

*"I have compassion on the multitude...I will not send them away hungry..." Matt. 15:32*

# COMPASSION

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## Abundant Blessing in 1961

As we are approaching the end of this year we are praising God for His marvelous blessing upon our Missionary work during this past year. Notice these figures: on January 1, 1960 E. S. E. A. was supporting 42 Homes in Korea and had 2278 children sponsored. By January 1, 1961 we expect to have approximately 4625 children sponsored of our over 6,000 children in 71 Homes. Surely we can only account for this as a marvelous answer to prayer. God gave us faith to promise support for these many new Homes when humanly speaking there was no support in view.

While we give all honor and praise to God, we must also give credit to our dear friends who have worked hard to make this blessed ministry known to others. We are very grateful to the 15 magazines that have carried our message to their readers. While this has required sizable sums of money, it has and is producing wonderful results. Since the Lord so unmistakably led me into this thrilling work of rescuing the Homeless in Korea for Christ and training them to be Christian leaders, I have been soundly convinced that there are great numbers of people who would be thrilled to have a vital part in it, **IF THEY ONLY KNEW THE FACTS, NEEDS, OPPORTUNITIES AND WONDERFUL BLESSING IT BRINGS, NOT ONLY TO THE CHILDREN, BUT TO THE SPONSOR.**

God has given us wonderful friends and supporters in all 50 States, many in Canada and in other countries on all 5 continents! Here is a recent example, Mr. Zoheir Jaded of Kuwait, Arabian Gulf wrote to me asking if we permitted an Arab to sponsor an orphan. This is his reply to my answer:

"Dear Mr. Everett F. Swanson:

Thanks a lot for your letter dated 15th Nov., 60. I am very pleased to know that I can sponsor an orphan.

First, I have to tell you that I am a Lebanese by nationality, Syrian by birth, didn't have the luck to complete my studies, for that purpose I wish to help an orphan girl to study and live a good life.

I promise to pay \$8 monthly regularly till (during) the time I am working. With this letter \$24 to cover the first three months.

Now for your question: "Am I an Arab Christian man?" Yes Sir, thanks to God, I am a Christian of the Evangelist Baptist Church. I mean I know Christ when I was 14 years old from a Baptist Mission in Lebanon.

Ending my letter I hope from God to bless your good work."

So we have people all over the world helping to do Missionary work in Korea. Of course most of them are in the United States.

## PROGRESS REPORT

**YOU WILL REJOICE** that the Revival in the Bethany Farm Home has continued until the last report we received stated that a total of 93 of the children had repented and professed to accept Christ as their Saviour!



**OPERATION LONG UNDERWEAR.** Thanks to the generosity of so many sponsors and friends this project has been a great success. Enough money has now been received to pay for all the clothing for all the children sponsored and unsponsored in all 71 Homes!! We have sent some extra where there was special need. The Superintendents of our Homes are expressing profound gratitude in every letter. Here is a picture of them all as they met in Taegu to receive instructions on the use of the funds and in acknowledging gifts from the donors.



## BURNED ORPHANAGE REBUILDING

I cannot give a complete report on this in this issue of **COMPASSION** and I'm sorry I do not have any picture of the progress in rebuilding. However, we do expect that the new building, better than ever, will be completed by the end of December. One corner with 3 rooms did not burn. These rooms, the Manager's house and a temporary shelter quickly thrown up, have kept the children warm and dry, although uncomfortable.

Gifts large and small are coming in daily for this purpose so we know we will be able to fully restore the Home with all the furnishings paid for! Praise the Lord. Our whole staff here at our ESEA office has been rejoicing as they daily see the mail carrier bring in many "Burned Orphanage Fund" envelopes. This wonderful response really shows the **COMPASSION** that ESEA supporters have.

We have reports of many parcels of used clothing, toys, etc., also being sent. To all who have and yet will help, we say "Thanks a million and God bless you." How we praise God for you.

Some have asked "Why didn't you have insurance?" As far as we know, there is no such thing available in Korea. The Home had received a few months ago a number of fire extinguishers from the City fire department. But only women staff members were in the Home at the time and they went into a panic. Their first concern was for the small children (they were not in school as most of the children were) and they did prevent anyone from being burned or hurt. Let us not condemn them. Remember hundreds of Church buildings burn in America every year!



Typical heavy warm clothing bought or made for over 6,000 children. I want to express my personal very deep gratitude to every donor. My, how you have warmed my heart. God bless everyone.



HOME OF COMPASSION

This entirely new orphanage which took in 60 boys from our Bethany Home to relieve their great number (304) is now completed. The picture above shows it almost finished. Below you see our newly completed main building of the Angels Orphanage in Taegu. The building of the new dining room-chapel and kitchen is well under way. Nearby American Army Personnel have helped some with materials and money.



