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The Blood He Needed

HIS FRIENDS brought the man to the hospital in Haadyai, Thailand. He had been bitten on the foot by a snake whose poison, if not immediately removed, destroys the blood and brings certain death.

After examination the doctor asked the more than twenty friends with him for new blood he needed in order to live. Not one responded. The doctor then said that if they were his friends they would give blood and that anyone who refused could not see the patient. Every one of them left.

The doctor himself bought some blood, but it was not enough. A few days later the man's foot had so hopelessly decayed that the doctor persuaded him to allow an amputation in the hope of saving his life. But after being placed on the operating table he changed his mind, exclaiming, "I would rather die than lose my leg!" The doctor had no choice but to let him go home to die.

The real tragedy is that this man did not know of the Friend who gave not a pint but every drop of his own blood to save any man's life. No one had told him about Jesus Christ who came to save him from the certain death of sin.

The world is waiting for this good news. True, some would rather hold to the very thing causing their death than to be saved, but they deserve the chance to decide. Christ has commanded us to tell the world of his sacrificial death so that men might live. Are we all doing our part?

—Daniel R. Cobb



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MISSIONARY NURSES: A CRITICAL NEED

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THE CRITICAL need for missionary nurses has been for several years a real concern of the Foreign Mission Board's Department of Missionary Personnel. With awareness of the shortage of nurses in our own country, we see the future of much of our overseas medical work hinging on the securing of missionary nurses. If young women who have not yet chosen a vocation are made aware of the need, surely many of them will give serious consideration to this field of service.

Only one unmarried woman, qualified to serve as a nurse, was appointed during 1960. In the past five years just thirteen single missionary nurses have been sent.

Personnel requests from the various countries include about twenty for single nurses urgently needed this year. Such nurses would enable the missionary and national physicians to carry on their work, which is a vital part of our evangelistic efforts.

Here is a review of the needs in several fields:

- Missionaries in Thailand are of the opinion that medical work will open new doors of opportunity for the preaching of the gospel; yet the lack of experienced, well-qualified nurses may seriously deter the success of the proposed project. One missionary physician is already on that field; two others have been appointed and are completing a year of seminary training before going to the field in the summer of 1961.

- For a number of years the missionaries in Mexico have been requesting one or more missionary nurses. This urgent need has been placed before many young women qualified to

meet it, but no one has responded to the plea. Southern Baptists have provided a beautiful, well-equipped hospital, and if only an adequately trained and experienced nurse might be appointed, a nursing school could be opened. Such a school not only would provide opportunities in a Christian atmosphere for young women to be trained for a vocation, but they in turn could be effective in the combination of medicine and evangelism, which is the purpose of every mission hospital.

- A priority need exists in Ghana, where more than twenty-three thousand patient visits were served last year by one African nurse and a missionary nurse who is the mother of six children. Many patients die because nursing is insufficient, but without the hospital the 105,000 Mamprusi people have no medical care at all.

- In Japan, where four missionary doctors work with a Christian staff of national physicians and nurses, only one single missionary nurse is serving. Two of the physicians' wives are registered nurses but must give priority for the next few years to the schooling of their children.

- In Nigeria, where an excellent nursing school has been established, additional missionary nurses must be placed on the staff if it is to be accredited by the national government. Four other hospitals are also in need of nurses.

- One missionary nurse in Jordan is director of nurses and heads a nursing school, a responsibility that is far too heavy.

- In Gaza, where Southern Baptists have a ninety-bed hospital, the shortage of national nurses makes imperative the appointment of additional missionary nurses.

- The only unmarried missionary nurse serving the Baptist hospital in Barranquilla, Colombia, will leave on furlough later this year. The wife of one of three missionary doctors there gives as much time as possible to nursing responsibilities.

- Paraguay also challenges us with three missionary physicians having only two single missionary nurses and a nurse who is the wife of one of the physicians and the mother of two small children.

- East Pakistan, with its forty-five million people, one half of 1 per cent of whom are professing Christians, is a country where illness and medical needs are evident on every hand.

- South Vietnam has a similar urgent need.

SHALL we tell the missionaries in these countries that the lack of nurses will prevent the opening of the door to the gospel through medical missions?

Here is a comparison between the doctors and nurses appointed in the past five years:

Year	Doctors	Nurses
1956	2	5
1957	5	3
1958	6	1
1959	6	3
1960	4	1

Missionary Nurse Mary Hester Powell comforts a young patient at Baptist Hospital in Ogbo-mosho, Nigeria.



The Key Part Of the Medical Team

BY FRANKLIN T. FOWLER, M.D.

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THE CALL of a person to missionary medicine is the call to offer a glass of water to a thirsty patient (sometimes through an IV tube), to cleanse the leper, or to restore sight to the blind. To thus meet a physical need with love and compassion is to open stoned hearts, petrified by fear, ignorance, and prejudice to the love of God. It is also to urge the necessity of returning to God through Christ Jesus.

It is a call to minister to the whole man, the integral man. Missionary medicine, or medical evangelism, is more and more becoming teamwork with great opportunities and needs for doctors, nurses, hospital administrators, technologists, dietitians, anesthetists, and other personnel — a team who, through its efficient ministry, can witness for Christ unto the uttermost parts of the world.

Though operated on by the most competent and gifted of surgeons, the recovery of a patient will depend as much on the skill of the nurse as on the skill of the doctor. I once witnessed a famous surgeon perform a most difficult operation of several hours' duration, only to have the patient die that night for lack of skilful nursing. This was not in one of our mission hospitals, however.

As we think of medical missions today, we can no longer think of a lone doctor with his little black bag out on the jungle trail. Rather, we must visualize a skilful, professional team of doctor, nurse, and anesthetist, presenting the love of God through the best possible medical attention.

The missionary nurse has become a most essential part of this team. It is hard to describe the hopelessness

the doctor feels when on the mission field he must practice medicine, operate, and deliver babies with little or no adequate nursing help.

Sufficiently trained nurses are not to be found in some areas, and even those of limited preparation are pitifully scarce. To stop and train nationals is beyond both the ability and time limitation of the missionary doctor. Here, therefore, is one of the greatest contributions missionary nurses are making. In Paraguay, had the missionary nurses not added to their overburdened schedule the training of national nurses, our Baptist hospital in Asunción would long ago have had to close its doors.

IN SOME areas national nurses can be secured, but many times they have not been trained with Christ and his love in the center of their profession. The fact that we can send out from our missionary hospitals nurses who have received their training from

God-called and Christ-filled missionary nurse educators makes the difference between cold, professional attention and living, heartfelt care.

Many times as I have been operating or delivering a baby I have thanked God that he laid it upon the hearts of consecrated Christian missionary nurses to give up the security, comfort, good pay, and prestige of their profession here in the States to become a member of the missionary medical team.

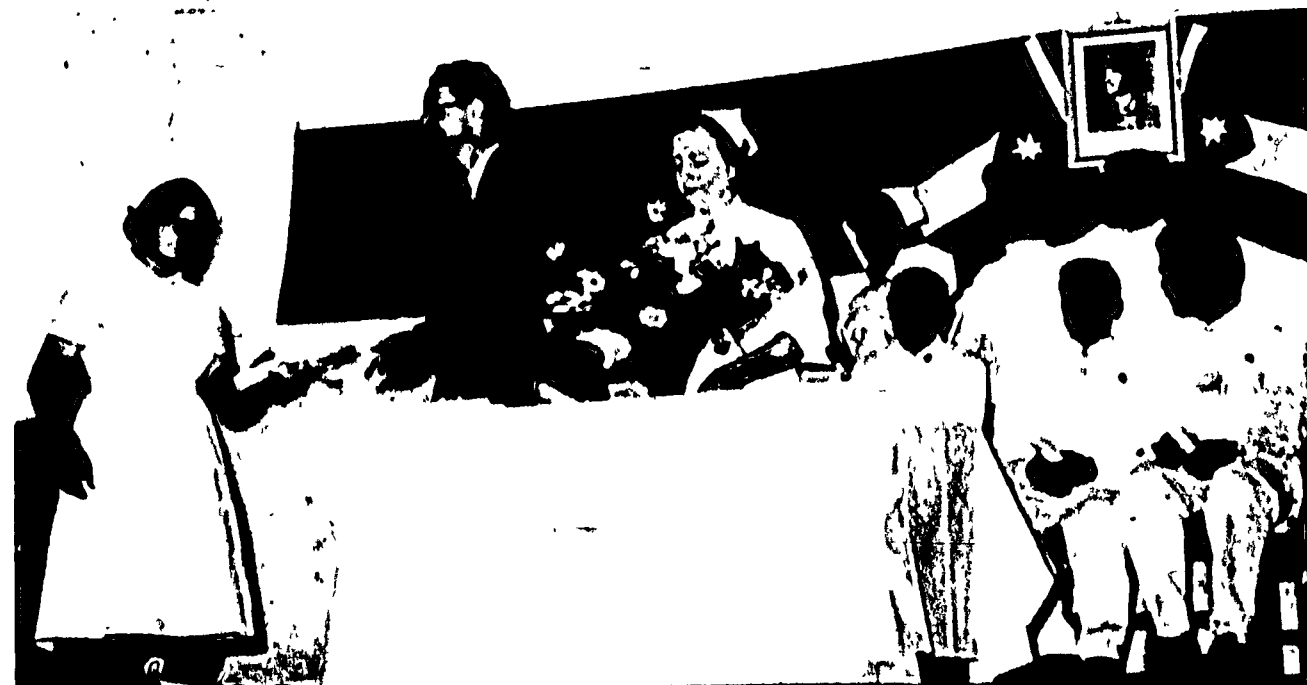
But the purely mechanical part of nursing is not its most rewarding aspect. The missionary doctor, because of so many demands on his time, will spend relatively little time with the patients. It is the nurse who frequently sees and has the opportunity of knowing the patient, of becoming his friend, and of gaining his confidence.

The missionary nurse is not just a doctor's helper. She is an entity, fulfilling a most important and essential task . . . that of taking the hand of a frightened, apprehensive, suffering human and gently — step by step — leading the person back to health and happiness and, while doing so, pointing her or him to Christ as the only Saviour, the only hope. My experience has been that the missionary nurse leads more of our patients to Christ than anyone else.

The missionary nurse is the key part of the modern medical team in a foreign country.

To you nurses who have been called of God, let me say that there is much happiness and joy in store for you as you find God's will in forming part of one of these teams with whom the need of the visible love of God and the path to faith in him is imperative.

Dr. L. August Lovegren, missionary physician at Baptist hospital, Ajloun, Jordan, presents diploma at recent graduation of twelve nurses and practical nurses. Miss Violet Popp, director of the nursing school, assists.



WANTED NOW: Missionary-Taught National Nurses



The second-floor wing on left of the modern, 92-bed Japan Baptist Hospital in Kyoto is closed due to lack of nurses.

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IMAGINE yourself as a visitor in Japan, suddenly becoming ill and having to be hospitalized. You are pleased to find that you can be admitted to one of this rapidly advancing country's newer hospitals and that your doctor is a well-trained physician with good medicines and equipment.

You are surprised, however, that one of your family must come to the hospital with you to take care of your needs, since the nurses only assist the doctor and administer medications. This is a relatively new hospital, so your meals are prepared by the hospital staff and some of your laundry can be done for you, but you must bring all your bed linens and a friend or family member must do all the actual bedside nursing.

As you wonder about this lack of nursing care, a noise causes you to look outside. With surprise you watch

your doctor and the nurses parading with other hospital personnel and carrying signs demanding more pay. During the next few days you are very thankful for the help of your family and friends, because the doctors and nurses are on strike and doing an absolute minimum of work for the most critical patients.

"Ridiculous," you say? From the pages of a Kyoto newspaper you learn that nurses in Japan are finding it necessary to take such measures to elevate their standards. Nurses' salaries range from thirty to forty dollars a month.

In a non-Christian country where the nursing profession is practiced more for financial gain than in a spirit of service for mankind, one can understand why a nurse is willing to neglect the care of her patients to better her own standards. We of America take our Christian heritage for granted, but when we see in pagan countries the lack of Christian love and concern for the patient, the tremendous influence of Christianity in

our background is very evident.

The standards of nursing schools in Japan are rapidly rising, and well-trained Japanese nurses, such as those produced by the two small Christian schools of nursing in Tokyo, are second to none in efficiency. It is our joy to have six of these girls working now in the completely Western-style, ninety-two-bed Japan Baptist Hospital in Kyoto.

They help train nurses from other schools who come to work with us. In other Japanese hospitals the nurse has until recently been considered little more than a maid. So a majority of the girls we employ, although they are Christians and very willing to care for patients, must be practically re-schooled. Our course helps them realize the dignity of their profession and teaches them the methods of our complete nursing care for the patient, done in Christian love and constituting our greatest opportunity for witness.

THE TWO schools mentioned above are very small and can train hardly enough nurses to care for the needs of their own hospitals. In this country, where it is so important that especially the nurses be Christians and where so much Communist influence is in the medical profession, it has proved impossible in the first five years of our hospital operation to find enough graduates, including even those from the poorest schools. As a result we now have one empty, seventeen-bed hospital wing because of an inadequate nursing staff.

What is the answer? A first-class school of nursing. We are awaiting a building to house the students and pro-

Japanese nurses and doctors, demanding more wages, go on strike against a non-Christian hospital in Kyoto.

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vide necessary classrooms, and we have faith that there will be funds for it in the near future.

But our greatest need is for well-qualified missionary nurses with degrees in nursing education and a determination to master this difficult language in order to teach these girls. Many Christian graduates of Seinan Gakuin, our Baptist university in Fukuoka, have expressed desire to enter the school here, and some of the aides now working in the hospital are waiting for this opportunity to complete their training.

