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That I may know Him.—Philippians 3:10

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“Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.”

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Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists November, 1919

The plain teaching of the talents and the pound is that we are to have and to hold as the Lord's stewards and shall make an account to Him when He comes again. God expects us to give back to Him a certain portion of all that He gives to us.—H. A. Etheridge

Topic: Spare not, Lengthen Thy Cords and Strengthen Thy Stakes
Victory of Faith

1—SATURDAY

Pray for the Zionists, who are blind to the prophecies concerning Palestine

For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.—Romans 10:2

2—SUNDAY

Pray that through the power of the Holy Spirit the church be faithful to the stewardship of the Gospel
Who was faithful to Him that appointed Him.—Hebrews 3:2

3—MONDAY

That the church realize that past inadequacy calls for lengthened cords

Lift up your eyes and look on the fields; for they are white already to harvest.—John 4:35

4—TUESDAY

For the state W.M.U. meeting of South Carolina, that they continue their faithful stewardship

They were counted faithful and their office was to distribute unto their brethren.—Nehemiah 13:13

5—WEDNESDAY

Let us ask that the full moral and spiritual power of Christians be used to make Jesus Christ known to the world

Hereby perceive we the love of God, because He laid down His life for us; and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.—1 John 3:16

6—THURSDAY

Pray that from among our young men, including doctors, who have been in war service, God will give us many missionaries

For the love of Christ constraineth us.—2 Corinthians 5:14

7—FRIDAY

Let us ask, in His presence, if we have been grieving Him by playing at the greatest business in the world

Jesus sat over against the treasury and beheld how the people cast money into the treasury.—Mark 12:41

8—SATURDAY

That many may hear the millions calling—
Come over and help us.—Acts 16:9

9—SUNDAY

That a vision of the world's need and a yearning to make the people see it may be given all ministers today

Put them in mind . . . to be ready to every good work.—Titus 3:1

10—MONDAY

That the unrest, the open doors, the wonderful opportunities of today may be met with the cry: Here am I; send me.—Isaiah 6:8

11—TUESDAY

For state meetings in Louisiana, Kentucky, Alabama, Oklahoma and Virginia; thanksgiving for His favor to these great states

Freely ye have received, freely give.—Matthew 10:8

12—WEDNESDAY

Pray for Miss A. M. Sandlin, Yingtak, China, her seven helpers and the young people under her care

Holding fast the faithful word as he hath been taught.—Titus 1:9

13—THURSDAY

For Miss E. E. Rea and Miss Leonora Scarlet, that their furlough days may be times of refreshing
That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith.—Ephesians 3:17

14—FRIDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. J. M. Rogers, Shanghai, and Rev. E. F. Tatum, Yang Chow, China, that seed sown in the hearts of those Korean boys may bear fruit

Above all taking the shield of faith.—Ephesians 6:16

15—SATURDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. C. G. McDaniel and Miss Sophie Lanneau, Soochow, China. Blessing upon the school and visits to native homes
Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these . . . ye have done it unto me.—Matthew 25:40

Calendar of Prayer for Southern Baptists November, 1919

The love of Christ is a radiating love, the more we love Him, the more we shall love others.—Frances Ridley Havergal

He went up into the mountain to pray, to pray for strength, to pray for the obedient soul, to pray for courage, to pray for fidelity. He went up there to pray for the very things that you and I need.—John Gardner, D.D.

Topic: Spare not, Lengthen Thy Cords and Strengthen Thy Stakes
Victory of Faith—Continued

16—SUNDAY

Pray for a whole-heart consecration, "body, soul and spirit", to His service
I will consecrate their gain unto the Lord and their substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.—Micah 4:13

17—MONDAY

That the inspiration of the Lord's day may flow into the busy week
So will I sing praises unto thy name forever, that I may daily perform my vows.—Psalm 61:8

18—TUESDAY

For the state meeting in Georgia, that the call to go forward may be obeyed
Speak unto the people that they go forward.—Exodus 14:15

19—WEDNESDAY

For the annual W.M.U. meeting of District of Columbia, that in all their problems and plans wisdom may be given
Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.—1 Corinthians 1:24

20—THURSDAY

For Rev. and Mrs. A. Y. Napier, Chinkiang, China, and their native helpers and that the young converts may grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ
Feed my lambs.—John 21:15

21—FRIDAY

That the superstition and error surrounding Rev. and Mrs. O. P. Maddox, Bello Horizonte, Brazil, may soon give place to the light of the Gospel
Who hath despised the day of small things?—Zechariah 4:10

22—SATURDAY

That those preparing to preach or teach on the Lord's day may be fed of the Spirit
The eyes of your understanding being enlightened.—Ephesians 1:18

23—SUNDAY

That the great Shepherd of the sheep may fill us with like compassion
Make you perfect in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ.—Hebrews 13:21

24—MONDAY

Pray for the work of every branch of the State, Home and Foreign Mission Boards, that the dawn of Victory Week may usher in a glorious day of Gospel light

This commandment have we from Him, that he who loveth God, love his brother also.—1 John 4:21

25—TUESDAY

That the members enlisted may not fail to bring the "tithes into the storehouse"

Prove me now herewith saith the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour you out a blessing.—Malachi 3:10

26—WEDNESDAY

That all our missions may be blessed with prayer circles where native Christians may find daily strength

Mine eyes shall be open and mine ears attend unto the prayer that is made in this place.—2 Chronicles 7:15

27—THURSDAY

Thanksgiving for peace and His many daily mercies

Thanks be to God which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.—1 Corinthians 15:57

28—FRIDAY

That in His name large gifts may come in for hospitals, orphanages, homes and Good Will Centers

Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, to visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction and to keep himself unspotted from the world.—James 1:27

29—SATURDAY

That with great humility and confession we may pour out our hearts to the faithful giver of all things

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above and cometh down from the Father of lights.—James 1:17

30—SUNDAY

Let prayer be made to Him continually

From the rising of the sun, unto the going down of the same, the Lord's name is to be praised.—Psalm 113:3



EDITORIAL



"TITHES AND ———"

PRESIDENT WILSON says: "The Bible is one of the most singular books in the world, for every time you open it some text that you have read a score of times beams with a new meaning". Certainly this was true recently when reading the eighth verse of the third chapter of Malachi. Turn to it: Malachi 3:8. It represents a conversation between God and man. God asks: "Will a man rob God? but ye rob Me". Man replies: "Wherein have we robbed Thee?" Just here the new meaning, to which President Wilson refers beamed forth. Well was it known that God replied: "In tithes" but not until then was His full answer understood. God's answer was: "In tithes and offerings".

It is hard to conceive of any one deliberately wishing to be a robber. Of course many people deliberately plan to rob but just as "all the world loves a lover" so every robber must hate himself, the robber. In tracing one's ancestry one hopes to find no stain of robbery on the escutcheon. In building the county jail, where many robbers will doubtless be confined, the authorities avoid the best residential sections. An instance is recalled of a widow seeking her lawyer's aid when she learned that the jail was to be moved near her property, for she knew how it would cause her renters to seek homes elsewhere. Thus does the world, robbed and robbing though it is, dread contact with the robber. The climax of the whole argument is reached when the heart turns to Calvary and its suffering and shame: "Then are there crucified with him two robbers, one on the right hand and one on the left". Matt. 27:38

And God says that a person will rob Him—will become a robber—if He brings not the tithes and the offerings into His store-house. As stated above, it was a new experience to realize that to withhold the offerings is robbing God just as much as it is to withhold the tithe. How wonderful is the new light upon this verse—how it links the Old and New Testaments—how it humbles one in communion with her own heart—how it shows that all we have and are belong to Him—how it makes one long to conform her will to His so that she shall *will* to "render unto God the things that are God's". If one believes in God then she knows that God cannot lie and that it is true when He says that one robs Him who does not bring in the whole tithe into His store-house. Instantly a mother asks: "But how can my child tithe?" Easily enough, if you teach her! Just as you taught her to walk, so you can teach her the steps in this righteous pathway. It is astonishing how soon a child learns that ten pennies make one dime. It is also very true to human nature for that child to desire to spend all ten of those pennies for her very own pleasure. For a two-fold reason, therefore, it is imperative that she be taught that one of those pennies is the Lord's. To have the child sign a tithing card is a splendid way to help her. Just as one frames a certificate or a W.C.T.U. pledge, so the tithing card should be kept in an attractive way before the child's eye. The tithing box, into which the "tenth coin" may be dropped, also interests and convinces the child. Some one may ask: "Should a child who is not a Christian be taught to tithe?" Yes, just as she learns to obey other commands in the Bible. It will make her a better citizen even though she never becomes a Christian, for no community is better than its churches.

Granted, therefore, that every young person can and should be taught to tithe, it certainly follows as the day the dawn that every woman and, above all, every Christian woman should tithe. Quick as a flash many women ask: "How can I tithe?" They argue that they have no income of their own, that their husbands pay all the bills! It is hard to conceive of such a halcyon state—no bills to pay! However, if one never handles a cent of money, then there can be no tithe and therefore no robbery for not bringing it. Some women, who have faced such domestic problems, have been ingenious and devoted

enough to have a hen that lays eggs or a garden that yields vegetables or a stove that cooks cakes or a machine that makes dresses or fingers that speed over the typewriter. Such women have thus brought in their whole tithe! Others have had earnest talks with their husbands and have persuaded them to tithe for the entire family, each member being given a pro rata share so that each one knows the joy of taking it into God's store-house. Then there are thousands of women who are given a definite allowance by their husbands. From it they must feed and clothe the family. Their husbands do not tithe. Have these wives a right to take out the tithe from their allowances? Most emphatically yes, for it is easy to believe that among the blessings which come from the opened windows of heaven will be: an unrepining husband and a well-fed and well-clothed family. Hosts of southern Baptist women are wage-earners or are possessed of private incomes. There is no difficulty in the way of their knowing what their tithe is. God grant that even as this knowledge comes easily to them, so the rendering of the tithe may come!

