

## THE OPEN DOOR.

Names and Postal Addresses of Missionaries, Missionary Sisters and Lay Missionaries.

### SOLOMON ISLANDS MISSION DISTRICT.

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#### MISSIONARY DOCTOR.

"One offering to go when we can send him. When shall it be?"

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| Sister ADA LEE .. .. .          | Roviana, British Solomon Islands.                             |
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M.W.M.U.

The doings and something of the inspiration of the 23rd Annual Conference of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union held recently in Auckland are reported on another page, but we desire here to pay tribute to this splendid Movement and its executive officials, and dwell for a moment on the secret of their success. That the Movement has been successful none will deny. It has been a real Auxiliary to both Home and Foreign Missions and justified its existence to a degree that few other organisations of the Church have attained.

To a missionary navigating perilous reef-strewn waters, sometimes becalmed and in the grip of a dangerous tide-rip and sometimes swept by sudden storm, auxiliary power that will help him off a lee shore or into a safe anchorage or to keep on his course, is a blessing indeed. Such has been the help of the M.W.M.U. to the Board of Missions. We have been helped off the treacherous lee shore of debt, and out of the dangerous drift of retrenchment by this splendid Movement and encouraged and helped to keep steadfastly on our course—the Solomons for Christ.

For all the help and inspiration of the past three years we record our gratitude to Mrs. Duke and her Dunedin Executive, to departmental officers and rank and file of the various Auxiliaries. Both the leadership and the loyalty have been of a high order, and the royal cause of Missions has been greatly helped thereby.

To Miss E. M. Rishworth, the new Dominion President, and her Auckland Executive, as they assume office, we extend our hearty congratulations. We congratulate ourselves also because we know that they are leaders with the vision, capacity and devotion that will

enable them to maintain the high tradition of their office.

What is the secret of the success of the Women's Auxiliary? Is it their vision, their enthusiasm, their devotion? That they have these high qualities to a marked degree none will deny, nor the fact that they are essential to success. Their prayer and faith are also vital, for "Without Me ye can do nothing." But there is one characteristic of the Movement that marks it out from most others and explains in a large measure its success. It is the close personal interest that the members take in the work and workers. The average supporter of missions is actuated by a sense of duty and privilege, a desire to see the world won for Christ—a noble ideal—but does not as a rule know either the names of the missionaries on the Field or the many and peculiar difficulties that confront them. The Auxiliary members, however, are in constant touch with the Sisters they support by means of letters read at their meetings. These letters tell of the daily round and common task on the mission station, of success and failure, of loneliness and problems, of faith and hope. A personal contact is thus established that makes the Auxiliary member feel she has definite part and lot in the great enterprise and she is inspired to further service. We cannot pray for and support as we ought a missionary concerning whom and whose work we know little or nothing. Let us learn then from the M.W.M.U. to take a more personal, and consequently more vital, interest in the work of our own Missionaries. Be with them in spirit as they face up to the tremendous problems of leading a primitive people out of darkness, superstition and fear into the light and joy of God's love, and seek to meet their need of educational and medical service.



## Love Never Dies

STRANGELY MOVING INCIDENT AT PATUTIVA. by Rev. J. F. GOLDIE.

I have just come through a series of Annual Thanksgiving meetings, and have had some good times. I found very great enthusiasm amongst the people of Vella Lavella, who made a splendid response for their Annual effort.

At Patutiva also there was a fine response. Their gifts were great, and represented very real sacrifice on the part of some. I felt strangely moved when, after all their other gifts had been offered, they straightway took up another collection in memory of the man who brought them the Gospel. They do this every year, but this year there seemed something sublime about their action. Natu, the chief, stood up, and pointing to the large framed photograph which hangs above the pulpit, he said: "We show our gratitude to God for sending to us the Light of His Gospel by His Servant. His body lies buried here with us in the Solomons—far from his own home and kindred—but he being dead yet speaketh. We have been delivered from darkness, disease, and death, by the Christ Whom he came to

preach, and our children rise up to call him blessed. This Memorial Offering," he added, "has grown every year, and must continue to grow to show that our love for him has not waned, nor our gratitude grown less. We dare not suggest that this offering should be used for any need of our own here at Ulusage, although we need many things, but our desire is that it should be used to carry the Gospel to other dark corners of this great Island Group. We here and now dedicate it to Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us."

As he spoke, my mind harked back to the time when I had to plead with the Administrator for the life of this same man, then a savage murderer, with the scars of recent fights on his naked body. Fierce, fearful, suspicious, his darkened mind, and superstitious dread of everything and everybody had made almost an animal of the man. Now he stands a steward in God's house, "with flame of freedom in his soul, and light of knowledge in his eyes." What a wonderful Gospel we have to preach!



Church and People, Patutiva.

## Volunteers from Tonga.



PAULA—the Tongan Pioneer mentioned on page 2.

Tonga has played a noble part in evangelising the Solomons, some really great missionaries having gone out from that little island kingdom in the pioneering days and through the succeeding years. Following in this high succession are the Rev. Jione Afu and his wife Nauna, who arrived in the Solomons last month, having spent two days in Auckland en route. Afu lived in the Solomons as a lad, being the son of a missionary, and he and Gina acted together as Mr. Goldie's cook-boys. Returning to Tonga he entered college and graduated as a Teacher. Last year he was received by the Tongan Conference as a Probationer in the Ministry. Nauna was also a School Teacher in Tonga and, like her husband, has a fair working knowledge of English.

The vision and the call of the Solomons having come to them, they set their faces to this high adventure for Christ. They will be a decided acquisition to our staff. Please remember them in your prayers.

### "The Master-Light."

Amidst the gloom and perplexity of the world to-day, what a reassurance and joy to have our minds and hearts redirected to the Light which never fails, though man in his folly often turns his back on the only source of true joy, and abounding life. These thoughts have been given birth through reading the thrilling and romantic annual record of the British and Foreign Bible Society published under the title, "The Master-Light." We feel we must urge our readers to secure a copy without delay. It will help to restore that trust and faith in God's purpose for the world which are essential if Christian people are to function as the Body of Christ. The Rev. John Patten, Literary Superintendent of the Bible Society, in a preface says: "'Lighten our darkness we beseech Thee, O Lord,' is the prayer of Christian people everywhere, and the argument advanced in the following pages is that the world-wide circulation of the Word of God is part of the answer to that prayer."