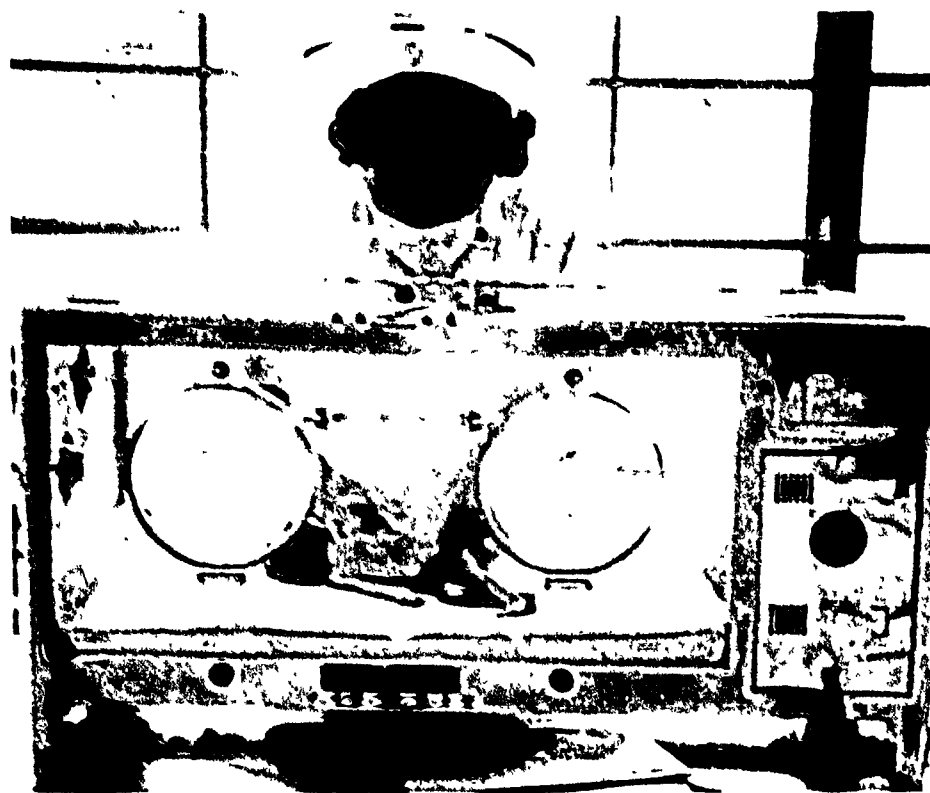
As Miss Bertha Marshall, our only single missionary nurse, recently expressed it, a new missionary finds it very difficult to do bedside nursing in Japan because of the cultural and language differences. However, there is a tremendous need in the field of nursing education and administration for nurses without family obligations (which we have found makes the nurse's service almost impossible while her children are small) who will come to Japan dedicated to serve Christ among these, perhaps the most lovable people in the world.

No, the missionary nurse in Japan won't be a Florence Nightingale heroine, but if she will come dedicated to the task of conquering the problems of language and cultural differences, she will find here very few physical hardships. She will soon have the joy of seeing lovely, white-capped Japanese girls she has taught go out by the scores to carry the message of Christ through the medium of medicine.

Won't you pray that the Lord, our Great Physician, will open the doors of the hearts of qualified nurses and students for this all-important task?



Missionary Nurse Bertha Marshall prays with Japanese nurses at the beginning of a duty shift. All members of the Japan Baptist Hospital's staff are Christians.



Nurse Kitiyara cares for a premature baby in an incubator at the Baptist hospital.



Missionary Nurse Altha (Mrs. James P.) Satterwhite instructs student nurses in properly folding sheets.

Teaching student nurses to make beds is one of Missionary Nurse Pauline (Mrs. C. F.) Clark's duties.



"Dimana Nona...?"

BY C. WINFIELD APPLEWHITE, M.D.
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THE SOUND of the morning breeze in the coconut trees was almost like that of rain as I walked across the grounds to the hospital chapel.

Sure, I was a minute or two late, but it didn't matter because it wasn't my week to lead the morning devotional period for the employees. I should have been hearing the sound of the first hymn; instead, there was Siti hurrying toward me.

"*Dimana Nona Miles?*" (Where is Miss Miles?)

"Oh," I thought, "so Virginia is leading the devotionals this week."

"I don't know," I answered. And I said to myself, "I'll bet she overslept. She's had so much to do getting ready to open the nursing school."

So I led a hurriedly selected hymn and read a hurriedly selected passage of Scripture, all the time feeling sorry for myself and wishing Virginia were there. That's not the way to begin a busy doctor's day.

"*Dimana Nona Bell?*" greeted me as I entered the hospital hall.

This time two of the girls who work in the outpatient clinic asked about extra sterile syringes, how many outpatients to register, who was to take blood pressures in the obstetrical clinic, and other questions.

"She must be over in Ward 5," I suggested.

"No," they said. She hadn't been there and wasn't at home, either.

"This is great!" I mumbled. "How can I get anything done if I have to help out with Martha's work? She has two full-time jobs, running the outpatient clinic and serving as assistant

supervisor of nurses. We have to find her. Maybe she's on one of the other wards."

So, with an escort of unanswered questions I headed for the wards, looking for Ruth Ford. She'd know where Martha was and the answers to all those questions, too.

"*Dimana Nona Ford?*" was the cheery greeting from Njonja Harsono who was in charge of Ward 1. I wound up not knowing where Ruth was, either. As supervisor of nurses she is always up early and has been around before I make my rounds.

"Who is to relieve the nurse on Ward 3 who is sick?" "Where is the key to the emergency cabinet?" "Dr. Lambright just ordered hydrocortisone

STAT?" "Where is this week's duty schedule?" By the time I had heard all these questions I was looking for a place to hide.

Where was everybody? You can't run a hospital without nurses! Do they expect me to do all that, too?

The operating room would be a good hiding place. I could just slip in there and come back and make ward rounds after the first case in the O.R. Besides, Everley Hayes and Ruth Vanderburg would be there and they could help take care of the multitude of problems that had piled up in the absence of three nurses. With a sigh of relief, I breezed into the operating suite.

The relief was quickly jolted with "*Dimana Nona Hayes?*" from a chorus of voices. Jan wanted to know about instruments for the second case. Frank Tan needed help with the books in the business office. Rolly asked for a signature to purchase drugs for the storeroom. Everley — the operating room supervisor, hospital treasurer, and supervisor of the supply section — just *couldn't* be missing on this, of all mornings!

"Well, ask Miss Vanderburg," I said, knowing that it wasn't her job and that she had plenty to do running the anesthesia department and recovery room and teaching the anesthesia students. This was a real crisis!

Crisis turned to catastrophe when Bing, one of the student anesthetists, asked, "*Dimana Nona Vandy?*" he wanted her to check the endotracheal tube on the first case, and Mr. Oui

Missionaries Everley Hayes, Frank B. Owen, and C. Winfield Applewhite and a national assistant perform an operation at Baptist Hospital, Kediri.



wanted to get her to check the accident case still in the recovery room.

This was too much. Not a nurse in the house! You just can't run a hospital without nurses, especially here where they have so many other responsibilities!

The last straw came when Lubis, the student laboratory technician, caught me running down the walkway and asked, "*Dimana Nona Misner?*"

"Oh no, *not* Mariam, our missionary medical technologist!" I'd forgotten how to run those blood sugars and N.P.N.s — and who would run the

X-ray? The clamor was too much; the hospital just wouldn't run without her, either.

When I awoke the frantic scene was gone, and I settled back to listen again to the morning breeze in the coconut trees. I realized that it had all been a bad dream — a really bad one. But was it?

Sure — Virginia, Martha, Ruth, Everley, Vandy, and Mariam would be there when I went to the hospital. But I had learned that in many mission hospitals there would be only one or two missionary nurses and

more for them to do than they could get done if there were forty-eight hours a day.

The opening of new mission hospitals now awaits the coming of nurses to help the doctors already appointed. The bad dream could suddenly become a reality in Kediri as we divide our staff to open new medical work in another island of Indonesia.

I thought of those voices in the dream asking, "*Dimana Nona . . . ?*" and I knew the answer could come only as nurses at home answer God's call.

OPPORTUNITIES UNLIMITED

BY EVERLEY HAYES, R.N.

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I REMEMBER the questions that ran through my mind on the night before my appointment in 1947 as I thought about what I was getting ready to do: "How do you know whether you can do all the things that will be expected of you?" "Who do you think you are that you can go to China and be a missionary nurse?"

Then I opened my Bible and read these words of Jesus, "Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you."

Just what does a missionary nurse do? After thirteen years of nursing on a mission field I find that one cannot know just what will come from day to day. But one thing I do know is the truth of the words of Jesus to Paul, "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness."

I went to Wuchow, China, in the summer of 1948 after a year's language study, continuing the study at the hospital where I served. Miss Blanche Bradley was director of nursing, but because of political conditions the next spring it was necessary for her to return home. With much hesitancy I became the director of nursing in a hospital with about one



Missionary Nurse Everley Hayes gives injection at Baptist Hospital, Kediri.

hundred beds which also had a school of nursing.

I was grateful for the help of some of the graduate nurses who had been at the hospital for a long time, because the task was a difficult one for a person still new in the use of the language. And I did make mistakes in the language — such as telling one of the nurses that we needed more devils in the nursery instead of the cabinets we were having built!

My day usually started by taking

night report at six o'clock in the morning. Part of the time I directed calisthenics for our student nurses on the hospital roof before the chapel period. After chapel I would go home for breakfast unless I was needed in surgery where I sometimes gave ether anesthesia. Then I had classes to teach, schedules to make out, and other duties of a director of nursing.

There were more jobs, too; that I inherited. I was the keeper of the storeroom (a full-time job in itself)

and overseer of the sewing room (which involved cutting out uniforms and other hospital linens), and I helped remodel the obstetrical department. Needless to say, many times I felt far from adequate, but somehow I managed to get through and even enjoy the work.

After the tragic events that followed the Communists' taking over our work, with the arrest and death of Dr. William Wallace, I was finally allowed to leave China. It was impossible to return there, so it was necessary to find another field of service.

I HAD the privilege in February, 1955, of helping to open new medical work along with Ruth Ford and Dr. Kathleen Jones; it was the Baptist Clinic in Kediri, Indonesia. This was quite a different experience from the work in China where the hospital was

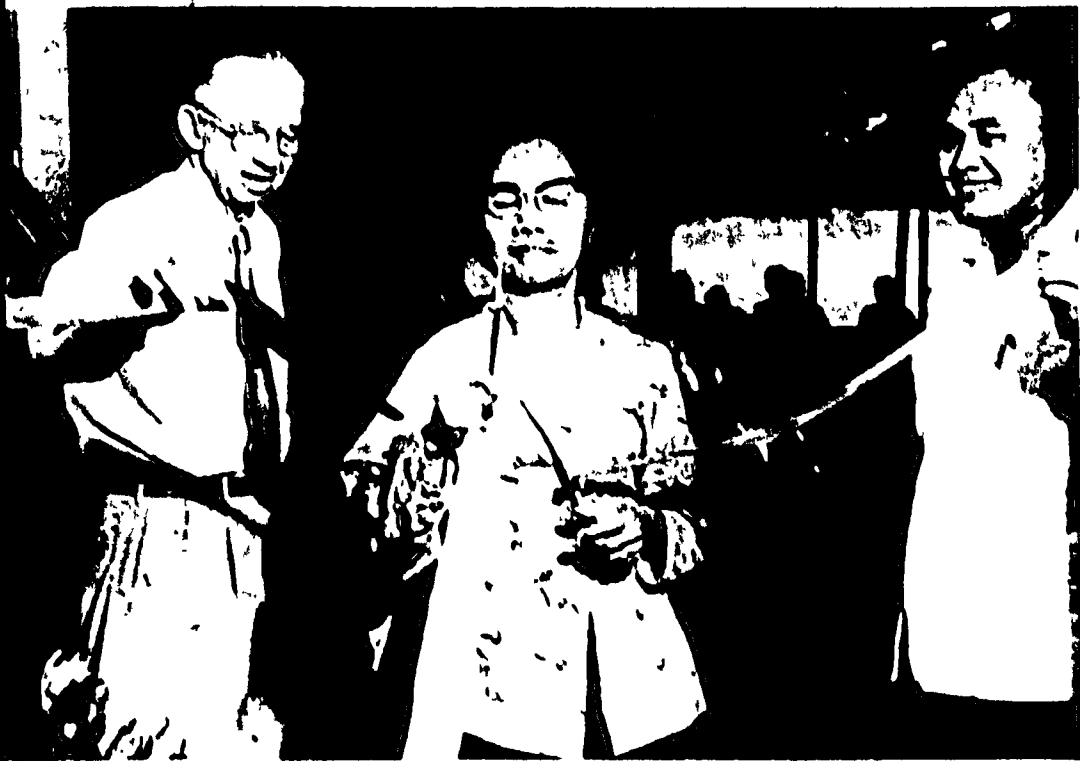
already well established.

There were no trained helpers available — no nurses. This meant that we had to take untrained help, teach them their jobs, and then do the other work ourselves. Miss Ford took charge of the buying and the other finances and also the drug room. I took the X-rays and did the simple laboratory procedures. For several months I gave, on the average, a hundred hypodermic injections a day. My aim was pretty good!

We had no evangelistic missionaries when we first opened the clinic. But we wanted the people to understand that we were there not only to help them physically but also to tell them about Jesus Christ. With the aid of Alexis Tairas, a student in our seminary in Semarang, we started Sunday school and preaching services on the Sunday before the clinic opened.

On the clinic's second anniversary the Baptist Hospital was opened in Kediri. When I returned from furlough in April that year Ruth Ford left for her furlough, and I found myself directing the nursing service. We had one ward building besides the auxiliary buildings and the nurses' dormitory, and another ward building was under construction. Our staff still had no graduate nurses, but we did have three midwives to help with the work on the obstetrical ward.

As the hospital grew we had to increase our services, and those were busy days indeed. Administrative problems always had to be worked out. Because of the lack of trained help we missionaries had to take on many jobs besides those we would normally have. I did purchasing of supplies and drugs and had to train a clerk for the storeroom. Besides that, I was the



Mrs. Saiful Anwar cuts ribbon held by Missionary W. Buren Johnson and Mr. Tjoa, contractor representative.

