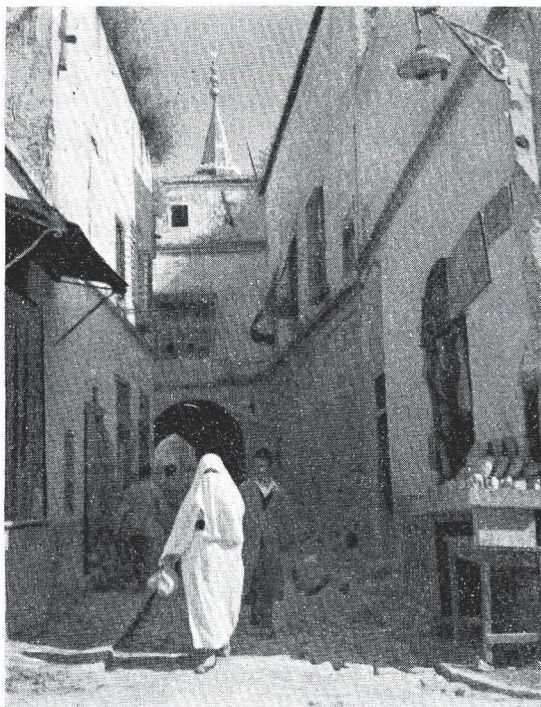


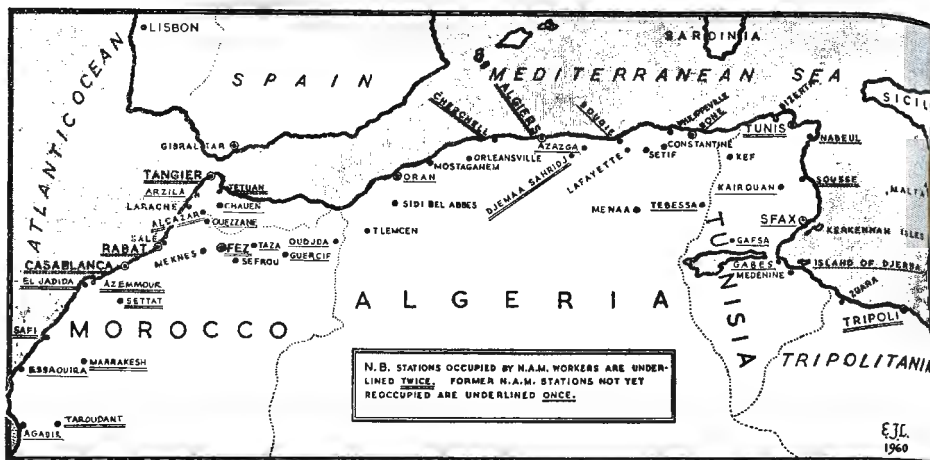
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The Desert shall Blossom

By LILIAN EVANS

AFTER the long summer drought it used to be such a joy, when the first shower of rain had fallen, to see on a bare and stony stretch of land outside one of the gates of Fez a mauve sheen caused by myriads of tiny crocuses that had sprung up, literally, in a night.

Just recently it has been my privilege to re-visit Morocco after an absence of twenty years. When I left, there were very few Christians in the whole of that land. Can you imagine my joy to find little groups in almost all the towns of any size—sometimes only two or three, sometimes more—who had taken their stand as “believers”? The Lord has, indeed, done great things.

In a number of cases it was “bread cast upon the waters”, found “after many days”, because there were those who had been under the sound of the Word years ago. Fear, in some cases, had kept them from confessing Christ: in others it was the lure of the world, cares of this life and so forth; yet others seemed not to be spiritually awakened to take in the meaning of the Word. But the seed lying dormant was waiting for the showers. In some instances there were children in whose hearts the Word heard in school or classes had now come to life.

But the young Church needs much prayer. We do not look for “mauve crocuses” that make a pretty picture but soon pass away. We look for a harvest of

real grain that will bring joy to the heart of the Lord of the Harvest. For this, ploughing, harrowing, sowing and weeding are needed, but even this spade work will be of little value without the showers, and this is where the home helpers come in. I believe that true Holy Ghost-inspired prayer can make a way for Him to release His power and blessing in a way we have little suspected.

Of course conditions are very different from what they were twenty years ago. The women have their liberty, and although the older ones still wear the veil they are able to go out and about. The towns are full of women doing their shopping—an unheard of thing in the old days. If “my lord” kept the women under lock and key he had either to bring the meat, and other provisions, home himself or else provide a slave to do so! I saw a number of women with little push-chairs pushing the baby; and it was good to see husband, wife and child out walking together.

Naturally, this new freedom brings its perils, especially in the case of the younger women and the girls in their “teens” who do not wear the veil. They are very beautiful and, with the low moral standards, are often in grave danger.

In the European quarter of one of Morocco’s largest cities I met a very enlightened Moorish couple who owned and were running a book-shop. Both were dressed in

European style and spoke French well, but somehow I detected that Arabic was really their native language. When I spoke to them in Arabic they opened up and we had an interesting conversation on things in general, during which the husband said, "We want our wives to be by our side in the home, in our work and in all phases of our lives." Would that they might see that true Christianity alone can bring about that adjustment safely and securely. [Eph. 5: 22-33].

Literacy is increasing tremendously and it is the Sultan's wish that all who can be crowded in shall attend schools. These are run in shifts and the children attend in relays. How the hard-worked teachers manage I did not ask! This means a great desire for literature and constitutes a call to prayer that God's Word will get into the hands of these reading-hungry people and that men and women will be enabled by God to put out books that will meet the need. It is scarcely necessary to say that the land is already being flooded with literature of the most wretched kind. Would that we had got in first! But there are Bible book-shops being opened in more of the towns and those responsible will greatly value prayer.