Here is not empty argument but irrefutable evidence of the potency of the Bible through the Holy Spirit in converting and building up in the Faith multitudes of all nations, kindreds and tongues. Story after story demonstrates the fact that the Gospel is still the power of God unto salvation.

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NATU—the Chief mentioned on page 2, with Gina.

*of Patutiva*



## Splendid Results:- Mission Work in the Solomons

DISEASE BEING WIPED OUT.

The horrors of tropical diseases that had to be combated amongst the natives of the Western Solomon Islands when the Methodist Church commenced operations in the Roviana circuit were referred to by the Rev. E. C. Leadley in the Concert Chamber recently. Mr. Leadley was associated with the Rev. Belshazzar Gina and members of the Dunedin Methodist Church in a special service given on behalf of the missions.

"In the olden days," said Mr. Leadley, "the natives suffered dreadfully from hideous diseases." The principal of these was yaws, which attacked both children and adults, though children were the worst sufferers. Yaws took the form of sores, and frequently the victims' bodies were almost completely covered with these. Tropical ulcers were common, and sufferers were often left with deformities or hideous scars. Some of these ulcers were as big as small plates. Leprosy was also common, and spread rapidly because the stricken natives were allowed to live where and how they liked. Eye diseases resulting in blindness; blackwater fever, and a skin disease that resulted in extensive scaling of the body were rampant. An injection of a specific preparation, which the speaker called N.A.B., resulted in a complete cure of yaws in 10 to 14 days. Lepers had been accommodated and treated in a special hospital, and the disease checked. Quinine played a big part in the treatment of malarial fevers. The scale disease had responded to vigorous "Turkish bath" treatment, and scientific methods were bringing about a rapid decline in the numbers of cases of other diseases.

When the mission commenced its operations babies were born in shacks hidden in the bush, and in these shacks mother and babe stayed for some time and were not visited by men. Naturally, said Mr. Leadley, infant mortality was very high, and because of disease and constant wastage through warfare, there was a

rapid decline in the race. The mission had established a clean and up-to-date midwifery ward, and to-day it was a rare thing to lose a baby.

There had also been a marked development in education, said Mr. Leadley, and hundreds of native children commenced training in the kindergarten and passed on to the colleges. Most of the teaching was done in the Roviana dialect, which was found to be most suitable for the purpose. The work performed in the schools was of a very high order, and produced fine results. There were no Government schools, and the Methodist Mission schools were acknowledged to be the most advanced in the islands. Men now in Government positions had passed through these schools. Four of the boys were being trained at the Royal Medical School, Fiji, and one had become a capable medical practitioner to whom white people went on occasions.

All success attached to the spiritual side of the mission work, the speaker went on, was due to the simple teachings of Jesus Christ. They were easily explained, and readily grasped by the natives. The Gospel had brought about a very great change in the lives of the natives who, 35 years before, had been head-hunters and cannibals. To-day, at Roviana, 90 per cent. of the natives were Christians, showing a great interest in the work and worshipping with enthusiasm. Meetings were always well attended, and the word of God was listened to attentively.

Further west the work was still in its infancy, and much had to be done before any real headway would be apparent. Tribal wars occurred, and in those more remote parts the people of the various tribes were afraid to venture beyond the confines of the tribe. However, what God had already wrought would be repeated in due time. It really was wonderful to think what a great deal had been done in such a short space of time as 35 years.

—"Evening Star."

## Whaleboat for Simbo.

A GENEROUS GIFT.

Simbo lies about 35 miles west of Roviana, and most of that distance is open sea that stretches away to the Antarctic. In heavy weather it is impossible for canoes to cross, and even in times of calm there is always the hazard of a sudden storm so common in the tropics. This has meant that our native minister stationed there has often been confined to the island for weeks, and sometimes months, at a time. In times of urgency, such as serious illness or epidemic, this isolation often leads to serious results. There have been times when Gina and others crossing on errands of mercy have been fortunate to escape with their lives.

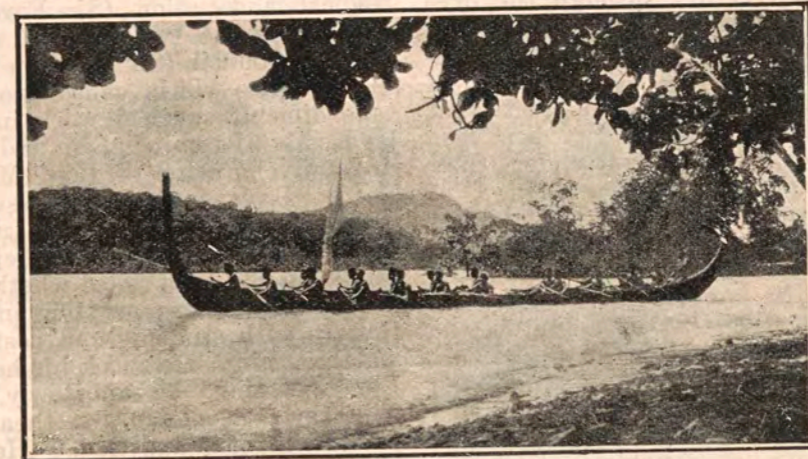
Learning from Gina of these conditions, Mr. S. Gorman of Nelson very generously offered to provide a whaleboat for Simbo. The order has been placed, and it is hoped the boat will be ready for shipment by the steamer on which Gina sails from Sydney on December 24th. Twenty-six

feet long by 7ft. 6in. beam, the whaleboat will be fitted with two lug sails and jib, this rig being specially suited for natives to handle. A whaleboat pulls nine oars, and the one ordered will be capable of carrying quite safely fifteen to twenty people all told. The boat will be decked for some feet fore and aft with lockers fitted under the decking. The total cost of boat and freight will be about £180.

This generous gift has ensured a measure of safety and comfort in sea travel for Gina and his successors on Simbo that will be greatly appreciated, and will make possible the transport of sick and needy cases hitherto impossible.

The Board of Missions and the Missionaries on the Field are deeply grateful to Mr. Gorman for this further evidence of his generosity and missionary vision.

The new whaleboat will be named "Clara M. Gorman" after Mr. Gorman's late wife.



