

Dear Interested Praying Friend:

This letter is one of the most urgent and important that I have ever written. It could determine the destiny of souls, yes, even thousands I believe. Please read it carefully and prayerfully. It is sent to a select number of pastors, churches, groups and individuals of various denominations whom I feel would give sympathetic consideration to what I have to say, people I have ministered to and who have ministered to me in the last few years.

I am an evangelist, but as the result of doing evangelism in many other countries, God has given me a real world vision and deep love to see men saved everywhere. Because my ministry was so fruitful in Korea on both of my evangelistic tours there, (approximately 30,000 professed conversions) I have perhaps a greater interest there than other places. Since returning home a year and a half ago, I have tried my best to do something about the tremendous needs, physically, materially and spiritually, over there. The opportunities now to evangelize and win thousands to Christ before it is too late, are staggering.

First, let me report what God hath wrought in this short time thru you and hundreds of others with gifts varying from \$2,000 to one cent! (God bless every one)

ALASKA---	Buildings and other needs in Mt. View, Spenard and City View	\$2176.51
INDIA---	Helping to build the Tezpur Christian Hospital, Assam	897.36
JAPAN---	Purchase of Miss Elsie Funk's English Ford car	1700.00
MEXICO---	Helping to buy Jesse Perfecto's Jeep Station Wagon	600.00

KOREA---

1) Orphanage and Children's support (73 now)	5050.00
2) Christian literature Book Shops (about 84 opened or planned)	1075.00
3) Ford truck to service these shops	2200.00
4) Publishing hundreds of thousands of copies of bi-monthly revival paper "VICTORIOUS LIVING"	3565.00
5) Helping to purchase Revival Center Building in Taegu	1400.00
6) Support of full time evangelists	2320.00
7) Gospels of John thru Pocket Testament League	300.00
8) Two of my Korea films for Chaplain Slater	300.00
9) Purchase of movie film and projector for use in Korea	423.84
10) Tons of used clothing worth thousands of dollars	

GRAND TOTAL\*\*\*\*

\$22,007.71

Besides this, many offerings were taken and sent by churches and individuals that never passed thru my hands. Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Only eternity will reveal the many thousands that have heard the Gospel of Christ and perhaps thousands that have been saved. All of you who helped to send me to win thousands for Christ, supported my evangelistic work in the States and have made the above report possible, will rejoice I'm sure in funds wisely invested for time and eternity. God keeps the books and He will surely richly reward you.

A few days ago, I received an urgent letter from my missionary friend, in Taegu, Rev. Robert Rice, telling me of a great opportunity to send out at least 15 evangelists into unevangelized areas of Korea, where they actually are sending out messengers asking for someone to come to their villages and tell them about Christ!!! He pleaded with me to do what I could from over here to get these men out NOW. In nearly every letter during the last several months Mr. Rice has asked if I could not come this year and help in the great task of evangelism. I told him that I could not come this year but would do all I could from over here. In this last letter he said "you have a STANDING invitation as you know". I feel that these evangelists and other work I am supporting will accomplish more just now than I ever could. I may have to go over there to help coordinate all this and look after my interests, but not for a few months at least.

These evangelists are trained, waiting and ready to GO! Some of these men are refugees from the North, have lost everything including their families, but are on fire for God. But they need support. This is real relief and rehabilitation with evangelism included! Listen. For \$20 a month you can have your own missionary "substitute" as a full time worker in Korea. Think of It! For \$240 a year he will be your own missionary and all 15 of them for only \$3600 a year! Less than what some of us have as an annual income.

When this appeal came to me, I did not know what to do. But I prayed, read the Word and God answered that I should assume their support for one year. (that's all Mr. Rice asks, hoping most of them will be self-supporting in a new church by the end of the year) I immediately wrote out my own check for \$300 for the first month's support and wrote Mr. Rice to engage them all and I would trust God and his people to supply the need.

We may be preparing a new group of martyrs but NOW is the time to act. Tomorrow may be too late. Communism is spreading the whole Far East. Everyone knows that.

So, dear friend, this is my appeal. One man has already asked to take one of these "substitute missionaries". I have asked for pictures of all the men with a biographical sketch. Each church, Sunday School, class, Ladies or youth group or

individual taking on this evangelist will have the privilege of writing regularly directly to him and receiving letters directly from him. These men will work under the Christian Revival Fellowship in Taegu (interdenominational) of which Mr. Rice is the Director and I am a honorary member of the Board of Directors.

What ever your position, will you not pray over this matter and present it some way so that these wonderful evangelists may have their support and win thousands to Christ in the next year? Some may be able to take only  $\frac{1}{2}$  support or some  $\frac{1}{4}$ , but if enough help, it will bring the same result. Some may want to send a lump sum.

Some may not be able to help or to get others to help. Some may not like this direct appeal. If so, be good enough to pray for some one who has had a vision and burden for these poor lost souls. I have absolutely no other interest whatsoever than to see souls saved "while it is yet day". If the Lord should come in the next year, I'm sure we would all be glad for this and all other efforts to win the lost for Christ. I correspond with about 75 missionaries around the world and if I have their heart beat at all, it is that the time is short. Shall we sit by and twiddle our thumbs, or carry on business as usual? God help us to see that the whole world is in a great orises, with "men's hearts failing them for fear, looking after the things coming on the earth".

