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Behold, He Prayeth.

One pleasant June day a Hebrew came to a minister of Christ, by request, to obtain work. He was a man of middle age, neatly dressed, having winsome manners and a countenance shedding kindly light, yet bearing a shade of sadness. He was received into the pastor's study, where the two conversed for a time on affairs of mutual interest. The talk, however, soon drifted into the religion of Jesus Christ. The Jew was a secret believer and listened with evident delight to the story of the cross and the duty of the Christian. Ere he departed the two kneeled in prayer. After the minister had concluded his supplications there was a silence for a few moments, and then the Jew began to pray. He used broken English, but the tone of voice was so solemn and the accents so impressive, so full of meaning and feeling, that God seemed to be grasped with both hands by the praying man. He poured out his heart in thanksgiving to Jesus for bringing him into the glorious light of God's Kingdom. The past seemed to be in his mind as a great horror of darkness and death, from which he had been wonderfully

delivered, through the grace of Jesus Christ. Then his soul went out toward his family. He has a wife and three children. The mother is a delicate woman; the oldest of the children is a daughter approaching her marriage day. How he did plead with God that they, too, might be brought to the light and know the sweetness and power of the love of Jesus. The thought of them missing the great salvation which he so richly enjoyed, and the danger of them going down to death, hating the precious Saviour, turned his prayer into tenderness and pathos almost too much for a human heart to endure. Then he remembered his people, the whole race of Israel, and with a soft tremulous voice that seemed to arise from the place where tears have their fountain, he talked with God, as one who knew how to enter into the divine presence with humble reverence and undoubted acceptance. He spoke as if conscious that his words were entering into the ears of the invisible Saviour, moving the great heart that always sways responsively under the power of the afflicted's prayer. In his intercession for the wandering Israelites, he followed them as they go up and down throughout the world, searching for what the world can never give—peace, safety and happiness. He pleaded that Jesus would flood their dark path with the light of His gospel, convert them from their evil ways and bring them into covenant with God through Jesus Christ, their exalted King. The amen overflowed with holy emotion and was tremulous with fear and dread. When he arose from his knees his face was serious, yet serene, as if he had seen Jesus, his beloved Jesus, alone. "Behold, he prayeth." How many there may be of the children of Jacob, who are

doing marvellous work in the sphere of prayer and intercession for the restoration of the Jews to God through Jesus Christ! We know them not; they are the hidden ones. Only here and there a solitary light shines forth in obscurity. The church has great hope and assurance in her mission to the Hebrews when she knows that such intercessors are taking hold of God and will let him have no rest till he gather Israel into his gospel fold. Surely these cries and tears are not in vain with the Lord. "When the poor and needy seek water and there is none; and their tongue faileth for thirst, I, the Lord, will hear them; I, the God of Israel, will not forsake them. I will open rivers in the high places and fountains in the midst of the valleys; I will make the wilderness a pool of water and the dry land springs of water." Is. 41: 17-18.

Our Superintendent's Quiet Talk.

Dear Dr. McFeeters:—

In answer to your earnest solicitation that I should make some observations in the "Hebrew Messenger," as Superintendent of our Jewish Mission, I herewith comply.

As Superintendent, I desire on behalf of our mission to thank the delegates of our Synod for the kindly interest they have shown in visiting the mission, as they have had opportunity during the meeting. Our missionary, Mr. Feuersohn, has informed me that since their visits the Jewish people who came there have shown more spirit and respect. I think I owe it to Mr. and Mrs. Feuersohn to say that, in connection with the invitation extended to Mr. Feu-

ersohn to the Synod, to visit the mission on Monday evening of the week of Synod, I found on my arrival there that evening, the house open and illuminated from top to bottom; also there were light refreshments provided by the missionaries, and a company of Jewish children on hand to entertain the members of Synod with songs. To our disappointment there came only Rev. James M. Coleman, Mrs. Carson and myself. We absolve the members of Synod from all blame in this matter. It so happened that the session of that afternoon was a protracted one, and this was followed by a reception given in honor of the members of Synod, by the Moderator, Dr. Montgomery. My thought in mentioning this is that the Synod might know the kindly feelings of our missionaries, and their desire to give them a cordial and respectful welcome to the mission house.