Morocco is by no means on the way to being a Utopia. There is still want and misery, largely due to unemployment, and this affects very seriously the believers who are such "babes in Christ." Many are without work and this often makes them dependent upon the missionaries for employment, which is not really "healthy". We are praying for an indigenous

Church and that means one that is self-supporting as well as self-governing. Only as the Holy Spirit is in control will this be realised. God-given wisdom is indeed needed to deal with the many problems that arise in the infant Church. The Lord Himself said "I will build my Church", and we believe He will do so. If converts are really born again His new creation Life in them will strengthen them to stand and to lean not on the arm of flesh but on Himself. And, as the Lord's servants are living in the good of Gal. 2: 20, "Not I but Christ", they will be kept from making serious mistakes.

To be present at a Conference of believers and enquirers was a tremendous privilege. I greatly enjoyed closer fellowship with them. And to see National brothers taking prominent part was heart-warming; but oh! how they need our prayers, for they are truly like sheep in the midst of wolves. Praise God for the "Good Shepherd who gave Himself", the "Great Shepherd" who keeps, and the "Chief Shepherd" who will come again for them and for us.

As I travelled through the country memories came rushing back. I thought of the conditions in which we used to live and work. These are no longer the same and in some ways there is not the same friendliness. Morocco is moving toward enlightenment and emancipation, but this does not mean that the Gospel is any more acceptable than it was. The more Western standards of living seem to be making people more indifferent to the claims of God and the way of

salvation. The work is hard and the doors may close even sooner than we anticipate. This constitutes a call to prayer and as my own heart has been freshly burdened I long that others may be so too.

Mr. J. O. Fraser, who was used of God to bring hundreds of the

Lisu tribe of South-west China to the feet of Jesus, acknowledged that he owed so much to the Prayer Partners in the homeland. It is my prayer that the Lord will raise up many such for North Africa, for only then will the desert truly blossom.

Mabel Jones

HEMELCALL OF A GREAT WARRIOR

IT was in the late summer of 1959 that Mabel Jones and her fellow-worker, Ada Clack, returned to their station of Sousse, in Tunisia, hoping for a fruitful "last term" of service before retirement.



But the Lord had other plans for His servants, and it soon became evident that Mabel Jones was very ill. It had been made clear to her that her illness was of a very serious nature, but with her usual courageous cheerfulness she looked on the bright side of things and faced the future with a calm fearlessness born of a deep trust in her Lord. "What time I am afraid I will trust in Thee. I will trust and NOT BE AFRAID"

—that is travelling first class!" she wrote to us at that time, and that was her attitude right to the end.

Mabel returned to the States in February of this year, and after a few months of intense suffering passed into the Presence of the Lord early on Sunday morning, June 12th. Her last audible words were an attempt to sing one of her favourite hymns, "Loved with everlasting love".

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The following tribute reaches us from Mrs. R. I. Brown, who was once a fellow-worker of Mabel's, and has known her intimately for many years:—

"Hast thou considered my servant Job?" was the question the Lord asked of Satan. And from that question comes for us the record of a man's reactions under the most tremendous testings and pressures to which he could be subjected. And when we consider the Lord's servant, Mabel Jones, we find ourselves marvelling afresh at the faith and

joy and steadfastness and courage manifested constantly in her. Perhaps a few brief sketches of her life as we have seen it may be used to bless and encourage others.

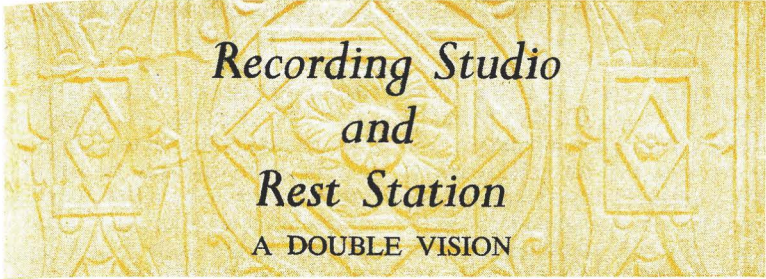
“ In 1947 the garden of the house at Nabeul, near Tunis, had been transformed by her loving care into a place of joy. True, there were the practical ingredients, the chickens and the vegetables which we all appreciated. But there were also flowers in profusion with which to brighten many a home—roses, sweetpeas, larkspurs, delphiniums, stocks. Whilst tending this garden we all knew that Mabel’s real work was that of prayer. As she turned the earth or nursed the seedlings she was pouring out her heart in prayer for the Lord’s blessing on the classes being held in the house or on the visitation then being done in the village. This knowledge of one praying whilst the spiritual seed was being sown has helped many an otherwise difficult class and borne fruit of which, as yet, we know but little. Mabel’s fellow-workers have all been impressed by the breadth and depth, the tenderness and reality of her prayer life.

“ A few brief years spent down in the oasis town of Gabès produced no flower garden for visitors to delight in, for she and her companion for 21 years had just a small upstairs apartment. But the spiritual gardening continued. In the spring of this year a small group of missionaries visited Gabès. There they found that Mabel and Ada were remembered

with much affection. The burden they had felt for Gabès and the surrounding villages of the oasis had left its mark and only the future will reveal the results of those years.

