

*Thanksgiving Circular.*

*To the Ladies of the Auxiliaries :*

DEAR SISTERS,—For some years past we have been accustomed to hold our Thank-offering services at the November meeting of our Auxiliaries, and much benefit has resulted from these gatherings to the Board from the offerings made at these services, and to ourselves from the blessings promised to those who gather "in His name." It is with much joy, therefore, that we invite you to join once more in what has been so fruitful of blessing in the past. It is none too soon to plan your meeting; let it be as bright and interesting as possible; above all, let it be a real thank-offering service; full of the spirit of thankfulness to our Heavenly Father for His manifold mercies to us. Let us name a very few of the innumerable reasons we have for gratitude.

1. For "peace in our time." Our sons, brothers, husbands have not been sent far from us to suffer and perhaps die on the field of battle.

2. For "what Christianity has done for me." Let us read over again the little story in the September "Leaflet" and gratefully acknowledge what it means to us to have been born in a Christian land.

3. For God's blessing on our special work in Cisamba. The prayers that have gone up for that work from many loving hearts at home have been certainly answered. Let us believe that the present "cloud"—the illness of Mrs. Currie and consequent departure of herself and Miss Melville from the field—but part of God's plan for more surely answering our prayers.

Dear sisters, let our offerings be as liberal as possible, and let them be sent, as our Treasurer suggests, undesignated, so that they may be used, if necessary, for the salaries coming due in December. Similar envelopes to those supplied last year can be obtained from the Secretary. Shall we not all pray that our offerings this year may be made in such a spirit of loving gratitude that the great privilege and blessing may be ours of being workers together with God?

MRS. D. MACALLUM, *President.*

MRS. J. D. NASMITH, *Secretary.*

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*From Miss Emily McCallum.*

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DEAREST MOTHER,—We have come at last to the last week of the term, as we close on Thursday. It is fearfully hot to-day and we do not look forward to our closing exams. with a gre