

VERY MUCH JOY AND SATISFACTION is missed because of wrong attitudes of Christian people toward the great question of World Fellowship, sometimes called the Missionary Movement in the Church. Doubtless there are many millions of American Christians who pay "apportionments" that have been "handed down", that being their chief relationship to this great enterprise. The Bible says "Where there is no vision, the people perish"; we realize that our people need a real vision of the world and its needs. Just now when daily headlines in the papers widen horizons of our people, it is well for Christians to know something besides the news of destructive activities in other lands by becoming intelligent with regard to the constructive Christian programs overseas. Clear understanding of the Missionary Program of the Church will make financial cooperation a joy.

PASSENGERS COMING ON THE GRIPSHOLM from China last August reported that after the declaration of war, the Japanese took full possession of our compound at Taian, our home since 1903. Chinese workers were driven out and not even allowed to use the church for worship. Our home and the other buildings, hospitals, schools, etc., are all used as military headquarters. Of course we have no hope of seeing any of our personal things again. Most important is the report that our Chinese Christian leaders are carrying on as much of the work of the Church as is possible; they certainly need your prayers during these hard days.

MISSIONARY WORK AFTER THE WAR will offer an unprecedented challenge to all Christian people. There must be no delay now in the preparation for a great forward movement to be launched as soon as war clouds lift. As a matter of fact, some new missionaries are even now in training preparing to join the older workers as they go out to help China and other nations during the great days of reconstruction. Personally, we feel especially that the great China which will emerge from this war must be led to become a Christian nation. For our own field, the Shantung Annual Conference, we are eager to have our friends prepare for us the funds required to make possible the use of every trained Chinese worker, re-open schools and develop medical work.

MADAME KIANG KAI SHEK is now in this country. We hope that after all her hospitalization she may have a great hearing around this country. No doubt you will all watch for the opportunity to hear the inspiring messages from this great woman. Her constructive writings in magazines and books along the line of "China Resurgent" and "China Shall Rise Again" are most thrilling as she shows undaunted faith together with statesmanlike programs to be followed immediately after the war. It is for us Christians to see that the Missionary Movement in China will not lag behind other activities in the reconstruction era.

We are always glad to receive your letters.

Ever loyally yours,

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