### INTERNATIONAL MISSIONARY COUNCIL.

Cabled advice has been received by the Rev. David Calder, Secretary of the National Missionary Council of New Zealand, that the world conference of the International Missionary Council called to

meet at Hangchow, China, in October, 1938, will now be held at Madras, India, from December 10 to December 30, 1938.

The New Zealand delegates will be the Rt. Rev. F. A. Bennett, Bishop of Aotearoa, and the Rev. D. N. MacDiarmid, M.B.E., B.A.



## The Challenge of the Doctor

RELIGION AND MEDICINE.\*

by Dr. DOUGLAS THOMAS, M.D., D.M.R., M.R.C.P. (London).

This is a great occasion, and it is with a very deep sense of honour and privilege that I now deliver the Occasional Address. To every Christian medical man and woman there comes, during the practice of medicine, a very genuine appreciation of the infinite wisdom of God, as made manifest to us in the structure and harmonious working of the human body. For myself, I find when studying human physiology, that it is impossible to believe Creation to be the result of any mere concatenation of circumstance, or indeed of any undirected evolution. No! Creation represents the purposive act of a Creator. Like Sir James Jeans, I would say, "If the universe be a universe of thought, then its creation must have been an act of thought."

These two who go out to labour for God in India do so not because they are fascinated by the complicated working of the human body, but because they look at every human creature through the eyes of love, the wonder of the physical being submerged and lost in their spiritual concept. A brief study of the history of medicine quickly reveals the fact that many eminent scientists and medical men have felt compelled to surrender their lives in the service of their fellows. I give you the names of Grenfell of Labrador and Schweitzer of Africa. Schweitzer had a fresh vision of God, and rededicated himself to His service when he saw, grovelling at the foot of a statue, the figure of an unhappy African negro.

Truly, then, the two doctors who stand before you this evening are members of a goodly company, and their names will be added to a long list of noble medical men and women who have maintained the continuity of high ideals in their profession. We may indeed be proud of our apostolic succession. Speaking publicly of medical men, the late Sir William Osler said: "Of course there are Gehazis among us who serve for shekels, whose ears hear only the lowing of the oxen and the jingling of the guineas, but these are exceptions.

The rank and file labour earnestly for your good, and self-sacrificing devotion to your interests animates our best work." Yes! I believe that most medical men do look beyond the immediate prize, and that, while they are not called upon to make the absolute surrender shown on this occasion by this man and his wife, they do possess a high sense of community responsibility, and faithfully discharge an important community service. The leaders of the medical profession have always actively identified themselves with Christian work.

A few weeks ago there was held in Liverpool Cathedral a very beautiful service, the occasion being the Centenary of the Liverpool Medical Institution. The Bible readings were taken by the Vice-Chancellor of the University of Liverpool (Dr. J. L. Stocks), the President of the Royal College of Surgeons (Sir Cuthbert Wallace), the President of the British Medical Association (Sir Farquhar Buzzard), and the President of the General Medical Council (Sir Norman Walker).

These two will be called upon to undertake difficult surgical work in a strange land. May I remind them and you of the life and character of Lord Moynihan of Leeds. He was a very great surgeon, and after his death his family refused the honour of a Westminster Abbey burial for him. He was once asked whether he were not nervous when operating in a hospital theatre with students and post-graduates watching him. He shook his head. "When I am operating," he said slowly, "there are only three people in the theatre — the patient, myself, and God." He possessed great courage and skill, lived simply, and was singularly unassuming and modest.

Every medical man knows the work of Professor Adami, the great pathologist. One studies his writings on Inflammation almost as one reads his Bible. A paper written by him, just before his death, was read post-humously by the Archbishop of York. In his paper Professor Adami said: "I want to make it clear that

a scientist may arrive at a clear knowledge of religious truth by the very methods employed in his own work. More and more as the years passed, I became convinced that the love of God is everything, and if man possesses this, all other things are secondary. This life is not the end; the soul is immortal."

And in dedicating themselves to this great task overseas my professional colleagues have not abandoned science for sentiment. They have given to us an unimpeachable witness.

You will remember how, over a thousand years before Christ came among us, Moses led the children of Israel through the wilderness; and how, when they were being bitten by venomous serpents, he was commanded to make a brazen serpent and set it on a pole, that all who looked upon this serpent in faith might be healed. To-day this serpent on a pole is still used as the symbol of the healing art, and the badge of the Royal Army Medical Corps incorporates it. We hear very little of this brazen serpent created by Moses until the days of Hezekiah. In the intervening period the symbol lost its spiritual significance, and became an object of idolatry. Hezekiah commanded that it be destroyed, exclaiming in disgust, "Nehushtan," meaning "a mere piece of brass."

The work which these two will do will not be merely a scientific one; the physical will not override the spiritual. We shall not cry "Nehushtan," because they will ever hold before them the Cross of Christ. Great as is the need of Indian people for Westernised medicine, their need of Christ is even greater. Their practice of healing will be a blessed gateway to the hearts of these people and an opportunity to point them to the Love of Christ.

Let me in conclusion give you the following words from the Revelation of St. John: "And I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth are passed away. And I saw the Holy City, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God. And I heard a great voice out of the Throne saying, Behold the tabernacle of God is with men, and He shall dwell with them. And He that sat upon the Throne said,

Behold, I make all things new. He that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be my Son. And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the Throne of God. And on this side of the river, and on that, was a tree of life; and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations."

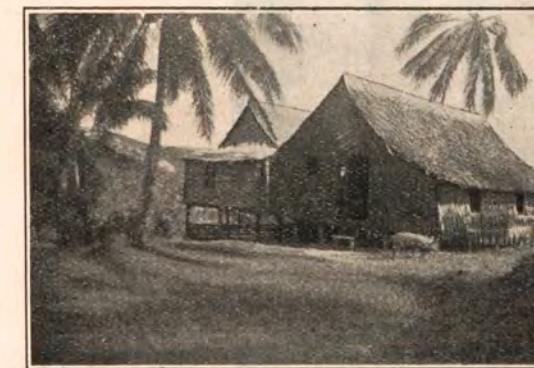
\*The Occasional Address delivered at the dedication of Drs. Edna and Edward Gault, Auburn Methodist Church, 10th October, 1937.

—"The Spectator."

## The Medical Unit.

TWO NURSES APPOINTED.

