

It was typical - an act of service, however small, must not be missed.

"The other was when I was first to broadcast morning prayers after my arrival in Cape Town. I was a tyro, so he asked me if I would care to come in the day before, when he was taking prayers, and accompany him so as to learn the ropes. Needless to say, I gratefully accepted the offer. Typical again, in the thoughtfulness for others that perceived, and met, a need. He drove me in, too; it would not have occurred to him to suggest that, as he was doing me a service, I should use my car to take us in.

"From such incidents, one sensed his quality, and it was good; pure gold."

On the walls of the Ebenezer Church there is a brass plate in Desmond's memory with the words:

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
THE
REV. DESMOND KENILWORTH CLINTON
B.D., B.LITT.,
DEVOTED MINISTER OF THIS CHURCH
1940 - 1945.

God forbid that I should glory
Save in the Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gal. VI 14.

His name is engraved, too, on the foundation stone of the church at Noordgesig which was built during his ministry in Johannesburg.

But his real memorial lies in the lives of men. One of the officers of the Ebenezer Brigades sent round a letter to all the Companies after Desmond's death, urging them to fresh efforts and saying that the Brigades were Ebenezer's truest memorial to their minister, founder and Chaplain. In the quickened interest and awareness aroused in men and women with whom he came in contact, in the keener minds of those whom he trained, in the sense of social injustice stirred up in the lives of men, in a sense of reverence to God awakened, in the influence of a life of self-discipline - in these lies Desmond's memorial.

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