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Ans

Before writing any answers please read all the questions in the blank. Please do not hold the blank, if you cannot answer all the questions at once, but fill out as accurately as possible and return by the next mail. Further information may be sent later.

1. **Name in full (initials are not sufficient)?** Arthur Hartstein Page.

2. **If a married man, the maiden name of your wife; or, if a married woman, your maiden name and your husband's name?**

3. **Year of birth?** 1873 4. **Present address?** Newton Center, Mass.

5. **Home or permanent address (*i. e.*, an address, if possible, which will always reach you)?** Rockport, Maine.

6. **Of what branch of the Church are you a member? (As there are in the United States 17 Methodist bodies, 12 Presbyterian, 13 Baptist, etc., please give the exact title in full).** Baptist. (I do not know any further title)

7. **Have any members of your family been missionaries?** No.

8. **In what institution are you now a student?** (2) Newton Theological Institution. 06

9. **In what year will you graduate? What degree will you receive?** 1906, Probably B.D.

10. **In what other institutions have you been a student, and courses taken?**
Fitchburg (Mass.) High School, classical course omitting French.
(1) Colby College, A.B. course.

11. **Nature of work (*e. g.* physician, preacher, teacher, etc.), for which you are preparing?** Teacher in denominational or theological school in foreign field, a preacher at home.

12. **Present intention as to further course of study?**
Probably to finish theological course, emphasizing languages rather than homiletics, but might break the course for three years teaching for Japanese government, if opportunity should offer.

13. **In what year do you expect to apply to your Mission Board or Society to be sent to the foreign mission field?** 1906, or later (see 12)

14. **Member of Y. M. or Y. W. C. A., and where?** Y. M. C. A., Newton Theological Institution.

15. **Are you a member of the Student Volunteer Band, and do you attend the meetings?** Yes. Yes.

16. **Are you, or have you been, a member of Bible classes? Please mention courses.**
Courses at Colby in Life of Christ, Life of Paul, Messianic Prophecy.
About 18 years fairly constant in Sunday School.

17. **Are you, or have you been, a member of mission study classes? Please mention courses.**
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18. **To what extent have you made a study of missions, in addition to the work done in mission study classes?**
I have read "Princely Men in the Heavenly Kingdom", "Sunrise in the Sunrise Kingdom", "Via Christi" "Crux Christi", "Rex Christus", "Little Green God" + other books.
Life of John G. Paton.
Attended several lectures and addresses on missions.

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19. When, and under what influence, did you first seriously consider becoming a foreign missionary?

About February 1903, when, in a time of discouragement in regard to the usefulness of my life, my ability in languages was suggested as constituting a fitness for the work of translating in the foreign field.

20. When, and under what influence, did you finally form the purpose to become a foreign missionary?

Feb. 22, 1905. The strongest influence was "Lux Christi"; other books helped very considerably; and the addresses at the Student Volunteer Rally added some help. Then in prayer it seemed to be made clear to me that, so long as I think my greatest usefulness would probably be found in the foreign work, I never could have a clear conscience except in the front of the battle.

21. Please name any persons who have influenced you, either in private conversation or in public addresses.

A pastor's wife in 1903, Mrs. Geo. S. Bennett.
Members of our band, Mr. A. G. Miles, Miss E. M. Clancy.

22. Name any pamphlets or books which have influenced you in forming this purpose?

"The Supreme Decision of the Christian Student," "Lux Christi" and others named under 18.

23. When did you sign the volunteer declaration? Feb. 22, 1905.

24. What experience in spiritual life and in Christian work have you had that will be helpful in missionary service? Please make a full statement.

Such experiences as have practically taken away all ambitions except the one to be useful in bringing the Kingdom. And for work, considerable teaching in Sunday School and Bible classes, though usually only as substitute in Sunday School; preaching about 10 or 15 times; helping in four evangelistic campaigns in neighboring churches with my class, and one with a fellow-student; a few meetings in Boston missions.

25. What additional experience or training have you had which may be valuable on the mission field? (Such as teaching, knowledge of music, book-keeping, or other experience in business, trade or profession. Please make a full statement).

About four years experience, teaching at all grades of schools below college, but mostly in high school and academic work and tutoring individual pupils preparing for college; also a little college work.
Farming, market-gardening, incubating, wood-turning, house-building (every part except plastering) from design to paint + chimney. Experience brief in all these.

26. Do you know of anything which may prevent your going to the field? (Such as health, family, debt, etc.).

My health at present is such that I should probably be rejected; but as this is partly, at least, a result of years of overwork, I hope by care to be in much better condition by a year from now.

27. Remarks:

It is also quite possible that the more complete failure of my father's health would keep me back, for a time at least.