

DAY OF SPECIAL PRAYER.

Invitation to Christian parents, in all countries, to set apart Tuesday, the 12th of April, for Special United Prayer for their Children.

The Committee of the Evangelical Alliance are induced to issue this invitation on account of the numerous requests continually sent in for the conversion of children of believing parents.

Special meetings are therefore by this invitation convened for the morning and evening of Tuesday, the 12th of April, at Freemasons' Hall for the purpose of offering up solemn intercession on behalf of the children of pious parents.

It is suggested, that on the same day similar meetings should be held, wherever practicable, in towns and villages, and in private circles; and that at domestic worship in all Christian families more than ordinary attention should be drawn to the subject.

The suggestion is also offered, that clergymen and ministers of the gospel might, in some instances—where, for example, there is a service on that evening—make special reference to it in their addresses and prayers; and that in other cases they might, on the previous Lord's day bring it before their congregations.

It is suggested, that while prayer is the chief object of the meetings, in the intervals of prayer and praise suitable portions of the sacred Scriptures should be read, and a few brief practical remarks on the Responsibilities, Duties, and Encouragements of Parents should be offered by ministers or experienced Christians.

On applications received from the churches they serve, the following ministers were commissioned by the Presbyterian Committee of Home Missions, at their regular meeting; fourteen of whom were under commission during last year:

Rev. J. McMaster, Pittsfield and Gardard, Pa.
Isaac N. Hurd, California.
A. N. Heizer, Black Hawk, Colorado Territory.
T. D. Marsh, Central City, Col. Ter.

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