

lacked the opportunity, of augmenting your staff of preachers. Our only hope is, that the Lord of the harvest, in answer to prayer, will send forth more labourers into his harvest. The large accession of young men to the Academy this year gives us hope for the future.

Meanwhile, beloved brethren, let us take as our motto and inspiration, the words of the king of Judah when he went out against Zerah the Ethiopian and his myriad of thousands,—“Lord it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or the few that have no might: help us O Lord our God, for we rest in thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude, O Lord thou art our God, let not man prevail against thee.”
2 Chron. xiv. 11.

Finally, beloved brethren, our hearts' desire and prayer for you all is, “May the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ to whom be glory for ever and ever, Amen.”

In the name of the Conference of the Evangelical Union of Scotland, we are yours in the “kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ.”

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Writer of the letter for the Conference.

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Kendal, 19th Oct., 1861.

To Rev. H. Melville, President of the American Branch of the Evangelical Union of Scotland.

EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS OF ENCOURAGEMENT.

“I assure you I wish you success in your noble undertaking, and the wisdom that is necessary for the prosecution of it. You will be likely to meet with much opposition, but fear not in maintaining and defending the Gospel of Jesus. You are taking a bold stand for him, and he will stand by you, and *keep you standing*, and cause your heart to rejoice by succeeding with his blessing your efforts even *beyond your expectations*.

And in order that such may be the result, see to it that the articles are as Christ-like in spirit as they are Scriptural in sentiment. While they *boldly* and *faithfully* and *clearly* declare the truth, let it be in love. Such a course, I think, will tend at once to remove prejudice from the