Birth of a Hos

OPENING a new hospital building is a significant step in a missionary medical enterprise. So it was last spring when the surgery and central supply wing was formally opened at Baptist Hospital in Kediri, Indonesia, where Dr. C. Winfield Applewhite and Miss Everley Hayes, R.N., authors of the preceding articles and both on furlough in the U.S., serve as missionaries.



Dr. Saiful Anwar, medical inspector of East Java Department of Health, delivers address.

Dr. Soemitro, head of Nursing Education Department at Surabaya, and other visitors inspect the shadowless light beamed upon the operating room table.



hospital treasurer and found that counting money got rather tiresome at times.

ONE JOB I really did enjoy was setting up the operating room, though I certainly did not realize just how much went into getting all the supplies and linens ready and how much I would miss going to the nearest medical supply house to get the things we needed.

Our first major surgery was an emergency Caesarean section. The husband was not sure he wanted his wife operated on and she was not in very good condition. However, the Lord was with us and we delivered a healthy baby boy. I had to stay up most of the night with the mother, as we had no one with whom I could leave her.

We have come a long way since

that first operation. We now have a missionary staff of five doctors, five nurses, a laboratory technologist, and a dentist. This means there are more people to carry the responsibilities and that we are free to devote more time to our specialties. We have a staff of 120 nationals. There has also been an increase in our patient load, which means more work.

We are constantly aware, however, of our purpose for being in Indonesia — that of bringing the lost to know Jesus Christ. Because we have been in Indonesia such a short time we do not have a large group of national Christians to draw on for hospital employees. We have had to hire non-Christians, but we have had the joy of seeing many of them come to know the Lord. Each morning before going to work we have chapel services for our employees, and we missionaries

take turns by the week in leading the services.

One of the jobs I have enjoyed, along with my work in the hospital and in the local church, has been working with music. The people love to sing when there is someone to lead them. Besides leading the choir in one of our local churches, it is my joy to help also with special music for hospital services. At Christmas time we practice carols and sing them in the hospital on Christmas morning. Then there are times when we invite staff members just to sing, and they like to begin at the beginning of the book and sing right through!

Do I enjoy being a missionary nurse? You can draw your own conclusions. Certainly it is a life that is far from dull, and the opportunities are unlimited to serve our Master, Jesus Christ.

pital Building



New surgery and central supply building



Administration and clinic building

BELOW LEFT: Group of hospital employees gathers in hall of new surgery and central supply building.

BELOW RIGHT: Missionary Nurse Ruth Vanderburg (left) and Dr. Kathleen Jones chat near the entrance.





A Rewarding Way of Life

BY WANDA PONDER, R.N.

Missionary Wanda Ponder shows how to lift a bed patient, using a "Mary Chase" dummy.

Director of Nursing School, Baptist Hospital, Asunción, Paraguay



Miss Ponder teaches a class in human anatomy in nursing school.



She guides student nurses in applying practice bandages.



Outside the hospital she talks with an Indian brush vendor.

HAVE YOU ever had sixteen baths on one day? I have. That was the beginning for me of many varied experiences as a missionary nurse at Baptist Hospital in Asunción, Paraguay.

In making plans during 1952 for the hospital's opening it became apparent that if we were to have nurses we would have to train our own. Modern nursing care was not known in Paraguay and additional nurses from the States were not forthcoming. We started classes with sixteen nurses' aides.

Everything was just fine until we had the practice period for bed baths. They all agreed, "She's not going to give me a bath." I climbed in the

bed as the "Mary Chase" (practice dummy) of all times. After that they realized we meant business, and from that group came our first student nurses.

In December, 1960, the third class was graduated from the nursing school, making a total of nineteen graduates. All but two of the nineteen have remained with us, filling responsible places in the hospital. One is head nurse in surgery, another is head nurse in the outpatient clinic, one is housemother for the student nurses, and on down the line in jobs that Miss Ruth Porter and I had to fill until we trained others to take our places. They have released us for other duties. All of the nurses are Christians.

Although nursing and student nurses are my first interest and occupy most of my time, I do not spend all of it at the hospital. For one thing, I play the role of aunt to twenty-five M.K.s (missionary kids) in Paraguay. When I return there in June from furlough a heap of bubble gum will be in my baggage to supply the request for the next four years: "Aunt Wanda, do you have any bubble gum left?" How good it is to be part of such a wonderful family.

It is not unusual to get up at midnight and go out with a flashlight to track down the army of ants eating my rose garden. A German police dog, a brood of chickens, and a talking parrot take up the few extra min-



Missionary Ruth Porter and a national nurse check medical supplies.



Missionary Leland J. Harper, administrator, views the front of the two-story Baptist Hospital in Asunción, opened in 1953.

utes one might have left in a day.

I might as well confess that I'm an avid fisherwoman and the fifteen-minute drive to the Paraguay River is a constant temptation for me. You fishermen know what I'm talking about! In December and January (our summer), dorado fishing is at its best. I caught four last year in thirty minutes' time and none of them weighed less than nineteen pounds.

Girls' Auxiliary is of special interest to me, for it was as a GA that the Lord called me to foreign missions. During the past two years I have been GA leader in the Villa Morra Baptist Church, located beside the hospital. Seventeen GAs really make you hop to keep up with them, and thanks to Lili Goldfinch, an M.K., I was able to do it.

Last year during the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer the GAs said, "How can we give? We have nothing to give." But capital was provided and we bought oranges for ten cents a hundred, peeled them, and sold them at the basketball games for one cent each. The GA's gave fourteen dollars to the Christmas Offering.

For the past year and a half I also served as the GA director for Paraguay, with study courses, picnics, and spiritual retreats all a part of our activity.

I THINK one of the greatest blessings and perhaps the most difficult task I had during my last term of service was teaching the adult women's class in Sunday school at the church. How thrilling to see their spiritual growth! Some of the women were former patients at the hospital. Doña Brigida, Doña Blanca, Doña Mariana, Doña Maria, and others are all fine Christian women with Christian homes. Some have had tragic experiences and yet have triumphed because or in spite of them.

One of the women stood before the class one Sunday morning and told of the death of her husband and then of her oldest son at our hospital. Through the experience of her husband's death she found the Lord as her Saviour. Through the death of her son she had experienced a deep spiritual growth and opportunity to witness to her neighborhood, her relatives, the doc-

tor at the hospital, and her fellow Christians of the living presence of her Lord and the assurance of life after death. What a mountain-top experience for us all that morning!

I remember when Doña Maria came to our hospital over seven years ago to have her first baby. She had said, "I don't understand, Señorita, why you do this for us. Why do you leave your home to come here and live with us? Señorita, you do things that even our own people will not do — why?" I had tried to explain John 3:16 to her about the love of God for her and for me and the command "Go ye therefore . . ."

Seven years ago Doña Maria left the hospital with her New Testament and her new baby, saying, "I still do not understand." A few months ago I saw Doña Maria stand before the church telling of her experience with the Lord. Later she said, "I now understand, Señorita, for I too know that love and want all people to know it."

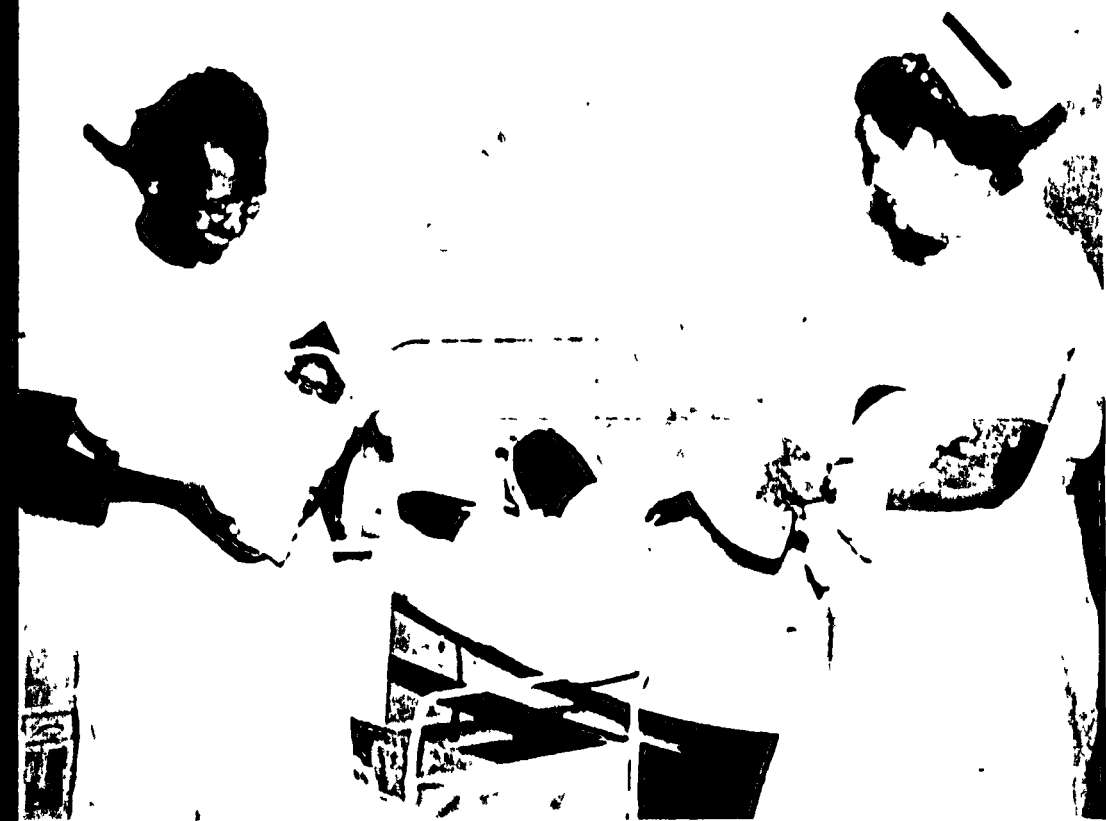
How I thank God that he has allowed me to know and share in the lives of such wonderful people.



Student nurse María Miokowicz gives medicine to a patient.

Rev. Sydney L. Goldfinch, field missionary in Paraguay, leads staff devotions. All the nurses are Christians.





Mrs. Jester and a midwife show a mother her twins at Ogbomosho Baptist Hospital. In Nigeria, where a high infant mortality rate exists, Mrs. Jester's care for patients as head of the maternity section has earned her the title "The Mother Who Brings Live Babies."

"The Mother Who Brings Live Babies"

PHOTOS AND CAPTIONS BY WILLIAM A. COWLEY
Principal, Baptist Boys' High School, Jos, Nigeria

GLIMPSES into the life of Mrs. William L. Jester, who typifies Southern Baptists' senior missionary nurses, show rewarding aspects of her service for Christ overseas.

Working at Ogbomosho Baptist Hospital in Nigeria, she received appointment by the Foreign Mission Board in 1946, having served with her husband since 1928 in Tanganyika and Kenya under the Africa Inland Mission. Dr. Jester is now registrar and a professor at Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary in Ogbomosho.

Mrs. Jester is supervisor of the twenty-four-bed maternity center, where more than a thousand normal deliveries are made each year. She is also special duty nurse at the Frances Jones Memorial Nursing Home, where she cares for sick missionaries and helps deliver their babies. By the nature of her work, she is on call twenty-four hours a day.



Mrs. Jester conducts both pre-natal and ante-natal clinics at the hospital's maternity center. Babies are born throughout the day and night to mothers who come to the clean surroundings and Christian care.



Off-duty hours may find Mrs. Jester with a group of Baptist ladies of the community holding an executive committee meeting of the Woman's Missionary Union in her home.

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ABOVE: Mrs. Jester studies the Yoruba language an hour a week with her teacher, Rev. S. A. Adegbite from the seminary in Ogbomosho. LEFT: She pedals her bicycle to and from the hospital and on emergency night calls.



ABOVE: Dr. and Mrs. William L. Jester share a devotional period at breakfast before he goes to his duties as teacher and registrar at the Nigerian Baptist Theological Seminary and she to her work at the hospital.

RIGHT: Mrs. Jester attends a Sunday afternoon associational rally of Woman's Missionary Union, for which she has been missionary adviser the past several years.



An enthusiastic hostess, Mrs. Jester finds time for fellowship and entertaining in her busy schedule. Gathered around the table in her home are (left to right) Missionaries Martha Tanner, Mrs. William A. Cowley (with Carol Cowley), Rev. and Mrs. David L. Jester (son and daughter-in-law, with Lisa Anne Jester), and Dr. William L. Jester, her husband.

Baptist Medical Centre
Nalerigu, Ghana
March, 1960

Dear Miss Baptist Nurse:

"All I can say is, 'What a pity!'" This reaction was given by the regional matron of nurses for Northern Ghana on her first inspection of the Baptist Medical Centre at Nalerigu. She felt it would have been much better had our hospital been built in a region where nurses are readily available. Such a response, however, totally neglects the desperate need of the Mamprusi people and nearby tribes for modern medical care. The Baptist hospital at Nalerigu provides the only general medical and surgical facility for 105,000 Mamprusi people and serves an area with a quarter of a million population. Yet, at present, we do not have a missionary nurse there other than Mrs. Robert F. Goldie, a mother of six children, who is now serving with her doctor husband for an additional year beyond their regular furlough date.

Mrs. Goldie spends twelve to fifteen hours daily doing essential work on the wards. The average daily census often exceeds thirty inpatients, and hundreds of outpatients are treated weekly. Malaria, intestinal parasites, anemia, sleeping sickness, leprosy, tropical ulcers, measles, tuberculosis, and malnutrition are frequent conditions encountered among them. Medical, surgical, and obstetrical nursing are urgently needed. Pediatric patients are desperately in need of trained nursing care. Yet, Mrs. Goldie is assisted by only one African registered nurse and twelve ward attendants. We are skirting the fringes of legality by remaining in operation with such a limited staff, as the law in Ghana requires at least one registered nurse for each eight beds in use.

