

gregation, since its first organization, has met for worship in a small frame building, formerly used as a school house. Shortly after the settlement of their new pastor, the Rev. Mr. McKenzie, in February last, it was resolved to attempt the erection of a church. Subscription lists were sent round, and a meeting was called to consider whether the building should be of wood or stone. So much encouragement was given by the amount subscribed—over \$1,400—that the erection of a stone church was resolved upon. The mason and carpenter work, including seats, but not pulpit, was let by estimate for \$1,826, to be finished in December next. The building—55 feet in length, by 40 in breadth—is now nearly finished outside, and it is expected will be ready for use by New Year. The entrance is surmounted by a square tower, 40 feet in height, crowned by eight small turrets of white hewn stone. It occupies a conspicuous position on Cooper Street, and is seen to advantage from various points of approach to the village. The site is the free gift to the congregation of Robert Forbes, Esq., Puslinch, whose liberality, together with that of Jacob Hespeler, Esq., who handsomely subscribed \$200 to the funds, deserves particular notice, both gentlemen being unconnected with the congregation. While the congregation, numerically small, have credit in erecting a church which, when properly finished, will be an ornament to the village, it is earnestly hoped they will not be satisfied with it as an object of mere dumb show, but that both minister and people will make it their constant desire and aim, that from it may radiate an influence for good, that may be deeply and permanently felt in the village and neighborhood; and this the more especially, as the opening of the extensive manufacturing establishment—now nearly ready—will be attended with a considerable influx of inhabitants.—*Com.*

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR 1863.

The Evangelical Alliance have again invited Christians generally to observe a week of prayer in the beginning of January, 1863. As a ground for this invitation, the Committee refer to the great spiritual blessings enjoyed in connection with the seasons of prayer in former years. The following topics are suggested as suitable for a prominent place in the exhortations and intercessions in the successive days:

Sunday, Jan. 4.—Sermons on the Dispensation of the Spirit.

Monday, Jan. 5.—Humble Confession of our manifold Sins: Prayer for the Lord's blessing on the Services of the week.

Tuesday, Jan. 6.—The Conversion of the Ungodly: especially those of our own Families and Congregations—Large success to all the means employed for the Evangelisation of different Classes of the Population, and for checking every form of vice and immorality.

Wednesday, Jan. 7.—Increased Spirituality and Holiness in the Children of God—a richer baptism of the Holy Spirit on all Ministers and their fellow-laborers in Christian lands—a blessing upon all Seminaries of sound learning and religious education—a large increase of devotedness, self-denial and liberality, on the part of the people at large.