“ When Mabel and Ada returned to Sousse after their last furlough, there were very many people who rejoiced in their coming. We have seen something of Mabel’s prayer ministry, of the love she inspired in the people of Tunisia, but the effect of her life on her missionary colleagues, both older and younger, could not pass unmentioned. It would be difficult to find a greater example of courage. During months of acute suffering most people would never have guessed that she was in pain. Her sense of humour never flagged. It was Mabel who made easy the last moments at the airport, leaving the missionaries who were there to help and comfort finding that they themselves had been helped. Younger workers, struggling with the problems of early months on the Mission field, found that the home in Sousse and the ministry of Mabel and Ada was just the help they needed. The wise counsel, the fun, the care for the comfort of their guests and the times of prayer together will long be remembered and missed by many.

“ Mabel and Ada—we think of them always together, for the one complemented the other perfectly. Greatly beloved, we rejoice that one is with the Lord she so loved and served, whilst the friend still with us will continue to exercise the ministry of prayer and helpfulness for which she is so fitted.”



Recording Studio and Rest Station A DOUBLE VISION

WHAT a thrill to see a long-cherished "vision" becoming a reality before one's eyes! Earlier this year we told you of our hope of seeing the Gospel broadcast by radio to the countries of North Africa. For this we would need to set up our own recording studios to prepare programmes that would be put on the air by stations in areas where broadcasting is unrestricted. God laid this burden on the hearts of Don and Mary Harris, a young missionary couple of the S.M.M. (now affiliated with the N.A.M.). Don Harris is by trade an electrical engineer. A centrally located place in Morocco had to be found where our first studio could be established. It had to be a place whose climate would suit the health of their three little children.

Then another "vision" began to merge with this one. For a long time the need has been felt for a "Rest Station" at either end of our wide Field, to supplement the limited accommodation for summer holidays provided by stations on the coast. The mountain regions of both Morocco and Tunisia seemed indicated and search began for suitable property.

For Morocco a further step in God's leading became clear when

Don and Mary Harris, particularly the latter, declared their willingness to combine the Rest Station for Morocco with the project for a Gospel Recording Studio. They forthwith took up the burden of prayer for both and God began to answer in a wonderful way. Toward the end of 1959 the first gift of five hundred dollars earmarked for a Rest Station in Morocco had been received. In January of this year came the first financial token of £75 designated for "Gospel Broadcasts for Morocco."

Early this summer, conscious that God was leading on, we began to search the mountain area south of Fez. In a wonderful way a very suitable property was offered to us at an exceptionally reasonable price. It comprised two houses standing side by side, with a garage and small annexe, in a shady garden on the outskirts of a small country town called Immouzer. The town is 4,700 feet above sea level on the Northern slopes of the Middle Atlas. When the temperature at Fez stood at 102 in the shade on the day we paid our visit, up in Immouzer it was like a different world!

As we continued to seek God's guidance He graciously led on. Friends of the "Back to the Bible

Broadcast" in the States became interested. The Rev. Christian Weiss, director of their missionary programme, had had the great sorrow of losing his wife recently. God laid it upon his heart, and on the hearts of his colleagues, to raise a memorial fund and finance a project in her memory. Both he and his wife had formerly been missionaries in Morocco with the G.M.U. Through their generous efforts four thousand dollars have now been sent us for what will be known as the Olga Weiss Memorial Studio.

The dual project in its initial stages (for it is hoped that it will expand later) is expected to cost \$10,000, or approximately £3,500, for the property, plus \$1500 (£525) for the studio equipment. The latter has now been ordered, and Don Harris hopes to bring it with him on his return from furlough in October. In addition to the gifts mentioned, an interest-free loan has enabled us to secure the property and put in hand the necessary repairs and renovations. We would value prayer that this loan may soon be repaid and the whole property be free of debt.

It seemed almost too much to expect that anyone could really

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Bible and Literature Stand.

benefit by this new Rest Station at a very early date—but once again a step was taken in faith and a group of seven are, at the time of writing, enjoying the peace and refreshment of these lovely surroundings. In addition, three National Christians are enjoying it with us, the two men helping at the same time to make the place habitable. To the fastidious it might seem a little bit of a "picnic", but we have comfortable beds to sleep on, chairs and tables, cooking stoves and kitchen utensils, with many willing hands to prepare and cook our simple meals. The market is quite near at hand, with an abundance of fresh fruit and vegetables.

The cheery sun-parlour of "Chalet Georges" looks out on to a wooded hill, which the more energetic members of the household have climbed in the early morning to see the sunrise and the great panorama of hills stretching away beyond. An evening drive took us to within sight of the far-off, snow-covered peaks of the Atlas range.

The population of Immuizer is now almost entirely Moroccan, so we feel that there will be many opportunities of getting in touch with the people outside the holiday season. Please add IMMOUZER to your list of stations and take it upon your hearts to pray. Pray also for Mr. and Mrs. Don Harris and their children as they prepare to return from furlough to take up work in this place. Pray that the Lord's Hand may be very definitely over all that concerns the work of the studio and its preparation.



Notes from a Camp Commandant's Diary

WE began camp with a total of forty-five out of sixty registrations made. All seemed very happy with the exception of some who were not content with the group in which they had been placed. Actually, they had been separated at the request of their own missionary. Later it was found that some of the little ones were frightened because of a rumour that the end of the world was predicted! This led to tears which, by way of distraction, we tried to catch in bottles to be thrown into the lake or swimming pool!

We much appreciated the help of Fatima A. Each evening she had a sweet goodnight word for the children, gathering up some thought from the film strip that had been shown and sending them happily to bed.

Another very happy day! The Lord's leading was manifest even in tiny details. Fatima A. gave her testimony in the evening, which was very precious. She gave the children an opportunity of raising their hands if they wanted to follow the Lord, and many of them did so. We know that of this number some were already Christians but we are looking to the Lord for personal contacts with them all. The younger ones in Marguerite's group told her that they all wanted to follow the Lord. Miss Henman had a happy experience with the little ones in her group opening up to the Lord.

