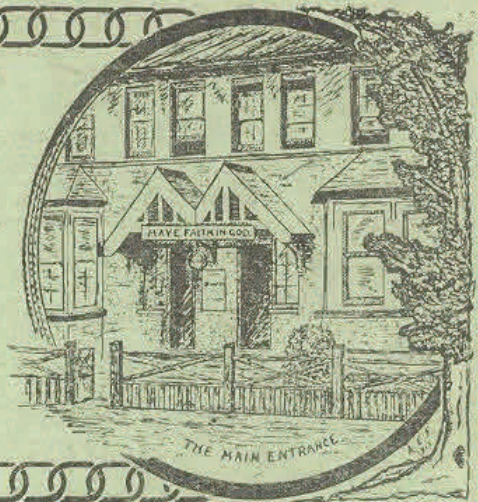


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The Monthly Prayer and Praise Meeting is held in the Home at 3 p.m. every first Thursday in the month. You are welcome.

# CHILDREN'S HOME LINKS



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2. To be the means in God's hands of bringing the children to know the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Saviour.
3. Of proving that God is able to answer prayer by appealing to Him alone for funds.

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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

Our first note is one of praise to our gracious God for the many deliverances and answers to prayer which He has been pleased to give and send during the past three months. Praise for spiritual blessing received, praise for physical blessings which we have enjoyed and praise to Him for supplying our temporal necessities. We join with the Psalmist who said, "O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works to the children of men." Spurgeon once said, "If we complained less and praised more we should be happier and God would be more glorified. Let us daily praise God for common mercies—common as we frequently call them and yet so priceless that when we are deprived of them we are ready to perish. Let us bless God for the eyes with which we behold the sun, for the health and strength to walk abroad, for the bread we eat, for the raiment we wear. Let us praise Him that we are not cast out among the hopeless, or confined amongst the guilty; let us thank Him for liberty, for friends, for family associations and comforts; let us praise Him, in fact, for everything which we receive from His bounteous hand, for we deserve little, and yet are most plenteously endowed. But, beloved, the sweetest and the loudest note in our songs of praise should be of redeeming love. God's redeeming acts towards His chosen are for ever the favourite themes of their praise. If we know what redemption means let us not withhold our sonnets of thanksgiving. We have been redeemed from the power of our corruptions, uplifted from the depth of sin in which we were naturally plunged. We have been led to the Cross of Christ—our shackles of guilt have been broken off; we are no longer slaves but children of the living God, and can antedate the period when we shall be presented before the Throne without spot or wrinkle or any such thing. Even now by faith we wave the palm-branch and wrap ourselves about with the fair linen which is to be our everlasting array, and shall we not unceasingly give thanks to the Lord our Redeemer? Child of God, canst thou be silent? Awake, awake, ye heirs of glory, and lead your captivity captive, as ye cry with David, "Bless the Lord, O my soul: and all that is within me bless His holy name."

We heartily thank all our friends for allowing God to use them in supplying our needs and especially for the gifts they sent along at Christmas time. The children greatly appreciated what was done for them, and a most enjoyable time was spent.

We have received during the past quarter (November, December and January) £259 14s. 3½d., bringing the total up for the nine months to £524 13s. 0½d. For the same nine months last year we received £527 4s. 5d.

Please book Thursday, May 28th for our 14th Annual Meetings. Mrs. Florence L. Barclay has again promised to speak. Full particulars will be sent later. Pray for blessing.

Friends desirous of seeing over the Home can do so any afternoon between 3 and 5 o'clock except Sundays and Mondays and children can be seen by their relatives and friends every Saturday between 6 and 8 p.m.



Will the box-holders kindly send the contents of their boxes on or before the 30th April, as that date closes our year, and we are anxious to include the same in our Annual Statement.

