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cision was made for the Christian
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**"Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done, as in
heaven so on earth."—*St. Matthew's Gospel vi. 10.***

Preface

PERHAPS the best excuse for this book on a subject already much discussed is the fact that some of those who heard the lectures of which the book consists requested their publication. It is given to the press not with any thought of saying something startlingly new, or final on the country church problem, or proposing any finely wrought scheme of solution, but with the simple wish that it may prove suggestive and stimulating to some of the workers for the Kingdom who are out on the firing line where the problems of the Kingdom and the Farm are serious matters.

While the author is greatly indebted to others for statistics and other information in all of which credit is duly acknowledged, the lines of action proposed are his own convictions of what ought to be done to reconstruct rural church life, born out of personal observation and experience in contact with the field of the rural church in a number of the states east of

the Mississippi. Perhaps his interest in the problem dates back to the time when he was a boy on the prairie farm, and an attendant of the village church. Acknowledgment is due the Rev. Alden J. Green at whose suggestion these studies were first conceived, and to the North Illinois Conference at whose invitation they were prepared.

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