

A WORLD-WIDE DAY OF PRAYER

The Federation of Woman's Boards of Foreign Missions of North America and the Council of Women for Home Missions have set Friday, March 4th, 1927, to be observed by Christians everywhere as a **World-Wide Day of Prayer for Missions.**

"In churches and halls, in homes and offices, and by the wayside, men and women are asked to gather and unite in prayer that the greater works promised by our Lord may be performed in our day and in all lands." It is most earnestly desired that all our Circles will plan to meet on that day and join with Christians all over the world, in worship and praise, in confession and petition to God, in a real faith that power will be released in answer to earnest prayer.

Note: The next Link will contain the program suggested for the meetings to be held all over Canada on March 4th.

ARRIVAL OF CHRISTMAS BOXES IN INDIA

A letter has been recently received from Mrs. Dixon Smith, Cocanada, announcing that the boxes had all arrived in **perfect** condition. The early arrival was greatly appreciated. All the cases will reach the various stations in ample time to arrange for the distribution at Christmas. Further letters will be received from our missionaries and reports will be given in due course. It is hoped that the Circles are already at work for the 1927 consignment. White Cross supplies for the hospitals, S.S. rolls and picture cards, useful articles, and toys, etc., are all among the needs of our missionaries. Any information will be gladly supplied by Miss E. Bentley, 910 St. Catherine St. West, Montreal.

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EXTRACTS FROM LETTERS

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"My dear Sir, It is yesterday the signal for approach of the rainy season has just approached, just as a signal for the distant sighted Mail train appears on the Platform, by one break in clouds of 'Migra Sira Varte,' the first showers for the coming rainy season, and thus from yesterday evening, there is somewhat a bit of cool change in the atmosphere. Before that a week or so, breeze stopped, Sun's rays and Sultriness, hopelessly horrible. We natives even suffered quite unbearable and dangerous resulting in deaths of some persons and some birds at some forlorn places. This 'Raktashi' year (1924-25) rains are predicted to pour down mingled with lightnings and thunderbolts, causing dangers to lives. As for instance, very recently here T.....V..... (Land Proprietors) building being somewhat high and for want of lightning conductor, and some high trees outside too were destructively subjected to the shocks of thunderbolts and lightnings with loss of human lives as well.

The outpatients of your hospital have been, as I already submitted in my first letter, increasingly well, and some patients for some consultations for operations or otherwise, having been looking for you. Miss and her brothers and your favorite Poppy (puppy) are all doing well. As the signs for the rainy season are nearby, we the people here, expect the time of your coming down from hills would be nearby for us to expect you to grace the place here by your presence with Rev. Madam and children, but we are at a loss to know when we can expect you.

Please excuse me for the trouble I have given you to peruse this petty script from a grateful acquaintance of you."