

**ANDERSON, NAOMI**

*Naomi Anderson, R.N.*

Naomi Anderson was born October 16, 1884. She went as a missionary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church to India, November 19, 1910. After serving there for one year she was transferred to Korea.

After giving twenty-eight years of beautiful service as a nurse in East Gate Hospital in Seoul, and in Union Christian Hospital in Pyeng Yang, she returned to America in December, 1940. In Pyeng Yang she was associated with her brother, Dr. A. G. Anderson, who is now serving at Washburn Memorial Hospital, Nyadiri, Rhodesia, Africa.

Koreans and Americans alike found in Naomi a friend who cheered with her bright happy faith and who lifted burdens even while she carried heavy burdens of her own.

The last year of her service was given in the Associated Mission Medical Office in New York, where she was the efficient laboratory technician. A recurrence of carcinoma, for which one operation had already been made, took her out of this work in September, 1943.

Returning to her home in Chicago, she spent the remaining three months of her life with her friends and family there. Bright and cheerful to the last, always thoughtful of others, she sat up and helped her young nephew to decorate the Christmas tree, and made others happy all through Christmas Day. Late in the afternoon she went to the Bethany Home Hospital where her friend and former co-worker in Korea, Miss Ethel Butts, is the superintendent.

On Monday, following Christmas, a letter came from the brother in Africa with the first intimation that he was aware of her illness. This was of great comfort to her. On Wednesday evening, December 29, she was weak and tired. Miss Butts stayed with her till late and, after praying with her, bade her good-night, asking that she be called if Naomi wanted anything at all. About midnight the nurse called Miss Butts. Naomi was unconscious, and went home peacefully an hour or two later, December 30, 1943.

We miss her here, but like to think of her life going on in that other world, to which it seems so well suited. We like to think of the beautiful association with the dear niece who went home some years ago, and of whom she was so very fond

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## Week of Prayer and Self-Denial

October 25-31, 1945

### *Special Gifts Are Needed for*

- Children's Unit, Newark Maternity Hospital, El Paso, Texas
- Deaconess Retirement Fund
- Hostel for Women and Girls, Monrovia, Liberia, Africa
- Expanding Work for African Women and Girls

MAY, 1922

FORM 8



# Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church

(To be filled out by accepted candidates and sent to the General Office, Room 710, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y.)

1. Full name. *Naomi Elizabeth Anderson*
2. Home address. *5500 N. ...*
3. Place and date of birth. *Burlington, Iowa, 11/10/1870*

4. Names and addresses of nearest relatives in the United States, for convenience, in case of emergency.

*Mrs. H. P. Anderson  
5500 N. ...  
Burlington, Iowa*

5. Education:

Names of Schools.	Periods of Study.	Dates of Graduation.	Degrees.	Honors.
<i>Quincy School</i>	<i>1905-07</i>	<i>May 7-1907</i>		
<i>Deerbrook High School</i>	<i>1907-10</i>	<i>June 6-1910</i>	<i>R. V.</i>	
<i>Deerbrook High School</i>	<i>1917</i>	<i>May 24-1917</i>		
<i>Deerbrook School of Debraux, Iowa</i>	<i>30-1912</i>			

6. Positions in America occupied before appointment.

*None - was appointed directly from the U.S.A.*

7. Church relationships:

- a. Date of joining church, denomination, location. *1893 - ...*
- b. Record of Christian work engaged in before leaving U. S. A.

8. Date of appointment. *...*
9. Branch. *...*

10. Appointment on the foreign field. *...*

11. Daughter of missionary? *-*
12. Student volunteer? *-*

13. Remarks.

NOTE. - It is important that the General Office be notified of changes in addresses of missionaries and their relatives. Each missionary is requested to send two photographs of herself to the General Office.

# Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church

## Form I.

1. Full name. *Harriet L. Anderson*
2. Residence. *500 W. DuPont Ave.,*
3. Place and date of birth *Burlington Iowa Oct 26<sup>th</sup> 1884.*
4. Have you an experimental knowledge of salvation through the atonement of Jesus Christ our Lord? Answer this question somewhat in detail. *Yes. I have had a Christian experience, and have been a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and have been instrumental in the conversion of many souls.*
5. Are you a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and a regular attendant upon its services and are you fully in accord with its doctrines as set forth in Part I, Division 1. of the Discipline? *Yes.*
6. Have you had special systematic study of the Scriptures? *Yes.*
7. Have you an earnest desire to win souls to Christ, and how has this desire been manifest in the past? *Yes. I have been instrumental in the conversion of many souls.*
8. Do you trust that you are inwardly moved by the Holy Ghost to take upon you the work of a foreign missionary? *Yes.*
9. How long have you entertained this conviction? *Since my conversion.*
10. Do you desire and intend to make this your life work, and are you willing to labor in any field? *Yes.*
11. To what extent are you acquainted with the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society? *I have been instrumental in the organization of our auxiliary and have been instrumental in the conversion of many souls.*
12. Have you any views which would prevent your cordial, co-operation with the missionaries of the Methodist Episcopal Church? *No.*
13. Would you be willing to give up any personal habit which might grieve your fellow missionaries and lessen the influence of your example over the native Christians? *Yes.*
14. Are you a total abstainer from all forms of alcoholic beverages and from opium, cocaine and other narcotics? *Yes.*
15. What is the condition of your health? (Answer questions in Form Two and procure testimony of a competent physician according to Form Three.) *Good.*
16. Outline the character and extent of your education. Name the institutions in which you were educated, the course, or courses pursued and date of graduation. *Chicago Business College, a short business course, 1901-1907. Graduated May 7-1907. Chicago Business College, a short business course, 1901-1907. Graduated June 1911.*
17. What languages other than English have you studied, and with what facility do you acquire them? *French, German, Spanish, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Syriac, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Hindustani, Persian, Urdu, Malay, Tagalog, Ilocano, Cebuano, Filipino, Hawaiian, Samoan, Tongan, Maori, Zulu, Xhosa, Swahili, Afrikaans, Dutch, English, French, German, Spanish, Latin, Greek, Hebrew, Syriac, Arabic, Chinese, Japanese, Hindustani, Persian, Urdu, Malay, Tagalog, Ilocano, Cebuano, Filipino, Hawaiian, Samoan, Tongan, Maori, Zulu, Xhosa, Swahili, Afrikaans, Dutch, English.*
18. Have you a knowledge of music, vocal or instrumental? *Some instrumental.*
19. Have you had business training, and in what line? *Yes.*
20. What positions have you held in business or professional life? *3 of 10 years in business.*
21. Executive ability. Provide testimonials relative to your success in teaching and in the management of financial matters.
22. Have you been married? *Yes, my husband lives.*
23. Are you engaged to be married?
24. Are you liable for debt?
25. Is anyone dependent upon you for support?
26. Give names and addresses of at least ten persons including pastors, instructors, and others who are able to give information relative to your Christian usefulness, your adaptability to people and circumstances, and your general fitness for the work.
27. A photograph should accompany your application.
28. Have you read the rules applying to missionaries and do you promise to abide by them?

Signed *Harriet L. Anderson*

Date *Oct 11<sup>th</sup> 1911*

QUESTIONNAIRE

I. GENERAL

Name: Naomi A. Anderson.

Home address: 4651 N. Paulina St., Chicago, Ill.

Address of relative or friend to be informed in case of emergency:

Rev. A. Garfield Anderson, 5000 N. Ashland Ave., Chicago.

Date of birth: Oct. 16<sup>th</sup> Age on 1940 birthday: 56

Date of first sailing to mission field: Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> 1910

Beginning and ending dates of each furlough: 1916-17 Emergency furloughs 1919-21  
1927-28 - 1934-35

II. QUALIFICATIONS

High School	Date of Entrance	Date of leaving	Date of graduation
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Chicago Training School	1905-6		June 1907
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Domestic Nurses Hospital Training School for Nurses	1907		June 1910
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Undergraduate study:

College	Date of entrance	Date of leaving	Date of graduation	Degree	Major	Minor	Extra curricular activities
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Postgraduate study:

University	Date of entrance	Date of leaving	Date of graduation	Degree	Major	Minor	Extra curricular activities
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Chicago Evan. Spt. Institute	1916		May 1917				
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Graduate School	1928		June 1928				
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Instructional Technique

III. EXPERIENCE (Write as fully as you like, using back of sheet if necessary.)

a. In America: \_\_\_\_\_

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b. Types of work and experiences you have enjoyed most in America: \_\_\_\_\_

c. Abroad: Superintendent, Nurses Training School  
East Gate Hospital, Seoul, Korea. 1912-18

also a few years in Peking, China.

Laboratory Technician & Head of Laboratory, Peking, China  
Methodist Hospital. 1928-40

d. Types of work and experiences you have enjoyed most Abroad: \_\_\_\_\_

#### IV. PERSONAL (Check your preference)

Do you like to work individually (\_\_\_), or in groups ()?

Do you prefer living alone (\_\_\_), in small group () , in large group (\_\_\_)?

What are your favorite hobbies, amusements, pastimes, avocation? \_\_\_\_\_

#### V. HEALTH

Date of last physical examination: 1940 at Peking, China

Examining physician: Dr. A. E. Anderson

General state of health: Good

For how long should you like to rest? \_\_\_\_\_

Where do you wish to go at this time? \_\_\_\_\_

How? \_\_\_\_\_

#### VI. ATTITUDE TOWARD PROFESSIONAL WORK

Do you desire complete rest during this time or do you plan to make speaking engagements?