As to the work. What impresses me most is the quiet, and I believe effective work that is being done here free from the spectacular and sensational. There stands the building, clean and neat in appearance, with signs on both streets, "Christian Mission to the Hebrews." The large window, with Bibles in more than one language, laid wide open behind the glass, that the passers-by on the busy street may stop and read; and stop and read they do, as I have seen. This is a quiet, standing, gospel invitation to the Jews. Within are our missionaries, and I wish to pay a tribute to Mrs. Feuersohn for the valuable services that she renders to our mission work, and the keen interest that she takes in it. Miss Bell's work is largely with the children; besides teaching them sewing, she also gives them spiritual instruction. Dr. Dray has succeeded the late Dr. Caldwell

in charge of the dispensary. Our brother, Mr. Feuersohn, is inately a gentleman, and I understand a scholar, having a classical knowledge of eight languages and a speaking acquaintance of some four or five more. These qualities of heart and mind attract to him the community in which he lives. The Jew arriving at this port from Jerusalem, or Odessa, or almost any other part of the world, finds in our missionary one who can converse with him in his mother tongue.

It is no unusual thing for me to see, as I call at irregular hours and days, one or more of the Hebrews in the mission, sometimes young men, sometimes older ones, sitting at the table with Mr. Feuersohn, with his Bible open, comparing Scripture with Scripture, to find out on the part of the inquirer, if our Saviour is really the Christ prophesied in the Old Testament.

Brethren, this impresses me more than the formal preaching of the Word by our brother. It reminds me somewhat of the visit of Nicodemus to our Lord. I have said to Mr. Feuersohn that while the Covenanter Church is praying for and expecting conversions, she is more concerned that the missionaries do honest, faithful work than she is about converts. This part of the work we are perfectly willing to leave with God. I have said this that there might be no temptation to our missionaries to force things.

As I hear ministers who come from a distance say, "We are praying for the Jewish Mission," and as I see the way in which our church gives her financial support to it, I am as deeply touched as by the very work itself. As a mission we have no complaints to make, for lack of support, or kind-

ly encouragement, on the part of the church. On the contrary we have only words of appreciation and thankfulness.

Sincerely,

WILLIAM G. CARSON.

Work in the Mission.

By Ezra J. Feuersohn.

“And let them offer the sacrifices of thanksgiving, and declare His works with rejoicing.” Psalm 107: 22. “They hired masons and carpenters to restore the house of the Lord (The Jewish Mission), also such as wrought iron and brass to repair the house of the Lord. So the workmen wrought and the work was perfected by them, and they set up the house of God in its state and strengthened it.” 2 Chron. 24: 12-13. This is just what the Lord led our Board of the Jewish Mission to do in the renovation of the mission house. The work was completed May 27th, at 11 A. M. The same day the Synod opened at 2 P. M. Necessarily the mission work was suspended during the repairing, which included every room in the building, also painting and much other work outside. We were pleased to be able to reopen our mission May 31st., and have with us many distinguished friends at that time. We are again operating all our lines of mission work. Our Jewish people are delighted with the beautiful appearance of the mission. The people of our Ghetto are glad to know that the Christian friends of this work are taking pains to make such an attractive place for them to

attend. We reported in the "Christian Nation" about the first fruits of our labors in this mission which are two Jewish men who have received baptism. One is married and has a family; the other is a young man. We have every reason to believe that we are hearing sounds in the tops of the mulberry trees. 2 Sam. 5: 24. We hope to receive more through Jesus Christ not long hence. We have many coming to us hungry for positive Christian teaching. One young man comes to our mission whom I once knew as an infidel. He had been drifting from Judaism into anarchism, so that life had no joy or comfort for him until he became a seeker of Christ. This is his testimony to the Jewish brethren. Another Israelite, who lately hated the very name of Jesus said to me recently that he has now a great desire for the teachings of Christ, and is ready to open his heart for the truth, which is in Christ Jesus. There are many others who have come to our mission during these days, confessing Jesus, and have a desire to become members of the Church of Christ. Dear Christian friends, remember that the Jew is with us in this land and has come to stay. Each Covenanter must learn to think of him as a possible Christian brother. May it not be that the times of the Gentiles are being fulfilled and that God is about to remove the blindness that is happened to Israel? The problem is deep and difficult. We ask your unceasing prayers for the lost souls in Israel.

