

GLEAMINGS FROM THE MAILBAG

An Unsaved Person-- "I can't begin to pay you for the value received attending your services. The sermons were all "gooder" each time. A minister once said that sinners or non-Christians' prayers are not heard by God. Does the Bible state such a thing and where? I didn't get enough courage to repent and become a true Christian, but I am going to live a much better life from now on. Of course, 'That's not enough'. I hope, someday, not too late, I can do better. I am hoping, not praying, that God will give you more and more courage in the future and make your sermons more and more powerful. God bless you and yours, if I, as a non-Christian, can use GOD's name."

Four Girls Get a Brother-- "We are happy to send this check for Kim. Our 4 daughters are thrilled with having a brother, and our 5 year old asked, "Does Kim know about Jesus?" I'm sure this 'adoption' will do more for our family than for Kim."

Youth Sponsor-- "I am sending \$5 for the month's support for our Korean girl from the Y.P. Society here. They have named her Joy for short."

A Pastor-- "Yesterday as I was doing some back correspondence, I realized that I had never written to you and told you how much I appreciated your ministry here amongst us. I feel that it was all very definitely led of the Lord, your coming, the arrangements, etc. Praise His name. To me personally it brought many joys. To realize who are some of the born again Lutherans, the impact that it bore to the community, and of course the souls that were converted. Last, the new surge of interest awakened in my own life that is still progressing rapidly and the deepened interest in the church. Well, thank you, Everett, for your ministry. Its affects are far from being known entirely I can assure you."

A Business Man-- "God has certainly blessed our home since you were here for meetings. Our daily devotions which we started have been a real help and blessing in our spiritual growth. I am leaving soon for a little trip and am planning on passing out gospel tracts along the way. (later) We had a wonderful trip and it was a thrill to witness for Him."

Beggar Boy-- "My mother died early and my father left me behind. Then my brother sneaked off. I started looking but I lost even my brother. At last I came to New Life Boy's Home. I could learn about Jesus, too, here. My life is now very happy. My songs are full of happiness! Jung Yun Bu, 10 years old."

A Medical Doctor-- "Thank you for your kind letter and your booklet "What Must I Do To Be Saved?" which you gave on your visit to my office. I have read it with great interest and hope that some day I will fulfill this experience. Thank you for your concern and prayers on my behalf." P.S. Attached please find my July check for your Korean orphanage".

A Grateful Mother-- "My opinion of these meetings; the best I have ever heard and my daughter was converted! May God bless you."

A 13 Year Old Girl-- "I sure enjoyed everything, singing, the films, and the sermon. I hope you will come back again. May God bless you and keep you that you may still be an evangelist. I will pray for you."

Not Baptists But-- "As you might happen to remember, we are not Baptists, but we are saved people, even if we are Lutherans. And our feelings are in accordance with you. We wonder how we are going to pay our bills but yet we have so much in comparison with the Koreans. We will set aside \$5 per month to support one orphan and if we can, more later."

A Newly-Converted Soldier-- "They had an old fashioned camp meeting last week down on the Ohio River. We sure had a wonderful time there. Although I was converted thru you on the train last March 3rd, I still had a carnal nature about me and I laid it on an altar of prayer at the camp meetings. Must close and read my Testament awhile before lights out." (over, please)

Evangelist Kim Tae Heh: "Dear Brother Swanson, I pray God keep and bless you wherever you may be. We all Christians here have been praying for those who do not believe in God. I and my co-workers have been going round the villages and churches in this district conducting revival meetings. In the daytime we preach with the tracts from the Christian Revival Fellowship, and in the night we preach God at church. We make ourselves much busy and are much interested in our work. I need projector badly for my revival work. (Kerosene lantern since has been given him which we sent) I don't think I have my own things at all, for I surrender all to my God. Thank you for sending us our salary each month. I pray God for you and those who help you in the great work. I and my co-workers all thank you for your great assistance for us. But this area, as you know, has churches first time, so in everything there are many difficulties. I don't expect much salary but just enough for living. That is all I want. My wife brought forth a boy-child two months ago. They are well. I named my son Paul. Take good care of yourself. In the Love of Christ.

A Presbyterian Missionary: "We still hear the finest of reports from your meetings here last year. More than any other Westerner who has visited here, you made for Him the deepest impact because of your Bible filled messages. We praise Him, and also thank you, for what the Holy Spirit did last Easter time. Be assured of our continued prayers for you and yours as you work together with Him for the reclaiming of souls unto the Redeemer, Jesus Christ, our Lord."

Another Missionary: "Your work certainly is a blessing to the orphans of Korea. Your continued concern for their welfare is bringing aid to such a large number of these children in great difficulties."

Boy's Home Unique: "There are several things of interest that I should be reporting to you concerning the Boys' Home. First concerns the continuing need to take beggar boys off the street. The government agencies are very concerned about the situation and want to get as many into institutions as possible. But the beggars don't want to stay in a regular orphanage. The Boys' Home is one of the few places where they will stay. So they wanted us to take our boys and put all of them into other orphanages and start all over again with a new group. This was out of the question. But we did recognize our responsibilities for doing something to aid the beggars and also to win them to Christ. Therefore we decided to transfer about thirty of the best boys to some of the better Christian orphanages and to keep a good strong nucleus to aid with working the new boys into the routine of the Home. These boys also are assisting in the recruiting of new boys from the streets. In this way the Boys' Home will be able to do something that the regular orphanages have not been able to accomplish. So far the thirty have been happily resettled in their new homes and ten new boys have been recruited from the streets. The other 20 should be coming soon."

Beggar Boy's Testimony: "Often I singing Hymn on the way return home from school. Since I became one boy of the New Life Boy's home I have self-conscious Jesus Christ in my heart. Jesus Christ is treasures of mine. I determined really believe to God here. I lost my parents by the war, but I have Father in the heaven." Sur Jung Woon, nine years.

We needed This: "You may remember that in front of the Boy's Home there was a rather old and substantial building. Well, the people felt that the evil spirits were after them, so they sold out and moved on. The man who bought the house tore it down leaving a very good well beside the Home. Mr. Kim was able to get together enough money to buy the well and 360 pyong of land for 75,000 won. (a little over \$100) This is a very good price and improves the Home's location greatly." (Amen, the evil spirits helped us that time!)

I'm A Sinner Man! "Unfortunately, I have lost my parents by Korea War. So I wondered everywhere. Though a child, I had been ideas of a man. I have many crimes. Since I became a member of New Life Boy's Home I told it all to God. God Love Me! I'm sinner man. I pray to God in early morning. So, this Life is glad home! Kim Hi Uk, 15 years old.