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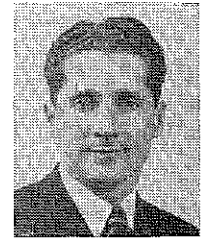
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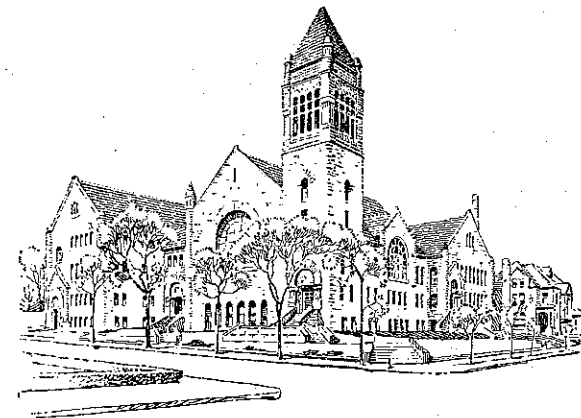


**HAROLD C. CASE**  
Pastor



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Associate Pastor

**April 11 - 15, 1945**



**ELM PARK METHODIST CHURCH**  
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riching prayer together. The consecration and resignation to God's will stands out in retrospect as a source of strength to me always. The diagnosis of Brother Coleman's condition by the doctors at Brooklyn stated simply that the tests indicated an incurable disease. It was then only a question of time, and Brother Coleman magnificently put his house in order. The atmosphere of the sick room was a heavenly benediction to the power of God "to keep intact what had been committed to Him." I never witnessed a more triumphant faith in Christ or a more complete reconciliation to the will of God.

Brother Coleman left this life on Sunday morning, March 18, 1945. If he could have chosen the day for his coronation I think it would have been the day he loved and kept sacred. He was in the 74th year of life. The last four months were spent with his daughter, Mrs. Charles E. B. James of Endicott, N. Y. There with his wife and with Mr. and Mrs. James, Brother Coleman lived in a fine and consecrated Christian environment.

Rev. Joseph Coleman was born in South Sterling, Wayne County, Pa., in 1871. He preached in many churches in northern Pennsylvania and south-central New York. He became a Methodist minister in 1902 in the 31st year of his life. His Lord had called him to the ministry several years before he yielded to the call. During this interval he was engaged in commercial work. I have a weather-beaten paper on which Brother Coleman had written a poem describing the spiritual commitment to the Lord. On the margin of the paper are these words: "After four years of fighting my call to the ministry I surrendered and composed this in the storeroom of the Old Blakely Company Store—J.M.C." Here is the poem:—

Many years ago He called me,  
To proclaim His blessed word;  
Many times He whispered to me,  
Go and labor for the Lord.

Many times I quenched the Spirit  
Of the dear and Heavenly One.  
But alas He would not hear it  
When I said, I can not come.

Many times I must regret it  
That I did not hear the call—  
Go and labor in the vineyard,  
There is room enough for all.

Many times I am so thankful  
That He did not turn away;  
But kept calling, gently calling,  
I am Life, the Truth, the way.

Now by faith and prayer I'm coming  
Trusting Him to guide the way.  
To the fields where He would have me,  
May I never go astray.

He served the following pastorates: 1902 Throop; 03-05 Beach Lake; 06-07 Carley Brook; 08-10 Damascus; 11-14 Windsor; 15-16 Mt. Vision; 17 Morris-Gilberstville; 18-19 Assistant Sup't Capitol District New

York Anti-saloon League; 20-21 LeRaysville; 22-25 Sidney Center; 26-29 New Berlin; 30-32 Great Bend-Hallstead; 33-35 Candor; 36-37 Greene; 34-45 Retired.

Besides his daughter Mrs. Charles E. B. James, he is survived by his wife Minnie, 11 grandchildren and 8 great-grandchildren. Brother and Mrs. Coleman laid away an only son several years ago.

For the last four years Brother Coleman had lived at Nineveh, N. Y. and attended church at Harpursville. During this time I was his pastor and felt toward Brother Coleman as a son feels toward his spiritual father. His life was a benediction for he had a triumphant faith in God.

The memorial service of his heavenly coronation was held in St. Paul's Methodist Church, West Endicott. The Rev. George R. Savige, Superintendent of the Oneonta District was in charge. He was assisted in the service by the pastor of the church, Rev. Walter Proof, also by the Rev. William Bartz of Marathon who was a spiritual trophy of Brother Coleman's ministry, and by myself.

Rev. Charles J. Sabin

#### W. ARTHUR NOBLE



W. Arthur Noble was born in Springville, Susquehanna County, Pennsylvania, September 13, 1866, the son of industrious and godly parents. His boyhood was spent in and near Montrose, Pennsylvania. In 1886, he united with the Montrose Methodist Church during the pastorate of Dr. H. C. McDermott, from whom he received an Exhorter's License in 1888 and a Local Preacher's license in 1889. In 1887 he began his preparation for the ministry. While studying at Wyoming Seminary, he supplied the following churches—Harding, Coxton, and Buttonwood. As a Student at Wyoming Seminary, he received his call to the mission field. June 30, 1892 he was married to Miss Mattie L. Wilcox, who survives him, and who through the years has been a sympathetic, helpful missionary co-worker. In

1890-1892 and in 1895-1896 he was a student at Drew Theological Seminary, from which institution he received the degree of B. D. Later he received the degrees of M. A. and Ph. D.