We regret very much to report that our friend and supporter, Mr. George White (my Uncle), of Bush Hill Park, went to his eternal rest on the 21st November last. Some of our friends will remember he took the chair in the evening at our ninth Annual Meeting, and his helpful words are still fresh in some of our memories. He said that the history of the Home had been Trust in God all along the line and that had been the secret of its success. He hoped those who sympathised with the work would not let their sympathy evaporate uselessly, but would see that it crystallised in a practical way to help on the work. This makes the fifth friend we have lost during the past year.

I have had the pleasure of either conducting or speaking at meetings in Woodford, Stoke Newington, East Coast of Scotland, Tower Hill, Anstey, Walthamstow, Hampton Hill, Twickenham, Great Hormead, High Wycombe, Chingford, Puckeridge, and the Word has proved to be the Power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth.

## ❖ DIARY. ❖

### NOVEMBER.

- 1st. Brentwood 5s.
- 3rd. Wanstead, with "I am glad to be able to send you P.O. for 10s. 6d. for your Home and pray that you and your workers and all the inmates may be greatly blessed by our Heavenly Father. Further, I pray that your example of leaving all and following Jesus may be followed by others in our parish as it shall please God."
- 4th. Blackheath 8 guineas, Limehouse 5s., Kilburn £1, Camden Town £1, 2 parcels of second hand clothes.
- 5th. 2lbs. dripping, 2 pairs knickers.
- 6th. Plaistow £1, Chingford 1s. 11½d.
- 8th. Ilford 14s., Woodford 4s., Barking 7s. 6d., Limehouse 5s.
- 10th. Tooting £1 4s., Edinburgh £1, Woodford (specially for boots) 8s.
- 13th. Isle of Wight £3 10.
- 14th. London 8s., Brighton contents of box 10s. 6d.
- 15th. College Park 8s., Woodford 3s., 3s., Limehouse £1 5s.
- 16th. North Berwick 1 large quilt,
- 17th. Kensington 8s.
- 18th. Parcel of clothes, Hampstead 12s., Dalkeith £3, Woodford 1s., Wandsworth £1 5s.
- 19th. Brentwood 3 guineas.
- 21st. 1 pair knickers.
- 22nd. Parcel of clothes, College Park 8s., Woodford 3s., Walthamstow £1.
- 24th. Kensington 8s., Kirkcaldy 5s., Southsea for "Home Cot" 10s., Colchester 11 hats, 12 pairs gloves, 1 muff, 7 bonnets, 11 pinafores, 1 apron, 3 prs. knickers, 1 pr. stays,

1 coat, 3 petticoats, 4 kettle holders, 2 books, 2 coats.

26th. Woodford 5 shirts, 2 prs. knickers, one packet Christmas cards.

27th. Leytonstone 2s. 6d., Woodford £1 10s. (especially for blankets). For "Home Cot" £5.

28th. Croydon 10s., Leytonstone Sewing Meeting 7 chemises.

29th. College Park 8s., Barking 7s. 6d.

30th. From one of our old girls 11s., Woodford £1 10s. £3 18s.

### DECEMBER.

1st. Kensington 8s., Deal 8s., with "Am enclosing small cheque being the amount collected in your thankoffering box. Truly the Lord is good and a stronghold in the day of trouble and He knoweth those who put their trust in Him. Dwelling in Him and trusting should be the habitual portion of His own blood bought ones. What a privilege, for He hath brought us into a large place. With love in the Lord, to yourself and all the dear ones with you." P.S. Half for "Home Cot." Brentwood 5s., Stoke Newington 3s. 10½d., Walthamstow 6s. 7d., London £2.

4th. £9 2s. being proceeds of a sale held at Leytonstone. The following will explain: "In reply to your letter the little Bazaar held at my house originated in a conversation with my maids who took a great interest in it, resulting in what you are now acquainted with. I might say that my friends and acquaintances were all keen buyers." This came as a pleasant surprise and a great encouragement and is an earnest of what



God is going to do for us during this month, Leyton 12s.

6th. Edinburgh £2, Ilford 14s., Malvern £1, College Park 8s., Plaistow £1, Woodford 7s. 9d., 15s. 6d., Kensington 8s.