One year ago an Austrian Jew, a sailor on one of the German freight ships, called at the mission several times during his two weeks' stop at the port of Philadelphia. I had an earnest talk with him and found that he had some knowledge of Christ, but he confessed that he had never tried to read the Bible in order to find out whether or not Christ is the real Messiah. I offered him a Bible and he was very thankful. This same man called at the mission a few days ago, as his ship makes yearly trips to Philadel-

phia from Japan. This time I have found him altogether transformed by the renewing of his mind; and we can say as Job said, "Thou changest his countenance." I truly believe he belongs to Christ. He made several visits to the mission during his recent stay in Philadelphia. On Sabbath evening before his departure he came to our mission and gave a very earnest testimony to his Jewish brethren, confessing Christ as his Saviour. He now is happy in the Lord. It was very interesting to all present to see his earnestness and hear him witness for Christ. The Jewish people were very much impressed by the courage of this young Jew to confess his love for Jesus.

Many Bibles have been given out in the name of the Lord in this mission. We do not know how many souls have been brought to Christ through reading the Word received in this Mission of the Covenant to Israel.

Our Sabbath school and sewing class, together with our Sabbath evening services, are in attendance not as large as we might wish. But there is a deepening of the Spirit in the hearts of those who come to our meetings in the sewing class and sabbath school as well as in the preaching services.

Let us remember that we are watchmen of the household of God. "I have set watchmen upon thy walls, O Jerusalem, which shall never hold their peace day or night. Ye that are the Lord's remembrances, keep not the silence, and give him no rest till he establish and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth." Isaiah 62: 6.

Light for the Blind.

Miss Sophie Nesselovitch, of New York City, is a young Jewess, who, for eight years, has been deprived of the use of her eyes. Yet in that long night of darkness, during

which no dawn has arisen or stars gleamed upon her sight, she has enjoyed the greater, sweeter light shining from the face of the Lord Jesus and shed abroad in her heart by the Holy Spirit. She has suffered persecution and fiery trials for her faith in Jesus, yet remains steadfast and cheerful. It is refreshing and inspiring to hear such a one testify to the riches and sufficiency of God's grace. She has sent a brief letter to our missionary, which we are glad to give to our friends. Her words are radiant with the light of a soul full of Christ Jesus and fragrant as "sweet-smelling myrrh." Such thankfulness, such cheerfulness, such steadfastness, such desire to serve Jesus, such eagerness for the Word of God in circumstances of disadvantage so extreme, should make the ordinary Christian blush with shame in consciousness of comparative poverty of soul and weakness of faith.

Miss Sophie's Testimony.

"I cannot see the world, but I am thankful, since I found Jesus, that I can't. I see him, and this is all that I am looking for. Jesus is my light, he is my Saviour, and I know that when his own time shall come, if it be good in his eyes, he shall also let me see the world that he created and the faces of all the dear ones that I love so much and those who tell me of my dear Messiah. But if I never shall see, what of it? My people thought that if I was denied food and clothing, I would be induced to give up Jesus, but this act all the more proved to me that Jesus is the Messiah, and so I did not care. I trusted Jesus and his messenger, Mr. Grebroff, who led me to my Saviour, and soon another place was found for me, where, among real children of God, I learn more of the blessed Book. Oh, how happy I am, and how thankful to God! I often wanted to die, and many a time I



MISS SOPHIE NESSELOVITCH

had in my hands the deadly poison that I myself prepared for ending my life. But it seemed to me always as though there was something yet to be realized in my life, and actually I have found "him of whom Moses in the law, and the

prophets, wrote," Jesus my Saviour. Please pray for me that God may use me to open the eyes of those that have them—and cannot see.

The Collection.

Before the next issue of the "Hebrew Messenger" the collection for the Jewish Mission will have been taken. The Board has asked for only \$2500.00 this year. Last year we asked for \$3500.00, for we expected to have one of our young ministers take up the work in addition to the present force of workers. The mission building was in need of considerable renovation as but little has been spent for that purpose for a number of years. The Board has ever tried to deal fairly by the mission and by the church. We have never asked for more than we thought would be required and we have never asked for less. We will need all of the \$2500.00 for which we ask. This year has been a year of blessings. The mission work has been successful and full of promise, and as regards finances, this is the first year that we have had all the money as it was needed. I wish, as treasurer, to express to our heavenly Father and to the church, my appreciation and gratitude. We look with faith and confidence for like blessing during the coming year.

Collection, July 3rd, Sabbath.

S. A. S. METHENY, Treasurer.

Visitors.

During the meeting of the Synod the mission was hon-

ored by more than fifty visitors, all of whom showed a deep interest in the mission, the missionaries, the building and the management.

A Special Friend.

