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### Correspondence - Attie Bostick - March 21, 1933

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Peehew, Anhwei, China,  
March, 21, 1933.

Dear Lena:-

I am sure you will be interested in hearing of the good Mission Meeting we had last week. It was put earlier than usual so Wade who was chair could go on to Kuling and see what might be done for Flora, but the time was just the proper time, in every way, we felt. It was at Chengchow and for us here was an all day trip, except that we waited an hour or more for the train at Kwoitch, even though we lost our way and took three hours in the Ford instead of two. We avoided the Highway as it had fresh dirt on it, and you know some thing of how many other roads there are to choose from. All of Tuesday was given to prayer, led by different ones, and a fine sermon from Mr. Gillaspie that night from "I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified". He is a good preacher, a spiritual man and we are very thankful for him. There were twenty of us grown-ups. Miss Alexander had just come in from the Chang Shih Bible School with dysentery and was in the Hospital in Kaifeng, and Eddie Cox was getting "shots" for boils that had bothered her for some time so she stayed in Kaifeng and visited Miss Alexander. Miss Humphries was in Peking where they found she had an eye trouble that is liable to leave her blind any time, but we added Friday to our time of meeting and she got in Thursday night, and the next night led prayer meeting, telling how she had once had visitors, her stove had smoked and clouded her glasses and she wondered what could be the matter with everything-looking so clouded till she found it was all due to her smoked glasses. She used this as a fine point on "forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us", and mentioned how she had not done this till last Jan. and how things had cleared up. She gave one of the most concise, straightforward testimonies I ever heard and we felt very thankful the time had been extended to permit her meeting with us and giving us so helpful a talk. Her mother died since she came back this time and she mentioned how if it had not been for the looks of it she would have turned back home, even after she reached Shanghai. She feels very differently about it now and is one with the Mission in her desire to serve Him and cooperate

with all. Some had fasted and prayed for just such on Tuesday, the first day of our meeting. Friday was mostly given to trying to know the Lord's will concerning the Boys' School Bldg. at Kaifeng, which is to be turned back to the Mission July 15th. While the special com. met to try and find out what should be done, the rest of us met and prayed, and they soon came in with the recommendation that the Girls' Bible Institute move to that Bldg. and the Chang Shih Bible School for Men move into the Girls' Bldg. All seemed thankful for this solution. Mr. Gillaspie hopes later to help in the Men's Bible School. Deaver accepted the Holy Spirit by faith, according to Mark 16:24 and was very happy. Olive Lawton showed real progress in her spiritual life. Mrs. Fielder told how her cook's wife prayed with her for two hours till the Lord answered in giving her the Holy Spirit, and showed how very happy she is, and added, "I just love you every one". Clifford has shown her new joy since last fall when Katie and Mr. Fan were here and she accepted the Holy Spirit by faith. Katie's face beams with her joy. The Mission asked Wesley and Deaver to come and help at Peehew, and as today is raining I have the boys getting Olive's house ready for them to live there and eat with me, and of course we are VERY thankful. Deaver is not very strong and must study most of his time, but he will be company for Wesley and vice versa. Wesley was to get in from Language School the night after we left. They plan a special meeting in the Boys' School at Kaifeng (many prayers are going up for the conversion of these teachers and boys) and the Lawton Brothers will stay and do special work there, during the meeting which is to begin the 23 of this month. Wade's letter from Flora at M.M. said "I am lots better", and many are praying for her full healing. He will probably reach her today. I stopped with the Keens. They are growing tee, and it was a pleasure to be in their home. Victor Lee their only boy suck a nail in his forehead sometime ago and is still being treated by Dr. McDonald for tetanus. The Gillaspie twins are fine. The father told very appreciatively how I wrote him two letters ten years ago and I don't recall it at all!! Lots of love to you and all who read this. Affly. *Athy*