Why did we open the hospital without nurses? After treating a girl with tetanus as she lay under the stars near empty hospital buildings—after examining a miserable and moaning expectant mother on the cow dung floor of her mud hut with little children running in and out, and knowing that our fine, new maternity building was not open to the public—after seeing patients die in my car as I reached another hospital fifty-five miles away, who might have lived if we had had a bed ready for them—after such experiences, I determined to begin using our wards with only ward attendants on duty. Medicines were administered by our sole African nurse or by the doctor when the nurse was not on duty.

In the springtime of the year and during our season of strong winds, the sand filters through the mosquito-proofed windows of our spacious, well-ventilated isolation ward and settles in fine, grainy layers on empty packing crates and on miscellaneous items scattered about the silent rooms. Meanwhile, twice weekly, Gumah and Tia and Salifu and others walk the many miles from their villages to Nalerigu for their anti-tuberculosis treatment. This condition prevails, despite the fact that bed rest is still a fundamental part of tuberculosis therapy, because nurses are not available to permit operation of the isolation ward.

Pansy, a two-pound-and-ten-ounce Fulani baby, fought for life and disrupted our sleep for many weeks after the death of her mother on the day of her birth. When she reached a respectable weight of eight pounds, we placed her on the ward with the other motherless babies, and she died shortly thereafter. Yes, I think many such babies could live if nurses were available.

One moonlit night I stood in the courtyard of the Nayiri, paramount chief of the Mamprusi Tribe, and begged him to let us take his newborn infant to Tamale, 105 miles away, where nursing care could be obtained in the post-operative period. His baby had an intestinal obstruction, and surgery was imperative. He refused permission for the trip but agreed that we could operate in Nalerigu. The operation was a success, but the infant died twelve hours after surgery because the ward attendant did not know how to clear its airway when it vomited.

I could recount many such experiences to illustrate our need for nurses at Nalerigu. Do you see this unmet need? You can help meet it. Would you like to train nurses or use your talents in nursing education? A tremendous job awaits you at Nalerigu as the youth of our tribe take the first, faltering steps toward knowledge of caring for the sick. Come over and help us, we beg you!

Cordially in Christ,

George Faile

George M. Faile, Jr., M.D.
Hospital Administrator

MEDICAL MISSIONS CONFERENCE

PHOTOS BY LARRY PARDUE-
Student, Rice University



Pat Beckham (left), 1960 summer missionary to Korea from Baylor University College of Medicine, Houston, talks with a fellow medical student, a nursing student from Memorial Baptist School of Nursing, Houston, and Dr. Robert M. Wright, missionary physician at Baptist hospital in Korea.



Dr. Franklin T. Fowler, Foreign Mission Board associate for medical work while on furlough from Mexico, shares a note with Student Directors Bill Hailey of University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston and Mary Lee Vines of Baylor University College of Medicine, Houston.

Everley Hayes, missionary nurse at Baptist Hospital in Kediri, Indonesia, talks to graduate and student nurses of the Houston area.

REPRESENTATIVE of five medical missions conferences held recently and six scheduled for March and April is the one pictured here at Camp Manison, Texas, between Houston and Galveston. Co-sponsored by the Foreign Mission Board and Baptist Student Union of Southeast Texas, 135 students from thirteen campuses—primarily nursing, medical, and dental schools—attended. Speaking and holding discussions were three missionary doctors and three missionary nurses on furlough. The program was directed by Miss Edna Frances Dawkins of the Foreign Mission Board headquarters staff.

Forthcoming conferences this spring will be at Louisville, Kentucky; Jackson, Mississippi; Nashville, Tennessee; Greenville and Columbia, South Carolina; and Atlanta, Georgia.



Edna Frances Dawkins, Foreign Mission Board associate secretary for missionary personnel, medical division, counsels Joe McIlhaney, Baylor College of Medicine student, and his wife.



Mrs. Lloyd H. Neil, missionary nursing instructor at Eku Baptist Hospital, Nigeria, locates her place of service for Mrs. Gene Dyess, wife of a student at University of Texas School of Dentistry in Houston.

Robert Faulkner (left), 1960 summer missionary to Southern Rhodesia, chats with Dr. C. Winfield Applewhite of Baptist Hospital in Kediri, Indonesia, a student nurse, and Eva Marie Kennard, director of students at Memorial Baptist School of Nursing, Houston.



I'm Glad I'm a Medical M.K.

BY M. GILES FORT III

*(Written for him by his mother, Wana Ann Fort, M.D.,
Physician, Baptist Hospital, Sanyati, Southern Rhodesia)*



*We missionary kids like Sanyati for lots of reasons.
One is that we have plenty of room to ride our bikes.*



Our birthdays are very special, and we are celebrating David's fifth one. My Nani is here with David, Gordon, and me and with Jerry and Carol Fray. Carol is the only girl among eight boys at the Sanyati mission station. She has two younger brothers, Jonathan and Jeffry, and we have a baby brother, Lewis Gregg. The other boy is Michael Cannata, who is almost two.

WHEN I was born in April, 1952, my parents and grandparents rejoiced greatly. Nani and Daddy had been married six years while they attended medical school and took hospital training, and I was their first child. For the announcement of my arrival my daddy had cards made with "Just what the doctor ordered" on the outside and my picture inside.

Another important thing happened that year: In October my parents were appointed as missionaries to Southern Rhodesia in Africa. They knew it was in a remote area that the Baptist hospital would be located—in Sanyati Reserve, sixty miles from the nearest town in primitive bush country. Often Nani would look at my black-haired head on her arm and pray God's protection for me from malaria and bilharzia and all the other tropical diseases there—and from the hazards of cobras and mambas and adders on the station.

People would say as we made our preparations to leave: "Surely you're not going to take that precious child with you to that wild country!"

My parents would smile, in spite of the secret worries in their hearts, and reply: "God gave him to us; we must trust God to care for him now."

Then one January day we left Nani's home in Louisiana. I didn't understand just what was happening, but it was fun on the ship: Nani and Daddy

with me all the time—the ship's officers amusing me. I especially liked to turn all the knobs on the radio switchboard, with my friend "Sparks" holding me while I played. And Becky Kratz, another M.K. of another denomination, became my playmate.

Finally we reached Southern Rhodesia and Sanyati. Because our house wasn't built yet we lived with Auntie Betty and Uncle Ralph Bowlin. It was fun to have more adults around to play with me, and I had a great time. Daniel, their cook, was my friend, and so was Margaret, the young girl who watched me outside to be sure the snakes didn't bother me.

We had our first Christmas in our own house. I didn't even know the tree wasn't an evergreen, but it looked pretty to me. Soon my brother David came to join our family, Gordon came in 1955, and in 1959 Lewis Gregg was born. The Kratzes lived near us and Becky and I were almost inseparable. There were huge sandpiles to play in and many things to do. I liked to go with my daddy to supervise all the buildings. But I couldn't go to the hospital where he and Nani treated sick people. I liked Sunday school and Sunbeam Band with the African children, too.

One day we went back to America and all of us had a wonderful year there. But we were glad to be back in Africa. My brother David said when we reached Sanyati and our house, "Isn't it good to have this house for

our home again?" And we all agreed.

While Nani and Daddy studied the Shona language at Salisbury, I started to school. It was a most exciting time. I was even "head boy" in my class.

After I had gone to school for one term we moved back to Sanyati, and I went to correspondence school. Esther Small and I were the only pupils, and Nani and Aunt Mary Small, whose husband's name is Tom, were our teachers. It wasn't exactly

Holidays are fun at Sanyati, and we have lots of parties. We missionary kids in Southern Rhodesia like to celebrate Halloween just like children in the States, so David, Gordon, and I dressed up like this for one party. We also had a good time helping Daddy cut a jack-o'-lantern.

When we went to Sanyati in 1957 I started to correspondence school with Esther Small. She is now at Kitwe with her missionary parents.

I study hard and do my homework every night.





All the kids like the Mission meeting every year because it's fun to be together. We enjoy going to Vacation Bible school while our parents are in the meetings planning the work for our Southern Rhodesia Baptist Mission. Here Penny Thorpe and I are painting figures we made in the school.

children. It's fun for all of us to play together. I also like to visit with friends in the cities, but I'm always glad to get back home again.

I'm glad God called our family to Africa, and I'm glad they didn't leave me at home in America when they came here!

Now Nani wants to tell you something:

"Many people express concern about our children—and frankly we, too, were concerned. Our station is in a remote area and life here is quite different from that which most children live. We have faced worries about

like school in town, but we had fun learning together in a little school-room made from a small building intended for a chicken house.

When Esther went on furlough with her parents the Marion G. Frays came, and this year we have four students in our school. Carol Fray and I are in one class, with Jerry Fray and David in the other.

One day in school Nani asked David and Jerry where they'd rather be than anywhere else in the world and why. Very quickly both answered, "We'd rather be right where we are. We like Sanyati. We can ride our bicycles everywhere without worrying about cars and people. We can climb the trees. We have many things to do and many places to play."

And that is how we all feel. My parents had many worries about us, they said, but they have always trusted God to take care of the problems.

We like to go to Mission meeting and visit with the other missionary



Lewis Gregg made us very happy when he came to join our family. Boys are best because girls don't always play with boys, you know. Here Gordon is holding Lewis Gregg, and David is my "right-hand man" in this picture.



We live in Africa where there are a lot of monkeys and baboons. David and I are feeding a monkey in our yard.

the children: their education, their spiritual development, their social development. But we know God loves them and cares for them even more than we do. And we pray for his daily guidance as we seek to do our work and bring up our boys in the way they should go. We do all that we can do and trust him.

"It is not easy to devote half of every day to school teaching, but we mothers have had to give this priority over all other work for the present, realizing that to a large measure our attitudes toward school determines theirs. As in all things so in this: We have found God's strength more than sufficient for us."

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Missionary Wana Ann Fort, a physician at the Sanyati Baptist Hospital and "adopted missionary" of the Petworth-Montgomery Hills Church, breaks ground for the hospital chapel as the missionary and African staff watches.

SANYATI STARTS MEMORIAL CHAPEL

BY WANA ANN FORT, M.D.

THE SKY was a brilliant, tropical blue with blazing sunlight and fleecy, white clouds at eight o'clock on a warm December morning. The crowd was gathered for the recent groundbreaking service of the Cynthia Siler Morgan Chapel at Sanyati Baptist Hospital in Southern Rhodesia.

Presiding over the ceremony, Dr. M. Giles Fort, Jr., hospital superintendent and chairman of the Baptist Mission of Central Africa, talked of Mrs. Morgan in whose memory the chapel is being erected. She was the wife of Rev. S. Lewis Morgan, Jr., pastor of the Petworth-Montgomery Hills Baptist Church in Washington, D.C., and a member of the Foreign Mission Board.

In the heart of this lovely, dedicated Christian woman was a deep love for missions. Prior to her marriage she was graduated from the Woman's Missionary Union Training School (now Carver School of Missions and Social Work) in Louisville, Kentucky, and was the WMU Young People's director in Missouri. During her role as a pastor's wife she con-



Mrs. Emma Gazi, a nurse who was one of the first employees of the hospital, leads the dedicatory prayer. Beside her stands Mr. Luke Sibanda, a teacher in the Baptist Central Primary School.

Mr. M. Makosholo, headmaster of the Sanyati Central Primary School and a deacon in Sanyati Baptist Church, directs the school choir in presenting special music.



tinued to be active in the work of WMU as well as other work in the church, and she was known as a talented speaker.

Before her death in April, 1956, Mrs. Morgan requested that in lieu of sending flowers for her funeral, friends and relatives send gifts for a building at the Sanyati Baptist Hospital. This was done, and the decision was made to build a memorial chapel.

For the past three years the hospital staff has been in the process of working with consulting engineers and the Mission in making plans for the over-all development of the medical program at Sanyati. In 1960 a new Maternity Building was begun as part of this program. The chapel and waiting room units are to be added to the present clinic building, and when funds become available a medical ward block will also be added. This program will greatly enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the hospital's medical services.

Since the beginning of medical work at Sanyati the emphasis has been on evangelism. Many people have heard the gospel for the first time while in the hospital. New areas, especially in Gokwe, have been opened to Baptist work as a result of the witness of those who accepted Jesus as their Saviour either as patients or as members of families who came with patients.

Daily chapel services are at present held on the front veranda of the clinic building which was dedicated on Christmas Day, 1953. The new chapel building will make a significant contribution to the Christian witness of the hospital as it is used daily for worship services.

Missionary members of the hospital staff include Dr. and Mrs. Fort, Dr. Sam Cannata, Dr. Frances Greenway, (who will join the staff in May after completing her language study), Miss Monda Marlar, R.N. (now on furlough), and Miss Polly Jackson, R.N.

Editorials

We Must Close the "Witness Gap"

OUR NATIONAL security is now being gauged largely by the size of a so-called "missile gap." The executive branch of our government has ordered an intensive study to determine whether this gap actually exists and, if it does, what is necessary to close it and outdistance the opposing camp in missile preparedness.

Another gap has even longer-range implications and is growing rather than diminishing. This, the "witness gap," indicts us both as Southern Baptists and as we are identified with the world's total Christian community. Its implications involve us in rethinking what we too easily put into words about the eternal value of one human soul and the marching orders of our Saviour.

The human race is expanding numerically at the astounding rate of more than forty-eight million a year. If this number of people were being won to Christ each year there would still remain the nearly two billion who at present are in no way identified with anything bearing the name Christian. But instead of an annual harvest of forty-eight million the total evangelistic result scarcely comes to ten million.

The awful truth is that the very people into whose hands God has placed the greatest resources and to whom he has entrusted the spiritual destiny of this and oncoming generations are, by default, committing unborn millions to an increasingly pagan future. Let us not try to explain away the fact that we have yet to take seriously enough our Lord's will and command for winning this world to his Son.

With manifest hope we are looking for the slightest sign of a breakthrough or an upward trend in world missions. The per capita support of our witness overseas through our foreign missionaries increased from \$1.68 in 1959 to \$1.75 in 1960. This is an encouraging sign, for a seven-cent increase in a single year means that more missionaries can be appointed and that the program of winning nationals and training them in evangelism can become more extensive. But in light of what is yet to be done in order to reach merely the net increase of human population each year, how rapidly can we close our witness gap by averaging only \$1.75 per Southern Baptist for foreign missions in a twelve-month period?

