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“SALVATION” FOR 1904.

As heretofore, the turn of the Year is unmarked by change in the plan of SALVATION, which still seems to have comprehended the most important subjects which it is possible to select; while those less important may well, as they must, be dispensed with, in a publication evoked by the peculiar religious needs of the times and not by the mixed aims of projectors. In the hope of presently enlarged opportunity and material for its Jews' department; but with undiminished breadth of view to all the more urgent interests of the truth and kingdom of God; “SALVATION” will continue (if the Lord will) to press the same objects as from the first, in summary as follows:

## I. GOD AND REDEMPTION

The all-absorbing centre for every Christian's life and hope and powers of every sort.

## II. THE REVELATION OF GOD

In the Christ and the Prophets and Apostles authenticated by Him; as inerrant and inviolable *per se*, and also by demonstration that commands the submission of the rational intellect with a force proportioned to its training in the principles of exact, positive and comprehensive science.—The same Revelation, further, the object of incessant critical search for its yet imperfectly discovered riches.

## III. THE CHURCH OF GOD

In the Wilderness, wandering, sinning, ignorant though self-satisfied; yet still the Body of Christ in the world as holding in Him One Absolute, Divine and Undivided Head, and THUS inviolably One for the loyalty of every one of His members.

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sion, and the mission from the responsibility for him; and (2) that the amounts contributed for those separate purposes, respectively (by whomsoever received) should be separately reported each month, through the common treasurer (Rev. James G. Patterson, D.D., 140 Nassau street, New York), for information and guidance, and incidentally for encouragement and assurance, to donors.

## LETTER BY HERMANN WARSZAWIAK.

New York, January, 1903.

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all, Amen. We have now entered upon another year (the fourteenth since the work was started) of Jewish mission in this city. We have many reasons to give thanks and praise to God for success during the year just closed: He has been first of all, pleased to keep us very busy all the year, and willing to use our humble testimony to the house of Israel. Day in and day out, all through 1902, not for one day has the work ceased because of any reason, and He has been pleased to keep us sufficiently well to be able to conduct almost every meeting of the year (with the exception of one or two), for which praised be His blessed name.

### THE ATTENDANCE.

Although not a single printed invitation card or circular has been issued during the entire year, the attendance at all of the meetings was (with few exceptions) to the full capacity of the Mission Hall, and hardly has there been held one meeting on a Friday night when there were not large numbers of Jews turned away for want of room; these Friday evening meetings (being the Jewish Sabbath) are now, and have been especially for the past three months, dangerously overcrowded, every inch of standing room being filled beginning an hour earlier than the time for the service to commence. A dear Christian brother, Mr. Otto K. Osterberg, comes and plays the violin and teaches the people to sing the Gospel Hymns. We feel greatly indebted to this dear brother for this voluntary aid. God bless him.

Of course we have also adopted Friday night for the chief and principal sermon of the week, giving these hungry people a pure evangelical and gospel sermon, and making Christ known to them

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out of their own Scriptures, and the New Testament. So attentive are they to the preaching of the word that hardly any leave until the close. When one remembers the natural restlessness of the Jews, and considering that there must be in such an audience many a Jew still bitterly opposed to Christ and Christianity, it is really wonderful to see their close attention and complete quietness during a gospel service lasting nearly three hours. It is to me a proof of the presence of the Holy Spirit, and I can only explain it by the promise of Jesus, “and I, if I be lifted up, I will DRAW all men unto Me,” it is the lifting up of the Lord Jesus Christ which holds these restless people spellbound. Many a man has told me, “I would not sit and listen in the synagogue for such a length of time, for anything, but here I feel something holds me, and draws me all the time.” Only yesterday an elderly Jew said to me, “I came in here just for a minute, and have remained all through your service, I now would like to have a personal interview with you, as you certainly have interested me in all you have said, and I am desirous of knowing more about your faith.” I, of course, told him to call at my house next day between 9 and 12, when I receive all inquirers wishing a private interview, and sure enough he came this morning.

A young man told me the other day the following brief story of his conversion: “I have a cousin who attended your Mission here in Grand street and against whom I was very bitter, just for that reason; when I visited him one day and told him what I thought of him, and cursed and ill treated him so much, until we had a fist fight, and I swore I would kill him before I would see him become a Christian, he calmly said to me, ‘Sam, you have never been to hear their preaching in your life. If you will promise me to attend three of their Friday night meetings in the Grand Street Mission, and then remain of the same opinion as now, I will then promise you never once to enter their place again.’ I agreed, and went the following Friday night to your meeting, with difficulty I obtained admission and was struck at once by the crowd of gentlemen, and all Jews, that seemed to listen so attentively. I did not hear very much that first Friday night (now more than five months ago), but the following Friday night I took in every word on the subject, ‘Which is the true religion,

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Judaism or Christianity?” and when the following Friday night I heard your sermon on Jer. 23:1-6, I was more than convinced that my cousin was in the right and I in the wrong, and thank God, today we both believe in the gospel of His Son, our Redeemer Jesus Christ.”

## MANY ACCEPT CHRIST.

It would be hard to tell exactly how many Jews have accepted Christ here during the past year, because for various reasons we have decided not to perform the holy sacraments of baptism and the Lord's supper, and thus all converts go to some regular Christian church for the sacraments. Again, those that in the course of time become believers, often go to other cities to be baptized and we hear of our brethren who become baptized in one city or another, even as far as California. At no time, however, except when the late Dr. John Hall used himself to baptize such large numbers of Jews at this mission did we hear of so many Jews having accepted the Christian faith and received Christ in open baptism as during the past year of 1902.

## A FAITH MISSIONARY.

In this connection I wish to bear witness, that although I am not receiving any stipend or salary whatsoever for the work I am doing, but live by whatever the good Lord is pleased to send to me and my family through His faithful children everywhere, who specify their donations for personal use, I have not been in want. Although I admit that He often tries our faith, He has not allowed us to go hungry or without shelter or without raiment. Praised and blessed be His name.

Wishing all our friends, far and near, a very happy and blessed New Year, and trusting that you will often remember this peculiar work of the Lord in your prayers, believe me,

Faithfully yours, in His precious service,  
HERMANN WARSZAWIAK.

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## IN MEMORY OF ROBERT BEGGS.

With deep sadness we record the departure from this life on Jan. 17th, 1903, of ROBERT BEGGS, Esq.; a devoted servant of Christ in the eldership of the Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church and in the Board of Directors of “The American Mission to the Jews,” and a tried friend of the mission in Grand street.