August 11, 1892 with his bride, he left for Korea, where he began an extraordinary service of 42 years for Christ. His life ranks in devotion and success with Thoburn in India, Bashford in China, and Taylor in his world parish. He whom I loved as a brother was an evangelist, teacher, organizer, and administrator. Many years he served as District Superintendent. For years he was the District Superintendent of five districts at once, including churches for Koreans in Manchuria and Mongolia. Much of his earlier work was done by traveling afoot, which frequently involved journeys of thirty miles a day.

Twice he was elected delegate to General Conference. In 1928 he was elected a delegate from Korea to the great World Conference on Missions at Jerusalem. He organized the first Bible Institute for men in Korea. He was the first to translate the book of Romans into Korean, his translation being used through mimeographed copies before a translation of the book of Romans was published. He built numerous churches and boys' schools. He founded the first Boys' Higher Common School in Pyeng Yang, and he was the first to organize and develop in Korea an agricultural project using modern methods.

For more than half of Dr. and Mrs. Noble's years of service in Korea they received their support from the First Methodist Church of Wilkes-Barre through the Foreign Missionary Society in New York, thus being that church's missionary representatives in Korea.

An outstanding trait in our brother was his extreme modesty. His motto might have been "Let another man praise thee and not thine own lips." In 1935 Bishop Thomas Nicholson wrote him, "You have done a great work. The work in Korea is one of the greatest achievements of our missionary history, and you have had a great part in its constructive work." A prominent medical and educational missionary of the Presbyterian work in Korea, in writing to Mrs. Noble, said, "I can say that he was always a wise counsellor, not only in church and social affairs, but also in the advanced educational institutions, such as: the Severance Union Medical College and Hospital, the Chosen Christian College, and the Ewha College for girls. His interest and work for the Y.M.C.A. was great; indeed I cannot think of any worthy cause in Korea in which he was not a valued co-worker."

The conference relation record of Dr. Noble is as follows: 1892 to 1895 Probationer in the Wyoming Conference; 1896 to 1902 Full member of the Wyoming Conference; 1902 to 1903 Member of the Japan Mission Conference; 1903 to 1908 Member of the Korea Mission Conference; 1908 to 1933 Member of the Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church; 1933 to 1945 Dual relationship with the Annual Conference of the Korean Methodist Church and the Wyoming Annual Conference.

After 41 years of service in Korea he entered the retired relationship with the Board of Foreign Missions, but remained in Korea another year doing full service before returning to America, December 19, 1934, thus making over 42 years of missionary service. On his return he made his home in Stockton, California, where he continued to serve Christ; and the church until January 6, 1945, when he heard his Master's call "Come up higher". Dr. Noble is survived by his wife, by one daughter, Mrs. Ruth Appenzeller, the wife of the pastor of the First Methodist Church in Honolulu, Dr. H. D. Appenzeller, and by four sons—Dr. Alden Noble, of the College of the Pacific, Dr. Harold Noble, of the University of Oregon, Dr. Glenn Noble, of San Francisco Junior College, and Dr. Elmer Noble, of the Santa Barbara College of the University of California. He is also survived by a brother, Jesse Noble, of Montrose, Pennsylvania, by four

daughters-in-law, and fourteen grandchildren. The bodies of their first son and second daughter lie buried in Pyeng Yang, Korea, they being the first of the white race to die and be buried in Northern Korea.

Dr. Noble's body is interred in Park View Cemetery, Stockton. Some friends say that the funeral of Dr. Noble was the most beautiful they have ever attended. An outstanding feature of the occasion was the singing of "In the Sweet By and By", a favorite of the Korean Christians, by Mrs. Tuksoon Kim, wife of the pastor of the Korean Church in San Francisco. She sang in the Korean language with her superbly trained voice. It was beautifully symbolic of those Christians' goals which Dr. Noble did so much to bring closer.

Farewell, beloved brother, till we meet you again in Glory Land.

John S. Crompton

#### REV. EGBERT KILPARTICK

Egbert Kilpatrick was born on August 23, 1855 in Roxbury, Delaware County, New York. He was the son of George and Ann (Follett) Kilpatrick. He was educated in the common schools and further at Wyoming Seminary.

He was converted in June 1874, and even as a boy realized that he was called to the ministry. In March 1882 he received his Exhorter's License, and his Preacher's License in August of the same year. He was reared on a farm and followed farming and school teaching more or less before joining the Conference in 1884.

On March 28, 1875 he married Miss Elma A. Stanton of the Lake Como charge. She died at Bainbridge N. Y. October 1896. In July 1897 he married Miss Harriet Briggs of Mount Vision, N. Y. She died in 1925. He then married Emma More Brenn on November 5, 1932.

His death occurred in Hobart, N. Y. December 6, 1944. The funeral was conducted by his pastor Rev. Kenneth Hoover of the Methodist Church of Hobart, assisted by Rev. George R. Savige, Superintendent of Oneonta District. He is survived by his widow and his sons Rev. Lester A. Kilpatrick, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Grand Rapids, Michigan, and Elmer Kilpatrick a druggist in Candor, N. Y. There are also several grandchildren.

Burial was in the family plot beside his first wife at Bainbridge, N. Y.

Brother Kilpatrick's pastoral record is as follows: 1884 Hale's Eddy, 85-87 Canaan, 88-90 Hartwick, 91 Windsor and Ouaquagua, 92-94 Windsor, 95-96 Bainbridge, 97-98 Otego, 99-00 Cooperstown, 01-02 Oxford, 03-05