It is certain that when all reports are tabulated for 1960 our denomination will have reached almost ten million in total membership. Our hearts beat faster when we visualize what could be done for missions by this great host of people should there come a breakthrough in their Christian stewardship. Surely we will yet allow the Lord to harness our giving potential sufficiently to bring our foreign missions per capita giving up to at least two dollars in 1961. This would mean an unprecedented thrust forward for the Cooperative Program and all the agencies supported by it. Such a gain would, by comparison with those of other years, provide for a record-shattering advance in our world witness.

A Way To Harness Potential Power

HOW WELL INFORMED are Southern Baptists about foreign missions? A survey might provide some interesting, if not startling, answers. But it seems safe to say that our denomination has a great deal of room for developing a missionary concern in keeping with today's need for world evangelism.

Of further interest would be a study of how much time, comparatively, we spend reading secular and Christian subject matter. For some Southern Baptists there is already a fair degree of balance, while with others the greater portion of time is consumed with popular and oftentimes fictitious material. We hope this portion of our constituency can be effectively reminded that what one reads indicates his basic interests and eventually becomes reflected in his opinions and point of view about even the matters of faith and service.

The future of missions is now being shaped both by what the supporting Christians are learning and what they are teaching the generation that must soon assume the load. Interest in foreign missions seems to be higher now than it has been in a number of years, but we must not assume that it will stay at the current level without our planning for it to do so.

Thousands of church members, ranging from the very young to those of many years, are well informed about our mission fields and missionaries. They have been reading *THE COMMISSION* and studying mission books and, consequently, are carrying in their hearts enlightened concern for the many needs they have learned about. When they pray for missions and give their money they do it with a sense of being personally involved in specific situations around the world and with specific missionaries.

But for every Southern Baptist who is so well informed there are several — perhaps as many as ten — whose missionary viewpoint is one of tacit approval. These are the fringe participants and they even give some measure of financial support. It must not be taken for granted, however, that they are committed to continuing their mildly interested point of view. Under economic adversity many of them could make one of their adjustments the deletion of their missionary giving without much disturbance of mind. Furthermore, the prayer potential of these fine but only partially alerted folk is undeveloped and unchallenged.

Several steps can be taken in any church to capture for missions the yet uncommitted capacities of many members. If they are led to read *THE COMMISSION* their sights will be raised and their compassion stirred for our spiritually needy world. They will read themselves into personal involvement and identity with the tasks the foreign missionaries relate. Missions will no longer be only vaguely deserving of their tacit approval; the cause will burn in their hearts.

What pastor would not welcome such an awakening in many of his people? It would mean revival for all phases of the church program. May every church have a specific plan for getting its people to subscribe to *THE COMMISSION*. (See the inside back cover of this issue.)

A Steady March

BY BAKER J. CAUTHEN

MOST Southern Baptists are aware that sustained progress is being made in an expanding missionary enterprise. Gratitude to God has been expressed repeatedly for growing resources and an enlarging missionary staff. It is our conviction that a minimum of two thousand missionaries will be under appointment by the close of 1964.

It is well known that the number of countries into which work is projected has greatly increased. Each year brings entry into new fields of service, and we cherish the hope that by the close of 1964 the missionary map of Southern Baptists will have many additional countries.

Advance in mission labor, however, is not limited to placing more missionaries in more locations but also includes increasing the impact of service rendered.

For one thing, fresh attention is being directed toward increased emphasis in evangelism and church development. Widespread efforts in evangelism are taking place throughout the world. Japan, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Mexico, Brazil, Nigeria, and other lands have witnessed large-scale special evangelistic efforts which have been fruitful in their immediate results and have stimulated work in all the churches. We can expect to see in the years ahead increasing emphasis upon large-scale evangelism, particularly in the great cities of the world. Opportunities for this ministry are steadily increasing.

Evangelism is linked with church development. People won to Christ need to be brought into the fellowship of churches and aided in acquiring a fuller understanding of Christian discipleship. Emphasis is being laid upon cultivating Sunday schools and work among young people, women, laymen, and students, as well as Vacation Bible schools, church music, Christian literature, and every other facet of church development that can help bring people to effective Christian living.

New strength is being brought to reinforce vital tasks. It has become possible to send out missionaries trained in the fields of religious education, church music, hospital administration, and business management and to a more limited degree some who are highly specialized in agriculture, printing, medical technology, nursing education, and other fields.

Expanding opportunities are being served in mass communications. Radio work has long been a part of regular mission service, and now television is beginning to become a possibility. The use of newspapers and widespread distribution of Christian literature offer large opportunities for sharing the message of Christ.

Training Christian leadership holds high priority in mission service. Seminaries are vital to development of permanent work, as are other types of educational institutions from kindergartens through four-year senior colleges. More than one thousand schools are operated by Baptists on mission fields with an enrolment exceeding 150,000.

CONFERENCES are now being held in the several mission areas to bring together the best thinking of missionaries as they study ways to make more effective our effort in the world today. Conferences are also held for missionaries on furlough so that across the entire world there may come a sharing of points of view out of which grow new concepts of increasing our Christian impact. Orientation conferences are conducted for new missionaries prior to their going to the field in order that they may arrive well prepared for what lies before them.

Much of the strength of mission work grows out of the fact that whatever is undertaken expresses deep conviction on the part of those laboring. The objective of missions is to lead people to Christ and bring them into fellowship in New Testament churches. These then combine their efforts through associations and conventions and project the ministries as God leads.



Baker J. Cauthen

National Christian leaders along with missionaries are able to evaluate the best means of making Christ known to the people of their lands. Whatever is undertaken grows out of recommendations they reach through prayer and consultation and submit to the Foreign Mission Board for consideration. Possible avenues for additional service are often suggested to national groups and missionaries, who make recommendations as they feel led.

We are living in a day of unparalleled missionary challenge. We must continue to bring to the task every possible insight gained through prayer, study, and consultation. We must go forward in sending missionaries on an ever-increasing scale. We must provide growing resources with an awareness that a developing missionary enterprise calls for a minimum increase of one million dollars each year in its operating budget alone.

We believe God is expecting greater things of Southern Baptists because he is entrusting so much to us for his service. We are persuaded that if we use the resources he gives in keeping with the Great Commission we will find the secret of a steady march of Christian witness across the world, with blessing both to those whom we serve afar and to our churches here at home. Amid favorable times and difficult times, our faces must be turned forward in a worldwide march of missionary ministry.



COVINGTON, ROBERT COOPER (BOB)
 b. Brewton, Ala., Apr. 15, 1928. ed. Univ. of Ala., B.S.Ed., 1951; N.O.B.T.S., B.D., 1955, Th.D., 1960. U. S. Navy, 1945-47; high school teacher, Leeds, Ala., 1951-52; pastor, Oak Grove Church, Smithdale, Miss., and New Zion Church, Liberty, Miss., 1954-56, Robinson Church, Peoria, Miss., 1956-58, and Plank Rd. Church, Slaughter, La., 1959-61; teacher, night div., Union Bap. Seminary, New Orleans, La., 1955-58; tutor, dept. of preaching, N.O.B.T.S., New Orleans, summer 1958. Appointed for Malaya, December, 1960. m. Gerry Dean Smith, May 3, 1953. Permanent address: 1730 First St., Oak Park, Montgomery, Ala.
MALAYA



DUBBERLY, THOMAS EUGENE
 b. Miami, Fla., Apr. 12, 1933. ed. Stetson Univ., B.A., 1954; Hardin-Simmons Univ., summer 1953; S.W.B.T.S., B.D. and M.R.E., 1958. Bus boy, Stetson Univ., De Land, Fla., 1951-54; gen. worker, restaurant, De Land, 1951-52; stock worker, supermarket, Ft. Worth, Tex., 1954; fork lift operator, railroad, Ft. Worth, 1955-57; pastor, Rio Church, Jensen Beach, Fla., 1958-61. Appointed for Uruguay, December, 1960. m. Carolyn Virginia Finch, Aug. 1, 1958. Permanent address: P. O. Box 6083, Daytona Beach, Fla.
URUGUAY



FARTHING, EARL DAVIS
 b. Apex, N. C., Aug. 29, 1932. ed. Wake Forest College, B.A., 1954; S.E.B.T.S., B.D., 1957; Dept. of Pastoral Care, N. C. Bap. Hospital, Winston-Salem, summer 1956. Store clerk, Dunn, N. C., summers and part-time, 1946-55; mission pastor, Dunn, 1952-57 (half-time); pastor, Mingo Church, Dunn, 1955-57 (half-time) and 1957-58 (full-time), and First Church, Maxton, N. C., 1958-61. Appointed for Japan, December, 1960. m. Lovie Catherine (Tookie) Cashwell, Sept. 27, 1958. Permanent address: 811 N. Ellis Ave., Dunn, N. C.
JAPAN

FARTHING, LOVIE CATHERINE (TOOKIE) CASHWELL
(MRS. EARL DAVIS)

b. Dunn, N. C., Dec. 1, 1930. ed. Mars Hill College, A.A., 1951; Baylor Univ., B.A., 1953. Staffer, Caswell Bap. Assembly, Southport, N. C., summer 1950, and Ridgecrest Bap. Assembly, Ridgecrest, N. C., summer 1953; youth dir., First Church, Goldsboro, N. C., 1953-55; secondary education dir., Snyder Mem. Church, Fayetteville, N. C., 1955-56; sec. to vice-pres., Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N. C., 1956-58. Appointed for Japan, December, 1960. m. Earl Davis Farthing, Sept. 27, 1958. Children: Catherine Ann, 1959; Earl Davis, Jr., 1960.
JAPAN

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Appointed December, 1960



COVINGTON, GERRY DEAN SMITH
(MRS. ROBERT COOPER)

b. Gadsden, Ala., Sept. 18, 1932. ed. Univ. of Ala., 1950-53; Birmingham-Southern College, 1951; N.O.B.T.S., B.R.E., 1958. Doctor's asst., Birmingham, Ala., summer 1950; cafeteria worker, Univ. of Ala., University, Ala., 1950-51; typist, Fairfield, Ala., 1952-53; sec., New Orleans, La., 1953-55; nursery worker, N.O.B.T.S., New Orleans, 1956-59. Appointed for Malaya, December, 1960. m. Robert Cooper (Bob) Covington, May 3, 1953. Children: Daniel Alan, 1955; John Andrew, 1960.
MALAYA



DUBBERLY, CAROLYN VIRGINIA FINCH
(MRS. THOMAS EUGENE)

b. Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 13, 1934. ed. Tift College (formerly Bessie Tift College), B.S., 1957; S.W.B.T.S., 1957-58. Stenographer, Atlanta, Ga., 1952-53; sec., Tift College, Forsyth, Ga., 1953-56; summer missionary, Home Mission Board, Ill., 1954-55; stenographer, Ga. Bap. Hospital, Atlanta, summers 1956-57; nursery school worker, Tift College, 1957; sec. to dean of women, S.W.B.T.S., Ft. Worth, Tex., 1957-58; elementary school teacher, Martin Co., Stuart, Fla., 1958-59. Appointed for Uruguay, December, 1960. m. Thomas Eugene Dubberly, Aug. 1, 1958. Child: David Eugene, 1960.
URUGUAY



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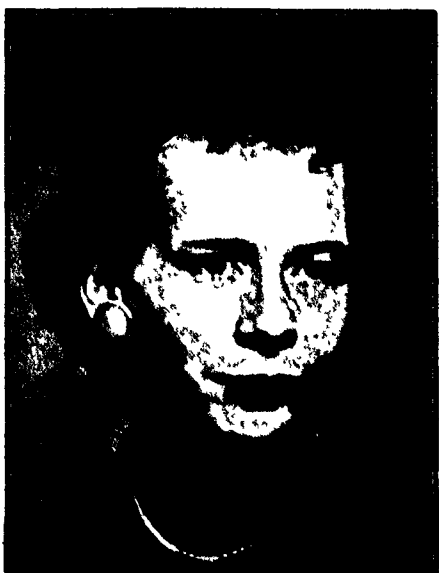
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GOBLE, DORIS ANNE CASH
(MRS. HARRY ANDERSON)

b. Winston-Salem, N. C., Mar. 22, 1936. ed. Wake Forest College, B.A., 1959. Cafeteria worker and office helper, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C., 1954-55; sec., publishing co., Winston-Salem, N. C., 1955-56, and publicity dir., 1959-61; private piano teacher, Winston-Salem, 1958-61. Appointed (special) for Guam, December, 1960. m. Harry Anderson Goble, June 24, 1957. Child: Kent Anderson, 1958.

GUAM



GRIFFIN, DORIS RUTH PUTNAM
(MRS. CLARENCE O'NEAL)

b. Forest City, N. C., June 1, 1934. ed. Mars Hill College, A.A., 1955; Meredith College, B.A., 1957. Lab. asst., Mars Hill College, Mars Hill, N. C., 1954-55; cafeteria worker and library asst., Meredith College, Raleigh, N. C., 1955-57 and 1956-57, respectively; high school teacher, Hartsville, S. C., 1957-59. Appointed for Indonesia, December, 1960. m. Clarence O'Neal Griffin, July 13, 1957. Children: Daniel O'Neal, 1959; Phillip Clarence, 1960.

INDONESIA



HARTFIELD, SUSIE SAVANNAH ARMSTRONG
(MRS. JIMMIE JACK)

b. Lamar Co., Miss., Oct. 4, 1924. ed. Miss. College, 1951-53. Cashier and clerk-typist, Hattiesburg, Miss., 1942-46; clerk-typist and sec., New Orleans, La., 1953-55. Appointed (special) for Mexico, December, 1960. m. Jimmie Jack Hartfield, Jan. 2, 1946. Child: Paul Douglas, 1949.

