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# The KOREAN REPORTER

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## FOR THE LACK OF A HOUSE THE WORK OF THE CHURCH WAS NOT LOST



EAGER TO LEARN

### THEY MET IN THE PARK

These children are having vacation Bible school in a park. The church in this community met for a year in a hall on the second floor of a building. Harlots lived on the first floor and complained when their sleep was interrupted by daily meetings of the church. Houston Ezell loaned money and a building sight was secured at a choice location a good distance from the residence of harlots and the crowded down town area in Inchon, Korea. Many children in the community could not attend vacation Bible school at the new location. The owner of the building refused the use of the hall to the church because the children were noisy and the harlots could not sleep. Also, the harlots were able to pay a larger rent for the use of the

building. However, after seeing the sacrifice the young preachers from Korea Christian College were making to teach the children both the harlots and the owner of the building had a change of heart and rented the hall to them at the cheapest price.

These young men engaged in this work are being properly trained for effective church work under any conditions.

### BUILDING WITH THE LOCAL PEOPLE

These four girls were baptized four months ago. Now they proudly serve as teacher helpers. They are poor but poverty and sin has not warped their minds. The church can prepare young people such as these as a powerful force in about ten years. However, the first step in this training program is the preparation of young men such as those in the first picture who can teach under any circumstances. A few well trained young men and women can organize hundreds of people for church meetings within a few days. From these they select qualified people who are developed as teachers for the new congregation. It takes several years of diligent teaching to ground people in the truth. Christian literature is a great help in the training of new teachers. The literature must be a guide to Bible study in both the Old and New Testaments.

These words and pictures are prepared to arouse your interest to provide the support we need for literature, benevolence and church buildings.



SMILES OF CHRISTIAN JOY

## MISCHIEVOUS, CURIOUS, FUN LOVING CHILDREN ARE THE MAKINGS OF A BETTER WORLD

These children are poor yet they have food, clothing and shelter as do most employed city dwellers. They are about ten and thrill at having their picture made on a missionary's motorcycle. Their homes are small. The narrow, winding streets and treeless parks, hills and school areas are their play ground in good weather. The lack of material abundance, competition and ambition have left them naive and unspoiled. However, their parents know that their opportunities are limited for good employment in the exploding populations of the Orient. They believe that Christianity will make this a better world and they send their children in great numbers to be taught in parks, church buildings or homes. This is why we must continually stress that your congregation support the training of workers and provide them tools with which to work.



## WHAT MAKES MISSION WORK EXPENSIVE?

The church does not provide enough tools to effectively use the missionaries in the field they send out. We have been in Korea ten years and have seven American families but only have enough space to teach sixty workers at one time. Each missionary should be able to teach fifty in each class if he had the room. Also, we do not have enough money for literature, benevolent work or church buildings. That is why we are asking every congregation in Middle Tennessee and where the KOREAN REORTER is read to contribute monthly to the work. We have many churches without adequate buildings. They cannot get a loan for a building as American Christians can. However, they have proven their willingness to work with their own hands in church constructions. They can repay church loans over the years which can become a revolving fund. Write to me for further information: L. Haskell Chesshir, Otter Creek Church of Christ, P. O. Box 121, Nashville, Tennessee.

## Support needed NOW for

1. Complete payment on our \$52,000 debt on our property in Seoul.
2. "Train faithful men to teach others."
3. Print literature for use by native workers in training.
4. Care for orphans, widows and afflicted in communities where young workers in training are guided in church work by a missionary.
5. Construct church buildings and other facilities. This will become a loan to a new church group and will be repaid to support other church construction.
6. Radio work.

## WHAT DOES THIS PICTURE SAY TO YOU?

Skinny arms, legs and lean bodies indicate poor people. A windowless church is evidence they are trying to help themselves. A few dull faces picture an empty heart.

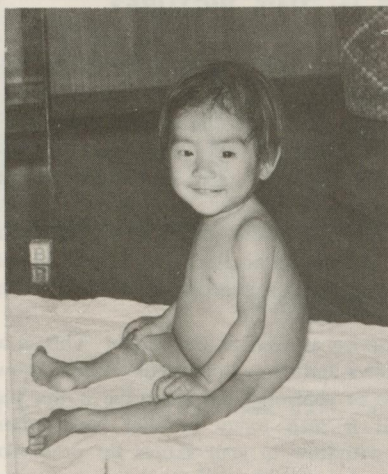
## WHAT WOULD YOU DO ABOUT THIS?

Missionaries and their Korean co-workers are filling the empty heart with God's Word. Religious literature is needed to increase the effectiveness of the missionaries' teaching program. He has long range plans of guiding some in animal husbandry and raising feeds on barren mountain sides to increase food for the people. The people can use wisely your gift to help themselves under the guiding hand of a missionary.

Your congregational monthly gift will help train a Korea worker, provide literature and benevolence and help with church construction.



The church in Bang Wha Ri has worked hard for two years to complete their church house. A loan with the intelligent guidance of a missionary can speed up work in this and other communities.



KIMBERLY RAMSAY

## WHAT IS MISSIONARY WORK?

First, it is practicing Christianity. Doing what you preach that others should do. The soul of Kimberly would have been warped and twisted in just a few more days of suffering. Sister Nancy Ramsay took this child as her own. The pictures tell the story of two years of love and food.