The Woman's Missionary Union has always emphasized tithing. The societies for both women and young people are supplied with tithing cards and with a duplicate whose reverse side may be used for keeping the record of the tithe. If your society has not received and circulated these cards, write for them to your state W.M.U. headquarters. If you are the means of getting just one person to sign such a card, you will for that life open up the very windows of heaven. How can you delay?

But Malachi 3:8 says that withholding the offerings is also robbing God. This is easy to understand, not only because the gold and the silver are His but also because through the use of gold and silver missionaries are kept on the fields and not to keep them there is robbing God of many splendid converts. The entire world seems now to be restless and chaotic. Surely it needs to have its "mind stayed" on God that He may keep it in "perfect peace", surely it needs to learn how to say to Him who created all things:

"Have Thine own way, Lord, have Thine own way!
Thou art the Potter, I am the clay".

Some one has said that if Christians had only paid the tithe they would have won the world ere this to Christ. The BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN recognizes the great power there is in the tithe, also the millions of unpaid tithes and also the necessity for the offerings. Of course the campaign would be a marvelous financial success if it registered just the tithe from every southern Baptist. However, we would all be robbers still in so far as we withheld the offering—robbers of God and robbers of ourselves. The whole Bible is aglow with the stories of the joy which came to people who brought their offerings unto God. The loveliest of them all is that of the woman who broke the alabaster box, thus hearing her Lord say "She hath done what she could", or it is that of the widow who cast in her two mites, whereupon Jesus said "She of her want did cast in all the living that she had".

Tithes and offerings! Truly may it be so of southern Baptist women and young people henceforth. "Willing-hearted" may they pledge to the very limit of their ability during VICTORY WEEK, NOVEMBER 30—DECEMBER 7, and then may they rejoice to see their tithes and offerings redeeming these pledges during the next five years. May they exclaim: "Thine, O Jehovah, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty. Both riches and honor come of Thee and Thou rulest over all, and in Thy hand is power and right. All things come of Thee and of Thine own have we given Thee".

I, therefore, promise, as a recognition of my stewardship and an expression of my love to God, to lay aside until further notice at least one-tenth of my income for the support of His cause. First they gave their own selves unto the Lord. 2. Cor. 8:5—Of all that Thou shalt give me, I will surely give the tenth unto Thee. Gen. 28:22

CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

God's Ownership: "Ye are not your own". A Christian should get this sacred truth clearly and unequivocally settled in his soul, that he is not his own, he is bought with a price, even the precious blood of Jesus, before he begins to study or discuss the doctrine of stewardship. God's ownership of the life constitutes His lordship over the life and all material things it has acquired. Not only the tithe but the ten-tenths belong to God. "The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof, the world and they that dwell therein." The Christian is steward, not owner, and is to administer his Lord's goods honestly and faithfully. It is his duty to industriously multiply his Lord's money. He should diligently and religiously make money for the enlargement and extension of the Kingdom. We Baptists make the proud boast, that we have no ecclesiastical over-lords. "One is our Lord, even Christ Jesus." Consistent with this claim, we should lead other denominations in generous and liberal support of the cause our Divine Lord has committed to us as His stewards. Admitting Christ's lordship, we acknowledge our stewardship.

Partnership with Christ: With the greatest tenderness Christ said to His disciples, "Henceforth I call you not servants, but I have called you friends." "Go—I am with you". As "workers together with Him"; Christians are in partnership with Christ. This partnership exalts and glorifies stewardship, removing it as far as the east is from the west from petty quibbling about "dues", the Christian obligation to pay the tithe etc. Partnership in the King's business gives faithful stewards the consciousness of sacred responsibility and exalted privilege. If partners with Christ, with Him we will say, "I must work the works of Him that sent me.—I must be about my Father's business". Partnership with Christ permits no provincial programs. It has little regard for geographical boundaries. With constraining love, the soul that is in partnership with Christ would have all men everywhere come unto Him and be saved. The billion lost souls of all races are included in that soul's prayers for mercy and salvation. With his heart of compassion a soul in partnership with Christ longs to gather the millions of little children into His shepherd arms, and would lead the multitudes of mothers and young girls out from the burden of superstition and sin under the shadow of His protecting wing.

Fellowship: Partnership brings soul-fellowship with Christ. The same mind that was in Christ, who loved the world and gave His life a ransom for its redemption, will move the heart in full fellowship with Him to love, to serve and to give ungrudgingly and freely to this same cause. Fellowship with Christ burns out the dross of covetousness and selfishness and opens new springs of joy in selfless serving of others. Southern Baptists are entering as a denomination more nearly into fellowship with their Lord than they have ever experienced before. Fellowship in His compassion for the sick is moving them to give millions of dollars to relieve physical suffering; to build up and equip schools for Christian training of the young; to found orphanages in every land for the sheltering of helpless childhood; to build churches and to preach the glad tidings of salvation to all the nations. Fellowship, with His compassion is discovering new ways of serving and giving. The wealthy layman takes \$200,000 from his business and lays it on God's altar. The young lady missionary in China, loving much and trusting fully her Lord to provide, sends from her meager salary \$250 a year. Farmers are dedicating certain fertile acres of land, boys their pigs and women decide to tithe their chickens and eggs. A ranchman has branded certain choice cattle "B.M.C." (Baptist Million Campaign) which are dedicated to Kingdom enterprises. Love is discovering the way for a host of devoted Baptist hearts to give liberally to the big Baptist campaign. Thousands of our Baptist women will this "Stewardship Month" sign the tither's pledge. Dr. J. B. Gambrell calculates that Texas Baptists could raise their large campaign quota, \$16,000,000 in one year if all of them tithed!

Dr. Joseph Parker once said that if he had the construction of the Congregational churches, he would allow no one to become a member until he promised to give the tithe of his income to the Lord. Worship without giving is dead. Fellowship with Christ makes worship, where prayers and alms go up together, spontaneous and soulful. A state

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BIBLE STUDY



TOPIC—"Lengthen Thy Cords and Strengthen Thy Stakes"

William Carey took the above text when he preached his great missionary sermon in which he said, "Attempt great things for God; expect great things from God."

I. **The Great Work.** 1 Thess. 1:1-10; 2 Cor. 8:9-24. In the great work of the W.M.E.U. for the 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN we are intrusted with the Gospel and must press forward in every avenue of service, 1 Thess. 2:4. The Christian church in three aspects: (1) *The work of faith*, John 6:28, 29, 35, 47; 7:38. This is a cord that needs lengthening. The channels of our faith open to God that He may work through us; the overflowing mercy and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ toward us that we may give out in a gracious stream to others who "know Him not", praying that they may know Him and the power of His resurrection, 2 Cor. 8:9-12. (2) *The labor of love.* Rendering to the living and true God any service required is another cord, Rom. 12:12. Paul beseeches us by the mercies of God and shows us the way to Christian service, Rom. 12:9-16. As true disciples we will not count the cost but step out with God, Luke 14:26, 27. "There is no parleying with human affections. Christ asks of us that all the highest human affections be put second to Him." (3) *The patience of hope.* We wait for His Son from heaven, for what is our hope or joy or crown of glorying? Are not even ye before our Lord Jesus Christ at His coming? 1 Thess. 2:19. Women, this is our work—"freely ye have received, freely give". Give yourselves and your gifts for the work for home, state and foreign missions as never before, for the hour draws near and He is at the door.

II. **Prayer** establishes the cord of relationship, when ye pray say "Father", Luke 11:2. It is the petition of the child to an all-wise, all-loving and all-powerful Father—God, Luke 11:9-13. Prayer lays hold on God and permits God to lay hold on man. Let us lengthen these cords of prayer that they extend not only to those immediately around us, but that we may bring the needs of our country to the mercy seat, Jer. 33:3. The little children were gathered to Jesus. "Suffer the little children to come unto me." The homeless child, the starving waif, the factory child, all must have our tender care as we seek to bring them to the Saviour of us all. Feed my lambs, John 21:15; 1 Peter 2:2, was the charge to Peter, while the loved disciple wrote as to little children, 1 John 2:12. Homes hospitals and orphanages must be founded and supported by prayer and gifts.

III. **The Word of God:** The latterday apostasy is working havoc by the crusade against divine authority of the Scriptures. The importance of the faithful study of the Scripture and the belief in the inspiration of the Word is one of the stakes to be strengthened, Isa. 40:8; James 1:21; 2 Tim. 3:16, 17. There is much insidious error even in the church of Christ. We must emphasize the need that we walk only according to the law and testimony laid down in God's Holy Word. We are strangers to God if we do not know the blood, Heb. 9:12, and its cleansing power, 1 John 1:5-10. Another stake is the church of God. Christ loved the church and gave Himself for it, Eph. 5:28-32. He is the head of the church, Col. 1:18; Heb. 2:9-12; 3:6. Take heed brethren, lest haply shall be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief, Heb. 3:12.