MEXICO

GOBLE, HARRY ANDERSON

b. Gastonia, N. C., Nov. 13, 1921. ed. Gardner-Webb College, A.A., 1949; Carson-Newman College, B.A., 1951; N.O.B.T.S., B.D., 1954; Dept. of Pastoral Care, N. C. Bap. Hospital, Winston-Salem, 1955. U. S. Navy, 1942-46; pastor, Carswell Mem. Church, Morganton, N. C., 1949 (quarter-time); asst. pastor, Grandview Church, Nashville, Tenn., 1950; pastor, Pleasant Hill Church, Clinton, Tenn., 1950-51; asst. pastor, Calvary Church, Gastonia, N. C., summers 1952-53; mission pastor, Ardmore Church, Winston-Salem, N. C., 1954-56; pastor, Griffith Church, Winston-Salem, 1956-61. Appointed (special) for Guam, December, 1960. m. Doris Anne Cash, June 24, 1957. Permanent address: 1700 Ardmore Rd., Winston-Salem, N. C.

GUAM



GRIFFIN, CLARENCE O'NEAL

b. Greenwood, S. C., July 24, 1932. ed. N. Greenville Jr. College, A.A., 1952; Furman Univ., B.A., 1954; S.E.B.T.S., B.D., 1957. Summer missionary, Home Mission Board, Okla., 1953; library worker, Furman Univ., Greenville, S. C., summer 1954; staffer, RA Camp, Wagener, S. C., summer 1954; minister of music, Kearfott Mem. Church, Martinsville, Va., 1954-55; interim pastor, Beulah Church, Pamplico, S. C., summer 1955; asst. pastor, First Church, Darlington, S. C., summer 1956; pastor, Kelleytown Church, Hartsville, S. C., 1957-61. Appointed for Indonesia, December, 1960. m. Doris Ruth Putnam, July 13, 1957. Permanent address: 18 Wells St., Spartanburg, S. C.

INDONESIA



HARTFIELD, JIMMIE JACK

b. Purvis, Miss., May 4, 1924. ed. Miss. College, B.A., 1954; N.O.B.T.S., M.R.E., 1955, further study, 1960-61. U. S. Navy Seabees, 1943-46; carpenter, Greenville, Miss., 1946-47; farmer, near Hattiesburg, Miss., 1947-51; educ. dir., Edwards, Miss., 1952-53 (part-time); sec., Dept. of T.U. and B.S.U. Work, Bap. Convention of Md. (formerly Md. Bap. Union Assn.), Baltimore, 1955-60; educ. worker, First Church, Covington, La., 1960-61 (part-time). Appointed (special) for Mexico, December, 1960. m. Susie Savannah Armstrong, Jan. 2, 1946. Permanent address: c/o O. R. Armstrong, Rte. 7, Hattiesburg, Miss.

MEXICO



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FOREIGN MISSION NEWS

UNITED STATES

Gifts to Missions Increase

"Gifts for foreign mission work throughout 1960 reached a new height and brought reason for rejoicing throughout the world," reported Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary, to the Foreign Mission Board in January. "These gifts reached a total of \$17,312,163" — an increase of \$1,327,047 over 1959.

He pointed out that the largest portion came from the Cooperative Program, which provided \$7,909,396, including \$819,396.62 in the Advance Section that will be used for urgent needs in evangelism and church development in many countries.

The second-largest income, \$7,736,424, came through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. This is not the amount given in December, 1960, he explained, but the 1959 offering which reached the Board in early 1960. The latest offering is still being gathered, and the total will not be known until this spring.

Designated gifts amounted to \$1,340,094, most provided by churches and individuals for salaries of missionaries. Special gifts for particular objects of work totaled \$251,124, and gifts for relief were \$75,125.

"While the report of gifts totaling \$17,312,163 is very encouraging," Dr. Cauthen continued, "we should remember that needs confronting the Foreign Mission Board during the past year are well above \$20,000,000. It was not possible to meet \$3,000,000 of the needs which had been urgently recommended by the missions."

Kennedy Affirms Freedom

WASHINGTON — (BP) — President Kennedy assured sixty-two Baptist missionaries here that he is concerned for religious liberty in the United States and around the world.

The President said this country was founded on the principles of religious and political liberty. He expressed appreciation for the contribution Baptists and others are making to these ideals everywhere.

The visit was made February 2 during Schools of Missions in the

churches of the District of Columbia Baptist Convention. Arrangements were made through the office of James O. Duncan, editor of the *Capital Baptist* and promotion secretary for the convention. The missionaries were from the American and Southern Baptist Conventions.

Dr. Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Baptist World Alliance here, was the spokesman. He extended greetings to the President from the Baptists of the world and assured him of their prayers. Referring to the "new frontiers" program undertaken by President Kennedy, Dr. Nordenhaug said, "It is our conviction that the battle will ultimately be settled on spiritual frontiers, for what is in the hearts and minds of men will ultimately determine how they act."

The President agreed and referred to his State of the Union message before Congress, in which he said: "It is one of the ironies of time that the techniques of a harsh and repressive system should be able to instill discipline and ardor in its servants — while the blessings of liberty have too often stood for privilege, materialism, and a life of ease."

"But I have a different view of liberty," the President had said in his message to Congress, and he reiterated this feeling to the Baptist missionaries.

"You have a great tradition in your denomination of freedom and you can't have religious freedom without political freedom," the President said. "The people of this country are

strongly behind you and any help that we can give should be made known."

25 Volunteer; 10 Commissioned

WASHINGTON — (BP) — A Baptist pastor and his wife, plus twenty-three others, said they would go as foreign missionaries "unless God closes the door or redirects" at a foreign mission commissioning service here.

Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board, spoke at the service commissioning ten recently appointed missionaries February 2 at National Baptist Memorial Church. It climaxed a week of world missions emphasis in the District of Columbia Baptist Convention.

Missionaries from the American and Southern Baptist Conventions participated on the program. The new volunteers were advised to contact either the Foreign Mission Board or the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society.

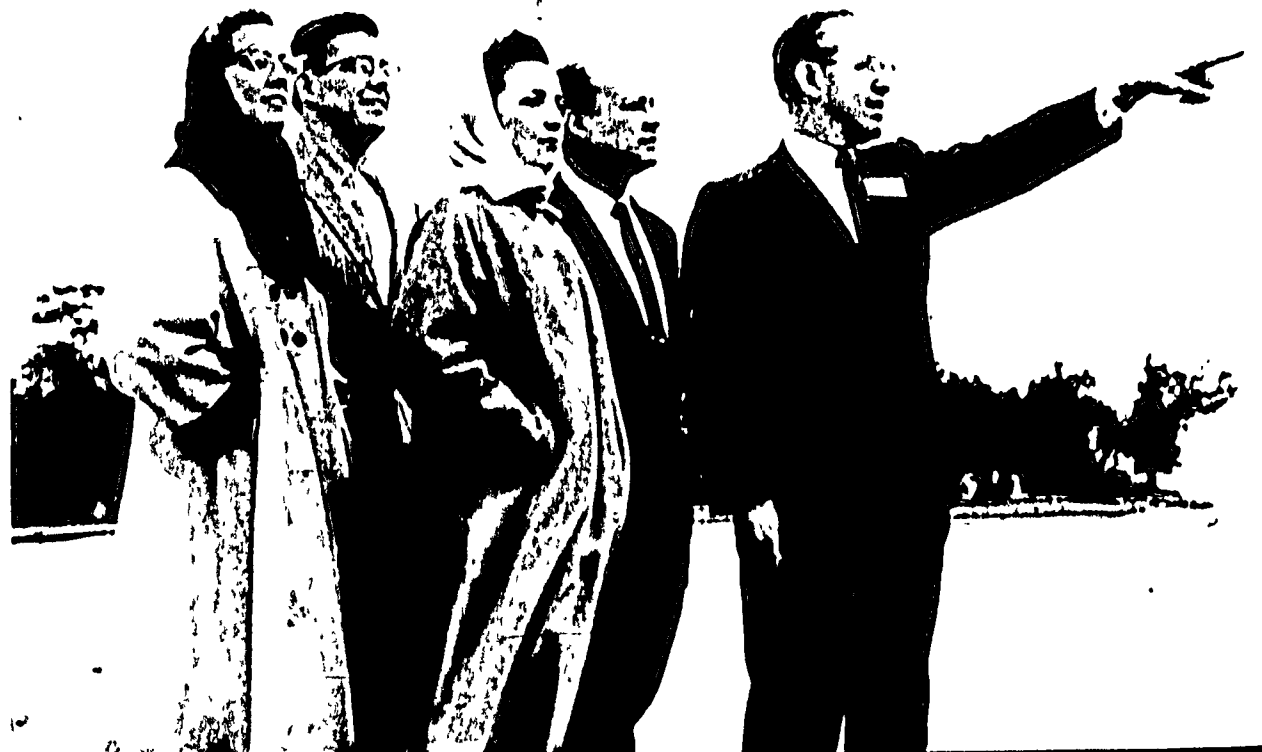
New Missionaries Orientated

Fifty-one newly appointed Southern Baptist foreign missionaries and four candidates approaching appointment spent a week in January intensively studying the problems and prospects they will meet overseas. Their school was the Foreign Mission Board's second annual winter orientation conference for new missionaries, held at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly, Pass Christian, Mississippi.

Dr. Elmer S. West, Jr., secretary

Missionary appointees attending winter orientation conference at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly look toward their future area of service with Dr. Frank K. Means, secretary for Latin America. They are (from left) the Thomas E. Dubberlys (to Uruguay) and the Alan W. Comptons (to Chile).

GULFPORT PHOTO-MOVIE SERVICE



for missionary personnel, directed the program. Serving with him were sixteen other members of the headquarters staff, twenty-eight furloughing missionaries, a specialist in pastoral counseling, and several guests.
\$9,000

\$9,000 Given for Volunteer

LITTLE ROCK, ARK. — (BP) — An anonymous Arkansas couple turned over nine thousand dollars to the State Baptist Foundation here for educating a medical mission volunteer. It represents a family "nest egg" saved over several years.

The couple has a fourteen-year-old daughter who wants to become a medical missionary. The gift carries the condition that the money be used for her graduate medical education if she follows through. Her parents will pay her college expenses.

If she does not go to medical school, the money will be used to support some other Baptist student training for medical missionary service.

BRAZIL

Belém Campaign Draws 3,500

The largest Baptist meeting ever held in the state of Pará launched a recent statewide simultaneous evangelistic campaign, reported Missionary Fred E. Halbrooks, Jr. Held in a stadium in Belém, the capital, the opening service attracted 3,500 people.

Nineteen persons made decisions for Christ, and others who indicated their desire to accept the Saviour were visited later by church members. At the close of the week-long campaign the ten participating Baptist churches reported 424 decisions.

Morning and afternoon open-air services were held throughout the week in parks and broadcast over loud-speakers. Visiting evangelists preached, and church members distributed tracts and Gospel booklets to the crowds.

HONG KONG

English-Tongue Church Begins

The English-language Kowloon Baptist Church was organized recently with thirty-eight charter members: Britishers, Eurasians, Malays, Indonesians, Chinese, and Americans. It called Missionary E. J. Tharpe as pastor.

For more than a century after Rev.



THE COVER: The hand of a Southern Baptist missionary nurse performs one of invaluable services she renders on the medical mission team. She is ever ready with the instruments to enable the surgeon to operate with the most possible efficiency. In like manner, whether the job is supervising a staff, training nationals, administering anesthesia, or making a patient more comfortable by some seemingly small service the missionary nurse is truly the "right hand" on the medical mission team.

J. Lewis Shuck, pioneer Southern Baptist missionary to China, left Hong Kong for Canton in 1845 there was no organized English-language Baptist witness in the colony. It was resumed in the 1950's, first through English services in Chinese churches, next through opening of chapels, and finally in 1958 through formation of the first English-language church, Hong Kong Baptist Church. The Kowloon church extends this revival of witness to the area's large English-speaking community.

SPAIN

Church Reopens at Seville

Government officials have authorized reopening of the Baptist church at Seville, one of five Baptist churches closed by police in 1958. The Ministry of the Interior issued a written permit January 4.

Last year an official of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs encouraged be-

lief that the church would be reopened, but in August the governor of Seville Province denied permission which the church had requested in November, 1958. Another petition was made to the interior ministry in October, stating that a promise for reopening had been given and that the church is the only one in Seville affiliated with the Spanish Baptist Union.

The authorities said, however, they decided to give permission to the Seville church after a study of its particular case but that the document does not have the "flavor" of a general recognition that evangelical churches have the right to exist.

A strong warning at the end of the document says the permission is conditioned upon strict observance by the church's leaders and members of the "private nature of their worship services." They are told to abstain from any activities of proselytism.

The difficulty arises in that almost all Spanish people are baptized as infants into the state church, and evangelism or expansion of any type is considered proselytism. In reality, few of the population go to church or consider themselves practicing Catholics.

Paper Denies Persecution

MADRID — (RNS) — Spanish Protestants number "not less than fifteen thousand and not more than eighteen thousand," according to an article in *Ecclesia*, weekly organ of Spanish Catholic Action, which denied charges of anti-Protestant persecution in this country.

Father Jesus Iribarren said his article was inspired by "the sudden tornados in the sky of world news which periodically lash Spain with the accusation that she persecutes Protestants."

SWITZERLAND

Moore To Head Press Office

Dr. John Allen Moore, missionary professor at Baptist Theological Seminary in Ruschlikon-Zurich, Switzerland, will direct the new European Baptist Press Service, to be started this fall. He will devote about half of his time to the new post, and the seminary will provide space for the press service office.

Dr. Moore's invitation by the European Baptist Federation followed a recommendation by the Baptist Editors', Writers', and Publishers' Conference at the seminary in 1960.

New Appointees

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HUEY, F B, JR.

b. Denton, Tex., Jan. 12, 1925. ed. N. Tex. State College (formerly N. Tex. State Teachers College), 1940-42; Univ. of Tex., B.B.A., 1945; S.W.B.T.S., B.D., 1958. further study, 1958-61. Accountant, Houston, Tex., 1945-46; office mgr. and accountant, Denton, Tex., 1946-55; pastor, Bolivar Church, Sanger, Tex., 1956-59, and Univ. Church, Denton, Tex., 1959-61; teaching fellow, S.W.B.T.S., Ft. Worth, Tex., 1959-60. Appointed (special) for South Brazil, December, 1960. m. Nonna Lee Turner, Dec. 22, 1950. Permanent address: 1803 Bell Ave., Denton, Tex.