8th. £2 5s. 4d. I was away this week end preaching at Anstey and without any suggestion from me a box was held at the door to receive an offering for our work, with this splendid result. My expenses were also met apart from this. 4s. 1½d. taken at a Mothers' Meeting in Clapton where I had been speaking, 4s. 10d. and 5s. being the contents of boxes from Clapton. Tooting £1 4s., Sevenoaks £4.

9th. Newport £3 10s.

10th. Handed to me in a Bank in Forest Gate 3s., Seven Kings Sewing Meeting 24 pairs of new stockings, 18 pairs of new boots for which we praise God, Brentwood 20lbs. leg of beef.

11th. A friend called and left her annual subscription, which was usually 2 guineas, but this year she was led by the Lord to leave £3. The following letter has been received: "We are glad that we are able to send you two large boxes of groceries, etc., part of the result of my dear wife's pound day. There will be another parcel to come later. It has been a source of much joy to us to receive these things on behalf of the dear children as you may know. We wish them and you all much blessing in the work." The boxes contained the following: One tin of sweets, 2 bars of soap, 1 tin golden syrup, 2 lbs. marmalade, 4 lbs. jam, 4 tins cocoa, 1 tin baking powder, 2 pkts. oats, 4½ lbs. biscuits, 2 lbs. semolina, 1 lb. split peas, 11 lbs. haricot beans, 29 lbs. sugar, 33 lbs. rice, 3 pkts. cornflour, 8 lbs. tea, 5 lbs. tapioca, 2 lbs. pearl barley, 8 lbs. raisins, 6 lbs. sultanas, 15 lbs. currants, 9 lbs. oatmeal 2 qrtns flour, 1 blanket, 1 parcel second hand clothes, 3 nightdresses, 1 chemise 1 petticoat, 1 pinafore, 2 hats. From our Leytonstone Working Party 1 chemise, Woodford 3 pkts. soup, South Woodford 1 sack potatoes.

12th. Woodford 2 cakes, some pastries, several odd second hand garments. Muswell Hill Working Party 7 sleeping suits, 5 shirts, 9 petticoats, 4 dresses, 1 blouse, 12 flannel vests, 2 pairs knickers, 5 pinafores 2 mufflers, 1 doll and a few toys, 1 apron, 1 coat. From Wanstead two £5 cheques, being an annual donation from two sisters.

13th. Woodford 12s. 9d. especially for blankets, New Southgate £1, An old girl 5s., College Park 8s., Two friends called

from Walthamstow and left 5s.

15th. Hampstead 15s., Stoke Newington 6s. 2½d. and 2s. 1½d., Woodford 6s.

16th. Tunbridge Wells £2 15s., Kensington 8s., Woodford 2s., New Southgate 10s. with "Please accept trifle enclosed from one who is daily watching for our Saviour when you will have your reward." Anstey 1 guinea.

17th. Muswell Hill £1, Forest Gate 17s. 6d.

18th. A lady called from Woodford Green and after having looked over the Home left £5. An old gentleman over 80 years of age came from Walthamstow and left a half-crown as a thankoffering for blessing received where I had been speaking the previous Sunday. Woodford 15s. 5½d., Holloway 5s., Lambeth 2 lbs. sugar. From our "Pound Day" friend at Leytonstone:—5 table jellies, 7 lbs. strawberry jam, 7 lbs. raspberry jam, 14 lbs. lentils, 14 lbs. split peas, 7 lbs. prunes, 15 lbs. sugar, 1 lb. tapioca, 7 lbs. pearl barley, 14 lbs. haricot beans, 9 lbs. cornflour, 3 lbs. peel, 7 lbs. raisins, 6 lbs. sultanas 3 lbs. currants, 5 lbs. cocoa, 1 lb. grapes, ½ lb. fruit, 2½ lbs. tea, 1 tin spice, 16 lbs. potatoes, 20 lbs. bacon, with "I think this makes a total of about 350 lbs. of goods and further we are able to send you a ton of coal in a day or so. Our readers will praise God with us for such a friend as this who shows such practical sympathy in undertaking such a task and we pray that the "Inasmuch" blessing may rest upon all who contributed.