We are looking to the Lord for much wisdom in dealing with these little ones, as well as with the National helpers. M. and F. do not find it easy to get on with one another, but He is able . . . These Christian girls need more preparation as counsellors. They need to be shown that God does not lead us all by the same way. He will lead the little ones gently as they are able to bear it. We do not need to run Islam down. If the child has the Holy Spirit, He will teach line upon line.

During the night Rabia said that the Lord came to her in her sleep and spoke to her in a gentle voice. She said, "I answered Him, 'I do open my heart. Come in!'"

K. and A. were quarrelling, but the fact of all of us writing out 1 Peter 5.8, and carrying it about with us in our pockets as a kind of warning and reminder, and keeping it as a secret between us, is helping them, I believe.

B. Andersen reported a softening in her group after the evening service yesterday, girls praying who had not done so before. I. Davies told me how one girl had prayed for the very first time in her life before others, saying that she opened her mouth and made a start; then the rest was easy!

We had a very happy Feast evening, perfectly organized. The big girls acted as waitresses to relieve the younger group on duty. Bert Hollinshead filled in time

conducting choruses in the dining room and it was a great success. The little ones played contentedly, and the Camp pictures, together with some singing recorded by Mr. Schneider, and Miss Stenbok's good-night hymn, sent the children happy to bed. There are one or two discipline problems, but I think we should look to the Lord for victory. We are praying that the children will learn what it is to be quiet and to think on the things they have heard and learnt, so that they too may learn to withstand the assaults of the enemy.

There are just two more precious days for them all in these surroundings, which we trust will make it easy for them to make right decisions and to learn of Him. There are some hard hearts still; some who cannot speak of the things of God to others—and

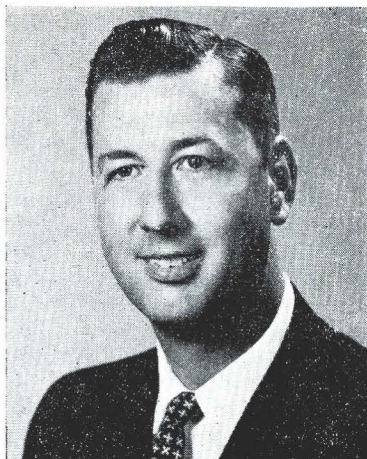
we are all needing Him as never before . . . Great rejoicings this morning when a pair of shoes that had been missing, the loss of which was upsetting the owner so much, was found by someone clearing up the Camp ground.

In the morning Bible studies, the children's attention was captured by the Bible stories re-told in simple language. You could have heard a pin drop! The Crafts section, too, was a great success, as each little girl made the furnishings for a Moorish doll's house. The box was provided, but the divans, cushions and the little lady of the house were made and dressed by busy little fingers. Many of them had never possessed anything so attractive before and their joy in their own handiwork knew no bounds.

The Rev. Dallas S. Green

The North American Council of the N.A.M. has pleasure in announcing the appointment of the Rev. Dallas S. Green as Deputation Secretary, beginning September 1st, 1960. Mr. Green has had one term of service in the Sudan, which has been aptly described as "the land bridge between Muslim and Pagan Africa."

He is a graduate of Barrington College (1951) but his undergraduate work also included studies at George Washington University (Engineering) and Washington Bible College. He has served several years as a Baptist pastor, as well as having an extensive deputation ministry. So he comes to his new task with a good



The Rev. Dallas S. Green

foundation of experience both on the mission field and at home, and now has a special burden, through the Lord's definite leading, for the spiritual needs of the Muslim people in North Africa.

Mr. Green is married and his wife, the former Winifred Gordon, is a registered nurse and graduate of Providence Barrington Evening School, who served with him in Africa. They have five children. For the past two years they have been serving the Southwood Baptist Church in Wood-

bury, New Jersey, the membership of which has tripled during their ministry.

The Rev. Dallas S. Green is presented therefore as a Bible teacher, missionary and conference speaker. While emphasizing the spiritual needs of North Africa, his main theme will be the Bible Basis of Missions. Inquiries may be addressed to him care of The North Africa Mission, 7034 Terminal Square, Upper Darby, Penna.

New Bible in Colloquial Arabic

FRRIENDS will be delighted to learn that the manuscript of the Bible in colloquial Arabic prepared for readers in Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia has now been placed in the hands of the British and Foreign Bible Society.

As we ponder the magnitude and complexity of this monumental undertaking, our hearts are full of praise to God for the grace and perseverance granted to Mr. Eric G. Fisk and those associated with him. We praise the Lord for His great goodness and shall continue to be prayerfully mindful of the task still to be undertaken in the actual printing and distribution of this long-awaited edition of the Holy Scriptures. Above all, we must be much in prayer that out in North Africa itself hearts will be prepared to welcome the Message of Salvation that *the whole Bible* brings with such blessed fullness.

Mr. Fisk has very kindly suggested that we might like to

publish the following letter received from the Bible Society, in order that its good news may be shared by those who have been both praying for this project and giving of their substance towards its realisation:—

Dear Mr. Fisk,

I need not say what a great pleasure it was to have you with us in the Translations Committee yesterday [22nd June] and to receive from you, both your generous cheque for £2,806 and the even more valuable text of the Arabic North African Colloquial Bible which we shall look forward to printing as soon as possible. You yourself heard the resolution:—

“ THAT the text of the Bible in Arabic N. African Colloquial be accepted as conforming to the rules for Translators.”

There is no doubt that the General Committee will formally approve this on July 4th.