The Hebrew Messenger, for the sake of the mission to the Israelites, seeks a special friend in every congregation who will keep the heart aflame with holy fire for the conversion of the Jews, and strive to awaken a larger interest among the people by the circulation of this little magazine. Will each missionary society honor some one of the women, or an earnest young girl, with an appointment to do this work for the Lord, and for his people of the ancient covenant? There is a blessing promised to those that seek blessings for Israel. We ask for prayer and help by our people.

To Our Friends.

A new Post-Office law requires the removal from our mailing list the names of all who are in arrears for six months. The "Hebrew Messenger" and the mission will be pleased to hear from all who are behind the New Year's day of 1908 in their subscription, and to receive the amount due, with their good wishes and prayers. We trust no one will discontinue, or discountenance, this earnest little visitor that delights to come to your homes with the good news and glad tidings of salvation, wrought by Jesus Christ among the Children of Israel. Price, 20 cents a year.

Change of Address.

Before this issue reaches our readers the editor will

have changed his place of residence in Philadelphia. On this account the address of the "Hebrew Messenger" will be changed from 1511 Christian street to 800 So. Fifth street. Its new home for a time will be in the mission house. Correspondents will please notice the change and send all communications to

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Report of the Treasurer of the Jewish Mission Board.

1907.		Receipts.	
Nov.	2,	Jonathan Creek Congregation	\$ 7.33
	2,	Cedarville, O., Congregation	12.00
	4,	Old Bethel Congregation	22.07
	4,	Third Philadelphia Congregation	31.05
	5,	Evans, Colo., Congregation	11.20
	6,	Seattle Congregation	40.00
	7,	Cache Creek Mission	38.40
	7,	Syracuse, N. Y., Congregation	8.00
	7,	Bloomington, Ind., Congregation	13.09
	11,	Rehoboth Congregation, additional	2.00
	12,	L. M. S., Jonathan Creek Congregation ..	5.00
	12,	Bellefontaine Congregation	9.50
	14,	Cincinnati Congregation	8.75
	15,	Princeton, Ind., Congregation	10.50
	15,	L. M. S., Union Congregation	5.00
	18,	Lisbon Congregation	5.00
	18,	Clarinda Congregation	29.13
	21,	Wilkinsburg Congregation	59.35
	21,	Superior, Neb., Congregation	9.50
	22,	Morning Sun Congregation	35.30
	22,	College Hill Congregation	18.25
	22,	United Miami Congregation	24.11
	23,	Denison Congregation	25.00
	27,	Vernon Congregation	10.96

Nov.	28, Tabor Congregation	\$7.53
	28, Eskridge, Kan., Congregation, additional.	3.14
	29, Rehoboth, Pa., Congregation, per J. S. T.	1.25
	29, East End Congregation, per J. S. T.	2.00
	29, Topeka Congregation, per J. S. T.80
	29, Geneva Congregation, additional, per J. S. T.	25.25
	29, Beulah, Neb., per J. S. T.	3.50
	30, Billings, Okla, Congregation	6.50
Dec.	2, Old Bethel Congregation, additional	2.00
	4, Parnassus Congregation	17.50
	5, A member of 2nd Newburg Congrega- tion, per R. M. S.	1.00
	6, Hebron, Kans., Congregation	15.18
	7, L. M. S., Parnassus Congregation ...	10.00
	9, Olathe Congregation	40.00
	9, Helmwood, Kans., Congregation	4.50
	10, Bethel Congregation, Sparta, Ill.	24.40
	11, Kansas City Congregation	3.68
	11, Rositer branch, Bear Run Congregation.	1.00
	12, L. M. S., 3rd Philadelphia Congregation	25.00
	13, New Alexandria Congregation	45.55
	14, York, N. Y., Congregation	16.35
	16, S. S., Allegheny Congregation	65.14
	19, Mrs. M. E. McKee, Clarinda, Iowa	25.00
	19, Mrs. Rosa Martin, Slippery Run Cong., per J. C. Mc.	5.00
	23, Mrs. J. C. Montgomery, 2nd N. Y., per J. C. Mc.	1.00
	25, New Castle Congregation	9.77
	26, Sharon Congregation	66.85
	27, Little Beaver Congregation	8.96
	30, 2nd Philadelphia, additional	25.54
	31, S. S., Parnassus Congregation	8.81