19th. Forest Gate 1 guinea, Brentwood 17s. 3d., Leytonstone "Pound Day" 3 qrtns flour, 1 ton of coal. From a neighbouring Sunday School a nice quantity of new toys, Leyton parcel of second hand clothes left by a lady who took material and made three dresses. Bristol 1 large scrap album with "Do you ever think of the few days you spent in Bristol last summer. My beloved wife and I often, yea very often speak of you and to day have sent you a tangible proof that we have not forgotten you and your children. We both hope the dear children in your institute will appreciate our work and that the teachers will not have any occasion to regret the form we have taken of remembering you all. We trust you are still being used of our gracious God in His blessed work and that you see 'signs following.'" An old girl parcel of second hand clothes.

20th. Regents Park £10, with "Thank you very much for the new 'Links' which



always greatly interests me. Please accept enclosed as my Christmas offering to your Home with my very best wishes for your welfare and for great blessing amongst your children." An old Woodford friend called to-day and left her half-yearly subscription of £1. 4s. together with a bag of sweets for the children. College Park 8s., Walthamstow £2. 12s. and contents of box 4s. 6½d., £1. Barking 7s. 6d., Anon 4s. 6d. A lady and two daughters called from Highbury and brought with them six boy's suits, 13 prs. socks, 13 prs. stockings, the suits being made by this good friend who has helped us in this way on previous occasions. Leyton sack of second hand clothes, Ilford 6 Christmas puddings with "I have forwarded to-day the above and trust you will receive them safely. Wishing you all the compliments of the season." Isle of Wight parcel of clothes, Walthamstow 1 lb. dripping, 50 oranges, 3 lbs. biscuits, 7 lbs. sweets, 7 lbs. cake, 2 lbs. sultanas, 2 lbs. plums, 6 lbs. jam, 2 boxes figs, 2 dolls. Clacton-on-Sea 6 hats, 1 coat, 1 blouse, 1 pr. shoes, 2 frocks, 1 combinations, 5 petticoats, 3 nightdresses, 1 fur, 1 pr. knickers, 1 hose, 1 scrapbook, Leytonstone, made and brought by a friend 2 tressles, 2 pieces wood, Walthamstow 2 prs. knickers.

21st. A teacher from one of the neighbouring Sunday Schools came to tea to-day with her class and brought 7lbs. of tea, half peck flour, 1 doz. pkts. flaked rice, 1 lb. coffee, 6 lbs. jam, 1 lb. cocoa, 12 lbs. sugar, 8 lbs. raisins, 3 lbs. currents, 6 lbs. tapioca, 6 lbs. rice, ¼ lb. cocoa.

22nd. Bush Hill Park 5s., Wolverhampton 5s., Limehouse 5s., Roby, Liverpool, £5, Eastbourne 1s 6d., Kensington 8s., Wanstead 5s., 4s., Walthamstow 2s. 6d., 1 large turkey (28½ lbs.) Anon. This welcome gift was greatly enjoyed by the children and we pray that God may bless the sender., Woodford box of paper chains and lanterns, Woodford 5 pkts. cornflour, 2 pkts. table jelly, 1 large box of chocolates, six pkts. toffee, 1 large cake, 2 smaller cakes, 2 gingerbread cakes, 1 pkt. scones. From a church in the neighbourhood one ton of coal. Clapton parcel of second hand clothes and boots.