You will remember that we were asked to express through you our grateful appreciation to all those who contributed towards the generous cheque and we shall be indebted to you if you will kindly pass this appreciation on to whomever it is due.

We do wish you every blessing in all your work.

Yours very sincerely,

(Signed) H. K. MOULTON.

Deputy Translations Secretary.

Across the Field in Praise and Prayer

DURING the past months a great encouragement to faith has been the steady and ever-increasing number of those who have taken up the Arabic Bible Correspondence Courses as a result of our witness at the Casablanca Fair. In the last issue of the magazine we asked prayer that those who are sincere seekers after the Truth might be brought into contact with those who could help them in their search—and this has been God's answer. Many have been brought into touch with missionaries in their own area, particularly in Casablanca where a National Christian has himself sought out many of them. Now a group of young lads meets regularly for Bible Study in one of the Mission houses there and at least eleven of them went to the Boys' Camp

in Khemisset in July. Some of them have definitely made profession of their faith in Christ as Saviour. Pray for each one. Pray also that it may be possible to do further "follow-up" work with those who seem so keenly interested in the Bible Correspondence Courses.

It is not possible yet to give a full report of the work in the CAMPS in the different areas, but there have been many notes of praise from those already held. The Camps give wonderful opportunities of helping, both physically and spiritually, boys and girls of all ages and from many differing backgrounds. In each camp there seem to be those who come determined to oppose the teaching of the Word, but, thank God, there are also those whose hearts the Lord has touched and won to Himself. Pray for them as they go back to their Moslem homes where the enemy of souls will seek to snatch away the Good Seed from their hearts and to draw them back into a life of compromise, if not of active denial of the Lord they have professed to love.

One of the greatest joys of the Moroccan Camps in Khemisset has been the helpful co-operation of National Christians, both young men and women. Grace

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A Film-strip Session.



Sharpe, who was the Commandant of the Junior Girls' Camp, wrote: "For me this has been a wonderful experience of being upborne by prayer and carried along by God's indwelling Spirit. This has been the experience of many. National girls in training with us for this work have responded well. Some, like me, have much to learn."

Bert Hollinshead reports seeing a real work of grace and transformation in the lives of many boys in this year's Camp. A lad, who had not made any previous profession, one day said that he too was a Christian. "When did you become a Christian?" asked the missionary who was there at the time. "On the 28th of July, 1960, here in this Camp!" came the quick answer, with a smile of joyful assurance. Another, coming out of the Crafts' Room, looking with evident pride at the things which his own hands had made, said to Mrs. Schneider, "I'm a Christian now!" "Oh, when did *you* accept the Lord Jesus?" she asked. "Today!" was the happy reply. A cripple lad, contacted at the Casablanca Fair, was brought to Camp with his wheeled chair, and he too gave a joyful testimony to his faith in Christ.

On a recent Sunday afternoon in **Casablanca** we had the joy of visiting a newly-married Moroccan Christian couple. Their little home had been tastefully arranged, and looked very attractive. Best of all, we liked the wall texts displayed quite prominently in both rooms, which testified to their faith in Christ, "the Head of this house". They had other guests that afternoon and it

thrilled our hearts to have fellowship there with five National Christians, gathered quite informally, but with a sense of being one with us in Christ Jesus. Pray for this new Christian home in the great city of Casablanca.

It was a special joy to meet in that home a young man who had once been a student in the G.M.U. Bible School in Khemisset. This effort to train young men for Christian service had not known the success that its founders had looked for at that time. One of the students had gone back to his mountain home, married a Moslem girl and seemed far from any prospect of doing Christian service. Another had married a Christian girl, but their testimony had been for a long time obscured by an indifferent spirit. The third was this young man of whom we had heard nothing for a long time. But now, "after many days", prayer has been wonderfully answered for all three of them.

The first-mentioned taught his wife and won her to Christ, and is now Mr. Leat's right-hand man on the Farm at Tetuan. The second, with his wife, has known real spiritual quickening and is now doing a full-time job in the correction and dispatch of the Bible Correspondence papers, while his wife was a tower of strength throughout the whole of the Girls' Camps this year. What an encouragement to those who have prayed throughout the years for these young people, never doubting but that the Lord would fulfil His promise in their lives. Pray on that God will guard them and use their testimony mightily in the land.

Let us remember in prayer a

D.V.B.S. to be held in Casablanca in the Mission school in September, specially planned for girls who were not able to go to either of the camps. Remember the school as it re-opens in October. Mary Hollinshead's help will be greatly missed as she and her husband will be going on furlough at that time.

Through the coming winter months **Casablanca** will be quite a centre of student activity as Janet and Roy Rawls, Elfrieda Gamber, Bob Klaus and Lydia Hugli take up Arabic studies there. Barbara Norton will be studying in Rabat. Please remember them as they tackle this language, praying that this period may be one of real profit to them in every way. Bernard and Maria Cookman will also be doing some further language study in Casablanca and Bente Andersen and Helen Wilson will continue their Shilha (Berber) studies.

Pray for the continuation of the Book Store ministry in Rabat—under the direction of Ralph Burns now that the Wilson family are on furlough. There is some indication that the importation of books will be facilitated in future. Pray that God will guide in all that concerns the united Christian witness in Rabat. Worship services are held each Sunday morning and there is an evangelistic service in French on Sunday evenings. Thank God for outsiders attending the evangelistic service in Arabic on Thursday evenings.

Let us pray for the establishment of the new Book Store in Fez. It is hoped that it will be possible to open it in October. Pray for guidance at every step

and that many may be inclined to come, not only to buy Christian literature, but to seek and find the One who is the Truth.