1908.			
Jan.	2,	Lochiel, Canada, Congregation, per J. S. T.	13.00
	2,	Topeka Congregation, per J. S. T.	1.55
	2,	Youngstown Congregation, per J. S. T.50
	2,	Syracuse Congregation, per J. S. T.	1.00
	3,	Adamsville and Middletown Congregation	2.15
	3,	Miss Mary A. Shank, Allegheny, Per R. M. S.	3.50
	4,	Hethrington Congregation	9.20
	6,	Greely, Colo., Congregation	8.95
	12,	J. H. Douthett and family, Evans City, Pa.	1.15
	12,	L. M. S., La Junta Congregation	5.00
	18,	Miss Zella Crawford, Beulah Congregation	2.00
	21,	L. M. S., Geneva Congregation	10.00
	22,	L. M. S., Slippery Rock Congregation, for Miss Bell	10.00
	25,	Cedarville Covenanter Mission Band, for fan	5.00
	25,	Dr. J. M. Balph, Latakia, Syria	5.00
	29,	Missionaries in China, per J. S. T.	16.76
	29,	1st Beaver Falls Congregation, per J. S. T.	4.00
	29,	Sterling, Kans., Y. P. U., per J. S. T. ...	10.00
	30,	McKeesport and Monongahela Congregation	5.05
	Feb.	1,	8th Street Congregation, Pittsburg ...
5,		Sharon Congregation	2.00
15,		Long Branch, Iowa Congregation	27.56
15,		S. S., Long Branch Congregation	30.00
March	17,	Bovina Centre Congregation	17.00
	2,	Miss Zada Patton, Latakia, Syria	1.00
	5,	Morning Sun Congregation, additional ..	1.40

Mar.	7,	Y. P. S., Slippery Rock Congregation...	5.00
	19,	Southfield Congregation	10.63
	24,	Mercer Congregation	7.60
		Hopkinton Congregation, per J. S. T....	11.50
	26,	Third New York	20.00
	28,	Kansas City Congregation, additonal ...	1.00
April	8,	St. Louis Congregation	6.00
	10,	2nd Boston Congregation	6.56
	11,	Rev. T. J. Allen, per J. B. G.	1.00
	14,	Union Congregation	1.00
	18,	York, N. Y., additional	17.90
	24,	New Concord, Ohio, Congregation	4.20
	28,	Home Dept., S. S. Parnassus Congrega- tion	4.40
	28,	Brooklyn Congregation	22.40
		West Hebron Congregation	4.00
	30,	1st Philadelphia	13.80
	30,	W. S. Elliott, New Castle, per J. S. T. ...	5.00
	30,	Cornwallis, N. S., per J. S. T.	3.00
	30,	Ryegate, Vt., Congregation, per J. S. T.	11.50
	30,	McKeesport and Monongahela Congre- gation, additional	1.00
	30,	Pine Creek Congregation	2.06
	30,	1st Newburgh Congregation	40.00
	30,	A Friend, 3rd Philadelphia, per R. C. M.	1.00

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God's Everlasting Covenant

When Noah and his family stepped forth from the ark, upon the flood-swept face of Ararat, the earth was recovering from the effects of the deluge. The trees were putting forth tender buds and leaves, the ground was becoming tinted with grass and flowers, the sky was flecked with blue and black, clouds and sunshine alternated over the unprotected heads of the devout household.

After the experience of the past year a shower was sure to fill them with fright, and send all scurrying back to the ark for safety. But God, in His pity for their weakness, entered into a covenant with Noah, for the providential care, and ceaseless protection of himself, his family, and all future generations, and affixed upon the passing cloud a bright bow, as the seal of His covenant with man that the earth should never more be devastated with a flood of waters. What a beautiful pledge of God's abiding interest in our world!

The Lord our God is "merciful and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in goodness and truth, keeping mercy for

thousands of them that love Him, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and sin." He is a covenant God. He has entered into a holy bond with the human race. He has joined hands with man. This world is His in exalted fellowship. He has pledged Himself, and all He has, for its protection and redemption. Each cloud bears a blessing for the earth. Day and night pursue each other in their eagerness to distribute God's covenanted gifts, scattering them bounteously among the children of men, sometimes like the gentle rain, sometimes like the sweeping storm, always within the terms of the inviolate covenant.

The bow in the cloud, with its fair colors gracefully arching the lofty sky and peacefully resting on the sprinkled grass, is the token of the Lord's providential covenant. What gentleness, what tender love, what deep meaning, in its mute appeals, all over our world. The rainbow on the cloud is the token of infinite goodness, and not merely a token, but a manifestation of the good Lord, who is God over all, and blessed forever. The clouds are His flowing robes, and the gorgeous band His sash of honor, His golden girdle. The brilliant sunset is but His smile to all eyes that can read the skies; the landscape, with its charming hues, reflects His personal kindness; the orchards in bloom, or tinted with fruit, are touched into glorious color with His pencil; the flowers, and harvests covering broad continents, are but His vibrant love appearing in form and substance. How near, how dear, our world is to our covenant God! "I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth." (Gen. 9: 13.)

