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PREFACE

THIS issue of the *Gospel Magazine* for December, 1947, calls for a brief preface. It is a cause of great gratitude to God that this number completes the *one hundredth and eighty-first year of the existence of the Magazine*.

We are very thankful for the many letters received from our readers, assuring us of how much they value the spiritual testimony of the Magazine, and the stand it takes for the great doctrines of God's sovereign grace.

To us who write for its pages the inspired reminder comes, "Who maketh thee to differ from another? And what hast thou that thou didst not receive? Now if thou didst receive it, why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?" (I. Cor. iv. 7). No flesh must glory in His presence. "Of Him, and through Him, and to Him, are all things: to Whom be glory for ever. Amen" (Romans xi. 33).

We send warm Christian greetings and best wishes to all our readers in every part of the world. May the divine blessing be with them all.

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