I shall be prayerfully waiting to hear soon from those whose hearts the Lord touches. He will reward you in His own way.

God continue to bless my evangelistic ministry with larger attendances and more fruitful results. Praise His holy name. May He bless your faithful witness and keep you on the "firing line" day after day until He comes.

Sincerely in Him for Souls Everywhere,

Everett F. Swanson, Evangelist

P.S. There are some married evangelists needing \$40-\$50 a month support. I now have 4 such full time workers. Some church will want to take on one of them.

All my other work over there must go on too. The need for good used clothing is still great. Especially for evangelists. Send anything except ladies hats and high heeled shoes. Suits, overcoats, shirts, socks and even men's ties are needed. Remember, cold weather is coming soon. Send to Rev. E. F. Swanson, % Rev. Robert Rice, Presbyterian Mission, Christian Revival Fellowship, APO 234, %P.M. San Francisco, Calif. Weight limit each package is 70 lbs. Size limit: 100 inches length and girth. Please mail not more than 2 packages on any one day. I still need more to "adopt" a poor homeless child for \$4 a month in my Samchok orphanage. Also a new orphanage to be built soon. Many more need to be cared for. Can you help?

#### Prayer and Praise

Thank God for His marvelous provisions for the projects mentioned earlier.

Thank God for the many that have been saved.

Thank God for every faithful missionary and native worker.

Thank God for every faithful pastor and church preaching the Gospel and interested in revival and evangelism.

Pray for all these efforts and converts.

Please pray for my services this Fall:

Sept. 7-19, Bethel Baptist, Mankato, Minn.

Sept. 26-Oct. 10, First Baptist, Oakland, Neb.

October 17-31, Central Baptist, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

Nov. 7-21, Trinity Baptist, Brockton, Mass.

Nov. 28-Dec. 12, Minnehaha Baptist, Minneapolis, Minn.

"Now I beseech you, brethren, for the Lord Jesus Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit, that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me. Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen" Romans 15:30,33

# THE LORD'S DAY

October 2, 1954

9:45 A.M.

**BIBLE SCHOOL** - Attendance last Sunday 385. Our goal of 575 is far from being reached. We need the support and enthusiasm of every person; otherwise "Operation Increase" will fail in our church. Help yourself. Be a co-getter of new folk.

11:00 A.M.

**MORNING WORSHIP** - The sermon is "The Partnership of the Church." The choir and Mrs. Ernest Comte will add blessing by their singing. The Lord's Supper will follow. Nursery, Primary and Junior churches are provided for young folk.

5:00 P.M.

## Youth Reception for Students

Informal get-acquainted time, excellent music by the "Joint Heirs" of Aurora, devotional time and refreshments. All young folk and students invited.  
Dr. - Hi Fellowship room in their own room.

6:30 P.M.

**WALL-SERVICE PRAYER** - This is a growing group. Get in on the blessing in the Prayer Room.

7:00 P.M.

**EVENING GOSPEL HOUR** - The sermon by the pastor is "Choosing Life or Death." The "Joint Heirs" of Aurora will bring special music. The Nursery will be open for little ones. Don't miss this event. Invite others to enjoy these blessings with you.

## Music

... we are rejoicing as a church that John Wilson felt led of the Lord to accept our call to become director of music in our church. We urge everyone who loves the Lord and enjoys singing to unite with the choir.

... "Operation Increase." We need the support of everyone in our Bible School and Sunday School to reach our goal. If everyone who is present, we would like to see you invite others! ... We have been grateful for the generous response by many, but our need is still present. We are yet in a deficit. Pray that the Lord might work in our midst to meet these needs. Do what he indicates you should do in your giving.

The rose on the pulpit indicated that Nancy Lee Van Ver Veer, born Feb. 26, 1951, is a new trade folk member. Welcome! She is daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Van Ver Veer of 3040 ... will serve at the Lord's Supper ... Westerberg, ... E. Stenstrom, ...

... new folk in our church ... will return if you are friendly ... call the Lord on your church ... neglected in this ... resolutions, made by the Baptist Conference of ... are on the ... board ... they read them! ... envelope number ... envelope ... some one

## NEXT WEEK

- Mon., Oct. 4, 7:30 A.M. - Church Visitation. Each member and staff member and of floor of the church, and all who love the Lord are urged to help out at church.
- 7:00 p.m. - Colonial of G.M.C.
- Tues., Oct. 5, 8:00 P.M. - Pilgrims of G.M.C.
- 8:00 p.m. - Bible School meeting at church. All sessions, and inspired with ... Secretary of ...
- Wed., Oct. 6, 7:45 P.M. - Film "Assassin of Youth" - no one should miss it! See enclosed flier.
- Thurs., Oct. 7, 2:00 P.M. - Dorcas meeting. Mrs. Clement Albert, missionary appointed, will speak. Hostesses: Mrs. Eli Gustafson and Mrs. Peter Larson. All ladies are cordially invited.
- 7:00 p.m. - Pioneers of Boys' Club.
- Fri., Oct. 8, 7 P.M. - Pals of Boys' Club.
- 8:00 p.m. - Choir ... member is urged to be present. All who love the Lord and enjoy singing are invited.
- Sat., Oct. 9, 10:30 P.M. - ... church. All young adults ... (Oct. 3 p.m.) ... Souls in Conflict at Orchestral Hall.
- Sun., Oct. 10, 6:30 P.M. - Christian Committee