## ORPHANAGE CHOIR RCA 33 1/2 L-P RECORDS

This fine album of 12 songs, "THE VOICES OF KOREAN ORPHANS," is being wonderfully received. Over 100 requests a day are coming in and the records are being mailed out with the picture of the choir. We are glad to give a colored slide too, to any group that might show the choir and listen to some of the songs.

We really want every supporter to enjoy hearing these children. So here is our new offer for 1961. We will gladly send one record upon request to anyone. Whenever possible, however, send at least \$1 extra for our cost of the record, packing and mailing.

## SPECIAL SPONSOR RESPONSE

We are happy to report that several offered to support the young man wanting to prepare for the ministry mentioned in the last issue of **COMPASSION**. Several regular sponsors have agreed to increase their support to \$15 a month and send their orphan young man to seminary. Below are two young people of our Holy Lamp Orphanage who feel called to Christian work and will enter seminary soon. What a marvelous investment to make in these promising dedicated young people, the fruit of Christian Orphanages!

Soon we will be telling you of what God has laid upon our hearts in increasing the number of pioneer evangelists we support. Many more will want "My own Foreign Missionary" we know. Wait for a special announcement about this.



## OFFICE WORKERS BADLY NEEDED

Because of our rapidly growing work we need more help to care for the mail each day. You must be a true born again Christian with a sincere desire to help with Missionary work. Typing is required. Good salary, comparable to other Christian Organizations in Chicago, social security, Blue Cross and vacation. Write giving full details, experience and testimony.

## ANNUAL FINANCIAL AND AUDITOR'S REPORT

Our financial report for 1960 will be sent with the March-April issue of **COMPASSION**. All on our mailing list at that time will receive it. Our periodic review of the mailing list will be done soon and non-contributors' names will be removed in the interest of economy.

## VERY IMPORTANT NOTICES

DO NOT send us MONEY for special gifts for your orphan at Christmas, birthday or at any other time, or send money to the orphanage to buy things for your own orphan. We CANNOT do this because of many problems involved. We encourage you to buy and send things directly to your orphan if you wish, although there is no obligation for you to do so.

DO NOT send any parcels or letters intended for your orphan to our Chicago office. Send them directly to Korea.

WE WILL accept and send on special money gifts for any evangelist and for young men and women in our special Student Category (College, Bible Institute, Seminary or Nurses Training).

DO NOT send money in any form to Korea (it will be returned to you if you do), but send it to our Chicago office. All funds, regular and special, are sent once a month only, all at one time. Time required for mailing, exchanging into Korean money and delivery is 4 to 5 weeks. (Example: all support money for the month of March is sent to Korea January 25 and delivered by March 1st.)

Nearly all sponsors WANT to continue until further notice after the 1-year period. If a sponsor does not return to us the picture, case history, etc., we assume they will continue being a sponsor. You do not need to notify us, just continue sending in the monthly support. If you must discontinue, be sure to return the papers, so we can try to find a new sponsor. We hope and pray all will be able to continue.

### MY TESTIMONY

I knew there was a God but I never had a chance to know Him. I had believed that I could get the answer to life by trying by my own will to lead a righteous life until a friend of mine asked me to visit a Campus Crusade for Christ, where the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ was explained to me. One day I received an invitation from a Campus Crusade for Christ here in Taegu to attend a Personal Revolution Conference which was going to be held at the seaside.

The first two days, I studied the Bible very hard to understand God's Word in the Holy Scripture. I asked Jesus come into my heart since I had known from them that I was a sinner, and I needed Salvation of God through Jesus Christ our Saviour.

Then I knew that God answered my Prayer for I felt a great inner happiness and joy in my heart which I had never experienced in my life. My heart was filled with assurance of Salvation and gratitude toward love of God, and there I determined to be a faithful servant of the Lord throughout rest of my life. I know now that I am born again, for I had accepted Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour.

The only thing I hope is to share this greatest joy with others as Christ taught us by saying "Go Ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature".

SUH SU WON

(Su Won is a fine Korean office secretary and translator for ESEA.)



## SUPERINTENDENT WRITES

Thanks to your monthly support, we are greatly encouraged in the management of our Home. When mailman comes to our Home to deliver letters from the U. S. to the children, they would run to the mailman and surround him; everybody expecting a letter from their sponsors. So often such a sight moved me even to tears. We cannot help praising the Lord and thanking you for your efforts when we see the children shout in joy and happiness in receiving letters and presents from their sponsors. But it is heartbreaking to see the unsponsored children envy the sponsored. You have told us to be patient, but we hope it will not be very long before they would also be sponsored.