Pray for a true quickening of the Holy Spirit in each member of the little Church in Fez; that the Lord may have full control of each heart and life and that others may be added to their number.

Going further south again we would praise God for His undertaking in the preparation of a bigger and more suitable house for the Jackson family in **Taroudant**. They are praising God too for the boys and girls who are coming to them for classes and for opportunities given to preach the Word of God in visits to the Agadir Refugee Camps. Pray for the development of the work in this Southern region.

With the removal of the Cookman family to Casablanca, Helen Wilson and Dolores Parillo will be joining Flora Logan and Edith Jacobsen in **Marrakesh** for the time being. Uphold them specially in prayer and ask for spiritual and physical enabling for them in all the work that is committed to them. Pray for the future of the work in Marrakesh—that if it is God's will He will guide us to a more suitable centre, the present Mission houses being in a very dilapidated state—one of them at least being unsafe.

In **Azemmour** a little Koranic school kept up its droning chant from morning to night, seven days a week, right opposite the door of the Mission House. Such things can be very wearing, so a special note of thanksgiving comes for a definite answer to prayer in that the school is to be removed to

another spot. One might pray that it might be far enough away not to be heard! Pray that in **Azemmour** and **El Jadida** the Lord will continue to build up His Church and to strengthen the faith of those who believe. Remember also **Safi** in this region, as Mr. and Mrs. Morgan return there after a long spell in Tangier, where they have been giving practical help in many departments.

Pray for **Settat**, that those who have heard the Word for so long may not any longer resist the Spirit.

Praise that it was possible to hold two meetings for men in **Alcazar** before the Summer holidays. Pray that if it is God's will it may be possible to arrange for further meetings during the winter, when visiting men missionaries are available, and that interest may increase. Pray for God's keeping of the three Christians there and for His blessing on the school as it re-opens.

The lad who has been training in the print shop in **Tetuan** now has the opportunity of continuing his education in a Technical College in Casablanca. We thank God for his consistent testimony and development in the Christian life and would ask your prayers that he may stand fast in new surroundings. Another lad, in training on the farm, is anxious to get married and settle down on a little farm of his own. Pray that we may have wisdom in guiding these lads and that God will send along others to take their places in farm and print shop. Later this year we shall be faced with the problem of having either to buy the farm or pay double rent for it. We commend

this matter to your prayers also.

In July **Tangier** had the great pleasure of welcoming the Rev. Alan Redpath and his wife on the last lap of their long journey through some of the Mission Fields of India and Africa. In a crowded week-end Mr. Redpath met many missionaries of the Tangier area and his messages were both inspiring and challenging. Their visit will not soon be forgotten. It was a special joy to Helen Wilson to meet her Pastor once again.

Let us remember in prayer very specially all the activities of the Tangier area as the new term begins — Hospital, schools, and nurses' training centre—all facing the challenge of increasing opportunity. Pray on that the Church of Jesus Christ in this strategic centre might become strong and true in character—a praise to His Name. Barbara Norton, coming through from Tunis for further language study, has given valuable help in the hospital through the holiday period. "On July 11," she writes, "I reported for duty at our 40-bed Tulloch Memorial Hospital here in Tangier, temporarily joining the vacation-depleted staff. Since then I

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have been learning to cope with many new schedules and different procedures and have become acquainted with some very dear Moorish patients and hospital workers. Pray for these patients who hear the Word of God day after day and who often throughout the day sing the choruses learned in the ward services. Remember the staff, particularly the Moroccan student nurses, that Jesus Christ might be continually manifested. A growing thirst is developing in me to learn the Moroccan Arabic so that I might talk to these people among whom God has brought me. A few phrases are becoming familiar to me, but formal study will start in September in Rabat." In September Ingie Larson from Tunis will be joining the staff of T.M.H. She will need to continue language study, so let us pray for her in this double responsibility.

It is a cause for deep gratitude to God that in **Algeria**, despite the prevailing unrest, it has been possible to carry through a Camps programme covering, almost without a break, the period July 4—September 2. Pray that, as in past years, rich blessing may result from this faithful ministry among boys and girls.

Let us remember Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ewing, now on furlough in Great Britain, and reunited for a while with their three daughters. Cherchell will be serving, in measure, as a "rest station" for other Algeria missionaries; and the oversight of the Mission house and the care of local believers will thus be assured.

Tunisia. Let us remember the Rev. and Mrs. R. I. Brown as

they go to the States in September, taking Carolyn with them and leaving Christine and Christopher in schools in Britain. Uphold in a special way Mrs. Helen Morriss as she seeks to guide the language student group in **Tunis** during Mr. Brown's absence.

Praise God for a very encouraging time at the Industrial Fair at **Sousse** where our Stand was manned by Messrs. Warren Gaston, Wendall Evans and Stanley Miles. Over 3000 portions of Scripture were sold and one young man at least made profession of his faith in Christ. Pray that many more may be won by the Word.

Prayer has been greatly answered for the Sousse Bible Shop. Mr. Miles writes: "It is now known in the town that it is open again. The news gets round and some are coming in from the country. I had an offer for a more central position but the Lord stopped the deal and I am content to stay in the present one. The Jews speak well of it, the children all around beg me not to move. Arab students say they like me, and the shop too where it is! Some revise their homework in the small public garden close to the shop, and when it is English—well, I'm nice and handy . . . Two Arab students come regularly to read the Word. Twice a week Mrs. Miles comes round to tidy the book shelves, share in the witness of the shop and contact families around. Pray that the Word in the windows, as it is read by many by daylight, or by electric light some evenings, may do its own work unto salvation".

It is hoped that it will be pos-

sible to re-open the stations of **Sfax** and **Gafsa** soon with some of our younger workers. Ask that God's will may be made very clear with regard to these projects.