I am no speaker & do not care to  
take speaking engagements except in case  
of need

If the former, would it help you to have a statement from the Board advising you not to make such engagements or would you prefer to make your own answers? \_\_\_\_\_

If the latter, would you prefer to have assistance in making your itinerary or freedom to accept invitations as they come from friends or church groups? Freedom  
to accept from friends or church groups.

What other forms of promotional work would you enjoy? Conferences, assemblies, training classes, student work on campus or in summer conferences and camps.

#### VII. STUDY

Would you like to have a period of study before you take up any work? \_\_\_\_\_

When would you like to begin study? \_\_\_\_\_

For how long do you want to study? \_\_\_\_\_ Where? \_\_\_\_\_

What course in general? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you need an educational grant? \_\_\_\_\_

#### VIII. PLANS FOR FUTURE

Would you like to return to your field if the way should open within two or three years? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you accept transfer to another field temporarily? \_\_\_\_\_ permanently? \_\_\_\_\_

Remarks: \_\_\_\_\_

State in order of preference a list of forms of employment you would be willing to

engage in Nursing, Industrial Technic, or perhaps  
Social Service.

Do you know of any position open now which you would like to accept or which you think might be suitable for one of your colleagues? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you feel free to share this information with the Board? \_\_\_\_\_



Would you be willing to help this year in Home Mission work, retaining your status as a missionary in the Foreign Department? \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to transfer to the Home Mission Department? \_\_\_\_\_

We have the following forms of work in the Home Mission Department. Check all that appeal to you marking them 1, 2, 3, etc. in order of preference.

( ) Educational, ( ) Social-evangelistic, ( ) Rural, ( ) Church work.

IX. If for health reasons or because you are approaching retirement age you think it unwise for you to return to the field and desire after a reasonable furlough to take the retired relationship, please indicate that, making whatever statement you like in regard to it.

*Under present circumstances is there any hope of getting back to the field within 2 or 3 years? Would the Society consider keeping us on that long, and then sending us back? Since I will be 57 this year, I would have to go back next year anyway, to put in a full term, and would the Society consider that worth while?*

*If I should be able to get part-time nursing work now or then, would I be kept on furlough salary for any length of time? Or if I should take a position of nursing, would that mean more relations with the Board or Society?*

*I am trying to find some work here in Chicago, either nursing or something else, so unless I am not at all successful, will not ask you to try to place me, or write anything.*

MAY 31 1940

Room 710, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York

We should like to have our files completely up-to-date before the Mid-year meeting and General Conference, after which Unification goes into effect. Whenever changes take place please notify us.

Please fill in the following and return to the General Office as soon as possible.

( Miss ) Faye H. Robinson

Name W. ...

Name and addresses of relatives to be notified in case of emergency. Give relationship.

Terms of Service

<u>Term</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Type of work</u>
1st	1911	India, S. part	"
	1912-14	India, S. part	"
2nd	1917-19	"	"
	1921-27	"	"
3rd	1928-35	"	"
	1936-42	"	"

Study periods during furloughs

<u>Length of time</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Degrees or Honors</u>
	1911-12	Madras Univ. India	B.A.
	1921-22	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1923-24	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1925-26	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1927-28	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1929-30	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1931-32	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1933-34	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1935-36	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1937-38	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.
	1939-40	Calcutta Univ. India	B.L.

Enclose recent photograph if not already sent, or indicate when to be expected.

Signature W. ...

BIRTH: *Date:*

NAME:

*Place:*

FIELD:

CITIZENSHIP: U. S. A. NATURALIZED:

*Date:*

*Place:*

RELATIVES:

*Date*

*Name*

*Address*

*Relationship*

HOME CHURCH:

SUPPORTING ORGANIZATION:

*Group*

*Conference*

*Jurisdiction*

EDUCATION:

*Institution*

*Date*

*Degree*

*Comments*

DATE OF COMMISSION:

DATE OF FIRST SAILING

FURTHER BIOGRAPHICAL DATA:

RETIREMENT:

DEATH: *Dec. 30, 1945*

WITHDRAWAL:

RESIGNATION:

NAME:

FIELD:

APPOINTMENTS:

<i>Conference</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Work</i>

FURLOUGHS:

<i>Left Field</i>	<i>Arrived U. S. A.</i>	<i>Left U. S. A.</i>	<i>Arrived Field</i>	<i>Comments</i>

Photographs from this  
file have not been  
included but are  
available upon request.  
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