Sometime ago we received the Bible picture rolls. They are wonderful and thank you very much. They help us greatly in teaching the Bible to the children.

(These are provided and sent each quarter by ESEA to all our homes.)

Mrs. Choe Kee Sook, Supt.,  
House of Hope, Taegu.

### KIND WORDS FROM GOOD FRIENDS

#### A TEENAGER SAYS

Dear Sir:

The enclosed money order is for my Korean orphan, Kim Sung Ki, number 11, at the Children's Protective Home in Pusan, Korea. This makes my year's payment complete. I want to continue supporting Kim and will let you know later on if I will be able to.

Thank you so much for caring enough for Christ to care for these children. I want to thank you personally for the opportunity to serve my Lord in this glorious way. Even though I'm just an American teenager, I still realize His love for all the children everywhere.

You are in a wonderful work. My prayers are with you.

#### TUGS AT ONE'S HEART STRINGS

Dear Mr. Swanson:

Enclosed is my check for \$24.00 for the quarterly support of the little Korean child, Lee Yung Sook, number 26.

I was so happy to receive the information regarding her and the orphanage. Surely their plight tugs at one's heart strings!

The little one's smile was precious. Her birthday is this month, so I shall send her a gift and write her.

I am hoping to interest others in caring for these unfortunate children. God has said "unto whom much is given, much will be required", but even without such a warning, it seems we should be overjoyed to share our much with their poverty.

My prayers for God's blessing on the work and workers as each look to Christ for direction and guidance in all things.

#### A PASTOR SAYS

Your fine work here with us has been continually appreciated. It left both results and a fine spirit in the church. How we praise the Lord for all His goodness.

He has continued to bless and we have seen several folks saved since the meetings, too. Last Sunday two high school lads responded to the invitation. Seven were baptized last Sunday night and eight will be welcomed. Seven others are ready for Baptism.

Greetings to your wife. It was good to have both of you here. The Lord's blessing on your work!

THE EVERETT SWANSON EVANGELISTIC ASSOCIATION does evangelistic work mainly in the U. S., Canada, and Korea. It is supporting orphanages, widows' homes, homes for lepers' children, scores of national evangelists, literature, evangelism, etc. Our work is interdenominational, Biblical, evangelical. It is incorporated under the laws of the State of Illinois as a non-profit organization. All gifts to our work are recognized by the U. S. Treasury Dept. as deductible on your income tax report.

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### A DOCTOR AND HIS WIFE WRITE

Dear Mr. Swanson:

We received the book "The Christ of the Korean Heart". I have read it—in fact—finished it all in one night. My husband will soon be reading it, and will enjoy it as much as I, I'm sure. It was a wonderful book; interesting, challenging, searching and spiritually uplifting.

Your kind gift was very much appreciated. Also, may I say, we have received blessings untold since sponsoring a little orphan. How we've enjoyed it! You are to be commended for the work you are doing. And for those dear Korean children and adults who are caring for them, we give thanks. It must thrill the Lord Jesus to see the faith expressed by these dear ones.

Again, thank you for what your association has done for us. It has given us hours of joy and made us very glad we took a minute to answer one of your ads in a magazine.

### PRIVILEGE AND COMMAND

We thank the Lord that we can have a small part in helping one who is not so fortunate as we.

We pray God's richest blessing on your ministry in caring for the needy ones over there. Truly it is our privilege and command!

"Faith without works is dead", says the Bible!

### A SCHOOL NURSE

I am enclosing a check for \$96, payment for our Korean orphan, Jung Jin Hui, #43 from Chung Dong Won Orphanage, whose name you gave to us. This is for her care for one year.

As I explained to you, my group of students belong to The Future Nurses Club. This is the most enthusiastic group of students to have ever launched a program here, I believe. It is endorsed by the teachers and parents as well as the students other than the future nurses' group. Besides their dues, the girls sold recipes and served refreshments two different nights during the faculty show to make money for their "baby" of whom they are so proud.

Thank you for sending such a sweet little "four year old" that they requested.

### ONE OF OUR FIRST SPONSORS

It is such a pleasure and blessing to correspond with my little orphan girl. She is going into Junior High now, and is excited about every new phase in her life. She sends me snap shots of herself with each item received through me.

I hope you and your family are keeping well. It was so nice to have met you again last year. In looking back to when I first took on supporting an orphan, your efforts at gaining support for many little ones and missionary personnel has enlarged to a great measure. For that we can praise God. Thank you for letting me be blessed through serving. It does enlarge my avenue of service to be able to support Jung Ja Lee.