But this covenant of Providence, so full of promise and perennial blessings for our world, is only a preliminary clause in God's eternal covenant of Grace in Jesus Christ, our glorious covenant Head. God has said concerning Jesus Christ: "I will give Thee for a covenant of the people to establish the earth." (Is. 49: 8.)

This world, enveloped with the dense clouds of sin and wrath, has been reached by the rays of God's redeeming love; the upper side of the clouds is dazzling with God's glory, the under side is spanned with the bow of promise, while the dark folds are pouring out showers of blessings, under the royal administration of Jesus Christ, who "is able to subdue all things unto Himself," and who maketh "all things work together for good to them that love God."

Christ's ministry on earth, ending in His death, and evolving into His glorious resurrection, is the visible token of this covenant, the rainbow of vivid colors, deepening into the bright red of His blood. The cross of Jesus is the assurance that the covenant of God for the salvation of His people stands sure, "an everlasting covenant, that shall not be forgotten."

This covenant of God is full of blessings for all His people. He is their God in this most solemn and enduring bond; all He has is theirs; all the resources of His mercy, wisdom, goodness, power and truth, all are theirs. His Holy Spirit is at their request. How abundant the riches of grace, the wealth of love, made over in covenant to the people of God! How all are urged to take, use, enjoy and exhibit the boundless treasures of life! "Come," "Ask," "Eat," "Drink," "Be

clothed," "Be anointed," "Be full of the Spirit," "Be filled with the fullness of God"—such is the language of urgency used by the Lord in persuading His people to live in the fullest possession of covenant blessings.

Will we not anew give ourselves to our God in covenant, that we may be sharers with Jesus Christ in the possession of the Holy Spirit and all grace? What lives of usefulness, what joy, power, holiness and inspiration will glorify all who strive to reach the attainments possible in covenant with God! What work for God will be done in the church and for her missions by those who live up to their covenant privileges!

"And I will make an everlasting covenant with them, that I will not turn away from them to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me; yea, I will rejoice over them to do them good." (Jer. 32: 40.)

THE MISSION WORK AMONG ISRAEL.

By Ezra J. Feuersohn.

In God's Word we read, "Israel is to be gathered one by one." (Isa. 27: 12.)

This is our experience in the Lord's work among Israel. We come in contact with different people and try to influence them to accept our Lord Jesus Christ. There are many ways of doing this. Last Sabbath evening, as we opened the mission chapel for service, a goodly number of Jewish men came in. As it was too early to open our service, some began to

ask questions. I thought it was a good opportunity to have one of our secret believers who is a Hebrew scholar to read an article written by a prominent Jewish writer in one of the Jewish daily papers which I had secured. He, in this writing, extolled the life of Christ, and told the Jewish people who had been present that everything about Christ's teachings is true. That was a good testimony to open their blind eyes. This young man read it out and endorsed it as he read. It had good effect upon the hearers. After this we opened the meeting and all paid strict attention to the Word preached. After closing many remained to see me privately. Two young men had a great desire for Bibles, and even offered to pay for them. I told them the Word of God is free, especially for those who have a desire for it. The results of our work are not confined to the inner side of the mission, but the influence of it, and of the missionary's life, reaches out all around the mission. After returning from our vacation some of our Jewish neighbors greeted me as I was passing by, telling me that they were glad to see us back, and then said: We begin to realize more and more that your Christian Society (as they call it) are good people and do a good work. That is great encouragement for the missionaries who are dealing with these people.

We have reopened our mission work and at once we have a very encouraging Sabbath-school and Sabbath evening services. I believe that one work of the missionary is to be a burden-bearer with these people by doing personal work in visitation. We thereby are able to reach more people than in large gatherings, in preaching services.

The sewing school, with Miss Bell as teacher, is encouraging.