23rd. Westcliff-on-sea, 10s. A Buckhurst Hill Sunday School 10s., From a London Bank manager 10s., Woodford 6 box crackers, Woodford Wells box of second hand toys and a christmas card for each child. Muswell Hill, A Young Helpers League 9 dolls, 3 boxes bonbons, 7 Xmas stockings, drawing slate, 3

balls, scrapbook, 1 box dolls furniture, 2 wooden horses and sundry toys, 1 scarf, 1 dress, 1 overall, 1 petticoat and a few second hand articles. From our Seven Kings Sewing Meeting 6 nightdresses, 6 chemises, 6 prs. knickers, 6 bodices, 1 apron, 31 S.H. books, From a Woodford Green Church 2 jerseys, 1 petticoat, 1 pr. knickers, 2 scarves, a number of toys, 4d. in an envelope, Wanstead parcel of second hand clothes, 6 lbs. flaked rice, Walthamstow 6 prs. stockings, 1 pinafore, 1 vest, 1 woollen hat, A Woodford Green church 22 oranges, 4 cakes, 2 lbs. marmalade 1 pkt. Force, 1 scarf, 1 pr. sleeping socks, 1 pr. reins, 2 prs. cuffs, ½ lb. tea, 1 box bonbons and some toys.

24th. 1 Christmas pudding specially for workers, Woodford 10s. with "I have much pleasure in enclosing 10s. the result of a little collection at a working party. We are also giving a tiny gift to each boy and girl. Wishing you and your large family a very happy Christmas", 5s. given by a little girl of 3 years living in the same road, Kenley 5s., Limehouse 5s., Kilburn 300 oranges, Wood-40 lbs. joint of beef, 5 lbs. sausages, 2 haddocks, the like gift has been given by the same friend for several years and for which we are very thankful.

25th. Woodford baker 1 large basket of cakes, sweets etc., another baker a large basket of pastries, another baker a large basket of mincepies.

26th. A friend called and left £2. 17s. 4½d. being contents of a box held by a Mothers' Meeting in Stoke Newington at which I have the privilege of speaking once a month, £4. with "Just a line from the Canadian prairies to wish all connected with the Childrens' Home a Happy Christmas and bright and profitable New Year. Glad to see from the reports that Father is still blessing your efforts on behalf of the dear little ones. We often think about them and pray that they may be brought to a knowledge of the truth as it is in Jesus while their hearts are still tender and before they become hardened by sin. Please tell them that the Christians life is the only true and happy one. I would like to give them three words for the New Year, 'Dare, Do, and Trust' 'Dare to place my hand in the Saviours for all time. Do with my might what my hand finds to do. Trust Him to the uttermost who doeth all things well and *Never* makes a mistake.' God has been very good to us poor unprofitable servants and as a thankoffering for His goodness am enclosing two ten dollars bills



to use at your discretion for the Children's Home South Woodford. God bless you all, Amen." London £50 with "I am at home unwell. I hope now on the mend, I enclose cheque £50 for the work as a thankoffering." Kilburn £1. London £2. with "My wife joins me with best wishes and many regrets that in the rush of the last few days this letter was not sent with the accompanying little token of esteem for your work. May it be much blest in 1914. "Walthamstow nine little girls accompanied by two Sunday School teachers called and presented nine of our girls with dolls and bedsteads complete.

27th. Seven Kings 12s., An old girl 8s., College Park 8s., Woodford 1 York ham (18 lbs.).

28th. Barking 7 lb. blackberry jam.

29th. Walton-on-Thames £2. Walthamstow 2s. 6d.

30th. Southsea 5s.

31st. Camden Town £1., Woodford £1. 15s. £4. 1s. 8, Highams Park 3s., Anon. 1s., Woodford 1 woollen hat, halfdozen silk bows, 1 basin dripping, Beverley 1 scarf. I think our readers will agree with me in looking through what has come in during the past month that our gracious Master has not been unmindful of those who put their trust in Him. We started the month in great need and could see that we should require at least £150 to meet all our liabilities by the close of the year and for which amount we gave ourselves to prayer. £100 came in from many sources up to the 26th and then our blessed Lord graciously touched the heart of His child to send the cheque for £50. We received in December £161 or £11 more than we prayed for which enabled us to close the old year by meeting every liability and to start the new with a little in hand.