The re-establishment of the Medical Unit in the Solomons has been advanced a further stage by the appointment of Nurses Merle Farland and Joy Whitehouse. To these new workers the missionary call came years ago, and they began their training with the definite purpose of making themselves more fit to answer when God's call to overseas service came. With triple certificates and highly recommended on account of excellent professional and Christian service, they will take up their ministry of healing in the Solomons when they sail with Dr. and Mrs. Allen Rutter next April. Put them on your prayer-list please, and strive for the maintenance of the great work the Doctor and they will do.



The First Hospital.





Dr. Allen G. RUTTER.

# The Ministry of Healing.

## The Medical Workers and Hospital for which they will sail in, 1938.

They and the Sick and Suffering in the Solomons count on your prayerful practical support.

"Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these, My brethren, ye did it unto Me."



Helena Hospital, Bilua.



Miss Betty ROWE, Bacteriologist, Dr. Rutter's fiancée.

**"THE LOVE OF CHRIST  
CONSTRAINETH US."**

**THINK OF YOUR OWN DEAR ONES SUFFERING  
FAR FROM MEDICAL AID!**

**"AS YE WOULD THAT MEN SHOULD DO  
UNTO YOU, DO YE ALSO UNTO THEM."**

Nurse Merle S. FARLAND.



Nurse D. Joy WHITEHOUSE.



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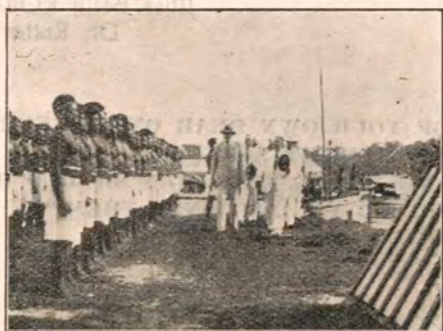
"FREELY YE HAVE RECEIVED, FREELY GIVE."



## Thy Kingdom Come.

EXTRACTS FROM INTERIM REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION DEPARTMENT FOR SYNODS.

**The Field.**—Each succeeding year emphasises the greatness of our task in the Solomons. We glory in the triumphs of the Cross and the development of our educational and medical services. But this success brings its own difficulties, as do the contacts of this primitive people with other aspects of European civilisation. Faced with their many problems and living in a bad malarial climate far from their own kith and kin, our missionaries should be constantly in our thought and prayer.



The High Commissioner inspecting student guard of honour, Roviana.

It is good to know that Sir Arthur Richards, recently appointed High Commissioner for the Western Pacific, was favourably impressed with what he saw during an all too brief visit to Roviana recently. Mr. Goldie reports as follows:—

“The High Commissioner has been and gone. We were glad to welcome him. Leading natives from all over the district also gathered to welcome him. His vessel was met and escorted into our harbour by a fleet of war canoes. As he stepped ashore the band struck up the “National Anthem,” and a fine Guard of Honour composed of picked students to the number of about sixty stood to attention while he inspected them. Then began an inspection of Saw Mill, College, Schools, Kindergarten, Hospitals, and a big gathering in the church at which, in reply to

my address of welcome, he made a fine speech. He paid our Mission a fine compliment, and spoke of the two aspects of all education—spiritual and practical. He spoke very appreciatively of our efforts to assist the Government by providing Native Clerks, Medical Students, etc.”

In reference to the above-mentioned medical students the following is another gratifying extract from Mr. Goldie's correspondence:—

“I had nice letters from our lads in Fiji this mail. They are doing really well in the Medical School. They all passed this year's examination with very good marks indeed. No less than eight students failed to pass—including two from Tonga, two Fijians, and three from the New Hebrides—so that we have reason to be proud of our Roviana lads. I trust that they will be equally a credit to us in conduct and character.”

**The Deputations**—Seldom have we been so favoured in New Zealand in the matter of Deputations from the Field as in 1937. The Revs. J. F. Goldie and E. C. Leadley, and especially Gina, have rendered outstanding service.

**Rev. Belshazzar Gina.**—Gina's visit to New Zealand has been wonderfully blessed of God. By his very presence, and his stirring and deeply-spiritual addresses, he has proved an eloquent and convincing advocate of Missions and brought a fresh vision and spiritual impetus to the Home Church. Gina is one of 6,000 redeemed men and women in the Solomons to-day, and his story of this Redemption and the subsequent uplift of his people has greatly stirred our hearts.

Our task in New Zealand is to conserve and widen the interest created by the powerful advocacy of the Deputations. We thank them sincerely for their valuable help and pray that, as they return to their great task in the Solomons, we shall be loyal to them and their colleagues, and to Jesus Christ who has given to them and us the great commission.

**Deputation for 1938.**—In 1938 the Revs. A. H. Voyce, A. W. E. Silvester and J. R. Metcalfe will devote a part of their well-earned furlough to deputation work in New Zealand. Mr. Silvester will bring the vivid impressions of a first term of missionary service, while Messrs. Metcalfe and Voyce will speak with the authority of 18 and 12 years' experience respectively.

We confidently ask that by prayerful preparation and whole-hearted co-operation the Home Church may ensure God's blessing upon the 1938 Deputation.

**Conclusion.**—Throughout the Connexion there is definite evidence of a greater determination to heed the cry of the Solomons and to establish the Kingdom of God, with all its implications, in their midst. The visit of Gina, and the effort to Send Back the Doctor have proved a special challenge that many have been eager to accept. By keeping before our people the greatness and glory of our task we shall steadily increase that number until all are vitally concerned in our high missionary endeavour.

## Welcome Home.

### SISTER ADA LEE.

We extend a warm welcome to Sister Ada Lee who reached New Zealand early in November on her first furlough. During the past three



years Sister Ada has rendered excellent service on the teaching staff of our District Training Institution at Roviana and has endeared herself both to the children and students of school and college and the people of the villages in which she has also laboured.

### REV. A. H. and MRS. VOYCE.

Toward the end of December the Rev. A. H. and Mrs. Voyce and family are due in Auckland for another well-earned furlough, and an abundant welcome awaits them from the whole church. Mr. and Mrs. Voyce have a record of splendid missionary service extending over nearly twelve years. Under their able and devoted leadership our work on South Bougainville has been greatly developed and widely extended. Mr. Voyce has proved himself a real pioneer and an able administrator, and we hope to publish in our next issue the story of the growth of the kingdom on Bougainville during the

past twelve years. A major task carried through during Mr. Voyce's last term has been the removal of the Training Institution from Tonu to Kihili.