SOUTH BRAZIL

**HUEY, NONNA LEE TURNER
(MRS. F B, JR.)**

b. Waxahachie, Tex., Feb. 7, 1930. ed. Kilgore College, A.A., 1949; Tex. Woman's Univ. (formerly Tex. State College for Women), B.A., 1951, further study, 1957-60. Asst. librarian, Kilgore College, Kilgore, Tex., 1948-49; teaching fellow in English, Tex. Woman's Univ., Denton, Tex., 1958-59. Appointed (special) for South Brazil, December, 1960. m. F B Huey, Jr., Dec. 22, 1950. Children: Mary Anne, 1952; Linda Kaye, 1954; William David, 1959.

SOUTH BRAZIL



LANIER, WILLIAM CHANDLER

b. Macon, Ga., July 6, 1924. ed. N. Ga. College, 1942-45; Univ. of Ga., B.A. in Journalism, 1947; S.B.T.S., B.D., 1954. U. S. Army, 1943; aircraft mechanic, Robins Air Force Base, Ga., 1943-44; airline agent, Macon, Ga., 1948-49; asst. supervisor, Bureau of the Census, Macon, Ga., 1949-50; public relations worker, Ft. Valley, Ga., 1950-51; inspector, axle co., Louisville, Ky., 1952; night supervisor, composition co., Louisville, 1953; pastor, Wadley, Ga., 1954-61. Appointed (special) for Israel, December, 1960. m. Sallie May Cook, Mar. 14, 1948. Permanent address: c/o Mr. Homer Cook, Burton Rd., Clarkesville, Ga.

ISRAEL

**LANIER, SALLIE MAY COOK
(MRS. WILLIAM CHANDLER)**

b. Sparta, Tenn., Jan. 20, 1926. ed. N. Ga. College, 1943-45; Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing, Baltimore, Md., B.S. in Nursing, 1948. Appointed (special) for Israel, December, 1960. m. William Chandler Lanier, Mar. 1, 1948. Children: William Chandler, Jr., 1949; Sarah Annette, 1951; Sallie, 1953; Homer Cook, 1957.

ISRAEL



MILLER, CHARLES LELAND

b. Ft. Myers, Fla., Feb. 11, 1929. ed. Bob Jones Univ., B.A., 1952; S.E.B.T.S., B.D., 1960; Dept. of Pastoral Care, N. C. Bap. Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C., summer 1959. Sales clerk, truck driver, and shipping clerk, Ft. Myers, Fla., 1947-51; pastor, Pine Island Church, Ft. Myers, 1952-56 and Willis Mem. Church, Cascade, Va., 1956-61. Appointed for the Philippines, December, 1960. m. Roberta Alice (Bobbie) Ely, June 20, 1953. Permanent address: 3330 E. Riverside Dr., Ft. Myers, Fla.

PHILIPPINES

**MILLER, ROBERTA ALICE (BOBBIE) ELY
(MRS. CHARLES LELAND)**

b. Endeavor, Wis., Oct. 31, 1931. ed. Bob Jones Univ., B.A., 1953; S.E.B.T.S., 1959; Dept. of Pastoral Care, N. C. Bap. Hospital, Winston-Salem, N. C., summer 1959. Motel clerk, Portage, Wis., summers 1949-51. Appointed for the Philippines, December, 1960. m. Charles Leland Miller, June 20, 1953. Children: Patricia Joyce, 1954; Bruce David, 1960.

PHILIPPINES



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NATIONS, ARCHIE LEE

b. Bastrop, La., Nov. 13, 1929. ed. Univ. of Ala. (Mobile Center, Mobile), 1947-48; Baylor Univ., B.A., 1951; S.B.T.S., B.D., 1955; Vanderbilt Univ., Ph.D., 1960. Lab. worker, paper co., Mobile, Ala., 1947-48; salesman, auto supply co., Mobile, summers 1948-50, 1951; asst. to pastor, Island Home Church, Knoxville, Tenn., summer 1952; punch press operator, Louisville, Ky., 1952-53; sexton, St. Matthews Episcopal Church, Louisville, Ky., 1953-55; pastor, Pine Flat Church, Suttle, Ala., 1955-56, and Bethel Church, Greenbrier, Tenn., 1956-61. Appointed for Japan, December, 1960. m. Lois Elaine Sheffield, June 30, 1953. Permanent address: 115 W. Williamson St., Whiteville, N. C.

JAPAN



NATIONS, LOIS ELAINE SHEFFIELD (MRS. ARCHIE LEE)

b. Whiteville, N. C., Dec. 11, 1928. ed. Catawba College, 1946-48; Wake Forest College, B.A., 1950; WMU Training School (now Carver School), M.R.E., 1953. Weekday religious education teacher, Mecklenburg Co. Council of Churches, Mecklenburg Co., Va., 1950-51; worship leader and group supervisor, Y.W.C.A., Chattanooga, Tenn., summer 1951; staff supervisor, Caswell Bap. Assembly, Southport, N. C., summer 1952; social worker, Municipal Bureau of Social Service, Louisville, Ky., 1953-55. Appointed for Japan, December, 1960. m. Archie Lee Nations, June 30, 1953. Children: Derek Scott, 1955; Christopher Sheffield, 1958.

JAPAN



REED, MARCUS CARTHON

b. Etowah, Tenn., Feb. 13, 1925. ed. Agricultural and Mechanical College of Tex., 1943-44; W. Tex. State College (formerly W. Tex. State Teachers College), 1944; Carson-Newman College, B.A., 1948; S.W.B.T.S., B.D., 1951. U. S. Army, 1943-45; pastor, Stockard Church, Athens, Tex., Cedar Grove Church, Maryville, Tenn., 1951-53, Beech Grove Church, Louisville, Tenn., 1954-56, and First Church, Cumming, Ga., 1957-61. Appointed (special) for Israel, December, 1960. m. Margaret Ruth Caldwell, Aug. 8, 1946. Permanent address: 2601 Chillicothe St., Knoxville, Tenn.

ISRAEL



REED, MARGARET RUTH CALDWELL (MRS. MARCUS CARTHON)

b. Knox Co., Tenn., Jan. 9, 1925. ed. Carson-Newman College 1945-48; S.W.B.T.S., 1950. Office clerk, dept. store, Knoxville, Tenn., 1943-45 and summers 1946-48; sec., Euclid Ave. Church, Bristol, Va., summer 1945; kindergarten teacher, First Church, Cumming, Ga., 1959-61. Appointed (special) for Israel, December, 1960. m. Marcus Carthon Reed, Aug. 8, 1946. Children: Carolyn Ruth, 1948; Charles Edwin, 1952; Joyce Ann, 1955.

ISRAEL



SMITH, RODERICK WILLIAM

b. Buffalo, S. C., Oct. 12, 1931. ed. Mars Hill College, 1950-52; Wake Forest College, B.A., 1954; S.E.B.T.S., B.D., 1957. Textile mill worker, Buffalo, S. C., and Union, S. C., summers 1951 and '55; pastor, New Zion Church, Lake City, S. C., 1955-58 (half-time), Paran Church, Lake City, 1956-58 (half-time), and Pleasant Grove Church, Dillon, S. C., 1958-61. Appointed for Uruguay, December, 1960. m. Ruth Anne Gettys, June 29, 1956. Permanent address: c/o Russell S. Smith, Box 335, Union, S. C.

URUGUAY



SMITH, RUTH ANNE GETTYS (MRS. RODERICK WILLIAM)

b. Anderson, S. C., Oct. 1, 1935. ed. Furman Univ., 1954-56; Wofford College, summer 1955. Drug store clerk, Union, S. C., 1950-54; prof.'s asst., Furman Univ., Greenville, S. C., 1954-56. Appointed for Uruguay, December, 1960. m. Roderick William Smith, June 29, 1956. Children: Stewart Aaron, 1957; Daniel Gettys, 1960.

URUGUAY



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Missionary Family Album

ADDRESS CHANGES

Arrivals from the Field

AUSTIN, Stella A. (*Nigeria*), Rt. 1, Box 404, Lenoir, N.C.
 HODGES, Rev. and Mrs. Rufus D., Jr. (*Nigeria*), 307 Arch St., Dublin, Ga.
 JACKSON, Rev. and Mrs. William H., Jr. (*Japan*), 1474 Minter Ln., Abilene, Tex.
 MILLER, Floryne (*Japan*), Johnson City, Tenn.
 NORMAN, Dr. and Mrs. William R., Jr. (*Nigeria*), 2237 St. Charles Ave., Montgomery, Ala.
 SHELTON, Rev. and Mrs. Ray E. (*Uruguay*), 200 W. Jefferson, Jefferson City, Tenn.
 WISE, Mr. and Mrs. Gene H. (*South Brazil*), c/o J. E. Wise, 1401 S. Ave. D, Portales, N.M.

Departures to the Field

BACH, Jean, Baptist Women's Training College, Box 126, Ile-Ife, *Nigeria*.
 COLE, Dr. and Mrs. E. Lamar, Galeno 1821, Guadalajara, Jalisco, *Mexico*.
 GARDNER, Hattie Mae, Baptist Mission, Okuta, via Shaki, *Nigeria*.
 HENSON, Carol, Apartado 4035, San José, *Costa Rica*.
 JONES, Rev. and Mrs. Archie V., Casilla 3236, Guayaquil, *Ecuador*.
 LAWHON, Rev. and Mrs. Charles H., Sr., 2680 F. B. Harrison, Pasay City, *Philippines*.
 LAWTON, Rev. and Mrs. Deaver M., 121 W. Gate St., Hsin Chu, *Taiwan*.
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Julian C. Bridges (left photo), Southern Baptist representative in Mexico, and Ebbie C. Smith (right photo), missionary appointee to Indonesia, are shown receiving the Doctor of Theology degree on January 20 from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. Placing the hoods were Dr. Jesse J. Northcutt (left), dean of the School of Theology, and Dr. Robert A. Baker, chairman of committee on graduate studies. Dr. Robert E. Naylor, seminary president, watches. Dr. Bridges recently completed Spanish language study in San José, Costa Rica.

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New Appointees

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WARE, Rebecca Lynn, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. James C. Ware (Mexico).

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DEATH

VIVERETTE, Mr. L. E., father of LaVerne (Mrs. C. Winfield) Applewhite (Indonesia), Dec. 29, Union, Miss.

RETIREMENTS

ABERNATHY, Dr. and Mrs. John A. (Korea), Jan. 31.

LANCASTER, Cecile Elizabeth (Japan), Jan. 31.

Missionaries Receive Th.D.s

Doctor of Theology degrees were conferred upon Julian C. Bridges, Southern Baptist representative in Mexico, and Ebbie C. Smith, missionary appointee to Indonesia, by Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Texas, on January 20. Andrew J. (Jack) Glaze, Jr., missionary to Argentina, received the Th.D. degree from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, on January 23.

EPISTLES

FROM TODAY'S APOSTLES AROUND THE WORLD



Many Are Muslim by Birth But Few Keep Traditions

Harold T. Cummins
Ramna, Dacca, East Pakistan

THE MONTH of March is called "Ramzan." In all the Muslim world from North Africa to Indonesia it is a month of fasting. During the daylight hours all faithful Muslims abstain completely from food and water. At about 5:00 A.M. sirens across the city of Dacca are sounded to announce the beginning of the fast for that day. To the laboring class this brings much hardship — going thirteen hours in the heat without anything to eat or drink.

It is interesting to note, however, that among the younger and more educated people this religious custom is dying out. Although most of the older people observe the fast, in a nearby university dormitory only one student in fifty was keeping it. And even on the Muslim "holy day" (Friday), only a very small percentage of the people attend the mosques.

The simple fact is that Islam is a powerful force over Pakistan's people, but probably less than 10 per cent of the people are actively Muslim. The remainder are Muslim only by birth, social custom, and tradition.



Cross Contends for Place With Hammer and Sickle

D. Calhoun Johnson
Antofagasta, Chile

YESTERDAY I returned from a week's visit with one of our Baptist groups who for over ten years has struggled without a pastor. The days were spent preaching, studying, and visiting. How hungry we found the people for the gospel and how wide the doors opened for us!

During the evangelistic campaign I visited a man in the hospital who had attended the services in months gone by. He lay unconscious in a ward with some twenty or more other patients. A word of prayer was all that could be offered, and that for the benefit of the anxious family. A few hours after leaving the hospital we received notice that the man had died.

You can imagine what thoughts and feelings flooded me the afternoon of the burial as I visited the home where the deceased lay. There were flowers gathered from the garden and four lighted candles. But there was more. On the mud wall at the head of the casket hung a large piece of cloth with a cross in the center. Draped over the casket was another showing the hammer and sickle. What a contrast it represented! What competition for the

souls of men so vividly portrayed before my eyes! As we walked behind the horse-drawn funeral coach down the hill, into the valley, through the heart of the town, and on to the cemetery, my soul was stirred.

I remembered what Jesus said: "I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work" (John 9:4).



Many Led To Think Soul's Security Can Be Bought

Eric H. Clark
Kisumu, Kenya

JUST a few weeks after we started work here I was approached by a man from a nearby village. He said he wanted to be baptized and that there were many more people in his village who desired baptism, "but you must first tell us your price, for perhaps we shall not have sufficient money with which to pay you."

One is frequently made only too painfully aware of the need in these people's hearts for spiritual security. Life is often so hard for them it can only be feared, and beyond it lies only the unfamiliar, unknown valley of death concerning which there has grown up a greater fear. We are reminded at times of the song, "Ol' Man River," which portrays something of this poignant problem. It is upon this spiritual ignorance and evil superstition that the paragons of wickedness — clothes in church garb — often prey, teaching that for a price a man may be admitted through baptism into the kingdom.

We may smile at such a gullible fellow, or pity his childlike innocence, but are there not millions more like him in the so-called civilized haunts of men? Surely the overtones of these erroneous beliefs, with their promise of complete disaster for the individual, should spur us to greater and more meaningful efforts.