Continue to pray for very clear guidance with regard to a medical programme in Tunisia—that soon a door may be opened for such work if it is God's will.

Tripoli. Dr. and Mrs. McCarthy and Vivian Bradshaw have been permitted to stay on in

Tripoli through the Summer, though not allowed to continue their medical work. The very fact of their being there has been a source of encouragement to the local Christians. Let us pray that while this opportunity lasts there may be a mighty victory for the Lord and that others may be added to His Church. Pray on for Libya in its deep need.

J.C.S.

D.V.B.S. With a Difference

IT IS VERY pleasant to be awakened by music, but a great deal depends on the time and the music! Four-thirty a.m. is a little too early to appreciate a musical muezzin's well-meaning efforts to awaken the faithful by the chanting of verses from the Koran. I was staying for the first time in a Moorish house in the heart of a Moorish city, surrounded by all the sights and sounds of a Moslem community. The singing was just the beginning; from the roof of the house we could see at least ten mosque minarets and hear the prayer-call resounding from all of them five times a day. The muezzins would shout it four times, once from each side of the tower, leaning well over so that all should hear.

It happened also to be the week when the pilgrims were returning from Mecca, the 'plane had just arrived and the boat would be bringing others later. Our next door neighbours on one side and the house two doors

away on the other, were celebrating the return of their men-folk; the front doors were decorated with coloured lights and Moroccan flags; and the feasting in honour of the pilgrims, who had now gained so much merit with God, continued for four or five days. The air was full of the throbbing of the almost incessant rhythm of the drums, sometimes accompanied by the dirge of oriental singing, broken by the strange joy-cry of the women which sounds like a vibrating high-pitched scream. This celebrating would begin very early in the morning and continue with short intervals of quiet until after midnight, and I began to wonder at the cast-iron quality of their nerves!

We had plenty of noise inside the house as well where the girls began to gather at 7.30 a.m. for classes which commenced at 8.30. Numbers grew as the week progressed until we had sixty names on the roll, lively mischievous girls who found it the

hardest thing in the world to sit still and be quiet, and much more interesting to pull one another's hair and fight. The old Moorish house, which is the G.M.U. Mission house in Meknès, proved to be ideal for the D.V.B.S.

We sang choruses and hymns all together in the large tiled courtyard which is open to the sky, and then divided into smaller groups for the Bible story, told with flannel-graph pictures, followed by colouring and hand-work in the long narrow rooms which led off the court-yard through archways with beautifully carved doors.

I had never before been so aware of the grip and power of Islam which seemed to permeate the atmosphere itself during that week. Surrounded by the darkness of it all, we alone possessed the Light of Life and had the supreme joy of shining Him forth. Day by day, six hours a day, the Gospel was preached and who knows how far the beams will shine and how much they will enlighten. One thing we are sure of—that no weight of darkness has the power to ex-

tinguish the Light of the world.

Muriel Butcher.

NEW ARRIVAL ON THE FIELD. In June we had the joy of welcoming back to the Field Miss Elfrieda Gamber, a nurse from Germany who served for a short period in our Tangier hospital in 1958. Feeling that the Lord would have her return to serve Him there as a full-time worker, she applied to the Mission and has been accepted. She comes with the support and prayer backing of a group of keen Christians in Germany, the German Mission Fellowship. Pray for her as she takes up language study in Casablanca.

BIRTH. To Janet and Roy Rawls, in Tunis on June 11th, 1960 — a son, Timothy. May God's best blessing rest upon this little life continually.

ENGAGEMENT. Warm congratulations to Barbara Norton and Robert Klaus on their recent engagement within the ranks of the Mission family. May the joy of the Lord be their portion and may His Light shine upon all their future way.

GUIDED GIVING

To meet the very simple personal needs of each missionary, a **minimum allowance of £15 a month is required, exclusive of "overheads"**.

The payment of a legacy made possible the sending of full allowances for July and August.

We acknowledge with gratitude an anonymous gift of **£25, received on August 13th (London E.C.16, Regd. No. 6761).**

