

read in the beginning, with, or without, comment, and care has been taken to explain to the attenders the meaning of our mode of worship, and their understanding and appreciation of it is remarkable. Many sweet seasons of waiting on the Lord in silence, have been marked by their devout attitude and solemn expression.

At times some of them have spoken, in a few words, of their faith in the Lord Jesus, and have urged upon others in a very simple way to come to Christ, and prayer has been offered at times by some.

Though this Meeting is small, the average attendance being not more than twenty, it leads to a closer acquaintance with the people of the neighborhood, who are always much gratified by a visit to their homes, and we feel that this work has been especially blessed in a number of instances.

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During the past year we have continued these meetings, and have cause for thankfulness to our Heavenly Father for the blessing that has attended them. The people attend pretty regularly, and express great interest, and seem to derive comfort and strength from the simple Gospel teaching that is given. Very simple and touching testimonies to the love of Christ are occasionally heard.

While we have no striking instances to record, we know of many whose growth in grace has been marked, and who date the change from the teaching they have listened to, and from personal visits. These last we find very important, and it is wonderful how gratified and pleased the people seem to be to have us come in and sit with them awhile. They will open their hearts, and tell of their difficulties and struggles, and a knowledge of them is helpful to those engaged in teaching them.

A Bible Class has been held during the past six months, half an hour before the Meeting, and it interested the people very much. At first but few came, but now there are over twenty. It has been very helpful to the Meeting also, for it brings most of the attenders there in time, and moreover is a good preparation for it.

We continue to carry on the Meeting in the same way. A chapter of the Bible is usually read at the opening, with a few words of comment, and then we wait in silence on the Lord, and there is often a very sweet feeling over us. The teaching is very simple, and as several visitors have remarked, no where will you find closer attention paid to what is said. Sometimes a nod of approval is given, or a smile of pleasure is seen. The remarks of some of the attenders show their appreciation and interest.

"You seem so loving 'Round there", said one, "I never understood before I heard what you all say, how you had to believe first. I had been trying for seventeen years the other way. My uncle was a clergyman, and I had been brought up religious, but I couldn't seem to get hold of it before", said another.

We feel this work to be a very blessed one, and continually realize the truth of the promise, "He that watereth shall himself be watered". Many times have our own souls been strengthened, and