hold communion services at Cutler, Ill., then on to Synod. We are not taking our vacation now as we have no one to stay here and take care of the little chickens and the garden stuff. With the help of the two boys staying here we expect to raise quite a bit of corn and about enough potatoes to do us throughout the year.

Our electric light fund has now amounted up to \$335, having just received a check from the Sabbath School of the Fifth Church, Philadelphia, for \$25. May some one else just feel that they want to help this cause along and add a small contribution for every little helps. Also we have received \$12.71 with which to buy wallboard and paper for the dining room, but it will take quite a little bit more also to complete that task.

We desire at this time to thank one and all who have contributed to the work here throughout the past year.

Sincerely,

MRS. ROBERT W. STEWART.

SMILEY—DEANS

Robert K. Smiley and Miss Nell Deans, popular young couple of this city, pulled a surprise on their many friends on

Wednesday evening of last week when they were married in a quiet ceremony at the U. P. manse, Rev. J. U. Brush, pastor of the church, officiating. The bride and groom were unaccompanied and news of their marriage did not leak out until late the following day.

The couple drove to Chester Wednesday afternoon and procured the license and were married soon after their return without any one being the wiser except the members of the family. They are making their home for the present with the groom's mother on North St. Louis Street.

The bride is the daughter of Robert Deans, of this city, and for some time has been employed at Barker's Drug Store. She is a talented young lady and a member of the First Presbyterian choir, one of the best musical organizations in Southern Illinois.

Mr. Smiley is a son of Mrs. W. J. Smiley and the late Rev. Smiley and is employed as office manager for the Illinois Fuel Company.

SPARTA, ILL.

Mrs. Martha Boyle, one of our oldest members, died at her home, near Sparta, April 19, aged 83 years 8 mos. and 12 days. She was the daughter of James and Mary McMaster. She was born near Houston, Ill.; and was the last of her father's family to pass away. On February 13, 1867, she was united in marriage to John C. Boyle. To this union was born two sons and six daughters. Six of the children, also the husband, preceded her to the grave. Two daughters, Mrs. Tom Campbell, of near Sparta, and Miss Bertha Boyle, who cared for the mother during her last illness, also three grandsons, are left to mourn her loss.

Early in life she united with the Reformed Presbyterian

Church, of Sparta, while it was located at Eden and was under the pastoral care of Rev. Samuel Wylie. She signed the call for Rev. W. J. Smiley. During all these years she has been faithful in every duty that came to her. She will be greatly missed in the church where she labored so faithfully for so many years.

The funeral services were held at the home of her son-in-law, Mr. Thomas Campbell, Wednesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. J. R. McIlroy, assisted by Rev. Brush, of Sparta; Rev. Scott, of Jordan's Grove, and Rev. Duncan, of Coulterville. Interment was made in Hill Prairie Cemetery.

The members of the Christian Endeavor were the guests of Lester and Harvey McIntyre, at their home, southeast of the town. The evening was spent in various kind of games. Mr. A. B. McMillan gave several humorous readings, which kept the house in an uproar of laughter. Light refreshments, consisting of sandwiches and cocoa, were served. The guests departed for their homes, wishing that April 23 was still to come instead of being past.

A tribute of love and respect from the Woman's Missionary Society of the Bethel R. P. Church, Sparta, Illinois, to the memory of Mrs. Martha Boyle, who entered into her rest at the close of the day, April 19, 1925.

We desire to hear testimony to her lovely Christian character, and her readiness to help in the work of the Master. Her pew was seldom vacant, for she loved the House of God, and was faithful in her attendance as long as God permitted.

The impressions of her loving ministry have been indelibly written upon our hearts and we wish to honor her life, which has meant so much to us.

Her going has left a vacant place in the home, community and church, which is deeply felt by the large circle of loved ones and friends, and e're now she has seen His Face in the land where the blest are always to dwell.

"We cannot say and we will not say
That she is dead; she is just away.
With a cheery smile and a wave of the hand,
She has wandered into an unknown land.
And left us dreaming how very fair
It needs must be since she lingers there,
Thinking of her still as the same. We say
She is just away."

