

Upon my arrival in Yochorr on Dec. 25 1902 there came to greet me five little Chinese girls. Mrs. Boy had gathered them from dark and miserable homes.

In Sept. 1903, Miss Christine Reissner reached Yochorr where she remained as co-worker in the Girls' School until Oct. 23 1906 when she was called to labor for the girls in the Shen-chon fu district. Miss Anna Nance taking her place in the Yochorr School.

Before the return of Mrs. Boy to America on Feb. 3 1904 the number of pupils had grown to fourteen.

In the history of the school we have had under Christian influence and training more than fifty girls. But we can not accommodate more than twenty-five at one time.

The temporary quarters soon became inadequate to meet the growing needs. Long ago we were compelled, for lack of room, to refuse applicants, not only in the city but upon several occasions those who had travelled some distance to be admitted.

The Yochorr district contains thirteen cities varying in population from five thousand to fifty thousand to say nothing of the numerous villages and country districts.



In addition to our <sup>2</sup> Yochow work the China Inland Mission has but stations in only two of these places. No school work whatever - so you see what a large territory we have from which to draw. Is it necessary to dwell upon the need of a Girls' School Building under such circumstances?

The time has come when this building is a necessity if the Reformed Church wants to establish educational work for girls in the city of Yochow.

From the depths of sorrow and darkness comes the cry, for education - a cry as beseeching that we must needs give ear unto it.

To you dear members of the Reformed Church is intended the Savior's "lovest thou me?" There is an opportunity to Feed His Lambs.

One of our great educators once said "no matter what works on pedagogy one may study or neglect the greatest and one never to be neglected is the life and methods of Jesus Christ." That is what we are trying to bring before our Chinese girls. We are trying to give them a Christian Education, as to secure habits that will glorify God and do good.



to their fellow men. Will you help us in this great work?

There are earnest little prayers to the Throne of Grace for God's richest blessing upon those who have made it possible for these little ones to learn of a Saviour's love. Is that prayer for you?

I need not occupy time or space in showing the filthy, miserable condition of the girls in China. School life brings before us a more pleasing picture. The true teacher in a mission school should be teacher and mother combined for many of these little ones have never known a mother's love.

Can you realize the joy in seeing a child, rescued from slavery after being a beggar, suffering cold and hunger, show her gratitude by offering a portion of her rice to the picture of the infant Saviour? Such experiences we have had. When asked for a reason—that you might catch a glimpse of that little face when she tells you that the Saviour has been as good to her in giving her a school—a home that



she must worship <sup>4</sup>Him. Will you make  
it possible for many others to learn  
how to worship the Savior?

In fellowship of service,

Most Sincerely,

S. Emma Garner.