IV. **Stewards:** A third stake. Stewards of the blessed hope, Titus 1:11-14, of the church, Matt. 24:42; 25:13; Luke 12:36-48; Acts 1:11. In Ephesians 3:3-6 the mystery of forming the church was revealed to Paul; in Thess. 4:13-18 the destiny of the church was given by the word of the Lord; and in the memorial feast Jesus bids us look backward to His death and forward to His coming again, 1 Cor. 11:23-25. We are stewards also of the kingdom commission, Matt. 28:18-20, the royal proclamation and the promise of the coming kingdom. Jesus gave Himself that He might redeem us from sin, Gal. 3:13; 2 Cor. 5:21. What hast thou done for Him? 2 Cor. 8:5. "How much dwest thou to my Lord?"—Mrs. James Pollard

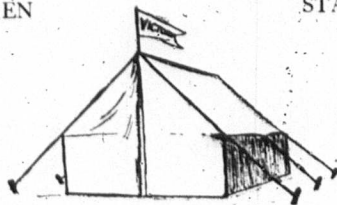
PROGRAM FOR NOVEMBER

LENGTHEN THE CORDS, STRENGTHEN THE STAKES

The programs given month by month present the present-day conditions in our home and foreign mission fields. Societies just beginning mission study or those wishing to review past history of any subject treated will find what they desire in the mission study books, a list of which will be furnished, on request, by Woman's Missionary Union Literature Department, 15 West Franklin St., Baltimore, Md. For a few cents leaflets suggested in this number can be obtained from the same address; see page 3.

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PRAYER for the Spirit's presence during the program hour

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PRAYER that this Scripture may be personally applied

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PRAYER that our new board may have power and permanence

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HYMN—Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated, Lord, to Thee

PRAYER that we may be faithful stewards, thereby determining the success of our
GREAT FORWARD MOVEMENT—THE BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN

Last month we studied the call of the foreign field to enlist for service, not simply for duration of the campaign but in the regular army of the Captain of our Salvation. This month we consider the call of the home land to lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes, both for our own dear southland and for the sake of the dark world beyond the seas.

Note what a personal matter our motto makes of it—"Lengthen *thy* cords, strengthen *thy* stakes," Baptist women of the south!

It is not merely a call to our W.M.U. leaders in the south and in every one of our eighteen states, but a call to every individual woman—whether a member of W.M.S. or

not—to enlarge her spiritual habitation and spare not—spare not effort; nor time, nor thought, nor prayer, nor talent, nor money, nor son, nor daughter, in order that our God may be called the God of the whole earth.

To our great Home Mission Board we have committed a large share of the responsibility for lengthening the cords of denominational enterprise and of Home strengthening the stakes of denominational purpose throughout our south-land. In January we study the work of the Home Board in detail; this month we must content ourselves with a general view. The following stirring words from its last report show how vital is the need of longer cords and stronger stakes.

If we do not build here for Christian civilization, our own country will be doomed and the lost world beyond the seas will wait in vain for the evangels of light and salvation. It behooves us, therefore, to lay the foundations deep and build thereon wisely. If Baptists and their work are to abide in the future, the increase, the virility and power in our own land are absolutely essential! For, so far as Protestant Christianity is concerned, America is the hope of the world for sending the Gospel to the nations that live in the darkness of heathenism.

For such a task we must in a righteous way commandeer, as we would say, our mighty forces and resources. We have not yet, after the fashion of the government during the war, laid hands upon the banker and the capitalist and the manufacturer and the scientist, with all their wealth and wisdom and power, to serve our Lord and Master.

One of the first names by which America was known was New Canaan. America is in fact God's new Israel for the races of men. It is a land divinely chosen, peopled with a race divinely chosen, preserved with providential purpose, prospered now with world power and pledged to a divine mission. A Christianized world waits on a Christianized America. The south is America's best hope. In this dramatic hour we are prompted to a twofold duty. The first is to save our beloved land from deterioration. The flagman on trial for the wreck of two passenger-trains which collided, with frightful loss of life, proved that he waved the right flag, but its colors were faded; the engineer was misguided and the fateful wreck ensued. "This land of light must not misguide the hurrying life of mankind now. The second duty is to make the southland the base of a world-capturing religion. God's grace on the Home Mission Board in its sublime crusade! And in its holy progress toward the divine event of world-conquest may His grace be on its slogan for 100 workers and 100,000 souls saved next year through its evangelistic force! His power be on its continuation of the work among the soldiers, which during last year led 38,000 to Christ! His almighty favor be on its effort to Christianize Cuba and the Canal Zone! May His benediction be on its building of hospitals, schools and churches and in culturing and conserving the precious life of our Baptist people in this strategic southland.

The new Education Board, located at Birmingham, Ala., is our latest and most efficient means of extending and deepening Christian influences. The following is gratefully copied from the S.B.C. minutes.

For years past a growing conviction that we should have an Education Board has found frequent expression in the meetings of the S.B.C. Education Commission, and particularly has this been true in the several meetings held since May of 1918. In a full meeting of the commission in January, after free discussion and earnest waiting before God for His guidance, it was decided as the unanimous opinion of the commission that the time has now arrived to ask the Convention to create an Education Board. This action was later indorsed by the Southern Baptist Education Association. The work of the proposed Education Board shall be the promotion of education throughout the south and especially education under Baptist organized control and for distinctly Christian ends.

We have not made this request hastily, nor because all other denominational organizations of any considerable size or influence have found a general education board a necessary part of their work. After the most thorough consideration of which we were capable

of all phases of the question, we are decidedly of the conviction that such a step will materially advance our educational interests and is necessary if we would realize our full powers.

An Education Board, created under the provisions of the Convention, both in the dignity of purpose and responsibility of tasks committed to it and in ability to view our whole field as to resources and needs, would not be surpassed by any organization among us. Their deliverance on college standards; on the educational needs, both of men and money; on proper denominational control and influence, on the principle of selection of teachers, on the wisest methods in religious and denominational teaching in our schools would be wholesome for our schools, strengthening to our denomination, reassuring to our constituency and a blessing to the kingdom of our Lord.

We accept the statement of Mr. Lloyd George, who said that the principles which we fought to preserve in this war are the same principles for which Baptists have stood through the years. We believe those principles were endangered and had to be fought for because of the educational system of Germany. We agree with Dr. McGlothlin that: "No nation which has Christian schools would allow its government to do what the German government did as a deliberate policy". Along with the slogan: "We must make the world safe for democracy", we must place other fundamental truths, which are: "There can be no democracy of the ignorant, nor any safe democracy of the Christless intelligent". While Russia is stranded on the Scylla of ignorance, Germany is a wreck on the Charybdis of Christless learning. Undoubtedly the educational center of the world is to follow the financial center to America. Woe be to us if Jesus Christ is not made the head-stone of the corner in that structure.

3. Hospitals in the Homeland "It is a joy to note that the interest of southern Baptists in this blessed work continues to increase. The work is one of imperative need and is fraught with tremendous and far-reaching possibilities. God's most gracious favor upon what has been done, together with the crying need, constitute a clarion call to southern Baptists to go forward with our Baptist sanitaria undertaking.

The first Baptist hospital in the bounds of the Convention was the Missouri Baptist Sanitarium, opened in St. Louis in 1890. From exceedingly humble and small beginning in an old residence, with less than a dozen beds, it has grown into a great modern institution with more than 300 beds. Today we have twelve denominationally owned and operated hospitals.

The terrible flu scourge through which we have passed in the last year has emphasized in a never-to-be-forgotten way our need for more hospitals and trained nurses. The thought of the thousands who have gone to premature graves because, as Baptists, we have not been alive to the call of our Master to minister to the sick and suffering, should bring to our cheek the blush of shame. The enthusiastic testimony of our people who have engaged in hospital work as to its many-sided blessedness should spur us on in this good endeavor until in every state in the bounds of the Convention we have ample hospital facilities for caring for all of our sick and for the sick of all faiths and no faith that may come to us.

Why should not southern Baptists go to this task of caring for all of our sick in a way that will meet to the utmost the every demand upon us as the followers of our Master, who healed the sick in His busy round of going about doing good? Hospitals with their trained nurses, at the most, only partially meet the urgent cry of suffering humanity. We need hundreds of trained and practical nurses to go among us in the name and spirit of Christ, ministering to the sick in our thousands of humble homes. Through the suggestion of Dr. W. J. McGlothlin, the matter of reviving the apostolic order of Baptist deaconesses is being agitated, and we have occasion to rejoice that our good women of the W.M.U.—God bless them—are giving the matter of undertaking the task of training and supporting a body of Baptist deaconesses favorable consideration."

4. Tuberculosis Sanatorium

"Following the instructions of the Convention we have during the year begun our sanatorium for the treatment of tuberculosis patients at El Paso, Texas. We did not begin this work too soon. The crying need for it has been felt for years. We were delayed somewhat in opening the sanatorium because of necessary changes in the building and its equipment and preparation for reception of patients.

Dr. H. F. Vermillion was elected superintendent, and has given himself most unreservedly and efficiently to the work. The board proposes spending at least \$250,000 within the next five years in enlarging the institution. Indeed, we ought to be able to do that in one year in order to be ready to receive the hundreds of people smitten with the white plague who desire to come to our institution for treatment. A responsive chord has been struck in the hearts of our people by every appeal we have made in behalf of the sanatorium."

Another instance of very wise "lengthening" and "strengthening" is the **5. Baptist Bible Institute** at New Orleans. The Home Board and the Sunday School Board have both contributed to the support of this institution during this its opening year, with very gratifying results.

"The first year of this school's work has been such as to commend it as not only a needed but a highly important enterprise. The faculty has carried on the work with success in every way and the prospect for the new year is most inviting. We wish to commend the school and its management to the support of southern Baptists. It fills a unique place to which it is admirably adapted. Incidentally it has been the most potent influence for Baptist progress in New Orleans for many years. Indeed, it is looked upon as the leading evangelical enterprise in that city. All our churches have taken on new life and a new day seems coming to our faithful workers in that great metropolis. The enterprise has commended itself to the commercial interests of the city, and this has been to our advantage.