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed)

MRS. D. M. REID,
MRS. E. H. SMITH,
MRS. R. M. McMILLAN.

The members of the Bethel Missionary Society desire to express their appreciation of the fellowship and help of Mrs. Eliza Dickey, who, after a lingering illness, answered her Master's call at the home of her son, Mr. Hugh Dickey, of Sparta, Illinois, March 4, 1925.

Mrs. Dickey in her quiet, unassuming manner, gave her best for the work and the advancement of the home, faithful in whatever capacity she was called to serve, until God's hand was laid heavily upon her and she was denied the privilege of active service.

Those who knew her will be strengthened by the influence of her consecrated life.

Resolved, That the memory of her life of faithfulness and devotion to duty inspires us to greater activity in the upbuilding of God's Kingdom here on earth.

There is a link death cannot sever—Love and remembrance last forever.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed)

MRS. D. M. REID,
MRS. E. H. SMITH,
MRS. R. M. McMILLAN.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR TOPICS

June 7, 1925.

Topic: How Should We Invest Our Lives Rom. 12:1, 2; 1 Cor. 10:31-33

BIBLE READINGS

- M. Guide to investment Luke 10:25-28
 T. Invest in service 2 Cop. 12:11-21
 W. Invest in character 2 Pet. 1:1-11
 T. Invest in missions Matt. 13:31-33
 F. Invest in God's work John 9:4
 S. Invest in heaven Matt. 6:19-21

COMMENT

Present yourselves to God, since you are His, and let him decide what use to make of you. No life can be real service to God which is not renew or transformed. Our first investment should be in character

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. What have we done with life so far?
2. What services can we render that are worth while?
3. Shall we speculate with life, or invest it?

June 14, 1925

Topic: Leadership: Its Price and its Reward 2 Cor. 12:11-21 2 Tim. 4:6-8

BIBLE READINGS

- M. Price: obedience Num. 14:24
 T. Reward; influence Josh. 24:14-28
 W. Price: sacrifice Phil. 3:7-9,17
 T. Reward; helpfulness 1 Thess. 2:19,20
 F. Price; humility Num. 1 :1-13
 S. Reward; power. 1 Kings 18; 17-46

COMMENT

The real leader is not conscious of his leadership. He is humble, self-sacrificing. To achieve leadership we must spend time, money, strength, thought, our very best, for others. The reward of helping others is present satisfaction and eternal joy, a crown of life.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. What is the responsibility of being a leader?
2. In what different directions may we be leaders?
3. How can we fit ourselves to be leaders?

June 21, 1925.

Topic: Life as a Hurdle Race. Heb. 12:1-4

BIBLE READINGS

- M. Overcoming temptation I Cor. 10:11-13
- T. Overcoming doubt John 20:24-29
- W. Overcoming hatred Rom. 12:17-21
- T. Overcoming fear Ps. 91:1-16
- F. Overcoming misfortune Job 1:13-22
- S. Overcoming selfishness

COMMENT

The living are spectators as we run this race, a fact which should inspire us to do our best. Weights are bad things to carry over hurdles or obstacles, and sins, anger, temper, and gossip are weights. Jesus is the pace setter in this race. Jesus is both example and trainer.

PERTINENT QUESTIONS

1. What obstacles have you met in life?
2. What obstacles have you seen overcome by others?
3. What help may the society render in training us to overcome?

June 28, 1925

Topic: My Answer to the Missionary Challenge Isa. 6:8,9; I Thess. 2:8

BIBLE READINGS

- M. The apostle's answer Acts 1:6-14
- T. The people's answer Acts 8:1-4
- W. Paul's answer Acts 9:1-22
- T. Peter's answer Acts 10:34-48
- F. Man's call Acts 16:6-15
- S. The church's answer Acts 13:1-5

COMMENT

We hear the voice of the Lord in the heart only when we commune with Him. God does his work in the world through men, lifting them to fellowship with Him in His tasks, and so training them for higher things.

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