We believe Thy gracious promise,  
Thine ever faithful Word.  
As we look to Thee—Thee only—  
Our ever conquering Lord!  
We can never be forgotten,  
To Thee our need is known;  
And Thou wilt supply it fully—  
(All riches are Thine own).

#### JANUARY.

1st. Brentwood 5s.

2nd. Woodford 9s. 1d., Littlehampton 2s., Leytonstone 5 rugs and 1 underbodice.

3rd. College Park 8s., Highbury Sewing Meeting 2 shirts, 2 dresses, 1 skirt, 1 pr. knickers, Stoke Newington 1 vest, 1 chemise, 2 prs. knickers, 5 petticoats, 1 shirt, 4 pieces cloth.

5th. Kensington 16s., Ilford 19s., Limehouse 10s.

6th. Edinburgh £2. Finland £1. 10s., Plaistow £1. Leytonstone (Anon) 10s., Ware 8 shirts, 1 pr. knickers, 1 mackintosh.

7th. A lady called and left 10s., Leytonstone 1s. for "Links", Plaistow contents of box 4s. 6d., Newport £3. 10. and £2.

9th. Tooting £1. 4s., Walthamstow 10s., London 2 guineas.

10th. College Park 8s., Woodford 4s., Barking 7s. 6d., Hornmead 11s. 0½d., Walton £1, An old girl 8s.

11th. Richmond 1s., Woodford 3s. 5½d.

13th. An old girl 6s., Wandsworth £1. 10s.

15th. Isle of Wight 19s. 6d., Croydon 10s., Woodford £1. 8s. This was brought from a large drapery establishment in Woodford whose employees went out Carol singing and with the proceeds gave a tea to quite a large number of the children in the neighbourhood (30 of ours taking part) as well as a donation to other missions, the balance coming to us.

15th. Brentwood 20 lbs. leg of beef.

17th. Walthamstow parcel of second hand clothes, Egypt £10, with "Many thanks for the 'Links' received from time to time. I am glad to know that the children are well and the work prospering. I trust this will be a very happy year for you all. I am enclosing a cheque for £10, please accept same with my best wishes", Hampstead 12s., Hove 5s., College Park 8s., Walthamstow £1.

19th. Limehouse 5s.

20th. Hampton 10s., Manor Park parcel of second hand clothes, Twickenham 1 pr. knitted socks.

24th. College Park 8s., Woodford 3s., Limehouse 5s.

27th. Walthamstow 3s. 1½d.

28th. Malvern parcel of second hand clothes, Hertford £6. 15s. with "I lectured before the ..... at ..... last week. As I take no fees they offered to give an offering for any good work I liked to suggest. I asked to have it for your Homes. This suggestion was warmly received. Enclosed cheque for £6. 15s. is the result" Treherbert 10s.

29th. Limehouse 5s., Walthamstow 8 tea-cloths, 6 petticoats, 4 shirts 4 vests, 3 pinafores, 1 frock, 2 caps, 2 scarves, 7 lbs. rice, 70 "Our Own Magazines", 9 cardboard scripture clocks.

30th. 1 salad bowl, 4 glass dishes from Woodford.

31st. Ilford 14s., College Park 8s., Barking 7s. 6d., Leyton 12s., Woodford £1 12s. 9d.



# ANSWERED PRAYER.

An Address delivered by the Rev. E. Hurditch, of Buckhuast Hill, at the Thirteenth Anniversary of the Home.

