

Let us arouse ourselves during the coming year ; let us pray as never before ; believe, as never before ; give as never before.

Let us persevere in this noble work of the Lord, and the God of all grace will give us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

How deeply pained and sorely disappointed our missionaries must have been when they learned that no helpers were on their way this year. Let our earnest prayerful sympathy be extended to each and all of them, not only in words but in increased gifts for His sake "Who gave Himself a ransom for the sins of the world," and "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature," that funds may not be lacking and those ready to go may soon be on their way to India, with messages of salvation to the darkened souls of that land and encouragement to God's faithful witnesses there, who are almost ready to faint under the burdens which press so heavily upon them.

"Not to the strong is the battle
Not to the swift is the race,
But to the true and the faithful,
Victory is counted through grace."

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in memory of her aunt Miss Emily Cahill."

Surely the sweet odor of the ointment is around such an offering. It tells perhaps of loving service rendered to "one of His little ones" in years gone by ; services given "in His Name" and without thought of reward : forgotten perhaps by the giver, but treasured in the great heart of Him who never forgets, and who now will use this gift in His own glory.

Who knows, but the patient worker, now in her Master's presence, may be allowed to follow this gift, as it feeds the hungry and thus raise a higher note of praise.

Be this as it may, surely we may learn our lesson. Are there not others among us who could take this way of "paying back" a little of what we owe to some earthly friend. At this Christmas season when the very joyousness about us remind us of vacant chairs, and living voices hushed, could we not send a gift "in memory of——?"

I speak not now of that greater friendship, that stronger love, which has guided our lives from the beginning. but if any are so blessed that they have all earth's loved ones here, still send your gift—"In memory of the Christ."