One girl, fourteen years old, who has been a member of our Sabbath and sewing school for about two years, and always regular in attendance upon both, has now been obliged to withdraw and keep her home, as she has no mother. The girl has received good instruction in the religion of Jesus Christ in our mission, and has a desire to come to our Sabbath-school, even when she cannot attend the sewing class. It shows progress in our work as well as in this girl. Formerly when a scholar dropped out of the sewing class we lost them also from our Sabbath-school. I ask our Covenant Church to hold us up in prayer for this special work among Israel. The Jewish holidays are near at hand, and we have decided this year not to open up the dispensary and night school till the close of their celebration, leaving us more free to do a greater visitation work at this time, when they are willing and ready in holiday attire, for us to visit them in their homes.

Very recently a Jewish young man came to us and opened up his heart for Christ. He asked me to pray for him that God may give him a greater desire to seek after the truth and make a deeper place in his heart for the Saviour; that was the young man's request for prayer. I was glad to have Dr. McFeeters drop in one day and be a party to hear the confession of one of the children of Israel. This same young man is often coming to our mission for religious instruction. I believe that the prayers of the Covenant Church for this mission are the means for the salvation of souls in Israel.

Will you be co-laborers with us in prayer for this work?

"Always laboring fervently for you in prayers that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God." (Col. 4: 12.)

"And I will cause you to pass under the rod, and I will bring you into the bond of the covenant." (Ezek. 20: 37.)

REPORT OF SEWING SCHOOL.

MARY F. BELL.

The enrollment of names during the school year, beginning September, 1907, and ending July 16th, 1908, numbered 56, the average daily attendance for the year being about 20—some months more, some less. Were I to give the average for each month separately, it would appear that there are two different seasons of the year, in which we seem to be climbing mountains, reaching the summit of one range about Christmas time, and of another at the time of the annual picnic and summer vacation. We find this true, however, not only among the children of the Ghetto, but equally true among the children of other nationalities, and in other schools. Lying between these mountain ranges we find a valley, and just so surely as the mountain is climbed, the descent is made into the valley. Just at the present time we seem to be in one of these valleys, due, we think, to the near approach of a season of Jewish holidays—the New Year, the Atonement and Succoth. The holidays begin the 26th of this month (September) and last about two weeks, after which we hope to have our classes regularly organized, with full attendance the remainder of the year.

During the school year the girls of the sewing class have done much toward the clothing of themselves, having made one hundred and fourteen garments. The number would have exceeded these figures, had it not been for the many interruptions, on account of holidays, etc. There were no classes during the entire month of May, on account of the repairing of the mission building; so, taking all into considera-

tion, we think the work accomplished by the girls has been creditable to them. Besides these garments which they have made for the body, they have also been getting Gospel instruction, which we hope will, by the blessing of God and the application of the Holy Spirit, prepare them for entering into the kingdom and service of our Lord Jesus Christ, clothed in the white robes of righteousness. Our prayer is that each of them may, through the atoning blood of Jesus, be able to say: "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord, my soul shall be joyful in my God; for he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, He hath covered me with the robe of righteousness." (Isa. 61: 10.)

ANNUAL OUTING.

By MRS. E. J. FEUERSOHN.

"Beloved of the Lord." (Deut. 33:12). Soon after our last issue of the HEBREW MESSENGER we celebrated our annual outing for our Sabbath School and Sewing Class scholars, together with some of our Jewish friends. Of these we took but few, as we found we would not have even standing room in the car for more. We were conveyed in a special car, which we had engaged to take all to the picnic grounds in Fairmount Park. I think there were 76 children, which caused us all to be packed in something like animals in a freight car. Yet we all enjoyed it, myself as well as the children. Many familiar faces came just as we were about to start, pleading with us to take them, as they were likely to have no outing unless we could crowd them in. We were obliged to say: "We have no room and cannot take you." Then we felt sad to hear them

pitifully plead to be taken. Soon after our arrival lunch was served. It was a sight to see the hands, so soon empty, asking for more, as we sat on the grass and as we passed the lunch around. Undoubtedly many had eaten only a piece of black bread for breakfast. We regretted we had not brought with us twice the amount to give them. After lunch all manner of innocent plays were indulged in with whole-hearted, passionate ardor. After this one of the dear friends of the Mission, Mrs. Mary A. Peoples, treated all to a ride on the merry-go-round, which was most heartily enjoyed and was repeated just before leaving for home by the kindness of the manager. Too soon the time came to fill hungry mouths again, which we did, as best we could, with ice cream and cake, which we had provided for them. Here again we found our supply less than the demand. We were much pleased to have with us our President of the Board, Dr. J. C. McFeeters, also our Superintendent, Mr. William G. Carson, and daughter, Miss Louisa Carson. Mr. Carson was very generous in treating all the children to a ride in the Park goat carriages, which was appreciated by these poor little ones of the Ghetto. The Misses Jane and Mary Peoples came at the close of their school duties (in Girard College) and added very much to the enjoyment of all by helping to entertain.

