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Dear praying friends,

One of the many friends who are daily praying for me wrote thus a short time ago: "How are you getting along in that new field? I trust you are getting accustomed to your strange surroundings." How thankful I am for this manifest interest, and I realize that you too are anxious to learn of God's answer to your prayers. Therefore I must tell you of the way God has led since last you heard from me.

No doubt, you—as the above mentioned prayer partner—have already prayed for me out in Borneo, and therefore you might be disappointed to find that I am still at home. The much-needed visa for my entrance into Borneo has not yet arrived, and I cannot leave for the field until I am granted this permit. Thus God has seen fit to keep me at home a little longer.

Until recently the Dutch Government controlled the entrance of Missionaries into Indonesia. Now Indonesia has gained her independence, and this has meant a change of government. Apparently the new government has not as yet established a Mission's Council, and this complicates the issue of visas for entrance into Borneo. Once the first visa is granted there will be no trouble in getting additional visas for other candidates going forth. Therefore pray that God will over-rule in this matter.

Aside from the completion of my outfit, I am ready to leave for Borneo as soon as my visa arrives. Now I know that you want to see me out there soon, and I do want to go too. Therefore pray earnestly that God will supply the needed permit for me to enter this land. Do you believe God answers prayer? I do. Let's join in united prayer and God will open the way for me to go. God bless you all as you continue to labour with me in prayer.

CAN GOD OPEN DOORS TODAY AS HE HAS DONE BEFORE?

He CAN. He's just the same today, If we believe it when we pray, He's no respecter now of men, He'll do the same as He did then.

Your Missionary,

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