An able faculty were elected and upon October 1, 1918, the first session of the school was opened under auspicious conditions. The beginning was full of encouragement. The opening of the session was preceded by a most helpful institute of a week's duration. On the first week there were enrolled seventy-eight students, representing seven states. About one-half of the number came from the city of New Orleans. Altogether, there have been represented eight states and 118 students. Four of these were Italians and eleven were French; the remainder attended English classes. For the next session the Department of Spanish has been added.

The session, however, was attended with unusual difficulties. On the 8th day of our session we were closed for a period of six weeks, owing to the prevalence of influenza, which more or less affected the majority of our students. A deep shadow was cast over the institute by the home-going of Rev. Joseph Bateman, one of our brightest and noblest young preachers, who died of pneumonia following influenza. He leaves a wife and young child and a host of friends.

On November 1 the government sent a committee to New Orleans to select suitable buildings to be used as a hospital for convalescent soldiers and sailors from overseas. After a thorough investigation, they unanimously decided that our property was better adapted to their purpose than any other in the city. Therefore, the local directors and faculty gladly turned over the buildings and grounds to the United States government, and we began to search for new quarters. We were to give possession November 10, but November 11 something happened—the greatest armistice in history was signed, and all contracts were subject to change or cancellation—so the Institute did not really have to move, but after four weeks of suspense we were cordially thanked and permanently released from the contract, to pursue our work in our own choice environment.

Notwithstanding these and other serious handicaps, the Baptist Bible Institute has gone forward in a much more satisfactory manner than could have been expected. All the first-year classes have been taught, some of the second year's work has been done,

and many special studies have been pursued. The student body included persons of varied culture, from the college graduate to the grammar school pupil."

6. Ministerial Relief and Annuities

"Ministerial relief is a duty not a charity. Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn was written of old and not for the sake of oxen but for the sake of God's ministers. The Apostle to the Gentiles exhorted the Thessalonians: But we beseech you, brethren, to know them that labor among you, and are over you in the Lord, and admonish you; and to esteem them highly in love for their work's sake (1 Thess. 5:13). It is for the reason that men have labored for Christ, have ministered unto the people in spiritual things, that they are to be highly esteemed."

The first collections by Christians were taken to supply the needs of their worthy poor. Very instructive is the study of the history of the collections discussed in Acts and in the Epistles. In Jerusalem there was an extraordinary voluntary collection. Those early Christians gave to every one as he had need. It was in the raising of the funds for the poor that the tragedy of Ananias and Sapphira occurred. Not only did the Jerusalem Christians contribute, but the church at Antioch also took a relief offering, this being the first Gentile collection. James, Peter, and John urged Barnabas and Paul to gather funds among the Gentile churches for the relief of the poor saints. Those collections are described in 1 Cor. 16:1-4; 2 Cor. 8:9; Rom. 15:25-28; Acts 20:4; 24:17. All of the churches in Galatia, all of the churches in Macedonia and all of the churches in Achaia are named as participating in that collection. Doubtless other churches took part, but we are certain that two continents were represented. The appeal to their liberality was upon the principle that if the Gentiles had been made partakers of their spiritual things, they owed it to them also to minister to them in carnal things (Rom. 15:27). Applying this principle to the ministers, whose work is exclusively spiritual, the obligation is solemn and binding upon us to care for them in temporal things.

Claiming, as we do, to be the New Testament people, we are woefully derelict in following this first financial example of the Jewish and Gentile Christian. No state in the Convention has a ministerial fund sufficient for the needs; until one year ago, this Convention had neither a plan nor a fixed purpose for ministerial relief. Back to early Christianity means ministerial relief. The care for aged, disabled and dependent ministers is the most sadly neglected duty of southern Baptists. The state and federal governments, since their foundation, have appropriated funds for needy soldiers. It is the practice of every civilized government. Corporations are now doing the same for their disabled or long-termed and aged employees. Religious denominations in America, notably the Episcopalians, Presbyterians and Methodists, have surpassed the Baptists in providing for their needy ministers. Candor compels us to confess that the splendid example of civil governments, of financial corporations and of Pedo-Baptists shame us. They should incite us to improvement.

The plan adopted by the new Board at Dallas is practicable and commendable. There are two features—the annuity fund and the relief fund. The annuity feature will appeal to many ministers. Basing its rates upon the age of one joining and its benefits upon the time of service to the denomination, it is as stable as the best insurance companies. Supplementing the one-fifth payment of the minister by a four-fifths one from the board, its annuities are more generous than those of any insurance companies. The aim of this fund is to provide against want, rather than to relieve it. Every eligible member of the Convention should join the annuity fund without undue delay.

The other feature, that of ministerial relief, is such as should appeal forcefully to every southern Baptist. It is not administering charity but discharging the highest moral obligation. It is honoring ourselves and our Lord by caring for those who have worn themselves out or broken themselves down in our service and His. Our people are amply able to give the money to establish this relief fund. They await the opportunity to do so. When this object is once clearly understood and is laid upon their hearts, the people will respond with gifts small and large."

7. Christian Stewardship

How shall the great enterprise of lengthening and strengthening all these denominational agencies be accomplished? There can be only one answer: CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP.

a. *God's Ownership*—"No one would question the statement of the Psalmist that the earth is the Lord's and fulness thereof. To this declaration there is universal mental assent, but few of us put in practice the deep and far-reaching principles involved." "What we have we hold in fee simple as against other men, but it is all and always in trust from God. Seldom does the trustee deliberately determine to betray those who have trusted him, and we who have been unfaithful stewards have not with open eyes and malice aforethought determined upon this course, but we have been blind to the fundamental truth of God's ownership and our stewardship. But the time has come when, as individuals and as a church, we must face the facts as they are and become either faithful stewards of the manifold grace of God or deliberate defaulters in His sight."

b. *Personal Consecration*—"The first essential to right giving of our substance is the giving of ourselves. The Lord looketh upon the heart. We ourselves are of more value to God than any material offering we can bring to Him. He wants us. The dedication of all that we are to God must precede the devotement of all that we have. Persons before possessions. 'And this they did, not as we expected, but first gave their own selves to the Lord.' Personal consecration must come before purse-consecration, self-consecration before wealth-consecration."

c. *The Law of the Tithe*—"Some devout and scholarly men hold that the law of the tithe passed away with the coming of Christ. This position is hardly tenable, for we do not find any intimation that Christ abrogated this ancient law or that any of the inspired Apostles presumed to set it aside. However that may be, at one point we can all meet and upon one fact we can all agree, namely, that God does not set for us—who are the heirs of all the ages in the foremost files of time, for us who have all the blessings of the Gospel of the Son of God, who face the open doors of the Twentieth Century—He does not set for us a lower standard than was set for the Jews three thousand years ago. That we should desire to do less than they did is unthinkable. Whatever conclusion one may reach concerning the tithe he cannot for a moment think of paying less than ancient Israel paid before gifts and free-will offerings were made."

"The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of Hosts. Haggai 11:8. How important it is for southern Baptists to realize as Victory Week, November 30 to December 7, draws near, that the silver and the gold belong to Him, who is the 'Lord of Hosts'.

We have felt at times that we have made good use of our substance: helped our country in a great crisis—assuaged in a small measure distress and suffering—yes, even given to missions. These past few years there has been ample opportunity to 'try our wings'. People have learned as never before 'how to spend and to be spent'. But we shall know the true blessedness of giving, when we have returned to the Great Giver that which is His, plus an earnestness of spirit to love and trust Him more.

If the amount we can offer in this campaign be small, God can multiply its usefulness, if large He can distribute to the uttermost. And by and by through His loving kindness; we shall see the definite result of the work, in the lives of those who have been redeemed. Is it not a happy thought that in this particular month of November, Thanksgiving Day will be so closely followed by Thank Offering Week? May our hearts be filled with gratitude at that season not only for His unfailing mercies but for this opportunity to prove ourselves a little worthy! And may we remember that our gifts may be as spiritual as prayer, as bright as praise, as ennobling as service, finding abundant favor with the Lord, if offered in the name of Him, who "came not to be ministered unto but to minister and to give His life a ransom for many."



Y. W. A. PROGRAM



Subject—Lengthen the Cords, Strengthen the Stakes

Hymn—Come, O my Soul, in Sacred Lays

Psalm 100—(Read in Unison)

Hymn—Holy Spirit, Faithful Guide

Bible Reading—Mal. 3:10, Rom. 12:1-2; Luke 12:31

Hymn—What Shall I Render to My God?

a. A pantomime or tableau representing the objects of the campaign (For this the "Victory Pageant" will be fine. Free copies may be secured from state W.M.U. headquarters.)

b. A report on the plans and purpose of the campaign (See general program.)

Prayer for the Campaign and Its Leaders

Hymn—Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart

Dismissal by Sentence Prayers

Wanted—The energy, prayers and offerings of every Y.W.A. member in the Southern Baptist Convention, that our \$75,000,000 campaign may be a success. Apply to your church organizer immediately. Your delay may mean the failure of the campaign.

Opportunities for Southern Baptist

To General Causes	\$37,500,000
Foreign Missions	\$20,000,000
*Home Missions	12,000,000
Southwide Causes	3,000,000
Ministerial Relief	2,500,000
To State Causes	\$37,500,000
Christian Education	
State Missions	
Hospitals	
Orphanages	
Total	\$75,000,000

* National Memorial Referred to Home Mission Board.

