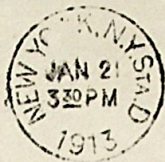


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The International Missionary Union.

The twenty ninth Annual Meeting of the International Missionary Union has just closed its sessions of one week - May 29 to June 5 - at Clifton-Springs New York. The central theme of the conference was; God's messengers in relation to the world's unrest.

Of the one hundred missionaries present, seventy were from China and India. The wonderful political changes in China call for immediate and enormous increase of workers and of funds, or the present strategic moment will be lost - this was the cry of the workers from China. The Moslem unrest in its relation to Christianity was scarcely less appealing. "You can never find a Moslem school without

a Koran, but you can find an American school without a Bible, said Rev. J. S. Adams of the English Baptist Church. Africa with its millions of Mohammedans, and its still more millions of pagans — too often the prey of civilization — uttered its appeal through God's messengers to the Dark Continent.

Rev. R. V. Bingham from the Soudan represented a difficult and little known region. ^{he said,} In this territory — larger than India — the conflict between Mohammedanism and Christianity is sharp. The pagans favor the Christian rather than the Moslem faith. When Gen. Gordon was there, he would have welcomed all missionaries, but we missed the open door by indifference.

Rev. W. A. Cook of South America.

told of the almost unknown wild tribes of that neglected Continent. From all parts of India, and practically all the mission fields of the world came the appeal - "Come over and help us, now is the crucial moment!" Perhaps nothing in the Convention was more striking than this appeal which came in some three hundred requests for prayer from absent members all over the world. It was as though the Lord's messengers everywhere realized that the accelerated rapidity with which all nations are moving to their destiny demanded an enormous increase of money, workers, and prayers, for this present magnificent opportunity of service. Nineteen members have passed away during the year - notably among them Dr. J. T. Gracey,

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founder, and until his death
President of the International
Missionary Union.

More than a third of the
missionaries present expect to
return to their fields during
this year, some have just
arrived on furlough, and a
few are supernumerary or
disabled. Several members
present were children or
grandchildren of missionaries.
Mrs. Isaac Cannady ~~of India~~
(formerly Helen Chandler) of India
is one of twenty ^{three} relatives who are
now, or have been, engaged
in foreign missionary work.

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Dear Madam:-

We very much regret the delay in reporting on the enclosed manuscript, but we held the matter thinking there might be an opportunity of using it, and now find that it would be impracticable.

Regretting this, and thanking you for your kind consideration of us, we beg to remain,

Very truly yours,

THE CHRISTIAN HERALD.

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