Dear Children and dear friends, I feel at a loss as to what to say to-night after hearing such a good report from Mr. White, how the Lord hath blessed him, and multiplied his store, and increased his family, enlarging his heart and giving him success. By the way, may I say that he takes a very high stand, and that stand is to believe God and to expect from God, and if God fails—but God cannot fail,—but if He failed it would show that he was not right somehow or other, but altogether wrong. But the man who stands out for God and believes in God, is the man that shall have victory at last, though he may have had comparatively a non-successful career, yet the blossom will come, and the sweet roses will be perfumed to the glory of God. We do pray that God may establish our brother in the faith. By the way, an old Cornishman, a farmer who was a Primitive Methodist, prayed on his farm for his son, Charlie, that he might be converted to God, and when he prayed he always shouted. He went on praying and by-and-by a missionary came to the village, and the old man asked Charlie if he would go and hear the missionary. Charlie said, yes, he would. The father could not go, but Charlie went, and the spirit of God came upon the message. He fell down on his knees and cried for mercy, He felt the glow of the Holy Spirit, and the tears were rolling down his cheeks. "Hallelujah, I have got Him," said Charlie. He had got "Him," and that is better than "it." If I had only got "it," I should have been the greatest infidel that ever trod Buckhurst Hill roads to-day, but knowing that I have got a living Person in the living Christ. I can laugh at impossibilities, and laugh when fear comes. Charlie went home whistling between his teeth and singing, and when he got into the kitchen he said, "Father, hallelujah, I am saved! I am saved!" And the old father looked up and said, "Oh, Charlie, I am very pleased that you are saved, but you know, when you get established like I am, you won't make so much noise about it. Be stable, my boy." A few days afterwards, the father said, "Charlie, I want you to take the grey mare and put her in the cart and go up and fetch those turnips from the field." It

had been raining for a fortnight, and the roads were very soft. But Charlie filled the cart with turnips, but when he came to start the grey mare would not budge. So he thought the best thing would be to take the grey mare out and fetch another horse that was in the stable. When he got there his father was at the door, and he said, "Charlie I thought I told you to take the grey mare and fetch those turnips." "Well, I did," said Charlie, "but the cart is established," "What do you mean, Charlie, by the cart being established?" "Why, stuck in the mud, father," he replied. Well, I do not believe our dear friend, Mr. White, and his good wife are struck in the mud, but they are getting established, and the right sort of establishment too. It is a great privilege for me to be here to-day. This is my first appearance, and I hope it won't be my last: I am much interested in the good work that is being carried on through our good brother and his wife and helpers, and if it is any good at all, he has our prayers every morning. He has not got our money, because we have none to give. We are as poor as Church mice around there at Buckhurst Hill, but we look to the Lord and he supplies our needs. But we can help one another, though we have not the £ s. d. We can help one another by prayer. Our good friend said, "Come and give us a word of cheer." Sometimes I feel that I want cheering up myself. I was with a lady in a drawing room at one time reading, and the fire was going out, so I ventured to take her poker and was about to stir the fire. She said, "Mr. Hurditch, do not use that poker, that is a drawing room poker." I beg your pardon, madam," I said, and put it down quickly. "You will see a little poker by the side," she said, "you can use that one for the fire, but the other is more for ornament." There are a great many people that are drawing room pokers, more fit for ornament than for real work. Oh friends, it is a day for work, but it is also a day for prayer. I believe that dear Mr. White and his co-holders have realized what it means to have the art of prayer. We shall all have heart in prayer. There is no prayer that is answered of God but that which comes from