Lengthen the Cords, Strengthen the Stakes

The vision, that the leaders of the Southern Baptist Convention have caught and are ready to reveal to the host of southern Baptists, when realized will bring great blessings to many at home and abroad. Think what the completion of this fund will mean to our own country. First, consider what the money, which will be turned over to the Home Mission Board, will accomplish. Greater work among the negroes will mean more Christian negroes, and the barriers between the two races will fall down as the two races become more Christ-like. Increased efforts among the Indians will help to pay the debt that the white man owes these natives, to say nothing of our Christian obligation to them. Then this money will enable us to bring the foreigners into contact with our nation's ideals. Our forefathers were primarily a religious people, and the foundations which they laid were laid in the fear of God. Can we afford to lose our ideals? And yet if we do not lift the foreigners above their own low ideals our nation will be dragged down. Two sets of ideals cannot exist in the same country for any length of time. Just as the Jewish nation prospered or weakened according as it obeyed or disobeyed God, so our nation will stand or sink into insignificance according as we remember God or forget Him. Again, the realization of our undertaking will enable us to reward the struggles and sacrifices of our mountain boys and girls, who have proven to us that our faith in them was not misplaced. Added means will enable us to take the Gospel in greater abundance to our neighbors in Cuba and the Canal Zone.

The enlargement and strengthening of these various phases of our work will bring joy to all of our members. But remember, if we would rejoice, we must be willing to pay the price. This campaign is so tremendous that every Baptist must have a part in it.



COLLEGE Y. W. A. PROGRAM



Topic—Lengthen the Cords, Strengthen the Stakes

Hymn—When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Prayer. Business

Bible Reading—1 Cor. 3:18-21, 23; 4:7; Rom. 12:1

Prayer that many may find joy in rendering their "reasonable service"

Talk—Ways by Which Home Mission Board Is Seeking to Strengthen Our Stakes (See pages 10-14.)

Debate—Resolved: The recognition of the principle of stewardship is the greatest need in the church of God today.

Hymn—Savior, Thy Dying Love

The stirring call that came from the very heart of young William Carey in 1793 at Kettering as he stood before the "fathers" of the church is ringing out today and, by God's grace, His people are putting forth their strength and exercising their faith as they "attempt great things for God". One response to the call is the BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN with its reach from the needs of the little children, the sick people, the aged or disabled ministers even unto the work of our Christian schools, our State and Home Mission Boards, and thence to the farthest station of the Foreign Mission Board. Our churches must be strong for the undertaking; under God we can carry this enterprise to a glorious and triumphant finish by recognizing God's ownership, consecrating ourselves to Him and observing the rule of the tenth. Are you committed to it? Is not our auxiliary now ready to distribute* and sign the stewardship cards?

TWILIGHT WATCH STUDIES

Stewardship

FIRST WEEK: My Money—a Trust

II Corinthians 8:1-7, 9. Reasons why we should share our money. II Corinthians 9:6-15; Matt. 20:1-16. Have we no social responsibility in seeing that all have enough to live on? Acts 3:1-10. Remove the causes of poverty rather than just give for momentary relief. Acts 9:20-25. Was this easy for Paul to do? "Oh yes, when I finish studying or get some work, some day maybe I'll go without a dress to buy a warm coat for that child in the cold garret or not eat so much candy and send the money to China. People might laugh if I do it now." Are you a "straightway" person or a "sometime" one? Acts 5:1-11. Do you know of people who pretend to give all they can—and don't? Mark 12:41-44. "She hath done what she could." Have you?

SECOND WEEK: My Talents—a Trust

Luke 19:12-26. What are you doing with yours? Matt. 4:1-4. Using "talents" for personal comfort? "Am I attractive? Popular? Do people love me? What do I do with their love?" Do I choose friends for my pleasure or because they need me? Mark 11:12-14. Do your "talents" ring true? Are they what they pretend to be or merely leaves without the fruit? Mark 6:31-44. Do I use every bit I have, no matter how small it may seem to me, to make other people strong and happy? Acts 2:14-36. If you think you have no talents, remember that Peter had none too. I Cor. 2:3. Even Paul was conscious of feebleness. "Doing what can't be done is the glory of living." Matt. 18:19-20. "You and I are limited, but God is not. Who can say what we three shall accomplish?" "What the Father has trusted me with—is it safe in my hands?"

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*Secure from your state W.M.U. headquarters a free supply of these cards and the ones for keeping the record.



G. A. PROGRAM



Subject—The Master's Millions
Hymn—More Love to Thee
Chain Prayer for Each Object Fostered in the Baptist 75 Million Campaign
Devotional—A Test of Faith 2 Kings 4:3-7. How many vessels shall we prepare?
Hymn—My Faith Looks Up to Thee
Reading—It Can Be Done
*A Campaign Catechism—Questions 1, 2, 7, 8, 10, 11, 14, 15, 19, 26 (Asked by Girls, Answered Clearly by Leader)
Hymn—O Zion Haste
Calendar Drill—What We Have Done So Far
Prayer—For the G.A.'s Part in the Local Campaign
Reading—The Master's Millions
Hymn—Where He Leads Me
Business. Mizpah

What We Have Done So Far

Make this exercise practical and local. Use large calendar poster of the Campaign. Carefully instruct girls, who take the different months, so that they will have complete and accurate information with regard to the situation in your own church. Have each girl as she comes forward point to her month and have all the girls repeat with her the campaign slogan for the month, as "Preparation Month", "Information Month" etc. Encourage questions.

First Girl: July—Outline briefly preparation made in your church during July or since. Give names of church director, organizer, W.M.U. organizer. Emphasize any special part G.A.'s may have in your local organization.

Second Girl: August—Give number of subscribers to various magazines in church. Call attention to number of families represented in G.A. that do not take any of these magazines. Distribute a good tract on campaign suitable for G.A.'s and urge each girl to read and pass on. Give names of girls of G.A. age in church who may not yet be enlisted and appoint definite committee to see each one and tell "all about it".

* Secure from Mrs. W. J. Neel, 161 Eighth Ave. N., Nashville, Tenn.

Third Girl: September—Tell what your church did about the nine o'clock prayer, prayer week, the day of fasting and prayer, plans for the sunrise prayer-meeting on November thirtieth. Urge girls to pray earnestly and definitely through victory week. Plan a "Thanksgiving Service" for victory won.

Fourth Girl: October—Give results of enlistment in new members in various organizations, volunteers for service in various departments of church life, volunteers for definite Christian service in ministry or missions, volunteers to "win one".

Fifth Girl: November—Give practical illustrations and experiences about how girls tithe who have no stated income. Emphasize giving of time and talent as well as money. If possible give each girl who tithes a stewardship record card or an account book.

Sixth Girl: Victory Week—Emphasize dates. Urge each girl to sign a pledge. Call attention to large accumulation from small but regular gifts, as shown in the following table. Prove the table by a blackboard demonstration. Remind girls that it can be a true Victory Week for your G.A.'s only when every girl prays and works and pledges *her very best*.

5 Years	1 Year	1 Month	1 Week
\$500.00	\$100.00	\$8.33 $\frac{1}{3}$	\$2.08
400.00	80.00	6.66 $\frac{2}{3}$	1.66 $\frac{2}{3}$
300.00	60.00	5.00	1.25
200.00	40.00	3.33 $\frac{1}{3}$.83 $\frac{1}{3}$
100.00	20.00	1.66 $\frac{2}{3}$.41 $\frac{1}{2}$
75.00	15.00	1.25	.31 $\frac{1}{4}$
50.00	10.00	.83 $\frac{1}{3}$.21
30.00	6.00	.50	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$
25.00	5.00	.41 $\frac{2}{3}$.10 $\frac{1}{2}$
10.00	2.00	.16 $\frac{2}{3}$.04
5.00	1.00	.08 $\frac{1}{3}$.02

The Master's Millions

In the broad and fertile southland there dwells a people exceeding great in numbers and prosperous beyond all measure in wealth of forest, mine and field. Now we

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R. A. PROGRAMS



FIRST MEETING

Topic—Lengthen the Cords, Strengthen the Stakes

Hymn—Bring Them In

Bible Lesson—Isaiah 54:2, 3; Joshua 1:9

Repeating of Topic Verse—"Spare not, lengthen they cords and strengthen thy stakes."

Prayer—That we may rejoice in and respond to the splendid opportunity before us to enlarge our work.

Hymn—To the Work

Talk—How Can We Lengthen the Cords? Commission and Declaration of Order of R.A.

Hymn—There's a Royal Banner
Business. Offering. Closing Exercises

Thought for Bible Lesson. God's purpose for His people is that they shall reach up to the heights in their thinking and doing. He knows that if we do only the tasks that are easy we will not grow and develop. It is by using what strength we have that we grow stronger. When He sees us taking life easy and forgetting to do our dead level best to send the message of salvation to those who have never heard it, He rouses us up. He puts it into the heart of some splendid, faithful follower of His to speak such a word as will call even the laggards to "attempt great things for God". More than a hundred years ago our topic verse was used by William Carey to make Christians in England and America see that God wanted them to send missionaries to heathen lands. Now may it stir us to make our Baptist 75 Million Campaign all God would have it.

Talk: How Can We Lengthen the Cords?
—Do you remember the great tent that you boys watched with such fascination when the circus came to town? You know how the long strong stakes were driven down deep into the earth so they can hold against the fierce tugging of the ropes that keep the tent stretched. And you know very well that the bigger the tent the longer the ropes must be and the stronger the stakes.

The work we southern Baptist folks—

three millions of us—have been doing has not reached far enough or deep enough but now we are determined to change that state of affairs. Can we in this R.A. chapter do anything to add to the strength of the great Southern Baptist Convention?

