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BY THE AUTHOR OF

"BRIGHT GLIMPSES FOR MOTHERS' MEETINGS."

"And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it."—JOHN xiv. 13, 14.



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PREFATORY REMARKS.

IN the year 1868, "Bright Glimpses for Mothers' Meetings" was published, in prayerful hope and humble confidence that it might be the means, through God's goodness, "who hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise, and the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty," of strengthening the hands of those who are engaged in that deeply interesting work

—*the Mothers' Meeting*, and also of leading others to commence it who had not previously thought of doing so.

This little volume, "Bright Glimpses," &c., has met with so kind and cordial a reception, that I am encouraged further to seek the promotion of its object by publishing (at the request of many friends) a manual of prayers for Mothers' Meetings and adult female Bible Classes.

There are many who can conduct a Mothers' Meeting, or a Bible Class of women, and engage their interest, and enlist their sympathy; but when the closing comes, and the united prayer—that blessed bond of union—has to be offered, the inability to clothe in suit-

able words the desired petitions is painfully felt, and discouragement, in several instances which have come under my own notice, ensues.

I will not attempt to analyse the cause of that *choking sensation*, and *hurried pulsation*, and *throbbing heart*, which so many feel when called upon to offer up an extempore prayer. I simply state an acknowledged experience. *That* God, who condescended to supply a mouth to His trembling and fearful servant of old, saying, "Even He shall be to thee instead of a mouth," "knoweth our frame, and remembereth that we are dust." I humbly pray that in this little undertaking I may be permitted to be as "a hewer of wood and drawer of

water" to those who are working for that blessed Master "who is touched with the feeling of our infirmities;" and with the earnest hope that "Prayers for Mothers' Meetings and Scripture Readings" may be graciously owned of God and be as a mouth-piece to many a praying mother, it is sent forth by

A MOTHER.

PRAYERS
FOR
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On the opening of the Mothers' Meeting, one or other of these short Prayers may be used.

OH, heavenly Father, we have now met together in thy name. Without Thee nothing is strong, nothing is holy. We beseech Thee to be very present with us, and bless to *each one* of us this Mothers' Meeting. Open our hearts to receive Thy Word which