Mr. Voyce will represent the Solomon Islands District at the forthcoming Conference and will be the special Foreign Mission speaker at the Missionary Demonstration. He will commence deputation work in March.

### SISTER ETHEL McMILLAN.

Another outstanding and beloved worker coming South for furlough is Sister Ethel McMillan, and she expects to reach Victoria in time to spend Christmas with her aged mother. For 26 years Sister Ethel has rendered outstanding service in the Solomons and has been aptly named “The Mary Slessor of the Pacific.” It is a great joy to all that, after an extended furlough, she will return to her beloved work at Choiseul.

To Sister Ethel also we extend an affectionate Welcome Home and pray that her furlough may be abundantly happy.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR  
MISSIONS,  
FRIDAY, MARCH 4th, 1938.



## The 23rd Annual Conference of the Methodist Women's Missionary Union.

HELD IN AUCKLAND ON OCTOBER 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th.

The first gathering in connection with the Conference was an afternoon at Kurahuna Maori Girls' School, Onehunga, where we had an opportunity of meeting Sister Netta Gittos and her girls, and seeing the home and garden. In the evening a very enjoyable social was held in the Pitt Street Schoolroom, and on Thursday evening a large audience gathered for the public meeting. Rev. E. T. Olds was chairman, and the speakers were Sisters E. Common, I. Jones, O. Bott, Nicholls, H. Taylor, and Rev. A. H. Scrivin.

Before the commencement of the session on Wednesday morning, delegates and friends met for the Communion Service, the address being delivered by Dr. Ranson. This was a hallowed hour, and as we gathered about the Lord's table we felt it was indeed a "trysting place" where we could meet our Lord and Saviour face to face. The atmosphere of this service pervaded the whole Conference. Prior to each session, a devotional period was conducted by various members, and in these "times of quiet" when we turned aside for awhile, we felt anew the challenge to greater devotion in our service. We realised the greatness of our opportunities, and the reality of the call to a more consecrated living.

The Balance Sheet showed a total income of £3564/10/8, being an increase in all funds. The donations for "Send the Doctor Back Fund" exceeded all expectations, the amount being £372/6/5. Included in that amount is £82/10/6—proceeds from Mrs. Ramsden's Cookery Book. It was decided to donate £100 each year for the next two years to the same fund. The Stamp Fund has brought in £53/13/2 during the year. The amount of £164/4/4 for medical work was allocated to the missionaries in the Solomons. The announcement of a gift of £50 was received with applause. The membership of the Union stands at 3081, showing an increase of 50 members, one Auxiliary

having doubled its membership and also its income. The Box Secretary reported that boxes to the value of £264 had been forwarded to the Solomons, while numerous parcels of clothing, etc., had been sent to our Deaconesses in N.Z.

### GREETINGS.

We wish all our readers a Very Happy Christmas and a New Year rich in service for the Kingdom Overseas. During the bi-centenary year of Wesley's great spiritual experience may many in the Solomons feel their hearts "strangely warmed."

Your happiness in 1938 will be the greater as you play a worthy part in the Great Missionary Enterprise of our Church.

Our objective for next year was set down as £1300 for the Foreign Mission Board, being £100 more for salaries, and £870 for the Home Mission Board, including an extra £50 to be paid only on the appointment of a Sister to help Sister Ivy. Before the close of the Conference two members of the H.M. Board visited us and assured us that the Board would gladly accept the £50, and that the assistant for Sister Ivy would be appointed as soon as possible.

Reports were received from Sisters on the Home Field and also from those Overseas. Miss Rishworth presented the 7th Annual Report of the work being carried on at "Kurahuna," pointing out the high standard being maintained. We rejoiced to hear of the girls who, after having returned to their homes, were seeking to live out amongst their own race the training they had received at the school. The £110 necessary for the enlargements at the school was donated chiefly by Auckland sympathisers, while the work was carried out by voluntary labour. It was

decided to combine with the Y.W.B.C. Movement of our Church in the production of a Prayer Leaflet. The need for missionary education amongst the children and Y.P. of our Church was stressed, and accounts were given of such work being already done in some places.

At the closing session we offered our gratitude and thanks to those who had carried on so successfully for the year—Mrs. Duke, Dominion President; Miss Purdie, Dominion Secretary; and Miss

Adams, Dominion Treasurer. To the new Dominion officers, Miss Rishworth, President; Miss Pearce, Secretary, and Mrs. Heighway, Treasurer, we pledge our loyalty. We know that in their new task they will have the guidance of God, and the prayers of the people of the Methodist Church of New Zealand in this great and glorious work of winning the people of the Solomon Islands and the native folk of our own land for Christ.

## Missionary Methods through the Ages

by Rev. G. T. MARSHALL.

(Continued from June Number.)

(4) The spirit of enterprise that preceded and followed the discovery of America was shared by the Catholic Church. Good men felt the call to claim for Christ the countries with which intercourse had been opened by exploration and commerce. The labours of Francis Xavier, "The Apostle of the Indies" (1506-1552) and of Las Casas (1474-1566) in Spanish America are held in deserved renown. The American historian, Parkman, describes in eloquent language the devotion and sufferings of Jesuit missionaries in North America. He says, "Inspired with a self-devoting zeal to snatch souls from perdition and win new empires for the Cross; casting from them every hope of earthly pleasure or earthly aggrandisement, the Jesuit fathers buried themselves in deserts, facing death with the courage of heroes and enduring torments with the constancy of martyrs." Parkman speaks regretfully of the futility of their labours. They could report copious lists of conversions because they reckoned every person baptised a convert, though an Indian would be baptised ten times a day for a pound of tobacco and regarded the crucifix with which he was adorned only as a glittering ornament. A better account is given of the labours of the Moravians in Pennsylvania. Their steadfast energy and regulated zeal were crowned with success and their converts had achieved both temporal and spiritual

prosperity when they were, without fault on their part, involved in much suffering in consequence of the rising of the tribes under the Indian chief, Pontiac (see Parkman's "Conspiracy of Pontiac"). The Roman Catholics tend to neglect teaching in their attention to the ceremonial of worship. Here, it seems to us, is their weakness. To present religion in symbol and sacrament without due interpretation is to leave character unchanged. It is to be noted that they modify their method when in competition with Protestantism.