Why of course we can! Our program last month told about one way to do it. Who remembers? That's right! Get more boys in the chapter. Now what shall we do with these fellows after we get them? Teach them about our great boards that carry on the business of the convention. Yes, and we must teach them about the work of our own church and Sunday school, too, because after all the strength of the local church decides the strength of the great denomination. Another thing we can and must do is to "render unto God that which is God's" of the money that comes into our hands.

SECOND MEETING

Topic—Partnership with God

Hymn—Work for the Night Is Coming
Prayer

Bible Reading—Matthew 25:14-30

Hymn—Bringing in the Sheaves

Reading of Leaflet—"Tithes of All I Possess" (See page 3)

Responsive Reading—11 Chron. 24:4, 8-11

The people who love to go to God's house gladly and willingly bring money for God's work.

Prayer—That every member of this R.A. chapter may become a faithful steward
Hymn—I Gave My Life for Thee
Offering. Business. Closing Exercises

"Give as you would if an angel

Awaited your gift at the door;

Give as you would if tomorrow

Found you where giving would be no more;

Give as you would to the Master

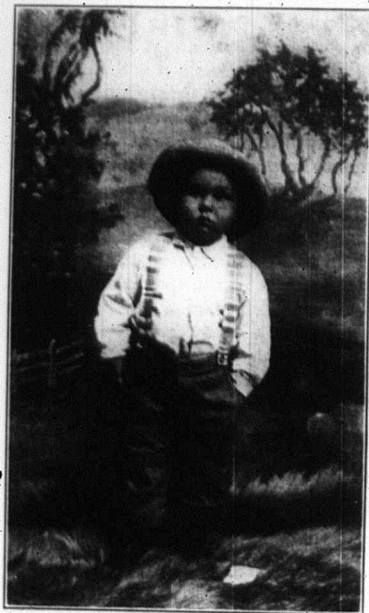
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Give as you would of your substance

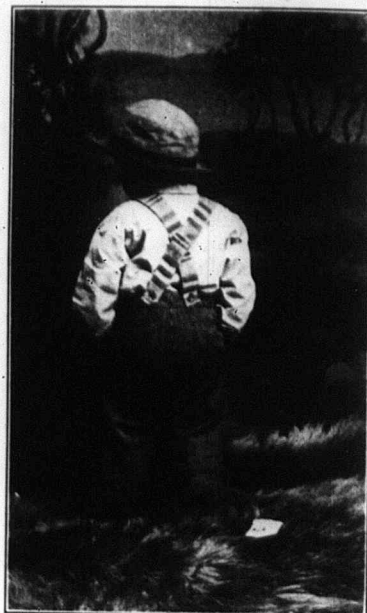
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SUNBEAM PROGRAMS



"OH, I FORGOT MY SUNBEAM OFFERING"



"I'M GOING RIGHT BACK TO GET IT"

FIRST MEETING

SUBJECT—Honesty

HYMN—God Who Made the Earth

PRAYER—For Honest Hearts

BIBLE LESSON—Psalm 48:9-14

LEADER'S TALK—The Tithe

EXERCISE—What We Four Can Do

HYMN—O What Can Little Hands Do

CLOSING EXERCISES

Thought for Bible Lesson: We live upon the earth. God made it most beautiful and placed us upon it; here we must make our home until we go to live with Him in heaven. So the earth belongs to God and is ours only to use. All that we have, love, parents, home, money, belong to Him. He wants us to pay a very little rent to Him, only one tenth. With grateful hearts we must render, or pay, to Him in love, thankfulness, gifts and service all that we owe. Shall we do it?

The Tithe

In the very last book of the Old Testament we read these words: "Will a man rob God? yet ye rob me . . . in tithes

and offerings". A *tithe* is a tenth, just a small part of what we have. The *offering* is what we really give. Does it not seem a terrible thing to take what does not belong

to us? It is very hard for us to think that any child would rob God. Perhaps because we cannot see Him it is harder for us to understand how this can be. It is this way: keeping back is the same as taking from. If we keep back what we owe to God we are not honest with Him. So we must give back to Him a part of all the blessings He has given to us. A part of our money, our time and our service belong to Him. If we do this it will make us so happy that we will want to do more. Just try it and see! See how much love and how many thank-offerings we will want to add to the tithe or tenth which we have paid to Him; you see paying the tenth is sure to lead to thank-offerings.

Note to Leader: Make a row of ten circles on the blackboard (use this for both meetings). Call them either pennies, dimes or dollars. Explain the tithe and write in center of first circle "Paid to God". Ask children to tell of blessings they have. Count them. Keep record for next meeting when subject will be "Gifts". In the exercise "What We Four Can Do" have the first and second child hold up, on short rods, circles. Mark one "Pennies" the other "Dimes". The third and fourth child should hold up cards marked \$1 and \$10 respectively. At second meeting recall number of blessings and have children decide how much should be given as thank-offering, which will *not* include tithe. Explain the difference between a debt and a gift. There are many illustrations for this. (See other programs.)

What We Four Can Do

First child: I am one penny as you see (holds up circle), one tenth of a dime. But even I can go into the world as a missionary, for there will go with me many other pennies. When we get together we will be dollars for God. With us "tenths" will go many thank-offering pennies. Until there will be enough to pay the missionary who will go to preach the Gospel in our stead. Pennies can preach!

Second Child: I am one dime, the tenth of a dollar (holds up circle). We go into the same Sunbeam Bank with the pennies. God blesses all that is paid or given to Him, both great and small. Other dimes offered to Him with willing, thankful hearts will

join us. What a splendid journey they will take! What happiness our missionaries will bring to those who have not yet learned to love God! Shall we send them? Dimes can decide.

Third Child: I am a dollar (holds up card). I can do one hundred times as much as the penny and ten times as much as the dime can do. I can pay a Chinese teacher in a mission school for two whole weeks. I could hire a cart to take a missionary out into the country twenty-five miles to preach the Gospel. God uses me with the pennies and the dimes. He will credit us with what we have repaid to Him and rejoice over what we will add as real gifts to Him. How many missionaries shall we send? Dollars will direct.

Fourth Child: I am a ten dollar bill (holds up card). But I am not a bit stuck up, for where would I be if it were not for the pennies and dimes and dollars? They all help me to scatter sunshine into dark homes where little children live. The Sunbeams are going to send a bunch of-tithing and thank-offering dollars and dimes and pennies to help make up the Baptist 75 Million Dollars we are campaigning for. We want to be in it! Dollars for foreign and home missions, dollars for teachers and doctors for the children, dollars for the dear, tired old ministers who baptized and married our fathers and mothers. We love them for all they have done for God and for us. May God bless them. Ten dollar bills will take care of them!

Fifth Child:

Somebody said that it couldn't be done,

But we with a chuckle reply

That "maybe it couldn't, but we will be one Lot of kids who are going to try."

So we'll buckle right in with the trace of a grin

On our faces. No one can forbid it.

And we'll start to sing as we tackle the thing.

In December we'll tell you we did it!

(With apologies)

All: (Holding up circles and cards and repeating very slowly:)

You see what a lot we can do.

If you multiply us by two

We could double our crew—

To work with the millions—Whew!

SECOND MEETING

SUBJECT—Gifts
SINGING—Selected by the Children
BIBLE LESSON—John 3:16
PRAYER—For Grateful Hearts
HYMN—Jesus Loves Me
RECITATION—What Children Can Do
TALK—By Leader
SENTENCE PRAYERS
HYMN—Be a Little Sunbeam
BUSINESS. OFFERING. CLOSING EXERCISES

Thought for Bible Lesson: Love is the best gift that can come to us. Other gifts would be worthless without it. When we love we give. Think a moment and see if this is not so. How much God must love the world: He gave the best thing He had that it might be saved—His only Son, Jesus Christ. Is there too much we can do for such a loving God as this? As long as we live we must love, praise and give ourselves, our money and all that we have to God in gratitude for His "Gift" to us.

Leader's Talk: Now I think we know the difference between a tithe and a gift. One is paying what we owe,—being honest. The other is a love-gift, a thank-offering to God for His Son and for His goodness and mercy to us. You will remember that we counted our blessings at our last meeting. Here they are. (Enumerate them.) Now as we have cut off one circle (mark off first circle) to pay our debt let us see what we must do with the nine other circles. We can make thank-offerings of all of them, giving some to send the Gospel to the unsaved people of the earth and those that are left we can thankfully use for our own needs. In our work and our play we can thank Him. At morning, noon and night we can say a thankful prayer to Him. He always hears us. That is one of the things we can thank Him for—being always ready to listen to and answer our prayers. Shall we have a number of thankful prayers? (Previous to talk have a number of sentence prayers with gratitude sentiment in them distributed to older children.)

What Children Can Do

There are words for little lips, sweetest words of hope and cheer;
They will have the spell of music for many a tired ear;
Don't you wish your gentle words might lead some soul to look above,
Finding rest and peace and guidance in the dear Redeemer's love?

There's room for children's service in this busy world of ours;

We need them as we need the birds and need the summer flowers;

And their help at task and toiling the church of God may claim

And gather the little flowers in Jesus' holy name.

There are songs which children only are glad enough to sing;

Songs that are as full of sunshine as the sunniest hours of spring;

Won't you sing them till our sorrows seem the easier to bear,

As we see how safe we're sheltered in our blessed Saviour's care?

Yes, there's always work in plenty for the little ones to do;

Something waiting every day that none may try but you;

Little burdens you may lift, little steps that you may take,

Heavy hearts that you may comfort, doing it for Jesus' sake.

—Margaret E. Sangster

Closing Recitation:

"Count your many blessings,
Name them one by one;
Count your many blessings,
See what God has done."