Members Finance, Erect Church Building by Selves

Lois (Mrs. Guy) Henderson
Pusan, Korea

PUSAN is a city of teeming thousands—a city of refugees—a city of great sin and poverty—a city where church steeples are not difficult to see against the sky but where most of her people have never heard the name of Jesus. It is true that many have found Christ through our hospital ministry here and through the three organized Baptist churches, but the field is truly white unto harvest.

There is a small church located near the compound.

of which we are especially proud. A real need was felt for a church to be started in this area, and from your gifts through the Cooperative Program and the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering a lovely piece of land overlooking the ocean was purchased. The church was begun in the living room of one of the missionaries and met there until last May. They averaged between seventy-five and 150 children in Sunday school and always have a large number at the worship service.

The unique thing about this undertaking is that these people, most of whom are just day laborers, wanted to erect the building by themselves, with their own financial support. This is not only unique but almost unheard of among Korean churches. They diligently worked, making their own concrete blocks, and for several Sundays worshiped without a roof over their heads. Fortunately, the Lord allowed the sun to shine on those days. Saturday saw a new roof on the building, and the following Sunday the first hard rain of the rainy season fell.

Pray for this little church that is truly a lighthouse in this darkened community. Pray also that new church sites may be made available in this area and preaching stations may be opened soon before the open door to Korea is closed to us.



Millions Put Their Faith In Powerless Paper Gods

Jennie Alderman
Keelung, Taiwan

RIDING home on the bus the other night I saw the paper gods pasted on the walls of home after home. I thought: How sad, how tragic to have one's faith and trust in such a flimsy thing — just a mere piece of paper that could be burned, torn, or destroyed in a few seconds. And yet millions here in Taiwan are in bondage to these and many other gods.

Such is true of the Ai Jyou neighborhood where we have a chapel. Last Friday night as I arrived for our WMU meeting I saw a tent in the street where a Buddhist funeral service was being conducted for the man who had lived across the street. Inside were seven Buddhist priestesses who, with shaven heads, looked like men. Six of them were dressed in black and one in purple and long strings of beads. At the front was an idol and other things whose names and meaning I do not know. On the walls hung richly embroidered banners. In the back the family knelt, dressed in sackcloth. (The Old Testament references to sackcloth are much more meaningful to me now.) Behind them was the incense stand.

On Sunday there was another service in the tent but with different decorations. Across the street was a long table laden with food — offerings to the deceased but which the family and friends would later eat. There was much kowtowing, burning of incense, and chanting of the Buddhist liturgy. Please pray for the pulling down of these strongholds of Satan.

Some weeks ago, upon entering the chapel, I noticed two of our Christians earnestly engaged in conversation with a lady I did not know. It was Mrs. Shau, who had come of her own accord to say that she wanted to worship Jesus, the true God, but that her husband opposed

her and for this reason she asked that we not go to her home to talk to her about the Lord. She can go to church only when her husband is away from home. One of our Christians who speaks her dialect has talked to and prayed with her.

At last Sunday's service in the Ai Jyou chapel I was very happy when Mrs. Shau came and sat by me. It may be that she has already accepted Christ as her Saviour. She also has a physical need. Please pray for her and her husband.



Behind Nation's Pageantry People Await God's Word

Maurice Smith
Kumasi, Ghana

IN THE HEART of Kumasi is the largest native market in Africa. Selling everything from bananas to mahogany furniture, it sprawls over more than sixty square blocks. With a strange mixture of the drab and the colorful, the modern and the traditional, the ugly and the beautiful, it is an arena of contrasts. Many of the people are spectacularly robed, while others are dressed in the clothes of the poor. It blends a multitude of languages and a variety of smells with an inexhaustible stream of activity. This is not only business, it is not merely traffic — it is pageantry. This is a part of the life of an emerging, new nation.

But the most striking feature of it all is that here are people. We must constantly remind ourselves that we have come to Ghana not to marvel at its pageantry but to speak to its people. Among them, Southern Baptist missionaries have worked since 1947. We have the opportunity to share the gospel through the facilities of fifty churches, dozens of preaching stations, a secondary school, two pastors' schools, and a medical center and hospital. Evelyn and I are glad to be among the thirty-three missionaries now under appointment to Ghana.



Opposite Sides of Wall Show Reverse Life Ways

Van Gladen
Saltillo, Coahuila, Mexico

WE HAD our annual Mexican Baptist Mission meeting in 1960 at Guadalajara, the nation's second-largest city and one of our main centers of missionary activity. Besides about a half-dozen churches, we have a hospital and two student homes there.

The hospital is surrounded by a high, stone wall. One afternoon I was taking Linda for a walk when I noticed a woman kneeling by the wall, using an ice pick to get tiny chips from one of the rocks. I asked her why she was doing it. She said she put the stone flakes in water, shook it, and let it settle; the resulting solution was very good for the liver.

The sharp contrast struck me forcefully. Inside that wall are the best medicines, the finest equipment, and the latest techniques for treating the ills of the body,

along with the healing message of the gospel for sin-sick souls. Outside are people who still depend on the crudest of remedies for both body and soul. There are many, people in Mexico who must be content with seeking some magical benefit out of a few scrapings from the husks of religion, because no one has ever led them inside to share the blessings of the inner reality.



He Recalls Experiences, Impressions of First Term

J. Bryan Brasington
Lima, Peru

A FEW weeks ago my wife and I completed our first term of service of four years in Peru. The time was short and long, happy and sad as we witnessed victories and defeats in the service of the Lord. Many things happen to a person in four years — events long forgotten, events that can never be erased from memory.

I have seen much in Peru: the dryness of the desert coast, the wetness of the jungle; the highness of the Andes, the lowness of the valleys; the modernness of Lima, the backwardness of country areas; the richness of the rich, the poverty of the poor; the religious masses, the few genuine Christians.

Experiences have been many. Never will I forget:

The man who could not wait until the invitation was given to publicly accept Jesus Christ as Saviour. He stood up during the message and said, "Right now I turn to Jesus."

The university student who came after a service saying, "I do not believe in God. I am a free thinker."

The young man who said, "If it means leaving home, if it means giving up father and mother, I still will follow Christ faithfully."

The aging truck driver's reply, "The answer to Peru's needs is communism."

The testimony of the middle-aged accountant, "My people need Christ."

The mother of seven children, pointing to three church buildings of another faith and saying, "We've had religion for a long time, but why hasn't someone come before now to tell us the true message of Christ?"

Drunken Indians having their saint blessed.

Entering into a Catholic book store in a city of forty thousand population and asking to buy a Bible. "Sorry, we don't sell Bibles."

The testimony of a Christian who told of the last words of his dying father, "Give me the Book — the Bible."

The frail woman's testimony, "Every time I go to church my husband beats me. I have decided to be faithful to Christ. My husband can hit me, beat me, whatever he wants to do. I must be true to Jesus Christ."

The young girl who wanted to attend a Baptist church. "I couldn't go to church because my parents made me work. I went to the home of a believer and she gave me a job taking care of the baby. I wanted this job because I knew she would take me to the Baptist church. I made my profession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord. Now I am serving him."

Signs, "Yankee go home," plastered on missionary houses and church buildings.

A young lawyer saying, "God has called me to prepare myself for the ministry."

A Christian medical doctor beginning work among his own people in the mountains.

A missionary crying out, "My heart hurts for the people of Peru."

Looking back over the years I ask, "Has it been worth the loneliness, the separation from family, friends, and country? Has it been worth the time necessary to learn a new language and adjust to a different culture? Has it been worth the money invested to keep us here? Has it been worth the prayers of many Christians?"

God is the true judge. But judging as a human, I would like to proclaim from the highest mountain so that all could hear: It has been worth every effort, every penny given for missions, every prayer, every ounce of energy exerted by those who have made our stay there possible.

In four years we have come to feel, to a degree, the heartbeat of these people and to know something of their needs. Though the forces of Catholicism, nationalism, and communism have their following, there are many who seek the true way of the Lord.



She Urges Awareness Of Occasions To Witness

Evelyn Schwartz
Djakarta, Indonesia

"A PISTOL is a dangerous thing. People do get hurt with them." This was a silly thought, but it was the first one that went through my mind as I saw a man stand in the crowded waiting room of the doctor's office and ready with his pistol.

To see a doctor here, a person must go early and receive a number. Then he waits his turn; sometimes as much as four or five hours.

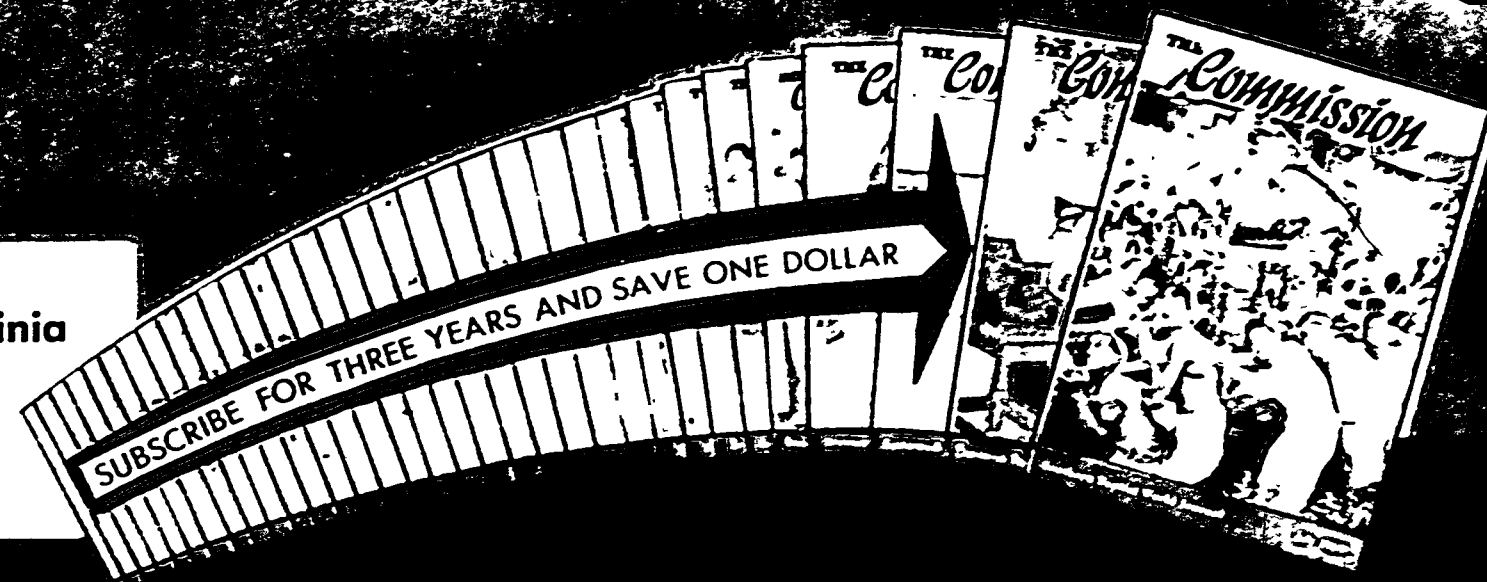
On this occasion my number was four and I was there because of a badly infected throat. When the doctor called number two, a woman who had number seven went in. She was sent out to wait her turn. She became very angry, threw her number on the table, and demanded to go home. Her husband said no, for they had waited a long time and he intended for her to see the doctor before leaving. He reached inside his shirt and took a pistol from its holster. After putting it back inside his shirt, he then took his place in front of the door to the doctor's office. When the gentleman who was number two came out, the pistol carrier started talking to him in a loud voice and finally punched him in the face. He then reached for his weapon, but another man was brave enough to step between them and grab him.

From the very beginning I prayed God would protect the more than fifty men, women, and children in that room. But after returning home and thinking of the incident, I realized what a great opportunity I had missed by not offering my number to the woman, thereby showing Christ's love. Pray that God will make all of us conscious of each opportunity.



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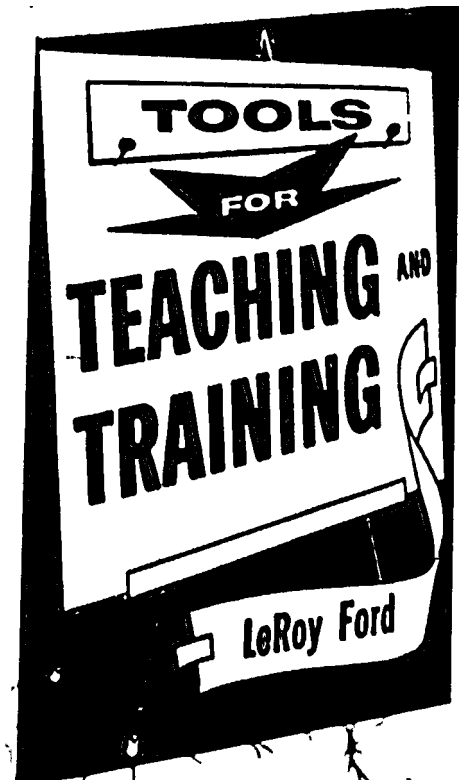
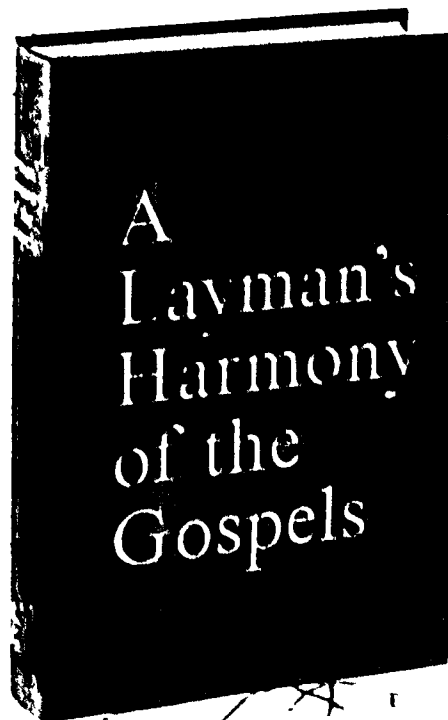
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