(5) The Protestant churches, unfortunately, for the most part neglected Foreign Missions until the evangelical revival of the eighteenth century. The general feeling was that of the preacher who said to Carey, "Young man, if God wants to convert the heathen He can do it without you."

The great Missionary Societies had their rise at the beginning of the nineteenth century. Here again Church enterprise followed a secular movement. The industrial revival brought into existence businesses that needed more capital than individuals could supply, so joint stock companies were formed that the investments of many might provide the necessary funds. In a similar way combination of effort was required if the gospel was to be sent to the heathen. Hence the Missionary Society, through which the individual Christian can give practical



expression of his loyalty to our Lord's commission to his disciples, and can show that he is in harmony with the world view of the Kingdom of God as presented in the New Testament. Individual enterprise is not blocked or hindered. From time to time someone goes at his own expense to fill a gap that he sees in the cordon of mission stations that surround the world. It frequently happens that, in the end, these missions are taken over by one of the societies.

The need of the Missionary Society is illustrated by the story of the devoted Captain Allen Gardiner and his companions. It was his ambition to preach only in virgin fields of missionary endeavour. He arranged to be left, with six companions, at Tierra-del-Fuego. Their supplies became exhausted. They could obtain no food from the hostile natives and all died of starvation. The country was afterwards evangelised with remarkable results. A. T. Pierson writes: "Had some well-organised body of men and women kept up the line of communication

between the base of operation and the source of supplies, Allen Gardiner might not have fallen and the victory might not have been postponed for half a century."

When Paul and Barnabas were sent out the conditions were different. The church had not the means to keep up communications with their emissaries and to send supplies to them. The two apostles spoke a language understood by the people to whom they went, and if those to whom they ministered did not support them they could support themselves by their work. To-day, more elaborate provisions are necessary and possible. God calls for the use, in the interests of His kingdom, of all the resources which He has placed in our hands. Material possessions are given to us to be used for His glory. Business capacity should be consecrated to Him also.

I will conclude with a verse of an old hymn which I will leave untranslated:

Quo vos magistri gloria, quo salus  
Invitat Orbis, sancta cohors Dei,  
Portate verbum.

## Send The Doctor Back!

Gisborne Senior Girls B.C. (per Mrs. Hamble), 12/6; Inglewood, £1/10/-; Ngatea, £1; "Anon." Pitt St., 12/-; "X" Motueka, £2; Peggy and Nancy, 4/3; Combined Mt. Eden Inter. B.C., £1/5/-; Mt. Albert, 10/-; Miss Keast, Monks Spur, £1; Lismore Inter. S.S., £1; Willowby B.C., 5/6; Ashburton Baptist C.E. Society, £1/0/2; Mr. and Mrs. T.S., Pohangina, £5; Beckenham Y.W.B.C., £6; Misses Ballantyne, New Brighton, £2/15/-; Miss Cunninghame, Mt. Albert, £2; Gisborne, £4/5/-; Rotorua, £1; Miss D. W. Milne, Australia, 10/-; Sunshine Choir, Coromandel, 10/-; Gisborne Senr. B. C. Girls, 12/6; "Inasmuch," £5; Per Gina: Woodend, £1; Christchurch, £1; Mrs. Bilcliff, Ch.Ch., £1; Papanui Methodist Orphanage Children, 6/-; Addington, 4/6; Addington, 10/-; Mr. and Mrs. Nicholls, Te Kuiti, £3; Miss U. Dobby, Marshlands, 11/-; Trinity Congregational Church, Ch., £11/7/6; Sydenham, £1; Collegiate Church B.C., 10/-; Collegiate Church, "Anon.," 10/-; Collegiate Church C. B. Radcliffe, 10/-; Rev., Mrs. and Margaret Blight, £3; "Anon.," 10/-; Fitzroy Y.W.B.C., 5/-; Blenheim Friends, £1; Springlands B.C., £1/3/3; S.P. and J.W., Blenheim, 10/-; Richmond Ladies Guild, Ch.Ch., £1/1/-; St. Johns' Nelson Junr. Y.M.B.C., £1; "Helper," Hastings, £1; Papakura Y.P. Council, £2/11/6; Pukekohe S.S., per Lotu, 14/-; "Anon"

Levin, £1; W. G. Adkin, Levin, 10/-; E. Beckinsdale, Linwood, £1; Onehunga, £2/5/-; Mrs. J. Field, Riccarton, 12/-; Hamilton, £5/17/9; Wesley Junr. Choir, Oamaru, £1; Ngaio, £1; "W," Motueka, £1; Hamilton E. Kindergarten (Lotu), 10/-; Miss Geisler, Papakura, 10/-; Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnston, Oamaru, £2/2/-; E. Jones, Oamaru, 5/-; Mrs. Genge, Oamaru, 5/-; Hawkes Bay Manawatu Y.W.B.C., £3; C. D. Blackmore, Horrelville, £2; Evening given by Messrs Wilson and Kirk, St. Kilda, £3/8/-; Mrs. W. C. Allnut, Timaru, £5; Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Hughson, Opunake, £5; "Vauxhall," £2; Clarkville Flower Show, £1; C. Bennett, Kaipoi, 5/-; Mrs. S. J. Bounsall, 10/-; A. Friend, Coromandel, 2/6; "Medico," £50; E.D.P., 5/-; Mrs. Walker, Otorohanga, £5/0/6; Mrs. J. W. Court, Birkenhead, £1; Miss E. M. Crisp, Birkenhead, £1; Mrs. L. F. Martin, Birkenhead, £1/1/-; Senr. Girls B.C., Birkenhead, 12/-; Mrs. Brooker, Birkenhead, 10/-; Smaler sums, Birkenhead, 10/6; "Anon.," Beckenham, £1; Cambridge Terrace, 5/-; Whakatane, £5/10/-; George Ballantine, Inglewood, £1; Sefton Bible Classes, 12/6; Dr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, Invercargill, £50; M.W.M.U., Woodlands Street, £2/2/-; M.W.M.U., Addington, £7/1/6; M. F. Hutchens, Westport, £1; Wesley Girls Inter. B.C., Oamaru, 10/-; Mt. Eden Junior B.C., 6/-.