the heart. But there is a great art in prayer. It is not everyone that mutters out words that gets those words answered, and we must not suppose that God is not a hearer and answerer of prayer because these petitions are not answered. But if a man by faith believes that God is, and God is the hearer and answerer of prayer, and he commits definitely to Him a certain matter, I say that that man is sure to have the answer to his prayer. It is a wonderful thing to realise this. Now what is the heart in prayer? Asapp in one of the Psalms uses these words, "Have respect unto the covenant," and it seems to have the very heart of prayer. What does he mean? He means to have respect to the promises, that cannot be altered. May I give you something from my own personal experience. I want to speak to you about answered prayer. You need not trouble, my brother, if money does not come in one way it will come in another, if friends slip out of one door other friends will come in the next. "As thy faith be it unto thee." I had a brother, a godly fellow, whose name was Russell Hurditch. He passed into the glory some four years ago. I was the youngest of the family, living in a little town called Ilfracombe in the North of Devon. My brother was treasurer of the Stafford Rooms branch of the Y.M.C.A. in Titchborne Street, off the Edgware Road. A letter came to him from my mother, a godly woman, saying that she was almost broken-hearted, for she had made up the bed for Edward (that was I) and he had never slept in it for a week. "He is taking his fling, and he is going to hell," she said. My brother was very much impressed with this letter, and after the meeting on the Friday night he asked if there were a few young men there who would stay behind, as he wanted to have a talk with them. Ten of them remained after the meeting was over, and he read them the letter. He said, "My mother is in great distress about my young brother. Do you believe that God will answer prayer?" "Yes, yes, yes!" the ten of them said. "If we pray to-night for his conversion, do you believe that God will answer this prayer?" "Yes!" and he had the answer from the ten of them individually. If there had been eleven of them, and one had said, "No, he did not believe it," he would have asked them to retire, but the ten of them said "Yes." I was two hundred miles away, and at half-past nine they began to pray. I was then with my companions playing cards, and

having lost the last shilling I had, I thought I would go home. Ten o'clock came, and I was on my way. Thunder and lightning flashed and roared, and I felt in an awful condition. These were my thoughts: If this were the last day, where would my soul be? At Titchborne Street they were praying "Lord, save my brother." I felt as if I were positively tumbling into the caverns of an awful hell. It was raining in torrents, but I fell on my knees in the open street, I got down upon my face and hands, I groaned, I cried "Lord, save me! Save me! Have mercy!" At half-past ten, there in the mud, in the open street, soaked with rain, I knelt, and a voice came, and this is what I heard, "Son, go thy way, thy sins are all forgiven; go in peace." I cannot tell you where that is in the Book, but it came to me, I believed it, and I danced with holy joy. What was it that stole into my soul? Life. How did it come there? By prayer two hundred odd miles away as they were pleading for my conversion. I reached home at eleven o'clock, opened the front door, went into the breakfast room, and saw my dear mother weeping about me. After a little conversation, I said, "Mother! my sins are all forgiven." "Nonsense," she said. "They are," I said, "down at the bottom of the hill my soul was set at liberty, and I have peace with God." The dear old soul hugged me round the neck, and my arms were around her, and we praised God together. I went to bed, but could not sleep. At three o'clock I wrote a letter to my brother, saying, "Dear Russell, you would like to hear that I accepted Christ down on my knees last night at half-past ten." And at that very moment, at half-past ten, one of the young men in that little prayer meeting was saying, "We have got him! We have got him!" and my brother was responding "Amen! Amen!" That is nearly 45 years ago, Hallelujah! I have got Him still. He comes to heal the broken heart. He sets the captive free, He binds together a people that shall unitedly praise Him. I pray that God may speedily come and give to the workers among these children in the Home His greatest benediction, "Well done, good and faithful servant." The art of prayer is giving God what He has said back again. You have the promise, now fulfil it. Say "No covenant-making God can break the covenant." Therefore in the name of the Lord Jesus I pray thee come. May the Lord richly bless our brother, and his dear



wife, and his dear helpers. May you find that even in your struggles it is the way to the mountains of power and victory, may you find in the darkest day that there is a silver

lining to every cloud, and may the secret of your success be known by your faith and prayer to God. Amen.

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"Be always joyful. Be unceasing in prayer. In every circumstance of life be thankful; for this is God's will in Christ Jesus concerning you.—1 Thess., 5, 16-18. (WEYMOUTH'S translation).

## PRAISE GOD FOR—

Some of the children who have been led to Christ.

The good health of the children

Blankets and boots for which we specially prayed

The increase of funds during the past quarter and for quantity of gifts in kind etc.

## PRAY FOR—

Definite results of conversion amongst the children.

Their continued good health.

Our Annual Meetings on Thursday May 28th.

More workers

That the closing quarter of our 14th year may be filled with blessing.

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