Hundreds of thousands of children like these are loved, fed, clothed and educated by others. God intended for all Christians to be sensitive to the needs of little children.

We cannot emphasize too much that the Churches of Christ must support the (1) training of workers, (2) Printing of literature, (3) Care of orphans and widows, (4) Church construction and (5) Evangelism by radio.

Each missionary in Korea has adopted or cared for homeless children at times. They have put personal money into the total program of work we are asking churches to support.

## CHURCHES NEED TO HELP THEM.

Second, missionary work is staying on the job. Kimberly's legs are weak. She must hold onto a chair for support. It will take time for love, food and a family to create a feeling of security.

Some churches provide money to send missionaries to the field. They do not provide them tools with which to work. Churches at home provide for themselves (1) Well trained preachers; (2) Literature; (3) Benevolence; (4) Church houses; (5) Radio and T. V. coverage. But these things are denied the missionaries. He needs them more than the church at home. Each of these items multiplies the strength of missionaries.

Mission work can be done better by several families working together who have many talents. These families can do their best work if they have the same tools that our larger city churches provide for themselves. Missionaries have learned to be content with the things they have. But the full strength of the Lord is not felt where life becomes a drudgery.

Third, mission work is the faith that the knowledge of Christ, love, joy and peace should be shared with others. The Ramsays shared their house, love, food and knowledge with Kimberly and in only two years she has become the same in speech, laughter and spirit with her family.



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나의 명예를 메고 내



The church across Middle Tennessee and where this KOREAN REPORTER is read must wake up to what they can and should share with workers in Korea. One hundred additional churches contributing monthly can establish hundreds of churches within a few years.

The opportunity is there. A church can be started on any street, any day, thousands more can be converted if we have the money to (1) train additional workers, (2) prepare literature that guides them in accurately teaching the Bible, (3) benevolent work, (4) loans for church buildings, and (5) radio coverage.

Self-supporting churches are growing out of our work. We are succeeding with small things. Place larger gifts in our trust. Share with us a great harvest.



## WHAT DO YOU SEE IN THIS PICTURE?

He is a shoe shine boy. He has no family, house or plans. To the average person in Korea he is a rogue and a thief. In his presence you must guard your watch, fountain pen, camera and purse. Hundreds like him are often organized into tough gangs by designing men and there is scarcely a force that can stop them. In a moments time they have done their evil deed and dispersed into the crowds milling about as sheep without a shepherd.

Your son will face him sooner or later in guerrilla war-fare in Viet Nam, Cuba, South America or other outpost. Million dollar planes, tanks and atomic warheads are antiquated as harmless toys when the guerrillas close in from the rice paddies, rough terrain and mountain sides.

He is found in the big cities of America as well as the Orient. This is an evil force fastly coming out of the shadows and even Communist Russia knows there is no physical force that can tame or control it. Its explosive power was seen and felt in Cuba and Korea. It is seen today in Viet Nam where American boys are dying. You cannot withdraw to your shores for protection for it will follow you here. *Our salvation for eternity and from the destructive force of these boys is to love them, teach them and guide them.*



## THE "HUNDRED-FOLD" INCREASE

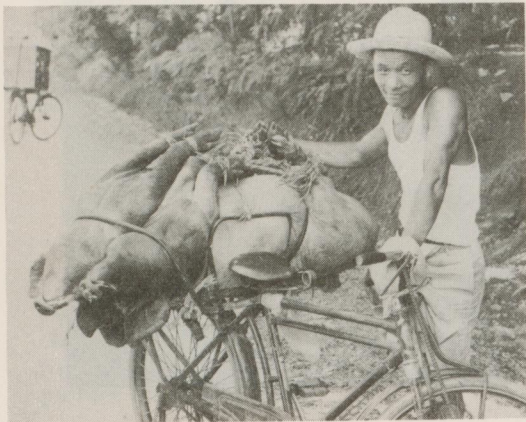
The boy stands with one of our calves at the head of a valley deserted by farmers 40 years ago. A devastating flood swept two or more feet of rocks out of the mountains covering the ground. Now, the people laboriously remove the rocks and place them in dykes to control the water and harness thousands of acres of low lying mountains to feed their cows. Any missionary with vision and leadership can clearly see that the brain and muscle power of hundreds of thousands of people in this valley can multiply a few American gifts into an economy that will build hundreds of churches and schools within the next twenty years.

## THESE PIGS ARE GOING TO MARKET

The American government brought into Korea 200 hogs in 1946 to replace the small, diseased Korean pig. Now there are more than eight thousand 4H Clubs and some boys have increased their yearly income from fifty dollars to five hundred. U. S. Government advisers are encouraging churches to increase their efforts toward educating the "Heart" of these boys.

## OUR NEED, OUR PRAYER AND OUR PLEA

We plead with elders of each church who receive the KOREAN REPORTER to send immediately a contribution to pay off our \$52,000 debt on land and buildings. Put us in your monthly budget for (1) Training workers, (2) Literature, (3) Benevolence, (4) Church loans, and (5) Radio.



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