THE N.A.M. PRAYER CALENDAR

DAILY PRAYER FOR MISSIONARIES AND OTHERS

1. **Tangier:** Rev. L. J. BOCKING & Mrs. BOCKING (1928), Mr. C. A. HARVEY (Field Treasurer) & Mrs. HARVEY, Miss G. FOX (1956).
2. **Tangier: Tulloch Memorial Hospital:** Dr. F. A. R. ST. JOHN (1945) & Mrs. ST. JOHN (1950), Dr. & Mrs. J. CARLILE (1955), Dr. & Mrs. W. CAMPBELL (1956). **Nurses:** Misses K. B. CARTER (1950), K. M. DYKES (1952), W. LLOYD (1949), G. W. THEAKSTON (1945), J. WILBERFORCE (1948), E. SMETANA (1954), M. SMETANA (1954), D. EVANS (1957), I. LARSON (1958).
3. **Tangier (contd.):** Miss C. BOWRING (1930). **Nurses' Training School:** Miss P. M. ST JOHN (1949) (on furlough), Miss L. HUGLI (1959).
4. **Tangier: Schools:** Mrs. L. J. BOCKING (1928), Miss D. RICHARDSON (1945), Miss E. PRIDEAUX (1948). **Beni Makada:** Misses W. DRURY (1929) & N. ANDREW (1945). Spanish believers.
5. **Tetuan:** Misses E. BRADBURY (1929) & E. LOW (1931), Mr. & Mrs. S. R. SMURTHWAITE (1952), Mr. B. LEAT (1952), Mr. & Mrs. (Dr.) J. TRINDLE (1954). Spanish believers.
6. **Alcazar:** Misses M. E. CHIPPERFIELD (1945), S. KLAU (1954).
7. **Fez:** Mr. & Mrs. J. THOMPSON (S.M.M.), Misses G. LINCOLN (1935), E. SOUTER (1946). **Rabat:** Miss I. DEW (1924), Mr. & Mrs. T. WILSON (1952) (on furlough), Rev. R. & Mrs. BURNS (1957).
8. **Casablanca: Field Headquarters:** Rev. H. W. STALLEY (Field Director) & Mrs. STALLEY, Miss W. DAVEY (1957). **Spanish, French and Italian Work:** Mr. J. PADILLA (1929) (retired). **Moorish Work:** Misses G. SHARPE (1938) & M. HAUENSTEIN (1953), Mr. B. HOLLINSHEAD (1956), Mrs. B. HOLLINSHEAD (1948) (on furlough), Misses J. MORGAN (1954), M. BUTCHER (1957), Mr. & Mrs. B. COOKMAN (1955).
9. **Settat:** Misses G. CARTY (1939), B. ANDERSEN (1951). **Azemmour:** Misses D. M. HENMAN (1935), G. HAVELL (1958). **Safi:** Mr. & Mrs. H. J. H. MORGAN (Associate Members).
10. **Marrakesh (S.M.M.):** Misses F. LOGAN (1949), E. JACOBSEN (1953), Mr. & Mrs. D. R. HARRIS (1953) (on furlough).
11. **El Jadida (S.M.M.):** Mr. & Mrs. J. A. HARRIS (1953).
12. **Taroudant (S.M.M.):** Mr. & Mrs. W. JACKSON (1953).
13. **Algiers:** Miss R. STEWART (1954 (on furlough), Miss K. CASTLE (1954).
14. **Cherchell:** Mr. F. EWING (1932) & Mrs. EWING (1931).
15. **Djemaa Sahridj:** Rev. & Mrs. B. COLLINSON (1950).
16. **Tunis:** Rev. R. I. BROWN (Deputy Field Director) & Mrs. BROWN (in U.S.A.), Mrs. C. W. MORRIS (1927), Mrs. A. STRAUTINS (1938), Mr. & Mrs. W. GASTON (1954), Mr. & Mrs. C. ADAMS (1955) (on furlough).

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17. **Language Students. Tunis:** Rev. & Mrs. R. LILLEY (1957), Miss D. BROWN (1957), Miss M. BALLARD, Mr. W. EVANS, Misses M. HIESTAND, K. MORRIS (all 1958); Mr. & Mrs. M. HILES, Mr. S. SCHLORFF, Miss A. SWANK (all 1959), Mr. & Mrs. W. BELL, Mr. & Mrs. G. SMITH, Miss L. MONUS (all 1960).
 18. **Language Students. Algiers:** Rev. & Mrs. I. HOFFMAN (1957), Mr. R. L. HELDENBRAND (1958), Miss R. MCDANIEL (1958). **Rabat-Salé:** Miss D. PARILLO (1958). **Casablanca:** Miss H. WILSON (1957), Mr. R. KLAUS, Miss B. NORTON, Mr. & Mrs. R. RAWLS (all 1959).
 19. **All Testimony among God's Ancient People.**
 20. **Sousse:** Mr. R. S. MILES (1921) & Mrs. MILES (1926), Miss A. CLACK (1924) (in U.S.A.).
 21. **Tripoli: Medical Mission:** Dr. and Mrs. P. MCCARTHY (1955), Mr. N. PEARCE (1940) & Mrs. PEARCE (1945) (temporarily in England), Miss V. BRADSHAW (1954).
 22. **Deputation Work in Britain:** Mr. & Mrs. E. J. LONG, Rev. A. COFFEY, Mrs. E. L. LILEY and (part time) Miss E. H. FRASER. **In U.S.A.:** Dr. F. STEELE.
 23. **All believers in N. Africa, Secret Believers, Backsliders and Enquirers.**
 24. **Translation Work; Distribution of Scriptures; Publication of Evangelical Literature; Bible Shops; Colportage.**
 25. **Children of Missionaries, and Children of Converts in North Africa.**
 26. **Members of North American Council and U.S.A. Headquarters Staff.**
 27. **U.K. Council Members and Headquarters Staff.**
 28. **Local Secretaries and Prayer Groups.**
 29. **Retired Workers. In the homeland:** Miss A. BUXTON (1919), Mrs. E. FISHER (1922), Miss E. HARMAN (1921), Miss E. HIGBID (1921), Miss V. HOUGHTON, Mrs. J. W. KENT (1948), Mr. P. PADILLA (1926), Mrs. P. PADILLA (1922), Miss G. E. PETTER (1913), Miss K. REED (1922), Mrs. E. A. SIMPSON (1898), Mrs. T. J. P. WARREN (1911), Mrs. F. M. WEBB (1899), Mr. & Mrs. A. G. WILLSON (1922). **S.M.M.:** Mrs. M. NAIRN (1896), Mr. J. HALDANE (1912), Mrs. J. HALDANE (1913), Misses E. ALDERSON (1913), I. ROSS (1926), C. POLLOCK (1936). **In U.S.A.:** Miss E. BROOKES (1932). **In France:** Mrs. S. ARTHUR (1923). **In Algiers:** Mrs. A. ROSS (1902). **In Denmark:** Miss E. M. S. DEGENKOLW (1913). **In Switzerland:** Miss I. COULERU (1923) (S.M.M.).
 30. **Dispensary Work; Classes; Visiting; Work among Europeans.**
 31. **Special Remembrance of Financial Needs.**
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