FROM OUR MISSIONARIES



POOI TO

WHAT is Pooi To? It is our central girls' school in South China, located in Canton. And why should our women of America especially know about Pooi To? For one reason, because it was established in the year 1888, the same year our own W.M.U. was organized in America. And, just as through the W.M.U. many of our women in America have come to know Jesus in a deeper sense, which has lead them to give of themselves, of their time, their money and their prayers, that Jesus Christ might be given to all the world, so have many girls through Pooi To been brought to know Christ, first in the salvation of their own souls and then in giving Him, at the cost of persecution and sacrifice many times, to their own sisters in China.

How many of you know what the name Pooi To means? It means: 'Nourishing or cultivating the truth as it is found in Jesus Christ'. Is not that a good name? Does it live up to its name you may ask. For answer I will call attention to only a few of its activities. Any Sunday morning just go with me to five of the six Sunday schools on our compound (the sixth is entirely for boys), so scattered because the church house will not hold them, and there you will find our girls either as pupils or teachers, and, in most places, both. Or look into the church at the preaching service and see row after row of Pooi To girls or, as on the last Sunday before commencement, see one of our teachers and four of her pupils all being examined for church membership and afterwards being baptized into the church. The teacher has been an earnest Christian for years but was a member of another denomination; through her daily study of the Bible in our school, she came to see the true New Testament teachings and so has become a member of our own Tung Shan Baptist Church. Some of those girls, who were baptized that day, already knew something of the hardships they would have to endure. One of the girls is the only Christian in her family.

Go with me as I accompany some of our

girls on Sunday afternoon down into two villages near by and see them gather the women and children from the streets into a house, which they have previously rented for the purpose, and listen to them tell the story of Jesus to these women whose very faces and forms show that the light of Jesus Christ has never touched their lives. In another room one or two girls are teaching the children the song "Jesus Loves Me"; and then telling them who Jesus is and how to believe in Him. Perhaps some night you will go with me into another village and there find in a little rented house (the girls give of their own little bit of money to rent these houses) some of the Pooi To girls, teaching some girls and women how to read that they may be able to read their Bibles, and each night telling them the "Old, Old Story" as found in His word.

Again will you quietly walk from our door some evening about twilight past a group of girls or perhaps only two girls and, as you slowly go by, listen to what they are saying. What would most school girls in America be talking about? Boys, clothes, the way their hair should be worn? These girls may be talking about what it means to be a Christian, what Christ does for people, how to be saved. Perhaps one in that group is not a Christian and some one is doing some personal work. That does not mean that they never talk of anything else; they are real girls, just as much as our girls in America. Watch them enjoy a game of volley ball or see them on some social evening or go with them over to the Boys' School to some entertainment. Yes, they are real girls.

What is the Pooi To School doing? It is giving many girls, and especially Baptist girls in South China, an opportunity to get an education, beginning with the primary work and going right on up through the high school. We hope some day to have a junior college. A daily study of the Bible from the first grade throughout is a part of the work. There is also given some normal work in the higher classes, and this fur-

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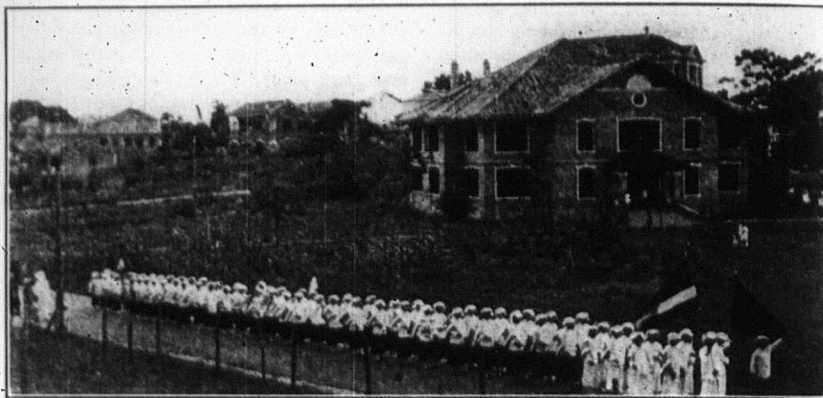
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TRAINING SCHOOL



SOME OF THE POOI TO GIRLS IN CHINESE PATRIOTIC PARADE (See page 23)

OPENING OF THE TRAINING SCHOOL

THE prospects for the coming session are very bright, and best of all is the coming home of our beloved principal, Mrs. Maud B. McLure, after spending last-session in war work and in rest. She is happy in the recent safe return of her son from France and Germany, and we rejoice with her. Another cause for congratulation is the large number of students who have been accepted, coming from eighteen states, one a missionary from China and one from far-off south Africa, under appointment of the English Baptists. She comes to this country for training because her brother is here, assistant to Dr. Broughton in Knoxville. Our capacity of 120 is almost reached. We had faith to pray only for one hundred!

The improvements in the building are finished, including the making of a larger classroom by taking down some partitions, putting in a tiled floor and buying many desk chairs. The office now opens upon the entrance hall, with double doors corresponding with the library opposite. This will be a great convenience and saving of time for those, who answer the bell, and better in other ways. One of the smaller rooms will furnish a quiet reading-room for the girls. The walls of these rooms, the sun-parlors, halls and some bedrooms are immaculate in their new dress of buff, reflecting the smiles of welcome that always greet the new-comer. The partitions which shut off the west wing while rented to the Y.W.C.A. have been removed, and these rooms furnished and put in order for the use of our students. Little did we dream when the House Beautiful was opened two years ago that it would so soon be filled with young women, eager to be fitted for service in the kingdom. Most fortunate is it that we have \$300,000 promised as the Training School's share of the \$75,000,000 campaign, since a part of it will shortly be needed to extend the west wing and thus supply more bedrooms.

Mrs. George B. Eager has had a very busy summer, looking after workmen and furnishings and attending to the large correspondence, writing with her own hands the many letters required. Our Union owes her a lasting debt of gratitude for the executive ability so long at our service and her devotion to the interests of the school. Let us thank God for such women as Mrs. Eager and Mrs. McLure to direct and guide the Training School and leave their impress upon the young women who are going into all the world to tell the good news of salvation.—*Eliza S. Broadus*

CURRENT EVENTS

THE WORLD FIELD

ONE ninth of the four million school children in India are in mission schools. Of these about 330,000 are boys and 100,000 are girls. Christians throughout India have a higher standard of literacy than any other class, especially for girls, but the need for schools is far from being met.

In the city of Syracuse, New York, there is a business firm of several brothers. Lately it seemed necessary to expand. Bankers expressed great readiness to loan the firm money. It was discovered, however, that a per cent. of the income was to be paid to the kingdom of God—a first claim. Bankers withdrew their offer as banks must have the first claim. The brothers conferred and decided to take a secret vote in order that each one might act independently. When the result was announced it showed every brother had voted against the cancellation of this declaration of stewardship. They enlarged without the aid of the bankers.

The war cost the seven great belligerents 134 billion dollars. The daily average cost was \$107,500,000. Every time the hour hand of the clock made a full circuit, \$4,479,600 went up in smoke and thunder. Since the war Americans have learned a great deal about money. They find that they can part with it. May this lesson be so thoroughly learned by southern Baptists that our 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN will be as readily met as were any of the Liberty Loans, and may there always be a campaign for God's work so that we may keep in practice the lesson learned.

Perhaps the most practical thing about the present day stewardship message is that it points out that money is the acid test of genuine devotion to the kingdom of God. In the case of John S. Huyler, head of the Huyler candy stores, the test must have lost its acidity and become a pleasant experience, for he says: "I heard the preachers say that a man should give one-

tenth to the Lord; I did this and after a while I gave one-fifth, later a fourth, then one-half, and then I ceased to keep account." No one doubts that the account is kept elsewhere.

If every church member in the United States tithed there would be something over a billion of dollars every year for the Christianizing of the world. This sounds incredible but it is figured this way: There are over 40,500,000 church members in the United States and the per capita income is \$500—multiply and take the tithe of it and you get an astonishing result. If the gifts which should be over and above the tithe were added to this amount what might not Christians do for the kingdom of God. Imagine the sick little children everywhere being cared for, the millions of souls brought to Christ, every church having a social service house, Christian education for all! In fact the dawn of a new world would rise on our astonished vision.

Two Chinese laundrymen, brothers, living in Paducah, Kentucky, became interested in Christianity and after a time were received as members of the church. For three years they were not only regular attendants but liberal contributors. They decided to return to China, and before leaving handed the pastor an envelope containing their subscription for the remainder of the year, and asked for their church letter in order to be received into the church in China. Here is an example for wandering American church members.

Andrew Carnegie's definition of the duties of a man of wealth was: "To set an example of modest, unostentatious living, shunning display and extravagance; to provide moderately for legitimate wants; and, after doing so, to consider the surplus simply as trust to be administered in a way best calculated to produce beneficial results to others." Even from a moral viewpoint the possession of money brings high obligations.



UNION NOTES



ROUND TABLE

The tithe is the Lord's.—Lev. 27:30

Cords will be decidedly lengthened and stakes will be surely strengthened if the homeless churches are adequately housed. Dr. Gray has recently said that if during the 5-year campaign the Home Mission Board should invest one million dollars each year in loans to the homeless churches they would themselves raise fifteen millions for those buildings and would in turn become regular contributors to every phase of denominational work. So well-known is this fact that there is a Church Building Loan Fund slogan as follows: "Churches helped today are churches helping tomorrow". This is peculiarly gratifying to all who have made gifts or pledges to the fund. Many of these pledges fall due this November. The payment of them will count on the BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN so do not wait until after Victory Week to pay your pledge if it is due. Equally true is it that new subscriptions to this fund, in the way of memorials or otherwise, will count in the campaign total. Many individuals and societies, through the impetus engendered by the campaign, will find it easy or at least possible to establish a memorial of \$500 or more. Not only will such pledges count in the great campaign but when redeemed they will also count greatly in the lengthening of many Christian cords and the strengthening of many Baptist stakes.