## Gina and Mr. and Mrs. Leadley say Good-bye!

### FAREWELL MESSAGE.

I have come to the end of my deputation work and have thoroughly enjoyed the joy and blessings from God in doing it. To my own experience I have gained more knowledge and help during my tour this year and I have been inspired by the response of the people throughout the Dominion, not only among our own circle of Methodism but the interest of our missionary work has been stimulated widely



Rev. B. Gina.

amongst other people and denominations. The blessing of God, our Father, has answered our earnest prayers and need, and the messages which have been delivered in churches or over the air have reached many hearts. The experiences which I have had during this year's deputation will be long treasured in my memory. To you friends in both islands I wish to extend my heartfelt thanks for all your hospitality and kindness. Words, however, fail to express my feelings. To you all I send a cheer.

To ministers and foreign mission secretaries in every circuit and district, I wish to express my sincere thanks for all your help in arranging services, meetings and accommodation. I wish to thank you also

for your earnest desire to rouse the missionary spirit in your churches and circuits.

Well, dear friends in New Zealand, it is hard that we have to say good-bye once more, but you know that I shall never forget you all, and I hope that you will always think of me and pray for me as well as for all our workers on the field. May the Spirit of the Master plant in your hearts the earnest desire to serve and follow Him. I trust that you will not forget me and the people in the Solomon Islands, pray that He will richly bless us to do our best to uphold the Banner of the Cross.

Christmas is coming, and it is the time when we think of those who are far across the sea, and I desire to send you all my heartfelt greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Bright New Year. May you find life much happier and brighter.

I know we shall be far apart from one another, but we can always meet together in our prayers round the Throne of Grace. May God bless you all.

Au Revoir, B. GINA.

On the 14th of December we are to sail from Auckland on our return journey to Roviana, and we are now looking forward with joy to our next period of service. The time has passed very quickly but we have benefited greatly as the result of our rest. People have been wonderfully kind everywhere and we thank all those who have helped to make our stay here so pleasant and profitable.

We are very pleased that we are taking back a wee sister and playmate for our little son Frank.

We have been cheered by the revived interest shown in Overseas Mission work and the promise of a doctor and two nurses in April is an added cheer indeed.

It seems certain that the Kingdom of Christ will continue to be extended among the people of the Solomons now that there is such prayerful interest and practical financial support shown by our people here in New Zealand.

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## WOMEN'S PAGES

## M.W.M.U.

Methodist Women's  
Missionary Union of  
New Zealand.

### PRESIDENT'S QUARTERLY LETTER.

Auckland,  
Nov. 1st, 1937.

Dear Auxiliary Friends,—

The 23rd M.W.M.U. Conference is past, and we are now trying to spread abroad amongst our members, the inspiration, the knowledge and the spirit of fellowship that we gained there. Our Communion service on the first morning of Conference made us conscious of the "Real Presence" in our midst and we felt Him abiding right through our sessions.

Our Dunedin Executive passed on their task to the new Executive in Auckland, and we are looking forward to a term of happy working together with our Auxiliaries. May we be able to still further spread the knowledge of the Love of God amongst our Maori and Solomon people.

One of the very bright spots of Conference was the welcome to Miss Effie Harkness as a new Sister. After a beautiful valedictory service in Trinity Church, Grafton Road, Sister Effie sailed on October 29th for Roviana. It is expected that she will help Sister Lina for six months while Sister Ada is on furlough. Then Sister Effie will go up to Southern Bougainville with Mr. and Mrs. Voyce when they return from their furlough.

Two nurses are offering for service in the Solomons—Miss Merle Farland and Joy Whitehouse. They have all three nursing certificates and the most satisfactory credentials. It is good to know that when the opportunity offers—as soon it must—to send out more nurses, that we have women who have heard Christ's call and have answered, "Here am I, send me." At one of our Conference sessions the Kurahuna Maori girls presented a religious drama, "The Quest of Humanity," and they also sang. The delegates—especially those from the South—were interested in meeting some of the girls whom they pray for and help in so many ways.

Sister Elizabeth Common got a warm welcome. She charms all by her piquant sense of humour, and she stirs our souls as she tells of the great needs of her Island women and children. She has had a period of great strain—for she is not a general nurse—yet many serious cases of illness, burns, etc., come for her care, and she has just to do the best she can with her limited knowledge. She has had 58 maternity cases in the nine years that she has been at Buka, and has not lost one. A fine record!

In a recent letter Sister Ethel McMillan tells of a trip to Gizo with four of her girls. These had never seen a big steamer or a store, so you can imagine their excitement. The first thing that they wanted to buy was a jar of brilliantine and a bottle of scent. Coralie, aged 6½ years, spent her wealth on a looking-glass and two bundles of beads. The girls were surprised at the size of the steamers and at the interest of the stewardess and tourists. The latter were amazed to hear that each girl—even 6-year-old Coralie—had made her own frock. Sister goes on: "I am sure that all who saw the girls would realise that nothing but the Gospel of Christ could bring about such a change.

In all the 25 years that Sister Ethel has been in the Solomons, she has never before seen the steamer from the day she landed until she boarded it again to return on furlough. This brings home to us something of the "cut-off" conditions in which our Sisters work when they live on the outer stations. Sister expects to come on furlough early in December, and hopes to spend Christmas with her aged mother in Melbourne.

At this festive season—a time of reunion in so many homes—our thoughts will be much with our workers who are so far from their own folk. We will especially remember Gina, who will be on

the sea at 'Xmas, travelling back to Mary and his children. He has been a wonderful gift from the native church to N.Z. Methodism.

On behalf of all our Auxiliary women, I should like to say a heartfelt "Thank you." He has brought fresh vision to us. Our love and prayers will go with him and Mary as they take up again their duties on Simbo.

The Executive join with me in sending Christmas greetings to you all.

Yours sincerely,

EMILY M. RISHWORTH.

### SISTER ELIZABETH COMMON.

Sister Elizabeth Common, who is on furlough from the Solomons, recently addressed Auxiliary members at Feilding, also B.C. girls and S.S. teachers. A valuable opportunity was given her listeners to ask questions relating to the overseas field.

