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depend on 'medicine' for their farms, children, and, in fact, everything they do. Both the Mano and Gio live in towns of 75, 100, 150 and 200 huts each, often having eight people to a hut. Their belief in witchcraft does not appear strong, particularly as regards their farms. They are a much more energetic people than the Bassa people, who are extremely lazy. Thus a great opportunity is presented for the Gospel, and the need of workers is urgent. May the Lord lay it upon the hearts of all His people to pray for Liberia.

Lepers Open the Door

A distinct evangelistic advance has been made in the hitherto closed Emirates of Northern Nigeria during the last two or three years. In a short time, a line of stations—Sokoto to Maroua—for a distance of some 700 miles has opened up territory not long ago hermetically sealed to missionary penetration.

This closed door has undoubtedly been opened by the hand of the leper. It has resulted from a scheme of co-operation, between the Native administration of the Government and Missions, to establish leper settlements where they were desperately needed. It has given native Moslem rulers a sight of Christianity in action and has deeply impressed them. The Shehu of Bornu, speaking at the recent opening of a settlement in his province, in the presence of the Acting-President and the European community said, 'I welcome the mission to my country and am pleased to see its interest in the unfortunate lepers.'

The Sudan Interior Mission, the Sudan United Mission and the Church Missionary Society, are closely co-operating, and labour in close touch with the Administration in the leper work. Their mission personnel are caring for a total of about 750 sufferers. In addition, the Church of the Brethren Mission is caring for about 500 lepers at Garkida in Adamawa Province, and the Dutch Reformed Mission for about 400 near Mkar, Benue Province. There is also a small settlement of about forty lepers in the charge of the Sudan United Mission in Plateau Province. It is kept deliberately to small dimensions as the place is unsuitable. The care of these lepers is part of the routine work of a general hospital.

Three years ago the Council of Missions initiated a plan of evangelism designed to enter every village in Northern Nigeria within three years. Not every village has yet heard the Gospel, but a very considerable number have, and the spirit of pioneer evangelism has been greatly stimulated. The growth of the Church is not spectacular, but steady and solid. The number of believers is growing, especially in the pagan tribes, and village Christian communities, under the care of leaders appointed by the Church, are rapidly increasing in number. Both from the Moslems and the pagans, Christian converts of ability and character are being won, and are being trained to take Christ's Gospel to their own people.