Ye tithe: 'this' ye ought to have doné.—Matt. 23:23

One of the most romantic gifts of the campaign was that for two hundred thousand dollars by a full-blood Creek Indian of Oklahoma. The recital of it called to mind the gift by a Maryland Baptist years ago of \$2,500 to the Home Mission Board and of how this gift was used to build the church for the Creek Indians. As the memory turned to those

early days, one of the workers bore testimony to the unflinching interest which the Woman's Missionary Union manifested in that church and in other frontier missions. The same is undoubtedly true today, for many societies, in addition to the added duties of the BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN, have packed the boxes for the frontier missionaries. However, there are still a number of these letters still unclaimed by societies which even out of their own poverty can abound to liberality in behalf of the frontier missionary and his family. The cold winter cometh apace. If you can possibly do so, arrange to pack a box and write at once for a frontier letter to W.M.U. Headquarters, 15 W. Franklin Street, Baltimore, Md. "Inasmuch: ye did it unto Me."

Will a man rob God? Wherein have we robbed Thee? In tithes and offerings.—Mal. 3:7-8

No structure is surer than its foundation. That is one very strong reason why the Woman's Missionary Union has always encouraged its societies to study missions. Such study is real foundation work. Thereby cords of interest are lengthened and stakes of generosity are strengthened. November is the ideal month for organizing a mission study class. Some may say: "Can we do this and carry on also our part in the campaign?" The answer is: "Yes, indeed, busy people can always be counted on to do more and such a class will help decidedly to win the victory!" A splendid book for study is "Stewardship and Missions", price 40c from Baptist Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. A full list of books, for both women and young people will be found on pages 62-64 of the W.M.U. Year Book.

Bring the whole tithe and prove Me, saith Jehovah, if I will not pour you out a blessing.—Mal. 3:10

In the department "From Our Missionaries" on pages 23-25 will be found two articles which are to be used in the January Week of Prayer for World Wide Missions. Be sure, therefore, to keep this issue for that occasion. The first of these articles is by Miss Flora Dodson of Canton, China, and is entitled "Pooi To". It will be needed for the W.M.S. program on Monday, January 5. The second article is by Mrs. C. K. Dozier of Fukuoka, Japan. It is called "What of Japan?" and will be used by the W.M.S. on Tuesday, January 6. It is easily seen after reading these articles how necessary it is to keep them for use with the January Week of Prayer programs.

One thing thou lackest: Go, sell and give and thou shalt have.—Mark 10:21

The story to the contrary, one knows that even Topsy didn't "just grow". Everything is the result of definite planning. Thus it is that the programs and leaflets for the January Week of Prayer are the gift of much thought and loving preparation on the part of many of our devoted women foreign missionaries. A slight innovation is a delight this year through the fact that to a certain "mission" was entrusted the preparation of both the program and the leaflet and other supplemental material for a definite day. For instance, the women of the South China Mission were asked to furnish everything for Wednesday, January 7. For the rich gift of these programs and leaflets the Union is deeply indebted to: Mrs. John Lake, Mrs. J. M. Gaston, Mrs. P. H. Anderson, Miss Lora Clement, Miss Blanche Rose Walker, Miss Addie Estelle Cox, Mrs. H. F. Buckner, Miss Flora Dodson, Miss Margie Shumate and Miss Sarah Funderburke of China; Mrs. C. K. Dozier, Mrs. G. W. Bouldin, Miss Carrie Hooker Chiles and Miss Florence Walne of Japan; Mrs. D. G. Whittinghill of Italy; and Rev. and Mrs. M. G. White, Mrs. J. L. Downing, Mrs. A. J. Terry and Miss Pauline White of Brazil.

Give and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over.—Luke 6:38

The initials H.C.L. are so well understood these days that the very thought of them produces about the same effect upon one's pocketbook that their other meaning, hydrochloric acid, does! If this is true of individuals how much more so is it of an institution like the W.M.U. Training School in Louisville, Ky. How greatly it will reduce the expenses there if many individuals and societies will send to it boxes of canned fruits and vegetables, barrels of apples and other fruit, home-cured meats and dressed poultry, cakes and the like. November contains the great Thanksgiving Day. Lovely and helpful it will indeed be if the school receives many such "Harvest Home" gifts during November. The address is W.M.U. Training School, 334 East Broadway, Louisville, Ky. The sender's name and address should be clearly given on the package so that thanks may be sent.

With what measure ye mete it shall be measured to you again.—Luke 6:38

The multiplication table in the G.A. program makes an interesting study. Turn to it on page 18. It may be that through its simple scheme you can show many women and young people that they can easily make a larger pledge than they planned to make during Victory Week. Of course the table should be carried far beyond \$500 to meet the grateful generosity of many women.

Seek ye first His Kingdom and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you.—Matt. 6:33

Mrs. Janie Cree Bose spent most of August and September out on the field in the interest of the BAPTIST 75 MILLION CAMPAIGN, visiting Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Tennessee, Georgia and South Carolina, traveling over 4700 miles and making 26 talks. The interest was encouraging in each place. Mrs. W. J. Neel has kept busy in the Nashville office and has also been able to do some field work. Miss Ethel Winfield took up her work in the Baltimore office the first week in September. Once more gratitude is expressed for these three helpers.

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secretary made the startling statement recently that if three million southern Baptists had the same holy zeal, Christ-like compassion and unselfish love for the lost that the first Christian church possessed, they could, unaided by any other denomination, with their own men and resources, give the Gospel to every creature on the earth in the next five years! The 75 Million Campaign is wondrously and gloriously reviving this early church zeal and world-wide compassion in the hearts of Baptists. The Spirit of God is moving anew through His church. Men and women everywhere are showing signs of quickened and enlarged spiritual life, as they volunteer for Kingdom service, freely join intercession leagues and bring all the tithe and free-will offerings into God's storehouse. Baptist stewards are entering with understanding and with a will into partnership and fellowship with their God in the great 5-year program. With the fellowship in service and sacrifice will come a fellowship in the joys of victory—the victory of winning millions for the Master. God forbid that a single Baptist woman shall miss the unspeakable joy of fellowship in this victory!—Mrs. W. J. Neel, W.M.U. Campaign Director

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THIRD WEEK: My Time—a Trust

Matt. 25:1-13. We have not time for everything in the world. We must choose. Be sure your opportunity does not go by while you sleep. Matt. 5:38-48. No time for grudges. Does this have anything to do with war? Luke 10:25-37. Who is my neighbor and what am I doing for him? Matt. 28:19-20. The world is coming to you just now. What are you doing for your bit of the world? James 1:19-27; 2:14-22, 24; James 4:17

FOURTH WEEK: My Life—a Trust

Matt. 4:5-7. Do we try to "get there" by short cuts? It takes years to grow an oak tree, but a weed springs up overnight. Matt. 4:8-11. Are we getting there at expense to principle? Matt. 10:34-39. How much have you lost following your own desires, through laziness or fear of being misunderstood? John 17:19. After all have I anything to give but myself and, if that is not true, can my gift have any real value? Phil. 3:12-16. Do you ever forget that you had a purpose? Luke 5:1-11. Is one reason why our lives are not fuller, because we stay in the shallows, afraid to push out into the deep things of life? Hebrews 12:1-2; Matt 5:47-48. "We test our lives by thine."

G. A. PROGRAM

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are told that this mighty host are willing servants all of one great Master, whose Word they hold in reverence and whose commandments they count their law. Even the vast wealth they hold is accounted not their own but His, and to Him they render account of their stewardship and to Him they make return according to His law, a tithe of all their increase and love-gifts not a few. Such is His express desire.

Now it came to pass in days but shortly gone that an accounting of all their wealth was made by governors among the peoples and behold, there was sorrow in the land when it was found that through careless-

ness and because of indifference to the Master's command, much money, amounting even to millions of dollars, belonging to the Master's tithe had been lost.

Then it came to pass that the people set themselves to find the Master's millions, which were lost, and they searched each one first his own heart if haply some part might be found in their own pockets and when they remembered tithes unpaid and gifts ungiven, when they remembered useless extravagances and hurtful self-indulgences, behold there was need to seek no further. The Master's millions were found and poured out in His treasury and His people went forth in deep humility to walk more faithfully in His way.

VIRGINIA THE BANNER STATE

One of the interesting summer contests is the one for subscriptions and renewals for ROYAL SERVICE. The total number secured was 10,253. One day Illinois sent in 59 names, another day Kentucky sent in 52, while New Mexico also had a fine record. The victory was won by Virginia, which has a habit of winning many victories. The six highest contestants are:

Virginia.....	1418
Kentucky.....	1201
North Carolina.....	1174
Texas.....	1022
South Carolina.....	992
Alabama.....	824



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Girl's Auxiliary	25 cents
Royal Ambassador	25 cents
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Sunbeam (gilt)	15 cents

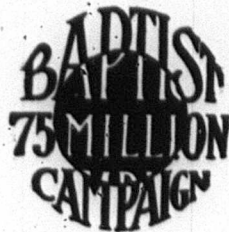
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“The silver is mine, and the gold is mine,” saith Jehovah.

“Hence, it is required in stewards that a man be faithful.”

How Does YOUR Account Stand?