At 6.15 P. M. Mr. Feuersohn called the roll to assemble all together to close the day's outing, first with singing selections from Psalms, after which Dr. McFeeters offered prayer; then all marched to the car, a happy, tired lot. Beloved, I cannot do justice in trying to picture to you this excursion; neither can the photographer tell the story of the work that has been done to bring these children to the knowledge of Jesus, who



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have been taught to hate the Mission and the name of Jesus. They ask even months before the picnic when it is to be, and plead for the privilege of taking their mothers with them. Many are living in homes in alleys that the sun never shines upon. The Jewess lady in the last row at the right of the photograph is a believer. The family has for the past three years been living in two rooms in a very dark alley off a narrow, dirty street. They also took in a male boarder. Since the birth of the sixth child, which is the little fellow standing in the front of the picture, they have moved out of the alley and now have three rooms. Five of their children attend our Sabbath School. The young man standing at the right of the picture in the last row is evidently a convert, although he has not come out to receive baptism. He has been out of work for some time. He has been seeking employment of any kind. He asked Mr. Feuer-sonn for a very small Bible. He said he had no room, but was sleeping in the parks to save running in debt and therefore wanted a small Bible, one that he could carry in his coat pocket. I had such a one I prized very much. I believed he was worthy of it and gave it to him. The next man in the last row with his hat off is married. He remained away from his work to-day to come here with his little daughter. He is a secret believer. Also the next, who is a single man. Then I hope you will recognize dear Mrs. Peoples, with the black bonnet, and Miss Louisa Carson with the white hat. And then the gentleman standing erect, to the plummet line, is our Superintendent, Mr. W. G. Carson, reminding us of Isaiah 28:17. Next is Miss Mary Bell, the Sewing Class teacher. She has cut and basted the garments of twenty or twenty-five of the girls in the photograph, which they have made, and are now

wearing. This was made possible through your support of the Jewish Mission. You will see my head leaning toward Mr. Feuersohn, as I try, with the Lord's help, to be a true helpmate in this the Lord's work for His chosen people, Israel. At the extreme left stands Mr. Feuersohn, who looks, as he feels, bearing the great responsibility of caring for so large a family, these young lambs of the flock. Beloved, may it never be said of us, "My people doth not consider." Isa. 1:3.

"Gather my saints together unto me; those that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice." Ps. 50:15.

WORK FOR ALL.

The Mission to the Hebrews affords opportunity to every one in the church to render service. A contribution, small or great, with prayer and thanksgiving, can be made by many; and intercession for Israel can be made by all. The latter is the greater service. The feeble, the aged, the lonely, the moneyless, all can intercede for these people, to whom pertain the promises and the covenants. May we be allowed to press upon the conscience of all this prime duty? We do not fear the lack of financial support. The Mission lies in the hearts of the people. They will make sacrifices for what they love. The spiritual service is what we plead for. O for suppliants at the throne of God, that will bring the Spirit in his almighty power to convert sinners and build up believers! Christ Jesus will move his people to send forward the amount needed for this work. We have hitherto had confidence in him and he has never yet failed us. \$2500 is needed.

“For the mountains shall depart, and the hills be removed, but my kindness shall not depart from thee, neither the covenant of my peace be removed, saith the Lord that hath mercy on thee.” Is. 54:10.

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I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the gift of fourteen dollars (\$14.00) received from the Flower, Fruit and Ice Mission, Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, which was used in furnishing free milk to our sick and worthy poor. Also flowers for distribution which are longed for and sought after by our people in this Ghetto. Also I received a gift of five dollars (\$5.00) from Mrs. Joseph M. Steele, per Miss E. A. Forsythe, to use in giving our Jewish children an outing or treat. A part of it was used in paying the fare of two Jewish children to the country, where they were boarded free for a time in a private Christian family. A part was expended for shoes and hose for one of these little ones, and the balance for milk for two Jewish women with small children, who have been deserted by their husbands. “Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me.” (Matt. 25: 40.) Who will say the money was not well invested? And may II Corinthians 9: 11, 12, be fulfilled in these dear contributors to our Jewish work.

MRS. E. I. FEUERSOHN.

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“I will make an everlasting covenant with you, even the sure mercies of David.” (Isa. 55: 3.)

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