

desire of the principal of the school that the pastor of the church should have this frequent opportunity of special instruction of the students.

The whole school, teachers and students, attend the morning service in the church, forming a large, and we believe, a helpful part of the congregation. The pastor has been invited to visit the school class-meetings, and once this term he has done so. He has interviewed and questioned girls who were to be baptized. While it is true that the Christian teachers in the school must each bear a share of responsibility for the spiritual welfare of the girls that are primarily committed to their care, yet we always desire to have the pastor share in and help as much as possible in teaching them the truths of God and leading them into the way everlasting.

We have only one church in Kofu, though there is one preaching place where an evangelist lives. In the church Sunday School our Bible-woman and three daily students have taught for a long time. The Superintendent of the Sunday School until recently had been for some time a foreign missionary—one of ourselves—chosen according to the Discipline of the Methodist Church. It is only because no foreigner who could take up this work was available without great loss to other departments that the Superintendent is not a foreign missionary now. One of our Japanese teachers has recently gone to help, and in all these plans there have been free consultations with the pastor.

We have Sunday School work in six places in Kofu, in which the girls take part, one of these being the preaching place mentioned above and which we entered at the request of the pastor. We have had Sunday School work in the other five places for a long time. When difficulties occur, as, opposition from the teachers of the public schools, or serious throwing of stones on the part of the children, the matter is usually talked over with the pastor. In these six Sunday Schools, as is not the case with the church Sunday School, the expenses are all met by the Woman's Missionary Society.

We have a weekly meeting on Saturday for the study of the lesson to be taught on the following Sunday, con-