

said he could obey God in his own house, that he could not come to church that the caste people opposed it, etc., etc. I gave him a number of our Heavenly Father's promises, but he was too weak to lay hold of them.

Here we are daily reminded that "We wrestle not against flesh and blood but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world." I ask your prayers for this family that they may be enabled to take the shield of faith to quench the fiery darts of the enemy and step out of darkness into the marvellous light and liberty of the children of God.

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Classes for Women.

FROM MISS MARGARET J. MCINTOSH.

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My afternoon class still keeps up very well in attendance. Those who attend most regularly are: Mrs. Chang, Dr. McClure's boy's mother, another Mrs. Chang and her son, two Mrs. Wangs, Mrs. Han, Mrs. Wen, and also there was a Mrs. T'an, who used to come often, but latterly some of her relatives have forbidden her, so she has not been with us for several weeks. But the women have been praying almost without ceasing for her return and also that the hearts of her friends might be moved to understand this doctrine themselves, so that they no longer would prevent her coming to listen. She is a simple and rather stupid woman, of about fifty, but gentle and pleasant, and had learned at least something of Jesus, who is the light of the world. Will you ask in prayer that this whole class of women may be converted, and thus become a power for good in this place, for they are all neighbors? Some of them have already decided, but lack of courage hinders them from openly confessing His name.

We have had a great many patients, some of whom stayed for almost two months with us, during which time they daily heard the gospel from Mrs. McClure, Mrs. Wu, or myself, and who can tell what the results will be, as they carry with them the wonderful story of redemption through a crucified Saviour?

As for our station class, we met for the first time on the morning of March 25th; there were seven in all, five of whom were women, and the other two girls. One of the latter, a child of fifteen, is to be married within a few days. This family are poor, and the mother who was a church member and had been here frequently for medical assist-