

## Carrie Judd Helps Dedicate Beulah

THE writer has just returned from conducting the dedicatory services of "Beulah," a Faith Home in Grand Rapids, Michigan, opened by Mrs. Dora Griffin for the sick and suffering. Mrs. Griffin has herself been healed in answer to prayer, having suffered with partial blindness for eighteen years. When led to believe the promise recorded in James 5:14-15, she discontinued all remedies, leaning wholly upon the One who has graciously said, "I am the Lord that healeth thee." (Exodus 15:26.)

Since her healing she has been much used of the Lord in carrying the good tidings to others. One of the first who was healed through her intercession was a suffering woman whose arm had been broken and not properly set. The bandages had worked into the swollen flesh and lacerated the arm badly. The woman was suffering greatly, and could not move her arm in the least. Immediately after prayer, the broken and bruised arm was found to be completely healed, even the broken bones united, and the flesh made whole. She could use the arm with perfect freedom.

The occasion of the dedication of "Beulah" home was a most blessed and enjoyable one. In spite of rainy weather, the parlors were crowded with friends of the work. The services had been arranged for an afternoon and an evening meeting, the first being principally a consecration meeting, with Scripture exposition on this important subject of full surrender to God. This

whole-hearted consecration of all that we have and are must necessarily precede healing. After the Bible reading upon consecration, we bowed before the Lord, and one after another who had been longing for a closer walk with God expressed this desire in a brief sentence of prayer. The presence of the Lord was sweetly realized, and hearts were melted into tenderness by the manifestation of a Savior's love. During the afternoon services, two dedication hymns composed by a Christian brother for the occasion, were sung by the choir. As we separated, at the close of the afternoon meeting, the hospitality of "Beulah" was extended by Mrs. Griffin to those who had come from a distance and desired to remain to the evening meeting. With those who remained we formed closer acquaintance, and found blessed fellowship as we talked together of the Lord's precious working in our lives. A perfect stranger to all until that day (except by correspondence), the writer felt no strangeness. I was truly in my Father's house, and among His children. I have many times known the Lord's loving kindness through His people, but never have I received a warmer, more heart-gladdening welcome than from the dear ones who welcomed me at "Beulah."

The evening meeting opened with the reading of Isaiah 62:3-5, with reference to the sweet significance of the name "Beulah" as used in this passage, "joined" or "married." The desire

was expressed that the leaders of the Home and every interest of "Beulah" might be indeed joined to the Lord. This name for the Home was given Mrs. Griffin one sweet Sunday morning as she waited upon the Lord. We then sang the hymn, Beulah Land, all joining heartily. The Bible reading and exposition which followed was chiefly upon Divine healing, and it was shown conclusively from God's Word that it is His will to be the Healer of His people. We refer to some of the pas-sages read: Exodus 15:26; Exodus 23:22, 25; Deuteronomy. 7:12, 14, 15; Leviticus 26:14-28, 40, 42; Deuteronomy 28:15, 21, 22, 27, 28, 35, 45, 59, 60, 61 ; Job 33:6-30 (with reference to Elihu's character and mission as shown in the 32nd chapter.) ; Matthew 8:16, 17; James. 5:14, 15. The condition of healing in the Old Testament is perfect obedience and hearkening to God's word; in the New Testament the condition is faith, because the One in whom we trust for healing has Himself fulfilled all obedience, and is "the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth." Many other passages were referred to.

Responding to the expressed desire of many present, the writer then gave briefly an account of her own blessed experience of the Lord's healing touch. Before the meeting closed a dear sister present sang as a solo, " Simply Trusting," all joining in the chorus. We were glad to have present with us in these services two Methodist ministers, whose hearty sympathy with the work cheered our hearts. The following

morning at 10 o'clock those who desired prayer for healing assembled in the parlors at "Beulah," and after the reading of 2 Kings, 6:1-15, with remarks upon obedience and the Biblical significance of anointing, the command in James 5:14, was fulfilled, a number of dear ones thus presenting their bodies a "living sacrifice " unto Him who has chosen them to be His temples. (1 Corinthians 6:19, 20.) As this service was conducted, a sweet and tender solemnity filled the hearts of all present.

We would conclude this article by asking the prayers of our readers for this work of faith which is commenced in utter dependence upon the Lord for its daily support. Mrs. Griffin has no income, but her faith is stayed upon the promise in Matthew 6:33. No price for board is charged, but as the Lord shall dispose the hearts of His children to send free-will offerings they will be received with gratitude. All who are sick and suffering will be welcome for a few days or one week, but are requested to communicate with Mrs. Griffin before visiting the Home.

For any further information in regard to this work of faith, address MRS. DORA G. GRIFFIN, 91 Baxter Street Grand Rapids, Michigan

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