Work among the women and girls of Buka was the subject of her address at the Wellington rally, and she spoke on similar lines at the combined meeting of Hutt, Petone and Waiwhetu Auxiliaries held at Petone. We have been privileged indeed to meet and hear Sister Elizabeth, and we pray that her work will be richly blessed.

### NOTES.

#### Taranaki-Wanganui District.

Wanganui Central has achieved its objective for the year and has doubled both membership and income. Much interest is shown in auxiliary matters.

Hawera is most enthusiastic in missionary efforts. A bazaar held at the end of July brought in £35. This group is not having the usual Xmas recess, but is holding its meetings as usual through the summer months. This is the best time of the year for outdoor functions and it is hoped to take advantage of the summer suns here for garden parties etc., etc.

Eltham membership has grown from 10 to 18 in the last six months. One member keeps a Birthday Book, calling on her friends on their birthdays and collecting 1/- for missionary funds.

Stratford was most enthusiastic in helping the Doctor fund by selling the cookery books compiled by Mrs. Ramsden.

## Here am I; Send me.

Sister Effie Harkness, after an impressive Valedictory Service at Collegiate Church, sailed from Auckland on October 29th and reached the Solomons a month later. Sister Effie is the latest addition to our Mission Staff. She is a well-qualified teacher and possesses Christian gifts and graces that eminently fit her for



Sister Effie Harkness.

missionary service. The urgent need of South Bougainville constrained her to gladly leave all—good salary, assured superannuation, home, kindred, and so many other things—to follow Him who called. She has missionary blood in her veins, being the daughter of the Rev. E. S. and Mrs. Harkness, and we entertain high hopes concerning her work in the Solomons.

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Please remember us daily in your prayers, for we know from experience the strengthening power of prayer. You who cannot go yourselves can be Prayer Partners and so help greatly in our work.

In His service,

Sincerely yours,

Amy Leadley.  
E. C. Leadley.



## Urgent & Important . . .

- OUR FINANCIAL YEAR CLOSES ON DECEMBER 31st WITH FOURTEEN DAYS OF GRACE. MONEY RECEIVED AFTER JANUARY 15th WILL BE TOO LATE FOR 1937 ACCOUNT.

**PLEASE help us by REMITTING EARLY.**

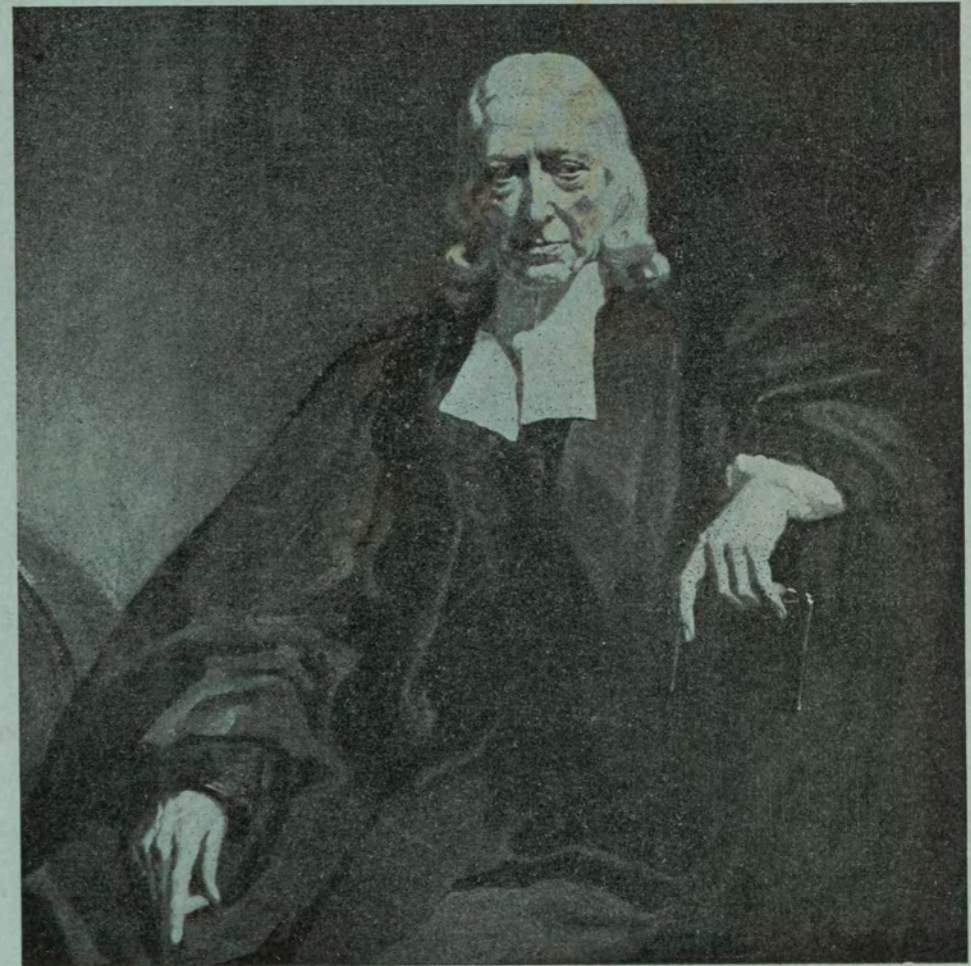
### Legacies.

From time to time friends of Missions have included in their wills Bequests to the Methodist Foreign Missionary Society's Funds. The following form for such a testamentary gift should be brought under the notice of the Solicitor drawing the will or codicil:—

#### FORM OF BEQUEST.

TO THE METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND.  
I GIVE UNTO THE TREASURER OR TREASURERS FOR THE TIME BEING OF  
THE METHODIST FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND THE  
SUM OF \_\_\_\_\_ POUNDS  
STERLING, TO BE PAID OUT OF MY PERSONAL ESTATE, IN AID OF THE  
SAID SOCIETY, AND FOR WHICH THE RECEIPT OF SUCH TREASURER OR  
TREASURERS SHALL BE SUFFICIENT DISCHARGE.

# The Open Door



JOHN WESLEY.

“About a quarter before nine . . . I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did, at that moment, trust in Christ, and in Christ alone, for my salvation. And an assurance was given me on the spot that He had taken away my sins, even mine, and had thus saved me from the law of sin and death.”—John Wesley's Journal, 24th May, 1738.

“The World is my Parish.”

—John Wesley.